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Clinton Parade features Grand Marshall

Charles G. "Bones" Seivers selected as Grand Marshall

Mayor Scott Burton has announced this year's Clinton Christmas Parade would have a special Grand Marshall, former mayor Charles G. "Bones" Seivers.

Charles G. "Bones" Seivers, a native of Clinton, Tn, first entered public office in 1962 when he ran for an open alderman seat and continued to serve the citizens as an elected official for 13 years. In 1970, he was elected as mayor. During his mayoral term, a committee determined that the city needed a full-time administrator and Mr. Seivers was appointed to that position in

1972.

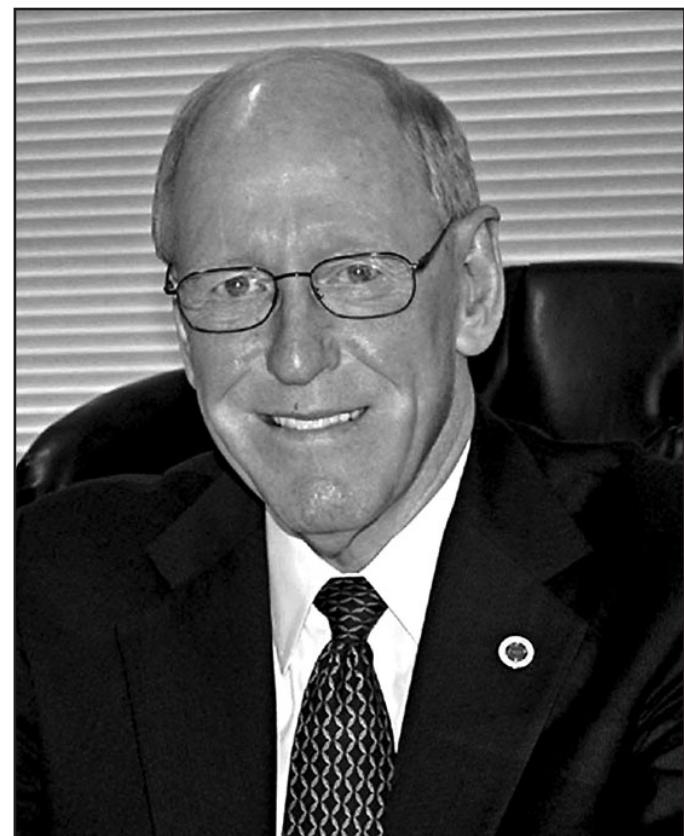
Mr. Seivers became involved in the Tennessee Municipal League in 1962 and helped found the TML Insurance Pool now known as the TML Risk Management Pool. Recognizing the need for municipalities to obtain low cost financing for capital improvement needs in August 1985 a special committee of that board voted to create a loan program for cities and Mr. Seivers served on that board as chair for eight years.

In 1992, after 30 years of service to city governments, TML presented Mr. Seiv-

ers with one of the highest honors, the Beverly C. Briley Award. He was also rewarded when the Clinton Community Center was dedicated to him in 1978 and the highway through Clinton was named the Charles G. Seivers Blvd. in 1987. He has received several other prestigious awards over his career.

Clinton's traditional Christmas Parade of bands, floats, and many other processionals entries will begin at 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 5. This year's theme is "Twas the Night Before Christmas".

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Former Mayor Charles G. "Bone" Seivers

Member Focus: Small Paws Bed and Biscuit

Small Paws Bed and Biscuit is located just over the bridge in a beautiful area of South Clinton. Established in 2007, Small Paws offers outstanding small dog boarding with cozy, clean and stress-free indoor suite accommodations along with a large fenced in play yard for running, chasing, jumping and exploring. Designed for only small dogs and a limited number of visitors, makes it a comfortable and quaint place for your furry friend to enjoy.

Kristin Olsen, Owner and Operator, is from Jacksonville, Florida, but has made Clinton her forever home. Once she arrived to this small town, she jumped into her passion for animals by joining the Anderson County Humane Society and Chairing the Neuter/Spay Program for 10 years. She

Small Paws
"Bed and Biscuit"

has spoken on many occasions to schools and organizations about the responsibilities of being a loving and caring pet owner. She has also volunteered and Chaired the Anderson County Elder Watch and past Treasurer of Keep Anderson County Beautiful. She loves her pets, exercising and photography.

