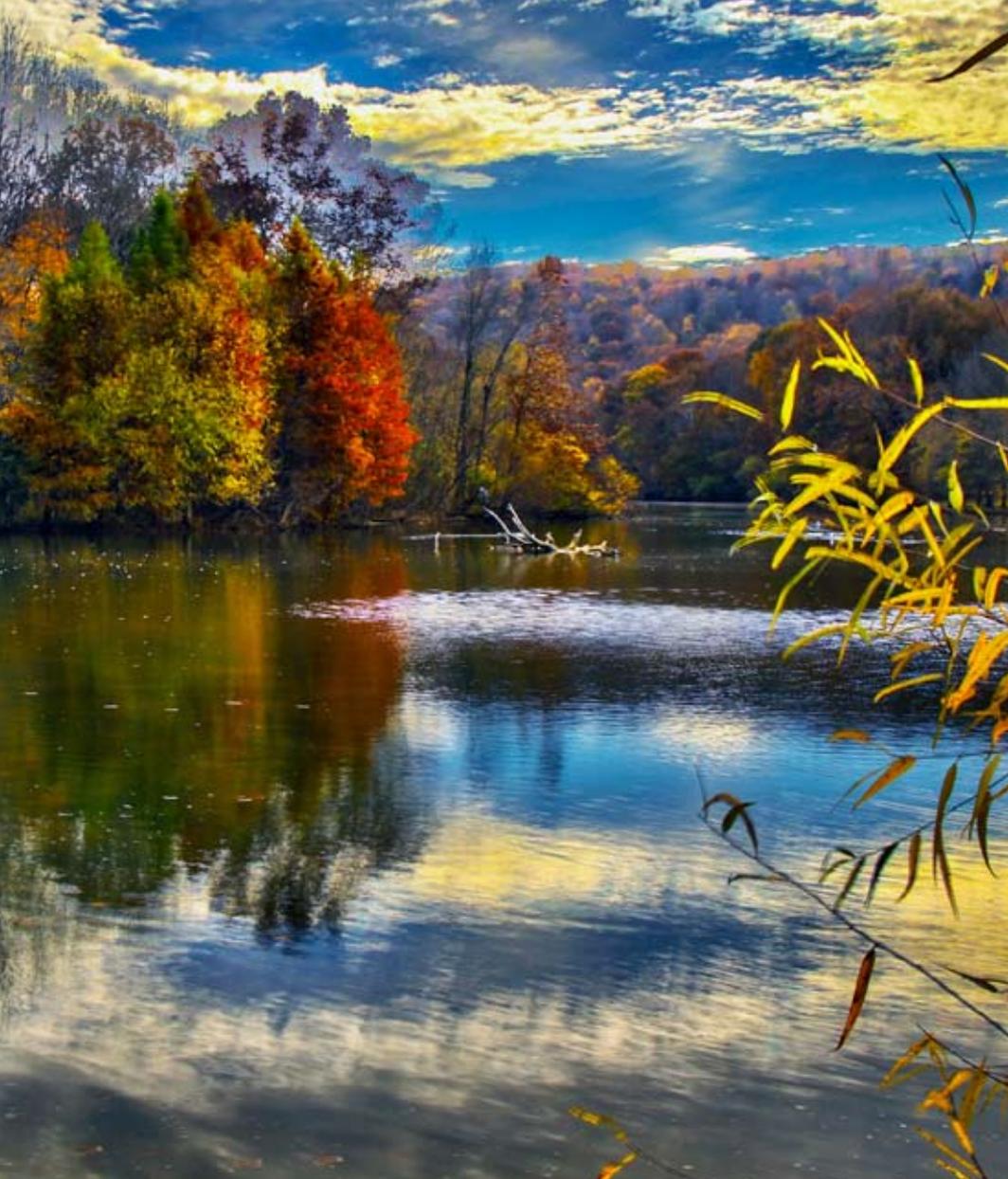


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# Leisure Life



Cookeville City Lake in the Fall

*Photo by Mark Leckington | Cookeville Camera Club*

**Cookeville Leisure Services and Public Facilities**

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# From the Mayor

I would like to welcome you to our new semiannual publication to promote the facilities and programs of the Cookeville Department of Leisure Services and to highlight some of the people who participate and staff who make it happen. Inside, you will find pictures and stories highlighting many of the things that help to make Cookeville a great place to live and raise a family.

