

A publication from the City of White House
105 College Street ~ White House, Tennessee 37188
August 2014 - September 2014

Word on White House

Public Safety Day

Monday, September 1, 2014 (Labor Day)
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
City Park



White House Community Initiative for the Arts

1st Monday of each month
6:30 pm
Billy S. Hobbs Municipal Center
Auditorium



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August & September

Please check the City of White House's website for more frequent updates to the calendar of events at www.cityofwhitehouse.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	9:00 AM Sittercize SC 6:30 PM Zumba PR 7:00 PM Beer Board Mtg BR	12:00 PM Senior Lunch SC 1:00 PM Bingo SC	9:00 AM Sittercize SC 2:00 PM Line Dancing SC 6:45 PM Zumba PR	8	9
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31	Labor Day Holiday - Offices Closed 9:00 AM Bike Parade 10:00 AM Safety Day	9:00 AM Sittercize SC 10:30 AM Toddler Story time LB 6:30 PM Zumba PR	10:30 AM Preschool Story Time LB 12:00 PM Senior Lunch SC 1:00 PM Bingo SC	2:00 PM Homeschool Story Time LB 7:00 PM Leisure Services Board BR	5	6
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PW - Event Sponsored by Public Works
SC - Event Sponsored by Senior Center
PR - Event Sponsored by Park and Recreation

BR - Event Located at City Hall Board Chambers Room.
GN - General

LB - Event Sponsored by the Library
PD - Event Sponsored by the Police Department.
FD - Event Sponsored by the Fire Department.

White House Inn Library & Museum

The library is expanding our Saturday hours! Starting August 2nd, the library will now be open from 10:00 am-2:00 pm on Saturdays.

General Programs

⇒ The book club for adults will meet on the last Thursday in August and September for their regular meetings. To find out the book titles for each month, please call the library at 615-672-0239.

LIBRARY HOURS!

Monday: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Friday: CLOSED
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm*
Sunday: CLOSED

**New Saturday hours start August 2nd*

Holidays

The Library will be closed on September 1st for Labor Day.



Story Times

There will be **no** toddler, preschool or homeschool story times in the month of August.

Starting the first week of September

- ⇒ Toddlers will meet Tuesdays at 10:30 am
- ⇒ Preschoolers will meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 am
- ⇒ Homeschool on the first and third Thursdays at 2:00 pm

General Information

SUMNER COUNTY RESIDENTS: Please note that your recycling **will be** picked up on Friday August 1st, 15th, and 29th. There was an error in the cards that were printed and delivered to your homes.

City of White House Office Closings

September 1: Closed in observance of Labor Day

Business License Notice

Business License are renewed thru the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue. For more information call (615) 253-0600. If you have renewed your Business License and have not received a new license contact 672-4350 ext. 2100. If you have a new Business or are opening one, you will need to come by the Business License Office at 105 College St. to apply for your Business License.

White House Police Department
303 North Palmers Chapel Road
White House, TN 37188

Emergency 9-1-1
Non-Emergency 615-382-6863
General Information 615-672-4903

Free Community Information Service
Email your address to: records@cityofwhitehouse.com
Website: www.cityofwhitehouse.com

Public Services Department

Reminders Regarding Garbage Collection

- **DO NOT** use your recycling container for “**extra**” garbage service - the driver has been instructed NOT TO PICK-UP recycling containers that are full of garbage.
- As soon as practicable after such containers have been emptied they shall be removed by the owner or occupant to within, or to the rear of his premises and away from the street line until the next scheduled time for collection.
- The container must be placed no further than three (3) feet from the curbside and in an area that is free from obstruction from trees, shrubs, mailboxes, etc or in an alternate location approved by the public works director.
- Only refuse in the container will be collected.
- Customers must restrain animals beyond the reach of the refuse containers and prevent any interference with pickup men on this account.
- Every commercial establishment shall place all refuse in a city approved container, and shall maintain the container and the surrounding area in a clean, neat and sanitary condition.
- All residents, except those approved for special assistance due to age, handicap or illness shall place their wheeled container at curbside or street-side no later than 6:30 A.M. on the date of anticipated collection.



