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SIXTH SEASON AT



The Fun on the Farm Jamboree – Every Third Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

August ushered in The Dixie's 6th performance season, bringing fun, drama, and great musical classics to Huntingdon, Carroll County, and West Tennessee. From coveted fine art performances to the locally produced Fun on the Farm Jamboree, The Dixie is the venue for adults and youth alike to enjoy an impressive array of talent. A new slate of children's school performances will bring students to The Dixie from all areas of West Tennessee to experience the fun and magic of contemporary and classical productions. For more information on the Sixth Season Performance Schedule, go to www.dixiepac.net or call The Dixie Box Office at 731-986-2100.

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Vice-Mayor:	Gary Hatch	
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	Tim Tucker	John Sanders
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Director of Public Works:	Jerry G. Nolen	
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Message from the Mayor . . .

During the second quarter of 2010, two unexpected events occurred. In April, beloved Dixie Carter passed away. In May, the 1000-year flood assaulted Tennessee. Both events brought sorrow and grief to the Town of Huntingdon and many other places, as well. The legacy of Dixie Carter will continue as a significant part of our history.

Now, at summer's end, most of the flood-damaged property in West Tennessee has been cleaned up, repaired, replaced, or rebuilt. I am grateful for the response to the flood emergency by city and county employees, state and federal agencies, and by "good Samaritan" citizens throughout our area.

Autumn is once again returning. Finally, the break in the hot, humid weather is giving us a hint of the crisp, fall weather we all look forward to every year. It has been a busy, busy summer. We've made progress toward completion of several projects and progress toward the beginning of others. See summaries of various projects under separate headings in this newsletter.

SENATOR ALEXANDER VISITS THE DIXIE

U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander visited with Huntingdon residents at The Dixie on August 31st. Mayor Kelley briefed the Senator on the plans and projects for Huntingdon. As seen in these photos, Senator Alexander chats with Mayor Kelley and Bethel University President Dr. Bob Prosser. He also enjoyed a "test drive" on the Steinway on stage in the Hal Holbrook Theatre.



Senator Lamar Alexander visited at The Dixie on August 31st. Shown in these pictures chatting with Mayor Dale Kelley and Bethel University President, Dr. Bob Prosser.



Lamar Alexander enjoyed a "test drive" on the Steinway as Mayor Kelley looks on.

TDOT BRIDGES

The three bridges on Lexington Street between City Hall and the Bypass have been replaced. Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) removed the old bridges and constructed new "smooth sailing" bridges. If you have traveled over those bridges, you will understand the term "smooth sailing." You never rolled over a smoother transition from street to bridge to street again than what you experience on these new bridges. You can thread a needle while driving over this stretch of new pavement and bridges! However, don't try threading your needles. The police frown on that activity while driving.

COURT THEATRE RENOVATION

How exciting to see the renovation of the historic Court Theatre taking place. You can visit their website at <http://huntingdoncourtheatre.com/index.html> to follow the renovation progress. There is also an interesting summary of the history of the Court Theatre and its beginning in the early 1920's. If you would like to contact the owners for more information, their email address is djatkinson@bellsouth.net.

LAKE DEVELOPMENT

With the completion of the dam, water is collecting in the 1000-Acre Lake! This is a monumental milestone. Three water supply wells for the lake are currently being installed to assist with filling the lake. Two will be capped when the lake is at capacity. Only one well will remain active for future use, as needed. The lake should be filled to capacity in 12 to 15 months. Viewing the dam and the lake from Highway 70 is a thrilling site. The recently erected flagpole on the dam makes your heart swell with pride, and sunset on the lake will take your breath away. Next time you travel to Jackson, take Highway 70 instead of I-40 and experience the beauty of the 1000-Acre Lake.

The renovation of the farmhouse on Reedy Creek Road is finished. The beautiful house is now the headquarters for access to the 1000-Acre Lake. The headquarters will not officially open until the lake is filled. Funding for this renovation was provided by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Local Parks & Recreation Fund (LPRF). Future improvements are in the planning stages for the next round of funding through LPRF.



WATER & SEWER LINES TO HUNTINGDON INDUSTRIAL PARK SOUTH

The new 12-inch water line to Industrial Park South is essentially complete. The sewer line to the area is currently under construction. Both projects are funded through federal programs. The addition of these lines will be important incentives in marketing the spec building.



HUNTINGDON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEGA REUNION

Make your reservations today! Deadline is September 10th. The grand reunion of former students from all classes will be held on Saturday evening, September 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Carroll County Civic Center. If you would like to attend the reunion, please send \$25 per person to William Lee Smothers, P. O. Box 1111, Huntingdon, TN 38344. Please include your contact information and your class year. Charter membership in the Huntingdon Alumni Association remains open through September 25, 2010. For more information, contact Brooke S. Hodges at hodgesbc@charter.net or call 731-986-9590.