*We are Blessed with beautiful parks, great athletic and recreation facilities, and wonderful events that help to enhance the quality of life for all our citizens.*

## Here are some usage numbers:

- 22,200 people served at Cane Creek Recreation Center in last 12 months (15,167 of that in fitness classes)
- 28,961 users of Cane Creek Gymnasium in the last 12 months
- 27,642 players and spectators at the Sportsplex in the last 12 months
- 31 weekend tournaments scheduled in 2014 at the Sportsplex (Mar. - Oct.) The most ever!
- 129,822 vehicles counted (by the automatic counter at the gate) driving into Cane Creek Park. This does not include users who park at the Recreation Center and walk the trails.
- Museums attendance in last 12 months (Aug. 13 – July 14): 11,924 at the Depot Museum and 3,718 at the History Museum.
- Cookeville Performing Arts Center – Used 304 days in 2013 - estimated attendance 27,005
- Dogwood Performance Pavilion – Used 48 days in 2013 – estimated attendance 16,780
- Free events sponsored by, or co-sponsored by Leisure Services at Dogwood:  
Community Band Concerts, Dogapalooza, Shakespeare in the Park,  
Third Thursday Concert Series, After Dark Movies in the Park, Storyfest
- Other free events offered by Leisure Services: Kid's Fishing Derby (Cane Creek Park & TTU Fisheries), Nature Fest (Cane Creek Park & TTU), Summer Cinemas at the Depot (Depot Museum), Brown Bag Lunch Concerts (Depot Museum)
- Partnerships for other notable community events: Fall FunFest (w/CityScape), Soap Box Derby (w/PAL), Mud Run (w/Habitat for Humanity), Easter Egg Hunt (w/Stone Comm)
- Enhancements on the horizon: new restroom facilities at West End Park, new concession stand at Cane Creek Park, development of land use master plans for Park View and Cane Creek Parks, next phase of Dogwood Park to include a bridge across the waterway, restroom/dressing room/storage facility for pavilion, fencing, and a playground.

*We hope you enjoy this publication!*

Ricky Shelton  
City of Cookeville Mayor



*Crowds gather at Dogwood Performance Pavilion in Dogwood Park for one of the many concerts and community events held there. For a schedule of concerts and events at the pavilion, visit [www.cookeville-tn.org/cpac/dogwood-performance-pavilion](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/cpac/dogwood-performance-pavilion).*

## Our Parks

### Dogwood Park

A green oasis in the downtown area, located at 30 E Broad St., across from the City Municipal Building. It's a great place for lunchtime picnics. The Department's Performance Pavilion is located in this park. This park is also home to a beautiful interactive fountain which flows daily throughout the spring/summer season.

### West End Park

This neighborhood park is located at 609 West End and has a volleyball court, play equipment, picnic tables, a basketball court and new restroom facilities.

### Walnut Park

This park is located at 186 South Walnut Ave., immediately behind the Senior Citizens Center. This passive park contains a walking trail, picnic tables and a gazebo.

### Franklin Avenue Park

Franklin Avenue Park is located at the corner of Franklin Avenue and 6th Street. It is one of the most popular neighborhood parks and contains play equipment and a small picnic shelter.

### Capshaw Park

On the corner of South Maple, Stevens Street and Elm Avenue, this park is adjacent to Capshaw School. This park is a natural area with trails and picnic tables.

### Park View Park

This park is located at 570 Scott Ave. The park features play equipment as well as a picnic shelter with tables.

