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# Pittman Center Times

Official Newsletter of the Town of Pittman Center

Dear Subscribers,

We are proud to bring you the Holiday edition of the Pittman Center Times! Thank you for subscribing and please continue to spread the word!

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Your PC Times Staff

## MESSAGE FROM MICHAEL

The Town of Pittman Center hopes that everyone is having a wonderful holiday season!

We had a fantastic time and turnout for Yule Log on December 6<sup>th</sup>. We greatly appreciate your support of Town events!

In the last month the Town has sold three, no longer in service, vehicles and has sold the last lot we had for sale on Pinnacle Vista (lot 90). This month the Town has worked with the Tennessee Transportation Assistance Program to study the roads on Pinnacle Vista to develop a general maintenance plan along with traffic studies on Webb Creek and Emerts Cove Road. We look forward to continuing serving this great community.

Michael Borders  
City Administrator



## TOWN MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Town meetings are open to the public and members of the community are encouraged to attend! Complete and official minutes (after they are approved by their respective Board) are available on the Pittman Center website. Below is an unofficial and brief overview of the meetings.

### Planning Commission

At the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting the Commission:

1. Reviewed and Discussed Dark Sky Regulations.



2. Discussed Building Height Regulations. Specifically, the commission gave staff direction on how to define *maximum building height*.
3. The Commission voted (6-1) to add a discussion of short-term rentals to the next Planning Commission meeting agenda.

**Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA)**

The regularly scheduled BMA meeting for Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup> was cancelled.

**Tree Board**

At the December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting the Board:

1. Recommended the revised Tree Board Ordinance to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for approval.
2. Discussed Plans for Sparkle Days.
3. Discussed Plans for Kudzu eating goats.
4. Discussed a Bee City application which was forwarded to the City Administrator for review.
5. Planned for the Spring Tree Event.
6. Gave an update on the tree inventory to be performed by UT students.

**Future Meetings**

The Planning Commission will meet on Monday February 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:30

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen may alter the normally scheduled meeting for January. Please stay tuned to the Pittman Center website and Facebook for more details.

The next Tree Board meeting is yet to be determined.

The next Recreation Board meeting is yet to be determined.

If you have any questions regarding agenda items or action please contact the City Administrator at (865) 436-5499.

**PUBLIC WORKS/INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT**



NEW TILE ON TUNIS BRANCH

The Town’s Maintenance Department has continued working on small projects during the last few weeks. Most notably, the

department has been

working on a tile replacement on the Webb Creek side



OLD TILE ON TUNIS BRANCH



MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT STAGING FOR TUNIS BRANCH TILE REPLACEMENT

of Tunis. The previous tile was failing and causing the road to sink. The Maintenance Department was able to replace the tile and ensure that the structural integrity of the road is maintained. We have also worked to create a Streets and Public Works Log. If you have any road requests or see opportunities please let us know. We track progress on infrastructure improvements on a monthly basis and include the updated log in the monthly Board of Mayor and Aldermen packet.



### **Faye Cardwell: Educator and Community Supporter**

Faye Cardwell is familiar to several generations of Pittman Center students. She loved teaching English literature as well as serving as school librarian at both the old Pittman Center School and Gatlinburg-Pittman Center High School for many years.

Faye grew up in Emerts Cove near the locally famous Flint Rock swimming hole in the Middle Prong and enjoyed community gatherings for games, music, and picnics. A family friend from Cincinnati liked to stop overnight in Berea, Kentucky en route to the Smokies and encouraged Faye's family to consider Berea College for its no-tuition work-study policy and excellent education. Faye left for Berea when she was only 16 years old and had never been away from home. She was glad her older sister was already there to keep her from becoming too homesick.

Faye married Glenn Cardwell at the college chapel on her graduation day and immediately flew out to San Diego for Glenn's last two years in the Navy. Their daughter Sandra was born there. Upon returning to Emerts Cove, Faye was offered a job at Pittman Center School and went right to work, with her parents helping care for Sandra. Glenn commuted to UT to finish his degree in business and Faye rode along during summer session to earn credentials in library science in addition to her degree in English from Berea. Glenn and Faye bought property in the early 1960s for their house on Emerts Cove Road from a neighbor who wanted money to buy a car. Their neighbor, Mrs. Bradshaw, had been Faye's second grade teacher.

Faye has fond memories of her students over the years, including Mayor Jerry Huskey who used to stop by the library after high school basketball practice. She and Glenn traveled to most of the western national parks along with Sandra and her husband, who live in New York City. Faye enjoys visits from them as well as her many friends and relatives in Tennessee, and is active in Hills Creek Baptist Church and other community organization

## Winter Pictures from the Community

The following pictures were submitted to us through Facebook. Thank you for contributing Timothy Fisher, Charlotte Comstock, and Lisa White! We hope everyone enjoys the following pictures!



By Timothy Fisher



By Charlotte Comstock



By Timothy Fisher



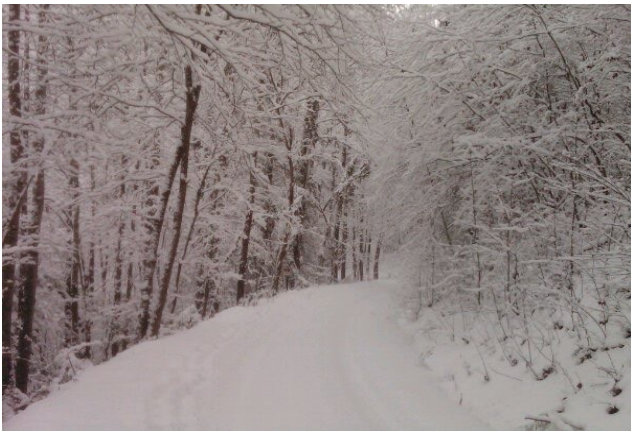
By Timothy Fisher



By Charlotte Comstock



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By Lisa White

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*Thanks to all who sent your beautiful pictures of Pittman Center.*

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By Charlotte Comstock

## Yule Log 2019







*HAPPY HOLIDAYS  
FROM ALL OF THE STAFF WHO HAPPILY  
SERVE THE TOWN OF PITTMAN CENTER*

