

Anderson County Chamber Hosts Fall Antique Festival

With the end of Summer quickly approaching, the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce is ready to say goodbye to one season and welcome the next. While most in Anderson County are looking forward to cooler temperatures and Friday night football, the Chamber has one thing on their mind during the fall season: The Clinch River Fall Antique Festival.

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to host the 18th annual Clinch River Fall Antique Festival on October 12th and 13th in Historic Downtown Clinton, Tennessee.

The festival will kick off on Friday, October 12th in the evening starting at 6:00 pm. Live music and entertainment will take place in Hoskins Park. Along with entertainment, food vendors will be set up as well. A Cruze-In featuring classic vintage cars will be displayed on Market Street. Shops on Market Street will also be open later hours until 9:00 pm.

Saturday, October 13th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, over 100 antique dealers and artisans will line Market and Cullom Streets in the Historic District for an old-time street festival. Dealers from throughout the Southeast will provide shoppers and visitors a great selection of antiques and collectibles.



"The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to be a part of a festival that attracts local, out of town and out of state visitors to our area. This event supports local businesses, boosts our local economy, and encourages visitors to return to Anderson County. Each year, we try to add something new to the festival. This is an event that you do not want to miss," says Chamber President, Rick Meredith.

For more information on the 18th Annual Clinch River Fall Antique Festival, contact the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce at (865) 457-2559 or visit www.clinchriverfallfestival.com.

MEMBER FOCUS



The Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee is a nonprofit organization that feeds the hungry via 500 partners in an eighteen county service area. The organization currently has seven different feeding programs that provide 1.1 million meals a month.

In Anderson County, there are forty-seven agencies, churches and schools who feed the hungry directly with the food they receive from Second Harvest. In 2017, Second Harvest provided around 980,000 meals to the needy of Anderson County through their partners.

The organization is proud to be a part of the Anderson County Chamber! Their executive director, Elaine Streno, was honored to be chosen to participate in the 2018 Leadership Anderson County Class and was able to network with many leaders from schools and businesses who contribute to the success of Anderson County. Second Harvest now has one of their staff members, Lorena Hubbard, who regularly attends Anderson County chamber events and represents Second Harvest to fellow county members.



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YOUR CHAMBER AT WORK

Ribbon Cutting



ASAP of Anderson County hosted a Ribbon Cutting to celebrate the opening of the new Family Drug Treatment Program on July 12th.



The Chamber staff spent a Friday morning at the Anderson County Senior Center on July 27th. The Chamber donated coffee mugs and t-shirts to the seniors.

Networking Coffee



Powell Clinch Utility District hosted a Networking Coffee in partnership with the Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce and Campbell County Chamber of Commerce on July 19th.



Executive Vice President, Janet Hawkins; Executive Assistant, Marsha Stapleton; Public Relations Coordinator, Taylor Martin; and Membership Services Coordinator, Jared Forgety attended a two day training in Dawsonville, Georgia on July 31st and August 1st.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS



Dura-Line sales manager Tom Stewart was presented the Member of the Year Award by the Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc.



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Emory Valley Center has been awarded the four year Person-Centered Excellence Accreditation from CQL.

Milly's Wings has partnered up with Christina McNally to bring an all-inclusive playground to South Clinton. A Brick Fundraiser is currently being offered. To purchase a brick and support this amazing cause, go to <https://www.fundraisingbrick.com/online-orders/southclinton/>.



Senator Lamar Alexander visited **Oak Ridge National Laboratory** to see the company's supercomputer. The computer has recently been titled, "The world's fastest supercomputer."



Robert Dancu and Dawn Greenwald have joined **Pinnacle Financial Partners'** trust services group.



Ridgeview Behavioral Health Services was awarded a 2018 Top Workplaces Honor by the Knoxville News Sentinel. On top of the award, the organization was also awarded a \$2.1 million grant by the Substance Abuse Mental Health Administration



Roane State Community College has been awarded a \$250,000 grant that will fund scholarships for high school students to complete Roane State mechatronics courses.

Timely Topics has installed new officers for 2018-2019. The new officers are: Donna Cloyd, assistant treasurer; Linda Saylor, corresponding secretary; Ann Gann, vice president; Dot Howell, president; and Christina McNally, treasurer.



Roger Jarrell, former Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management, has joined **URS | CH2M Oak Ridge LLC (UCOR: Energy)**.

