

Newsletter

YOUR BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTION

July 2021

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WELCOME CENTER HOURS: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, Closed

2021 Board of Directors and Staff:

Laura Merlo - President, Keith Allen, Amy Phelps, Craig Harris, Debbie Hughes, Jeffrey W. Massey, Logan Tuck, Troy Burrow, Brandon Clark, Mayor Steve Jones, Mayor Jerry Wilmore, Mayor Kenneth Hollis

Jennifer Hardman - Director • Brenda Hiett - Assistant Director

Chamber News

Hello Chamber members. Half of 2021 has passed by and your Chamber has hosted its first luncheon, opened the community room for rent, and hired Director Jennifer Hardman. The Chamber looks forward to getting back to normal business. We are planning our next luncheon for September. Keep an eye on our social media or website for further events. The Chamber Board thanks you for your support and we look forward to representing you!!!!

Laura Merlo 2021 Chamber President

Ribbon Cuttings

<u>July 16th - SheBrews</u> is having a ribbon cutting at 10:30 a.m. ceremony at their location on the Public Square.

<u>July 22nd - Fox Collections</u> is having a ribbon cutting at 11:00 a.m. at the Welcome Center.



July 24th - Colleen's Bakery is having a New Re-opening ceremony with more information to come.

Meet the new Director of the Macon County Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Hardman

Jennifer Hardman grew up in the town of McEwen, Tennessee located in Humphreys County. After high school she moved to Macon County, Tennessee where she has resided since the summer of 2000. Hardman is currently married to her husband Bill Hardman and has two children Nathan Hardman and Bree Griggs.



Hardman is a member of the

Lafayette Church of Christ and spends her free time attending community events, gardening, taking motorcycle trips with her husband, and camping with family.

In the past, Hardman has worked as an Operations Manager for First Horizon Bank in Gallatin, Tennessee, a Tax Relief Specialist for the Sumner County Trustee's Office, and a prior small business owner of Hardman Auto Body. Her goals for the Chamber of Commerce are to reconnect the community with local businesses, promote economic growth, and to promote tourism in Macon County.





CPR and First Aid Classes

Location: Macon Community Hospital Contact: 615-666-2147 for a class day and time

Ronnie McDowell Concert

July 2nd and July 3rd Dinner Reservations at 6:00 p.m. in Historical Dining Room, Show time 7:00 p.m.

Location: The Ronnie McDowell Entertainment Center

Contact: 615-699-3141

Army Band, 1st Armored Division **Concert in the Park**

July 8thfrom 5:00-7:00 p.m. Location: Kev Park- Free admission Contact: Macon County Arts Council 615-666-0102

Elvis Weekend featuring Ronnie McDowell

July 8th, 9th, and 10th Dinner Reservations at 6:00 p.m. in Historical Dining Room, Show time 7:00 p.m.

Location: The Ronnie McDowell En-

tertainment Center Contact: 615-699-3141

Ghost Hunt Weekend

July 9th - 10th

Location: Thomas House Contact: 865-604-1141 or www.ghosthuntweekends.com

Jewelry in July Artist Event

July 11th from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Location: Gallery 102

Contact: Gallery 102 615-666-0102

Second Sunday Lunch at the Donoho Hotel

July 11th from 11:00-2:00 p.m. Location: The Donoho Hotel Contact: 615-699-3141

Elvis Gospel Music by Ronnie McDowell

July 11th at 2:00 p.m.

Location: The Ronnie McDowell Entertainment Center & Museum at the

Donoho Hotel

Contact: 615-699-3141

Calendar of Events

Job Fair Hosted by Macon County, American Job Center, TN Dept of Labor, and the UC Workforce Board

July 13th from 10:00-1:00 p.m. Location: Macon County Fair Grounds-

Sally Wells Building

Contact: Jimmie Simpson 931-520-

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Ronnie McDowell Concert

July 16th-July 17th at 2:00 p.m. Location: The Ronnie McDowell Entertainment Center & Museum at the

Donoho Hotel

Contact: 615-699-3141

37150 Pelican's Fundraiser

July 17th from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Location: 37150 Community Center Contact: 615-633-2340

Ghost Hunt Weekend

July 23rd - 24th Location: Thomas House Contact: 865-604-1141 or www.ghosthuntweekends.com

