

October 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

Hayrides, pumpkin patches, falling leaves, pulling sweaters out of storage, enjoying hot apple cider, bobbing for apples, Halloween decorations, bonfires, chili cook-offs and haunted houses ... some things are simply signature fall activities.

Another thing that takes place predominantly in the fall is football.

The Macon County High football team started off its season by reeling off six consecutive victories, and even after their first loss, the Tigers remain ranked among the top 10 teams in the state in their classification.

The Red Boiling Springs High football squad also started well, with the Bulldogs winning three of their first five games.

It's always great to see those communities unite in support of their high schools' athletic programs.

What's even better is to understand that while the fans are supporting those teams, at a deeper glance, we notice that those fans are really supporting people – both the players and the coaches. There's so much more depth to one's actions when we see the caring motives behind it. That's what life is all about ... investing in people, supporting others and enjoying our time with them.

Recently, I had the great opportunity to take a "guy's trip" ... aka, a few days of non-stop sports.

We had planned to embark on a short getaway up north to visit a pair of Major League Baseball parks that we had never had the opportunity to visit before. With my closest buddy having always wanted to visit Wrigley Field, we decided to go to Chicago to catch a Cubs game one Sunday afternoon and then to drive up to nearby Milwaukee to see the Brewers play the Mets one night later.

However, I threw a curveball in the mix. I noticed that the Green Bay Packers were at home that Sunday night, facing the Chicago Bears in what is acknowledged as the greatest rivalry in the National Football League. We patiently waited for ticket prices to come down out of the stratosphere, snagged a couple, and the plan was all set ... Wrigley Field on Sunday afternoon, drive three hours up to Green Bay for Sunday Night Football in Green Bay, and then drive back to Milwaukee for the Monday night baseball game in the magnificently-impressive American Family Field.

What ... a ... trip ... it ... was.

Fall = football ... and we never dreamed that we would have the opportunity to be more than 600 miles and almost 10 hours from home watching a game in Lambeau Field.

We've been blessed to attend some wonderful events held in some outstanding venues (watching the Mississippi State University baseball

program win the 2021 national championship – the first in any team sport in school history – in Omaha at the College World Series and then attending the 2022 Final Four as we cheered on the North Carolina Tar Heel men's basketball team at the Superdome in New Orleans), but I find it hard to believe that I'll ever be in a better football atmosphere than we were as we stood amongst the cheeseheads in Green Bay. It was simply a thrill.

However, those experiences aren't near as fun if you're not enjoying them with treasured people.

You see, that's what life is all about ... people ... relationships.

That's the way that God created us. He created us as relational people. We're intended to interact with others and to enjoy our time with others. So, as all of you experience hayrides, pumpkin patches, falling leaves, pulling sweaters out of storage, enjoying hot apple cider, bobbing for apples, Halloween decorations, bonfires, chili cook-offs and haunted houses this fall, I hope that you'll be plunging into all of those things with wonderful people. It's the people that we live life with who greatly enhance those moments in time.

Speaking of fall activities, just last week, the Macon County Chamber of Commerce held the fall version of our quarterly luncheon at the Donoho Hotel, enjoying a wonderful meal and outstanding hospitality. The chamber doesn't schedule a luncheon in the fourth quarter of the year but instead holds its annual banquet, which will take place once again in the Sally Wells Building of the Macon County Fairgrounds at 6 p.m. on Nov. 15. The banquet is always a great time as the county unites together for a wonderful evening of outstanding food and fellowship, along with the fun of the live auction. Make your plans to attend. Tickets are already on sale. We look forward to seeing you all there.

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

# October

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**CPR Classes**, at Macon Community Hospital monthly. Call 615-688-7907 for more information.

**Qigong Saturdays** at 8:30 am at the Step Back in Time Shop, 252 Main Street in Red Boiling Springs. There are only 10 simple-to-do movements to this Qigong particular practice. Learn about foods that increase energy, provide encouragement along the way. Call 615-699-1919 for more information.

**A Southern Marketplace Fall Barn Sale**, October 7th-8th at Acres of Grace Farms, 225 Henson Road in Red Boiling Springs. For more information email [info@asouthernmarketplace.com](mailto:info@asouthernmarketplace.com).

**Shop with a Fireman/ Christmas for Kids Jeep Show and Benefit**, at 2767 Leonard Road in Red Boiling Springs. For more information call 615-670-5848 or 615-633-8077. For Jeep questions call 615-655-2961 or 615-388-2584.

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**, October 8th from 10:00am-3:00pm for Square One Farms, 1679 Hartsville Road Lafayette. There will be a Pumpkin Carving Contest, Photo-booth Area, and you will receive 10% off of all décor, candles, melts, and more. Cash only please. For more information contact 585-329-7516.