PARTNERS IN THE NEWS



Denark Construction has renewed their Bronze Partnership with the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce.



Junior Achievement of East Tennessee hosted their 5th Annual Blind Pig fundraiser on July 27th.



Kris Emory has been named controller for **ORAU**. Emory will provide financial leadership and will serve an instrumental role in forming accounting strategies.



Y-12 Federal Credit Union has added Billy Beatty to their staff. Beatty will serve as the Director of Remote Member Services.



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The Chamber Gospel Fest



The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce hosted the Chamber Gospel Fest on July 28th at Second Baptist Church of Clinton. New to Anderson County this summer, the event was sponsored by Fox Toyota and featured a night of live performances by gospel groups; Tommy Spencer, Gold City Quartet, and Sunday Drive.



The night kicked off with a performance by Tommy Spencer with Tommy Spencer Ministries.



Gold City Quartet performed their classic hits at the Chamber Gospel Fest.



Sunday Drive wrapped up the show with a performance of their popular hits.

SCHOOL NEWS

ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

NMS Heads to Chicago for Scholastic Event

In June of 2018, Tallitha Job, led a group of teachers to Chicago for the Scholastic Reading Summit. This one day summit was packed full of dynamic speakers that not only helped ignite the passion for teaching reading, but also created an environment in which educators could reflect on their approach to teaching in the divisive climate in which we live.

A member from the NMS team, Amy Horak, was able tell

Donlyn Miller, author of The Book Whisperer, how much her books have inspired her to cultivate a passion for reading her 7th grade ELA classes.

The team was able to enjoy a few sights in Chicago while they learned more about their profession from some talented authors and reading experts in the field.



CLINTON CITY SCHOOLS

CCS Ranked Top Five in the State

On Thursday, July 19, the Tennessee State Department of Education announced achievement results for the 2018 TN Ready test. As part of the accountability system, students are grouped into three grade bands: 3rd-5th grade, 6th-8th grade and 9th-12th grade. Clinton City is a Pre-K through 6th grade system, so the school system attains rankings in the 3rd-5th grade band and 6th-8th grade band. Clinton City Schools was one of six districts across the state who ranked in the top five in a grade band cohort in both achievement and student growth. CCS' 6th grade attained top five rankings in two different testing areas: ELA (English/Language Arts) and Math. Clinton City was the only system to meet these expectations in two academic subjects. Williamson County was the only state district to attain top ranks in all three grade bands.

There are 144 districts across the state of TN. In terms of achievement, the 6th grade cohort in Clinton City Schools ranked 3rd in Math and 2nd in ELA. Clinton City Schools also ranked in the top 5 districts across the state in terms of academic growth.

Director Kelly Johnson stated, "Districts across the state of TN worked very hard this year on behalf of their students. I am extremely pleased with the results that have been released so far as it affirms the dedication, professionalism, and growth mindset in our Clinton City teachers and students."

We firmly believe in high expectations with an abundance of support.

We expect a great deal from our students, and they consistently rise to the challenge. These results could not be possible without our high-quality teachers, supportive parents, strong partnerships with the city of Clinton, and pride in the community."



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AES Hosts Read to Be Ready Summer Camp

Andersonville Elementary school hosted a Read to Be Ready Summer Camp for thirty students. The camp participants consisted of first, second, and third graders. Each child received over \$200.00 in free books to keep at home. The month long camp was filled with reading, exploration, field trips, writing, and of course fun! The entire program was at no cost to families and included breakfast, lunch, and snacks.

During the short month, AES educators saw a tremendous growth in the students' reading and writing abilities along with receiving positive feedback from the campers' families.

Educators involved were Haleigh Baker, Cheryl Butler, Lee Ann Fowler, Robin Jordan, Jamie Linkes, and Chris Nichols. The camp was directed by Tessa Bailey and Hope Holdaway.



GEAR UP Hits The Road

While many were using the last month of summer to relax, GEAR UP hit the road in July with upcoming seniors to tour local colleges. Students from ACHS and CHS had the opportunity to spend a day at East TN State, Carson-Newman, Lincoln Memorial University, Tennessee Tech, Milligan College, and the Tennessee College of Applied Technology at Harriman. CHS senior Christina Towners said, "I think going to visit all of these campuses is an extraordinary experience. We get a chance to meet with leaders of each school and learn about the opportunities they have for us". ACHS's Caleb Wilhoit says it helps to look at a campus and see if you would like to live and learn there. Several parents and grandparents also participated in the college tours and information sessions. GEAR UP site coordinator says college

visits are the best part of her GEAR UP summers. Students agree. "I really enjoyed it, it gave me a glimpse into what college life will be like", commented Logan Prater of CHS.



