



Happy New Year!



Chamber Board Elects Board Officers

Stephen Harris has been named Chairman of the Board, **Rob Followell** has been elected Chair-Elect and **Amy Allen** has been elected Treasurer for Anderson County Chamber of Commerce to serve 2015. **Steve Heatherly** has been named Member-at-Large.



Harris

Stephen Harris, Engineering Manager at Powell-Clinch Utility District where he has worked for 14 years,

is responsible for the daily operation of the Engineering, IT, and Building Maintenance Departments. Stephen is a graduate of Leadership Anderson County and has served as Co-Chair of the Chamber's Government & Community Relations Council.



Followell

Rob Followell, Chief Executive Officer of Tennova Healthcare's North Knoxville Medical Center, is also a graduate of Lead-

ership Anderson County, former Leadership Anderson County board member and a member of the Government & Community Relations Council.

Amy Allen is the Office Manager and Paraplanner for Keeton & Associates, a financial advisory practice of Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc. She is a Leadership Anderson County graduate and former Leadership Anderson



Allen

County board member and Co-Chair of the Chamber Operations Council.

Steve Heatherly is on the board of directors at Merit Construction, Inc. and serves as the company's senior vice president. Steve is a graduate of Leadership Anderson County and serves as Co-Chair of the Chamber's Government & Community Relations Council.



Heatherly

Member Focus: Hibachi Pizza

Hibachi Pizza is a restaurant that stretches all the way across the board offering Hibachi, Pizza, Burgers, and more! We are a dine-in, carry out establishment, also offering delivery! Located in the heart of Oliver Springs at 526 E. Tri County Boulevard, we reach out to all age groups in the local community with the wide variety on our menu. Opening July 16th of



2014, Hibachi Pizza strives to be a community partner where we can go further than just selling food to our loyal customers. We have teamed up with Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention on their "Be a Parent not a Peer" campaign, bringing to light the problems with underage drinking in our community and trying to prevent it. Hibachi Pizza hopes to be able to participate in more campaigns in the future and play a helpful role in the community.

Michael Pfeiffer and Darian Crossno are the faces of Hibachi Pizza. You will be greeted with a smile and a handshake every time! Our

loyal customers who come in day and day out are the ones that keep us going. Darian has taken our store and turned it in to such a modern atmosphere. We have chalkboards through out the restaurant displaying our menu items, how you can keep up with us on social media, and a place for us to let us know you were here! We always try to keep our customers

up to date with what is going on in the world of Hibachi Pizza by writing events and special occasions on the doors. There is always something happening! Michael has taken the business side and creative culinary side trying to create new items and keep people coming back for more. Michael has created a "Hibachi Burger" featuring teriyaki sauce, zucchini, onions, mushrooms, and swiss cheese. This is just one of the unique items that you can't get anywhere else but at our restaurant. Between our inviting atmosphere and our creative twist we take with our food

we hope to provide a place where new customers come in and feel compelled to come back again and again.

Hibachi Pizza is proud to be apart of the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce. We became members of the Chamber a couple months after we opened and we have been invited in to so many events with open arms. The Chamber did a ribbon cutting for us and provided a great opportunity to get some publicity! We would like to give a huge thank you to Norm Nelson for helping us with whatever questions we have had whether it come to advertising or just general questions about the community/Chamber. We hope to continue working with the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce for years to come it has become such a useful tool for our business. As we continue to grow as a small business in Anderson County we want to say thank you to everyone who has helped us to get where we are and thank you to everyone who is going to take us further in our venture as young entrepreneurs!

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PARTNERS IN THE NEWS

SL Tennessee, LLC, has joined the prestigious Chamber Community Partners Program at the Platinum level. Thank you SL Tennessee!



Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU), a valued Chamber Copper Community Partner has renewed their Chamber Partnership commitment at the Cooper level for 2015. Thank you ORAU!!



ORAU announced Heidi Timmerman, Director of Procurement and Contracts Administration and Leadership Anderson County alumni, was recently awarded the Top Professionals Under 40 in Contract Management distinction from the National Contract Management Association.

Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge, a valued Chamber Community Partner has renewed their Chamber Partnership commitment at the Silver level for 2015. Thank you MMC! Methodist Medical Center has named Shelia Justice, LPN in the Family Birthing Center as September's MMCer of the Month.



Merit Construction, Inc., a valued Chamber Bronze Community Partner, served as Construction Manager for the School of the Year Awards for 2014 constructed in the Loudon County School District: Greenback Pre-kindergarten-12 School and Fort Loudon Middle School. These awards are presented by the Tennessee School Board Association (TSBA) to new and renovated school facilities who have demonstrated excellence in design and construction of educational facilities.