### City Lake Natural Area

This 35 acre City Lake Natural Area is located on Bridgeway Drive and is preserved in its natural state, with some improvements to help accessibility. The park is a favorite with area fishermen as they can catch catfish, bass and bream. Cookeville's first water treatment facility was constructed here.

### Cinderella Park

Located at the end of Mitchell Avenue at 700 Cinderella Ln., Cinderella is one of the city's oldest neighborhood parks. Cinderella has a small picnic shelter with tables, a basketball court, a public restroom, and play equipment.

### Cane Creek Park

Cookeville's largest park and the "Finest Municipal Park in the Upper Cumberland," located at 201 CC Camp Rd. Cane Creek Park hosts well over 100,000 visitors yearly. The park contains a concession stand, three picnic shelters, basketball and volleyball courts, play equipment, hiking and walking trails, boat rentals, an 18-hole disc golf course and a lake to fish. Shelters may be rented by calling **931-520-4FUN**. Paddleboats, may be rented at the concession stand April - September.

### Ensor Sink Natural Area

A beautiful little park in the heart of town which features picnic tables, two walking trails, a small amphitheater for lectures and educational uses, a stone council ring for scout meetings and nature groups and a gazebo with an informational kiosk which centers on our city's system of sink holes.

[www.cookeville-tn.org/  
ls/city-parks](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/ls/city-parks)

Students enjoy basketball camp at the Cane Creek Gymnasium. A basketball camp is held at the gym during fall, winter, spring and summer school breaks.

For up-to-date information on upcoming camps and other happenings at the gym, visit [www.cookeville-tn.org/ls/athletics/cane-creek-gymnasium](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/ls/athletics/cane-creek-gymnasium).



## Our Facilities

### **Administrative Office** 45 East Broad St. 931-520-4FUN

Located in the Cookeville Municipal Building at 45 East Broad St.

### **Cane Creek Rec Center** 180 C.C. Camp Rd. 931-526-7393

Located near Cane Creek Park, this facility is now host to all of our classes, many special events, fitness program, camps and Leisure Services School of dance.

### **Cane Creek Gymnasium** 180 C.C. Camp Rd. 931-526-9767

Located beside the Rec Center, the gym is host to special tournaments, sporting events, basketball, soccer, volleyball, pickleball, league play and camps throughout the year along with open gym times. Gym space is available for party rental as well.

### **Cookeville City Cemetery** 241 South Walnut Ave. 931-372-8086

Owned and operated by the Cookeville Leisure Services Department, the cemetery is located between Walnut and Scott Avenues near the heart of Cookeville. The Cemetery Office is open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

### **Cookeville Depot Museum** 100 South Cedar Ave. 931-528-8570

This facility is dedicated to the preservation of the area's historical heritage, and focuses on the Tennessee Central Railroad's impact on the Upper Cumberland Area.

The museum hosts fun, family-friendly events throughout the year. Hours are Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. *Free admission.*

### **Dogwood Performance Pavilion** 30 East Broad St. 931-520-5296

An outdoor performance pavilion in Dogwood Park. The pavilion is available for rental and is the location of many of our concerts and events.

### **Cookeville History Museum** 40 East Broad St. 931-520-5455

This museum opened its doors to the public February 23, 2001. Along with the Upper Cumberland Heritage Foundation and the Friends of the Museum organization, the staff is busy collecting artifacts, memorabilia and photographs of Cookeville, Putnam County, and the surrounding area. The museum hosts exhibits of local interest.

### **Cookeville Performing Arts Center** 10 East Broad St. 931-528-1313

The Performing Arts Center is host to several local productions as well as regional and national touring companies.

### **Cane Creek SportsPlex** 2200 W. Jackson St. 931-520-5224

A complete softball/baseball complex which includes four adult fields and four youth fields and hosts many major tournaments throughout the year.

### **General Maintenance** 790 East 15th St. 931-520-5257

The general maintenance crew takes care of all the city's buildings and is in charge of many of the department's major projects.

### **Parks Maintenance** 544 Scott Ave. 931-528-2605

The parks maintenance crew, also known as the beautification crew, is located near Park View ball fields. They maintain those fields and all the city parks.

