

September 2022

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

2022 Board of Directors and Staff:

Craig Harris - Chairperson, Brandon Clark - Vice Chairperson, Logan Tuck - Treasurer

Laura Merlo, Keith Allen, Jeffrey W. Massey, Felliha Adams, Titus Carter,

Mayor Steve Jones, Mayor Jerry Wilmore, Mayor Kenneth Hollis

Jennifer Hardman - Director • Brenda Hiatt - Assistant Director

Letter from our Chairperson

I was studying some scripture in the book of Hebrews early this morning, and I had a simple notion come back to my mind. I thought ... we don't follow the lead of others simply because of their actions. We follow the lead of others because we have grown to trust in their character.

There's zillions – I can't count that high of course ... I only have 10 fingers for goodness sakes – of examples of gracious, kind and loving acts that take place in society every day.

Some of those acts of kindness are very simple. You might say "bless you" when someone sneezes.

You might hold the door open for someone. You might simply pick something up off of the floor that someone has left. You might purchase a cup of coffee for a stranger.

Then, there are so many larger examples of gracious, kind and loving acts. You might offer some type of financial support for someone who is enduring a difficult time. You might go visit someone who is in the hospital. You might sacrifice your time to help someone else do something that they're not physically capable of doing.

Regardless of whether the gestures are seemingly large or smaller, we might be inclined to "get on board" with someone who does nice things for a while. We might follow that person's lead. However, if we realize that those actions aren't coming from someone who exhibits "high character," we probably won't "stay on board" for long. Ultimately, we follow the lead of people who we trust ... and hopefully, those are "high-character" individuals. We don't just gravitate toward "high-character" actions. In the long run though, "high-character" people will consistently exhibit good actions. For "high-character" individuals, those good deeds won't just be a one-time or occasional occurrences.

For the past three years, I have served on the Macon County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. It's been a blessing, privilege and a great pleasure. For the vast majority of that time, I have served alongside Keith Allen and Laura Merlo. Again, what a pleasure. They fit the stereotype of "high-character" people. What gives me that indication? They regularly sacrifice their time for the sake of others, when they most often don't have a "dog in the fight." Their good – and selfless – deeds aren't simply occasional. They're regular and consistent.

At the end of the year, Keith, Laura and myself will end our three-year terms as board members with the Macon County Chamber of Commerce. The chamber will soon be sending out nomination forms to our chamber members asking for nominations. I ask you all to please consider who in our community would be great fits to serve as board members for the next three years. Who do you know who consistently does good things and exhibits selflessness, wanting the best for members of the county's business community and simply the best for Macon County as a whole?

The chamber board needs more Keith Allens and Laura Merlos. They'll be missed. However, there are a lot more wonderful people among our chamber membership who could flourish as a part of our board of directors just as those two have and as others who are a part of our board currently are as well. I look forward to seeing those new individuals come on board and help the Macon County Chamber of Commerce continue to positively impact the business community and a the county as a whole.

A few days ago, it was said that an indication of who we are is shown by the company that we keep. You know, that's certainly true.

Of course, we can't control the actions of others. However, what can we do? ... we can be that "high-character" company for others.

Here's to all of us endeavoring to strive to be selfless and consistent for the betterment of all.

Until next month ...

Craig Harris, Chairperson



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



SEPTEMBER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CPR classes at the Macon Community Hospital monthly. Call (615)688-6907 for more information.

Saturday, September 3, 2022 Beginner Yoga starting at 10:00am with Natalie Asker Seever at Bilbrey Park Pavilion in Red Boiling Springs, TN.

Friday, September 9, 2022 Concert in the Park from 7:00pm-8:30pm at Key Park in Lafayette, TN The Macon County Arts Council Presents Concert in the Park featuring Southern Image Band. The event is free- just bring a lawn chair.

Saturday, September 10, 2022 Makin' Macon Fit from 7:00am-12:00pm at the Macon County Junior High School. For more information call (615)688-7907.

Sunday, September 11, 2022 Vegetarian Cooking Class from 1:30pm-3:00pm at the Welcome Center Community Room. Call (615)666-6931 to register.

September 9 -10, 2022 Red Boiling Springs Fall Meet and Duck Day Festival. Contact Jim Pritchard (615)400-2054 or Glen Edwards (615)444-7315 for more information

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 Hiring Event from 3:00pm-6:00pm at the Macon County Chamber of Commerce. For more information contact Jennifer Hardman (615)666-5885 or Kristin McCloud with American Job Centers at (931)520-9533.

