



March 2024 NEWSLETTER

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Chamber Chat

Member dues invoices have been sent out. We look forward to another great year of service!

685 Highway 52 Bypass West

Lafayette, TN 37083

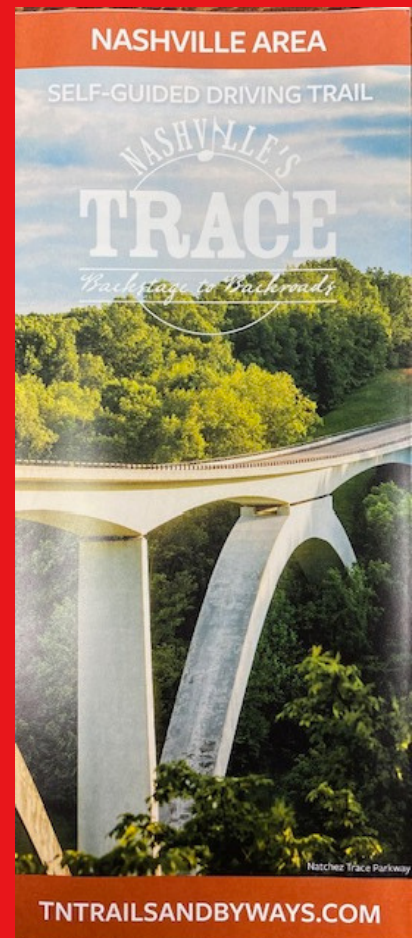
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Tourism Spotlight



Stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a brochure!

Upcoming Events

JOIN US!

WE ARE HIRING



HIRING EVENT

Employers will be there ready to hire YOU for full-time, part-time or seasonal work. Come dressed to impress with 2 forms of id, and social security number.

Wednesday
4/17/24

Students Only 8:00a - 10:00a

Macon County High School Gym
2550 Days Rd., Lafayette, TN

Brought to you in partnership by **CTE** **Macon County Chamber of Commerce**

For more information contact davism@maconcountyschools.org

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

How it can be used in the workplace and everyday lives.

Join us for our luncheon on
March 26, 2024 from 12:00pm-1:00pm
at The Barn on Church Street to learn more!

Lunch is \$10.00 a plate to consist of
fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans,
a roll, a drink and dessert.



THE HIGHWAY

52
Tennessee

YARD SALE

MAY 17-19, 2024



Starting along Highway 52 going through Orinda, 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)644-1531 Celina Chamber of Commerce (931)243-3338 Orinda City Hall (615)654-3366

TENNESSEE MANEUVERS REMEMBERED

Downtown Carthage, TN • Saturday, May 4, 2024 • 10AM to 4PM

WWII Military Reenactors • Red vs Blue Battle on Main Street
Homefront Living History • Artifact Displays & Exhibits
WWII Plane Flyover • 1940s Entertainment • Military & Period Vehicles
USO Style Dance on Courthouse Lawn from 8 to 9pm

GRANTS AND SPONSORSHIPS PROVIDED BY:

SMITH COUNTY HISTORICAL TOURISM SOCIETY **CAVR FOREST FOUNDATION** **nystar** **UCEMCCARES**

SmithCountyHistoricalTourism.org

TENNESSEE MANEUVERS REMEMBERED Friday, May 3 - Student Day Saturday, May 4 Main Event & Dance

Military/Homefront History, Red vs Blue Battle, Military/Period Vehicles, Education/Demonstration Booths, POW Displays, WWII Plane Flyover, 1940s Entertainment and Artifact/Sweetheart Displays

Grants and sponsorships provided by: **nystar** **UCEMCCARES**

Save the Dates!

Downtown Carthage, TN

Event organizers: **SMITH COUNTY HISTORICAL TOURISM SOCIETY** **CAMMIE GIBSON**

5TH ANNUAL MADE HERE MARKET



Celebrate Local Makers, Artist, Music, and Food.

Saturday April 27th, 2024 9am - 3pm

The Biz Foundry
N Cedar Ave Cookeville, TN

www.thebizfoundry.org/mhm

YOU ARE INVITED TO
#THE37150GROWON KICK-OFF PARTY

MARCH 2, 2024
10:00 AM

BILBREY PARK
#REDBOILINGSPRINGS, TN





Community Monthly Meeting

3rd Saturday of the month at noon
Red Boiling Springs Branch Library
335 East Main Street, RBS



QUARTER AUCTION
718 Lafayette Rd
Hillwood Plaza
Doña Mary's Event Room
4-6pm

Everyone is invited

EASTER
• EGG HUNT •

March 23 @ 1:00 PM
MBTC Main Office
(Rain out date: March 30)




RED BOILING SPRINGS MUSIC FESTIVAL AND MARKETPLACE

Music - Food - Vendors



Saturday May 4, 2024
9-6pm

\$5 a person
6 and under free

Bring a chair
& stay all day



Old Lake Road Park
Red Boiling Springs, TN



The37150.org

Folk Medicine Festival Organizational Meeting, Monday, August 26, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the Step Back in Time Shop 252 Main Street in RBS. All those who have an interest in the Folk Medicine Festival are encouraged to attend. Text 615-388-3046 for more information.

