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Two Employees Honored

The Parks & Recreation Commission recently presented Service Awards to two employees during the monthly Commission meeting. Janet Thompson, Director of the Everett Senior Center was honored for 25 years at Parks & Rec. She is pictured at left with her award gift.

John Taylor, pictured at right, is a member of the Parks & Rec Maintenance Department. He was honored for his 15 years of service. A big THANK YOU goes to both Janet and John for their dedication and loyal service in their respective positions.



Attention Parents!

Did the recent schools spring break shock you into remembering what it's like to have the kids home all day in the summer? Are you looking for a way to give them fun and positive opportunities to use their vacation time away from their studies? No need to look further than:

www.parksrec.com/programs/camps.aspx.

Parks & Rec offers thirteen different Day Camp Adventures with everything from sports to sewing to drama to exploring nature. Save your sanity this summer and register your children before all the spaces are filled.

Season Pool Passes Discounted Through April 30
Pool Season Kicks Off May 16

From now until the end of April you may buy pool passes for the entire season at a 15% discount. You still have a few days to save, so don't delay. Springbrook Pool will open for the season at noon on Saturday, May 16. John Sevier Pool will open Saturday, May 23. Now is the time to purchase your passes and to sign up for swim lessons, aqua aerobics and the Flying Dolphins Swim Team.

For complete information on all the above as well as private pool party rentals, opening times and admission prices follow the link below:

www.parksrec.com/pools_aquatics.aspx



Randall Cobb Inspire 18 Football Camp

Parks and Rec is pleased to once again offer this one-day camp to the first 250 Blount County registrants and as of today space is still available. The camp is scheduled for Sunday, May 17th from 2:00-6:00 PM at Alcoa High School. The cost is free with registration being taken on-line only. This camp is a great opportunity for participants to receive quality instruction from an NFL great, and also inspires children to be great in all aspects of their lives. Participants will receive a backpack from "Blessings in a Back Pack" including a T-shirt, coupons, and other goodies. This camp will fill up quickly so register today by following the online link below:

www.parksrec.com/programs/camps.aspx

Visit A Park Day

On Thursday, May 7, Parks and Rec invites you to Sandy Springs Park in Maryville and Springbrook Park in Alcoa for "Visit A Park Day". From 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. members of the Parks & Rec Staff will be at both parks for free play games, distributing healthy snacks and providing information on our local parks and the recreational and wellness opportunities available to citizens of all ages through Parks & Rec programs. It's free outdoor fun !

Special Olympics News

The regional "Power Partners" Power Lifting competition was held last month at Foothills Mall. Thirty five Special Olympic athletes and partners participated. Another big THANK YOU to Chip Hultquist for organizing the event again this year. Thanks to his efforts and the support of our community partners, this event raised \$2007. for Area 15 Special Olympics. Thanks also to Foothills Mall for hosting the event.

The Area 15 Special Olympics Spring Track & Field Games held April 22 at Heritage High School were a big success with 320 student and adult athletes competing. A big thank you goes to the 300 volunteers who helped make the event possible and to the community organizations who provided assistance with food, set-up and break-down and many other important services. Thanks also to Heritage High School and the Maryville College Athletic Department for their continued support. This was the largest number of athletes ever in the Spring Track & Field Games. Several of them will be advancing to compete in the Tennessee State Games to be held May 15 - 16 in Nashville. Best of luck to all of them!



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