

Friday, October 27, 2023

Happy Friday, Team!

The Franklin municipal election was held Tuesday. Mayor Ken Moore was re-elected. Aldermen Clyde Barnhill, Ann Petersen, and Brandy Blanton were also re-elected by voters. Greg Caesar will join BOMA as a newly elected At-Large Alderman. This year's election saw a record turnout and a decisive majority vote by Franklin citizens for winning candidates. These folks will be sworn in on November 14 at the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) meeting.

REMINDER-Please consider joining the Mentorship Program as a mentor or mentee! Applications for the 2024 Mentorship Program are being accepted in HR or can be emailed to mentorship@franklintn.gov until **November 3rd**.

- Do you want to find more information, including applications for the program? Click here: Mentorship Program
- Watch a quick video that explains the program by clicking here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RnkCQgqnbtw
- Do you have more questions? Email: mentorship@franklintn.gov

Considering the recent shootings in Maine, the **Franklin Police Department** is holding **two active shooter training classes for the public**. The dates are below.

- Tuesday, November 14, 6 PM, Franklin Police Community Room, 900 Columbia Ave
- Tuesday, December 12, 6 PM, Franklin Police Community Room, 900 Columbia Ave



The Franklin Police Department also graduated their Citizens Government Academy class this week. Thirteen people attended the 8-week course. The course presents an overview of a professional law enforcement agency. Students networked with senior FPD staff and members of almost every facet of the Franklin Police Department. Participants also get a ride-along as part of the class activities. Special thanks to Officer Ryan Schuman who does a great job with this academy every year!

Also from the Franklin PD, we say goodbye to Lt. Charles Warner as he retires today! Charlie has served the Franklin Police Department for the last 25 years. He started as a police officer for 2½ years and then was promoted to detective and worked with the FBI's Violent Crimes Task Force. He received three U.S. Attorney's Office Awards for Excellence in Law Enforcement for his work in bank robbery, murder for hire, organized crime, and child exploitation cases. Charlie worked as a Sergeant in the Criminal Investigation Division and was promoted to Lieutenant in 2015. He helped to bring the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to Franklin and helped to create the FPD's Media and Public Affairs office. He has served as the Franklin Police Department spokesperson since 2008. Please stop by Lt. Warner's retirement party today from 3:00-4:00 pm at the Franklin Police Department

The Franklin Fire Department is partnering with Williamson County Fire/Rescue to present a Fire Safety Workshop for children who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families on Saturday, October 28. The event will take place from 9-11 AM, at Williamson County Station 24, 2646 Goose Creek Bypass. It will feature the Franklin Fire Department's Family Safety House, an interactive, educational trailer where children learn fire safety and survival skills. Deaf educators and firefighters will be there to provide children and their families with the tips and tools they need to stay safe, including free visual carbon monoxide alarms. Attendees may also sign up for free Safe Awake alarms to be installed by their local fire departments. The event is free, but registration is required. You'll find a link to the sign-up form on the Franklin Fire Department's website under the events section on the home page: www.franklintn.gov/fire - go to the events section and sign up there.

Information from our Human Resources Department:



The **Health & Safety Fair** at **Rolling Hills Community Church** was a huge success. Thank you to all employees who volunteered and participated in the event. Enjoy a few photos taken by **Joey Echeverria** in Communications. And a **special congratulat**ions to our **Finance Team who won the Jeopardy Contest!**



Calling all GHOULS and GHOSTS! The COF Halloween Party is NEXT **MONDAY!!** Don't miss out on this fiendishly fun time! In case you haven't heard, here's what we have in store:

There will be THREE fun Contests!

- 1. Costume (Individual and Group/Department)
- 2. Pumpkin Carving
- 3. Dress up your Pet

Here's how it works:

- 1. **Individual Costume Contest**: come in person OR send in a picture of yourself in your costume. Please note: We are not able to assist with special audio, visual, or props for the inperson costume contest. **Deadline for virtual submissions is noon on Friday, Oct 27th.**
- 2. Group Costume Contest: Register your group/department by noon on Friday, Oct. 27th. Limit of 6 groups, so register your team today! The first 6 to register will be part of the contest! Group contest is in-person only. ** we still have 3 spots available!
- 3. **Pumpkin Carving**: come in person with your carved/decorated pumpkin **OR** send a picture of your creation to us. **Deadline for virtual submissions is noon on Friday, Oct 27th.**
- **3. Dress up your Pet** Just like last year, ALL submissions are virtual for this category. (Sorry, no pets will be allowed to attend the event.) **Deadline for submissions is noon on Friday, Oct 27th.**

That's it for now. Pumpkinfest is happening on Saturday. Thank you to our special events team members and everyone working at Pumpkinfest who make this a fun, safe event for all!

Thanks for *all* you do!







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