Milligan College- Jake Sexton and Danny Cantillion



ETSU- Kaylee Castleberry and Logan Prater

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Summer at CCS! What Does it Look Like?

It is a question that is asked by many, but understood by few. What happens during the summer with schools and staff? The truth of the matter is that teachers and schools are busy in the summer as well! "Summer vacation" is not what it may seem.

At the building level, you will find a wonderful team of maintenance professionals working diligently to clean the buildings for the upcoming year. This process starts as soon as the school year ends and continues until the minute students walk through the doors. All classroom are emptied of furniture for floor waxing and intense cleaning. Capital projects are completed including new construction, carpet installation, HVAC work, painting, remodeling, classroom upgrades, technology networking etc. If you see a custodian, make sure to thank them! They have worked hard this summer preparing for a clean, healthy learning environment for students!

What do teachers do? Several Clinton City Schools staff members used their summer to provide additional learning opportunities to students: summer academic camps, art camp, BizTown, and Blaze Reading Society. Teachers have been very busy this summer participating in professional learning opportunities. Mrs. Kimberly O'Dell and Mr. Jason Glashauser served as state department trainers for Science and Music respectively. Our CCS Science Lead Teachers attended state training on the new Science standards and worked collaboratively to plan pacing, resources, and plans for implementation of new standards this year. Social Studies Lead Teachers have also met to prepare for implementation

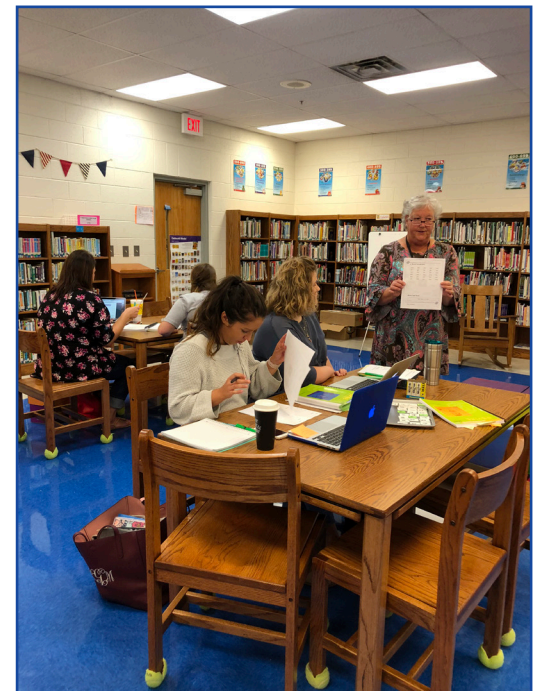
of new standards and integration plans. New teachers have attended New Teacher Academy and met individually with CCS Math and ELA Coaches to ensure that they have the necessary content knowledge and familiarity of the CCS instructional framework to provide differentiated, personalized instruction to students. Several teachers used the summer to work towards completion of advanced degrees, and we even had a staff member write a children's book!

What about school/district administrators and summer? They have attended various trainings this summer including autism, TEAM, science, school culture, and restorative practices. All administrators attended a 2 day Leadership Retreat where plans were made to continue to the "Tradition of Excellence" at Clinton City Schools. When not participating in professional development, there were many other things to do to prepare for the school year: create classes, hire and orient new teachers, analyze data, create school improvement and schools safety plans, create school schedules, parent meetings, purchase resources, create budgets, oversee facilities, and the list goes on and on.

School doesn't just happen. There is an abundance of work that is involved in creating a quality learning environment for our students. Staff members work endless hours on behalf of our children. Teachers and staff members never really "leave" for the summer in public education. Their minds are always working on how they can improve the educational experience for their students, and their hearts are always reaching out to how we can change the trajectory of a child's

life. Next time you see a custodian, teacher, support staff, or school administrator for any system, thank them. Education is not a job, it is a lifestyle.....and we love every minute of it! Welcome back!!!! We look forward to a great year!

