



# Employee Newsletter



## Judge's Corner



Due to your dedication, positive and productive attitude and consistent team effort, we have successfully completed the first half of 2016. I look forward to our continued success throughout this year.

Although we will face challenges that will present themselves as barriers to our goals, I'm confident we will accomplish every goal set for 2016 if we remain resilient and remember challenges are a necessary phase of growth and development.

I would like for you to take a moment to give yourselves a

pat on the back. Always remember you are a vital part of this team.

Your ideas, suggestions, and feedback are important. Be sure to share them with the Court's leadership team.

I encourage you to support two major upcoming conferences.

A Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) conference will be held on June 30th at The Gathering Place, Hickory Ridge Mall-The New Towne Centre, 6075 Winchester Road. For additional information, please contact

Kimbrell Owens.

We will serve as host for the 33rd Annual Joint Conference on Juvenile Justice August 14th-17th at The Peabody Memphis, 149 Union Avenue. For additional information, please contact Martha Rogers.

Summer is officially here and the temperatures will continue to rise. Be sure you take necessary precautions such as sunscreen and remaining hydrated to avoid heat related illnesses.

Keep up the great work!

***"One can't expect expansion with an undeveloped mindset."***

*Motivational Moment written and submitted by Chantay Porter-Knox, Clerk's Office.*



### Happy Retirement, Debra (May 31, 2016)



**Debra Hill** (Children's Bureau) was presented with a trophy in recognition of 25+ years of service.



Mike Blancett, Matthew Ian John (Children's Bureau), Debra Hill, CAO Pam Skelton, Demetria Maxwell-Hughlett (Children's Bureau)

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## Congratulations, Shyneis!



Shyneis Campo is pictured with her awards.

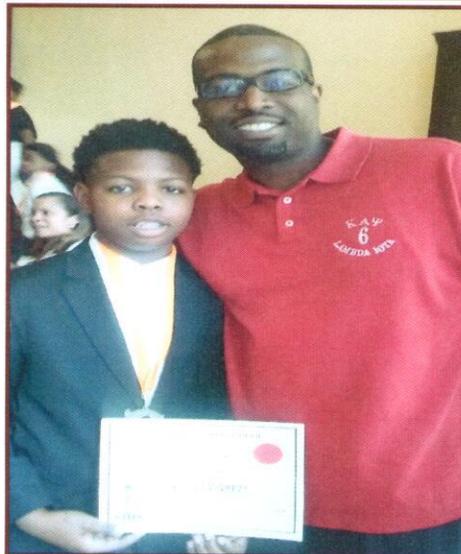
Congratulations to **Shyneis Campo**. **Shyneis** ended her freshman year at Collierville High School breaking the school records in the 4x400m relay, 400m, and 100m hurdles. She won Freshman of the Year and also earned awards for Athlete of the Year in Multi Event and Hurdler.

**Shyneis'** parents are proud she's learning to understand that; *"The dictionary is the only place that success comes before work. Work is the key to success, and hard work can help you accomplish anything."* Vince Lombardi Jr.

*Article and photo submitted by Olivia Campo, Foster Care Review Board.*



## Congratulations, Jacob!



Jacob Roberts and Eric Roberts

**Jacob Eric Roberts** was inducted into the National Honor Society. **Jacob** is a 7th grader at Bellevue Middle School where Mr. Kevin Malone serves as Principal. The prestigious award is based on scholarship, leadership, service, character and citizenship.

*Article and photo submitted by Eric Roberts, Children's Bureau.*



## Congratulations, Parker!



Parker Roll is pictured holding his diploma.

On May 22, **Parker Roll** son of Nancy Roll, graduated from White Station High School. **Parker** plans to attend Southwest Community College where he will pursue his education in Emergency Medical Services to obtain his EMT and Paramedic certifications.

*Article and photo submitted by Nancy Roll, Youth Services Bureau.*



## Congratulations, Jaylyn!



Jaylyn Rodgers

**Jaylyn Rodgers** was inducted into the National Jr. Honor Society at Bellevue Middle School for maintaining over a 4.0 GPA the entire school year.

