

A publication from the City of White House
105 College Street ~ White House, Tennessee 37188 ~ Spring 2008

Word on White House

Look What's New in White House!



As Fire Station #2 moves toward completion, the city is also working hard to hire and train more firefighters to staff it. The city has received a grant to hire 6 more firefighters this fiscal year. This will help tremendously to provide even quicker response times to our residents. This station will be the new home of the administrative offices of the Fire Chief and Fire Marshall when completed. It will also be home to a state of the art training facility.

(See page 8 for more information on the Fire Station)



The City of White House recently closed on land that will be the home of the future library. The city is excited, as the new library will be the cornerstone of a future town center area. A focus group has been developed and is beginning to raise funds for the construction of a new library. As agreed upon in the July Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting, the funds will be set aside in an account held by the city and the city will match all funds raised from \$100,000 to \$500,000. Matching by the city will begin during the 2009-2010 fiscal year, so that it may be budgeted.



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IMPORTANT NUMBERS



General Information	672-4350 ext. 2100
Court Clerk	672-4350 ext. 2137
Library & Museum	672-0239
Planning & Codes	672-4350 ext. 2121
Property Taxes	672-4350 ext. 2100
Sr. Citizens Center	672-4350 ext. 2116

Animal Control	672-4903
Fire Department	672-5338
Parks & Recreation	672-4350 ext. 2114
Police Department	672-4903
Public Works	672-0215
Sewer Department	672-3654

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2008

August 7	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 and 2:30 pm
August 11	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
August 13	White House Day at Sumner Co. Back to School Carnival**	3-10 pm
August 15	Vehicle Emissions Testing***	9 am - 12 pm
August 18	Public Review of Comprehensive Plan	5-8 pm
August 19	Board of Zoning Appeals*	7:00 pm
August 21	Board of Mayor and Aldermen	7:00 pm
August 26	Robertson Co. Growth Coord. Com- mittee Public Hearing	7:00 pm Springfield City Hall
August 27	Developers Summit	1:00 pm
August 28	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 pm

SEPTEMBER 2008

September 1	Labor Day	City Offices Closed
September 4	Public Review of Comprehensive Plan	5-8 pm
September 4	Leisure Services Board	7:00 pm
September 8	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
September 11	Library Board Meeting	7:00 pm
September 11	City Court	9, 10, and 11 am 1:30, and 2:30 pm
September 11	Library Board meeting	7:00 pm
September 16	Board of Zoning Appeals*	7:00 pm
September 18	Board of Mayor and Aldermen	7:00 pm
September 19	Vehicle Emissions Testing***	9 am - 12 pm
September 25	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 pm
September 30	Robertson Co. Growth Coord. Com- mittee Public Hearing	7:00 pm Springfield City Hall

OCTOBER 2008

October 7	Cemetery Board	9:00 am
October 9	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 and 2:30 pm
October 13	Columbus Day	City Offices Closed
October 14	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
October 16	Board of Mayor and Aldermen	7:00 pm
October 17	Vehicle Emissions Testing***	9 am - 12 pm
October 21	Board of Zoning Appeals*	7 pm
October 23	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 pm

NOVEMBER 2008

November 6	Leisure Services Board	7:00 pm
November 10	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
November 11	Veterans Day	City Offices Closed
November 13	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 and 2:30 pm
November 13	Library Board	7:00 pm
November 14	Vehicle Emissions Testing***	9 am - 12 pm
November 18	Board of Zoning Appeals*	7:00 pm
November 20	City Court	9, 10 and 11 am 1:30 pm
November 20	Board of Mayor and Aldermen	7:00 pm
November 27 & 28	Thanksgiving Holiday	City Offices Closed

*BZA meetings are held on an as needed basis. Check the city's website at www.cityofwhitehouse.com to confirm meeting.

** Will be held at Vol. State Community College in Gallatin

***Vehicle Emissions Testing takes place at the Public Works Facility at 427 Industrial Drive.

Remember, October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.





Notes from the Mayor

News Around Town

New Interchange Study for I-65

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) has completed the I-65 interchange justification study. The location for the future, potential interchange will be just south of Union Road, which was the first choice of our staff. This project has been submitted to the Federal Highway Administration for approval.

City Commits 3/4 of a Million Dollars for New Library

The city recently closed on property across from City Hall and agreed to match funds raised by the Library Focus Group up to \$500,000. This is the key to economic development of the town center.

Public Works has a Big Fuel Bill

It is difficult to believe, but it costs us \$33,751.76 to pick-up and remove our trash, tree limbs, etc. We generated 602,680 thousand pounds of trash for the month of June.

Citizens' Comprehensive Plan Near Completion

The volunteer group of citizens have completed the major part of the plan on how you want your city to look, where you want things to go and in general, the plan for every department in the city to follow in making everyday decisions. This is a guarantee for citizen input about their hometown.

