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Mayor Jacobs Talks About Ice Bears, Valentine's Day, and Pets

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update that will post around 10 a.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about a pet food drive, the Ice Bears, Valentine's Day, and more.

Knox County, in partnership with the CAC's PAWS and Feed-A-Pet programs, will host a pet food drive from Feb. 18 to Feb. 25. PAWS, which stands for Placing Animals with Seniors, gives small pets that are at least 5-years-old to independent-living seniors.

"The program also helps feed the pet, but they are in urgent need of dog and cat food," Mayor Jacobs says. "You can drop off dog and cat food donations at any Knox County Public Library or Senior Center. Visit knoxseniors.org/paws/ to find a list of accepted foods or to make a monetary donation. Thank you in advance."

Mayor Jacobs also again thanks the Ice Bears hockey team for their support of the Knox County Schools book bus program.

"As y'all remember, the Ice Bears auctioned off their jerseys from pro wrestling night, raising over \$15,000 for the book bus," he adds.

Additionally, Mayor Jacobs notes that today is also Valentine's Day, "so don't forget the flowers, fellas."

This week, he also welcomed the Board of the Tennessee Valley Authority to Knox County, and also had the pleasure of meeting the Australian Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Kevin Rudd.

Please note that all Knox County Government offices — including the Knox County Health Department, convenience centers, and public libraries — will be closed Monday, Feb. 17, in observance of Presidents' Day.