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# Word on White House



## 2013 Public Safety Day

Monday September 2, 2013

On Monday September 2, 2013 (Labor Day) the White House Police, Fire, and Parks Department will host their 14<sup>th</sup> "Safety Day" from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm in the City Park. The public is invited to attend this community annual event.

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



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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](http://www.cityofwhitehouse.com)

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SC - Event Sponsored by Senior Adult Center.  
PW - Event Sponsored by Public Works

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

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

# Public Services Department

## Holiday Garbage Collection Service

Garbage Collection Service will be **SUSPENDED** on the following holidays:

- September 2, 2013
- November 28, 2013
- November 29, 2013
- December 25, 2013

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

**“If in doubt, put it out!”**

## Reminders Regarding Garbage Collection

- 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 615-672-4903.

## 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

## Emissions Testing Information

### 2013 Schedule

August 12	October 7	December 9
September 9	November 18	

### Hours

Mon 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.*

**Note:** There will also be a Sumner County Clerk at the Billy S. Hobbs Municipal Center located at 105 College Street for the purchasing of vehicle tags on the dates listed above.

# Public Services Department

## The Recycling Program is Going Great!

The City's Solid Waste and Recycling collection service provider, Waste Industries, has been servicing the City for more than six (6) months now. Our recycling program is going very well with approximately 50% program participation!! For such a new program this is excellent!

Since we receive revenue from the Material Recycling Facility (MRF), the more we recycle - the more revenue we generate. To date, our revenue from the sale of the recyclable materials is approximately \$3,293.00! This money is put back into the Sanitation budget to offset our daily expenses. In addition to receiving this revenue for our recycling efforts, we also avoid the landfill disposal costs that would have to be paid if we sent those materials to the landfill instead of the recycling MRF. So far, we have avoided paying approximately \$4,690.00 in disposal costs.

The volume of recyclable materials we're collecting stands at a five (5) month average of approximately 41 tons per month! Our average garbage tonnage for the same period was approximately 264 tons per month.

Therefore, we're recycling about 16% of the solid waste stream. This is good, but, our RECYCLING GOAL is to recycle at least 25% of the solid waste stream by 2014.

I still see many garbage containers full which leads me to believe 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 so that we can meet our 25% goal!

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.

### What materials will the new recycling program accept?

- Newspaper (ONP – old news print)
- Cardboard (OCC – old corrugated containers)
- Junk Mail (SOP - sorted office paper – coated & uncoated)
- Magazines (Coated and uncoated)
- Paperboard (Packaging boxes used for cereal, frozen foods, medicines etc)
- Plastic Containers – (Numbers 1- 7 found on the bottom of container)
- Aluminum Containers (pie pans, frozen food pans, soda cans etc.)
- Steel Cans



**Can I put my glass bottles in the new recycling container?** NO! There is not an end-market at this time for mixed glass. Therefore, we cannot accept glass containers at this time.

**How does this new recycling program work?** The recycling collection schedule is every other Friday. You will need to set your new blue container out at the curb, just like you do for the garbage container.

### By The Numbers: Plastics and Their Uses

- **Plastic #1:** Polyethylene Terephthalate, also known as PETE or PET - Most disposable soda and water bottles are made of #1 plastic, and it's usually clear.
- **Plastic #2:** High Density Polyethylene, or HDPE - Most milk jugs, detergent bottles, juice bottles, butter tubs, and toiletries bottles are made of this. It is usually opaque.
- **Plastic #3:** Polyvinyl Chloride, or PVC - It is used to make food wrap and bottles for cooking.
- **Plastic #4:** Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE) - It is used to make some grocery bags, some food wraps, squeezable bottles, and bread bags.
- **Plastic #5:** Polypropylene - Yogurt cups and similar wide-necked containers are often made from it, as well as water bottles with a cloudy finish. You'll also find it in medicine bottles, ketchup and syrup bottles, and straws.
- **Plastic #6:** Polystyrene, or Styrofoam, from which disposable containers and packaging are made. You'll also find it in disposable plates and cups.
- **Plastic #7:** This number basically means "everything else." It's a mixed bag of plastics that are composed of plastics invented after 1987, such as modern plastics used in anything from iPods to computer cases. It also includes some baby bottles and food storage containers which resist staining.

