

April 2022

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WELCOME CENTER HOURS: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Saturday & Sunday, Closed

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Letter from our Chairperson

Greetings all,

There's always a wonderful level of excitement that comes with spring. With those first few days of warmer weather, we begin to anticipate temperatures regularly being in a more comfortable range. We'll soon trade our heavy coats for lighter jackets and eventually for shorts and T-shirts.

Along with the change in climate, we begin to notice more of what's going on in nature, with the birds singing and flowers blooming. Psalm 19:1 tells us, "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork." We see God's fingerprints on everything that has been created, and to see nature's transition as we move from winter to spring, His handiwork is possibly never more evident to us.

Here's to hoping that you enjoy God's beauty in the unfolding of the spring of 2022.

The Macon County Chamber of Commerce is hoping to add a bit of enjoyment for all of you with a new, outdoor event that will be held on Saturday, April 23. A Taste of Macon will be taking place at Lafayette's Key Park from noon until 5 p.m. that day. There will be live music from the Tennessee Turnarounds and the Luggnutts in addition to a variety of vendors.

We would love to see all of our local businesses represented there, and we're hoping for a wonderful turnout from the community as anticipation continues to build.

For more information or to reserve a spot, give the Macon County Chamber of Commerce a call at 615-666-5885.

Don't stash those coats away just yet, but here's to hoping that they won't be needed as we hopefully enjoy a day of sunshine together on April 23 at Key Park.

Until then ...

Craig Harris, Chairperson

Macon County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors



2022 BOARD MEETINGS: 8:30 - 9:30 - WELCOME CENTER

January 18, February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, Sept. 20, October 18, Nov. 22

2022 QUARTERLY LUNCHEONS: 11:30 - 1:00 - TBD

March 22 - 1st Quarter, June 28 - 2nd Quarter, September 27 - 3rd Quarter, November 15 - Annual Banquet



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Grandpa's House- Open House and Cracked Pot Sale

Saturday, April 2 9:00am-3:00pm

Location: 2217 Oak Grove Road, Red Boiling Springs, TN

The season begins in April with all pottery in the shop on sale! Text 615-388-3046 or fb@GpasHouse

Food Waste Awareness Week

Tennessee's Inaugural Food Waste Awareness Week is April 4-9. To take part in this great initiative, UT Extension - Macon County will serve as a drop off location for the statewide food drive. If you would like to participate in the food drive, please bring nonperishable food items to UT Extension - Macon County (113 E Locust St, Lafayette, TN 37083) between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 4 - Friday, April 8, or if you are unable to drop off during normal business hours, please drop off your nonperishable food donations in the plastic storage containers beside the back door of our office. If you have any questions, please contact Michaela Pedigo, Macon County Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent, at mlpedigo@utk.edu or 615-666-3341. All donations will be kept locally within Macon County.

Walk Across Tennessee

Are you looking for a reason to be more motivated to exercise this spring? Here is a team exercise challenge to help! You have until Wednesday, April 6 to register! Don't miss your chance to join this fun competition!

UT Extension - Macon County and the Macon County Health Department will be offering Walk Across Tennessee, a free team-based walking program, from April 8 - June 2. This 8-week challenge encourages teams of 4 people to be active by walking or choosing

different forms of physical activity. Team members do not have to walk or exercise together, and all forms of exercise count toward a team's total miles. The team who walks the farthest "across Tennessee" will win, but everyone who participates will hopefully develop a healthy habit of exercising.

Steps to Participate:

Step 1 - Form a team of 4 people

Step 2 - Create a unique team name

Step 3 - Pick a team captain

Step 4 - Team captain registers the team

at <https://tiny.utk.edu/WATMaconCoTeam>

Step 5 - Each team member completes the individual registration at <https://tiny.utk.edu/WATMaconCoIndividual>

Registration deadline for team and individual registration is Wednesday, April 6.

If you have any questions, please contact Michaela Pedigo, Macon County Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent, at mlpedigo@utk.edu or (615) 666-3341.

Macon Bank & Trust Company Easter Egg Hunt

April 9 starting at 1:00pm

Location: Main office 609 Red Boiling Springs Rd Lafayette, TN

If Mother Nature should have a change of plans, the Easter Bunny will stop back by on April 16th at 1:00pm.

Red Boiling Springs Music Festival & Marketplace

Saturday, April 9 from 10:00am-6:00pm. Tickets are \$5.00 a person, 6 & under enter free.

Location: Old Lake Park Red Boiling Springs, TN Music, Shopping, and food. Bring your chair and plan to stay for the whole day. Contact Amber at The 37150 Community Center 615-561-0899 for more information.