Rogers Group, Inc., a valued Chamber Community Partner, has renewed their Chamber Partnership commitment at the Bronze level for 2015.

Leadership Anderson County



Leadership Anderson County Class of 2015 participated in Education Day on Tuesday, December 16. Pictured above Bob Gatton, Director of National STEM Consortium Program at Roane State Community College's Clinton Higher Education and Workforce Training Facility, introduces the class to the technology involved in training for manufacturing jobs in the county. The Class also visited Clinton High School's NetZero Classroom interacting with the Youth Leadership Anderson County Class. Leadership Anderson County and Youth Leadership Anderson County are programs of the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce. For enrollment information contact the Chamber at 865-457-2559 or visit: www.andersoncountychamber.org.

Chamber Unveils New Sign



Chairman Stephen Harris and President Jackie Nichols proudly pose with the Chamber's new indoor sign installed in December. The Chamber unveiled a new logo in January and is completing the logo branding process to note the Chamber's involvement in business since 1932.

Welcome New Members!

Thank you for your Renewal!

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JANUARY Chamber Calendar


Thursday, January 1
 Happy New Year! The Chamber office will be closed.

Thursday, January 15, 8 – 9:30 a.m.
 Networking Coffee
 Cadence Inc. – Craft & Trade
 307 N. Main St. Clinton, 214-7084
 www.cadencecraftandtrade.com

Economic Indicators November

New Business Licenses Issued – 24
Building Permits Issued – 12
Unemployment – 7%

COMING SOON!



The 2015-2016 Anderson County Chamber of Commerce Membership Directory and Consumer's Guidebook

Watch your email for more information to promote your business!!

Coffee



Community Bank

The Community Bank of East Tennessee hosted their annual Chamber Christmas Coffee at their 151 E. Broad Street, Clinton office on Thursday, December 4. President John Jordan welcomed Chamber members and guests. Entertainment was provided by Mrs. Fielden's 3rd graders from South Clinton Elementary School singing Christmas Carols. After singing the 3rd graders introduced themselves to Chamber members.

Coffee



Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge

Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge, a valued Chamber Silver Community Partner, hosted an Area Chamber Coffee this morning for Anderson County, Campbell County, Roane County and Rocky Top Chambers. The MMC Chorus entertained with Christmas Carols. President Mike Belbeck welcomed Chamber members, introduced Chamber directors and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Ribbon Cutting



City Fitness

City Fitness celebrated their Grand Opening with an Open House and Anderson County Chamber Ribbon Cutting on Monday, December 8. Cutting the ribbon, center, owners B.J. and Bryan Ware, surrounded by supporting Chamber members. City Fitness is located at 1115 N. Charles Seivers Blvd., Ste. 10B, Clinton and maybe reached at 865-406-3737.

Ribbon Cutting



Slamdot

Slamdot celebrated their ribbon cutting for the new store at Northshore Village with staff, customers, family and friends on December 12th. They collected toys and stuffed animals for Kids First Child Advocacy Center of the 9th Judicial District, and hosted a holiday open house as part of the festivities. Along with the new store, they've grown their staff and added more services, now offering SEO and online marketing along with website design and hosting service.

Parade Thanks ...

We at the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped to make the annual Clinton Christmas Parade "The Gifts of Christmas" an overwhelming success.

PARADE

- Roger Houck, City Manager for support, Rick Scarbrough, Clinton Chief of Police and Sgt. Jim Campbell, the Clinton Police Department for assisting in assuring a safe parade, Chief Archie Brummitt and the Clinton Fire Department for carrying Santa Claus, Lynn Murphy and Bill Riggs, Clinton Public Works for cleanup, and Jason Brown, Clinton Recreation Department for coordinating.
 - Parade volunteers: Diane Allred, Josh Anderson, Jay Bailey, Sarah Bumgardner, Jackson Campbell, Anna Lisa Conover, Dave Conrad, Teresa Grayson, Dan and Janet Hawkins, Beth Hickman, Seth Johnson, Brandon Lane, Susan McGetrick, Kent & Kim Mitchell, Norm & Grace Nelson, Michael Ousley, Michelle Roy, Sandra Shannon, Kathy Stair, Nicki Ward and Samantha Watson.
 - Joseph Dillman, Honorary Grand Marshall
 - Charlie Lyons and Jerry Shattuck, Parade Grand Marshalls
 - Ray Varner Ford, car for the Honorary Grand Marshall
 - Fox Chevrolet, cars and drivers for the Grand Marshalls
 - Anderson County High School Band and Director Paul Brown
 - Clinton High School Band and Director Danny Stone
 - Anderson County High School Navy Junior ROTC, Commander Thomas Mariner (USN Ret.) and Chief Allen Davis (USN Ret.)
 - Clinton High School Air Force Junior ROTC, Major (Ret.) Carl Pittman
 - Clinton High School and Clinton Middle School Cheerleaders for leading the way for Santa
 - Christmas Parade Judges: Rev. and Mrs. John Anderson, Dr. Richard Batt, George Paynter, Caroline Moles, Teresa Portwood
 - Christmas Parade Commentators for Channel 95: County Commissioner Robin Biloski and County Commission Chairman Randy McKamey
 - Channel 95 for filming and broadcasting parade
 - Jim Young
 - Gary Long and the Anderson County Highway Department, safety vests.
 - Janet Hawkins and Kim Mitchell, coordinating Parade
 - All our participants and spectators – the entries were outstanding this year – better every year!
- We hope we have not missed thanking anyone who helped make this Parade such a success. If so, we apologize...and THANK YOU!!!

