Roane County Executive's - March 2020 Newsletter to the Community

A Night in Roane *(Pam May,Roane Alliance)*

Join us as we combine into one exciting event, the annual Roane Alliance Gala and Roane Chamber Banquet, on **Saturday, March 28, 2020**. The theme will be, naturally, the Roaring 20's, so plan now for a night of jazz music, flappers, and fun!

This is the primary annual fundraising event for the Alliance, and now for the Chamber to raise money for continued programs to increase economic prosperity for Roane County's resident and businesses. This event also provides a focus and a backdrop for networking and relationship-building opportunities locally, regionally and nationally that also helps facilitate growth in Roane County.

Tickets are $150 each, and tables of 8 are available. For tickets please call 865.376.2093 EXT 200 or email **RSVP@roanealliance.org**

If your company is interested in sponsoring this event, please call 865.376.2093 EXT 200

For more info please visit our website at **www.roanealliance.org/gala**

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The Courthouse will be **CLOSED Tuesday, March 3rd** in observance of Presidential Preference Primary Election Day!

Glen Alice Compactor Project *(Melinda Ferrell, Department of Solid Waste)*

Glen Alice Convenience Center in Rockwood was the last convenience center in the county to be upgraded to a garbage compactor. On January 22, 2020 the Department of Solid Waste converted the eleven open-top garbage boxes to a 4-yard refurbished garbage compactor. The compactor installation will reduce landfill hauls to once weekly and is being hauled by a Roane County Solid Waste driver. This transition drastically reduces the monthly disposal cost from $3,379.20 each month to about $500.00 per month for an annual savings of approximately $34,500.00.

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Bee Keeping 101 *(Ag-Extension)*

The Master Gardeners of Roane County will host their Brown Bag Lunch & Learn Series Saturday, **March 14 at 12:00** in the UT Extension Office located at 3074 Roane State Hwy. in Midtown. This session will be "Be Keeping 101" with State Apiary Specialist Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda. In this session we will be learning about the basics of beekeeping.

This is an ongoing series which will be the 2nd Saturday of each month. Participants are asked to bring a brown bag lunch or snack to enjoy while they listen to the presentation. The Master Gardeners of Roane County are trained by University of Tennessee Extension and are part of the Tennessee Master Gardener Program. Come join us for this free class!

PUBLIC JOB ANNOUNCEMENT – February 2020
ROANE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
BUILDING INSPECTOR

JOB SUMMARY:
Complete skilled technical work performing building, plumbing, mechanical and development inspections of residential, commercial and industrial properties, enforcing various code, regulations and the zoning ordinance of Roane County. Work is performed under the supervision of the Building Official.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:
- Inspect residential, commercial and industrial new construction
- Perform land use development inspections
- Read and interpret codes and regulations
- Compile and complete all records and reports associated with inspections
- Work with contractors, developers and the general public to help gain compliance with codes and regulations
- Interact with the general public and maintain open and timely communication to ensure positive public relations
- Essential functions listed are not all encompassing: may be required to perform other duties as assigned

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:
- Ability to exert up to 35 lbs. of force, sit, stand, kneel, squat, crawl, drive, climb ladders, move up and down stairs.
- Vocal communication is required for expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word.
- Employee will be exposed to seasonal temperature while performing inspections.

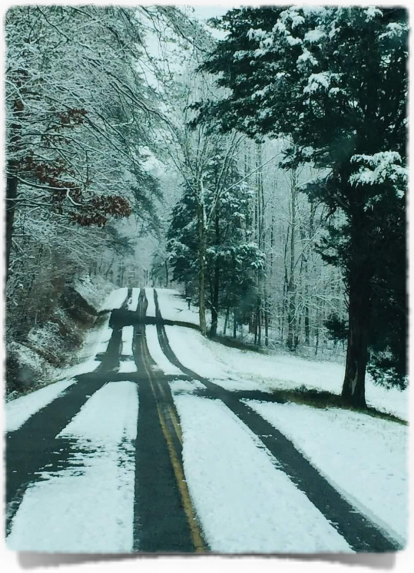
EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:
High school diploma or equivalent and minimum 5 years experience in the field of construction or equivalent combination of education and experience.

SPECIAL REQIREMENTS:
- Obtain certification as a Residential Building inspector within one year of hire date. Position will also require certifications in plumbing and mechanical.
- Maintain all certifications with the ICC and the State of Tennessee.
- Must possess a valid Tennessee driver's license.

Apply or send resume to:
308 N. Kentucky St.
Kingston TN. 37763

Highway Department (Brian Matthews)

We have been busy working and dealing with rain, some more rain, a little snow, and then more rain. We have plenty of salt waiting in case winter weather decides to pop up again. We have a busy month planned and we are looking forward to some Rockwood High School AP Government students coming by to visit. If you or your organization would like to visit or have us come and speak about what we do then give us a call and let's what we can work out.



Sparky

from the Roane County Office of Emergency Services made a visit to the Midway/ Oliver Springs game to pose for pictures, shoot free throws, and promote fire safety and emergency alerts for Roane County Citizens!

Daylight Savings Time is **Sunday, March 8, 2020**! Don't forget to move your clocks one hour **FORWARD**!