New Census says 9,891 is the Magic Number

The reason we need to keep up with the census is that the city receives \$111.00 for each person counted in the city limits. If I had to estimate, I would say there are 2,500 to 3,000 people who earn their living from jobs in our town. Our pursuit of economic development is why we strive to support and grow our local employers. There may be some economic decline, and although it is not a primary responsibility, we must do all that we can to support our business sector. Our local businesses are our economic engine.

This Year's Budget Holds Tax Rate at \$1.02

This is a remarkable achievement with the cost of everything from healthcare to fuel increasing substantially, not to mention the increase in workload and demand for services simply due to the fact that there are more people living in White House. No one knows how much we will have for sure, but our administrator will not allow any spending if we don't have the revenues on hand. Our staff watches and safeguards your interest like a mother. Their diligence is commendable.

Economic Development Training

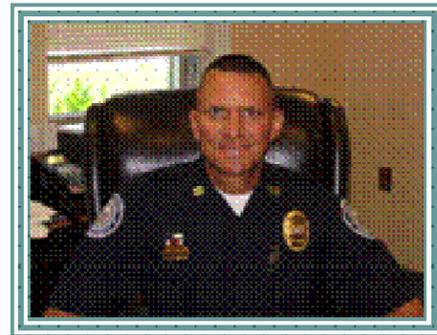
Our city administrator organized an economic development class with TVA. The class focused on departmental customer service in encouraging existing businesses and welcoming new businesses.

Sewer Summer Service

As a result of our summer service rates, residential sewer customers will see an average of \$6.99 savings per sewer connection for the month of June. This has been the first billing since the sewer rates ordinance was changed in February of this year. The purpose of the summer service rates is to automatically adjust customers bills for the months of June, July and August to reflect the fact that not all of their water usage is treated at the wastewater treatment facility. It recognizes that some of the water is used for watering plants and lawns, filling up kids pools and running through the occasional sprinkler. This alleviates the need for adjustment requests during the summer months and initiates adjustments city wide. All together, residents of the City of White House saved \$23,829.22 for the month of June as a result of the summer service billing process.

Mayor presents the Defender of Freedom Award

On July 4, 2008, Sergeant Major, Jeff Mingledorff was presented with the very first, Defender of Freedom Award by Mayor Decker. Sgt. Major Mingledorff has been with the U.S. Marine Corps for over twenty years and we thank him for his dedication.



Municipal Code Available Online

The White House Municipal Code is available online at www.cityofwhitehouse.com. This represents the last update that has been codified. Changes have been made to ordinances since then, and are available through the City Recorder's office. Please contact her at 615-672-4350, ext. 2111 for more information on city ordinances.

WHITE HOUSE PLANNING & CODES

105 College Street
672-4350 x2121

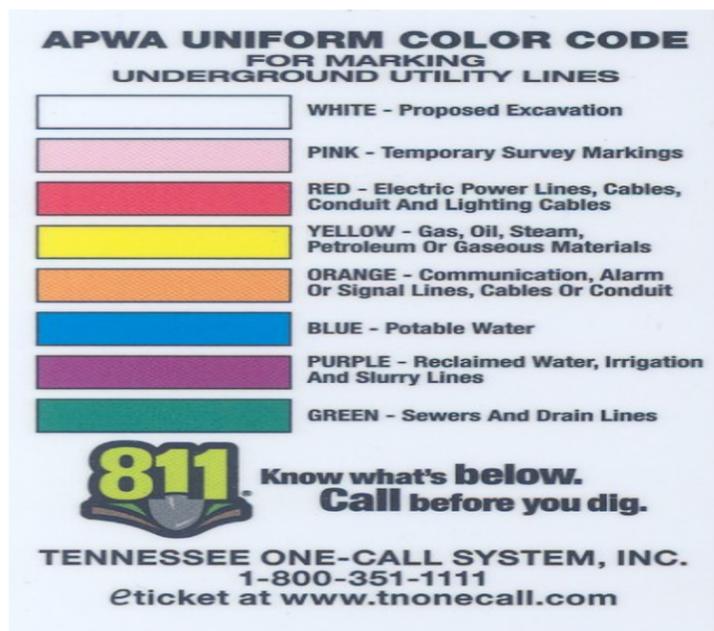
Comprehensive Land Use Plan

The Planning and Codes Department is working with the Comprehensive Land Use Committee and White House Regional Planning Commission to complete an update to the City's Comprehensive Plan. The plan will include planning information and maps to guide the City's growth for the next twenty years. Once the plan is adopted, the City will place the Comprehensive Plan on the City's website.

