

County's Parks & Rec starts new program

By Steve Williams

Mike Donila had a big handful of tickets to Tennessee Smokies baseball games Thursday he was looking to give away.

Yes, there is a catch. After all, it is baseball. But earning the free ticket still can be as easy as walking to first base.

Next time you're at one of Knox County's many parks and you're spotted doing a good deed – like properly depositing a beverage can instead of throwing it on the ground – you may be rewarded with one of Donila's ducats.

A bicyclist riding through the park wearing a protective helmet could be presented a Smokies ticket too just for displaying good



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A young woman is one of the first to receive some free Smokies baseball tickets from Mike Donila, Knox County Parks Community Relations Manager, Thursday at Admiral Farragut Park.

Burchett, the Knox County Parks & Recreation Department and the county.

The new program was

County Parks Community Relations Manager, was the driving

may get new rules

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The meeting of the Knox County Ethics Committee Wednesday morning produced a discussion about a possible change of rules. The discussion, mostly between Chairman Jonathan Cooper and Deputy Law Director David Buuck, concerned an ethics violation complaint against Brad Anders.

Anders, a county commissioner and then-candidate for Knox County mayor, has a complaint against him filed by Bruce Williams. In the complaint, Williams charged that Anders accepted several golf matches as part of a Rural/Metro team, received gift bags, and then voted to extend that ambulance service's contract with the county.

Buuck pointed out that the golf participation charges go back