**Natural Remedies Seminar**, October 9th from 1:30pm-3:00pm at the Macon County Welcome Center Community Room at 685 Highway 52 By-Pass West Lafayette. For more information please contact 954-240-9797.

**How'd Dey Do Dat? Day**, Saturday October 15th at 10:00am-4:00pm at 2217 Oak Grove Road in Red Boiling Springs. A rural heritage celebration on the Ritter Farm. Text 615-388-3046 for more information.

**Lafayette Lions and Lioness Lions Club Radio Auction**, October 17th- 19th from 5:30pm- 10:30pm. For more information call Citizens Bank at 615-666-2195.

**Basic Crochet**, Friday October 21st at 1:30 pm at the Step Back in Time Shop, 252 Main Street in Red Boiling Springs. In this class we will be creating a dish cloth by doing a chain stitch, single crochet and double crochet stitches. All supplies (cotton yarn and hook and directions) will be provided. You will choose from a variety of cotton yarns. Cost of class is \$20 and the class is limited to 8. We will also do a Saturday morning class at 10:30 am. You can choose whichever works best for you or do both. For all our classes: call 615-699-1919, leave a message with name and phone number and which class you want to attend. Speak slowly and distinctly and repeat the phone number. Or Text 615-388-3046.

**Diabetes Support Group Meeting**, Monday October 24th at 5:00pm at Macon Community Hospital in the conference room. For more information call 615-688-7907.

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**, Saturday October 29th at 10:30am for Beans and Leaf's located at 517 Highway 52 By-Pass West Lafayette. For more information call 615-666-5885.

**Trunk or Treat**, Saturday October 29th from 5:00pm-7:00pm at the Lafayette Church of Christ, 212 Church Street Lafayette. For more information call 615-666-2003.

**Trick or Treat on the Square**, October 31st from 4:30pm, 6:00pm. Visit the merchants on the square. There will be a costume contest hosted by Macon Iron Fitness for age groups 0-3 years, 4-8 years, 9-13 years, best family, and pet award.

**Veterans Breakfast**, Wednesday November 9th at 8:00am hosted by Macon Bank & Trust Company at The Barn on Church Street located at 538 Church Street Lafayette. Special guests include The Macon County "Treble Makers" Choir and a speaker while breakfast is served. Please RSVP by November 1st. For more information call 615-666-6448.

**Art in Real Life**, Thursday November 3rd -9th at the Citizens Bank Main Office, 400 Highway 52 By-Pass West in Lafayette. Photographers interested in participating should call Pat Bailey at 615-388-2561 or email [dbailey@nct.com](mailto:dbailey@nct.com). Deadline for entries is October 21st. North Central Annual Meeting, November 5th at the Macon County Junior High School. Entertainment by the Flatrock Ramblers begins at 12:00pm and the business meeting begins at 1:00pm.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

### Macon County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet & Auction

November 15, 2022



Enjoy a night of good food, fellowship, and fund raising auctions!

Proceeds will go to The Macon County Chamber of Commerce to continue to provide the growth and services our community deserves.

Ticket sales will begin October 3, 2022. Call (615)666-5885 for more information. The doors will open at 5:30pm. Event starts at 6:00pm.

## LAFAYETTE LIONS AND LIONESS LIONS CLUB

26th ANNUAL

# RADIO AUCTION

WLCT 102.1 FM

MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, October 17 - 18 - 19

5:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Call Citizens Bank 615-666-2195 to place your bid

All items Donated by Local Merchants

Visit our Facebook page @ [lafayette.lioness.lions.club](https://www.facebook.com/lafayette.lioness.lions.club) to view auction items or for more information, call Monica Gann at 615-633-8601

GOING GOING GONE!



Join us for the first in a series of

## Natural Remedies

FREE SEMINARS!



We'll explore together what nature has to offer for many common ailments we suffer from.

Dates: October 9, 2022 Times: 1:30PM to 3:00PM

Location: Macon County Chamber of Commerce 685 TN-52 West, Lafayette, TN 37083

Please Join Us

Wednesday, November 9th | 8 AM

### VETERANS BREAKFAST

The Barn on Church Street (538 Church Street)

Special Guests: The Macon County "Treble Makers" Choir & Speaker while breakfast is served.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 1st | 615.666.6448

Macon Bank & Trust Company  
[www.maconbankandtrust.com](http://www.maconbankandtrust.com)



## MAMMOGRAPHY SCREENINGS

Prevention is the Key!

FREE T-SHIRT WITH EACH MAMMOGRAM IN OCTOBER

Macon Community Hospital

615-666-2147



**October 8th**

Please join us for our ribbon cutting ceremony and first annual fall fun event!