Planting Trees

Proper planted trees will provide benefits to residential properties, including but not limited to reducing energy costs by 15%. Fall is a great time of year to plant trees. Visit the Arbor Day foundation web-site at www.arborday.org to learn about the type and location of trees to plant. At the home page select the **trees** section and view the following slides.

Tree Guide
Benefits of Trees
Right Tree, Right Place
Your Hardiness Zone



TN One-Call System

To prevent personal injury and damage to utility lines, contact the Tennessee One-Call System, Inc at 1-800-351-1111 or visit web-site at www.tnonecall.com to have utilities marked prior to digging on a property.



WHITE HOUSE FIRE DEPARTMENT

416 Highway 76
672-5338



Update on Fire Station #2

The time is rapidly approaching for the opening of the City of White House Fire Department's new fire station. Station 2 will be a great addition to the city's facilities, and will enable the department to better protect the citizens of White House. This station was designed and constructed to house an aerial ladder apparatus that we hope to purchase in the coming years. There are many features that have been implemented into the structure that you can not see, but are intended to reduce operating cost and energy consumption such as geo-thermal heating and cooling and insulation throughout the facility. The building will also have a back-up generator that will allow continual use of the building even in extreme conditions that result in a loss of power. You will also notice a second structure on the property that will be used as a training tower for our and other departments to utilize for various training scenarios. This new facility also has a large underground tank that the fire department will use to test the pumps in our fire engines. This addition allows the department to save money by testing on-site which reduces fuel costs, utilizing department personnel for the testing which alleviates third-party testing, and allows testing without taking the apparatus out of service while at another facility. Conservation was also implemented into this portion of the property by harvesting the run-off from the building and parking lot and holding it in the test pit. Your Fire Department is very excited about this opportunity to serve you, and we will have a public open house sometime this fall. This open house will of course be open to you, our citizens, and we welcome you to attend. We will announce the date of the open house on the White House Information Channel on Comcast Channel 3 as well as various other news media in the area. Be sure to watch these news sources for additional information about the opening of this new facility.

Will We Be Able to Find YOU in an Emergency?

As the City of White House Fire Department responds to calls around the city, a common problem that we encounter is that many residences do not have their address clearly posted. We encourage everyone to post their address both on the residence and on their mailbox. The Fire Code that the city has adopted states:

New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm).

Many times people request the services of the fire, police, or EMS departments only to have a response delayed by not having their residence clearly marked. This is easily resolved by installing new numbers or by replacing old, faded and damaged numbers.



Burning Regulations

As fall approaches, we want to remind everyone of the rules regarding outdoor burning. Leaves are not permitted to be burned at anytime. The burning of leaves is actually in violation of state law, not just local ordinance. Leaves should be bagged and placed at the curb for the Public Works Department to pick up (this may not occur on your regular trash pick-up day) or you may take them to the public works facility located at 725 Industrial Drive.



White House Police Department Halloween Safety Tips

Trick-or-Treaters should...

- Carry a flashlight.
- Walk, don't run.
- Stay on sidewalks.
- Obey traffic signals.
- Stay in familiar neighborhoods.
- Don't cut across yards or driveways.
- Wear a watch you can read in the dark.
- Make sure costumes don't drag on the ground.
- Shoes should fit (even if they don't go with your costume).
- Avoid wearing masks while walking from house to house.
- Carry only flexible knives, swords or other props.
- (If no sidewalk) walk on the left side of the road facing traffic.
- Wear clothing with reflective markings or tape.
- Approach only houses that are lit.
- Stay away from and don't pet animals you don't know.



Kids are Back to School!

Please be aware of your surroundings and watch out for school buses and children. Also, be aware of school zones. When the lights are flashing the speed limit is only 20 miles per hour. If you are caught speeding in a school zone, you may also be charged with reckless driving, depending on your speed.

WHITE HOUSE POLICE DEPARTMENT

303 N. Palmer's Chapel Road
672-4903

Labor Day Blood Drive



**American
Red Cross**

Tennessee Valley
Blood Services Region

White House Fire Department

September 1, 2008

10:00 am—3:00 pm

The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at the White House Fire Department on September 1, 2008 between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. You may sign up to donate with the American Red Cross or you may simply walk-up.

Facts About Giving Blood

Giving a pint of blood now can save up to 3 lives.
It only takes about an hour to give blood.
Aside from a brief needle prick, it doesn't hurt to give blood.
Your body will replace the blood you donate within days.
You can give whole blood every 56 days, up to 6 times/ year.

Please bring your ID or donor card when donating. For more information, please call 1-800-GIVELIFE.

Newly Promoted



Corporal Eric Enck was promoted to Sergeant
Officer Jason Ghee was promoted to Corporal
Officer Curtis Carney was promoted to Corporal
Officer David Segerson was promoted to Corporal

*Also pictured: Chief Herman, Cpt. Mingledorff and Mayor Decker

WHPD Welcomes 5 New Officers

The City of White House has five new officers that will soon be patrolling the streets of White House.



