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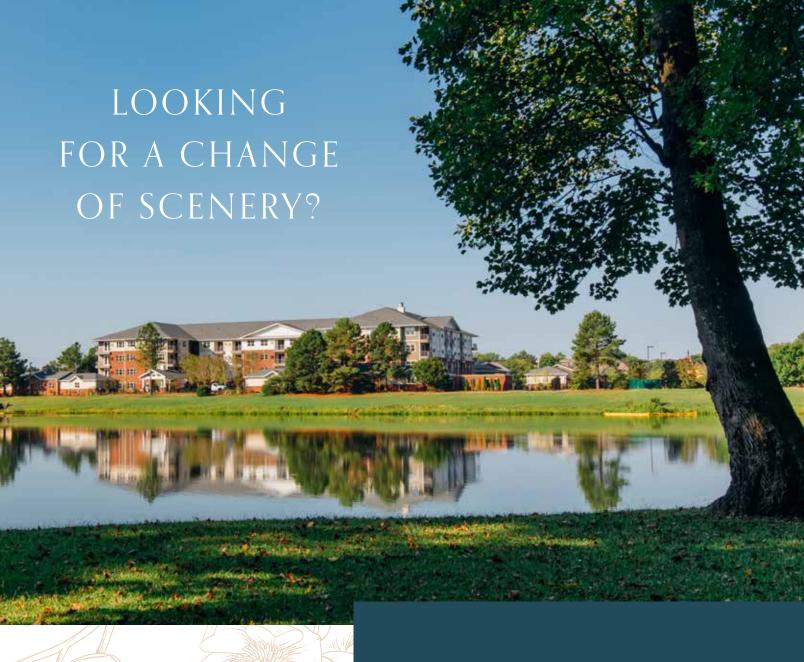


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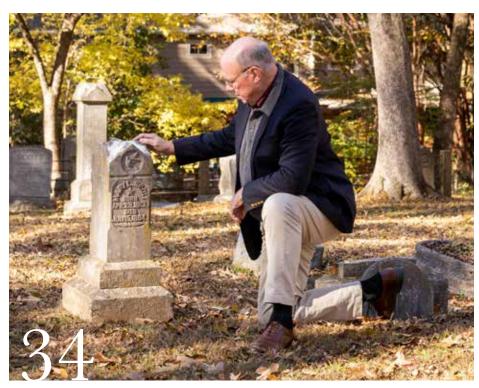
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The small, but mighty Germantown Area Chamber of Commerce staff continues to build upon Germantown's vibrant business environment and foster strong relationships within the business community. Many retail shops, restaurants and corporate offices continue to choose to call Germantown home. New businesses often have their eyes set on Germantown as their regional destination, which further adds to our unique and one-of-a-kind shopping and dining experiences. While the global pandemic has proven to be a challenge for the restaurant industry and small businesses alike, in 2021 we welcomed over 30 new businesses to our community. These new additions include a variety of retailers, restaurants, medical providers, personal care services and more. We are glad to welcome these new businesses to our community and are looking forward to what's to come in 2022.

Shifting gears for just a moment, we'd be remiss if we didn't take a solemn moment to recognize the nearly two years of sacrifice that the pandemic has demanded from our community. While these times have been challenging, they have taught us that there are so many important and cherished things in our daily lives that we often take for granted. In addition, we are grateful to the first responders in Germantown and Collierville and especially the congregation of Germantown Baptist Church for providing

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a location or our vaccination clinic.

We hope you take some time to read through the stories featured in this edition. Without giving too much away, in these pages you will find stories of our community's history and how residents are shaping the future.

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MOSD's success as a school with an auditory oral approach to learning has brought recognition and a loyal alumni following. The school serves children birth to age five with the Sound Beginnings, Sound Transitions and Preschool programs. Since opening in 1959, the school has grown substantially and impacted many lives. Further validation is winning the 2021 Nonprofit of the Year Award sponsored by Fidelity Investments.

MOSD is one of only 36 oral option programs worldwide and the community's only specialized program for children under age two. "The greatest benefit to receiving this award is increasing awareness of childhood hearing loss and helping the community to know that MOSD is here to serve children with all types and degrees of hearing loss from throughout the Mid-South," says Development Director Lindsay Larson. "With improvements in newborn hearing screenings and advances in technology, we're reaching children much younger. So our programs continue to grow, and speech and language outcomes are improving," she says.

### **Listening and Speech Therapy**

MOSD provides listening therapy, speech therapy and daily audiological support. The goal is for each child to have 12 to 18 months of language growth each school year, a level of growth that helps students catch up to hearing peers and overcome learning gaps. In coaching sessions with speech therapists, parents learn how to turn their homes into good listening environments. "We let parents know when they have done something that has supported us and that we're successful because we're in this together," says Educational Services Director Shelly Crais. "We help parents be advocates so that when their children leave our school, they can be successful."

MOSD is a participating provider and an Early Intervention Resource Agency for the Tennessee Early Intervention System. The school's work is supported by fundraising, grants and individual contributions with tuition charged on a sliding-scale. "We're proud to say that we have never had to turn a family away for financial reasons," says Larson.

When parents tour, they may feel stressed by medical appointments and trying to determine what is best for their child. "Parents can see here how medical advances are put into action with teachers who know how to teach deaf students, and they see kids communicating and answering questions," says Crais. Hope grows through these relationships, and many alumni return to volunteer, passing along their enthusiasm for the mission.

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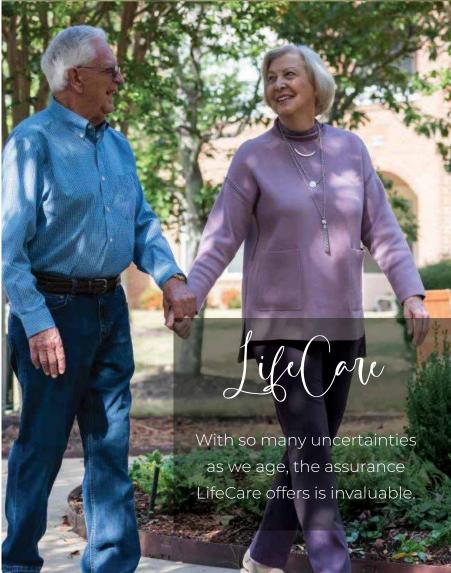




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### Tom Shelley

When Tom Shelley decides to take a deep breath and slow down, he will have earned the right to savor some downtime. He is navigating through an active season in his life, focused on building up the local business community. In 2018, he moved to the area from Indianapolis and had a need to develop new personal and professional connections. After settling into a home with his wife Anita, the Edward Jones financial advisor joined Germantown Area Chamber of Commerce, quickly stepping up to serve as an Ambassador. Ambassadors are a select group of Chamber members who are engaged in forwarding its mission. While managing his own full schedule, Shelley made time to support others in the business community. The outreach was especially valued amid the pandemic's twists and turns, and his contributions led to recognition as the Chamber's 2021 Ambassador of the Year.

"Tom Shelley consistently sets the standard for what we look for in an Ambassador with his optimistic attitude, frequent attendance to Chamber functions and dedication to helping grow our business community," says Chamber Program Director Kayla Sanders. Throughout the year, Ambassadors earn points based on their attendance and participation in various Chamber events and activities, including ribbon cuttings, membership luncheons, Chamber events, volunteering, engaging member businesses and referring new member businesses. This year, Shelley joins the Chamber's board of directors.

"I wanted to get involved in the community and knew that the Chamber would provide a great opportunity to do that. When you move to a new city, you can have the 'new kid in town' syndrome," he says. In his view, the job description of an Ambassador comes down to earning trust through "a commitment to do the right thing and treat people the way they want to be treated." Whether referring clients to member businesses or participating in events that help the community, he embraces the role with enthusiasm. A favorite Chamber event is Taste of the Town, benefiting the Germantown Education Foundation. Last year, Ambassadors sponsored participating restaurants, helping cover their food and labor costs for the evening. "I host clients so that they can see what's going on and meet the Mayor, Chamber President and Aldermen." Shelley also enjoys participating in the Night Rider family biking event.

Most of all, he appreciates the camaraderie among members and opportunities to learn from their experiences. "Hoosier hospitality is a real thing, and it's alive here in Germantown, too. My motivation to be here is to make a difference in the community."



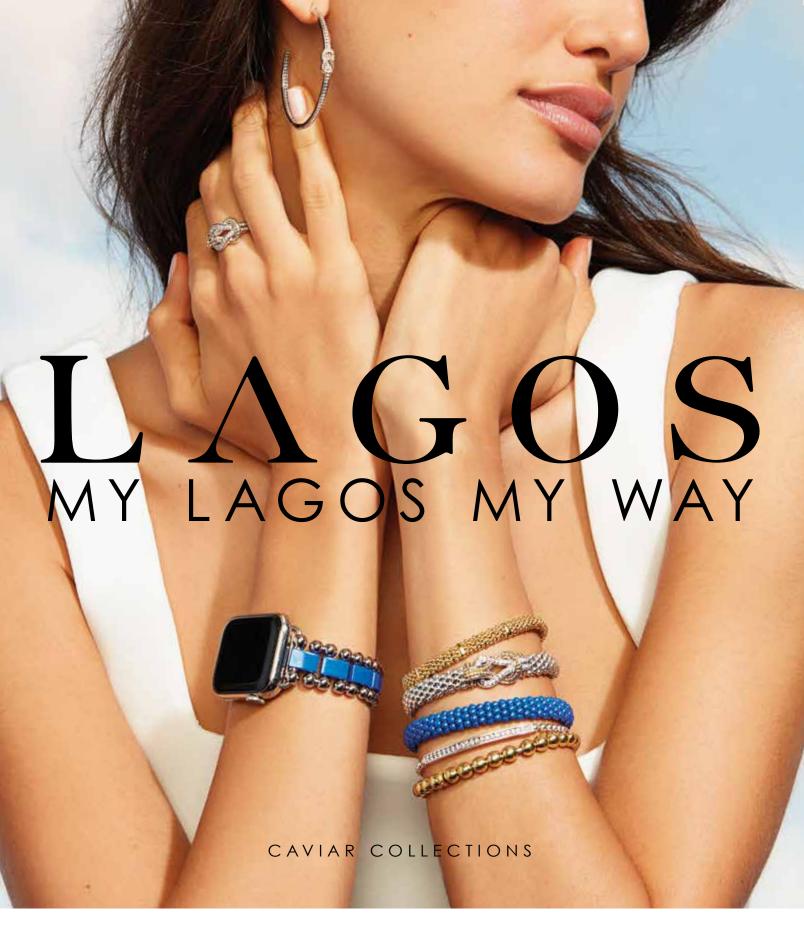
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The studio sits off of Poplar Pike in an unassuming brick bungalow built in the 1930s. Alex Ginsburg and his wife Rhonda bought the home over two decades ago and have transformed it into a picture perfect business. From their early days of constant weddings to years in custom portraits, the Ginsburgs survived the lean times of the digital shift by focusing more on commercial work, corporate headshots and publications like this magazine.

"For me, it's all about the connection. That's my favorite part, the relationships we build with people," Alex says. Throughout the rooms of the old house, walls are lined with lively family photos. Rhonda points from a smiling baby girl who recently had senior portraits made to a family with teen boys who are now grown with families of their own. "We know all these people. We might have photographed their wedding years ago, then their children and then grandkids."

For 32 years in photography, plus eight years prior, the Ginburg's have lived and worked together. "It's not for everybody, but it works for us," says Rhonda, who wears many hats in the business. Not only does she handle booking sessions, accounting, and manages studio production, she also eases fears of timid toddlers who are now in an unfamiliar place. No day is ever the same.

They started the business on a whim, picked up and moved from a lifetime in New Orleans for Alex to work for a firm in the Memphis area. "We were young with a nine-month-old baby, no family but college friends here. And we made a life," says Rhonda. Now empty nesters, they are content with steady business in portraits and commercial work.

Alex has ideas for marketing their photo restoration services and growing their commercial photography services. By the wall of frame samples, an album of aging and damaged pictures shows before-and-after versions of ancestral photos digitally restored to original form.

"We are one of the last ones standing," Alex says of their boutique portraiture studio. "Now it's easy to take a picture. Everyone has a camera in their pocket or around their neck." But Alex's talent lies in his ability to do what more than one customer reviewer describes as capturing not just a moment in time, but their "inner soul."

