Community Calendar

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Johnson County Senior Center Library — The senior center would like to encourage its members and seniors in the community to take advantage of its free library. Open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the library has an assortment of books awaiting good readers. So please stop by the center to pick up a book, read it, and share it!

Senior Center Van Service: Need a ride? — Are you 60 years old or older? Live in Johnson County? Member of the Johnson County Senior Center? If so, we've got you! Our van service offers a \$3 round trip for members to visit the senior center, stop by local destinations such as the grocery store, hospital, pharmacy etc. Our van service now serves ALL areas of Johnson County. Want to learn more? Call 727-8883.

Fitness Opportunities at the Senior Center — Stop by the senior center to try some of our FREE weekly exercise classes: Chair Yoga MWF 9:15-9:45 a.m., Silver Sneakers MWF 10-10:45 a.m., Line Dancing Monday and Thursday 1-2 p.m., and Arthritis Class TTH 10-10:45 a.m. Would you rather exercise alone? No problem. Our Exercise Room is available M-F from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tech Thursday Noon-2pm — Do you have phone problems? Computer problems? Come out and see our volunteer Tech Guru Ben Tolliver! Ben has been helping people with technology problems since he was in grade school and he's ready to take on whatever tech issues come his way. So if you need assistance, stop by to see Ben at the Johnson County Senior Center Thursdays, Noon-2 p.m.

Johnson County Center for the Arts — The Johnson County Center for the Arts' Gallery on Main is located at 129 W. Main Street, is open Tue., Wed., Thu., and Fri., from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We display one-of-a-kind pieces from many talented Johnson County artists. We also offer art classes. For more info, call 423-460-3313 or visit www.jocoartcenter.org.

The Musical Heritage — Mural Mile — Enjoy a walk through beautiful downtown Mountain City, where a series of murals tell the story of Johnson County's rich musical heritage. Pick up a map at the Johnson County Center for the Arts or visit longjourneyhome.net/muralmile.html.

The Johnson County Veterans Affairs Office — New office hours are:Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Friday — Closed. Reach out to their office with any questions at 423-727-7929.

Library Books-of-the-Month — For December we have a pair of Christmas stories to warm your hearts. Happy reading! Juniper's Christmas (J COL), by Eoin Colfer, is an award winning, New York Times bestselling, story of an 11-year-old girl who asks a mysterious woodsman (who may be Santa) to help find her missing mother and protect a public park. The Christmas Shoes (F VAN), by Donna VanLiere, follows Robert, a successful lawyer whose family life is falling apart. Robert is gift shopping on Christmas Eve and meets 8-year-old Nathan, who's mother is dying. What follows is magical.

Johnson County Cancer Support Group — We are a volunteer driven organization formed to serve cancer patients in Johnson County. If you are diagnosed with any form of cancer, contact us! You can pick up a form at the community center and take it to your doctor for confirmation of diagnosis. Once we get the form back, we will work with you to address your immediate needs. We can be contacted at 423-727-2942 or 423-270-1292.

Butler Museum - The 2025 season comes to a close on Sunday, October 26, however special group tours may still be scheduled by calling 423-281-1113. The 2026 season will open in May — visit www.MuseumofButlerTN.org or follow us on Facebook for updates and announcements.

EVENTS

Young At Heart Square & Line Dance Club — "Let's Go Dancing" — Modern Western Square Dance, Basic/Mainstream Level Class — Meets on Mondays, 6:00 — 7:30 p.m. Plus line dance lessons! No partner needed! First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 128 North Church Street. Call or text to register 423-312-9856

Vet's Cafe — The Senior Center is proud to honor our local vets with the Vets'Café NOW the 1st Wednesday of every month at 11:00 a.m. Serving a meal at no charge, presenting the vet of the month and other important announcements. If you would like to nominate someone for the Vet of the Month, go to our website johnsoncountyseniorcenter.com or drop in the red box at the senior center.

Crossroads is a free of charge healthcare option for the uninsured and the under insured. We bring our Mobile Medical Clinic to St. Anthony's Church on the 1st Thursday of each month from approximately 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome, as time allows, between 9-11am.

VFW Post 6908 — Breakfast Buffet — The VFW hosts a breakfast buffet on the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. — 12 a.m. Sausage gravy, biscuits, scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage, pancakes, and beverage. \$10 adults, \$5 children 10 and under. 179 Depot St.