# Parks & Recreation Department

## Independence 5K

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Independence 5K took place July 6<sup>th</sup> at the White House High School Trailhead. Thank you to everyone who participated! Scott Wietecha was the Overall Male Winner and Karen McGuffy was the Overall Female Winner. Scott Russo was the Masters Male Winner and Freda Miller was the Masters Female Winner. Congratulations to them and all of the other winners in their respective divisions!



Scott Wietecha & Karen McGuffy  
Overall Male & Female Winners



Scott Russo & Freda Miller  
Masters Male & Female Winners

### Thanks to all of our sponsors!

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The Farmers Bank  
Las Maracas  
McDonald's of White House  
P.I.M. Physical Therapy  
Precision Car Wash  
White House Children's Clinic

## Zumba Fitness

Wednesday  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Thursday  
6:45 pm - 7:45 pm

Cost: \$3 per class  
\*1<sup>st</sup> Class is FREE

## Fall Baseball & Softball

Practices start in August and games start September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Girls Volleyball

Practices begin in August and games begin in September.

### Challenger Soccer

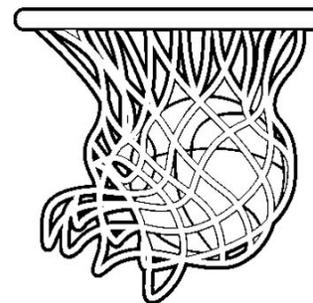
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## Labor Day Bike Parade

Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Arrive at 9:00a.m. Parade will begin at 9:20a.m. 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!

## Youth Basketball

Registration starts September 3<sup>rd</sup> and will last until October 14<sup>th</sup>. For boys and girls grades 1 – 8. Saturday games will begin in December. Practices will begin in November.



## Adult Fall Softball

Registration ends August 5<sup>th</sup>. There are two leagues being offered this fall: A Competitive League and a Recreational League. Registration is \$450/team.

## Upcoming Programs!

We have the Harvest Moon 10K and Trail of Treats coming up in October so be on the lookout for that.

## Men's Open Basketball

Registration will begin September 9<sup>th</sup> and last until October 21<sup>st</sup>. Registration fee is \$475/team.

For more information about any of our programs or events, please call 672-4350 ext. 2114, or visit our website a: <http://www.cityofwhitehouse.com/government/parks>

ALSO, CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK FOR ALL OF THE LATEST UPDATES AND NEWS ABOUT EVENTS AND PROGRAMS!

# Senior Center

The center is located beside the cafeteria in the City Hall building. Be sure to get signed up for our upcoming exciting outings or events. Call us at **672-4350, Ext 2116** and we'll be happy to mail you one of our **"Event Calendars"** loaded with lots of information. You can also just stop by and we'll show you around. We are always welcoming newcomers to our group, and there is no fee to join!

**So don't stay home, come on over and enjoy yourself and make some new friends!**

It's been a busy time here at the Senior Center. For those of you that don't know where we are, we are located in the back of the Municipal Building. Come down College Street and make a right on Carmack Drive and the parking lot is on the right, right past the building.

In June we toured the State Capitol and had a great lunch at the Copper Kettle in downtown Nashville. We also had a great "Father's Day Celebration Luncheon" which all the gentlemen were crowned "King" for the day. We went to Chaffin's Barn Theater for a comedy show which included lunch. We went cruising on the General Jackson, went to an Amish Grocery store and visited farms up in Kentucky. We also ate at the Whistle Stop in Glendale, Kentucky and had a fun time shopping.

We will visit the Country Music Hall of Fame and have lunch at the Old Spaghetti Factory in downtown Nashville this month. We also had a two day AARP Drivers Safety course which lowered car insurance rates for all.