If you have any questions, please call Public Services at 615-672-3654.

Limb and Leaf Removal

Please refer to the schedule below for the collection week in your area.

1. All leaves must be bagged for collection and limbs must be no longer than **SIX** (6) feet in length.
 2. Leaves and limbs must be placed NEATLY ALONG THE curbside for the automated truck arm to reach.
 3. Please note that this program is designed for the resident who makes their own cuts, not for collection of limbs trimmed by private companies.
 4. Residents may still bring bagged leaves and limbs directly to the Public Works facility at 725 Industrial Drive free of charge during regular business hours.
 5. No dumping is allowed after hours in the front of the Public Works building or outside the gate area.
- **Week #1:** North Robertson County Residents - Includes Residences North of Hwy 76 & West of Hwy 31W
 - **Week #2:** North Sumner County Residents - Includes Residences East of Hwy 31W & North of Raymond Hirsch Pkwy
 - **Week #3:** South Sumner County Residents - Includes Residences South of Raymond Hirsch Pkwy & East of Hwy 31W
 - **Week #4:** South Robertson County Residents - Includes Residences South of Hwy 76 and West of 31W

Should you ever have any question regarding holiday service, please follow the following simple guideline -

“If in doubt, put it out!”

Emissions Testing Information

2014 Schedule

August 11th

September 8th

Hours

Monday 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Location

427 Industrial Drive (Behind the Public Works Building)

Note: Severe Weather or operational constraints may prohibit operation of this testing unit. *Please call our hotline at 399-8995 to ensure the unit is operating.*

Public Services Department

Our recycling goal is 25%

We are now at 16%

We need 9% more material recovery to meet our goal!!

Recycling = \$\$\$\$

The City receives revenue from the Material Recycling Facility (MRF). Therefore, the more we recycle the more revenue we generate. The more we generate the less you have to pay!

The CURBSIDE RECYCLING & METAL DROP-OFF stats from July 2013 to present are:

- 489 TONS (40-tons/month average) of recyclable materials collected!
- \$7,673.00 in revenue from the sale of recyclable materials!
- \$17,622.00 in savings from the landfill disposal costs!

The CURBSIDE GARBAGE & DROP-OFF DISPOSAL stats from July 2013 to present are:

- 3,323 TONS of garbage collected and disposed of in the landfill!
- \$151,196.00 in landfill fees paid by the City & Robertson County tax bills!

STOP THROWING YOUR MONEY AWAY!!!

I see many garbage containers full, which means that many of the recyclable materials are not going into the **BLUE** recycling container.

Please review the information below and try to maximize your recycling efforts!

Remember, if you do something 17 times – it becomes a habit. So, please make a conscious effort to put your recyclable materials in the **BLUE** container so our program can meet its goals! If you have any questions regarding what can be recycled, please call me, Joe Moss, at 672-3654 and I will be more than happy to assist you.

Please remember that this is going to be an **AUTOMATED** collection truck, so you need to keep the recycling container:

- Near the edge of the road, preferably on a flat surface;
- At least 3 feet away from any obstruction, such as a tree or mailbox.

How does this new recycling program work?

The recycling collection schedule is every other Friday. You need to set your new **BLUE** container out at the curb, just like you do for the garbage container.

What materials will the new recycling program accept?

- Newspaper (ONP – old news print, Browser, *Word on White House!*)
- Cardboard (OCC – old corrugated containers)
- Junk Mail (SOP - sorted office paper – coated & uncoated)
- Magazines (coated and uncoated)
- Paperboard (cereal, frozen foods, refrigerated packaging, medicines, toys, etc.)
- Plastic (baggies, bread bags, milk, juice & laundry bottles, plastic parts, etc.)
- Aseptic Containers (juice boxes, milk containers, etc.)
- Aluminum (foil, pie pans, frozen food pans, soda cans, drink pouches, etc.)
- Steel Cans



Can I put my glass bottles in the new recycling container?

