

CROSSVILLE NOON ROTARY
March 10, 2016
Cumberland Mountain State Park

The weekly meeting of the Crossville Noon Rotary Club was held on Thursday, March 10, 2016, at Cumberland Mountain State Park. President Wayne Schobel was present and presiding. The meeting was opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tom Gernt recognized the guests and potential new members that were present for the meeting.

Tom Gernt updated the club on the event being held at the Palace Theatre on April 1 featuring Dr. Bill Bass. Dr. Bill Bass is an American forensic anthropologist, best known for his research on human osteology and human decomposition. He has also assisted federal, local, and non-U.S. authorities in the identification of human remains. He taught at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and though currently retired from teaching, still plays an active research role at the University of Tennessee Anthropological Research Facility, which he founded. The Facility is more popularly known as "The Body Farm", a name used by crime author Patricia Cornwell in a novel of the same name. He encouraged members to purchase and sell tickets as it is a fund-raising event for the club.

Pat Roper reminded members that there is one more week to sell sponsorships for Radio Day. The goal is \$11,400 and \$6,000 has been raised so far.

Larry Doster announced that the deadline for scholarship applications is April 1 and to be sure that they notify any student that qualifies to get their application in by the deadline.

T. J. announced the Boy Scouts dinner will be held on March 15 and there were tickets still available.

Frances Carson told the club that Family Day is scheduled for March 31 and members could bring their spouses for lunch that day. The Stone Memorial High School choir will be performing.

With no further announcements, President Schobel introduced Sally Oglesby, Crossville City Clerk, who explained that the City will be filing an application for an LPRF grant for the complete renovation of Garrison Park. She discussed a recreation master plan that was prepared in 2014 and that one of the recommendations was to renovate Garrison Park into a community park since there are no community parks in Crossville. The concept will be to demolish the current grandstand that is in poor condition and replace it and the two ball fields with a splash pad, multi-use trail, restrooms, playground, multi-purpose field, and an open play area. In addition, the existing basketball court will be renovated. The location will allow children to walk to the park and enjoy the amenities. The application is expected to be for \$500,000 with a local match of \$500,000 and will

include the demolition of the grandstand and ball fields, construction of the restroom, splash pad, and multi-purpose field. This will be Phase I with the plan to apply for later funds to complete the project. Tom Gernt suggested that the 3 Rotary Clubs might want to look at funding some of the other amenities as a joint project. There were many questions and support for the project.

With no other business, the meeting was closed with the Rotary 3-Way Test.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Gernt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "T" and "G".

Tom Gernt
Administration Secretary