We have started a Sewing Class which we have already made Casserole Carriers that come in handy for our covered dishes, next month we will make placemat handbags! We have plenty of sewing machines available for your use.

We have Greeting Card Making Classes and have made some beautiful cards. It's a lot of fun for only \$10 you can get supplies for 5 different cards, a nice lunch along with transportation. And best of all, a great way to meet new friends.

We attended Donelson Station's Wellness and Safety Expo for the day and almost all of us came home winners! Door prizes included \$25, \$50, and \$100 gift certificates, even a laundry hamper packed FULL of groceries and home goods!

Our monthly activities include "A Movie Out" at a local theater, "Bingo" twice a month, and we bring in our favorite dishes for our monthly "Birthday Pot Luck Party" every month to celebrate birthdays and enjoy each other's company.

We tour many interesting places and have just plain fun! Join us for some laughs and good times. We always welcome new members! There is no fee to join us, just call 672-4350 Ext 2116 and Kelly will answer any questions you might have. If I'm not in, please leave your name and phone number and I will get back with you as soon as I can. If you would like for me to send you one of our Monthly Activity Calendars, just leave your address too! Or email me at [seniorcenter@cityofwhitehouse.com](mailto:seniorcenter@cityofwhitehouse.com).



Remember to call us on Monday before noon to join us on Wednesdays to enjoy our wonderful "Hot Lunch" for seniors it's only \$2.50 for a meat and three, (includes dessert and beverage). What a deal! We also play BINGO the first and third Wednesday of the month. Just bring a wrapped \$3.00 gift marked for a man or woman and enjoy the fun! We have cover-all gift certificates each time too. Kroger and Al's Foodland are our Bingo coverall supporters. So come be a winner and join us.

Our free line dance lessons will return in September.

We are planning a "Country Hoedown Western Dance" September 24<sup>th</sup>. So grab your cowboy boots and hats and enjoy our band, "Casey and the Cowboys". Admission is only \$5.00 and you also bring a covered dish. But sign up early, this will be a sell-out. Our dances always are! As you can see we are a really active group, so call us and join in on the fun anytime! We welcome you!

# White House Inn Library & Museum



The White House Library's summer reading program ran from June 18<sup>th</sup> to July 31<sup>st</sup>. The library had a number of programs such as the Nashville Zoo, and the Adventure Science Center as well as many kid's crafts and prizes for readers. The library would like to give a special thanks to the following individuals for providing a free program at the library: Janet Cole who shared information about bee keeping, Brenda Castle who taught kids how to plant a garden, the Kidsville newspaper mascot, and Snowbird. The library would also like to thank our sponsors who include Al's Food Land who donated food for the summer reading kick-off party and the Friends of the White House Library through a grant from the Wal-mart Foundation. If you missed out on all the fun then be sure to join our reading program next year!

The Friends of the Library will be hosting a book signing by local author Phillip D. Wilson on August 12<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 pm. Mr. Wilson's book entitled *The Last Great Adventure* is a fictional book about his son, Noah, and his son's girlfriend, Kelsie, passing from this world, going to Heaven and the experience they have there. Mr. Wilson began writing this book after Noah and Kelsie passed away in a motorcycle accident three years ago in Portland.



The White House Book Club for Adults will be reading the book *Lonesome Dove* by Larry McMurtry for its August 29<sup>th</sup> meeting and then the book *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce will be read for the September 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.



Storytime will start up again in September. It will go back to its normal schedule with toddlers being on Tuesday at 10:30 and preschool being on Wednesdays at 10:30 am. We would like for you all to come out and meet our new Children's Librarian Courtenay McLaughlin as she leads story time.



The Friends of the Library book sale will run from August 19<sup>th</sup> through August 24<sup>th</sup>. Items for all ages ranging from books, movies, and audio books will be sold at the event. Be sure not to miss out on this bargain sale.