Pictured from L to R: Glenn Alred, Tammy Cannella, Jonathan Sams, Robert Parks, Jr., Keith Anglin, and reservist James KempVanEe.



White House Police and Fire

9th Annual

Public Safety Awareness Day & Bike Rodeo

September 1, 2008

10:00 am—3:00 pm

White House City Park

The White House Police and Fire Departments will host their 9th annual Public Safety Awareness Day in the City Park on Monday, September 1, 2008 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Participating agencies will set up displays of patrol cars, fire trucks, special operations and emergency response vehicles. There will also be K-9 demonstrations, Life Flight Helicopters, the Red Cross Blood Mobile, Child ID Kits, a Young Rider's Bicycle Inspection and Rodeo, Home Fire Survival Challenge, Child Restraint Device Installation Classes, and more. Admission is free. For further information on event details, contact Captain Jeff Mingledorff at 616-1064.

Answers to the most frequently asked questions:

What are my payment options?

We now have several payment options. You may send your payment by return mail or you may put your payment in the drop box at City Hall that is in the circular parking located across from the BP gas station. You may also choose to either have your bill bank drafted from your checking account by filling out a ACH bank draft form and submitting it with a voided check or you can go online at our website to pay your bill. Our website address is www.cityofwhitehouse.com. The internet payment can be done with a credit card, a debit card or by personal check.

What is the 2.5 % convenience fee and who does it go to?

BIS, the company which provides the online payment service charges the 2.5% convenience fee.

I did not receive a bill until I my final notice!

All bills are mailed out at the same time, approximately the 2nd of each month. If you do not receive your bill by the 10th of the month please give our office a call and we will be more than happy to provide you the amount and due date.

The City recently changed out my old low pressure grinder pump. Will this increase my monthly electrical cost?

The primary difference between the Hydromatic grinder pumps and the E/One pumps now being installed in the City's collection system is the maximum discharge pressure the E/One pumps can produce. This difference means that the E/One pump can be installed in a much wider variety of locations and in much more difficult-to-serve areas than its Hydromatic counterpart. The E/One units also carry a better warranty; have a better service life expectancy and lower operating cost. Monthly power consumption of each type residential grinder pump station is substantially less than that of other major household appliances.

Power Consumption Of Low Pressure Grinder Pump:

At 250 gpd per residence, power cost of \$0.085 per kwhr and a 1 hp, 75 percent efficient motor pumping at 15 gpm, the cost per month may be calculated as:

$$\text{Cost} = (1 \times 746 \times 0.085 \times 250 \times 30) / (0.75 \times 1000 \times 15 \times 60) =$$

E/one: \$0.70 per month Hydromatic: \$1.41



I pay my bills online through my bank in a timely manner and notice that the payment is deducted immediately from my checking account, but I still receive a late notice for my sewer bill and am charged a penalty. Why is that?

When using a bill pay service the bank will automatically deduct the money from your account and then they mail the City a check which can take up to 14 days to reach us. Payment is posted on the date check is received and if it's after the due date, a penalty is then applied.

When does the City read the meters and for what months service is the August sewer bill for?

White House Utility District owns and reads the water meters. As a courtesy and at no charge to the City they send us electronic files which are uploaded into our billing system around the 29th of each month. This process creates a lag of two months, so the August bill is for June water usage.

The RCF fee (refuse collection fee) is for the month of July.

How do I avoid paying for water usage which does not enter the wastewater system?

We have recently added a Summer Service module to our billing software which will automatically calculate residential user charges for water usage during the months of June, July and August billing an average usage based on the previous nine months of water usage billings or actual usage if lower. Residential customers will not be permitted any other wastewater usage adjustments while summer service rates are in effect. The ordinance allows each service connection to request an adjustment for Watering of lawn, garden, power washing of house/driveway once per calendar year. Users wishing to have their wastewater usage charges adjusted must fill out a Wastewater Adjustment Request Form and submit to the City of White House Wastewater Department. Each adjustment will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the City's Wastewater Director, who will notify the user in writing of their decision. Also remember that waiting for an adjustment does not relieve you from the responsibility of paying the bill on time.

For questions about the new Sewer Use Ordinance or billing, please contact Laurie Rhoades, Wastewater Billing Clerk, at 672-3654.

WHITE HOUSE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

725 Industrial Dr.
672-3654

Leak Detection and Annual Valve Timing Adjustments Scheduled for North Palmers and Calista Vacuum Sewer Systems

During the months of August, September and October the City of White House Wastewater Department will be performing a leak detection survey and make necessary annual valve controller adjustments on the North Palmers and Calista Vacuum Sewer Collection Systems.