Kristin credits the Chamber and the community in making her business a success. She has met many new friends and clients through the networking events and learned how to build her marketing and small business skills through the seminars offered by the Chamber. She took part in Leadership Anderson County and volunteered on several Chamber committees, including the Antiques Festival and Women's Expo. Without the Chamber, Small Paws would not have gotten the exposure, contacts and opportunities to create a fun and happy job that she loves.

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PARTNERS IN THE NEWS

ORAU has been named a Top Diversity Employer by Black EOE Journal magazine. **ORAU** is a Valued Chamber Community Partner at the Copper Level. **ORAU** provides innovative scientific and technical solutions to advance national priorities in science, education, security and health. Through specialized teams of experts, unique laboratory capabilities and access to a consortium of more than 100 major Ph.D.-granting institutions, ORAU works with federal, state, local and commercial customers to advance national priorities and serve the public interest. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation and federal contractor, ORAU manages the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). Learn more about ORAU at www.orau.org.



Regions Bank associates and business partners celebrated the grand re-opening of the Clinton office located at 245 N. Main Street. Pictured for the ribbon cutting (L to R): Bryan Harper, Zach Farrar, Angie Partin, Phillip Furlong, Aaron Madron, Kirstin Sams, Jenks Bostic, Jane Carey, Matt Etter, Cassandra Griffin, Audri Meadows, Gail Loving, Echo Lamb, Ellen Trusty, Jason Mooney, Jennifer Frost, and Dasan Dix. Regions is a valued Chamber Community Partner at the Silver level.

Regions Consumer Banking Executive Jenks Bostic accepts the Chamber Community Partner Plaque from Chamber President Rick Meredith. **Regions** has joined the Chamber Community Partner Program at the Silver level. Thank you Regions! **Regions** is a full service financial institution.

Regions announces Jeffrey Kastner has joined as portfolio manager.



AISIN Automotive Casting, TN is celebrated their 10th Anniversary in Clinton on November 17. **AISIN Automotive Casting, TN** has a turnkey process for die cast to component assembly and supplies quality automotive die cast to Toyota, Nissan, Honda and General Motors. **AISIN** is a Valued Chamber Community Partner at the Silver Level.

Elavon Account Executive Barry Smith accepts the Silver Chamber Community Partners plaque from Chamber President Rick Meredith. **Elavon** has been a leader in processing payments for over twenty years, leveraging the world's best technologies for our customers, from large worldwide enterprises to locally-owned small businesses.



Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge has renewed their Chamber Community Partnership at the Silver Level! **Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge** is a 301-bed regional medical center with 180 physicians in 33 specialties. Thank you **MMC**!

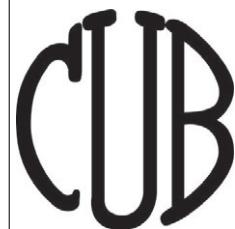
Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge will host the Holiday Lights Celebration, Tuesday, December 8, 7 p.m. in the Main Lobby to support the Hospitality Houses of **MMC**. All 2015 Holiday Lights for Health donations will benefit a third Hospitality House. To donate online visit: www.mmcoakridge.com



Tennova Healthcare, a valued Chamber Community Partner at the Silver Level will host joint ribbon cutting and open house for Tennova Wound Healing Center and Tennova Women's Care on Wednesday, December 9, 4 – 6 p.m. at 129 and 159 Frank L. Diggs Drive, Clinton.



Clinton Utilities Board has joined the Valued Chamber Community Partners Program at the Bronze Level. CUB distributes electric service to approximately 30,000 customers in six counties (Anderson, Campbell, Knox, Morgan, Roane and Union) and four municipalities (Clinton, Lake City, Norris and Oliver Springs). **Clinton Utilities Board** also provides water service to more than 6,000 customers and sewer services to more than 4,000 customers in the City of Clinton and the Claxton community. Thanks **CUB**!

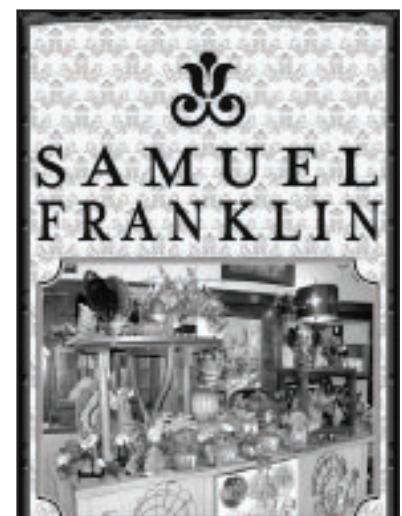


Christmas Parade

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Businesses, churches, schools and other marching groups are encouraged to register and participate in the parade. There is no parade entry fee this year but registration form must be submitted. Deadline to register is Tuesday, December 1, 4:30 p.m. There will be no late entries.