## Traditions, time spent together make Father Daughter Date Night special

**T**he D.J. says “Here it is, dad.”

The crowd steps back, forming a circle around Howard Stephenson and his daughters, Rebecca and Laura Beth, as the tune of Ike and Tina Turner’s 1970’s hit “Proud Mary” fills the room.

It’s a father Daughter Date Night tradition the three have enjoyed for more than 20 years. “We love to dance, and we love to spend time with each other,” Howard said. That’s a combination that makes Leisure Services’ annual Father Daughter Date Night an ideal destination for the Stephensons and hundreds of other dads and their daughters.

Howard and his daughters attended their first Father Daughter Date Night in 1992, just before Rebecca’s 11<sup>th</sup> birthday. Laura Beth was only 8-years-old.

“We have been to 18 to 20 of them now,” Howard said. “Even now that the girls have grown, we plan around it.”

Throughout their teen years, all through their 20s and still today, Howard’s daughters have made the event a priority. The girls plan the details, all the way down to matching outfits for the three of them. Rebecca and Laura Beth always dress alike, even having their hair styled similarly. They also select a matching outfit for Howard, none of which he gets to see before the night of the event. “When they come down the stairs, it is the first time I see what they are wearing,” Howard said. “It is a very special moment.”

Dad is in charge of getting tickets for the three of them. Before the ticket sales went to an online format, that sometimes meant waiting in line through wind, cold and even rain to make sure they could attend the popular event.



*Howard Stephenson  
dances with  
his  
daughter in 1994*

*Howard Stephenson and his daughters, Laura Beth and Rebecca have attended more than 18 Father Daughter Date Night events. At right is Howard and Rebecca at their first event in 1992. Below are the girls and their father at the 2014 event.*



That night, which includes dinner and lots of dancing, each daughter has “her” song, giving each of them a special chance to take to the dance floor with their dad. Laura Beth’s song, “Butterfly Kisses” usually comes earlier in the night. “That lets me get the crying out of the way early in the night,” Howard said. For Rebecca, “My Girl” means a few special moments swaying to the music with her dad. “We just love each other and have a great time together,” Howard said. “We are grateful for the opportunity.” Howard says he sees other dads at the event who group together while their daughters spend time with friends, but that’s not how the Stephensons enjoy the event. They spend the entire night together. “They are missing out,” he says. “I am truly blessed.”

Father Daughter Date Night happens in February each year and was expanded to two weekends in 2014, giving more dads and their daughters a chance to attend.

The 2015 event is scheduled for February 20, 21, 27 and 28 at the Leslie Town Centre. Online only ticket sales begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday, January 10. For details, visit [www.cookeville-tn.org/l5](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/l5).

# Holiday Traditions



## Holidays come to life with Cookeville Leisure Services

**A**s the city begins to light up in sparkling red and green, the holiday season is ushered in with the annual Community Christmas Tree lighting ceremony on the front plaza at the Cookeville Performing Arts Center. It's a symbolic launching of the city into the holiday spirit as festivities that have long been tradition for many approach.

On Monday, December 1, 2014, Cookeville's mayor will be on hand to flip the switch, officially lighting the tree. Sponsored by the West Side Business Association, the tree comes from the Savages' tree farm in Baxter. Most years, the farm is eyeing a large, nicely-shaped tree to be included in the celebration long before time to cut it down.

Festivities begin at 5:30 p.m., with holiday music provided by the Cookeville Community Band, singers from Prescott South Elementary School, the Mastersingers and First Baptist Church, and the tree will light up just about 6 p.m. Hot chocolate available in the CPAC lobby is extra enticement to stick around and watch the annual Christmas parade from the CPAC plaza, one of the best vantage points in town.

Another Cookeville Christmas tradition comes to life at the Cookeville Depot Museum's annual Christmas Open House, held the first Saturday in December each year. Saturday, December 6, 2014 there will be a Christmas Carnival from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the historic Depot.