During the leak survey, City crews will check the vacuum collection system for leaks in piping, vacuum pods, and isolation valves. This testing is performed with acoustic equipment (sensitive microphones), which detects the sound or vibrations caused by air entering the vacuum sewer line. During the monitoring, City crews will need to access the sewer mains, isolation valves, and vacuum pods, some of which are in the rear of Customers' properties.

City crews will also make necessary valve timing adjustments to the vacuum collection valve pods during this time frame. This adjustment is part of ongoing maintenance that helps ensure that the vacuum sewer system operates as efficiently as possible.

No significant interruptions of service are planned due to these activities.

WHITE HOUSE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

105 College Street
672-4350 x2113

Request for Signs

- Help the City maintain its traffic control and street signage. If you notice someone damaging or removing roadside signs please contact the Police Department.
- Most of these signs are required by City ordinance or State and Federal laws and are expensive for the City to replace.
- If you would like to request a street sign or have a damaged or missing sign replaced, please go to the City website at www.cityofwhitehouse.com and in the Engineering Department section fill out the Sign Request Form.



Traffic Signals

If you notice a red, yellow or green signal ball that does not come on properly, please contact the City Engineer at 672-4350, ext. 2113. You may report these and other traffic signal issues at the City website at www.cityofwhitehouse.com.



If you have potholes that need repair please contact the Public Works Department at 672-0215. If you are planning on cutting or boring under a City street, don't forget to contact the Public Works Department for a Permit. For all other issues involving City roadways, please contact the City Engineer at the number above or by e-mail through the City website at www.cityofwhitehouse.com.

Drainage or Erosion Issues

Is there standing water in your ditch for longer than 48 hours after the storm water runoff has stopped flowing? Does an average rainfall cause your ditch to overflow onto your property? Has your ditch become filled with silt and no longer carries storm water runoff? Are there large areas of eroded soil in your ditch? Day-to-day maintenance, such as ditch repairs, should be referred to the Public Works Department at 672-0215. If you experience any other drainage or erosion concerns, please contact the City Engineer at the number above or by e-mail through the City website at www.cityofwhitehouse.com.

WHITE HOUSE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

427 Industrial Drive
672-0215

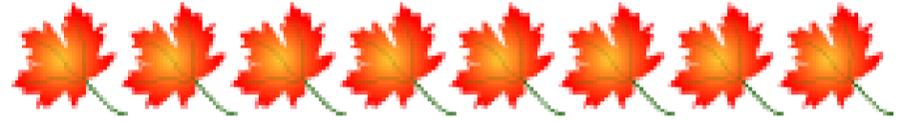
Municipal Code Reminders

17-104. Sanitation Procedures. (4) The city will service residential and participating small commercial establishments once a week per separate street address. Each residence and participating small commercial establishment shall be provided a minimum of one refuse container for \$15 per month, with the option to request additional containers at \$15 per month each. 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. If additional refuse is left on or around the container the city will not pick it up. Extra household refuse will be picked up by appointment only and a fee will be charged. (See 17-113)

17-105. Location of containers. All residents except those approved for special assistance due to age, handicap or illness (See 17-105(4)) shall place their wheeled container at curbside or street-side no later than 6:30 a.m. on the date of anticipated collection.

(1) Each owner, occupant, or other responsible person, as fore-said, shall be responsible for keeping the refuse container clean and sanitary in compliance with health and sanitation requirements and shall keep container lids closed at all times. No refuse shall be placed in container until such refuse has been drained free from all liquids and securely placed in plastic bags.

17-107. Leaf and limb removal service. It shall not be the responsibility of the refuse collecting agency of the city to shovel or pick-up leaves or lawn clippings, unless the same shall be bagged and piled at the curbside for the collection truck. Furthermore, it shall not be the responsibility of the collecting agency of the city to remove any trunks or limbs of trees unless said brush shall have been cut into lengths of not more than six (6) feet. The trunks or limbs of the trees measuring six (6) inches or more in diameter shall be cut into lengths of no more than two (2) feet and of a weight of no more than fifty (50) pounds, all of said material shall be piled at curbside. The city will be responsible for limb and leaf collection at a minimum of once per month.



Wood Chips

Wood chips are now available for the citizens of White House. They can be picked up free of charge between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Public Works Facility located at 427 Industrial Drive. Wood Chips will be loaded free of charge. Holidays excluded.