Students Can Now Learn About Careers or Existing Jobs at High School Career Fair

(Pam May, Roane Alliance)

The Twelfth Annual Roane County High Schools Career Day is on **Thursday, March 12 at Roane State Community College from 9 am to noon**. This year, approximately 500 11th grade juniors as well as 100 seniors from the five Roane County high schools will attend the event. This year seniors who plan to enter the workforce immediately after graduation can participate in the event. Many businesses participating expressed an interest in meeting with those seniors to discuss employment opportunities.

Career Day allows businesses to meet future employees and let them know what skills and attitude businesses consider to be important to be successful in the workplace. Businesses are helping to educate and cultivate Roane's future workforce. Their participation in this event is an investment in their business today and tomorrow to help fill their employee pipeline. And it helps students by meeting employers who can identify potential Work-Based Learning (WBL) opportunities that they can take advantage of during their senior year.

In fact, it has been so successful, that a Middle School Career Day has been created to provide this opportunity at an earlier age to allow even more preparation for students and businesses in creating the future workforce. For information about this program or any other Education Matters programs administered by the Roane Alliance contact Allen Lutz, Director of Education and Workforce at ALutz@RoaneAlliance.org, or call 865-376-2093.

Do you know about . . . some unusual Roane County Marriages? *(Robert Bailey, Historian)*

A few years ago we had a man to come into the old courthouse and inquire about his marriage that had not happened too long ago. He stated that his "wife" had said that they were married in Roane County. But he wasn't sure because he said that he was drunk at the time of the supposed marriage.

Many times, interesting tidbits about some marriages are recorded in the marriage books or in newspapers. Here are a few unusual ones from Roane County's past.
"Sept'r 10th 1822. This day wedded Rebecca White to Martin Durrett. He hugged her tight she loved him for it, It is somewhat a curious case He her uncle She his Niece. If it was wrong I'm not to blame Being kept ignorant of the same Untill the marriage knot was tyd. He a husband She a wedded Bride!!. Alexr. Nesmith JP." Written on the marriage license of Martin Durrett and Rebecca White, 10 Sep 1822 in Roane County by Alexander Nesmith, the J.P. who married them. [We don't know if the above was true or not but more research needs to be done]

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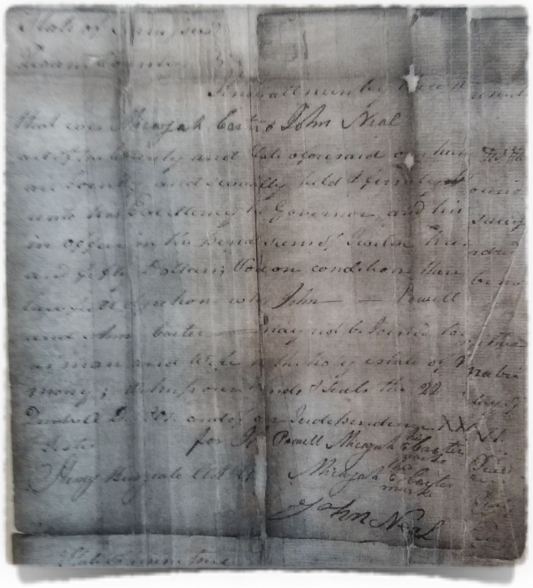
"To marry such a couple was hardly right they often quarrel & sometimes fight." Written on the back of the marriage license of Joseph Hankins and Keziah Reynolds, 27 Mar 1817 in Roane County:



"April 29th 1821 After they Had Run away and Crost the river Clinch I marryed them and few was by fer hur father County not Cross that Stream fer they had brought the Cannue Away. W.C. McKamey, J.P." Written on the back of the marriage license of Eli McNabb and Betsey Carson, 29 Apr 1821.

Married—In Roane county, on Monday evening 10th inst., by John Wiley, Esq. Mr. Thomas Ives, aged 75 years, to Mrs. Polly M'Nite, aged 65, (pretty equal). Each of them have now been married four times. Like others they have had their difficulties in raising young families; but it is presumable they will not have the like difficulties to encounter again. Mr. Ives, a native of the old Dominion, (Virginia) took the bounty in his youth-fought through the war of Independence, on both land and sea, and is now living peaceably on the bounties of his country's gratitude. The late Mrs. M'Nite, now Mrs. Ives, is a native of Pennsylvania, and sister to the late worthy consort of the late Doctor Freeling, of Rowan County, North Carolina, so famous amongst the credulous, for his superior power over Witch-craft and Wizzardism. A number of persons witnessed the ceremony, and appeared to rejoice at behold the happy pair. They appeared to possess the vigor of youth, without the infirmities of old age. Who would withhold from them their best wishes for pleasant sailing in this, perhaps, their last voyage, and that they might ultimately cast anchor in a peaceful and well fortified harbor." From The Knoxville Register, 2 Feb 1831.

County Government Meetings

DATE	MEETING	LOCATION	TIME
March 5th	**ERB**	**CR**	**6:00 pm**
March 9th	**Commission**	**QCR**	**7:00 pm**
March 10th	**PUB**	**WWP**	**5:30 pm**
March 10th	**Fire**	**OES**	**6:15 pm**
March 12th	**Emergency Services**	**OES**	**6:15 pm**
March 16th	**Building & Codes**	**QCR**	**6:30 pm**
March 17th	**Joint Sports Rec &Advisory Board**	**Cottage**	**6:15 pm**
March 18th	**BZA**	**QCR**	**6:30 pm**
March 18th	**Planning Committee**	**QCR**	**7:30 pm**