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Eight Blount County athletic stand-outs will be inducted into the Blount County Sports Hall of Fame at the annual induction banquet to be held October 24, at the Airport Hilton Hotel.

The 2016 inductees are: Mimsy Nease Fleming; David Garner; Tyris Gilmore, Jr.; David Greer; Johnny "Cleon" Hearon; Lee Humphrey; Verlan "Sonny" Long; and Chris Whitehead.

Special Recognition will also be given to Area 15 Special Olympics 2016 Athlete of the Year, Shellie Vance. Shellie attends "The Gate" and is a long-time participant in the Special Olympics program. She is also a gifted singer and has performed the National Anthem in many Special Olympics Opening Ceremonies.



The Hometown Christmas Events Are Coming Soon !

Hometown Christmas kicks off with the first event, "H.O.M.E. for Christmas" and a tree lighting on November 26 at the M. L. King Community Center. "Springbrook Splendor", which includes the City of Alcoa tree lighting and visits with Santa, will be held November 28. The City of Maryville tree lighting will be held at the Pistol Creek Station bridge on the 5th of December and after the tree is lit Santa Claus will be visiting inside the Blount Library.

Entries are now also being accepted for the month-long "Festival of Trees" held on the Blount Courthouse lawn. The lighting of the trees ceremony will be held on December 1. To enter a tree or obtain more information, contact Missey Wright at 983-9244.

Online registration is now open for the annual Reindeer Run, 5k Race & Fun/Run Walk, the final 2016 race of the Healthy Blount Triple Crown of Running, to be held on December 4. Go to www.parksrec.com to register.

Youth Basketball

The deadline to register for the 6-weeks season of Basketball For Fun (age 5) and the 8-weeks season of Youth Basketball (ages 6-17) is November 4th. The season begins December 3. The fee is \$65 and includes a game jersey. Those in the Basketball For Fun also receive a basketball.

Registration has been extended for Adult Volleyball and Adult Basketball. Both are open to those over age 16 with leagues for both men and women. Each has a 12-game season beginning in November, exact date to be announced. For complete details on fees, locations and registration go to www.parksrec.com or call 983-9244.

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OCTOBER

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DOG COSTUME CONTEST • COSTUME PARADE

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Area 15 Special Olympics Bowling News

On November 7 Area 15 athletes from D & S Community Services will compete in the Tennessee Special Olympics State Bowling Competition in Columbia. Best of luck to Stephen Elliott; Cassandra Jordan; Adam Leonard; Justin McCrary; Gwen Miller; Thomas Simmons and Sayward Watson. They are coached by Kim Carpenter and Sheri Folta.

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