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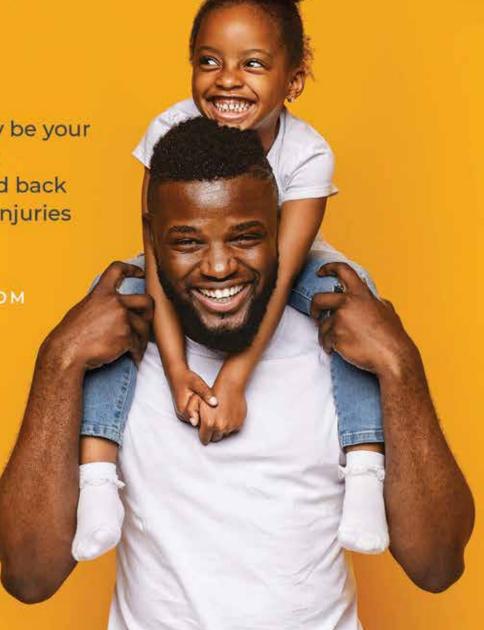




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The OrthoSouth brand derives from three of the oldest legacy orthopedic groups in the Mid-South coming together in 2019. Their vision for the future is to be the best orthopedic group in the United States, and determined by third-party SCORE evaluators as the Germantown Area Chamber of Commerce large business of the year, OrthoSouth is well on the way.

Offering comprehensive orthopedic services from neck to toes, 38 physicians and 48 physical therapists work to heal bones, muscles and what binds them together. Specialists and certified medical professionals have similar expertise to other orthopedic groups in the area, but the mission of OrthoSouth narrows focus to each patient experience.

Of the eight clinics and two outpatient surgery centers, the Germantown location on Exeter Road is the first office built from the ground up with patient experience in mind. The first floor outpatient surgery center offers same-day joint replacement, so patients can avoid hospital admission and can recuperate at home.

On floor two, the open lobby filled with natural light feels less like a doctor's waiting room and more like a boutique spa. Water features flank the elevators, and varied seating makes it easy for patients with different injuries to find comfort. Melissa Kandel, director of marketing, realizes that working in healthcare means dealing with people during a hard time. "To the extent we can make the experience a positive one, we try to go above and beyond."

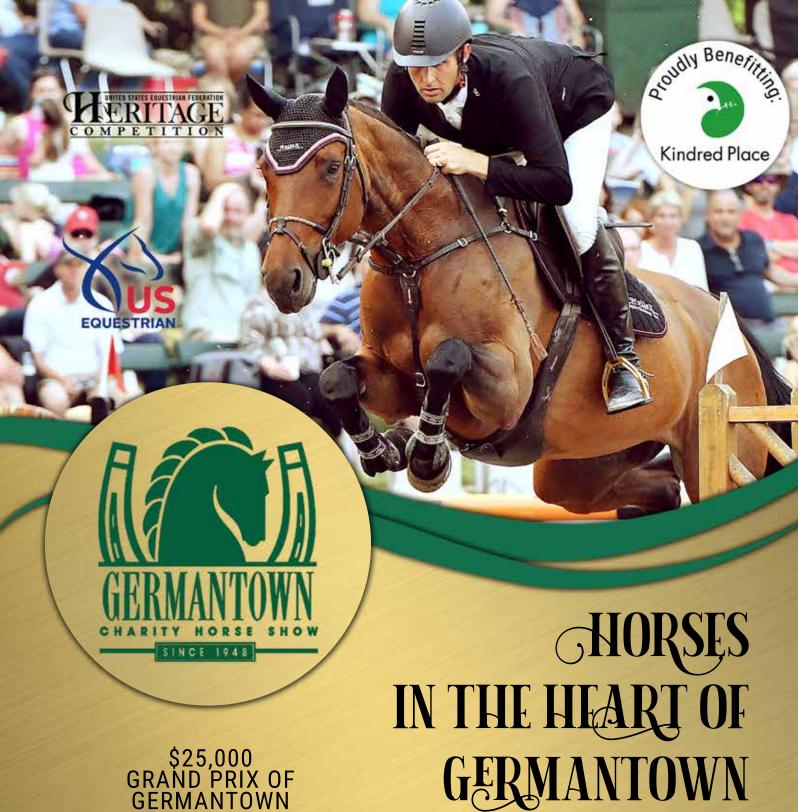
The clinic flows in one direction with "pods" of six exam rooms, each with two doors. This keeps the hallways clear of equipment and bustle. Physicians, nurses and assistants have an interior work area and separate entrance to exam rooms for privacy. Ipads posted at each door show patient location: imaging, casting or in-room waiting. "Doctors can look up and know who needs to be seen next, which has significantly reduced patient wait times," says Kandel. "It's more efficient so you don't feel rushed and herded through. It allows the doctors to spend more time with each patient."

On the north corner, a vast physical therapy facility has its own lobby entrance. Through OrthoSouth's unique team approach, board certified orthopedic surgeons work with licensed physical and occupational therapists to develop customized rehabilitation plans. The space accommodates work for every bone in the body, from a specialized hand therapy station to a section of hefty weight machines. Patients are guided and motivated to increase mobility and restore strength.

In the community, OrthoSouth manages a robust sports medicine program at 16 area schools. Locally, athletic trainers work at St. George's Independent School and Germantown High School, in collaboration with physicians and other medical providers, to keep student athletes safe and healthy. Trainers teach preventative exercises, prepare teams for game time and rehabilitate when sports injuries occur.

Orthopedic surgeon Dr. Christopher Ferguson says, "To me, OrthoSouth is the best large business in Germantown because of our focus on delivering a five-star patient experience, our dedicated staff and our unsurpassed accessibility."





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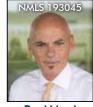


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hroughout her life, Sandy Hudson has taken in forgotten and neglected animals and patiently nurtured them back to health. Caring for a frightened stray is second nature for the Germantown Animal Services Manager. "From birth, I've been around animals," she says with a smile.



In childhood, Hudson was surrounded by horses, cows, goats and chickens while growing up on a 40-acre farm in Virginia. There she gained a perspective on the cycle of life and a strong sense of compassion. "Animals want someone to love them-even stray animals at some point need humans to care for them," says Hudson.

Her lifestyle today still revolves around creatures great and small. With her husband DJ, she purchased a five-acre spread in Lakeland with space for their six dogs, horses and goats to roam. Rhode Island Red and Showgirl Silkie chickens strut around the property. The lively scene is capped by the sounds of barking dogs, crowing roosters and the occasional moo.

In her youth, Hudson aspired to be a veterinarian. After earning a degree in Animal and Poultry Science at Virginia Tech, she started working at a Chesapeake shelter and chose a different path. "While there, I learned to handle all types of animals, whether aggressive or fearful, and learned a lot about people."

Hudson was named manager of the Germantown shelter in 2018 and she works closely with three animal control officers who are on the staff. Stray animals and those surrendered by their owners are housed at the shelter while employees reunite them with their rightful owners or match them with forever homes. Germantown Animal Services also runs a Trap, Neuter and Release (TNR) program that has helped to reduce the feral cat population.



Starting her workday, Hudson greets up to 15 dogs that are eager to head outdoors to the play area. While the dogs socialize in groups, up to 25 cats exercise in a playroom stocked with sensory items. Each animal here has a story, one that takes on a happier note when a "forever home" is located.

While at the shelter for this interview. a smart, playful pup named Jumba was waiting for a ride to his new home. His owners will appreciate his intelligence and high energy, and they want their three children to learn the responsibilities of pet ownership. When the family arrives, a celebration begins, and Jumba plays with his new stuffed toy, a Happy Adoption Day cake. "This job is a labor of love, and it's emotional on so many levels," Hudson says.

All animals are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and receive heartworm prevention before adoption. Items such as food, a cage or crate, bowls and toys are handed out as going-away gifts.

### **Opportunities to Foster and Adopt**

Residents can support the shelter by fostering animals. Fostering allows an opportunity to gauge readiness to own a pet, and sometimes animals need extra time. "If kittens are too young to be spayed or neutered, they can go to foster care to grow," Hudson explains. Volunteers ages 14 and up can walk or bathe dogs and play with cats. The shelter's Snout and About field trip program encourages volunteers to treat dogs to outings at Shelby Farms or walks around the neighborhood. Other support comes from Friends of Germantown Animal Shelter, a partner in supplying cat condos, dog beds, pools and funds.

Hudson stays connected with pets and their families via Facebook or email. When off duty, she's likely to cross paths with a familiar furry friend. While enjoying a horseback ride at Shelby Farms, she spotted Jade, a dog that had spent a long time at the shelter. When Jade first arrived, "She was hairless and suffered from mange. We fixed her up, and a family fell in love with her. It was so worth it! That dog now has the best life!"

Hudson's hope is that people will honor all animals and treat them with kindness. Her grandmother Betty, who lived on the adjoining farm back home in Virginia, shared valuable lessons. "She taught me to be kind and understanding, no matter the circumstances. And she helped me reach my goals and enabled me to pursue my passion for being involved with animals."

Hudson encourages residents who are interested in adopting an animal to visit the shelter, fill out an adoption questionnaire and meet a dog or cat in person to ensure a good fit. The adoption fee is \$80. Information is shared on the Friends of Germantown Animal Shelter's Facebook page, petfinder.com and adoptapet.com.



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### What I've Learned Patrick Lawton

### FORMER CITY ADMINISTRATOR. CITY OF GERMANTOWN

Interview conducted by Stephanie Painter. Photography by Alex Ginsburg Photographics

After I retire, I'm sure to frequent the greenways and spend time with my wife and family and five grandkids.

I'll spend my retirement trying to be a positive influence on others around me. I'd like to share the knowledge I've gained during my time as Germantown City Administrator and continue to contribute to the field of public service. There will be travel and fun things to do, but I want to dedicate myself to my family and the community. If opportunities arise, I may serve on a voluntary board or commission and would love to give back in that way.

My greatest personal accomplishment is my marriage to my wife Cathy for 41-plus years. We raised three beautiful children who, along with their spouses, are contributing to the Germantown and Memphis communities in meaningful ways.

From a professional standpoint, I'm pleased with the legacy I'm leaving in terms of total quality management, and progress toward the Germantown Forward 2030 strategic plan. I am leaving the city in a better place, and that's the goal of any good city administrator. I'm extremely proud of my participation in the establishment of the Germantown Municipal School District. That was a vision our elected officials and others had for quite some time, and it came to fruition.

The attainment of the Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award is an example of what a world-class city looks like. The award is the validation of all the good things that happen in this organization and how we deliver service to our residents. Baldrige is not the destination, but just one step on the journey to continue to make Germantown the premier city in the Southeast.

I greatly admire the three mayors I've worked with, Mayors Salvaggio, Goldsworthy and Palazzolo, and their service to the community. I also admire as a collective group the men and women who serve on various boards and commissions who help validate the decisions of the governmental body. Our residents are highly educated, informed and involved.

My favorite quote relates to COVID, and it was the rallying cry that I put out to my department directors in March 2020 when things were shutting down. The quote is from Admiral James Stockdale, the longest serving POW in the Vietnam War, who spoke about dealing with circumstances and conditions of your time and not letting that define you. He said, "You must never confuse faith that you will prevail in the end—which you can never afford to lose—with the discipline to confront the most brutal facts of your current reality, whatever they might be." This was our rallying cry through pandemic ups and downs.

I love reading and enjoyed Jon Meacham's The Soul of America. I discovered Amor Towles, author of The Lincoln Highway and A Gentleman in Moscow. His prose, sentence structure and story flow are captivating.

The best things about living here are superior public safety and education. There is a feeling that you're home. Germantown absolutely has a brand, and it's up to us to ensure the reputational, legal and ethical elements that make up that brand are upheld. To me, Germantown is greater than the sum of its parts. Our employees, boards, commissions and residents make sure that we stay true to the brand.

I like to get a cross-section of new employees together from different departments and sit down with them and get to know them. It's a great way to break the ice and for people to meet one another. I'm all about relationship building. You'll never work for an organization that does as many things as a local government. As local government professionals, we cover everything from A to Z, animal control to zoning and everything in-between.

Never forget where you came from, and that you're no better than anyone else. Then you will always treat people with respect and dignity no matter who they are or what role they play in an organization.

My advice to someone just starting out is don't be afraid to get your hands dirty. There's enough work for everyone to pitch in, and it doesn't matter your name, rank or serial number. If there's a job to be done, stop and do it, whether it's picking up trash or answering the phone for someone who is not at their desk.