*Above, the Prescott South Middle School Chorus sings holiday music at the Community Christmas Tree Lighting on the front plaza of CPAC. From snowmen to Santa and his elves, special guests are a part of Leisure Services holiday festivities.*

A holiday tradition for more than 20 years, many local children have grown up enjoying the themed celebration, highlighted with yummy, homemade treats. With 2014's Christmas Carnival theme, there is sure to be plenty of games, treats, prizes and maybe even a surprise visitor or two!

Grab your family and all your friends and come delight in all the best the holiday season has to offer with Cookeville's Department of Leisure Services and the Cookeville Depot Museum.

On Sunday, December 7 at 3 p.m., come back over to CPAC for the Cookeville Community Band's annual Holiday Concert.

Made up of both professional and hobby musicians from the area, the Cookeville Community Band also performs a series of summer concerts at the performance pavilion in Dogwood Park. You can find more information about the band online at [www.cookevillecommunityband.org](http://www.cookevillecommunityband.org).

Making their way around town starting in mid-November are Leisure Services' very own "Elves on the Go." Dressed in festive red and green, the elves can be booked for school or daycare Christmas parties. With cookies, drinks, activity sheets and candy canes in tow, the elves bring lively holiday spirit to the party.

Ready to help the kiddos make their Christmas lists, color special holiday pictures, read stories and sing Christmas songs, the elves are a hit with the kids and are a way for us to spread some holiday cheer. Cost to have the elves visit your party is \$25 for groups smaller than 25 kids.

Want to know how you can make Cookeville Leisure Services a part of your holiday traditions? Visit us online at [www.cookeville-tn.org/ls](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/ls).





## Pickleball draws seasoned athletes

**I**t may not have the sweetest name, but if you talk to the people who come to the Cane Creek Gymnasium to play pickleball about the sport, they don't have a sour word to say.

Pickleball falls somewhere among tennis, ping pong and badminton. A racquet sport played on a court the same size as a badminton court, but with a net and similar rules to tennis, pickleball can be played with either two or four players.

"I imagine myself like a doll playing on a ping pong table," Paula Lilly, a longtime

tennis player who has brought her tennis friends to the pickleball court, said. "That's what it feels like." Players use lightweight paddles to hit a polymer perforated ball, like a wiffle ball, over a net.

"It is a great game," Bill Jenkins, who heard about pickleball from Lilly, said. "Every tennis player who has ever come in and played has liked it." Jenkins played and taught tennis for 25 years. Now retired and in his 80s, Jenkins finds the smaller court of pickleball a better fit for him.

You will find Jenkins at the gym playing pickleball three times a week, every time the local group meets. When his grandkids come to visit, they come along with him. "When we pick them up, the first thing they say is 'Are we going to play pickleball?' They look forward to it," he said.

It isn't just seasoned tennis players who play pickleball, everyone from Bill's grandkids to retirees looking for an opportunity to get active can play, according to Lilly. "It is not hard to pick up," she said. "Anybody can do it."

Thirteen-year-old Blake Burckhard plays several sports and is on the tennis team at Algood Middle School. He started playing pickleball at the gym during winter





## and newcomers alike to Cane Creek

break and liked it so much that he made it a regular part of his spring and summer breaks from school. “It is just a fun thing to do,” Burckhard said. “I like being active and it is a lot like tennis, so that helps me stay in shape to play tennis too.”

A relatively new sport, pickleball is said to have started in the summer of 1965 when Joel Pritchard, a state representative from Washington, and two friends attempted to set up badminton play with their families but could not find all the equipment. They improvised with a wiffle ball and some paddles made of scrap wood, and pickleball was born. By the 1990s, pickleball was being played in all 50 states.

There are two common stories about how exactly the sport got its name. The first is that the sport was named after a family dog that enjoyed chasing the ball and running away with it. Others say that Pritchard’s wife called the sport pickleball after the “pickle boat”

manned by oarsmen chosen from the leftovers of other boats. Whether for its name, ease of play or spirit of the game, pickleball has gained the affections of an international audience, as well as right here in the Upper Cumberland.

