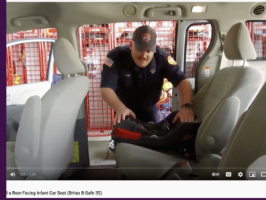
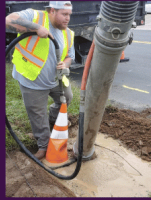


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Excellence.....

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Friday, March 24, 2023



The **Franklin Police Department** was lit up in blue last night in honor of **Police Officer 2-Jeff Carson** who passed away a year ago. As I said at the time of his passing, Jeff was a great Officer who cared deeply about the community, his PD

family, and taking care of people. Prior to joining the Franklin Police Department in 2008. Jeff was a successful country music singer and songwriter who had 14 singles on the Billboard chart. Please continue to keep his family, friends, and colleagues in your thoughts and prayers.

Our **Planning and Sustainability Department** had two successful open house/public meetings for the **Envision Franklin Update**. The meetings, attended by hundreds, were held at Columbia State Community College. Attendees had the opportunity to comment on the current Envision Franklin Plan and give suggestions for the update. An online survey is coming soon for people who could not attend meetings in-person.





A delegation from our **Sister City - County Laois, Ireland**, visited Franklin this week. **Mayor Moore** and I talked to them about our community and took them on a tour of City Hall. They also took a tour of **Franklin Fire Station 6 in Cool Springs**, which included a walk inside FFD's Hazmat 6 apparatus, high-tech gear demonstrations, and they even experienced some heat of their own thanks to the Nashville hot chicken served at lunch!

Congratulations and a big THANK YOU to Police Officer-2 Rose Steagall who is retiring after 18 years with the Franklin Police Department. Rose's service to her fellow citizens began during her earlier career as a paramedic. Steagall will be celebrated by family, friends, and colleagues during her retirement ceremony at Franklin Police Headquarters today at 2:00 p.m. Anyone who knows or loves her is welcome to attend.

<https://www.franklintn.gov/.../Compo.../News/News/10839/1801>



Join the Franklin Parks Department for the **7th annual Kids Arts Festival of Tennessee tomorrow 10am-2pm at Pinkerton Park**. Winning art from the children will be displayed at the Fire Hall Art Gallery in City Hall in Downtown Franklin. The event will feature art stops, stage performers and more!

Welcome to our new City team members this week, all with the Franklin Fire Department!



Misty Bingham, Firefighter

Misty is from Tega Cay, South Carolina. She enjoys hiking, camping, snowboarding, and spending time with her Golden Retriever, Chief. Misty has a master's degree from Trevecca University and previously worked for the City of Raleigh Fire Department.

Danielle Smith, Firefighter

Danielle is from Baltimore, Maryland. She enjoys music, leatherworking, being crafty and spending time with her dog, Teddy. Danielle previously worked for the Baltimore County Fire Department.

Evan Foulks, Firefighter

Evan is from Murfreesboro and is engaged! Congratulations! Evan graduated from Liberty University and previously worked for the Hendersonville Fire Department and Murfreesboro Fire Department. He is also a 3rd generation firefighter!

Zane Fischer, Firefighter

Zane is from Murfreesboro. He is married and has one son, one daughter and a dog named Chloe. Zane enjoys golfing, music and spending time with family and friends. Zane previously worked for the Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department.

John McCombs, Firefighter

John is from Greenhill, Alabama. He has a four-year-old son and a one-year-old daughter. John enjoys camping, anything outdoors and spending time with family. He has a bachelor's from University of North Alabama and previously worked for Columbia Fire & Rescue.

REMINDER: We are currently accepting nominations for the **1st Quarter** of the **Employee of the Quarter 2023 Program**. You can submit paper nominations by coming into the Human Resource Department within City Hall or via email by filling out the attached nomination form.

As a reminder, the guidelines are as follows:

- **Any employee** can be nominated
- HR will accept unlimited nominations during the nomination window for each quarter
- **Nomination forms** are attached and will also be available on *Inside the City*
- **Two employees will be selected per quarter** by a committee made up of your peers!
- Completed nomination forms can be emailed to nomination@franklintn.gov or by dropping off the form in the HR Office.

Let's acknowledge and recognize those who are doing a great job at the City of Franklin! **Deadline is March 31**. Questions? Please contact Cara.rives@franklintn.gov

Last week, I was on vacation in **Alexandria, Virginia** visiting my daughter. On the recommendation of a friend, my wife and I went to the **U.S. Army Museum**. It was a great museum! I was especially thrilled to see a marker with **U.S. Army Sergeant First Class (and Franklin Police Officer) Leigh Ann Hester's "soldier story"** on it! **Leigh Ann was Federalized from the Kentucky National Guard for combat duty in Iraq. She was the first woman since World War II to earn the Silver Star.** Attached is a photo of me with the marker. This is such a well-deserved recognition. Detective Hester is currently deployed with the U.S. Army and expects to deploy to Kuwait in May. We are proud of Leigh Ann and her service to our nation and our community.

That's it for this week. Have a great weekend and thanks for *all* you do!



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