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CITY TO BEGIN LEAF COLLECTION NOV. 1

Staff Report

BARTLETT, Tenn. — The city's loose-leaf collection season is set to run from Nov. 1 through March 31.

Residents are reminded that loose leaves must never be placed in the roadway or drainage ditches. The city offers four options for disposing of leaves and other yard waste.

Mulching is one option for residents. Mulching leaves with a lawn mower allows nutrients to return to the soil and helps reduce the city's solid waste fees.

Yard waste carts are available for purchase from the city for $55 each. The 95-gallon carts may be used for leaves, sticks, small trimmings and other organic yard waste. Grass clippings are not permitted because mulch contractors do not accept them. Once purchased, the cart becomes the property of the resident. Each resident may purchase a maximum of three carts.

Bagging leaves is another option. Residents may place bagged leaves at the curb for collection on their scheduled pickup day. Each bag must weigh no more than 50 pounds.

Leaf bags must not be placed in the roadway or beneath low-hanging power, cable or telephone lines. They also must be kept away from drainage ditches, fire hydrants, utility poles and support cables, utility boxes, power transformers and mailboxes.

Loose-leaf collection will be available through the city's leaf vacuum trucks from Nov. 1 through March 31. Residents may place loose leaves at the curb or along the shoulder of the roadway in a dome-shaped pile or windrow.

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Children with special needs and their siblings enjoyed Bartlett's first Special Needs Trunk-N-Treat at Shadowlawn Park, where families celebrated Halloween and explored the park's newly upgraded inclusive playground. The event was organized by the City of Bartlett Parks and Recreation Department, with Tracy Herring and other parks staff helping bring the event to life.

Photo: City of Bartlett and City of Bartlett Parks and Recreation Department

BON LIN MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM FINISHES THIRD IN STATE TOURNAMENT

Staff Report

BARTLETT, Tenn. — The Bon Lin Middle School girls volleyball team was recognized at a recent Bartlett Board of Education meeting after completing a historic season with a 21-3 record, district and regional championships, and a third-place finish in the Tennessee Class AA State Tournament.

The team's accomplishments were recognized by the Bartlett City Schools superintendent and Board of Education during their meeting.

Bon Lin's three losses came against the previous year's state champions and the current season's state champions, according to the school district.

The team's performance marked a significant accomplishment for Bon Lin Middle School and Bartlett City Schools, with players demonstrating teamwork and determination throughout the season.

Team members are Addison Yarbro, Deylah Christjohn, Athena Sabijon, Juliett Nunez, Rowan Kelley, Reaghan Nichols, Paisley Jordan, Jazlynn Rivera and Madison Deboise.

Kate Rikard served as head coach, with Grace Driver as assistant coach.



Photo/Graphic Bartlett City Schools



Bartlett Students Tackle Real-World Budgeting

Staff Report

BARTLETT, Tenn. — Bartlett High School students are applying lessons from their personal finance classes to real-world financial decisions through a Financial Reality Fair sponsored and facilitated by Leaders Credit Union.

During the hands-on exercise, each student receives a life scenario and must make financial decisions involving housing, transportation, clothing, technology, child care, family expenses and other everyday responsibilities.

The activity challenges students to develop a budget, prioritize needs and make informed spending decisions while considering how their choices affect their overall financial well-being.

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JERRY JENKINS for ALDERMAN Position 1

"Business Sense and Common Sense"
CINDY CROMWELL for ALDERMAN POSITION 2
John Cromwell, Treasurer

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ALDERMAN POSITION 3

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