## NEW 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: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
- Sunday: CLOSED

Surveys about the new hours are available on our website, Facebook page and at the library for those that wish to complete one.

In the next few months the "Friends of the White House Library will be kicking off a fundraising campaign to raise money for the new library building in White House. "Friends of the White House Library" is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and your donation is tax deductible.

For more details contact us at:

Friends of the White House Library - PO Box 1445 - White House - TN - 37188

or

[whitehousefol@gmail.com](mailto:whitehousefol@gmail.com)

[www.youseemore.com/whitehouseinn/](http://www.youseemore.com/whitehouseinn/)

Phillip Vickery DDS - Chair

Doug Ronning - Treasurer

# Fire Department

## A typical City of White House firefighters day...

People often ask what a firefighter does on a daily basis. Many wonder if the daily schedule is busy or if there is a lot of “down time”. In White House your firefighters are responsible for much more than just responding to calls for assistance. The typical day begins with truck checks that ensure that all equipment is operating properly. Every vehicle and the equipment on each apparatus are thoroughly reviewed and any repairs that may be needed are documented and reported.

After truck checks are completed, there are various activities that firefighters may be found doing. Depending on the weather and scheduling, firefighters are responsible for such activities as the annual flowing, maintenance and painting of the 423 fire hydrants that are spread throughout the city. The annual hydrant maintenance takes two to three months to complete. Annual pump testing is also required to be completed. These pump tests are performed by department personnel and are completed at Station Two. Another activity that requires a considerable amount of time is the annual hose testing that is conducted. Hose testing is very time consuming and labor intensive as all the hose is removed from each apparatus and tested to a required pressure then replaced back on the apparatus. Hose sizes range from 1 ¾” hose to 4” large in diameter with each apparatus carrying over 2000 feet of hoses. To complete all these different activities takes several months and these responsibilities coupled with responding to approximately 830 calls for service annually keeps your firefighters very busy.

Yet another responsibility for firefighters is the mandatory training. As of the end of June your White House firefighters completed 4,227.42 hours of training for the fiscal year of 2012/2013. This averages to 281.82 hours of training for each firefighter. There are many areas of training in which each firefighter engages. The topics include all the skills necessary to safely and properly provide fire, rescue, and medical services to the city. The methods used to conduct the training include computer-based training as well as practical hands on training.

Your firefighters are also very active in the community teaching fire safety. The Risk Watch® personal safety program is taught to elementary school students. There are also various opportunities to share fire safety tips to other groups that request fire safety information, firefighters taught over 4000 students and citizens during the last physical year. Department personnel also facilitate the Community Emergency Response Team program that teaches the citizens to be prepared for a disaster and the necessary steps that should be taken in the event of these emergencies. As a part of the fire prevention activities, firefighters also conduct pre-incident surveys of the 316 commercial, industrial, religious, and education properties in the city. These pre-incident surveys allow firefighters to be prepared should an emergency occur in one of these facilities.

All the responsibilities above keep your firefighters on the move, but the day is not over. The nice facilities that the firefighters call home also have to be maintained and much of the maintenance is performed by firefighters. The yard work and regular cleaning is not contracted, but performed by department personnel. There have been visitors to come to the station and say that the firefighters must have cleaned up for the visit, but the facilities are kept clean daily, and we invite the citizens to stop by your fire stations anytime during regular business hours for a visit. After the evening meal and cleaning activities are completed, the firefighters then try to relax for the evening. It’s been a busy day.



## Meet your firefighters...

Over the coming issues of the *Word on White House*, we will provide information about the firefighters that serve the City of White House. This issue will introduce you to Captain Kevin Holman:

Captain Holman started with the City of White House Fire Department as a career firefighter in 1989 and was promoted to Captain in 2000. Some of the certifications that Captain Holman holds are: Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I, and Emergency Medical Technician. Captain Holman leads “C” shift. He has lived in White House his whole life is married and a father of three.