*Jackie Nichols, President
Anderson County Chamber of Commerce
Chamber Board & Staff*

Pictured, from top:

Anderson County Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Nicki Ward and Co-Chair Sandra Shannon lead the Clinton Christmas Parade carrying the Chamber banner. Additional Chamber Ambassadors Diane Allred, Susan McGetrick, Michael Ousley, and Samantha Watson assisted in various areas to assure a safe and orderly parade. The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce facilitates the annual Clinton Christmas Parade with the City of Clinton.

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the City of Clinton hosted the annual Clinton Christmas Parade "The Gifts of Christmas" on Saturday, December 13 with 85 entries. Placing first: South Clinton Baptist Church; second: Second Baptist Church; and third: YourNewBoat.com.



Chamber Hosts ThreeStar Workshop

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce hosted a ThreeStar Regional Workshop on Tuesday, December 9 attended by representatives from Anderson, Campbell, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson, Loudon, Morgan, McMinn, Roane, Scott, Sevier, and Union Counties



as well as the East TN Development District and Tennessee Department of Economic & Community Development. Anderson County Mayor Terry Frank welcomed the delegation to Anderson County.

Annual participation in the ThreeStar program helps communities develop a strategy and a plan to address Governor Haslam's "Five Pillars," his priorities for public policy that include: jobs and economic development; fiscal strength and efficient government; public safe-

ty; education and workforce development; and health and welfare. The program encourages local community leaders, representing the five program areas, and Joint Economic and Community Development Boards to implement activities that will impact these quality of life issues – and therefore, their global competitiveness.

Anderson County has participated in the ThreeStar Program since 2001 and has received a designation of Tier 1, the highest level that may be attained. Eighty-five of ninety-five counties in Tennessee have been awarded the ThreeStar status. The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce and the Anderson County Economic Development Association partner to facilitate the ThreeStar program for Anderson County.



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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory researcher Michael Brady, has been selected as one of four recipients to receive The Minerals, Metals and Materials Society (TMS) 2015 Brimacombe Medalist Award. Brady, a resident of Oak Ridge, is a distinguished research staff in the Material Science and Technology Division's Corrosion Science and Technology group. **James Hack**, director of the National Center for Computational Sciences has been elected by the American Meteorological Society (AMS) a 2015 fellow. **Hack** was cited for his "outstanding contributions to advancing the

atmospheric and related sciences, technologies, applications and services for the benefit of society," and recently gave an invited talk at the Smithsonian Institution's 2014 Grand Challenges Consortia Symposium. **UT-Battelle** manages ORNL for the Department of Energy's Office of Science.

Tennessee State Senator Randy McNally has been awarded the coveted "Champion of Commerce" award from The Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The prestigious award recognizes individuals that exemplify outstanding achievement promoting business and free

enterprise during the 2013-2014 108th General Assembly.

H & H Body Shop has been honored by Clinton High School athletics as "Friends of the Program", supporting CHS athletics for 54 years. Jack and Lucille Hutchins founded H & H in 1960. Today it is still family owned and operated by Barry Hutchins and Darla Bayless.

Lattimore, Black, Morgan & Cain, PC has moved to their new location at 2095 Lakeside Centre Way, Suite 220, Knoxville, TN 37922.

Pinnacle Financial Partners has been named

a Best Brand Award Winner for small business banking by Greenwich Associates.

UT-Battelle, the partnership of the University of Tennessee and Battelle that manages Oak Ridge National Laboratory for

the U.S. Department of Energy, received high performance grades and a fee of \$10.53 million for the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30. **UT-Battelle**, which has managed ORNL since 2000, received an overall performance score of 94 out of 100.

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