NO GLASS! There is not an end-market at this time for mixed glass. Therefore, we cannot accept glass containers at this time.


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Parks & Recreation Department

Labor Day Bike Parade

Monday, September 1st

Arrive at 9:00 am

Parade will begin at 9:20 am in front of the Fire Hall on Hwy 76

Everyone is encouraged to decorate their bicycles, tricycles, wagons, and strollers with streamers, flags, balloons, etc.

****Best decorated bicycle will win an award.****

Kids should be accompanied by an adult.

FREE FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



Please wear a helmet!

Safety Day to begin immediately after!

Zumba Fitness

Tuesday – 6:30p.m. – 7:30p.m. – Instructor – Tammy Taylor

Thursday – 6:45p.m. – 7:45p.m. – Instructor – Kimberly Caldwell

Cost: \$3 per class

*1st Class is FREE



2014-15 Youth Basketball

Registration Period: September 8th – October 20th

Registration fee: \$65 for City Residents/\$77 for Non-Residents

Practices start in November

Saturday games begin in December

Men's Open Basketball

Registration Period: September 22nd – November 3rd

Registration fee: \$475 per team

Regular season begins in November

Tuesday night games

Post-season tournament

****Out-of-city fees may apply based on majority rule****

League limited to 9 teams

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE FOR YOUTH BASKETBALL AT:

sports.bluesombrero.com/whparks

Keep checking our website for more details on all of our leagues and events at www.cityofwhitehouse.com/parks

Senior Center

August is already here and we are enjoying our friendships here at the Senior Center. New activities are being planned daily.

We are planning a trip to Chaffin's to enjoy "A Fox on the Fairway" in August and we continue to enjoy our Birthday Pot Luck parties the first Monday of each month. We enjoy going to the movies, playing Bunco, Mexican Train Dominos, and cards. Even if you have never played some of the games I've listed, we are always happy and willing to teach anyone who desires to join us the game and we also are open to suggestions of a game you would like to play. So don't stay at home all cooped up – come join in the fun. I am personally here from 9:00am-2:00pm Monday thru Thursday to answer any questions you might have – unless I am out with the seniors on a road trip. I will be more than happy to mail you one of our activity calendars, just call me at 672-4350 Ext 2116 or email me at seniorcenter@cityofwhitehouse.com

We will be showing a new feature movie in the Senior Center in August. We all enjoy taking the van -going bowling, to the movies, tours, boat trips and enjoy many other exciting adventures. We are planning a trip to Ashland City in late September for a beautiful cruise on the Cumberland River.

The gentlemen play corn hole and billiards on Wednesdays. Ladies and gentlemen play Bingo and cards. We have delicious senior lunches on Wednesdays too! For only \$2.50 we enjoy a full meal which includes your beverage and dessert! So call me on Monday and make a reservation and join us.

We are located in the municipal building where City Hall is located at 105 College Street. Come enjoy new friends and fun! Come by and see all the newly renovated areas too!

Kelly Jester Elias,
Senior Center Coordinator

Hot Lunch



- ⇒ Seniors pay **\$2.50** per person for a great hot meal every Wednesday. Price includes dessert and beverage.
- ⇒ Make reservations by Monday before noon for that Wednesday by calling me at 672-4350, ext. 2116. If I do not answer, please leave a message.



A few of our gentlemen getting ready for our Billiards Tournament and breaking in the newly covered pool table!



Some of our ladies having fun with a Ribbon Cutting for the newly decorated and renovated Ladies Room...

Fire Department

White House CERT (Community Emergency Response Team)

Did you know that Tennessee consistently ranks in the top six states for fire deaths? This is a statistic is one that the fire service in Tennessee is not proud of. There are many problems that have been identified with regard to the fire problem in Tennessee. Some of the problems continue to be smoking, cooking, and heating fires. Additionally, a lack of code enforcement, arson, and a lack of concern also cause many states to have high fire death rates.