Stay away from the 'agenda of the unimportant' or things that distract you and take you away from focusing your energy on the residents' expectations. It may sound interesting but has nothing to do with the track you are taking. I've seen other communities get caught up in that kind of thinking, and it detracts from the work that needs to be done.

A Look Around with City Historian Andrew Pouncey

Over 40,000 people live in Germantown, but how much do residents really know about the history of the place they call home? Learning about the past informs the future, and Andrew Pouncey has worked for years to chronicle the events and characters who shaped what is now the present.

As City Historian and Germantown Historical Preservation Association President, he has archived the last 180 years of local history. Pouncey has read all the Board of Mayor and Aldermen minutes for the last three decades and has 30 years of Germantown News, bound paper editions, in "There are so many markers around the city where residents can put history in place," Pouncey says, "If they only know where to look."

### **Tour of Historic Markers**

The City originally covered only one-square mile and had just a couple hundred inhabitants. Today, four massive stones mark the original boundaries of town proper, labeled "OG" for Old Germantown.

Early settlers clustered around the railroad that ran from Memphis to Charleston. Old Germantown includes the area surrounding the

> Train Depot, considered the city center until the 1950s. Pouncey knows the stories of the railroad, the historic depot and what was the city's original center. Throughout the district, 25 stone markers with photos illustrate original sites, opportunities to stand and see "then and now."

> About a half mile east, land originally provided as a place of worship and education for slaves became home to the first school in the area for African-Americans in 1886. Found-

ed by the leadership of New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Neshoba School later became a junior high and remained in operation until school integration in 1969.

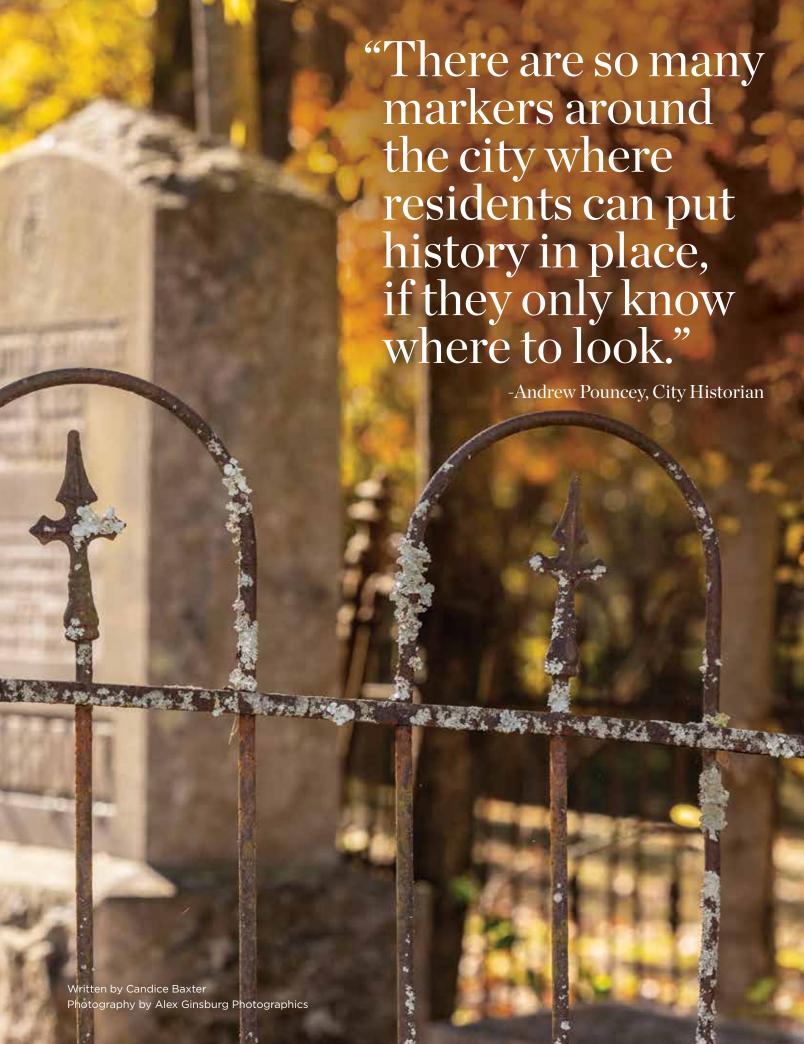
Farther down the tracks, Fort Germantown is marked by replicas of Howitzer cannons. It was built by Union troops to guard the railroad during the Civil War. "It's not really a fort, but a redoubt," Pouncev explains, "The main difference is that soldiers lived inside forts, but they used this structure to protect supplies and munitions. The soldiers lived outside in camps." The original earthen structure lies in a five-acre park in a residential neighborhood. From the redoubt, there is still a clear view of the railroad tracks.



his upstairs room. He is a fountain of little known facts about the area, starting with Nashoba.

In the 1820s, a Scottish woman called Francis "Fannie" Wright purchased 2,000 acres to develop Nashoba Plantation, an experimental utopian community intended to emancipate slaves. In 1833, the community became known as Pea Ridge. Town lots were laid out in 1834 by surveyor N. T. German, and the name was changed to Germantown in 1836, reflecting the presence of German families.

For a brief time during the first World War, due to anti-German sentiments, Germantown's name was changed to Neshoba, the Chickasaw word for "wolf."





### Online Museum

Find these stories and more at the online museum GermantownTNHistory.org, a comprehensive project of the Germantown Historical Preservation Association (GHPA). A total of 190 pages, the site is full of stories, old photographs, maps and newspaper articles. Developed by volunteer Amber Abney, the website collection is detailed, expansive and searchable.

The idea originated with some ladies who wanted to open a museum of Germantown history, a physical place to go and learn about the city's roots. Their inherited assemblage of historical artifacts, while richly interesting, could not justify costs for a building, upkeep and staff. Instead, the collection became an exhibit on display at Germantown Methodist Hospital.

Around this time Pouncey went to New Zealand and wanted to visit a historic chapel. But it was closed. "I sat outside at a cafe, and I looked online. There it was: an online museum. The inside of the chapel, the outside, the construction. the collections. And I thought, 'This is it.' Anytime, anywhere people can see Germantown history."

Working together, the GHPA created the online museum allowing for frequent opportunities to import new material and make corrections easily. The website project was made possible with grants from the Shelby County Commission, the City of Germantown and private member donations.

Pouncey believes the future is guided by the past. "Just in these last three years, so many people from the 1960s who set the rules and ordinances for what the City is today, are gone. There's no one to turn to ask."





He pauses on the steps of Germantown Historic Church near the marker most recently placed. Five years ago, the chapel was restored to its 1870 appearance. Pouncey stares up at the steeple. "Thankfully we've got these stories and can feel a kinship when we share with Germantown residents on how all this happened."

### GERMANTOWN HISTORIC **PRESERVATION**

Germantown Cemetery sits on a quiet hill off McVay Road. Founded in 1840, it served as community burial grounds for 125 years. Over time, the land became overgrown. In 2018 the **Germantown Historical Preservation** Association (GHPA), with the help of Christian Brothers High School students, began clearing underbrush and resetting headstones. The ongoing restoration includes raising sunken markers, planting grave cradle gardens and planning a theatrical performance and tour.

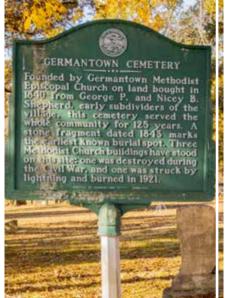
A joint effort of the Germantown **Community Theatre and the** Germantown Historic Commission, the tour previously planned for fall will be rescheduled for this spring. Actors will portray figures who are buried in the cemetery, bringing to life stories and historical facts about a few people who lived over a century ago.

Teacher and journalist Sallie Eola Reneau published accounts and reported on the details of the Yellow Fever epidemic, dying in October 1878, alongside those she had served.

Mrs. Florida C. Thompson donated land to New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church where it would begin its ministry along Southern Avenue.

Mary O'Neil, daughter of Wheelwright Arthur O'Neil, died of Yellow Fever in the fall of 1878. She was buried at night, a popular custom at the time, in order to reduce the scare and flight of others from Germantown.

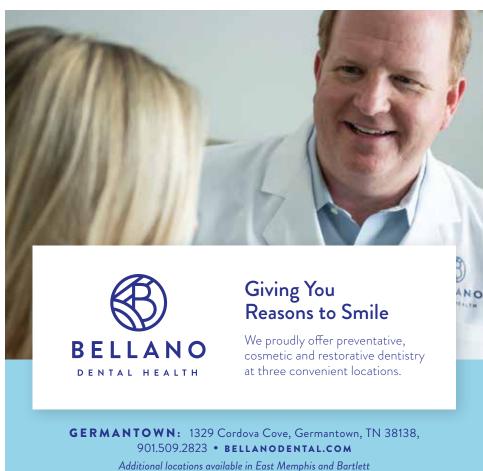
The Scotts, McKinnons and Roberts were all descendants of a family from Virginia who settled on a 350-acre land grant along Hacks Cross Road, south of the railroad.







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#### GERMANTOWN FORWARD 2035 COMMITTEE KEEPS THE CITY'S VISION ON TRACK FOR THE FUTURE



The Germantown Forward 2035 Steering Committee, which completed its work in November, is a very different type of committee. Representing the heart of the city - its people - the diverse group of resident members played an active role in shaping Germantown's future. During a series of meetings last fall, they scrutinized the original Germantown Forward 2030 strategic plan and updated it to ensure continued progress.

October 18, 2021: Twenty-seven Germantown residents of varying ages and ethnicities gather in The Great Hall and Conference Center for the first Germantown Forward 2035 Steering Committee meeting. Enthusiastic and ready to get to work, they listen as Mayor Mike Palazzolo welcomes them and emphasizes the importance of the task. "This committee is purely a community effort with no political presence or influence," Palazzolo says. "I encourage you to grow together as you work to reevaluate and, if needed, update our Germantown Forward 2030 plan."

The committee was set in motion about six years ago. In January 2015, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) approved the development of a long-range strategic plan to serve as a roadmap for the community's growth over the next 15 years. But unlike other government initiatives, the process was a grassroots effort that ultimately put that vision for Germantown's future in residents' hands.

"It's one thing to have a vision and value statement for your organization, but if it's not crafted with input from the public, it lacks clarity," says Patrick Lawton, former city administrator. "When the mayor and the board hand over the keys to the residents and say, 'Drive our growth and development plan. You're our customer, and we will address your requirements,' that's citizen empowerment at its highest level."

To that end, the BMA appointed a 30-member resident steering committee to develop a Germantown 2030 vision statement. Later, a larger group of residents



formed task forces to focus on corresponding nine Key Performance Areas (KPAs), such as economic development. land use, education, public safety and quality of life. They drafted strategic objectives, action plans and Key Performance Indicators (KPI) for tracking progress.

In 2016, after a yearlong process, the BMA adopted the Germantown Forward 2030 strategic plan for social, environmental and economic sustainability. Included was the objective to reevaluate the plan every five years, with 2021 being the first update.

October 27, 2021: Committee members arrive at the second meeting with their completed homework, a Strengths, Opportunities, Weaknesses and Threats (SWOT) Analysis of the city. Armed with colored markers and sheets of easel paper, they form breakout groups and consolidate their answers. Later, members from each group present their ideas to the room. The discussion is lively, thoughtful and supportive.

To begin their work, the committee dives deep into the city's advantages, disadvantages and opportunities. Almost unanimously, the members agree that Germantown's public safety, fiscal responsibility, parks and recreation, appearance,





retail selection and location are strengths. They agreed that the city's infrastructure - both technological and physical - needs improvement, as do misconceptions about the community, specifically a perceived lack of diversity/inclusivity. Threats include the current and potential future pandemics, along

with encroaching crime in surrounding areas.

Concern about Germantown's aging population leads to a discussion about opportunities to attract more young families to Germantown, along with encouraging more youth to get involved with city boards and commissions.

Committee member Chancellor Reynolds, a senior at Houston High, is a prime example of a younger resident who's an influencer in the true sense of the word - with feet on the ground and an active voice in the community.

"There's no such thing as 'too young' when it comes to making a difference in the community," Reynolds says. "Teenagers' perspectives can actually have great value, which is why it's so important for us to find avenues to express ourselves in a civic setting."