Vision 2020 Inc Meeting, Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at the Armour's Hotel 321 East Main in RBS. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm, call ahead to place your order. (615-699-2180) Meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. This is an open meeting, everyone is invited to attend. Vision 2020 Inc is a non-profit organization, whose focus is to preserve our history and to create an environment for quality living.

AMERICAN PICKERS





AMERICAN PICKERS ARE LOOKING FOR LARGE, RARE COLLECTIONS & THINGS THEY'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE. TELL US THE INTERESTING STORY BEHIND YOUR STUFF!

TO BE CONSIDERED, PLEASE CONTACT US AT:
AMERICANPICKERS@CINEFLIX.COM
or leave a voicemail at (646) 493-2184
or on facebook: @GotAPick

PLEASE LET US KNOW:

- YOUR NAME, TOWN & STATE
- PHONE NUMBER
- WHERE YOUR COLLECTION IS LOCATED
- A DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ITEMS





37150 Community Center, Inc. Presents:

LEONARD CAVE SPELUNKING ADVENTURE
with Geographer and Caver Chuck Sutherland

MARCH 23

Age limit 18+
Only 10 spots available!
Register by March 15th to enter lottery system!
SEE EVENT DETAILS



Saturday Mar 23 - Leonard Cave Adventure 10am

HOW IT WORKS: Participants will be chosen through a lottery system to ensure that everyone has a fair chance at this once-in-a-lifetime experience. You must register by completing the entry form no later than March 15th. You must be 18 or older to register, and one registration form must be completed per person. Following the close of the lottery, we will announce the fortunate winners and establish a waiting list in the event of a cancellation. Please fill out the registration form here: Leonard Cave Spelunking Lottery Entry Form

Lunch and Learn
April 3, 2024

BE THE BEACON OF HOPE

"Getting past the stigma of using justice involved candidates and the impact this can have on the individual seeking a second chance."



COST: \$10.00 includes lunch

Volunteer State Community College
1480 Nashville Pike
Caudill Hall, Room 109
Gallatin, TN 37066



bit.ly/313w0Lk

12:00- 2:00 pm

3 April 2024

Register with QR code or link provided

615-230-3358 | cheryl.bell@volstate.edu | https://workforce.volstate.edu



March 22nd
8:30 - 11:30 am
Gallatin Campus
Building 300,
Room 102
\$50.00

Breakfast items will be provided

Understanding your own working styles and behaviors is crucial to your interactions with others. In this workshop you'll gain a deeper understanding of your behavioral tendencies and how they affect communication and understanding in the workplace.



More Information:
https://workforce.volstate.edu
Email: cheryl.bell@volstate.edu
or call 615-230-4798

To register go to:
https://workforce.volstate.edu/volstate/courses/course.aspx?C=1008&pc=7&mc=87&ac=8

VOL STATE We are in need of individuals in your profession to share "the good news" about your career with 8th graders.

We would like to invite you to participate in an exciting event planned for over 2,300 Summer County eighth graders who will be attending a Career Exploration Fair at Volunteer State Community College on March 1, 2024, 8:30 am to 2:00 pm.

Over 2,300 8th-grade students from Summer County will be attending the Summer County 8th Grade Career Exploration Fair hosted by Volunteer State Community College. Industry Representatives will share their future career opportunities with students through a live, campus event.

The Career Exploration Fair provides an avenue for eighth graders preparing to enter local high schools and to inform them of expanded opportunities in high school, such as career and technical education (CTE) and dual enrollment classes. This fair helps raise awareness and excitement that shows incoming freshmen the relevance of their studies and the opportunities their futures hold.

The students experiencing the Career Exploration Fair are prepared to visit the fair through an exploratory classroom curriculum that allows them to learn about professionalism and evaluate their personality, strengths, interests, and potential careers.

We are seeking career and industry representatives who can commit to a full-day event. Students will arrive in groups prepared to speak to you, college advisors, and college instructors in 25-minute shifts. Lunch is provided during a mid-day break. The day is fast-paced and fun!



After meeting with career and college representatives, students attending the event are better equipped to answer these questions:

- What are my goals?
- What are my career aspirations?
- What steps do I need to begin now to reach my goals?

There is no fee to attend this event. For additional information and to register, please visit <https://www.volstate.edu/dual-enrollment/career-exploration-fair>. For additional information, please contact us at: Office of K12 Partnerships - dualenrollment@volstate.edu - 615-230-3742

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How do I apply for the Incumbent Worker Training Grant Opportunities?

Are you interested in funding to assist in training your employees? If so, Workforce Connections works with local companies to fund up to \$25,000 of eligible training.

Complete pre-application online at <https://www.tn.gov/workforce/employers/training-redirect/grants-for-training.html>

OR Scan the QR code

A member of our Business Services Team will be in contact to assist you in the registration process.

FOR QUESTIONS OR ASSISTANCE, Email jmiller@ucworkforce.org

For inquiries and concerns, please email businessservices@ucworkforce.org for assistance.

