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Mayor Jacobs to Honor Six for Saving Life at Ball Game

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs will honor six people, including a number of Parks and Recreation employees, for saving a local man’s life late this summer at the SportsPark in Karns.

“Knox County employees train for a lot of different things,” said Mayor Jacobs. “This situation is exactly why we do that—so that when our employees see something happening, they are prepared, willing and ready to act. This isn’t the first time Knox County employees have done something courageous, and I know it won’t be the last.”

On Aug. 31, a player collapsed during a game hosted by the Adult Softball League. Several county employees and teammates rushed to the man’s aid as others retrieved an automated external defibrillator, or AED.

From there it was a team effort as they read through the directions and walked each other through the lifesaving process. With the help of chest compressions and the AED, the player regained his pulse.

And, by the time the ambulance arrived, the man was alert enough to answer some question. He was then transported to the hospital where he underwent several procedures. As of today, he is doing well.

Mayor Jacobs will also recognize the Karns Fire Department and AMR, which trains county employees on how to use AEDs.

In addition, a representative from AED Brands will present each person with a certificate and “Save” coin to thank them for acting when needed, said Scottie Domenico, territory manager for AED Brands.

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