*Article and photo submitted by Brigitte Rodgers, Children's Bureau.*



## Congratulations, Jaylyn!



**Jaylyn Rodgers** (8th grade) was nominated female Student-Athlete of the Year at Bellevue Middle School with a 4.4167 GPA and two high school credits.

The girls track team won the overall in the state championship. **Jaylyn** earned 2nd place in the 400 meter dash with 63 seconds. Her 4x400 meter relay team earned 1st place and broke the state record with 4:24.00

*Article and photo submitted by Brigitte Rodgers, Children's Bureau.*

## Welcome New Hires

**Deborah Bennett**

Temporary

Judicial



**Renicka Nolen**

Principal Court Clerk

Child Support

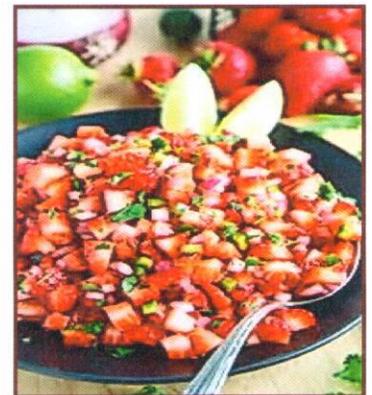
## Recipe: Strawberry Salsa

### Ingredients:

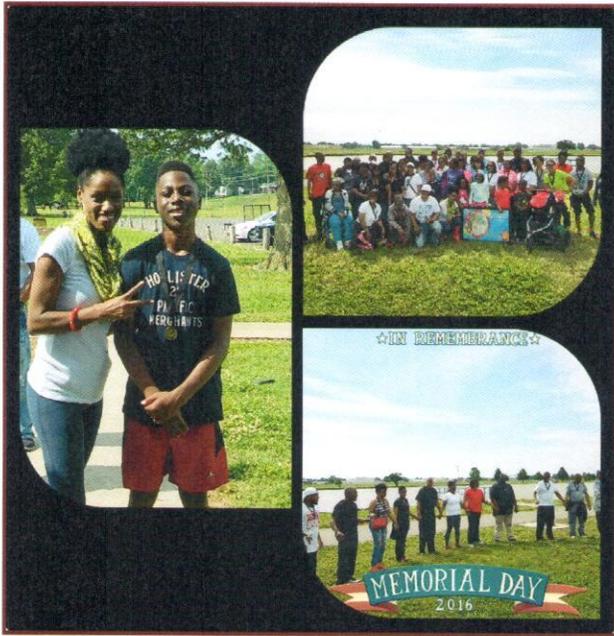
1 pint strawberries (hulled, finely diced), 1 cup loosely packed cilantro (finely diced), 1/2 jalapeno (stem, seeds removed; finely diced), 1 medium shallot (finely diced), 1 spring onion (finely diced), 1 clove garlic (minced or pressed through a garlic press), 1/2 lime (juiced), 1/2 teaspoon fine grain sea salt (or more according to taste preference), 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper, 1 teaspoon agave (optional for additional sweetness).

### Directions:

1. Add all ingredients to a mixing bowl and stir to combine.
2. Taste and adjust seasonings as needed. For added tang add more lime juice from the other half of the lime. For added spice add more diced jalapeno. You may also want to add more salt, pepper or agave.
3. Serve with chips or inside tacos.



## Gloria's Way Inc. Lung Cancer Awareness 5K



**Patriece Minner** (Children's Bureau) organized the first Gloria's Way Inc. Lung Cancer Awareness 5K in her hometown located in Southeast Missouri.

Understandably influenced after losing her mother of lung cancer last year and shortly thereafter, another family member passed of this deadly disease. She was able to share valuable information, encourage people to become proactive in their lung health, stress early detection and hopes to ease some of the burdens individuals face living with lung cancer.

**Patriece** is pictured left with 1st place participant, her nephew Corey.

*Article and photo submitted by Patriece Minner, Children's Bureau.*

## Foster Care Review Board: Help Us Make A Difference



Top: Melissa Ungberg; Left: Olivia Campo, Toni White; Right: Joponica Truitt

Attention Juvenile Court Employees:

Foster Care Review Board is calling out for your assistance. We currently have over 1,000 children in foster care and we are responsible for aiding our volunteers in ensuring that children placed in the care of the Department of Children Services are having their needs met and living a good quality of life.