Entry Forms can either be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce office located at 245 North Main Street, Ste. 200, Clinton or, to receive a form by mail, fax or email, please call the Chamber at 865-457-2559. You may also obtain a registration form and instructions at www.andersoncountychamber.org.



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Economic Indicators October

New Business
Licenses
Issued
24

Building
Permits
Issued
16

Unemployment **5.8**
(September)



Socks for the Elderly
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Morning Pointe Assisted Living
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Vacations on the Water

Individuals
Robert Baird
Dave Conrad
Mark Stephens,
AC Election Commission
Bill White



DECEMBER Chamber Calendar

Thursday December 3

8 – 9:30 a.m.

COFFEE

Community Bank
of East Tennessee
151 East Broad St.
Clinton 457-3433

Third Graders from South Clinton
Elementary will be singing

Saturday December 5

6 p.m.

Clinton Christmas Parade

"Twas the Night Before Christmas"

Tuesday December 8

8 -9:30 a.m.

COFFEE

Methodist Medical
Center of Oak Ridge
990 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge
835-1000

Wednesday December 9

4 – 6 p.m.

RIBBON CUTTING/OPEN HOUSE
Tennova Wound Healing Center &
Tennova Women's Care
Frank L. Diggs Dr.
Clinton 647-3300

Thursday December 10

5 – 8 p.m.

Annual Holiday Reception
205 Main, 457-2559

Friday December 24-25

Chamber Office Closed
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Wednesday Dec. 30

8 – 9:30 a.m.

RIBBON CUTTING
Apple Blossom Café
409 Cullom St.
Clinton 457-5618

6 County Legislative Agenda

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce Government Relations Council hosted the 4th Annual 6 County Legislative Agenda presentation on Friday, Nov. 6.

The Agenda included: Education/Workforce Development Legislation, Substance Abuse Prevention Legislation, Economic Development Legislation and Adventure Tourism Legislation. The 6 counties participating: Anderson, Campbell, Morgan, Roane, Scott and Union. Pictured L-R: Chamber Government Relations Council Co-Chair Steve Heatherly, Senator Randy McNally, Campbell County Mayor E.L. Morton, Anderson County Mayor Terry Frank, Rep. John Ragan, Union County Mayor Mike Williams, Rep. Kelly Keisling, Anderson County Commissioner Steve Mead, Chamber Government Relations Co-Chair Harold Edwards. Attended but not pictured, Rep. Dennis Powers.



Three Star Award

Accepting the ThreeStar Level I Award at the Governor's Conference in Nashville for Anderson County, Mayor Terry Frank, center. Also pictured ECD ThreeStar Director Jody Sliger, Anderson County Chamber President Rick Meredith, Rep. John Ragan, Governor Bill Haslam, Frank, ECD Commissioner Randy Boyd, Anderson County Economic Development Association Tim Thompson and ECD Assistant Commissioner Rural Development Amy New. The ThreeStar program is designed to focus on these areas, identified as critical to ensuring the success of Tennessee communities: Jobs & Economic Development, Fiscal Strength & Efficient Government, Public Safety, Education & Workforce Development and Health & Welfare. Anderson County has participated in the ThreeStar program since 2002.

Coffee



Ray Varner Ford

Ray Varner Ford hosted the Chamber's Networking Coffee on November 19. A big turn-out enjoyed breakfast goodies, business networking and southern hospitality from the Ray Varner Ford crew. Ray Varner welcomed Chamber members and invited them to check out the variety of cars and trucks to choose from on their lot. Stop by and visit them at 2026 N. Charles Seivers Boulevard in Clinton, give them a call at 865-457-0704 to set up an appointment or visit their website at rayvarnerford.com.

Ribbon Cutting



Steph & Andy's Pizza Plus

Steph & Andy's Pizza Plus hosted the Chamber event with a Ribbon Cutting and Open House. An amazing pizza buffet and salad bar was served in their open dining room atmosphere and impressive kitchen. For a delicious meal at lunch or dinner make sure you check them out at 3605 Andersonville Highway in Andersonville or give them a call at 498-9889 to pick up a pizza to enjoy at home. Cutting the ribbon center: Tina Grissom, Manager and Andy Morrison, Area Supervisor.