Coffee & Conversation: Alzheimer's Caregivers' Support Group — Coffee & Conversation meets the third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. in the senior center's conference room. The support group focuses on bringing together individuals who share in the struggles and hardships of caring for loved ones with

Alzheimer's.

Veterans Food Pantry — The Mountain City VFW Post 6908 holds its Veterans Food Pantry the **4th Wednesday of each month at Noon.** Must show veteran proof to register for eligibility the first time.

Community Dog Walk — Sponsored by Johnson County Humane Society Inc. — Last Sunday of each month at 3 p.m. at Ralph Stout Park. Meet at Band Stand.

After school puppet club starting at the library in September. - The Johnson County Public Library is starting a free after school puppet club for kids ages 7-14. Activities will include making puppets and creating and performing original puppet shows. But the biggest goal is to have fun. The club will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 3:30 – 4:30 pm in the library meeting room. For more info, call the library at 727-6544.

Mountain City / Johnson County Community Center December Meetings & Events

DrumFIT[™] - with Estrella, Thursdays, 6-7pm, \$7 Cash Only - NO Class 12/18 or 12/25

Game Night - December 1st & 15th, 6-8:30pm, 1st & 3rd Mondays of the Month

Walking Club - with Jen Skarsaune, Wednesdays, 10am - Weather Permitting, see Facebook

Special Events

Friday, December 19th - 10am - 6pm - Gingerbread Competition Entry Monday, December 22nd 11am - 6pm Christmas Open

House & Gingerbread Competition
UPCOMING

Friday, January 2nd - 4-5:30p - Sound Immersion for Relaxation & Stress Relief - \$25, Registration Required For more info see a staff member or call 423-727-2942

Johnson County Toy Drive - Help bring joy to local children this holiday season! Drop-Off Location: Johnson County Long Term Recovery Group, 2303 South Shady Street, Mountain City. Donation Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Please donate: New, unwrapped toys only (for children of all ages). Every toy makes a difference! Your generosity helps brighten the holidays for families in need across Johnson County.

DMRA First Day Hike Thursday, **January 1st**, 2026, at 10 am at the Adventure Center, 1203 Harbin Hill Rd.

Mountain City, TN. 37683. No signup needed. Waivers and Day or Annual Pass required. Options include a 4-mile or 2-mile loop.

MEETINGS

The Johnson County **VFW Meetings** — The VFW meets on the **first Thursday of every month**. Pot luck dinner is at 6pm and the meetings begin at 7 p.m. 179 Depot St.

All-Recovery Meeting – Mon. 6 p.m. — All Recovery meetings Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the AARRC office, 102 Village Square Lane next to 421 Creamery. "All Recovery" meetings welcome all who struggle with addiction, are affected by addiction, or support the recovery lifestyle. Lead by others in recovery, this is a safe space for all. For more info, call 220-9517 or 727-0780.

I Am Responsible group — Alcoholics Anonymous is a voluntary fellowship, from all walks of life, who meet together to attain and maintain sobriety. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership. **Mondays and Thursdays 6-7 p.m.** @ First Christian Church, 401 W. Main St. For more info, contact Wendell 423-270-1276

Quilting Bees — Meeting every Tuesday morning at 9 am, this wonderful group of ladies focuses on old-fashioned hand quilting. At each gathering, these volunteer quilters work together on donated and sometimes commissioned quilt tops. All funds raised through the quilters' work goes to funding the Senior Center's local outreach to help seniors. Individuals of all experience levels are welcome to join.

American Legion and Auxiliary - No Regular January Meeting - Due to the increased possibility of inclement weather and illness we will not meet at the post in January. Our next scheduled meeting is Friday, February 13. The Executive Committee will continue to meet as planned at the Senior Center. Dues are still payable for the 2026 membership year. For more information please contact (423) 727-5935 or (423) 440-0666.

CLOSINGS

The **Johnson County Election Commission** office will be closing at 12:00 noon on **Dec 31.** The office will be closed on January 1 and 2 for new years.

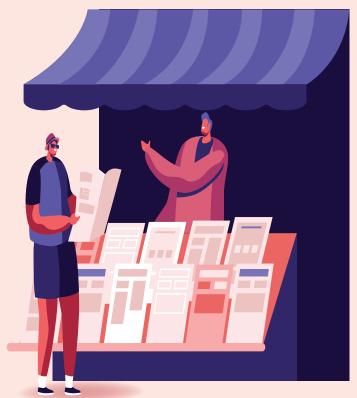
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