To get a true picture of the problem in TN, the State Fire Marshal's Office tracks fire incidents, deaths, costs, and injuries that result from fire. So far in Tennessee in 2014, the State Fire Marshal's office is reporting the following numbers (As of May 30, 2014):

Fire Deaths:	35
Total Fire Dollar Loss:	\$106,865,151
Reported Structure Fires:	2,732
Reported Vehicle Fires:	981
Rescue Calls:	53,553
Civilian Fire Injuries:	82
Firefighter Injuries:	36

Any fire death is one too many. You can take steps to protect you and your family.

- Start by making sure that you have working smoke alarms. Check the alarms monthly, replace the batteries twice a year, and replace the alarm if it is over 10 years old.
- Develop and practice a fire safety plan for your home or business. As part of the plan, establish a meeting place outside the home for the family to meet. Teach family members two ways out of every room in the home.
- Use caution when cooking, grease fires continue to be a problem in our nation. Never leave grease heating on the stove unattended.
- When cooking, do not wear loose-fitting clothing. Clothes can come in contact with hot surfaces and ignite.
- Properly and safely discard smoking products. Smoking materials that are discarded improperly can still cause a fire. Never smoke in bed.
- Use heating sources carefully. Never place combustibles within three feet of heating appliances. Make sure heaters are not near drapes or furniture.
- Another significant lifesaving tool is the installation of home fire sprinklers. Sprinklers have been proven to save lives and protect property. This newsletter has covered this topic on a number of occasions and you can find all the information about home fire sprinkler systems by visiting <http://homefiresprinkler.org/>.



Meet your firefighters... Firefighter Jimmy Johnson

Firefighter Johnson started with the City of White House Fire Department as a career firefighter in 2008. Some of the certifications that Firefighter Johnson holds are: Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Certified Driver / Operator, Fire Instructor, and Medical First Responder. Firefighter Johnson is assigned to "C" shift. He lives in White House, is married and is the father of three.

Police Department

ALERT MESSAGING

Stay instantly informed with local messages from the White House Police Department using the free e-mail message service

What "Alert Messaging" means to White House . . .

Messaging technology is now being used in White House to send local alerts and advisories directly to citizen subscribers. An e-mail enabled cell phone and/or computer capable of reading PDF files is all you need to receive **ALERTS, ADVISORIES, COMMUNITY**, and special **TRAFFIC** notices from the White House Police Department. *There is no charge for this service* (the normal e-mail message fees that your phone service may charge will apply).

Messages are from a certified source. Contact records@cityofwhitehouse.com with the address that you want the messages sent to. When you subscribe to this account, you will only receive verified messages from the WHPD. Unsubscribe at anytime.

What messages will be sent. . .

The White House Police Department will send out the following using the Message Alert System:

Criminal Activity Warnings **Weekly Arrest Reports** **Crime Prevention Tips**
Road Closure Notifications **Upcoming Community Event Notices** **Missing Person Information**

B.O.L.O. (Be On The LookOut)

The Message Alert system will be used sparingly (we believe that too many messages will spoil the impact). Message Alert will not be used to distribute routine news releases or advertisements. There are other practical methods of doing that via the conventional media outlets.

What to do if you need help signing up...

If you need assistance subscribing to the WHPD Alert Messaging, you may call the White House Police Department Records Division at 672-4903, ext 1177 or email Elaine Agee at records@cityofwhitehouse.com

2014 Public Safety Day Monday, September 1, 2014 (Labor Day)

On Monday, September 1, 2014 (Labor Day) the White House Police, Fire, and Parks Department will host their 15th Annual Safety Day from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm in the City Park. The public is invited to attend this community event.



For more information about this event, contact WHPD Captain Jeff Mingledorff, Event Coordinator at jmingledorff@cityofwhitehouse.com or 616-1064.