September 15-17, 2022 Yard Sale at the Step Back in Time Shop in Red Boiling Springs, TN. For more information contact Rita (615)388-3046 or call (615)388-3046 for pickup of items.

Saturday, September 17, 2022 Poker and Auction Ride sign in starting from 7:00am- 10:00am. The Red Boiling Springs Fire and Rescue are hosting a Poker and Auction Ride to raise money for Christmas for Kids and Shop with a Firefighter. Contact (615)388-8380 for more information.

Saturday, September 24, 2022 Cruise for a Cure line-up starting from 4:00pm-5:00pm at Macon Bank & Trust main office location. For more information contact (615)666-6448.

Monday, September 26, 2022 Diabetes Support Group Meeting starting at 5:00pm in the conference room at Macon Community Hospital. For more information call (615)688-7907.

Tuesday, September 27, 2022 Vision 2020 Monthly Meeting starting at 7:00pm at the Armour's Hotel and Spa in Red Boiling Springs, TN. Contact Rita at (615)388-3046 via text or visit www.vision2020inc.com for more information.

Tuesday, September 27, 2022 Chamber Luncheon from 12:00pm-1:00pm at the Donoho Hotel in Red Boiling Springs, TN. The meal will be \$14.00 a plate and the speaker featured will be Stephen Shaner (The Attitude Chiropractor). Contact the Macon County Chamber of Commerce at (615)666-5885 for more information.

NEW MEMBERS

Beans & Leaf's Café - They sell Coffee, Espresso, Fresh Muffins, Scones, Brownies, Fresh Brewed Tea, Fruit, and grab and go breakfast items.

Hunter Wheeler - Individual member

Square One Farms LLC - They sell locally sourced produce, agricultural products, home goods, homemade soy candles, some seasonal flowers.

Granite Creek Resource Management LLC - Logging, Land clearing, site work.

The Blue Ribbon Kitchen - Catering and Specialty Bakery.

Mama Mia's - Italian Restaurant



RIBBON CUTTING for The Blue Ribbon Kitchen was held on 8/18/22.



HOSTED BY:

Lafayette Rotary Club
Macon County Health Council
Macon Community Hospital
Macon County Coordinated School Health
Lafayette Interact Club
Lafayette Jr. Interact Club
UT Extension

Saturday, September 10, 2022, Beginning at 8 a.m.

MACON COUNTY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
1003 Highway 52 By-Pass East • Lafayette, TN

• 5K • 3-Mile Walk • 1-Mile Kids Events • Bouncy Equipment
• 10-Mile Bike Tour • Gaga Ball • 30-Mile Bike Tour



For more information call Macon Community Hospital at 615-666-2147



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH • 5PM

Line-up 4-5 p.m. at Macon Bank & Trust
Main Office location: {609 Red Boiling Springs Road}

Donations to Sherry's Hope accepted before cruise begins.

Ending at the Macon County Drive-in



Drive-in Admission Costs:
\$6 Ages 10+ | \$3 Ages 5-9 | 4 & under free
*No admission fee if just purchasing concessions.



Step Back in Time Shop will be having a Yard Sale, September 15, 16 & 17 at the shop. You may bring your donations to the shop starting September 2. Please bring them already priced. OR text 615-388-3046 for pickup.

Thank you!

FUN, HEALTHY & FREE

VEGETARIAN COOKING CLASS

**Salad
Soup
Sandwiches**

FOOD SAMPLES WILL BE PROVIDED

Come bring the family and have fun cooking!

SUNDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER 2022
START AT 1:30PM - 3:00PM

LEARN TO MAKE DELICIOUS HEART-HEALTHY DIABETES-FRIENDLY MEALS AT OUR COOKING CLASS

Learn about the health benefits of healthy eating

REGISTER AT
615-666-6931

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COMMUNITY ROOM
685 HIGHWAY 52 BYPASS WEST
LAFAYETTE, TN 37083

WWW.LIGHTHOUSE.TN.ADVENTISTCHURCH.ORG

66th ANNIVERSARY OF THE RED BOILING SPRINGS, TN FALL MEET



**Saturday
Sept 9 - 10th, 2022**

MID-TENN REGION AACA Car Show

Registration starts at 7:00 A.M.
The show starts at 10:00 A.M.

Entry Fee is \$20 with this you get one Duck in the Duck Race.

There are 56 Classes with Trophies award to the top 3 cars in each Class plus special awards

Contact:
Jim Pritchard 615-400-2054
Glen Edwards 615-444-7315



RBS Vol. FIRE DEPARTMENT Duck Day Fundraiser

Cost is \$5 a Duck to enter race. If you want buy a whole Flock please do so.