Macon County UT Extension & Macon County Health Department-Red Sand Project

July 25th -31st Contact: 615-666-3341

Fourth Sunday Lunch

July 25th from 11:00-2:00 p.m. Location: The Donoho Hotel Contact: 615-699-3141

Diabetes Support Group Meeting -Healthy Eating for Diabetes

July 26th from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Location: Macon Community Hospital

Conference Room

Contact: 615-688-7907 for more infor-

mation

Macon County Fair

August 2nd -7th

Location: Macon County Fairgrounds,

Lafayette TN

Contact: 615-670-3104 for more

information





Macon Iron was my lifelong dream that became reality May 1, 2017. I wanted Macon County to have a top-notch fitness center because weightlifting changed my life, and I wanted to help change other's lives as well. I always found that exercise was an escape from the stress and worries of the world, and it allowed me to cope with them better. I also wanted to be a part of the local business community and work in Macon County after spending 30 years driving out of town. Macon Iron grew from 4500 square feet to 9000 square feet in 2018 as we doubled the size and tripled the equipment. I believed that if we build it, they would come, and they have. In 2019, Macon Iron was honored as the Macon County Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year, We couldn't have come this far though without the support of all our wonderful members. We are proud of how far we have come and what we have been able to accomplish in 4 short years. We look forward to being a staple in Macon County for years to

Bryan & Brandy Nichols, Owners 102 Church Street Lafayette, TN 37083 615-666-4766

Email: maconiron@nctc.com Website: www.macon-iron.com/

Established: 2017

Pelican's Snoballs Lafayette



July Events

*July 13th starting at 12:30 we are serving snoballs for the Connect kids Mother's Day out program at the

Community Connection Church

*July 17th from 4P-8P we are doing a fundraiser at the store for the 37150 Community Center in RBS

*July 20th we will be serving snoballs at the RBS Church of Christ for their VBS
*July 26th we will be at the Lafayette Church of Christ serving snoballs for their VBS

We are blown away at the love that this community (and surrounding communities as well) have shown us. We continue to have great business at our store front and events...... We are running the wheels off our trailer going to events and we love it! We are blessed with the opportunity to meet new faces every day and bring them a little bit of joy with our products.

We take a lot of pride in our store and making it as family friendly as we can so that kids of all ages want to come and hang out with their friends and family

We just flat out love this place and plan to be here for many, many years to come!





Tourism Website

Macon County has a new tourism website sponsored by the Macon County Chamber of Commerce. See what Macon County, TN has to offer including Nature and Parks, Lodging, Attractions, Trails, Museums and Historic Places, Restaurants, Festivals and Events, Venues, and general information about Lafayette and Red Boiling Springs.

Check it out! https://visitmaconcountytn.com/

If you would like to suggest additions to the Macon County tourism website, please contact the Macon County Chamber of Commerce by emailing mchamber@nctc.com or call 615-666-5885.



2021 Schedule of Events at the Martha Wilburn Pavilion

Saturday, July 24, 2021 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Sweetheart, Princess and Fairest of the Fair Practice and Food Drive

Sunday, July 25, 2021 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Petite Miss, Little Miss and Miss Practice and Food Drive

Thursday, July 29, 2021

Mrs. and Senior Pageant Practice and Food Drive 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 31, 2021

9:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 5:45 p.m 6:00 p.m.

Lego Building Contest (3 & up including adults) Fairest of the Fair Interview, Photogenic and Miss Congeniality 38th Macon County Fair Opening Ceremony Princess (13-15) and 39th Fairest of the Fair (16-20) Pageants

Sunday, August 1, 2021

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Gospel Afternoon

Monday, August 2, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Petite Miss (7-9) and Sweetheart (10-12) Pageants

Tuesday, August 3, 2021 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Macon County Pageant (18-54) and Ms. Senior Macon County Pageant (55 and up)

Wednesday, August 4, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Little Miss Fair Pageant (4-6) and Miss Fair Pageant (21 and up)

Thursday, August 5, 2021

9:00 a.m.

Senior Citizens Day - Demonstration - Entertainment -

Bingo - Lunch - Giveaway

5:30 p.m. Baby Show (0-3 Girls, 0-5 Boys, Multiples, Special Needs)

Friday, August 6, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Flat Rock Ramblers Band

Saturday, August 7, 2021

8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Backvard Cook-Off (Youth and Adult) 1:00 p.m. Iron Skillet Contest 5:30 p.m. Talent Show (All Ages) 7:00 p.m. The Lugg-Nutts Band

JULY 8, 2021 CONCERT IN ΓHE PARK

Army Band, 1st Armored Division

Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy a free concert at Key Park hosted by the Macon County Arts Council featuring the Army Band,1st Armored Division. The band is currently composed of one commissioned officer and 52 enlisted soldiers. With a wide range of musical versatility, this will be a concert for all.