Schedule for Brush Pick-up (Excludes Holidays)

1st Friday of the Month	North Robertson Residents This area includes all residences North of Hwy 76 and West of Hwy 31W
2nd Friday of the Month	North Sumner County Residents This area will be all residences East of Hwy 31W and North of Raymond Hirsch Parkway
3rd Friday of the Month	South Sumner County Residents This area will be all residences South of Raymond Hirsch Parkway and East of Hwy 31W
4th Friday of the Month	South Robertson County Residents This area will be all residences South of Hwy 76 and West of Hwy 31W

2008 Holiday Sanitation Pickup Schedule

Weeks or days where sanitation pickup is altered due to holiday:

Week of September 1 - 5	For all routes, refuse will be picked up one day after the regularly scheduled day
Week of October 13 - 17	For all routes, refuse will be picked up one day after the regularly scheduled day
Tuesday November 11 - 14	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday refuse will be picked up one day after the regularly scheduled day
Thursday November 27 th	Thursday's route will be picked up on Monday December 1 st .
Wednesday December 24 th Thursday December 25 th	Wednesday & Thursday's routes will be picked up on Friday December 26 th



Please look for the recycle trailer at it's new location!
Beginning August 26th, the recycle trailer will be located in the lower parking lot of the Municipal Center.

The Public Works Department will return to regular hours on August 4th.

WHITE HOUSE INN LIBRARY & MUSEUM

412 Highway 76
672-0239

White House Inn Library Hours

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 - Thursday 12 noon to 8:00 p.m.
 - Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- COME IN AND CHECK US OUT !!!!

Story Time Begins in September

All story times will begin in September with Toddlers, ages 3 and under on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and Preschoolers ages 4 and 5 on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. There will be some special seasonal story times this fall.

Book Club

The book club meets on the last Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. and is always open for new members.

Museum

The Museum is on the 2nd floor of the Library Building and houses artifacts and memorabilia depicting life in early White House. Exhibited are early tools, furniture, photographs and historic documents that have been donated or loaned by area residents. The Museum is open during regular Library hours, six days a week. Admission is free. Also available is a "virtual tour" on CD for viewing on a Library public computer or purchase.

Library Board

There has been a change in Board meeting times. The Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. bi-monthly in the Board Room at the Civic Center, and the meetings are open to the public. Upcoming meetings will be September 11th and November 13th.

Friends of the Library Membership Drive

The Friends of the Library will be having a membership drive soon! Keep watching for more information.

READS Program

Our library has information on READS, which are audio books and E-Books that you can download from your home computers, without coming into the library.

Summer Reading Program



We had a successful Summer Reading Program this year with the theme of "Starship Adventure". It ended with a picnic in the park with lots of water activities !!

Library Improvements

By September we should have 9 internet access computers for patrons. We will have a new circulation system in place by October that will give our patrons more accessibility to our materials. Wireless access is currently available for Library patrons.

WHITE HOUSE PARKS AND RECREATION

105 College Street
672-4350 ext 2114

Municipal Center Hours and Parks Facility Rental Rates

<u>Municipal Center Hours</u>	<u>Municipal Center Hourly Rental Rates</u>		<u>Municipal Park Rental Rates</u>			
<p>The Billy S. Hobbs Municipal Center is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For information or to make reservations for renting city facilities, call 672-4350 ext. 2114.</p>		<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>	
	Gymnasium	\$31.25	\$62.50	Shelter 1 & 2	\$5/ hour	\$10/ hour
	Cafeteria	\$25.00	\$50.00	Shelter 3	\$10/ hour	\$20/ hour
	Auditorium	\$37.50	\$75.00	Shelter 4	\$6/ hour	\$12/ hour
Meeting Room	\$18.75	\$37.50				



Parks & Recreation Department Staff

Ashley Smith – Director
 Steven Russell – Parks Maintenance Supervisor
 Joe Best – Recreation Superintendent
 Linda Brooks – Administrative Assistant
 John Pentecost – Park Maintenance
 Mark Bagwell – Park Maintenance

The White House Municipal Center is located at 105 College Street. The White House Municipal Park is located on Highway 76. A \$50 REFUNDABLE deposit will be required when renting the Cafeteria, Gym, Auditorium or Senior Center. It must be paid in full when the reservation is made.

A Living Legacy Tree Program



One of the goals of the White House Parks and Recreation Department is to enhance the landscape. Planting commemorative trees for future generations to enjoy is an excellent way to meet that objective. The Living Legacy Tree Program provides individuals and organizations with the opportunity to beautify the City Park System with trees that honor people and commemorate special events. For a tax deductible contribution of \$195, the department will plant trees within the White House park system, including the City Park, Soccer Complex, Northwoods Community Park, City Hall and the Greenway. A permanent record will be kept of all Living Legacy trees at City Hall for public viewing. Engraved stones are available for purchase to permanently mark donated trees.

WHITE HOUSE PARKS AND RECREATION

105 College Street
672-4350 ext 2114

Please Join Us for the 5th Annual Trail of Treats



The White House Trail of Treats will be held on Thursday, October 30th at 6:00 pm. It will begin at the Greenway Trailhead beside White House High School. The event is sponsored by the City of White House Parks Department. Booths on the trail may be reserved for \$10.00. For more information contact the Parks Department at 672-4350 ext, 2114.