The Duck race will be held near show grounds

There will be \$150 First Prize and a \$75 Lame Duck Prize.

Race Time at 2:00 P.M.

Contact:
Randall Bray 615-699-3313

Vendors Wanted
Large open area with lots of space. At the Greatest Car Show in Tennessee.

Vendors Please Contact:
Jay Jernigan (629)203-1697

Macon County Arts Council presents

Concert IN THE Park

LIVE PERFORMANCE
by
Southern Image Band

Friday, Sept. 9, 2022
7-8:30 p.m.

at Key Park in Lafayette, TN

Concert is free - just bring your lawn chair



Rain Venue: Macon County Junior High Gym

Red Boiling Springs Fire Dept and Rescue

Present:

Shop with a Fireman/Christmas for Kids
Jeep Show and Benefit

October 8, 2022

2767 Leonard Rd Red Boiling Springs, TN 37150

GPS pin 36.539153, -85.783611

Gates open a 6pm Oct 7, free primitive camping all weekend

\$10 Gate fee and \$5 each class Show starts at 10am

Show Events Include:

Best lights, Best Sound System, Best Tires, Best of Show, Dirtiest Jeep

Competition events:

ud pit, various flexing obstacles, blind folded w/spotter obstacle course, climbing winning etc (plenty of things to show up, show off and show out) Adult power wheels race downhill

Bounce houses and Power Wheel course for kiddos

Food Trucks, free primitive camping all weekend, bonfire and live band Saturday ght, Vendors from Rough Country, Synergy, Summit and numerous other vendors

Raffle tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20

We have Jeep swag, parts, gift cards, outdoor stuff, gun store cards etc for raffle and gathering more

Event Questions call or text

(615)670-5848 (615)633-8077

Jeep Questions call or text (615)655-2961 or (615)388-2584



RED BOILING SPRINGS

FIRE and RESCUE

Christmas for Kids

Shop with a Firefighter

Poker and Auction Ride

Winning Poker Hand \$100.00!!

BRING YOUR OWN MEAL

Date:

SATURDAY, September 17th 2022

At

2174 Macedonis Circle (Anderson's Farm)

Red Boiling Springs TN 37150

Sign-In 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Horse RIDE LEAVES @ 8:00 UTV @ 10:00 until return

AUCTION WILL BE AFTER RIDE!!!

\$10 per rider (each rider will receive ticket for drawings.)

\$10 per poker hand

Kids 6 and under are FREE!!

*****Contacts: Chief Randall Bray 615-670-9842 or Asst. Chief Jordan Davenport 615-388-8380*****

PROSTATE BLOOD SCREENINGS

at Macon Community Hospital

PROSTATE CANCER IS A COMMON CANCER IN MEN. The prostate-specific antigen (PSA) test could help indicate the presence of cancer, allowing your physician to provide earlier treatment for overall effectiveness. The test is also designed to alert your physician of possible infections or an enlarged prostate.

DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER Macon Community Hospital will be offering **FREE** prostate cancer screening tests!

GET TESTED NOW! Early detection is key, so why wait? Don't put off until tomorrow what we can easily help you do today!

VISIT THE MACON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL LAB this September, Monday - Friday, 7am - 6pm, to receive your free screening! No appointment is necessary!

For more information please contact us at **615-666-2147**

MACON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

maconcommunityhospital.com • 305 West Locust Street • Lafayette, TN 37083

Beginner Yoga

with Natalie Ashker Scovars

September 3rd 10am
Bilbrey Park Pavilion

@growyogapractice @growingyoga

Macon Co Chamber HIRING EVENT



Leon & Marie Cothron
Welcome Center
685 Highway 52
Bypass West
Lafayette, TN 37083

Employers:
Measure Up
Volunteer Sintered Products
McDonald's
Wal-Mart

Resources:
Jackson Hewitt
Burger King
Cobb
Fleetwood
Babynov

for more information, email
Kristin.McCloud@tn.gov or
call **931.520.9533**

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM
September 14, 2022

American Job Center
Tennessee is not responsible for the participation of any admitted employers or our hiring and resource events. We solicit their participation in good faith but they may attend for unknown or unexpected events occur, which may prevent their attendance.

Macon County Chamber of Commerce

Leon & Marie Cothron

Macon County Welcome Center

685 Highway 52 Bypass West

September 27, 2022

12:00-1:00 pm at The Donoho Hotel!

500 East Main St
Red Boiling Springs, TN

37150



\$14.00 a plate served family style
Fried Chicken, Country Ham with Red Eye Gravy,
Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Green Beans, White
Creamed Corn, and Biscuits with a choice of
Dessert and Drink.

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