For more information call the Macon County Arts Council at 615-666-0102.

Key Park from 5:00 pm- 7:00pm

Free Concert

Also known as the "Old Ironsides"

Bring a lawn chair

Band Motto: "Performance with Pride"

HOSTED BY THE MACON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL

615-666-0102

or more 1st Armored Division Army Band information

https://www.bands.army.mil/ organizations/pages/?unit=1A

New Members

The Macon County Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome all of the new members for 2020 and 2021. Due to the pandemic, like many others, has had challenges to overcome. Some of the members listed below will be having ribbon cutting ceremonies to come!

2020 New Members

Pelicans Snowballs USA serves shaved ice "snowballs" and offer over 100 flavor choices including sugar free options. Joined 1/2/20

Waymakers Counseling Center provides recovery coaching for addicts and families of addicts, and also provide life coaching/ life skills & prevention for high-risk teens. Joined 1/8/20

The Dream Makers are a non-profit organization that provides soft characters wigs and hats (princesses, superhero's), to children with cancer or any disease that causes hair loss. Joined 2/21/20 Lafayette Florist provides flower and gift items. Joined 3/20/20 Salon 501 provides hair salon services. Joined 8/4/20

Blue Sky Web Design provides services for building web sites and online marketing. Joined 8/4/20

37150 Community Center is a non-profit organization created to open and operate a community center for Red Boiling Springs.

Joined 9/28/20

Bray Family Health & Wellness is a family medical clinic who also specializes in weight loss. Joined 10/17/20

Mike's Food Value is a grocery store located in Red Boiling Springs. Joined 11/4/20

James B. Harrison – Individual joined 12/9/20

2021 New Members thru May

Babynov USA is a manufacturer of organic baby food located in Red Boiling Springs. Joined 1/13/21

Jeffrey W. Massey - Individual joined 1/14/21

Fox Collections provides debt collection services. Joined 1/28/21 **Macon Collision LLC** provides auto body collision services. Joined 2/25/21

Catesa Farms LLC provides farming goods such as corn, soybeans, wheat, strawberries, and watermelons. They also provide fertilizer (liquid and dry) and seed. Joined 3/16/21

Premier Quality Home Improvements provides general home remodeling services. Joined 3/11/21

Brotique Company is a men's retail clothing store for all ages and styles. Joined 3/27/21

Jason Lawson, District Attorney's Office Joined 4/27/21 **Macon Trousdale Farmer's Cooperative** provides retail farm supplies. Joined 5/24/21

The Barn on Church St. provides a venue for entertainment and special occasions. Joined 5/25/21

Macon County Chamber of Commerce Leon & Marie Cothron Macon County Welcome Center 685 Highway 52 Bypass West Lafayette, TN 37083



We have moved!!!
New location is beside the Verizon
Wireless store.

507 Hwy 52 By-Pass West Lafavette, TN 37083

We would like to thank everyone for your continued support of Brotique Company and our mission to bring name brand clothing to the guys of Lafayette. Since our opening, we have always appreciated the customer support and feedback on how we can improve.

We heard the parents loud and clear that they want youth clothing. Due to the need for more space than the original location to accommodate this request, we made the move to the new location beside Verizon Wireless in the Maple Hill Shopping Center. We now have youth clothing in stock and adding more brands and styles weekly.

We also heard that we need to stay open later to allow folks to make it to the store after work. New store hours are 10AM-BPM, Mon-Sat. We are closed on Sundays to allow our employees time for church and family.

We have something for all guys no matter what style they may like. Come on in and say hello. Thanks for shopping local.

If you can't make it in, visit our website at brotiquecompany.com or look us up on FaceBook for updates on newly added gear each week.





Carrying Grunt Style, Wrangler Retro Jeans, Volunteer Traditions, Fish Hippie, Speckle Belly, Turnrows, Southern Fried Cotton, Diesel Life, Mr. Js, Duke Cannon and much more including accessories (sunglasses, wallets and leather bracelets).