November 1, 2021: The members arrive at the third meeting ready to discuss any changes they'd make to Germantown's vision and values statement. Several members want to completely restructure it. Others energetically discuss semantics: Does "smart growth" sound elitist? How about "thoughtful growth" instead? Would "progressive" be a better word than "modern," or is it too politically weighted now? Wouldn't "inclusivity" be more all-encompassing than "diversity?" Also, given that a vision statement sets goals for the future, the members determined that infrastructure should be emphasized.

Member Gary Yenser, former Germantown Area Chamber

of Commerce chairman and resident since 2008, was also a member of the original Germantown Forward 2030 Steering Committee.

"As a participant in the first planning cycle, I felt good that a lot of our original work remains relevant and important. Including new voices this year added to the integrity of the planning process," he says. "For example, having a resilient public infrastructure was a passionate issue for many in the group, and it was good to see that topic addressed in this update."

November 15, 2021: Energy is high during the final meeting as the room buzzes with a feeling of accomplishment. After a group photo, Lawton presents the group's revised vision and values statement. At the committee's suggestion, the adjectives "welcoming" and "resilient" are added to the vision statement. The phrase "modern and reliable public infrastructure" is added to the city's values.

"The entire experience was very engaging. Overall, I'm very pleased with the group's creative and collaborative teamwork," says member Gizelle Motley, a three-year resident. "The City of Germantown has a great plan

to continue to flourish. The more we educate the community on the 'why' behind our goals, the more the community will 'buy' into our vision." •

## Germantown Forward 2035 Revised Vision and Values Statement

#### **OUR VISION**

Germantown is a vibrant, welcoming community, the community of choice, offering outstanding quality of life for all generations. The government is resilient, fiscally sound and provides top-quality public safety and services responsive to community requirements. Engaged residents honor the past, treasure the present and responsibly shape Germantown's future.

#### **OUR COMMUNITY VALUES**

A culture of excellence and kindness

Community strength, health and sustainability

Excellence in **education** 

Innovation, creativity and **continuous** improvement

Lifestyle opportunities as part of the fabric of everyday life

Local and regional partnerships

Modern and reliable public infrastructure

Natural and designed beauty and **strategic** growth

"I've never been so scared, but you put my mind at ease. **Thank you**."

MAGGIE LEWIS
Thankful mother

When you're a mother in crisis, you don't think about the state-of-the-art technology or the decades of training that will save you. You think about your children. When Maggie began hemorrhaging at home, she thought she may never see them again. But her outlook changed as soon as she arrived at Methodist. From the front desk receptionist to the operating room staff, each Associate eased her fears with their quick responses, skilled treatment and individually focused care.

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#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

The City of Germantown presents many special events throughout the year. Events are FREE unless otherwise noted. For more information, contact Ashley Horobetz at (901) 757-7379 or AHorobetz@Germantown-TN.gov. In the event of inclement weather, call (901) 751-5669 for details on event status. For the most up-to-date event information, visit Germantown-TN.gov/Calendar.



#### **ADULT VALENTINE DANCE** FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 7 TO 9:30 P.M.

Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike

Fee: \$15 per person

Dance the night away to favorite 50s and 60s tunes as Alex Ward and his Pig and Whistle Show provide recordspinning entertainment. Soft drinks and appetizers are served. Alcohol is prohibited. Space is limited. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Parks and Recreation office, 2276 West Street.



#### ARBOR DAY DOGWOOD TREE GIVEAWAY FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 9 TO 11 A.M.

Germantown Crossing shopping center, Farmington Boulevard at Germantown

Celebrate Germantown's Tree City USA status by planting a tree. Dogwood and native tree seedlings will be available. All seedlings are Tennessee grown, distributed on a first-come, first-served basis and free while quantities last. Available to all residents who show proof of residency with a utility bill and valid driver's license. Information about the varieties of available trees will be made available on the Parks and Recreation Facebook page. The event is sponsored by the Germantown Beautification Commission, Tree Board, and Parks and Recreation Commission. The rain date is Saturday, March 5.

#### **GERMANTOWN HALF MARATHON AND MAYOR'S CUP 5K**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 13** 

Germantown Athletic Club, 1801 Exeter Road

Registration for both races is available online at GermantownHalfMarathon.com.

#### **AFTER-DARK EASTER EGG HUNT** FRIDAY, APRIL 8

Games at 7:15, egg hunts at 8 p.m.

Cameron Brown Park, 8628 Farmington Boulevard

Ages: 7 to 12 years

Eggs are filled with candy and prizes are awarded. Bring a flashlight and bag to collect goodies. Concessions will be available for purchase. Rain date is Tuesday, April 12.

#### **EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA** SATURDAY, APRIL 9

Games and activities begin at 9 a.m.

Cameron Brown Park, 8628 Farmington Boulevard

Egg Hunts: 9 a.m. Ages 2 and under (parents allowed) (check-in starts at 8:45 a.m.)

10 a.m. Ages 3 to 4 years (check-in starts at 9:45 a.m.)

11 a.m. Ages 5 to 6 years (check-in starts at 10:45 a.m.)

Noon Ages 7 to 8 years (check-in starts at 11:45 a.m.)

Registration: There will be limited capacity for each age group therefore pre-registration is required. To participate, you MUST register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration.

Deadline for registration is Thursday, April 7.

Hop on over and have some fun, look for eggs, each and every one. Little ones can enjoy a petting zoo and age-divided egg hunts with prizes. Meet the Easter Bunny and find candy filled eggs. Don't forget a basket. Concessions will be available for purchase. Rain date is Tuesday, April 12.

#### **SPRING AFTERNOON TEA AND GARDEN TOUR**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 3:30 TO 5 P.M.

Oaklawn Garden and Arboretum, 7831 Poplar Pike

You are cordially invited to enjoy a traditional afternoon English tea event complete with scones, macaroons and a variety of pastries at Germantown's historic azalea garden and arboretum. This outing is perfect for garden club members, garden enthusiasts and anyone wanting to learn more about this wonderful community resource and garden park destination. A walk about and tour of the site will be led by local master gardeners and the City's arborist. Information about growing azaleas and daffodils will be featured. For more information, contact the Germantown Parks and Recreation office at (901) 757-7375.



#### **G'TOWN FIT**

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 23

Civic Club Complex, 7745 Poplar Pike

Ages: 16 and up

Fee: \$25

G'town Fit is a fitness training event/ experience that is geared to test an athlete's functional fitness. Designed by First Responders and Germantown Police Department's SWAT officers, this event will be fun and challenging for individuals of all fitness levels. Participants will have the opportunity to participate in various challenges and will be ranked based on performance.

The top finishers will advance to the final round which is the Germantown SWAT Performance Fitness Qualification, a rigorous challenge including gas mask runs, weighted carries and exercises while wearing a plate carrier. If you think you have what it takes to be fittest in G'town, come hangout with

the Germantown SWAT team and see where you stack up! Pre-registration is required. Register by April 1 to receive a T-shirt. To register online, visit Germantown-TN.gov/Registration. This event is sponsored by OrthoSouth.

# BLUEBIRD NATURE FEST AND CRAWFISH BOIL

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2 TO 5 P.M.

Bobby Lanier Farm Park, 2660 Cross Country Drive

Fee: \$20 all-you-can-eat crawfish (Preregistration is required. Deadline to reserve a plate is Wednesday, April 20.)

Join us for the inaugural Bluebird Nature Fest and Crawfish Boil as we celebrate springtime in Germantown! This event will showcase the Eastern Bluebird and highlight the conservation efforts the City of Germantown has made to protect this species. To celebrate the official bird of Germantown, please join us at one of Germantown's most adored parks which is home to all types of wildlife and many Bluebird nesting boxes. This event will feature interactive activities for people of all ages, all-you-can-eat crawfish and live music. The crawfish boil is sponsored by the Germantown Area Chamber of Commerce. Pre-register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration by April 20. There will not be any onsite reservations.

#### 50+ GROUP

Retirees and working adults can join in the fun with the Germantown 50+Group. All activities take place at the Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike, unless otherwise noted. For information, contact Regina Allen (901) 751-5656 or Regina@ Germantown-TN.gov.

#### **ENEWSLETTER**

Call the Parks and Recreation office at (901) 757-7375 to sign up to receive an all-new email newsletter and get the latest information about events and classes.



#### **SENIOR TRIPS**

For information about upcoming trips, contact Regina Allen (901) 751-5656 or Regina@Germantown-TN.gov.

#### **GERMANTOWN CROQUET CLUB**

For a modest fee, enjoy competitive play with other adult croquet enthusiasts. Club benefits include weekly scheduled play time, use of croquet equipment, instruction and club socials. The club plays year round on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at various times. For more information, call (901) 757-7375.

#### **SENIOR HIKES**

# FRIDAYS, MARCH 25 AND APRIL 22, 9:30 TO 10:30 A.M.

Youth Education Pond, 7014 Wolf River Boulevard

Join Park Ranger Naturalist Jared Woodruff for outdoor education adventures along the Greenway. Get a taste of the great outdoors right in the heart of Germantown. Participants must be able to walk independently on different types of terrain. Transportation will not be provided but we plan to stay together as a group, which is why registration is important. Registration is required. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration. For more information, contact Jared Woodruff at (901) 751-7684 or JWoodruff@Germantown-TN.gov.

#### **SENIOR SEMINAR**

APRIL 21, 10 A.M. TO NOON

Bobby Lanier Farm Park, 2660 Cross Country Drive

This is a free event and is hosted by the Germantown Senior Advisory Commission. Attendance is limited to 100 people. Lunch will be provided. RSVP by Tuesday, April 19 by calling (901) 757-7375. Guest speakers and special guests will be announced at a later date.

#### **REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES**

# MIXED MEDIA ARTISTS AND MEXICAN TRAIN "DOMINOES"

MONDAYS, 9 TO 11:15 A.M.

Fee: \$10 punch card for five sessions

#### **LINE DANCE USA**

MONDAYS, 11:30 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

Instructor: Answorth Robinson

Fee: \$15 punch card for five sessions

Improve coordination, memory and energy level. Learning a variety of country and western, soul and Latin line dances is easy and fun. Beginner dances are taught during the first hour. Intermediate dances are taught the last half-hour.

#### SOCIAL BRIDGE AND MAHJONG TUESDAYS. 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

Fee: \$10 punch card for five sessions

A partner is not necessary.

#### **POTLUCK AND BINGO**

SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, NOON TO 1:30 P.M.

Bingo is back! Bring your friends and favorite potluck dish. This is a FREE event and registration is required. To register, contact Regina Allen (901) 751-5656 or Regina@Germantown-TN.gov.



#### **ACBL SANCTIONED GERMANTOWN BRIDGE CLUB**

WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 10 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.

Fee: \$5

Bring a partner. For more information, contact Germantown Bridge Director Diane Dillman at (817) 291-8462 or D1955g@aol.com.

#### **CHAIR ONE FITNESS WITH ANSWORTH ROBINSON**

FRIDAYS, 12:15 TO 1 P.M.

Fee: \$15 punch card for five sessions

This program is a comprehensive chairbased dance fitness program created for individuals who have complications standing during a fitness regimen. It is designed to keep individuals mobile to ensure they remain progressive in daily function and/or recovery. This program delivers a fun, musically driven, interactive, full body workout that uplifts people through dance and fitness movements.

#### **50+ ART SERIES**

Presented in partnership with Creative Aging, each session is led by talented local artists. Creativity enhances one's sense of control, offers social engagement, enhances physical and mental functioning and improves attitude. All sessions are free and take place at the Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike unless otherwise noted. Pre-registration is required and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, call the Parks and Recreation office at (901) 757-7375.

#### **GARY ABBOTT**

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 10 TO 11 A.M.

Gary Abbott delights his audience with old-time rock-n-roll and the sounds that made Memphis music famous! Gary's performance as Elvis Presley is certain to delight!

#### **SIDE STREET STEPPERS**

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 10 A.M.

Germantown Community Theatre, 3037 Forest Hill Irene Road

Join Creative Aging for "Thursdays at the Theatre," featuring the Side Street Steppers playing rare and popular music from the 1920s and 30s. Dubbed the Golden Age of Gramophone Recording, the two decades between 1920 and World War II saw the rise of jazz and the birth of the blues, the demise of ragtime and the emergence of hillbilly music that would become known throughout the world as country music. The Side Street Steppers present a pastiche of this transformation of the American musical landscape, performing on vintage and homemade instruments. Get ready for plenty of hip-shaking, foot stompin'. caterwauling and croonin'.