# General Information

## Welcome to Our New Employee!



Courtenay McLaughlin  
Children's Librarian



Please note that property taxes were due on February 28th. Beginning March 1st penalties began to accrue at 1.5% monthly. If yours is one of these, please contact Danny Davenport at 672-4350, ext. 2100.

## City of White House Office Closings

September 2  
Closed in observance of Labor Day

### CodeRed

Spring severe storms can develop quickly and every minute of warning may be the key to preventing injuries and loss of life. Every home and business should have a weather radio and plans in place of what to do in the event that severe weather affects our area. In addition to the weather radio, every residence and business should also register with the CodeRed system.

Many city residents have already registered for the CodeRed weather and emergency warnings. If you have not registered, we would like for you to do so. Registration is simple and takes only a few moments. Simply go to the city's website at [www.cityofwhitehouse.com](http://www.cityofwhitehouse.com); in the lower left-hand corner you will see the enrollment link, click on the link and enter your address, name, and the phone numbers with which you desire to be notified and submit the information. If you are unable to do so, you may call Fire Station #2 Monday – Friday from 7:15 am to 5:15 pm and your information can be taken and input into the system.

All information is confidential and when approved, it is not available to be viewed by anyone including the administrators of the system. This service is provided by the City of White House and is available to all residents and businesses within the city limits of White House. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this very effective warning system that is designed for your safety.



### Accepting Applications for City Recorder

The City of White House is accepting applications through 5:00 pm on Thursday, August 15, 2013 for the position of City Recorder. This is a paraprofessional position providing support to the City Administrator and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Requirements include strong interpersonal and clerical/administrative skills, bachelor's degree or equivalent in liberal arts or business, and a minimum 3 years' experience in a professional office environment. Starting compensation range is \$33,883.20 - \$41,283.39 DOE plus benefits. Visit [www.cityofwhitehouse.com](http://www.cityofwhitehouse.com) for full job description and application. Return application and resume to City of White House, Attn: HR at 105 College Street or email to [abrewton@cityofwhitehouse.com](mailto:abrewton@cityofwhitehouse.com). EOE

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**  
Thursday, August 15th by 5:00 pm

### Accepting Applications for Police & Reserve Officers

The City of White House is accepting for applications for Police and Reserve Officers. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and possess a high school diploma or GED. Applicants must pass a thorough background, psychological and medical exam, including drug screen prior to position appointment. Police Officers must be Tennessee POST certified (or have the ability to become certified within six months of employment.) Reserve Officers must live, own a business or be employed within the City's urban growth boundary area and be able to complete 80 hours of classroom training. For further details and application visit [www.cityofwhitehouse.com](http://www.cityofwhitehouse.com). Return application and resume to City of White House, Attn: HR at 105 College Street or email to [abrewton@cityofwhitehouse.com](mailto:abrewton@cityofwhitehouse.com). EOE

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**  
Thursday, August 15, 2013

Only *selected applicants* will proceed through written and physical agility examinations.

# 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 and Robertson Counties) on Aug 4, 2011.**

## 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.
- Do not cross the center line of the road until the driver has signaled that it is safe.

## 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 in the \*City Park on Safety Day, Monday September 2, 2013 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm.  
\*Blood Mobile will be located at Fire Hall #1 - 416 Highway 76

To learn more about blood donation opportunities or to find out where you can donate, visit [www.redcrossblood.org/](http://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.

For additional information, contact event coordinator, WHPD Captain Jeff Mingledorff at [jmingledorff@cityofwhitehouse.com](mailto:jmingledorff@cityofwhitehouse.com), or 615-616-1064.