Boot Camp Aerobics Classes

Instructed by Jenny Owensby, CPT

- ◆ Tuesday and Thursday
- ◆ 8:00-9:00 a.m.; 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- ◆ White House Civic Center
- ◆ \$3.00/class

Men's Open Softball League

Registration ends 08/18/2008

- ◆ The season will begin 08/26/2008.
- ◆ Registration Fee: \$425 per team for city residents. (There will be a non-resident fee of \$12 per player if the majority of the team resides outside of the city limits.)
- ◆ Double elimination tournament at the end of the season.

Challenger Baseball Registration

(A special needs kid's program)

- ◆ Registration will be held 08/11/08-09/05/08
- ◆ Season begins 9/20/2008.

Zumba Fitness Gold

- ◆ Monday & Friday Mornings
- ◆ 8:30 am—9:00 am.
- ◆ Cost is \$2.00 per class
- ◆ Specially designed for seniors

Zumba Fitness

- ◆ Monday & Friday
- ◆ 9:00 am—10:00 am
- ◆ Cost is \$3.00 per class

Youth Basketball

- ◆ Registration for 1st through 4th grades will begin 10/06/08 and end 11/7/2008.
- ◆ Games will begin 12/13/08.

Church League Basketball

- ◆ Registration will begin 09/08/08 and will end 10/15/08.
- ◆ Games will begin in November.

For more information on any of the programs provided through the Parks & Recreation Department, please call 672-4350 ext.2114.



Thank you for making this year's Independence Day 5K a success!

1st place—Chris Fulcher
2nd Place—Keith Woodall

For a complete list of results please go to www.cityofwhitehouse.com.

Summer Basketball Camp



Coach Mike Petrone of Heritage High School instructed a basketball camp this past July. The camp covered fundamentals such as dribbling, passing, defending and shooting. Prizes were given each day for various competitions. Each participant received a T-shirt for their hard work.



WHITE HOUSE PARKS AND RECREATION

105 College Street
672-4350 ext 2114

Labor Day Bike Parade

The 2nd annual Labor Day Bike Parade will be held on September 1st by the Parks and Recreation Department to coincide with Safety Day. There were approximately 56 total participants last year, and we are hoping to surpass that number this year. Participants are encouraged to decorate their bicycles, tricycles, wagons and strollers with balloons, flags, streamers, etc. The circular route will begin on Hwy 76 in front of the Fire Hall (heading east) and will end at the Municipal Park, just in time for the start of Safety Day.



Challenger Basketball

The challenger basketball program kicked off its season on June 28th with special guest, Corey Brewer. Mr. Brewer is an NBA Player with the Minnesota Timberwolves. He was available to meet with the players and started off the game with the tip-off. Both Teams Played very well. Congratulations on a great season! Photos courtesy of the Bargain Browser



Vandalism on the Greenway

The Parks Department is asking for your help to prevent vandalism throughout the park system. In the event that you see people loitering or engaging in disorderly conduct, report this to the Police Department at 672-4903. The Parks Department is currently repairing the Greenway bridge in the vicinity of Cliff Garrett Drive and the Bridge near Tyree Springs Road at a cost of over \$10,000. To report graffiti and indecent writing on any park amenities, call the Parks Department immediately at 672-4350 ext. 2114.



Harvest Moon 10K

This year's Harvest Moon 10K will be held on Saturday, October 11th. The race begins and ends at the Municipal Park. Registration forms may be obtained in the Parks Office or online at www.cityofwhitehouse.com/parks. All pre-registered participants are guaranteed a t-shirt. Various awards will be given. Registration will begin September 2nd. Pre-registration ends September 26th. The cost prior to September 26th is \$15/individual, \$40 for family of 3. Registration after September 26th is \$18/individual, \$50 for family of 3.

Bluegrass on the Greenway

The "Bluegrass on the Greenway" event on June 28th was fun and entertaining, with several bluegrass bands lending their talent to benefit the Make-a-Wish Foundation of Middle Tennessee. The Idea was presented by Mike Jackson, a local bluegrass musician. Bill Cody of WSM AM 650 is scheduled to emcee next year's event, which will be held on June 13, 2009. Let's make next years Bluegrass on the Greenway event even more successful. See you there!

White House Players

The community theatre group puts on 3-4 family oriented productions per calendar year. Both set work and acting are done by volunteers. Auditions for the next production will be held on August 16th and 17th from 1-3 pm. Please come and try out! Fun is guaranteed.

White House Parks - Shutterbug Contest

Are you an amateur photographer? If so, check out our photo contest that the Parks and Recreation Department is starting. There will be two contests per year. Photos for fall/winter must be submitted by February 27, 2009 at 4:00 pm. Guidelines and contest details may be obtained in the Parks and Recreation office at 105 College Street or online at www.cityofwhitehouse.com.

