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Citizen eNewsletter

Fire Department Recognized as Safety Partner of the Year



FF Brent Russell & Captain Mike Williams receive
Safety Partner award on behalf of SFD.

The [Sevierville Fire Department](#) has been recognized as a "Safety Partner of the Year" by Children's Hospital in Knoxville. The award was presented for the department's continued efforts to improve child safety by conducting child car seat safety inspections and installations.

"We take the safety of our children seriously and our firefighters know first hand the difference that properly installed car safety seats can make," said SFD Chief Matt Henderson.

Throughout the year, the SFD schedules free child safety seat inspections. These events are posted on the Sevierville Fire Department and City of Sevierville Facebook pages. Firefighters also perform free inspections by appointment at the main station downtown on Prince Street and the substation on Collier Drive. To make an appointment, please call 865-453-9276.

Family Aquatic Center at City Park Opens May 27

The [Department of Parks and Recreation](#) announces the opening of the Family Aquatic Center (outdoor pool, slide and splash play area) at City Park for the summer season on Saturday, May 27, 2017.



The operating hours for the season are 11AM-5PM Monday-Saturday and 1PM-5PM Sunday. (The Family Aquatic Center will close @ 4PM on June 6, 8, 13 and 27.)

Daily admission is \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children and senior adults, and \$2.50 for spectators. Reduced fee booklets are available. For more information, click [here](#).

Get Ready...Here Comes Bloomin' BBQ & Bluegrass in Sevierville!

Sevierville's thirteenth annual [Bloomin' Barbeque & Bluegrass](#) will take place May 19-20, 2017. This family-friendly event will once again bring barbeque cook teams from all over the United States to Sevierville to compete for \$17,500 in cash and prizes and the title of Tennessee State Champion in the Bush's Best TN State Championship Cook Off. Rounding out the event is toe-tapping bluegrass music, incredible arts and crafts, kids' games and the Mountain Soul Vocal Competition honoring Sevierville's favorite hometown girl, Dolly Parton.



Catch live, free concerts on three stages at Bloomin' BBQ & Bluegrass.

Take a little time to visit with the barbeque cook teams you've seen on cable channels like the Food Network as you stroll through the "Que Zone." Then make sure you bring a lawn chair for the free bluegrass concerts with rising stars and legends of the bluegrass genre, including Hogslop String Band, Paul Williams & The Victory Trio, The Church Sisters, Kicked Off the Train (founding members of Pine Mountain Railroad), Bill Mize, Mountain Ruckus (presented by Dixie Stampede), Lorraine Jordan & Carolina Road, Kenny & Amanda Smith Band, Joe Mullins & Radio Ramblers, and Ricky Skaggs & Kentucky Thunder.

For more information, visit BloominBBQ.com.

Kids Police Camp Scheduled in June

The annual [SPD](#) Kids Police Camp is scheduled this year from Monday, June 19 - Friday, June 23, 2017.

Camp will take place daily from 8:00AM - 4:00PM.

The purpose of Police Camp is to provide the opportunity for young men and women, 12 -14 years of age, to learn basic police skills in a SAFE, organized and structured environment.

Click [here](#) for more information.



A Police Camp participant prepares to tackle the first wall in the obstacle course.

Parks & Recreation May Events



Middle Creek Greenway construction near New Salem Baptist Church.

For outdoor and dog lovers, May offers several great [Parks and Recreation](#) events.

May 13: Grand Opening of [Sevierville's PetSafe Unleashed Dog Park](#).

May 19: Arbor Day Celebration & Grand Opening of [Middle Creek Greenway](#).

For more information on these events and other Parks & Recreation current news, click [here](#).

Mt. Ton of Fun All-Inclusive Playground Construction Continues

The City has partnered with non-profit Project Sevier, a local grass roots organization, to fund, design and build an all-inclusive playground at Sevierville City Park. [Project Sevier](#) was founded by local resident Lisa Bremer, who worked with a group from Leadership Tomorrow to develop the idea.

Inclusive playgrounds are now the

accepted method of playground construction, with the goal of integrating all children into one playground venue to build respect and relationships among children of all walks of life. The new playground is a public-private partnership between the City and Project Sevier.

Construction is underway with the goal of opening the playground by Memorial Day Weekend.

Click [here](#) for more Mt. Ton of Fun All-Inclusive Playground information.



Fire Safety Information



The [Sevierville Fire Department](#) compiles monthly fire safety information which is available [here](#).

May theme:
Gearing Up for Summer Safety

Topics include:
Arson Awareness Sky Lantern Information
Building Safety/Fire Sprinklers Hotel/Motel Safety

Police Chief Receives FBI Award

[City of Sevierville Police Department](#)

Chief Don Myers recently received the FBI- Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA) Trilogy Award. To receive the award, a law enforcement officer is required to complete the FBI - LEEDA Supervisory Leadership

Institute, Command Leadership Institute and Executive Leadership Institute schools.

These schools are attended by command and executive law enforcement leaders throughout the United States and internationally. Of the more than 15,000 law enforcement officers in the State of Tennessee, LEEDA records indicate that only 85 Tennessee officers have received the Trilogy Award since its inception.



SPD Chief Don Myers with Trilogy Award

The SPD provides numerous training opportunities for both officers and supervisors. "Education and training, along with networking and collaborating with other departments will ensure that the SPD continues to serve our community with a high level of professionalism," said Chief Myers, a 32-year veteran of law enforcement.

Chief Myers is a graduate of the 177th FBI National Academy, a recipient of the Tennessee Association of the Chiefs of Police Executive Level Leadership award, and a graduate of the University of Virginia's Weldon Center for Public Safety "Leading, Educating and Developing" program. He also has a Bachelors degree in Organization Management and a Masters degree in Public Administration.

Memorial Day Weekend Facility & Service Schedules

Facility and service schedules for the City of Sevierville in recognition of Memorial Day on Monday, May 29, 2017 are as follows:

Commercial dumpsters and cardboard regularly scheduled for pick-up on Monday, May 29 will be collected on Tuesday, May 30.

Bulk waste/junk collection scheduled to begin on Monday, May 29 will begin on Tuesday, May 30.

City Hall will be closed.

The Civic Center will be closed.

The Community Center will be closed.

The Police Department records division will be closed.

Water and Sewer Department offices will be closed. For emergency assistance please call 865-453-5522.



The Sevierville Golf Club will be open normal operating hours.

The Sevierville Family Aquatic Center at City Park will be open normal operating hours, 11:00AM-5:00PM.

The Sevierville Convention Center administrative offices will be closed.

Sevierville Convention Center May Events

The following events are open to the public this month at the [Sevierville Convention Center](#).

[K2 Volleyball Tournament](#): May 13-14.



Job Openings

City job openings are posted on [our website](#). As of the publication of this eNewsletter, the following positions were available:

- Service Worker, full-time, Public Works
- Traffic Engineer, full-time
- Reserve Firefighter, part-time, Fire Department
- Fleet Assistant, part-time, Public Works
- Grounds Keeper, part-time, Golf Club
- Cook, part-time, Golf Club
- Equipment Operator, part-time, Parks & Recreation

Upcoming Scheduled Board of Mayor & Aldermen Meeting Dates



All regular meetings of the Sevierville BMA take place at 6PM at the Sevierville Civic Center in the Municipal Complex.

May 1 & 15
June 5

[Meeting Agendas & Minutes](#)

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