

# Wes Williams seeking Register of Deeds job

Warren County has always been home for Wes Williams. You may have seen from the increasing amount of yard signs bearing his name, Williams is running as a Democrat in the upcoming May primary with the goal of being elected as Warren County's next Register of Deeds.

Williams grew up in the Morrison community and is a Warren County High School graduate. He continued his education after high school by earning his associate's degree from Motlow State Community College here in McMinnville before going on to earn his bachelor's degree in business from MTSU. Wes Williams calls Warren County home, along with his wife, Kirby, and 2 children, Connor and Kate.

Williams has continuously worked in Warren County's local government for the past 11 years. He has served in the Warren County Trustee's office for seven years as a deputy trustee and he currently serves our community as a field appraiser in the Warren County Property Assessor's office, where he has worked for the last four years.

Williams said, "I'm extremely experienced in numerous aspects of local government and its various departments. When the information is recorded in the Register of Deeds office, it is sent to the Assessor's office and ultimately to the Trustee's office."

Williams says his knowledge of how all three of these offices operate, paired with his extensive real estate experience, is what gives him a unique advantage in seeking the position of Register of Deeds. Williams said, "I am most the qualified candidate for this job and I have the drive and vision to serve the people of Warren County."

Not only has Wes served Warren County in a professional level, he is a

dedicated community servant. He currently serves as the Morrison Ruritan president, has coached many youth baseball and basketball teams, served as auctioneer for many local benefits and has supported our local schools.

"Public service is something I am passionate about and I feel very fortunate to be able to play a small role in helping others and our community," he said.

Williams is running on the platform he can implement change in the Register of Deeds office that he says is sorely needed. "This is 2018 and businesses change over time," Williams said, "Warren County needs to continue to adapt for the needs of our future."

According to Williams, the Register's office needs an efficient E-Recording system which he says will reduce the time from when a deed is recorded to when it is returned to the customer. Another addition Williams will seek to include is an effective website that allows citizens to view their deed anytime from anywhere.

"My mission, if elected as the Register of Deeds, is to serve the public interest of Warren County by providing accurate, timely, accessible, and secure management of the county's most important records."

Williams says people rely on these records to protect their property rights and to prove the occurrence of important life events. Williams says new ideas and progressive technology are both necessary in order for Warren County to move forward.

"I want to serve you as the next Warren County Register of Deeds which is why I am asking for your vote on in the Democratic Primary May 1," said Williams.



**WILLIAMS**

# Drug kingpin sentenced for possession of meth

BY **JAMES CLARK**  
Editor for the Southern Standard  
(McMinnville, Tennessee)

A man investigators say was a drug kingpin has been sentenced to 78 months in federal prison for being in possession of more than 26 grams of meth and \$8,000 cash.

Rock Island resident James Edward Boyd, 45, had his charges taken to federal court due to their severity and his lengthy criminal record.

Boyd's prison time comes after he was pulled over in front of WCMS for driving with an expired tag on Jan. 20, 2017. Officers say he was in possession of marijuana, meth, and oxycodone. He was also in possession of firearms as a convicted felon.

He was pulled over by sheriff's investigator Aaron Roberts in the parking lot of Warren County Middle School. During the

stop, the lawman noticed a rifle and began questioning.

The officer learned Boyd is a convicted felon and therefore is banned from possessing a weapon. He also learned Boyd has a history of drug dealing that goes back to 1991 when he was busted in the first of what would be three felony convictions for narcotics charges. He had also been convicted of child abuse in 2002.

The officer asked Boyd to step out of the vehicle. That was when Boyd admitted there were other guns inside his Nissan Altima. "Two pistols were found in a black case, both loaded," said Roberts, noting that was not all he found during the search. "Also found in the vehicle was approximately three ounces that field tested positive for methamphetamine and a half ounce of marijuana." Lawmen suspect Boyd had

become a major drug dealer due to the amount of money in his car. "A nylon bag was located in the driver's door and contained \$8,000 cash," the investigator noted. "He also had another \$1,533 in cash in his wallet."

Boyd's charges in state court were dismissed as a result of his conviction in federal court.



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**Organizers are adding mystery and intrigue to a Relay for Life fundraiser. A Masquerade Adult Prom is being offered on Saturday, May 19 at 6 p.m. in Morrison. Tickets are currently on sale.**

# Adult masquerade prom set for May 19

BY **LISA HOBBS**  
Reporter for the Southern Standard  
(McMinnville, Tennessee)

A Relay for Life fundraiser is offering couples a chance to experience their prom for the first time, or all over again.

"We're holding a Masquerade Adult Prom on May 19," said Holly Walker, who established Emma's Mouse Cure-teers as a Relay for Life team. "I've had many people tell me they didn't get a chance to go to their prom. Well, here's your chance. If you went and you want to experience it again, come join us. This is going to be fun."

The cover-up, called Masked for A Cure, is on a Saturday from 6 to 10 p.m. and is for adults 18 years old and over. It will be held at United Steelworker United 1155L located at 180 Arch Cope Road in Morison. Finger food will be provided. The DJ will be "Mr. Excitement" Jacob Dodd.

Prom pictures will be offered by Jaclyn Davis Photography.

"It wouldn't be a prom without formal pictures," said Walker. "Ours come with the ticket so it's a lot

cheaper than your high school prom. Jaclyn will email you the picture and you can do whatever you want with it."

As with most proms, a king and queen will be crowned. The honorary titles are usually awarded by vote, but this couple will be drawn. Attendees can enter the drawing at the door.

"People can attend in their Sunday best or wear something formal," said Walker, who added the color theme for decorating will be black, silver and gold. "To help ladies

achieve the prom look, Rock Paper Scissors will be offering a special that day."

Located at 1100 Smithville Highway, offered is a \$30 basic hair and makeup. Call for an appointment at 506-4247.

Masquerade Adult Prom tickets are \$15 for single and \$25 for couples.

They can be purchased at Rock Island Center, It All Makes Scents, Rock Paper Scissors, Sweet Magnolia, or from Walker by calling 743-7962.

For more information, visit Masked for A Cure Adult Prom on Facebook.

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