#### JULIE INJOY - ACRYLIC **CANVAS PAINTING**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 10 TO 11 A.M.

Julie Christen, or Julie InJoy, believes that every single one of us is creative. She wants to help older adults rediscover their creativity in a way that brings joy by step-by-step acrylic canvas paintings for any season or subject in a single session. If you would like to try other art projects, like painting on plaster or wood, collage, or other crafty ideas, she would love to help bring it to fruition.

#### **ART OF SCENT WITH CHRISTIAN STANFIEL**

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 10 TO 11 A.M.

The Art of Scent, presented by Christian Stanfield is an interactive program that will walk you through the smells and stories behind the most iconic fragrances of the 20th century—Chanel no. 5, Shalimar, English Leather, Poison, etc. Learn the fascinating history of these exciting perfumes, see which celebrities wore them, and best of all. have the chance to smell the actual fragrances. Stanfield brings bottles and blotters to pass around, has placards showing images of "who wore what" and attendees share memories of scents they wore.

#### **BARBARA CHRISTIANSEN** ON THE HARP

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 10 TO 11 A.M.

Barbara Christensen is an accomplished, classically trained harpist with a repertoire that spans centuries of music from classical to folk to Broadway. Since moving to Memphis in 1993, Barbara has been active in the music scene.

#### **DOUBLE D BAND** FRIDAY, MARCH 25. 10 TO 11 A.M.

The Double D Band plays a wide range of songs and genres, but especially music from the 50s. Playing guitars and mandolins, they've appeared on MTV, BBC, and have been a part of the music scene in London and New York City, having lived and performed in both.

#### THE JIM MAHANNAH BAND FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 10 A.M. TO NOON

The Jim Mahannah Band includes saxophone, flute, clarinet. trumpet, trombone, keyboard, guitar, bass, drums and vocals. The band has played together for over 25 years and is a highly versatile group, playing weddings, conventions and concert performances throughout the Mid-South.

#### **JOYCE COBB**

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 10 TO 11 A.M.

As a singer, teacher and actor, Joyce has done it all: Signed a deal at Stax Records; cut Top 40 hit "Dig The Gold" for the Cream label; opened shows for The Temptations, Muddy Waters, and Al Jarred; toured Europe; performed with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra and starred in local productions of "Ain't Misbehavin'" and the Center For Southern Folklore's "Beale Street Saturday Night" (which she co-created). Born in Oklahoma and reared in Nashville, Joyce has been immersed in music since her childhood days singing in her grandmother's church.

#### SPECIAL RECREATION

Special recreation activities are for those with intellectual or physical challenges, their friends and family. For more information, contact Michelle Forbert at (901) 751-7638 or MForbert@Germantown-TN.gov. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration. Space is limited.

#### **ART BY ME**

THURSDAYS, JANUARY 13, FEBRUARY 10, MARCH 10 AND APRIL 14, 6 TO 7 P.M.

Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike

Students receive step-by-step instructions. All materials are provided and attendees will go home with their creations. Space is limited. Registration is required.

#### **BINGO!**

THURSDAYS, FEBRUARY 3, MARCH 3 AND APRIL 7, 6 TO 7 P.M.

Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike

Play a couple rounds of Bingo and enjoy light refreshments. Registration is required.

#### **CHALLENGER BASKETBALL**

MONDAYS, FEBRUARY 7 TO MARCH 28, 6 TO 7:15 P.M.

Riverdale School, new gym

Registration: Closes February 4

Age: 6 to 16 years

Fee: \$35

This interactive league gives each child the opportunity to be involved and have success in basketball. No practice on February 21 and March 14. Registration is required.

#### **DANCES WITH A THEME**

FRIDAYS, 7 TO 9 P.M.

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MARCH 18

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#### **SMASHING ACES TENNIS PROGRAM**

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 2 TO APRIL 27, 9 TO 10 A.M.

Germantown Municipal Courts, 1910 South Germantown Road

This fun tennis program is designed to provide basic instruction in stand-up and wheelchair tennis from skilled tennis instructors. The program covers the basic skills of forehand, backhand and the serve, as well as basic strategy and match play while using adapted equipment such as smaller racquets and low compression tennis balls. Space is limited. Registration required.





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#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 6 TO 7 P.M.

Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike

Age: 16 and up

Join in a friendly Easter egg hunt where everyone wins a prize. Light refreshments will be provided. Space is limited. Registration required.

#### **SPRING FORMAL**

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 7 TO 9 P.M.

The Great Hall & Conference Center, 1900 South Germantown Road

Come dressed in your Sunday best or better. Enjoy a wonderful evening of music, dancing, pizza, light appetizers and soft drinks.

#### THE BOBBY LANIER FARM PARK

The Bobby Lanier Farm Park is a 10-acre education and demonstration center for sustainable living through agriculture and stewardship. The Farm Park is open to pedestrians from dawn to dusk unless reserved for a special event or during inclement weather. The Farm Park driveway is located at 2660 Cross Country Drive - turn east on Stout Road from Germantown Road. Public parking is available at the Cloyes Soccer Fields. Overflow parking is available behind the Fire Station and adjacent to Germantown Elementary School. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation office at (901) 757-7375.

#### HARVEST MOON PAVILION RENTALS

A centerpiece to the 10-acre working farm, the Harvest Moon Pavilion is an ideal event setting suitable for business meetings, retreats, training sessions, working lunches, weddings, receptions, banquets, social gatherings and holiday parties. The multi-purpose indoor facility includes a beautiful reclaimed wood interior, dimmable lighting, full catering kitchen, restrooms, sliding carriage doors that open up to beautiful views of the farm, banquet tables and vintage chairs for up to 100, six rustic custommade wood farm tables for serving. The space is outfitted with wi-fi for audio visual needs. The facility is heated and equipped with fans for summer use. Event lawns allow for additional capacity. For more information and rental details, contact Natalie Ruffin at (901) 757-7375 or NRuffin@ Germantown-TN.gov.

#### **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The community garden, a working model of suburban agriculture, is a feature of the Farm Park. Individuals and families interested in gardening, having access to healthy food and providing community service and stewardship are invited to participate. Returning members, experienced gardeners and newcomers are welcome. Registration will be accepted through May 1 or until capacity is reached. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation office at (901) 757-7375.

#### **SPORTS**

Registration is accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration or at Parks and Recreation office, 2276 West Street, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Acceptable payment methods include credit card or check. No cash is accepted. For more information, contact Alex Comas at (901) 757-7382 or AComas@ Germantown-TN.gov. In the event of inclement weather, call (901) 751-5669 for details on program status.

#### **ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE**

#### SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, APRIL THROUGH JULY

Houston Levee Park, 9777 Wolf River Boulevard

Ages: 18 years and older

Fee: \$525 per team

Area businesses, churches and organizations are encouraged to enter teams in this recreational league. Divisions include men's recreational (Sundays), coed recreational (Tuesdays) and men's church (Thursdays). Teams play an 11-game schedule and an endof-the-season tournament. Registration begins February 1.

#### **PICKLEBALL**

Make new friends and brush up on your pickleball skills at the new Cameron Brown Park Pickleball complex located at 8628 Farmington Boulevard. For more information about events, clinics or courts, contact (901) 757-7375.

#### **Beginner Clinics**

WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 16, 23, MARCH 2 AND 9, 6 TO 8 P.M.

Fee: Resident \$60, nonresident \$84

New to the game of Pickleball or looking to improve your skills? Look no further. Space is limited. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration.

#### **Advanced Clinics**

#### WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 23, 30, APRIL 6 AND 13, 6 TO 8 P.M.

Fee: Resident \$60, nonresident \$84

Do you have a basic understanding of Pickleball and want to take your game to the next level? Space is limited. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/ Registration.

#### **HOUSTON LACROSSE**

Boys and girls, grades 3 to 12, all skill levels

The club is committed to encouraging sportsmanship and fair play while emphasizing the importance of teamwork. For more information, contact Wally Gardner at gardner. wally@gmail.com. Register online at houstonlax.net.

#### **GERMANTOWN BASEBALL LEAGUE**

Germantown Baseball League is a community-based, nonprofit organization providing high quality youth baseball for athletes ages 4 to 18. Registration information is available at GBLbaseball.org.





**GERMANTOWN FOOTBALL LEAGUE** 

Germantown Football League (GFL) is a community-based, volunteer organization that partners with the City of Germantown to provide recreation youth flag and tackle football, as well as cheerleading, for children ages 5 to 12. GFL offers a unique, family-friendly game day atmosphere not found anywhere else. Teaching safe techniques and solid fundamentals are top priorities. For more information, visit aflfootball.com.

#### **GERMANTOWN LEGENDS SOCCER**

Legends Soccer is the recreational and competitive soccer provider for the City of Germantown. Legends leadership offers a season packed with training sessions and camps in addition to league play. For more information, visit germantownlegendssoccer.com or contact info@germantownlegends.com. Germantown Youth Rugby

Germantown Rugby Club is a community-based, not-for-profit

organization providing contact Rugby for boys and girls ages 12 to 18. Germantown Rugby high school boys are two-time TN State Champions and are nationally ranked in the Top 30. The middle school boys program has won five TN State Championships, while the girls program is TN state runner up. Registration information is available at germantownrugbyclub.teampages.com.

#### **TENNIS**

Smashing Aces Tennis works with Germantown Parks and Recreation to offer various tennis programs around Germantown. There is something for everyone, including open classes and clinics, USTA adult leagues, recreation leagues, junior clinics, social mixers/ tournaments as well as private, semiprivate and team lessons. Carla Brangenberg, director of tennis, has 30 years of teaching experience and has served as a high school tennis coach for over 20 years. She maintains a PTR Master Professional certification.

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#### **REACH**

# REACH BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

This program combines recreation, education, arts, community and health activity opportunities. REACH is offered on all full days of school adhering to the **Germantown Municipal School District** calendar. Children must be 5 years old and in kindergarten to be eligible for enrollment. Advanced payment and registration is required. Monthly payments must be received on or before the first of each month. Monthly registration fees will be prorated for months with extended breaks. Daily payments must be received prior to the child attending REACH. Before care payments must be received by 6 a.m. the day the student attends and after school care payments must be received by noon the day they





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plan to attend. Payments must be made online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration. Discounts are provided for City of Germantown and Germantown Municipal School District employees, families that participate in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program and those with multiple children. For more information, contact Baylee Street at (901) 751-5692 or BStreet@Germantown-TN.gov or Carlos Williams at (901) 757-7389 or Cnwilliams@Germantown-TN.gov or visit Germantown-TN.gov/REACH.

#### **MONTHLY**

#### DOGWOOD AND FOREST HILL

Fee: \$125 per month, 7 to 8:30 a.m. before school care

\$190 per month, 3:45 to 6 p.m. after school care

#### **FARMINGTON AND RIVERDALE**

Fee: \$115 per month, 7 to 8:15 a.m. before school care

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**WINTER: JANUARY 24 THROUGH** MARCH 7 (NO CLASSES FEBRUARY 21) SPRING: MARCH 28 THROUGH MAY 13 (NO CLASSES APRIL 15 AND 18)

Pricing and schedules are distributed through flyers at participating schools.

#### SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

#### **CAMP GTOWN!**

Registration opens April 1 and is filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration fees include field trips, a daily snack and Friday lunches. Campers must provide their own bag lunches Monday through Thursday. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/ Registration. For more information, contact Michelle Forbert at MForbert@ Germantown-TN.gov or 751-7638.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, JUNE 6 TO AUGUST 5 (NO CAMP JULY 4 THROUGH 8), 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

SESSION 1 — JUNE 6 TO JUNE 17

SESSION 2 — JUNE 20 TO JULY 1

SESSION 3 — JULY 11 TO JULY 22

SESSION 4 — JULY 25 TO AUGUST 5

Riverdale Park, 7345 Neshoba Road

Ages: 6 to 12 years (Children must be 6 years old by June 1 to enroll)

Fee: \$225 per two week session, \$15 discount each additional child per family Experience the revival of the old days of summer camp! From days in the sun to days at the pool, our camp embarks on a summer long adventure of classic games with a modern twist. Enjoy fun-filled days packed with outdoor activities, field trips, games and crafts.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION**

For more information, contact Park Ranger Naturalist Jared Woodruff at (901) 751-7684 or JWoodruff@Germantown-TN.gov.