Spring 2024

VOL STATE Vol State, Gallatin Caudill Hall, Room 102 9:15- 12:00

Keep Educating Yourself

KEY LECTURE SERIES

9:15- 12 noon Cost for the Series is \$59.00

- MAR. 8** Back by Popular Demand: A Cosmic Journey with Duncan Davis
- MAR. 15** Everything You Wanted to Know about Elder Law with Chris Johnson AND Artificial Selection with Dr. Billy Dye
- MAR. 22** "Young folks today differ so much from us" with Ron Hart

NO KEY Classes March 29th OR April 5th

- APR. 12** Caves and Local History with Dr. Joe Douglas
- APR. 19** David Wright, Artist & Historian Professional artist - painting landscapes & historical subjects.
- APR. 26** Jerusalem: The City on the Hill with Zackary McCullough

To register call Cheryl at 615-230-4798, email at cheryl.bell@volstate.edu or go to <https://www.campusnet/volstate/course/course.aspx?catId=31>

Awesome Attitude, LLC presents...

Find Your P's & **Setting and Achieving Powerful Goals**

Passion • Purpose • Potential • Personal Mission The Workshop

Find Your P's Successful people understand their Passion, have a well-defined Purpose, and use their Potential and Personal Mission to accomplish their goals and make a difference in the world.

In this interactive session, you will receive instruction and tools that will enable you to discover and walk away with:

- Your true Passion • Your Purpose in life • A Personal Mission Statement
- Everyday tasks to drive your Potential • Steps to overcome obstacles
- How to overcome fear, frustration and overwhelm

This event will change your life!

However, there is limited availability based on a first come, first served basis. Now is decision time for you. It's time to take control of your life, your dreams, and your potential to make your own difference in the world.

4 1-Hour Sessions • Monday Nights • March 4, 11, 18, 25 - 2024
6:00-7:00 pm CST on Zoom

Setting and Achieving Powerful Goals - The Workshop In this interactive workshop, you will walk away with the 7 steps necessary to set and achieve powerful goals. You will also learn the secret ingredient that successful goal setters use to achieve any goal.

Monday Night, April 1, 2024 6:00-7:00 pm CST on Zoom

Investment...	Goal Setting Workshop Only	Both
Find Your P's Only		
Individual = \$99	Individual = \$59	Individual = \$129
Early Bird = \$79	Early Bird = \$39	Early Bird = \$109
(Register by 2-15-2024)	(Register by 2-15-2024)	(Register by 2-15-2024)

Presented by... **Stephen Shaner** "The Attitude "Chiropractor"
www.awesomeattitude.com

To register and pay by check or credit card or for any questions, please contact Stephen at stephen@awesomeattitude.net

Changing Lives One Attitude at a Time

MACON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Cardiac Services
Take Control of Your Heart Health!

THERE'S GOOD NEWS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HEART DISEASE! Macon Community Hospital proudly offers a comprehensive range of advanced cardiac care capabilities including a 24/7 Emergency Room in the event of a heart attack or stroke, preventative diagnostic testing, a variety of specialty services, and therapeutic care related to a full range of cardiovascular conditions.

TALK TO ONE OF OUR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS about available screenings designed to help evaluate and monitor blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar levels, and overall heart health. We can also help you with scheduling cardiac, pulmonary or respiratory therapy, follow-up screenings and much more.

FORTUNATELY, 80% OF HEAVY DISEASE IS PREVENTABLE, and we've got the technology and expertise to provide your family with the peace of mind that comes from having extraordinary cardiac care available right here, close to home.

For more information please contact us at **615-666-2147**
maconcommunityhospital.com • 306 West Locust Street • Lafayette, TN 37083

MACON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Colorectal Screenings
Should You Be Tested Now?

FOR DECADES THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RECOMMENDED that adults at average risk for colorectal cancer start having colonoscopies at age 50. RECENTLY, HOWEVER, THAT RECOMMENDATION HAS CHANGED! The current guidelines say that colorectal cancer screenings should begin at age 45.

WHY THE CHANGE? In the last 15 years studies have shown that colorectal cancer cases are on the rise among young and middle-aged adults! If you are 45 years of age check with your insurance company to see if they will help to pay for your colonoscopy, especially if you have a higher risk of colorectal cancer due to family history or other health factors.

THE BOTTOM LINE? A screening for colorectal cancer could save your life! So, if it's time to take a look, Macon Community Hospital is here to help!

For more information please contact us at **615-666-2147**
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COOKING FOR MENTAL HEALTH

NATURAL REMEDIES INCLUDED!

High stress level? Feeling low, anxious, depressed? Join us for this **FREE community cooking and natural remedies** seminar to find out how to de-stress naturally and how diet and lifestyle can boost your mental health.

What's in Store?

- Delicious Plant-Based Recipes that Boost Brain Health
- Handout of Recipes
- Food Samples
- Giveaways

Register at: **615-666-6931**
E-mail: www.lighthouseadventistchurch.org

Sunday, March 10, 2024
Start From 1:30pm - 3pm

Located here
Macon County Chamber Community Room
685 Highway 52 Bypass
West Lafayette, TN 37083