Police Department

The ABCs of School Bus Safety

School buses are one of the safest forms of transportation for students. However, potential dangers do exist. The riskiest time of the commute for students is when they board and exit the bus. Below are several tips students, parents and bus drivers can take to reduce the danger.

School resumes in White House (Sumner County-Monday August 4th and Robertson County-Monday August 4th)

FOR STUDENTS

Boarding the School Bus:

- ⇒ Allow plenty of time to reach the designated bus stop.
- ⇒ When waiting for the bus, stay safely off the street and away from traffic. Stand where the bus driver can see you!
- ⇒ Avoid horsing around or other behavior that can cause inattention.
- ⇒ Line up away from the street as the school bus approaches.
- ⇒ Wait until the bus has stopped and the door opens before stepping onto the roadway.
- ⇒ Use the hand rail when boarding the bus.

Exiting the School Bus:

- ⇒ At your stop, wait for the bus to halt completely before leaving your seat. Walk to the front door and exit using the hand rail.
- ⇒ If you have to cross the street in front of the bus, walk at least 10 feet ahead of the bus along the side of the road until you can turn around and see the driver.
- ⇒ Make sure that the driver can see you!
- ⇒ Stay away from the rear bus wheels at all times.
- ⇒ Never try to get anything left on the bus after exiting.

Crossing to Safety:

- ⇒ Stop at the curb or the edge of the road and look left, then right, and then left again before crossing.
- ⇒ Continue looking in this manner until you are safely across.
- ⇒ Always cross in front of the bus, but only when the bus driver signals it is safe to do so.
- ⇒ When the driver signals, walk across the road, keeping an eye out for sudden changes.



FOR PARENTS

- ⇒ Supervise children to make sure they get to the stop on time.
- ⇒ Teach your child to ask the driver for help if he/she drops something near the bus. If a child bends down to pick up something, the driver cannot see him/her and the child may be hit by the bus. Have your child use a backpack or book bag to keep loose items together.
- ⇒ Make sure clothing and backpacks have no loose drawstrings or long straps that could get caught in the handrail or bus door.
- ⇒ Encourage safe school bus loading and unloading.
- ⇒ If you think a bus stop is in a dangerous place, talk with your school office or transportation director about changing the location.

FOR MOTORISTS

- ⇒ Yellow flashing lights on the bus indicate that it is preparing to stop and load or unload children. This means cars need to slow down and prepare to stop.
- ⇒ It is illegal to pass a school bus with its red flashing lights and stop signal arm activated. Vehicles may not pass until the flashing red lights and signals are turned off or when the bus driver motions them through.
- ⇒ Vehicles traveling in the same direction as the bus are always required to stop.
- ⇒ Vehicles moving in the opposite direction as the bus are also required to stop, unless they are on a divided highway.
- ⇒ Never pass on the right side of the bus where children are entering and exiting!

Police Department

SAFETY DAY BLOOD DRIVE

The American Red Cross Blood Mobile will be at the City Park* on Safety Day, Monday, September 1, 2014 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

**The Blood Mobile will be located at Fire Hall #1 - 416 Highway 76*

For additional information, contact event coordinator, WHPD Captain Jeff Mingledorff at jmingledorff@cityofwhitehouse.com, or 615-616-1064.

To learn more about blood donation opportunities, visit www.redcrossblood.org/ or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733 2767).

Every minute of every day, someone needs blood. That blood can only come from a volunteer donor, a person like you who makes the choice to donate. There is no substitute for your donation.

When you make a blood donation, you join a very select group. Currently only 3 out of every 100 people in America donate blood.

From its beginning, the American Red Cross has formed a community of service, of generous, strong and decent people bound by beliefs beyond themselves. The American Red Cross blood donor embodies this principle. Please join us in our mission to maintain a safe and stable blood supply by making your appointment to donate blood today.

To find out where you can donate, visit www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733 2767).





SAFETY DAY

Monday, September 1, 2014 (Labor Day)

9:00 am - Bike Parade

10:00 am - 2:00 pm - Blood Drive

at City Park

More information inside.