#### **GERMANTOWN FARM PARK 4-H CLUB** THURSDAYS, JANUARY 20, FEBRUARY 17, MARCH 17 AND APRIL 21, 5 P.M.

Bobby Lanier Farm Park, 2660 Cross Country Drive

Tennessee 4-H is a youth development program of the University of Tennessee and Tennessee State University. 4-H develops youth to thrive and to "make the best better." Youth participate in 4-H through clubs, special interest groups, after-school programs, camps and many other methods. 4-H youth "learn by doing" through hands-on activities, starting in their own communities, and reaching far beyond; while empowering them to develop and strengthen valuable life skills.

#### **GREENWAY TRAIL CLEARING DAYS** FRIDAYS, FEBRUARY 11, 9:30 TO 11:30 A.M. AND APRIL 22, 3 TO 5 P.M.

Cameron Brown Park, 8528 Farmington Boulevard

Join Germantown park rangers as we perform some spring cleaning on our beautiful greenway. We will be clearing invasive species and cleaning up corners to make the trails safer for both bikers and pedestrians. If you love the greenway, need volunteer hours or just want to help your community,



#### **GERMANTOWN NIGHT SKY OBSERVATION**

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 7:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

Youth Education Pond, 7014 Wolf River Boulevard

Join the Memphis Astronomical Society (MAS) to look into the Germantown night sky. MAS will provide the equipment and staff to help you look at all the interesting sights, from planets to far away galaxies. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration.

#### **NIGHT HIKE**

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 7:15 TO 8:15 P.M.

Youth Education Pond parking lot, 7014 Wolf River Boulevard

Join the Germantown park rangers for a fun evening hike along the Germantown Greenway to learn more about nocturnal animals. This program is limited to 15 participants. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration.

#### **BANK FISHING BASICS** FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 5 TO 7 P.M.

Ages: 5 to 10

Youth Education Pond, 7014 Wolf River Boulevard

Come to the Youth Education Pond for a day of fishing from the bank. We will learn a few basic techniques for bank fishing, before heading to the side of the pond to catch some lunkers. It is recommended to bring your own pole and tackle; however, Parks and Recreation will have a limited number of poles if needed. Parks and Recreation will also provide live bait. Bring plenty of water and bug spray. This program is limited to 15 participants. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/Registration.

#### JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM SATURDAY APRIL 23, 10 A.M. TO NOON

Bobby Lanier Farm Park, 2660 Cross Country Drive

Do you have a kid that loves the outdoors? Join the Germantown park rangers for a fun day filled with outdoor exploration learning about plants, animals and outdoor skills. This event is limited to 20 participants. Register online at Germantown-TN.gov/ Registration.







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#### **GERMANTOWN ATHLETIC CLUB**

Germantown Athletic Club is located in the heart of Germantown neighboring the Germantown Performing Arts Center and Municipal Park. The Club's variety of amenities and services attracts fitness enthusiasts of all types. Mix fitness with pleasure with group fitness classes, indoor and outdoor pools, the very latest in cardio and strength training equipment and so much more.

Becoming a member at Germantown Athletic Club is making a commitment for a better you. We offer a variety of plans to meet your needs. Choose "membership" at gacfitness.org or call (901) 757-7370 for more information.

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 5 A.M. TO 10 P.M., FRIDAY, 5 A.M. TO 9 P.M., SATURDAY, 7 A.M. TO 9 P.M. AND SUNDAY, 10 A.M. TO 6 P.M.

Learn more about the Club at gacfitness.org. We are @ GermantownAthleticClub on Facebook, @GtownAC on Twitter and Instagram.

#### **CHILD CARE**

Germantown Athletic Club provides children ages 8 weeks to 11 years a fun and healthy environment. We believe healthy lifestyles start early. Children are welcome in the Club's Child Care area for up to two hours daily while parents exercise. A variety of activities are offered during Child Care visits such as Les Mills™ Born to Move virtual fitness classes, arts and crafts, holiday parties and much more. Choose "kids" at gacfitness.org for more information.

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 8 A.M. TO 1 P.M. AND 4 TO 8 P.M., FRIDAY, 8 A.M. TO 1 P.M. AND SATURDAY, 8 A.M. TO 1 P.M.; SUNDAY, 12 TO 4 P.M.

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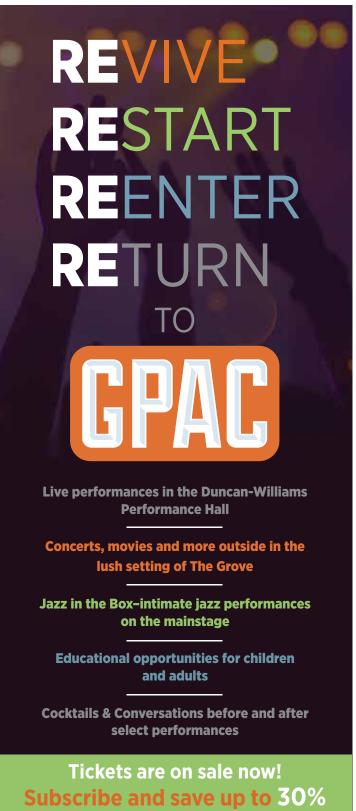
Needing to get back on track or aiming to go to the next level? The Club's certified personal trainers can help! Options include one on one, partner and small group training packages. Choose "fitness" at gacfitness.org to connect with a certified personal trainer.

#### **EQUIPMENT ORIENTATIONS**

By appointment only

Know before you go! Contact the Fitness Department to schedule a time to learn how to safely and effectively operate the strength and cardio equipment. There is no fee for this service. Choose "fitness" at gacfitness.org or contact the Fitness Department at (901) 757-7372 for more information.







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#### **GROUP FITNESS CLASSES**

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#### **YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

#### KIDS FITNESS CLASSES

Les Mills Born to Move™ virtual classes are offered during Child Care hours. Our friendly Child Care staff assists, guides and encourages children during classes. Participants must be checked into Child Care at least 10 minutes prior to class. There is no fee or registration for these classes. For more information, contact the Youth Activities Department at (901) 751-5710 or choose "kids" at gacfitness.org.

#### **KIDS NIGHT OUT**

SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, 5:30 TO 9 P.M.

#### FEBRUARY 12 - LOVE BUGS

#### MARCH 12 - MARCH MADNESS APRIL 9 - PIRATE PARTY

Fee: members \$20, \$10 each additional

Every kid deserves a special night out, and so do you! Kids Night Out is open to children ages 1 through 11 years old. Children will be divided by age groups and participate in crafts and other fun activities. Dinner is also provided. Children ages 4 and up have the option to swim. Registration deadline is the Tuesday prior to each event. For more information, contact the Youth Activities Department at (901) 751-5710 or choose "kids" at gacfitness.org.

#### **SPRING BREAK CAMP**

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, MARCH 14 TO 18, 7 A.M. TO 6 P.M.

Fee: members \$145, nonmembers \$160

Spring Break Camps are provided for children, kindergarten through grade 6. Children participate in many activities

including swimming, arts and crafts, and much more. This program serves school age children and is a great way to meet new friends and have fun in a safe, caring environment. Children should pack two snacks and lunch each day. Registration deadline is the Tuesday prior to each event. For more information, contact the Youth Activities Department at (901) 751-5710 or choose "kids" at gacfitness.org.

#### **SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION** WEEKDAYS, MAY 31 TO AUGUST 5

Fee: \$145 members, \$160 nonmembers per week

Summer Camp is provided for children grades 1 through 6. Children participate in many activities including swimming, arts and crafts and much more. This program serves school age children and is a great way to meet new friends and have fun in a safe, caring environment. Children should pack two snacks and lunch each day. For more information, contact the Youth Activities Department at (901) 751-5710 or choose "kids" at gacfitness.org. Information regarding camp registration will be available February 1 on the Club's website at gacfitness.org.



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#### **AQUATICS**

The Club offers an indoor, eight lane lap pool, hot tub, 25-meter outdoor pool and splash park. Dance the calories away in water aerobics, improve your stroke or join the Gators Swim Team! For more information, contact the Aquatics Department at (901) 757-7366 or choose "aquatics" at gacfitness.org.

#### **GROUP YOUTH SWIM LESSONS**

Learn to swim in a group setting. Each session consists of eight 50-minute lessons. The prerequisite for each level is a successful demonstration of skills taught in the preceding level. There are no refunds or make-up days.

JANUARY 3 TO 13
JANUARY 24 TO FEBRUARY 3
FEBRUARY 7 TO 17
FEBRUARY 28 TO MARCH 10
MARCH 21 TO 31
APRIL 4 TO 14
APRIL 25 TO MAY 5

Fee: members \$100, nonmembers \$115 per session

#### **SATURDAY SESSIONS**

SATURDAYS, 10:30 OR 11:30 A.M.

Levels 1 through 6:

#### JANUARY 8 TO MARCH 5 MARCH 12 TO APRIL 30

Fee: members \$100, nonmembers \$115 per session

#### **BABY & ME GROUP SWIM LESSONS**

SATURDAYS, 10 A.M.
JANUARY 8 TO 29
FEBRUARY 12 TO MARCH 5
MARCH 12 TO APRIL 2
APRIL 9 TO 30

Fee: members \$60, nonmembers \$75 per session

Join fun-filled classes designed to help the parent and child get comfortable with the water. Parents and toddlers ages 1 to 3 are introduced to the basics, including blowing bubbles, kicking, floating and breath control. Each session includes four 50-minute classes.

#### **ADULT GROUP SWIM LESSONS**

SUNDAYS, 2 P.M.

JANUARY 9 TO 30

FEBRUARY 13 TO MARCH 6

MARCH 13 TO APRIL 3

Fee: members \$45, nonmembers \$60 per session

Learn the various swim strokes in instructor-led classes designed specifically for adults. Level 1 includes an introduction to swimming and refinement of all formal swim strokes, while Level 2 teaches advanced techniques designed to prepare swimmers for lap swimming and individual workout routines.

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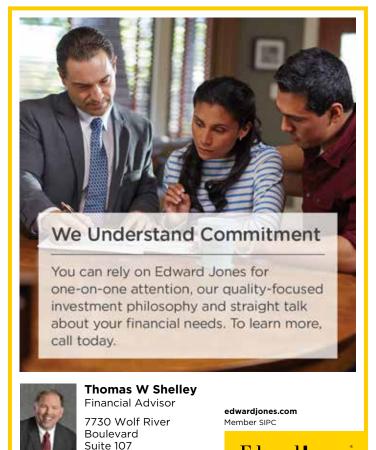
Fee: members \$35, nonmembers \$50

Prefer a more private setting? Develop a more efficient stroke, learn how to swim or improve timing in a one-on-one setting. Private lessons are available for adults and children. Choose "aquatics" at gacfitness.org to connect with a swim lesson instructor.

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#### STROKE TECHNIQUE CLINICS

SATURDAYS, 9 A.M. **JANUARY 8 TO 29 FEBRUARY 12 TO MARCH 5** MARCH 12 TO APRIL 2 **APRIL 9 TO 30** 

Fee: members \$45, nonmembers \$60 per month

This program focuses on improving technique in all four competitive strokes. It is designed to be consecutive and cumulative. Attending all classes is encouraged.

#### **GERMANTOWN SWIM TEAM**

Germantown Athletic Club is the proud home of the Germantown Gators Swim Team. GST is a volunteer supported competitive, year-round swim team. Through advancing the sport of swimming, recruiting new athletes to the sport and providing them with high quality coaching, GST provides a safe, enjoyable and productive training atmosphere while encouraging competition at the highest possible level. For more information, visit GSTswimming.com or email info@ GSTswimming.com.

> **GERMANTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Germantown Community Library, 1925 Exeter Road, has more than 139,000 print, audio, video and online materials. For information call (901) 757-READ (7323) or visit Germantown-Library.org. Like us on Facebook at Facebook.com/ GermantownCommunityLibrary.

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 9:30 A.M. TO 9 P.M.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, 9:30 A.M. TO 6 P.M.

SUNDAY, 1 TO 6 P.M.

The library will be closed January 17, February 21 and April 15.

#### **GERMANTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY CARDS**

A library card is required to check out materials. The card is available at no charge to Germantown residents, students and staff of Germantown K-12 public and private schools, students and staff of Union University's Germantown Campus, Memphis School of Preaching, Germantown business owners and family members, active military personnel and their families, and City of Germantown employees. All others pay \$50 for a yearly membership card.