Open pickleball play happens from 9 am - noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Cane Creek Gymnasium. Most days, there are as many as three courts of pickleball matches, with players waiting on the sidelines for their chance to play.

Admission to Cane Creek Gym is \$1 and pickleball racquets and balls are available for use.



Photos by Mark Leckington | Cookeville Camera Club

# FIT MOMS



*Moms of all fitness levels are able to take part in Fit Moms, a kid-friendly fitness class offered through Leisure Services.*

## **Active moms are positive example for kids**

**K**elly Swallows knows just as well as any mother out there that making time to do something positive for yourself amid the hustle and bustle of motherhood is a challenge. That's why she is so passionate about the Fit Moms class she teaches twice a week at the Cane Creek Recreation Center.

"First and foremost, seeing moms of all fitness levels exercise is so inspiring," she said. "Not just to other moms, but also to their children. I smile when I find my kids trying to do 'pushups' or 'crunches' in the family room – all due to my example of maintaining a healthy lifestyle so I can be at my best for them."

It's an opportunity to get moving and be active, even with the kiddos in tow.

The 60-minute class combines cardio, strength and toning exercises starting with a 5-minute warm up, followed by 45 minutes of power walking, jogging, cardio circuits, and various strength exercises to target different muscle groups. Weather permitting, class takes place outdoors with babies and toddlers in a stroller. Older kids are encouraged to ride their bike or tricycle with the group.

"Sometimes we utilize the playgrounds at Cane Creek (Park) and let the little ones play while we exercise," she said. "If it's too hot, cold or rainy, we have full access to the Cane Creek Rec Center fitness room where we play music, let the kids out of the strollers, while the moms work up a sweat and tone all over with a multitude of fitness equipment." Core/abdominal exercises are a staple in the class, which ends with a 5 minute stretch and cool down.

Who are Fit Moms? Swallows says Fit Moms is for anyone who wants to move. Moms, mommies-to-be, grandmothers, friends and even spouses are encouraged to join in. Whether participants are interested in maintaining a healthy pregnancy, making their way through post-baby recovery or just looking to build some endurance for keeping up with the non-stop pace of motherhood, Swallows says this class could be for you.



*Outside and in the fitness studio at the Cane Creek Recreation Center, Fit Moms is a chance for mom to get moving and for her kids to experience positive social interaction.*

“I worked out up until the day I gave birth during both of my pregnancies, in moderation of course,” she said. “This will help you during the birth of your baby, and will enable you to be one step ahead for your post-baby recovery. Once you receive a doctor’s permission post-birth (usually 6-8 weeks), we would love to help you get back your pre-baby body or encourage you to start moving again to keep you healthy.” Instructors provide modifications for each exercise for all fitness levels in the class. Swallows says they seek to push participants past their comfort level to help them meet their fitness goals, while having lots of fun.



“Since our class has kiddos, we sing songs, incorporate activities for kids, and keep the class fast-paced so kids aren’t bored,” she said. “The kids are not in the stroller the entire time – 30-45 minutes into the class, we let kids out to play, they learn social skills all while we mommies get to work out, laugh, share mommy tips and organize the next play date!”

Swallows says she often hears from moms who are skeptical that their child will stay in a stroller for that long, but she says with snacks and the entertainment of the class, it usually is no problem. Even when it is, the group is supportive and understanding. “We can tailor the class to how the kiddos react so everyone enjoys themselves,” she said. “This class is a fun, judgment-free zone! The most common phrase we hear as moms, and I have muttered many times myself: ‘It takes an army to get out of the house, and even if we get out of the house, we are 20 minutes late!’”

But Swallows says, even if you are late, come to class!

Participants should bring water, snacks and sunscreen for their kiddos, along with water and an optional exercise mat for their own use. Classes begin at 9:15 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays at the Cane Creek Recreation Center and are only \$3 each. For more information on this class and other fitness classes offered by Leisure Services, visit [www.cookeville-tn.org/ls/fitness-program](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/ls/fitness-program).