To help ensure this, we would prefer that our volunteer Boards are made up of parents with minor children and/or professionals in the legal, human services, educational and medical fields.

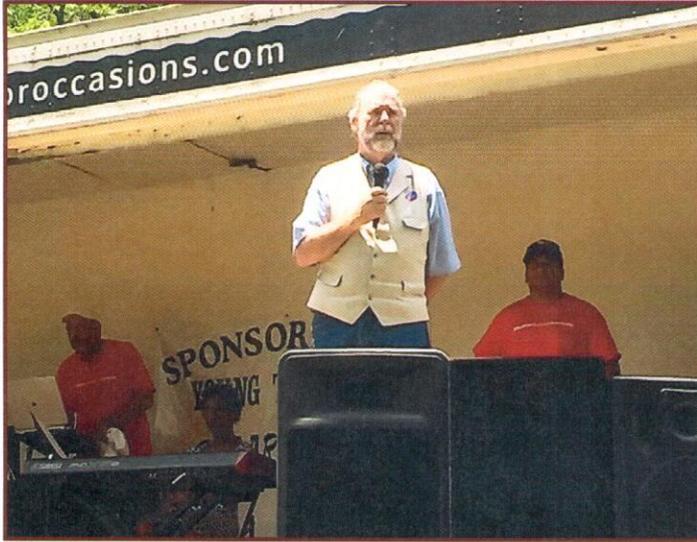
We are asking you to help us by spreading the word and referring any friends, family and/or associates that you may feel are perfect to fill the shoes in delivering this great service and helping us make a difference in our children's lives.

Please contact **Olivia Campo** for more information at: (901) 222-0747 or [olivia.campo@shelbycountyttn.gov](mailto:olivia.campo@shelbycountyttn.gov).

*Article and photo submitted by Olivia Campo, Foster Care Review Board.*

## Community Picnic (6/11/16)

Juvenile Court participated in Sidney Chism's Annual Community Picnic. An impromptu speech was provided by *Judge Dan H. Michael* and a table was staffed with Court employees to distribute valuable information and answer questions.



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### Juvenile Court of Memphis & Shelby County Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Training

*Where: Hickory Ridge Towne Centre (Old Hickory Ridge Mall)  
6075 Winchester Road  
Memphis, TN 38115*

#### DMC 101 Session, Community Room

*August 17th & 18th, 8:30am-4:30pm (1 hour lunch break), Registration: 8:15am - 8:30am*

#### DMC 201 Session (Refresher), Board Room, (2 sessions/select only 1)

*Session 1: August 19, 2016, 8:30am - 12:15pm, Registration: 8:15am - 8:30am*

*Session 2: August 19, 2016, 12:45pm - 4:30pm, Registration: 12:30pm - 12:45pm*

\*For registration information, please contact *Brenda Johnson* at [brenda.s.johnson@shelbycountyttn.gov](mailto:brenda.s.johnson@shelbycountyttn.gov).

Happy Birthday, June Birthdays:

Stacey Smith

Shannon Caraway

Dewon Porter

Erica Glynn

Jina Shoaf

Tonya Watson

Shirley Terrell

Mitzi Spell

Mal Hooker

Dennis James

***“Everything has beauty, but not everyone sees it.” Confucius***

*Motivational Moment submitted by Chantay Porter-Knox, Clerk’s Office.*

## June Anniversary Dates

Children’s Bureau:

*Barbara Jackson, 27 years*

*Jonathan Ritter, 18 years*

*Tabitha Dowell, 18 years*

*Stacey Smith, 14 years*

*Lisa Hughes, 8 years*

*Laurie Neale, 5 years*

*Emily Boone, 3 years*

*Katherine Schaffler, 3 years*

*Blake Lesko, 1 year*

Youth Services Bureau:

*Bryan Branch, 17 years*

*Nelson Peatross, 8 years*

Administrative Services:

*Latonia White, 19 years*

*Melissa Ungberg, 8 years*

Judicial:

*Carlyn Addison, 11 years*

*Lyttonia Cunningham, 10 years*

*Happy Anniversary*

*Thank you for your hard work and dedicated service!*