Ribbon Cutting



Alexander Guest House

Alexander Guest House hosted their Ribbon Cutting and Open House by inviting the Anderson County Chamber and Oak Ridge Chamber, along with officials and the entire community. Oak Ridge Mayor Warren Gooch prepares to cut the ribbon as Chamber members and guests look on. The Alexander Inn, originally known as The Guest House, was built during the Manhattan Project to house official visitors and was later used as a hotel. The Alexander Guest House, once in disrepair, has undergone a transformation and has become one of the region's newest assisted living communities. Walk the hallways and the walls are filled with history. They are located at 210 E. Madison Road in Oak Ridge or visit www.facebook.com/GuestHouseatAlexanderInn to learn more about this beautiful facility.

Ribbon Cutting



Norris Real Estate Group

Norris Real Estate Group hosted the Chamber Business After Hours along with a Ribbon Cutting. Everyone enjoyed music, food and networking with fellow chamber members. You may visit their location at 206 Cross Pike Road in Norris, give them a call at 494-5188 or learn more about their services and team at www.norrisrealestategroup.com.

YLAC Healthcare Day

Youth Leadership Anderson County recently visited Methodist Medical Center for Healthcare & Community Services Day. While at Methodist, Youth Leadership participants learned about the broad range of careers available in healthcare as they listened to job descriptions and asked questions with staff representing the pharmacy, medical imaging, physical therapy and the dietitians. Interactive demonstrations showed students the organization and teamwork required to keep a hospital running effectively. Additionally, they had an opportunity to gain hands-on experience as they participated in special lab stations. Students tested their skills using endoscopy equipment, learned how to give CPR on adults and infants, and discovered the complexities of hand hygiene and infection control. The class finished off the day by visiting Morning Pointe Assisted Living and Clinton Physical Therapy Center. Methodist Medical Center also sponsored lunch for the class. Youth Leadership Anderson County is a program of the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce. For more information contact the Chamber at 865-457-2559 or visit: www.andersoncountychamber.org.



Leadership Anderson County



Leadership Anderson County class of 2016 participated in Education Day visiting Clinton Elementary School, Clinton Middle School (newly renovated gymnasium shown here), Anderson County Head Start, Clinch River Community School, Oak Ridge High School, completing the day at Roane State Community College's Goff Health Sciences and Technology Building. Leadership Anderson County, a program of the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce, will begin accepting applications for the 2017 class in January. Interested? Contact Norm Nelson at the Chamber, 865-457-2559.

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce Business Development Council welcomes Trusted Tails Pet Sitting, 121 Autumn Drive, Clinton to the "Buy Local Stay Local" program. For a complete listing of "Buy Local" participants and their discount offers, call the Chamber office at 457-2559 or visit: www.andersoncountychamber.org.

The mission of the Business Development Council is to establish programs to encourage entrepreneurship and maintain existing retail/commercial businesses. Interested in participating in the Buy Local program or the Business/Retail Council? Contact the Chamber at 457-2559.



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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS



BarberMcMurry architects announces **Daniel Bertuso** has joined the firm as an architectural intern. **Kristin Bowman** has joined as an interior designer and Todd Sparks as an interior designer and architectural intern.

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery in Oak Ridge announces **Dr. J. David Johnson**, dentist, has been elected treasurer of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

LBMC announces **Martina Sturgill** has joined the firm as marketing coordinator.

Emory Valley Center celebrated their 60th Anniversary on October 27th.

First Baptist Church of Clinton celebrated 175 years on November 8, 2015 with a special service and luncheon.

Coldwell Banker Wallace & Wallace Realtors announced that **Penny Cutshaw** joined their North office.

Mortgage Investors Group announced that **Dusty Kuhn** has joined their organization.

Platinum Financial Funding announced that **Mark Wilson** has joined their organization.

UCOR has earned the Department of Energy Voluntary Protection Program Star status, demonstrating safety and health excellence.

Michael Brady Inc. is pleased to announce the addition of **Darren Antle**, PE to its Sign Engineering Staff. Also, **M. Edward Jett**, PE, SE, CEO of **Michael Brady** has been named President of the Board of the Tennessee Structural Engineers Association (TN-SEA) for its

East Region.

Oak Ridge Comfort Inn has won the Paragon Hotel company "Hotel of the Year - 2014/2015".

Hampton Inn/Holiday Inn of Clinton has received the following awards this year: Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence, Hilton's Light House Award 2013 & 2014-awarded to Hampton's top 50 properties based on the year's Total Quality Score which is a combination of Guest Services scores and Quality Assurance inspection scores. Our 2014 ranking was #37 of over 2,00

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