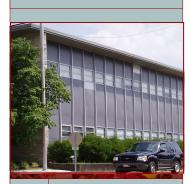
#### Volume 8, Issue 95

#### June 2012



## **2011 Home Grant Funds at Work**



Thanks to the 2011 Home Grant funds, three Kingston homes were torn down and completely replaced (see the before and after pictures of a home on James Ferry Road).

This is one of the Federal Pro-

grams experiencing funding cuts and it is doubtful home replacements will happen in the future.

The 2012 Home Grant Program has been postponed until this Fall.



#### **Special points of interest:**

Department News	Page 2
• Personal Notes, Etc.	Page 3
• Meetings/Events	Page 4

• Employee Birthdates Page 4

Life has many twists and turns and sometimes what looks like a very bad day can just be clearing the way for good things to come.

- J Kim Wright

ity Scenes

### **Department News**

Everyone in the city has been gearing up for our annual July 4th celebration but—none more than the **Parks & Recreation staff.** Beginning with preparation for the City Cookout this last week of June has everyone in frantic (or is it Panic) mode. Of course it doesn't help that it coincides with the end of the city's fiscal year and trying to close out and balance accounts while purchasing everything needed to make it happen—even bigger and better than ever!!!





#### Kudos also to employees in:

- the City Business Office
- Public Works
- Police Department
- Fire Department
- Water Department
- All our VOLUNTEERS!

The worst thing that happens to you may be the best thing for you if you don't let it get the best of you. ~Will Rogers

Kingston was honored by several special visitors on June 29th at Ft. Southwest Point during their tour of historic places in Roane County.

Pictured from left to right: City Manager Jim Pinkerton, Representative Julia Hurley, Senator Ken Yager, Kingston Mayor Troy Beets, E. Patrick McIntyre, State Historic Preservation Officer of the Tennessee Historical Commission, and Claudette Stager, Assistant Director and Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer.

### **Thanks Everyone!**

I am so fortunate to work for and with so many wonderful and giving people.

After my fall when coming back from lunch on May 30th, I must first thank the wonderful treatment from EMS/Fire Dept. employees (I especially remember Thunder Tipton and Eddie Lentz) although it appeared the entire staff and half the city had come to my aid. Second—thanks to my coworkers in the Business Office for picking up the slack.

Following a trip to the ER, surgery, 2 casts, a brace and a sling I am finally back

at work-kind of-one armed for a while.

Thanks for all the prayers, cards, calls, and meals from co-workers, friends, neighbors and especially the Mayor, Council members and boss Mr. Pinkerton and wife Wanda (I vaguely remember them visiting early in the process from a drugged induced state of euphoria)—here's hoping my responses made sense.

I am so thankful for all the blessings I have received from this—experience! —Joyce Lewis





### Personal Notes, Etc.

- Mr. Pinkerton's Mother-In-Law, Ms. Thelma Thurman is in the Rhea County Health Care facility.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager **Tony Workman's wife Amy** continues her battle against cancer.
- Police Reserve Officer Tim Arnold's Mother Velma Arnold is in the Harriman Rehabilitation Facility in Harriman.
- Water Department employee David Loy's wife Teresa has developed new tumors on her spine and is beginning a new series of treatments in her battle with cancer.

Please keep these folks and their families in your prayers!

**....** 

I don't think much of a man who is not wiser today than he was yesterday.

-Abraham Lincoln



Kristy Boswell's daughter Tiphanie and husband Matt Stout celebrated their first anniversary this month.

Happy Anniversary!



ETDD 2012 Annual Awards Banquet Museum of Appalachia—June 7, 2012

Kingston received an Achievement Award for the completion of the Automated Water Meter Project.

Pictured left to right: East Tennessee Development District (ETDD) Chairman Larry Waters; Kingston City Councilman Don White, Mayor Troy Beets (current ERDD Treasurer and future Secretary), City Manager Jim Pinkerton, John Byrkit and Campbell County Mayor and future ETDD Chairman William Baird.



125 West Cumberland Street Kingston, TN 37763

Office: 865-376-6584 Fax: 865-376-2325 E-mail jalking@bellsouth.net

We are on the Web! www.mykingstontn.com

# You're never too old to learn something stupid!

#### July Birthdays

James Crawley	7/5
David Loy	7/6
Chuck Moore	7/10
Kristi Boswell	7/11
Adam Zacher	7/19
Teresa Johnson	7/20
Eddie Lentz	7/21
Kelby Rice	7/22
Angie Williams	7/22
Jimmy Goodman	7/23
David Pinner	7/26
Thunder Tipton	7/29
Chief Washam	7/31

### Be a Considerate Neighbor at the Office

Like most people, you probably set off to work in the morning with a mental list of everything you hope to accomplish that day. But when you get to work, things can suddenly change. Your co-workers may decide to dissect last night's football game right outside your cubicle. Or your neighbor may turn up the music while he writes his monthly report. A co-worker's behavior can mean the difference between a pleasant and a frustrating work environment.

Here are some things to remember so that everyone can have a good day at the office:

- **Respect the space and privacy of others.** Before entering a co-worker's cubicle, ask if he or she is available to talk. If the person is busy, it's best to come back later, as opposed to standing by the cubicle.
- **Respect others' conversations.** It is impolite to make comments about an overheard conversation unless that person initiates the discussion with you, too. Remember, your calls and conversations are equally public, so it may be a good idea to hold private conversations in an empty conference room or office.
- Keep the noise level down. Use headphones when listening to music. Be respectful when talking through partitions. Be mindful of noise in the break room if it is located near workspaces. Turn cell phones to "vibrate." Also, refrain from using a speakerphone.
- Avoid wearing strong cologne or perfume. Many people are allergic to colognes and perfumes. Others who are not allergic may still find the scent overwhelming. Also, avoid bringing strongly scented food into your cubicle, such as garlic or seafood.
- **Don't display offensive items.** Be careful not to place pictures, articles, posters or other items that may be politically, sexually or personally offensive where co-workers can see. Avoid overly cluttered environments—remember, this is a place to work. Toys and gadgets should be kept to a minimum.

Visit www.Here4TN.com for more info.

### Meetings & Events