Red Boiling Springs Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 16 at the Old Lake Park in Red Boiling Springs, Tn

Egg Hunt Schedule: 0-3 years @2:00pm, 4-6 years @2:30pm, 7 years and up @3:00pm

Everyone is welcome! 2 Prizes for each age group! 1 free Pelican's Snow Cone for everyone!

Macon County Cattleman's Steak Sandwich Sale

Friday, April 22

Please call the UT Extension- Macon County office at 615-666-3341 to place your order by Monday April 18! Ribeye/ Hamburger sandwich, baked beans, potato salad, dessert, and a drink \$10.00. All proceeds go to the MCCA Scholarship Fund.

A Taste of Macon

Saturday April 23 from 12:00pm-5:00pm

Location: Key Park Lafayette, TN

Taste of what Macon County has to offer. Live Music, vendors, and much more! Contact the Macon County Chamber of Commerce 615-666-5885 or mchamber@nctc.com for more information.

Red Pump Café presents "Songwriters and Storytellers"

Saturday April 23, 7:00pm

Location: Step Back in Time Shop in Red Boiling Springs, TN. There is a cover charge of \$5.00 that includes a drink and desert. If you are a songwriter or storyteller and would like your turn at the mic, contact Karen at 615-670-0606 or visit www.vision2020inc.com

Diabetes Support Group

The Diabetes Support Group will meet on Monday, April 25 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at the Macon Community Hospital Conference Room. Janice York, FNP-C will be the speaker, and she will be discussing symptoms and management of high and low blood glucose. She will also be available to answer any questions related to diabetes. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Vision 2020 Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, April 26 7:00pm

Location: The Armour Hotel & Spa in Red Boiling Springs, TN

Contact Rita @ 615-388-3046 or watch their Facebook page @vision2020inc.

Arts in Bloom

April 28th-May1st An exhibition of local art, will be held at the main office of Macon Bank & Trust Co. 309 Red Boiling Springs Rd Lafayette, TN 37083. Interested artists should call 615-644-5179.

Macon County Chamber of Commerce
YOUR BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTION

A SOUTHERN EXPERIENCE
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A Taste of Macon

MUSIC FOOD VENDORS

April 23rd

Got Any Questions
Contact Macon County Chamber of Commerce

12:00pm-5:00pm
@Key Park, Lafayette, TN

LIVE Music From:
Tennessee Turnarounds LUGGNUTTS

Easter EGGHUNT

JOIN US FOR AN EASTER EGG HUNT

April 9th | 1pm

Main Office {609 Red Boiling Springs Road}

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Macon Bank & Trust Company

MEMBER FDIC



--- **March Luncheon with speaker Melissa Wooten from Measure Up held at the Armour's Hotel and Spa.**



NEW MEMBERS AND RIBBON CUTTINGS

NEW MEMBER - Lighthouse Seventh-Day Adventist Church - A worldwide church that loves the Lord and loves his people. They want to spread his love around and contribute to the community's well-being.
RIBBON CUTTING - Sunshine Décor Grand Re-Opening- April 2 at 12:30 pm we will be having a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate their new location at 34 Brattontown Circle in Lafayette, TN.

COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT
 First Baptist Church - 400 Church St., Lafayette
 Will host a community Easter Egg Hunt and Bouncy Houses for ages toddler to 5th grade
SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 11 a.m.
Serving Hot Dogs, Popcorn, Ice Cream, and Drinks
 Phone 615-666-3127
CANCELLED IF RAIN!



**RED BOILING SPRINGS
 COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT**

APRIL 16TH

OLD LAKE ROAD PARK

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1 Free Pelican's Snow Cone for Everyone!



THE HIGHWAY



YARD SALE

MAY 20 & 21, 2022



Starting along Highway 52 from I-65 Exit 117 to the Overton County Line going through Orlinda, Portland, Westmoreland, Lafayette, Red Boiling Springs, & Celina Tennessee. For more information, call
Macon County Chamber of Commerce (615)666-5885
Portland Chamber of Commerce (615)325-9032
Westmoreland Chamber of Commerce (615)644-2147
Celina Chamber of Commerce (931)243-3338
Orlinda City Hall (615)654-3366

Macon Bank & Trust Company and Macon County Arts Council present

Arts In Bloom



Ambrosia Art by Misha Ambrosia
"The Grain Train at Shaker Tavern"

April 29 & 30, 2022

at Macon Bank and Trust Company on the Bypass, Lafayette, TN

Artwork will be on display

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Saturday

*Hosted by Macon Bank
and Trust Company
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Arts Council*



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