SIDEWALKS & LIGHTING

The Safe Routes To School and Pedestrian Lighting Projects are finally underway. Both projects are funded through the Transportation Enhancement Programs of the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT). Sidewalks will be constructed to provide safe connections from the residential neighborhoods to the Primary and Middle Schools. Decorative lighting, matching other sidewalk lighting in the Town of Huntingdon, will enhance the safety and appearance of the sidewalks. Town employees will use their skills to construct the sidewalks and install the lighting. Using the talents of the Huntingdon workforce gives additional leverage to our credit in the project budgets.

SEWER LINES TO LAKE AREA

A pumping station, approximately 675 feet of 8-inch gravity line, and approximately 25,900 feet of 8-inch force main lines will service the 1000-Acre Lake region. The improvement projects were also funded through federal programs.

CDBG PROJECT

A new sewer rehab project, funded by a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) began in August. Rehab on sewer lines will take place in the areas of Myrtle Drive, Jones Street, Woodlawn, Jamison, Tara Lane, and Veterans Park.

MAYOR KELLEY ELECTED 2010-11 LEAGUE PRESIDENT

In June of this year, Huntingdon Mayor Dale Kelley was elected President of the Tennessee Municipal League (TML) at the annual conference in Gatlinburg. TML determines, proposes, and supports legislation addressing the concerns of cities of all sizes across Tennessee. Mayor Kelley also serves on the Board of Directors for the TML Risk Management Pool and the Board of Directors for the TML Bond Fund. In 2008, TML presented the Tommie Goodwin Mayor of the Year award to Mayor Kelley. He is also a member of the Board of Directors for the Tennessee Infrastructure Alliance (TIA), which is a broad-based coalition of organizations and individuals with a common interest in Tennessee's infrastructure. The key issues at the heart of TIA are safety, mobility, economic competitiveness, and overall quality of life. As a growing population creates demands on our limited resources, the commitment to maintain and improve Tennessee's infrastructure is critical to the future prosperity of our state.

DALE KELLEY RETIRES FROM COLLEGIATE BASKETBALL DUTIES

Dale Kelley retired this year at the end of the basketball season from his duties as Coordinator of Officials for men's collegiate basketball, a position he held from 1985 to 2010. During these years of tight schedules and cross-country travels, he administered the selection and assignment of officials in the coalition formed by the Big 12, Conference USA, Sun Belt, Southland, and Ohio Valley Conferences, while observing and evaluating the referees. As an on-court official, Mr. Kelley worked 14 years in the Southeastern Conference, worked in nine consecutive NCAA Tournaments, and was an official at three NCAA Final Four competitions. In 2001, he was elected to serve a two-year term as Chairman of the Coordinators of Officials, which included the officials from 31 NCAA Conferences. Kelley continues to serve as a consultant to the officials of the coalition of conferences. He also remains active in leading training camps for basketball officials.

Mayor Kelley is looking forward to having more time in his hometown, working with the Town Council to make a positive difference in the future of Huntingdon and Carroll County.

18TH ANNUAL HUNTINGDON HERITAGE FESTIVAL

The Heritage Festival will take place, as always, on the fourth Saturday in September. The date this year is September 25th. Make plans to attend and help us celebrate this year's theme – Our Medical Heritage. Lots of fun, food, and entertainment will make the day in the park a memorable time. Food and craft vendors may contact Jeal Atwood at 731-986-2900 to reserve a booth. The children will once again compete in the Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Car Show, Storytelling, Giant Inflatables, Pony Carousel, Petting Zoo, BBQ & Ice Cream are only a few of the enticements to this year's festival. Hope to see you there!

WEST TENNESSEE NATURAL GAITED PLEASURE HORSE SHOW

The Fall 2010 Lite-Shod Pleasure Horse Show is proud to be a part of the 18th Annual Heritage Festival activities to be held on September 25th. The horse show begins at 6:00 p.m. at the Carroll County Civic Center Riding Arena for the benefit of the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Admission is free. Donations are welcome. For additional information, call 731-415-8465.

THREE HUNTINGDON TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS RECOGNIZED

Three of our Town Council members have received recent noteworthy recognition.

* Nina Smothers, director of ancillary services of Baptist Memorial Hospital-Huntingdon has been appointed by Governor Phil Bredesen to the Tennessee Board of Pharmacy for a six-year term.

* Tim Tucker, co-owner of City Drug Company, was recently elected Treasurer of the Tennessee Pharmacists Association. This will be his second year to serve in this position.

* Gary Hatch has served for approximately 20 years on the Job Training and Safety Advisory Committee that establishes safety programs for electric systems in the Tennessee Valley area. He has served as chairperson twice and continues to serve as the senior ranking member of the committee.