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Join our **stormwater team** for the largest community tree planting project of its kind! Tomorrow, **Saturday, March 23rd, at 10am**, thousands of volunteer participants will plant up to 250,000 native tree seedlings in all 95 counties of Tennessee and beyond. The City of Franklin is proud to be a part of **250K Tree Day** again! Last year, we planted 500 seedlings along the Harpeth River, but this year we are aiming to plant 1,000! These seedlings will be planted in a riparian buffer zone and will help to reduce pollution, prevent stream bank erosion, and create a habitat for local wildlife. Please **meet at the Harlinsdale Farm Canoe Launch!** All volunteers will be required to sign a waiver at the sign-in desk. Volunteers under the age of 18 are required to have a parent/guardian signature. Please dress appropriately for the activities and weather. Gloves and

shovels will be provided, however we encourage all volunteers to bring their own

equipment. If you have any questions about 250K Tree Day, please contact **Brittani Perez** at brittani.perez@franklintn.gov . If you would like to be notified of future stormwater events, newsletters, or other news sign up for our **Green Team** at <https://goo.gl/forms/oYAMLsxIyyFYBUU62>



Here are a couple nice thank you comments for our **Sanitation and Environmental Services Department** team. **SES's Loreen Kraft relayed the messages to the management team from phone calls she received.**

*I (Loreen) received two great service calls from two of our customers, wanting to make sure that we let management know how great our employees are. One was from **Lauren Lexa in Boyd Mill Estates**. She said that not only did we do a great job picking up her knock out roses she took out, but also took care of all the neighbors brush across the street from her. She stated that she came home and it was all cleaned up just perfect and she just had to call and let us know how pleased she is with the great service our SES does and the pride that our people take in doing great and professional service.*

***Victoria Lemons in Yorktown**, called to let us know that she had talked to one of our employees outside of her house yesterday and said he was the nicest guy, that explained to her how the split loader works, etc. She is very impressed with the SES and feels so lucky to have our great service. She said we do such a great job and wanted to call to thank us for all we do.*

Great service by our team members. Thank you!

Welcome to the following new City team members!

L-R-Cathy, Dylan and Johnathan

Cathy Gardner-Administrative Assistant, Street Department

Cathy grew up in Franklin but now lives in Hickman County. She has been married for 32 years and has two adult children. Cathy enjoys reading and going to the beach as often as she can. Cathy has an Associate's degree in Office Management from Columbia State.



Dylan Walters-Fleet Maintenance Technician Sr. Street Department

Dylan is from Santa Fe, Tennessee. Dylan has an Associate's

degree in Diesel Technology and previously worked for Thompson Machinery. Dylan's favorite sports team is the University of Tennessee. Go Vols!

Johnnathan Jones-Wastewater Operator, Water Management Department

Johnnathan is from Fairview and has three children, Baylee, Alyson, and JC. In his spare time Johnnathan enjoys fishing. He previously worked for Novo Health Services as a Maintenance Technician.

Welcome to the City!

So it is **March Madness** time again! As you can see, it has even impacted me directly. I ended up wearing a stylish cheesehead hat at a recent Leadership Team meeting thanks to a misplaced bet against Vernon Gerth's beloved Wisconsin Badgers.

So, I know you have all been awaiting my Final Four picks! Here it is: Duke, Gonzaga, Tennessee and North Carolina. Hope your brackets aren't too busted!

Have a great weekend. Thanks for *all* you do.



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