**Square One Farms**  
1679 Hartsville RD  
Lafayette, TN

Ribbon cutting ceremony is at 10:00am, fall fun event to follow!

- PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST
- PHOTOBOOTH AREA
- 10% OFF ALL DÉCOR, CANDLES, MELTS AND MORE

We are only able to accept cash at this time



## Annual Chamber Banquet & Auction Nov. 15

The Macon County Chamber of Commerce appreciates the support you have given us over the years.

Generous donors like you are the key to our success and make it possible for the Chamber to continue providing the benefits and services that our members deserve. Without you, we could not continue to foster growth and positive change. We could not continue to fund important community activities and lead the way for business.

We would love for you to sponsor a table at our Annual Chamber Banquet and Auction. Your creativity in your display and promotion of your company shows the commitment of you and your employees to our community. We are looking forward to

the many show-stopping tables again this year!

You will enjoy a night of entertainment, good food, and fellowship. All tickets will go on sale on a first come, first serve basis. The ticket sale will start October 3, 2022. Tickets are \$30.00 and the event will be held at the Sally Wells Building on the Macon County Fair Grounds on November 15, 2022. Doors will open at 5:30pm and the event will start at 6:00pm.

Don't forget... pick your choices to win the awards for Small Business, Large Business, and Organization or Individual of the year!

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Citizens Bank and Macon County Arts Council Present



## Art in Real Life

### A Photo Contest

Thursday, Nov. 3 - 9, 2022

Citizens Bank Main Office  
400 Highway 52 By-Pass West • Lafayette, TN

Photos will be on display  
Thursday, Nov. 3 - Wednesday, Nov. 9



Hosted by  
Citizens Bank  
Sponsored by the Macon  
County Arts Council



**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES - OCTOBER 21, 2022**  
FOR ENTRY FORM - CALL PAT BAILEY  
AND LEAVE A MESSAGE 615-388-2561  
or email [dbailey@nctc.com](mailto:dbailey@nctc.com)



## DIABETES EDUCATION CENTER AT Macon Community Hospital

### Join Us!

Diabetes Education Classes are available. Call us at 615-666-2147 for any questions or to sign up!

We also offer a FREE Diabetes Support Group every 4th Monday at 5pm in the hospital conference room.

We hope to see you soon!

DIABETES IS A SERIOUS CONDITION that occurs when the pancreas does not produce enough insulin or the body fails to respond to insulin properly. This can often cause excessive thirst, frequent urination, low or high blood sugar, neuropathy, kidney concerns and other potential complications.

THERE IS GOOD NEWS! Diabetes can be successfully managed with medications, diet and physical activity. Our Registered Dietician, Michaela Pedigo, has experience helping people who struggle with diabetes to set goals, plan out their meals, monitor their carbohydrate and sugar intake, and much more.

NOW IS THE TIME to take control over your diabetes – and you can do it all right here, close to home!

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



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## YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR OPEN HOUSE!

OCTOBER 6, 2022

1-4 pm

AT RBS HEAD START

CELEBRATE OUR 2022 OPEN HOUSE WITH US! COME MEET OUR HEAD START STAFF AND ENJOY FELLOWSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

SHEILA COOK: [we01@ibjc.org](mailto:we01@ibjc.org)

LAVONDA HIX: [rbssupervisor@ibjc.org](mailto:rbssupervisor@ibjc.org)

OR

Contact the Head Start Center at:

521 LAFAYETTE RD.

RED BOLLING SPRINGS, TN. 37150

615-699-2225

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



## Don't forget to save the date for the Lafayette Square Trick or Treat!

October 31st  
4:30-6pm {note the change from 4pm to 4:30pm}  
Lafayette Square

Costume Contest sponsored by Macon Iron!  
Age Groups: 0-3, 4-8, 9-13 and best family awards.  
Also, a pet award.

## RIBBON CUTTINGS

**Saturday, October 8th from 10:00am-3:00pm for Square One Farms, 1679 Hartsville Road Lafayette.** There will be a Pumpkin Carving Contest, Photobooth Area, and you will receive 10% off of all décor, candles, melts, and more. Cash only please. For more information contact 585-329-7516.

**Friday, October 21, 12 noon, Modern Automotive Group LLC, located at 2744 Hwy 52 By Pass W, Suite A, Lafayette, TN 37083.**

**Saturday, October 29th at 10:30am for Beans and Leaf's located at 517 Highway 52 By-Pass West Lafayette.** For more information call 615-666-5885.



**Chamber September Luncheon**



**Mama Mia's Ribon Cutting Event**

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

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:  
Judging, various flexing obstacles, blind folded w/spotter obstacle course, climbing, winching 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 night, 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  
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