WHITE HOUSE SENIOR CENTER

105 College Street
672-4350 ext 2116

EVENTS AND FUTURE TRIPS

August 2008

We will be going to Orlinda TN for dancing and a Finger Food Pot Luck. It will be at the Byrum Porter Senior Center, August, 21st we will depart from the Center at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$4.00 and a finger food dish.

Lunch Invitation at Springfield Heights Assisted Living, on **Tuesday, August 19th** if you plan to attend, please be signed up by August, 13th.

A presentation on **Benefits** will be on **Wednesday, August 27th at 1:00 p.m.**

September 2008

The Senior Citizens Picnic will be **Friday, September 12th at 12:00 p.m.** The Fireman will grill for us. Please bring a side dish, if you plan to attend.

We may travel to Cave City Kentucky to **Gun Town Mountain**. Check monthly calendar for dates and time.

On **Wednesday, September 10th** the **Care Notes** will be here to perform for us at 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

On **Tuesday, September 16th** there will be a presentation on **Memory** and there will be refreshments and a door prize.

October 2008

We may go to the Chaffin's Barn Dinner Theatre to see Breaking Legs. Check monthly calendar for dates and times.

November 2008

We may travel to Miss Patti's Settlement in Grand Rivers Kentucky. Check monthly calendar for dates and times.



My Old Kentucky Home State Park, Bardstown KY.

White House Senior Citizens Center

Hours

Monday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Thursday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am-4:00 pm

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Creative Cards & Scrap Booking is on the first and third Tuesday 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Water Aerobics is on Mondays and Thursdays 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.

There will be no Water Aerobics on Monday, August 11, 2008 and Thursday, August 14, 2008

Theme Birthday Potluck is on the last Friday of each month at 12:00 p.m. Check monthly calendar for theme of the month

Bingo is on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

Sittersize (Chair Exercise) is on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m.



General Jackson Cruise—May 2008

MONTHLY OUTINGS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR REGULAR MONTHLY OUTINGS

SUCH AS BREAKFAST, DINNER AND DAY TRIPS!



Trip to Bardstown, KY—July 2008

WHITE HOUSE SENIOR CENTER

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Seniors Learn to be Lifesavers

On July 8, 2008 several seniors took advantage of CPR lessons taught by Cpt. Kevin Holman of the White House Fire Department.



(L to R: Cpt. Holman, Gael Evans, Mable Currie, and Joan Prestia)



The ladies test their skills.

The American Red Cross encourages everyone to learn the skills that could save a life. More than 300,000 Americans suffer from sudden cardiac arrest each year. CPR is not difficult, it just takes a little bit of time and a willingness to learn. For more information on CPR classes, please contact the White House Fire Department.

WHITE HOUSE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

105 College Street
672-4350

Property Tax Information is Now Available Online!

Search by only one:

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Property Address:	Street name	Street #	or:
Receipt Number:	Year	Receipt #	

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NEW Include Paid Taxes:

You can now view property tax information online at www.cityofwhitehouse.com. The city now is able to connect you with the tax information you seek regarding property taxes for residences within the City of White House. County taxes are listed separately. Tax information can be found from the City of White House website by clicking on Departments and Services and then clicking on Finance. You will see options to choose either Robertson or Sumner Counties depending on which county you are looking for.

When you get to this screen you must use all capital letters and be sure to follow the directions for the order addresses, names, etc. must be entered. You also need to check the box at the bottom of the page that reads, "Include Paid Taxes." If you experience difficulty in using this service, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Finance Department at 615-672-4350.

New Employees Fall into Place in White House



Kim Premer joined the City Team in February 2008 as a Dispatcher with the Police Department. Kim was previously a dispatcher for the Florida Highway Patrol.



Derek Gregory joined the City Team in May of 2008 as an Equipment Operator with the Public Works Department. Derek has many years experience in operating heavy equipment.



Jimmy Johnson joined the City Team in February of 2008 as a Firefighter. Jimmy brings 18 years of firefighting experience to the citizens of White House.



Scott Lybarger joined the City Team in June of 2008 as a Sanitation Worker with the Public Works Department. Scott has many years experience with the US Postal Service.



Jacob Gibson is the latest addition to the Wastewater Team as Wastewater Technician I, coming to us from the State of Tennessee.



Chelsey Hough is the latest addition to the Finance Team as the new Receptionist/Cashier. She is a recent graduate of Austin Peay, majoring in Business Administration.



Gayle Craig was hired full time as a Dispatcher with the Police Department in May of 2008. Gayle had been a part time recreation attendant since December of 2006 with the Parks Department

The City of White House would like to welcome the newest members of its team. We would also like to thank them for their commitment to serve the citizens of White House.