## WHPD 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](mailto: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:

<b>Criminal Activity Warnings</b>	<b>Weekly Arrest Reports</b>	<b>Crime Prevention Tips</b>
<b>Road Closure Notifications</b>	<b>Upcoming Community Event Notices</b>	<b>Missing Person Information</b>
	<b>B.O.L.O. (Be On The LookOut)</b>	

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](mailto:records@cityofwhitehouse.com)

## Contact Information

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

Emergency 9-1-1

Non Emergency  
General Information 672-4903

Central Dispatch 384-4911

Free Community Information  
Service

Email your address to:  
[records@cityofwhitehouse.com](mailto:records@cityofwhitehouse.com)

Website:  
[www.cityofwhitehouse.com](http://www.cityofwhitehouse.com)

Chief Pat Brady  
615-616-1063

Crime Prevention Unit  
Captain Jeff Mingledorff  
616-1064

Patrol Division  
Captain Jim Ring  
615-616-1070

Criminal Investigation Division  
Detective Sergeant Dan Hunter  
615-616-1081

# Hillcrest Municipal Cemetery Still Has Lots Available!

## Question/Answer:

- *Are there any lots left to be sold at Hillcrest Cemetery?* Yes, there are hundreds of lots remaining for purchase! They are \$750 each. Cash or check only.
- *What is the cost of opening/closing?* The cost is \$850 if no marker is present. If a marker is installed within one year from burial, \$200 is refunded. Therefore, the cost is \$650 if a marker is already present at the time of burial. This ensures that no grave remains unmarked for more than one year.
- *Are Veterans' Administration (VA) markers allowed at Hillcrest Cemetery?* Only VA markers that are flush with the ground are permissible in Hillcrest Cemetery.
- *Are there any restrictions on placing a stone to mark a grave?* Yes, there are restrictions. All head stones must either be on a base stone, or flush with the ground. (No slants or beveled markers) Government/Military markers (VA) must be flat markers. No upright government/military markers are allowed. VA flat bronze, flat marble, and flat granite markers are accepted. All foot markers must be flush with the ground. Minimum size of foot markers is 7" x 14".

\*\*All monument foundations are concrete and are poured by the City of White House. It is strongly suggested that you contact the City of White House Parks and Recreation Department Cemetery Division to verify and insure that the type of monument that you wish to have installed meets cemetery requirements. The number is 672-4350 ext. 2114. After the size and type of monument or marker has been selected, monument companies should complete the Foundation Request Form and forward this form (with the appropriate fee) to the City of White House Cemetery Division at 105 College Street, White House, TN 37188. We ask that you allow 10 days for completion of the foundation. The cost for foundations is 25¢ per square inch. The foundation fee is paid by the monument company to the City of White House-Hillcrest Cemetery, which means that cost is passed along to the purchaser as part of the cost of setting the monument or marker.

## Community Watch in White House

Community Watch is neighbors working with neighbors and the police to prevent crime. The Community Watch program is based on the concept of people looking out for one another and to send a message to potential criminals that someone is watching every move they make.

*"Community Watch is a crime prevention program that enlists the active participation of citizens in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in their communities."*

*- Captain Jeff Mingledorff White House Police Department*

### A Community Watch is:

- A partnership between law enforcement and the community to reduce crime
- A method of two-way communication for the police and citizens
- A concerted effort to report suspicious activity by calling 911
- A way to re-establish ownership of your community
- A method to increase communication among your community
- A continual training on crime prevention techniques
- Education of crime trends in your area and around the City of White House
- A safe method to express crime concerns
- Education about effective reporting procedures of suspicious individuals such as obtaining tag numbers, vehicle descriptions suspicious, their direction of travel, and clothing descriptions.
- A forum for training and support

### A Community Watch is not:

- A vigilante group
- Political
- Biased or discriminatory against income, race, etc.
- Taking the law into your own hands
- Pursuing criminals yourself

Call the White House Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at 616-1064 and a crime prevention specialist will schedule a meeting or for additional information.

## Attention Senior Citizens!



**GRAB YOUR BOOTS AND JOIN US FOR A HOEDOWN**

**WHEN: Tuesday, September 24, 2013**

**WHERE: White House Senior Center Cafeteria**

**TIME: 7:00pm - 9:30pm**

**R.S.V.P. Sign Up Today with your \$5.00 Admission**  
Bring a Snack to Share!

**Live Band: "Casey & The Cowboys"**