#### **WEBSITE AND DATABASES**

Library cardholders can go online to look up account information, renew materials, place holds and search the collections of Wolf River Library Consortium libraries. The library's online databases provide card-holding patrons with 24-hour access to a vast array of

older, who are confined at home. There is no charge for shipping or return of library materials. For full details about the Books by Mail program or to request an application, call (901) 757-7323.

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The Friends of Germantown Community Library support the library through bookstore sales and volunteer service. Membership is \$10 for the calendar year. Visit the Friends Bookstore to find gently used adult and children's books, DVDs, CDs, LPs, audiobooks and more. The store is open Tuesday through Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Prices range from \$.50 to \$5.

#### PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Pre-registration is not required unless otherwise stated. Call (901) 757-7323 to register for a program or for more information.

#### **STORY TIMES**

#### **Baby Play** TUESDAYS, 10 A.M.

Ages: 3 months to 18 months, accompanied by an adult



research and information resources. Germantown Community Library offers card holders access to the READS eLibrary and RBDigital for eBooks, eMagazines and eAudiobooks. Visit Germantown-Library.org for detailed descriptions.

#### **BOOKS BY MAIL**

Germantown Community Library offers Books by Mail, a free service for homebound seniors. The library will mail regular print, large print or audio books to Germantown residents, age 60 or

It's your baby's first storytime experience. With lots of songs, rhymes and cuddles, caregiver and child will establish a strong foundation for future literacy and a lifetime of learning.

#### **Toddler Time**

#### WEDNESDAYS, 10 A.M.

Ages: 18 months to 3 years

A lively mix of songs, finger-plays and stories encourage boisterous toddlers in their growing love of books.

#### **PRESCHOOL**

THURSDAYS, 10 A.M.

Ages: 3 to 5 years

With music, stories and fun, strengthen children's pre-literacy skills and prepare them for a bright future of reading.

#### **Active Play**

MONDAYS, 6:30 TO 7:15 P.M. AND SATURDAYS, 10 TO 10:45 A.M.

Ages: 5 and older

# **SPARKLING SNOWFLAKES (VIRTUAL)** FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 6 to 11 years

Decorate your own snowflake and then hang it up to see it sparkle in the sun. This is a virtual program that requires picking up a craft kit prior to the program.

# AFTERNOON TEA: EXPLORE THE WORLD'S FAVORITE DRINK

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2 TO 3 P.M.

Ages: 8 to 13 years

Join us in a traditional British afternoon tea time. We'll be enjoying several green, black and oolong teas as well as some delicious tea cakes and biscuits. We'll also be exploring the history and cultivation of tea, tea rituals and how it has become the world's favorite drink.

#### **GERMANTOWN CHESS CLUB FOR KIDS**

TUESDAYS, 6 TO 8 P.M.

JANUARY 25, FEBRUARY 22, MARCH 22 AND APRIL 26

Ages: 6 to 12 years

Come test your chess skills against peers while learning new tactics, strategies and positions each month.

# BOOK SERIES CLUB WEDNESDAYS, 4:30 TO 5 P.M. Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire JANUARY 26

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix FEBRUARY 16

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince MARCH 9

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows MARCH 30

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe APRIL 13



# **Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian**APRIL 27

Ages: 7 to 14 years

Join us as we explore some of the well-known juvenile fiction series. We gather to discuss the book specified, as well as do some fun activities relating to the topics discussed. After finishing the Harry Potter series, we will be moving onto the Chronicles of Narnia series.

#### **LEARN TO PLAY UKULELE**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 6:30 TO 7:30 P.M.

Ages: 8 to 13 years

Help us celebrate National Ukulele Day in style by learning how to play the ukulele! We'll learn all about this happy instrument as well as some basic chords and a few simple songs.

#### NATIONAL INVENTORS DAY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 4 TO 5:30 P.M.

Ages: 5 to 10 years

Celebrate National Inventors Day by trying your hand at some of your own inventions. Try to come up with creative solutions to everyday problems. Learn about the history of some long standing useful inventions.



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#### HEART DREAM CATCHERS (VIRTUAL) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 6 to 11 years

Design your own dream catchers to hang above your bed. This is a virtual program that requires picking up a craft kit prior to the program.

#### **SHARE THE LOVE**

# SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 11 A.M. TO NOON

Ages: 6 years and older

Create a 'no-sew' fleece blanket. Use the opportunity to bond with your child, building memories one 'knot' at a time.

#### **CHOPSTICKS CHALLENGE**

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Celebrate National Chopstick Day with our program challenging you to a variety of tasks using chopsticks. Afterwards, have fun creating a craft made entirely of chopsticks.

# RAINBOW BLOWERS (VIRTUAL) FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 6 to 11 years

Have fun with colors and create a fun musical instrument. This is a virtual program that requires a craft kit to be picked up prior to the program.

#### **CHIPS AHOY**

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 3 TO 4 P.M.

Ages: 6 to 12 years

Join us for National Potato Chip Day with a blind taste test on a variety of popular chips to see which one we like the most

#### **CELEBRATING PI DAY**

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 4 to 8 years

Pi or  $\Pi$  is a mathematical determination important to calculating all things circular. We will celebrate the marvel of Pi by having some fun fractions, as well as an actual pie.

#### **LEARNING TO FLY**

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2 TO 3:30 P.M.

Ages: 8 to 13 years

Help us take to the skies with your own handmade paper airplanes! Learn how to fold a variety of different paper airplanes and test them to see which flies the farthest. The person whose plane goes the farthest wins a prize.

# UMBRELLA BOUQUET (VIRTUAL) FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 6 to 11 years

Create your own paper umbrella and fill it with assorted pipe cleaner flowers! This is a virtual program that requires a craft kit to be picked up prior to the program.

# **BOARD GAME EXTRAVAGANZA**SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 3 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 8 to 15 years

Celebrate National Board Game Day with a fun-filled afternoon of checkers, chutes and ladders, scrabble and a host of other classic tabletop games.

#### **EGG DECORATION DAY**

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 4:30 TO 5:30 P.M.

We provide the plastic eggs and dye, while participants provide the colorful designs. Have a fun time with food dye and different techniques to decorate.

# APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 4 to 8 years

Get crafty with the budding of spring! Join us in making rain/flower related mobiles and paper plate crafts.

#### **TEEN PROGRAMS**

#### **SNOWFLAKE COASTERS**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 12 to 17 years

Create a coaster for your warm mug to rest on while you curl up with a good book.

# **GERMANTOWN CHESS CLUB FOR TEENS** THURSDAYS, 6 TO 8 P.M.

# JANUARY 27, FEBRUARY 24, MARCH 24 AND APRIL 28

Ages: 13 to 18 years

Come test your chess skills against your peers while learning new tactics, strategies and positions each month.

#### **INVENTION CONVENTION**

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 5 TO 6 P.M.

Ages: 13 to 18 years

Test your creativity and stretch your boundaries! Celebrate National Inventors Day by making your own invention.

#### **HEART STRING ART**

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 12 to 17 years

Create your own string art in the shape of a heart.

#### **MARDI GRAS**

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 5 TO 6 P.M.

Ages: 13 to 18 years

Celebrate with a feast. After eating, we will continue our celebration by decorating Venetian style masks.





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#### **SHAMROCK LUMINARIES**

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 12 to 17 years

Shine with luck as you create a wonderful decorative luminary. Shakespeare Sonnets

#### MONDAY, APRIL 4, 5 TO 6 P.M.

Ages: 13 to 18 years

Challenge each other to memorize one of Shakespeare's sonnets and see who can do the best accent. Lastly, create your own sonnet in the same style as the Bard.

#### **SUCCULENT POT DRAWINGS**

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 4 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 12 to 17 years

Get artsy and design a masterpiece for your very own succulent's home.

#### **POETRY SLAM**

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 3 TO 5 P.M.

Ages: 12 to 17 years

Learn how to write haikus and limericks, listen to some famous poems and perform your own poems. Vote on whose poem is the best.

#### PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Pre-registration is required for Adult Programs unless otherwise noted and begins three weeks prior to each event. Call (901) 757-7323 to register for a program or for more information.

# ONE-ON-ONE TECH TIME BEGINNING IN JANUARY

Tech time is a thirty-minute session with an adult services library associate for help with a technology topic. Topics and appointment times to be announced.

#### **DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS**

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 11, 18 AND 25, 6:30 P.M.

# D&D: The Adventure Begins Delve Into Dungeons & Dragons

TUESDAYS, FEBRUARY 1, 8, 15 AND 22, 5:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

Your quest, if accepted, will be to learn the ins and outs of the Dungeons and Dragons world and create a character that will be used to adventure through lands unknown.

#### **FINANCIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

**Budgeting 101** 

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 6 P.M.

Understanding the Five Cost Centers of Your 401k Plan

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 6 P.M.

# Beginning Estate Planning 101 MARCH TBD

# Why Are Average People Using a Trust? APRIL TBD

Improve your knowledge of personal finance during these sessions led by presenters from Financial Consulting Group: Director Kenneth Riffle, MBA, and Partner and Director of Marketing & Business Development Jeremy S. Plyler, AIF, both of whom hold a Series 65 (Registered Investment Advisor) license.

#### **INDIAN DANCE CLASS**

# SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2 TO 3 P.M. OR 3 TO 4 P.M.

Join Ms. Jay Kumar, a local classical dance teacher, for an hour of education and fun. This class will give an overview of India with a special focus on dance. Get moving with basic yoga, some dance routines and hand gestures. Try on authentic dance costumes and jewelry and receive a free bindi and henna.

# AN INTRODUCTION TO ITALIC CALLIGRAPHY

#### SATURDAYS, JANUARY 22 THROUGH FEBRUARY 26, 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

One of many beautiful calligraphy hands, the "Italic Hand" is very elegant with its slanted form and adapts itself to added flourishes. In learning this fine and useful hand participants will become familiar with the broad edge nib pen and manipulation. This is a nice style to have in a calligraphy arsenal. Presented by Ann Rabinovitz, long-time member of the Memphis Calligraphy Guild. This course is for beginners and those wanting to brush up on their Italic. Ink, pad, nib and holder will be provided. Optional supplies to bring to class: Paper towels, 12" ruler, sharpened pencil, a mechanical .05 pencil, small plastic cup for water. Attendance at all sessions is expected and home practice will be assigned. There will be a non-refundable one-time course fee.

#### CROCHET TOGETHER

SATURDAYS, 1 TO 3 P.M.

Getting the Basics Down
JANUARY 29

#### Crochet in Love

FEBRUARY 5 AND 26

#### Crochet: Cat in Toyland MARCH 5 AND 26

## Your Crochet Skills Are Blooming

**APRIL 2 AND 30** 

Learn how to crochet from the ground up. This program will cover all the

terms, provide study resources, and address any questions. Afterwards, work together on a project based on learned concepts. Start as a beginner and leave as an adept.

# CRIME TIME STORY TRAINING MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 6:30 P.M.

Malice in Memphis, a Killer Writing Group will offer a 90-minute workshop on crime/mystery writing. The group is open to all writers of all genres since every good story MUST have an element of mystery in it. Malice offers critique groups, the possibility of publication in an anthology of short stories and tips on improving writing skills.

#### A SPOT OF TEA JANUARY TBD

Celebrate Hot Tea Month by painting a mug to take home.

#### MAKE YOUR OWN BIRD FEEDER FEBRUARY TBD

Prepare for our feathery friends as the weather warms up during National Bird Feeding Month.

#### **COMPUTER PROGRAMS**

#### **Intro to Gmail**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 10 A.M.

Microsoft Excel for Beginners WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1 P.M.

#### Microsoft Word for Beginners THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1 P.M.

Experience using a keyboard and mouse is required for all sessions. Experience using the Internet is required for Gmail.

# IS IT DEMENTIA OR JUST "SENIOR MOMENTS"?

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 10 A.M.

Sometimes memory loss is normal with aging, and sometimes it is not. This course covers normal aspects of aging and memory, the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's and everyday ways to help reduce the risk of developing dementia in later life.

#### **GETTING ORGANIZED 101**

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 6 P.M.

Explore the benefits of getting organized and learn general principles for organizing any room in your home. Find out how to stay organized and develop habits that will further your organizing goals. There will be plenty of time for specific questions and discussion about personal organizing dilemmas too.

#### **ORIGAMI FOR BEGINNERS** THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 3 P.M.

Learn the basics of paper folding while making origami butterflies.

#### **NUTRITION BASICS**

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 3 P.M.

Learn tips for incorporating the proper nutrients into your life and share recipes in this program celebrating National Nutrition Month.