*Mildred Garrett enjoys opportunities to be creative in planning programs and classes for the community. She is pictured with a piece of her original art displayed in her Cane Creek Recreation Center office.*

## **Garrett brings creativity, artist's eye to programming**

**A**s a child, Mildred Garrett watched the clouds, imagining the animals and characters she could paint or draw from what she saw in the sky. That creative spirit has served her well in her 32 years of planning and leading community enrichment opportunities. She was actually working with the city before the Department of Leisure Services and Public Facilities was established.

In 1983, Garrett started working for Putnam County at a small community center in western Cookeville, what is now the site of West End Park, teaching arts and crafts to children. Sometime later, the city took over the community center and when Leisure Services was established, Garrett was one of the department's first employees. She was assigned to do special programs and events for the department. At that time, she split her day, spending part of her time at the community center and part of her day working at the city hall offices, planning and leading various programs and events. "They were programs that had never been done here in Cookeville," Garrett said. "It was exciting and a challenge."

# Employee Spotlight:

## Mildred Garrett

*Garrett shows off some of her artwork.  
She plans community classes and  
programs offered through  
Leisure Services.*

*Do you have an idea for a class or  
program that you would like offered?  
Contact Mildred at 931-520-5297.*



She scheduled golf classes for youth, belly dancing classes and yoga classes. She also organized events like Breakfast with Santa and the very first Father Daughter Date Night. When it came to finding people to teach classes, Garrett couldn't turn to the internet like she does today. Instead, she relied on her phone book.

"I would look at what other people were doing in other places and then take my phone book out and try to find people who did that kind of thing here," she explained.

Garrett called professionals in the area, told them who she was and asked if they would be interested in helping her with a community event or class. "Probably nine times out of 10, they said 'yes,'" Garrett said. "I was networking all the time."

Then, classes were held all over the city. Since, things have changed a lot.

Garrett has all but retired her phone book and now has a home at the Cane Creek Recreation Center for hosting classes and programs. She is still able to throw back to her early years doing arts and crafts with the kids at the community center by hosting an art camp through Leisure Services during the summer.

"I love art. I am so passionate about art," she said.

She is always looking for ways to create something and especially enjoys experimental art and building or molding an image from various materials, rather than just drawing or painting. She also designs greeting cards and creates sculptures and images on drift wood and old tree roots. For Garrett any object or opportunity is a chance to be creative.

"I love being creative. That's where my brain works best, whether I am planning a program or working on my art," she said. "I have been fortunate to use my creativity."



## **Brown Bag Lunch Concerts draw crowds to Depot Museum**

**O**n Fridays in October, the east patio of Cookeville's historic Depot Museum transforms into a stage for everything from tuba ensembles and bluegrass bands to acoustic performances and African drummers for Leisure Services' annual Brown Bag Lunch Concert series.

Started as a way to draw visitors to the Depot, the series typically draws crowds of 75 to 100 people to the lawn on their lunch hour to enjoy the music and fall weather.

"It is great to be sitting on the lawn, with everything going on around you, listening to music," Chad McDonald, cultural arts superintendent with the City of Cookeville said. "It is kind of an oasis of culture right in the middle of town."

Musicians remain under the covered portion of the patio and audience seating is placed in the open air between two lawns. The concert area is surrounded on three sides by busy city streets and a railroad track which creates a unique environment.

When it comes to selecting the musicians for the series, McDonald seeks a variety of local and non-local musical guests. Often, the selection process is guided by community input. Other local musicians suggest bands or performers for the series. Sometimes, locals who have seen musicians at concert festivals in other places will bring back recommendations as well. "Because of the space, we like to keep the groups smaller, typically three to five people," McDonald said.

The concerts are free, open to the public and happen from 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. They take place each Friday in October, with the exception of the final Friday of the month. For a full list of concert schedules, visit [www.cookeville-tn.org/cpac/brown-bag-lunch-concert-series](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/cpac/brown-bag-lunch-concert-series).

