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Police Chief Jim Washam opens up the Department's Third Annual National Night Out Against Crime which was a huge success. This year approximately 1,000 attended this event and the variety of booths and both for adults and children—lots of



information, fun and food. This event has grown in size and venue with music and sound incorporated into the mix this year.

Department employees and reserves are already hard at work on activities for next year.

## Kingston Receives \$3,419,900 in Grant Funds

**National Night Out Against Crime** 



Mayor Beets accepts a check for grant funds received by the city. Pictured left to right: Beth Hickman and Cara Rains representing Congressman Lincoln Davis; David Leaverton representing Senator Bob Corker; Mayor Troy Beets; Jane Chedester representing Senator Lamar Alexander; Bobby Goode, State Director, USDA Rural Development; City Manager Jim Pinkerton; Jerry Amonett, Area Director, USDA Rural Development

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Some minds are like concrete—thoroughly mixed and permanently set.

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JAMES W. PINKERTON City Manager City of Kingston ity Scene

# **Department** News

Kingston Fire Department employees earned \$500 toward the purchase of a mule to assist them during major events in Kingston by cooking for Race Night. Firefighters have also painted all the fire hydrants in the city this summer as part of their yearly maintenance. All the hydrants were flushed during July.

On August 3rd the Kingston Police Department employees held their third annual National Night Out Against Crime which becomes more successful every year. Chief Washam reported Florida gangs have been a problem-traveling from town to town doing "smash and grabs" and leaving.

**City Codes and Animal Control** issues have been turned back over to the Police Department and Chief Washam has been very busy between the two.

Other than visits from state auditors, Library Director Steve Jacks reports things are quiet at the Library. They began a new Travelers' Program in August with area citizens giving reports of their travels. The most recent was about India.

Finance **Director** Carolyn Brewer's refrain for the month has been don't spend any money! Without a certified tax rate (and at this time it appears it may be October before we have one) tax bills cannot be mailed, and therefore, no monies collected. She and her staff have also been busy providing information to the auditors who have been "pouring over" our records for the past two weeks.

Public Works employees have been trying to catch up work that was put aside while they worked on the Kingston Heights waterline project. Even though they saved the city and tax payers over \$200,000 they still received a lot of grief over brush pickup, mowing and drainage issues. Give them a break folksthey are also still two employees short of having a full crew.

Parks & Recreation Department employees covered a lot of ground In addition to using in August. prison labor to revamp the docks, they painted offices at the Community Center and changed out light switches to motion detection ones

that turn off and on automatically. Their last "Movies at the Park" event took place on August 28th but there is some talk about having another one later in the fall or early winter. The pool is once again closed for the season.

Three of our Water Department projects have been held up by USDA Rural Development while our agent makes sure all the t's are crossed and i's dotted in order to receive the grant monies awarded to us.

Meanwhile, the spring gravity line went back into service the last week of August and a press conference was scheduled for September by TVA and the city. According to Ed Roberts and Chuck Moore, the springs is producing approximately 448,000 gallons of water per day. Also, we have not received any reports of "red" water by the citizens affected when this line was put out of service by the ash spill. The line was completely replaced by TVA contractors.

# More Pictures from National Night Out



# Personal Notes, Etc.

- Ms. Nell Pinkerton, our City Manager Jim Pinkerton's Mom at Harriman Rehabilitation is keeping an eye on our city news.
- Mr. Pinkerton's Mother-In-Law, Ms. Thelma Thurman in the Rhea County Health Care facility.
- Officer Brad Miller's wife Holly has finished her chemo treatments! Way to go Gal!
- Keep all those injured in the recent tragic accident at Classic Salon in your prayers! An account has been set up at Citizens' National Bank. Make checks payable to Classic Style employees and customers.

# Please keep these folks and their families in your prayers!

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Pictured Left to right: Rosemary Alexander, Tennessee Education Chairman of the Avery Trace Chapter of DAR; Jane McPherson, Regent; of the Avery Trace DAR; Hunter McClure and Mayor Troy Beets



**ALL POINTS BULLETIN!** 

HAVE YOU SEEN THESE GUYS? NOT SURE WHAT THEY ARE WANTED FOR— WILL FIGURE IT OUT WHEN WE FIND THEM!

Phillip Nelson, Police Department Lt. Gary Nelson's son, is Class President again this year! Way to go Phillip!

> Hunter McClure, son of Councilmember Kevin McClure, entered a poster contest for 7th grade students sponsored by the Avery Trace Chapter of DAR and won the \$10 prize for first place for his poster.

> Hunter's poster was forwarded to the District DAR Tennessee History Chairman for further competition and was judged to be the best in the Cherokee District which includes DAR Chapters from Chattanooga, McMinn County, Monroe County and Roane County.

> The District forwarded Hunter's poster to the Tennessee State DAR Tennessee History Chairman and Hunter then received first place for 7th grade in the state. At a luncheon on May 1, 2010 Hunter was awarded a check for \$50 and was presented with a proclamation from the Mayor of Kingston, Troy Beets at the Council meeting on August 10, 2010.



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## **Insurance Enrollment Period Begins September 15!**

The Enrollment Period runs September 15—October 15, 2010. The coverage that you choose during this period goes into effect on January 1, 2011.

This year our usual "Annual Enrollment Transfer Period" is an Annual Enrollment Transfer/Open Enrollment Period. Under the terms of the new health reform law, our plan must allow eligible employees of the State, Higher Education and participating Local Education Agencies and Local Government Entities the opportunity to enroll, even if they've declined coverage in the past. There will no longer be a medical underwriting process for joining the plan. New enrollees age 19 and older will be subject to a 12-month pre-existing condition exclusion unless they can show creditable coverage in the past 63 days.

In addition, current members and new enrollees alike will be able to add their dependent children and step-children up to age 26. To enroll dependents, you will need to provide proof of eligibility with your signed enrollment forms by October 1. Your Enrollment Kit will include a list of required documents to prove eligibility.

NOTE: IF YOU DON'T TURN YOUR NEW FORM IN BY 10/1 YOU WILL NOT HAVE INSURANCE COME JANUARY 1, 2011!!!

Standing in the middle of the road is very dangerous: you get knocked down by the traffic from both sides.

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot; I would thou wert cold or hot.

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Revelation 3:15

6:00 pm

7:00 pm

### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!**

Roy Montgomery	9/9
Larry Russell	9/10
Adam Badger	9/10
Gary Nelson	9/17
Kevin Hamilton	9/18
Josh Woody	9/20
Brant Williams	9/30

If your birthday is not listed please call Joyce at 376-5911 Ext. 102

KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR

W. Troy Beets

VICE MAYOR

## **Meetings/Events**

### AUGUST

- 3 City Council Work Session
- **10** City Council Meeting
- 10 Beer Board Meeting (Immediately following Council Meeting)
- 10 Water Board Meeting (Immediately following Beer Board Meeting)
- 19 Planning Commission Meeting6:00 pm

#### **SEPTEMBER**

7	City Council Work Session	6:00 pm	
14	Public Hearing	6:45 pm	
14	City Council Meeting	<b>7:00 PM</b>	
14	Beer Board Meeting (Immediately following Council Meeting)		
14	Water Board Meeting (Immediately following Beer Board Meeting)		
16	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00 pm	



## Teresa Ferguson COUNCIL MEMBERS Kevin McClure Tim Neal

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