#### THE SECRET: THE 24-YEAR LONG TREASURE HUNT

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 4 P.M.

Join us for an informational panel and discussion forum about The Secret. a worldwide treasure hunt that has spanned over two decades.

#### **GERMANTOWN REGIONAL HISTORY** AND GENEALOGY CENTER

The Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center (GRHGC), at 7779 Poplar Pike, serves as a repository and research center for materials related to history and genealogy. The GRHGC has more than 16,000 reference materials in its collection. Materials are available for the United States and some European countries. Call (901) 757-8480 for more information.

MONDAYS, 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

**TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND** SATURDAYS, 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 10 A.M.

Fee: Free for members, \$5 nonmembers

Need to research your North Carolina ancestor but can't make the trip to do so? Learn resources and strategies for finding information in both free and subscription databases.

Lori Thornton, professional genealogist and librarian, specializes in Southern States research. She wrote the Mississippi volume in the NGS Research in the States series.

#### PRESENTATION BY TRACY LAWSON (VIRTUAL)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, TBA

Fee: Free for members, \$5 nonmembers



#### **SPRING SCATTERGORIES (VIRTUAL)** MONDAY, MARCH 21, 7 P.M.

Enjoy a virtual spring-themed game of Scattergories.

#### **SEASONAL FLOWER ARRANGING APRIL TBD**

Adults are invited to a hands-on demonstration of arranging beautiful spring flowers.

#### **ABC'S OF HERB GARDENING** SATURDAY, APRIL 2, TIME TBD

Enjoy a presentation on herb gardening from Memphis Area Master Gardener John Peterson. This talk provides some thoughts about growing herbs and some ways to use and preserve a harvest.

#### **GARDENING: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE**

**APRIL TBD** 

Adults are invited to an informational series about the historic significance of gardening.

The Center will be closed January 17, February 21 and April 15.

Instructions and Connectivity Link for virtual programs will be forwarded via email to all registrants. GoToWebinar will be used to access each virtual program. Making the connection is quick and easy only requiring a computer and Internet access. Register at tngs.org/events. Call (901) 757-8480 for more information.

#### LET'S DISCUSS IT (VIRTUAL)

SATURDAYS, JANUARY 15, FEBRUARY 26, MARCH 26 AND APRIL 23, 10 A.M.

Join our popular discussion group and learn what is trending in Genealogy. Joe Burns or John Ware will examine the latest websites, software programs, technologies and tools.

#### **BEGINNING GENEALOGY BY MARIE** SCOTT (VIRTUAL)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 10 A.M.

Fee: Free for members, \$5 nonmembersResearching North Carolina from the Comfort of Home by Lori Thornton (Virtual)

#### **MENNONITE & MORAVIAN RESEARCH BY CYNTHIA GUFFEY (VIRTUAL)** SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 10 A.M.

Fee: Free for members, \$5 nonmembers

#### TNGS SPRING SEMINAR WITH THE **ULSTER HISTORICAL FOUNDATION** SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

Fee: TBA Location: TBA

Each year, representatives from the Ulster Historical Foundation tour the United States during the month of March in honor of St. Patrick's Day. These expert genealogists share tips, methods, websites and other sources to use in researching your Irish and Scots-Irish ancestors. They enhance their lectures with wonderful stories and photos of Ireland. They will also have books and other materials with them for you to look through and purchase for your own library.

#### TNGS QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP **MEETING & PRESENTATION (VIRTUAL)** SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 10 A.M.

Fee: free for members. \$5 nonmembers



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#### **GPAC YOUTH SYMPHONY PROGRAM**

Second semester auditions due January 15

The GPAC Youth Symphony Program (GYSP) gives opportunities for young musicians ages 9 through 19 to perform musical masterworks under the direction of experienced conductors and teachers, to improve upon their technique, to learn basic music theory, to play with an ensemble and interact with professional guest artists performing at GPAC. Ensembles include: Mozart String Ensemble, Mendelssohn String Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and the GPAC Youth Symphony Orchestra. Auditions should be submitted by video. For audition information and the rehearsal schedule, visit gpacweb.com/ gpac/gpac-youth-symphony-program.

#### **GPAC GUITAR LESSONS**

GPAC offers private guitar lessons to students of all ages with singer/songwriter Josh Threlkeld. Through one-on-one sessions and group lessons, students will sharpen techniques, learn compositions and understand different genres. For more information, visit gpacweb.com/gpac/guitar.

#### **DANCE CLASSES**

Let's dance into 2022 with another dynamic semester of dance with Miss Katie. We will adventure into magical lands and leap with sprightly fairies in an original ballet choreographed and scored by Miss Katie. We will finish off the semester with a recital for family and friends in the Duncan Williams Performance Hall on May 2 at 5:30 p.m. Tuition price includes one costume piece for each student to wear for the recital. For more information or to register, visit gpacweb.com/gpac/ballet.



#### **CREATIVE BALLET**

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 11 THROUGH APRIL 26, 3:45 TO 4:15 P.M.

WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 12 THROUGH APRIL 27, 3:45 TO 4:15 P.M. Ages: 3 to 5 years

Students will learn basic ballet steps while also learning how to point feet, stretch legs, hold arm placement and remember movement phrases. Students will work on building strength, flexibility, musicality and self awareness while still enjoying games, dance stories and creative play.



#### **BALLET 1**

# TUESDAYS, JANUARY 11 THROUGH APRIL 26, 4:30 TO 5:15 P.M.

Ages: 6 to 7 years

This class bridges the gap between preballet and more serious ballet studies. Students are introduced to more formal training through ballet barre exercises, center work, traveling steps, and choreography. Students focus on correct posture, alignment, and feet and arm placement in order to develop a strong foundation for more advanced classical ballet training.

#### **BALLET 2**

#### TUESDAYS, JANUARY 11 THROUGH APRIL 26, 5:15 TO 6:15 P.M.

Ages: 8 to 10 years

This class bridges the gap between preballet and more serious ballet studies. Students are introduced to more formal training through ballet barre exercises, center work, traveling steps, and choreography. Students focus on correct posture, alignment, and feet and arm placement in order to develop a strong foundation for more advanced classical ballet training.

#### **FLOW ARTS JAZZ**

WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 12 THROUGH APRIL 27, 4:30 TO 5:15 P.M. (AGES 6 TO 8 YEARS)

#### WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 12 THROUGH APRIL 27, 5:15 TO 6:15 P.M. (AGES 8 TO 11 YEARS)

A fusion of jazz and flow arts dance, this unique class designed by Miss Katie explores a wide range of organic and eclectic movement through the use of props like hula hoops, ribbons and wings. Students will find the joy and artistry of dance while experiencing proper technique, building strength and learning a variety of choreography.

JAZZ IN THE BOX FRIDAYS, 7 P.M.

**Bill Hurd, Tenor Saxophone**JANUARY 14

Ben Patterson, Piano FEBRUARY 25

#### Barry Greene, Master Jazz Guitar APRIL 8

The hottest little jazz club around is GPAC's Jazz in the Box! Featuring both new and well-established artists, Jazz in the Box gives you an opportunity to get up close and personal with live jazz.







Mario the Maker Magician LIVE FEBRUARY 5, 10 A.M.

Duncan Williams Performance Hall

#### **Waters Quartet and Watkins** APRIL 9, 9:30 AND 10:30 A.M.

Watkins Studio Theater

The PB&J program introduces children ages 8 and under to a variety of genres including music, dance and multicultural arts in an informal concert setting. Parents and children are invited to move and groove in these highly interactive performances. For tickets and information visit GPACweb.com or call the box office at (901)751-7500.

#### **MUSIC FOR AARDVARKS**

**TUESDAYS, JANUARY 18 THROUGH** MARCH 22, 9:30 TO 10:15 A.M.

Ages: 8 months to 5 years

Music for Aardvarks is a refreshing alternative to the traditional music class. Song, dance and rhythm combine for a rockin' good time. It's a foot stomping, jingle shaking, drum drumming hullabaloo for both kids and their parents! For more information or to register, visit www.gpacweb.com/gpac/ music-for-aardvarks.

#### **CONDUCTING PIANIST: IRIS ORCHESTRA WITH JEFFERY KAHANE** SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 7:30 P.M.

Equally at home at the piano or on the podium, Jeffrey Kahane is recognized around the world for his mastery of a diverse repertoire ranging from Bach and Mozart to the music of our time. On this program, we meet Kahane first as player-conductor, leading Mozart's Concerto No. 22 in E-flat from the keyboard, a traditional practice in Mozart's era. More traditional in our time, he leads from the podium as conductor in Haydn's Symphony No. 92, "Oxford." Tucked betwixt these two classic works is Caroline Shaw's 2011 Entr'acte (perfectly named after the interval between two acts of a play). This is a program to leave you entranced and wanting more.

#### **DEEDEE BRIDGEWATER AND MEMPHIS** SOULPHONY

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 8 P.M.

Over the course of a multifaceted career spanning four decades, Memphis native and jazz giant Dee Dee Bridgewater has ascended to the upper echelon of

vocalists. She puts her unique spin on standards and takes intrepid leaps of faith in re-envisioning jazz classics. Ever the fearless voyager, explorer, pioneer, and keeper of tradition, the threetime Grammy winner recently won the Grammy for Best Jazz Vocal Album for Eleanora Fagan (1915-1959): To Billie with Love from Dee Dee.

#### IN ALL TIME: IRIS ORCHESTRA WITH **PIANISTS INON BARNATAN AND ALON GOLDSTEIN**

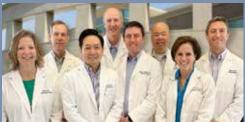
#### SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 7:30 P.M.

Two heavy hitters in the classical music realm join the Iris Orchestra in March. Israeli pianists Inon Barnatan and Alon Goldstein have each performed with Iris in seasons past. This commemorative concert doubles the impact by bringing both as they band together to perform Mozart's delightful Concerto for Two Pianos in E-flat Major. The piece will be preceded by a work commissioned in memory of Peter Formanek, a passionate supporter of Iris whose passing in 2020 marks a deep loss. In this new, post-COVID world, the program will appropriately conclude with a work that was one of Peter's favorites: Dvořák's New World Symphony.

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#### LYLE LOVETT AND HIS ACOUSTIC **GROUP**

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 8 P.M.

A singer, composer and actor, Lyle Lovett has broadened the definition of American music in a career that spans 14 albums. Coupled with his gift for storytelling, the Texas-based musician fuses elements of country, swing, jazz, folk, gospel and blues in a conventiondefying manner that breaks down barriers. Whether touring as a 'Duo' or with his 'Acoustic Group' or his 'Large Band,' Lovett's live performances show not only the breadth of this Texas legend's deep talents, but also the diversity of his influences, making him one of the most compelling and captivating musicians in popular music.

#### **PILOBOLUS - BIG FIVE OH!** SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 8 P.M.

Pilobolus is turning fifty! The remarkable company that secured an iconic place in American culture in the early 1970s is still wowing audiences with its irresistible mix of wit, sensuality, and

visionary to the later and electrifying, along with—in the paradoxical Pilobolus tradition of breaking with tradition—the dynamically reimagined and neverbefore-seen.

#### WHERE PAST AND FUTURE GATHER: IRIS ORCHESTRA WITH AWADAGIN **PRATT, PIANO**

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 7:30 P.M.

The Iris season finale program puts the pandemic season in the past by taking up works we had intended to, and now are able to, bring to the stage. The program opens with Sergei Prokofiev's Symphony No. 1, the "Classical," his contemporary take on the style of Haydn, originally scheduled to open the 2020 season. The concert continues with two commissioned works: composer and violinist Jessie Montgomery's work for solo piano and orchestra is inspired by a T. S. Elliot

poem (referenced in this concert's title). "Score" is a tribute to Iris' past twenty years from longtime Iris friend Jonathan Leshnoff. Finally, Iris Orchestra's 22nd orchestral season comes to a triumphant close with Beethoven's Symphony No. 8.

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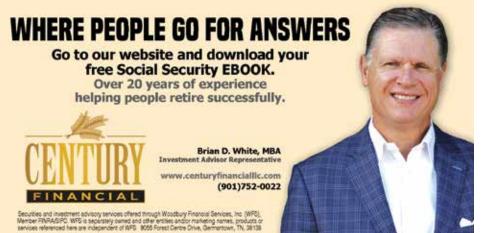
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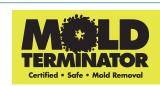
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