# Community Classes



## Photography Classes with Leisure Services

Students taking a recent Beginning Photography Class, hosted by Leisure Services and instructed by local Photographer Ron Baker, enjoyed the class so much that Baker agreed to host an intermediate course for them to continue expanding their photography skill-set. Baker is looking forward to another set of beginner photographers in upcoming classes. To see what community classes we have planned, visit [www.cookeville-tn.org/lc/community-classes](http://www.cookeville-tn.org/lc/community-classes).





Photo by Bill Miller  
Cookeville Camera Club

## Brown Bag Lunch Concert Series at the Depot

Fridays in October 11:30-1 p.m.

October 3 - Facetious Three - Jazz trio

October 10 - Jeremy Fritts

October 17 - Warren Gently

October - 24 TBA

October 31 - No Brown Bag Concert

Cooking on the Square around the courthouse.



## Dr. Doom Fall Break Basketball Camp at the Cane Creek Gym

October 6-17

Campers will focus on basketball fundamentals such as shooting, dribbling, and passing. The camp will build the confidence of children with Bob Dawson's unparalleled instruction and wealth of basketball knowledge. Coach Dawson began the Dr. Doom Camp in Cookeville in 1994 and has worked with thousands of athletes in the community. Tuition is \$65 per week or \$15 per day.



## Fall Break Camp

October 6-10 & 13-17

Fall camp is for children in kindergarten through 12 yrs. It is \$70 per week with a \$5 discount per sibling when attending full time. Part-time rates are available as well at \$20 a day per child. *Space is limited.*



## Cane Creek Gym Basketball League

Starts Late Nov./Early Dec.

Ages 18 & up. The Cost is \$250/team + \$5 player fee. Ten games are guaranteed. Games run from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. at the Cane Creek Gym.



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# Dates to Know

Here's  
What's  
Happening!



## Depot Open House

December 6 from 10 a.m.– 3 p.m.

A family-friendly holiday event, the historic Depot Museum will be filled with holiday spirit, caroling, games and sweet treats for this year's Christmas Carnival at the Depot.



## Spring Camp

March 16-20 and 23-27

This camp is patterned after the popular summer camp program with a few minor changes to better accommodate you during this short time period. Camp is for kindergartners through 12-years-old.

*Space is limited.*



Photo by Ty Kernea

## Father Daughter Date Night

February 20, 21, 27 and 28

Tickets for this annual formal event, featuring dinner and dancing, for dads and their daughters go on sale online only January 10 at 8 a.m. For sponsorship information, contact Cara Sheets at 931-520-5297.

## February Fun

### Westside Scavenger Hunts

Saturdays in February from 11 – 3 p.m.

Have fun, win fabulous prizes and meet our WestSide neighbors at one of the Depot Museum's February Fun West-Side Scavenger Hunts.



## Co-Ed Recreational & Church Spring Softball League signups

Begin March 1

Adult Co-Ed Recreational and Church teams can begin signing up for spring league play at the Cane Creek SportsPlex during the month of March.

Co-Ed Rec teams play on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Church teams play on Mondays.

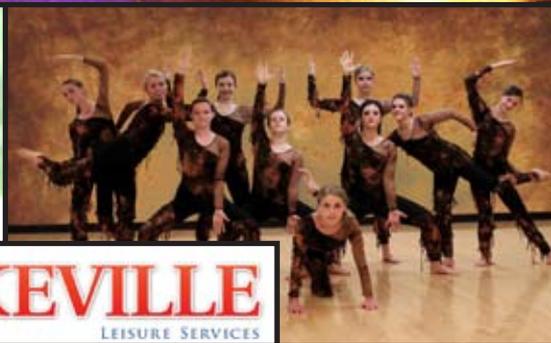
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Dogwood Park Fountain at Night | Photo by Mark Leckington | Cookeville Camera Club



Fishing Cane Creek Park | Photo by Bill Miller | Cookeville Camera Club