In an effort to support the health needs of students, staff members have learned about food allergies, asthma, and other health conditions, as well as emotional supports for students. They have practiced using an Epi-Pen model in training with the school system led by the lead district registered nurse. Two staff members have participated in trainings to lead small group socio-emotional peer support groups. These groups will be available to students across the school system. This initiative is expected to expand as these teachers will train other staff members in the program. Clinton City Schools' staff members participated in Restorative and Proactive Circles training in an effort to build relationships and promote peer interaction, dialogue, and problem solving.



ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

CHS JROTC Competes at National JROTC Academic Bowl

Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Cadets from across the country competed in battles of knowledge and skill on the campus of the Catholic University of America June 22-25 during the JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl. Out of the 1,600 JROTC academic teams that competed from around the world, 68 teams earned top scores to advance to the National JROTC Academic Bowl competition. After all was said and done, the team from Scripps Ranch High School, San Diego, Calif., was named the winner of the academic competition. However, the Clinton High School AFJROTC academic team established a program first, finishing number ten, among 900 plus Air Force Junior ROTC programs from around the country!

Besides being challenged with a weekend of mentally tough contests, Cadets also received advice from guest speaker

Alex Trebek, host of the television gameshow Jeopardy! During the opening ceremony, Trebek shared anecdotes from his experience on the gameshow as well as provided some advice for the cadets in the audience.

The JROTC Leadership & Academic Bowl (JLAB) is a nationally recognized academic competition created exclusively for JROTC students. By participating, cadets learn the values of citizenship, leadership, academic competition, and college opportunity.



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Read 20 Winners

This summer, CCS presented students with a challenge to read for at least 20 minutes every day. Students were given a multitude of resources to help them achieve this goal including three electronic libraries: MyOn, Big Universe, and READS. In addition to the electronic libraries, CCS also partnered with the Clinton Public Library and Clinton Community Center to provide more opportunities for students to read.

CCS students rose to the challenge and conquered some wonderful books this summer! On MyOn, students read approximately 11,417 books totaling over 2,646 hours of reading. For only one out of the three programs, this is exceptional!

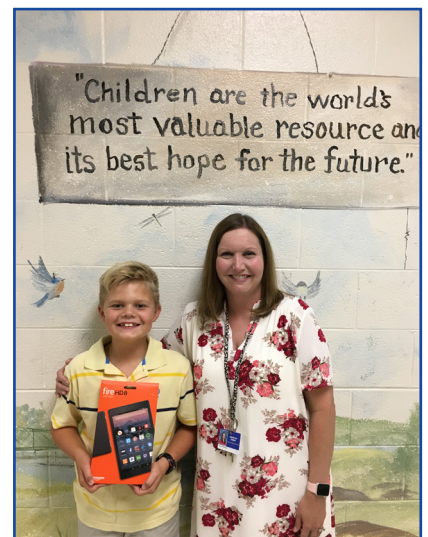
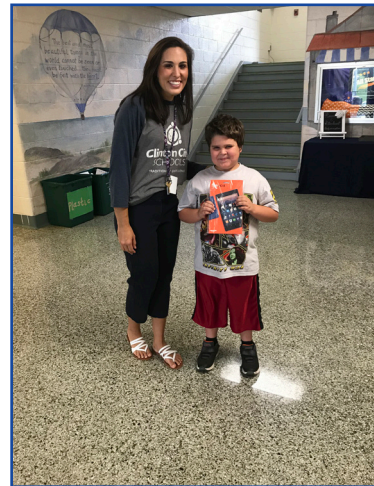
As an incentive and encouragement, MyOn donated

a Kindle Fire HD to the student at each school who read the most with the program. CCS is thrilled to announce the winners from each school:

Clinton Elementary School: Blake Leverknight
North Clinton Elementary School: Wesley Gomez
South Clinton Elementary School: Bryson Breedon

Other prizes will be awarded to students for their reading accomplishments at the first student assembly! The first step in becoming a good reader is simple – READ! There is no doubt that the students who made an effort to Read 20 this summer will see huge benefits from their hard work this school year! CCS encourages all of their students to keep reading, because readers are winners!

CES Read 20 Winner: Blake Leverknight



SCES Read 20 Winner: Bryson Breedon



NCES Read 20 Winner: Wesley Gomez

CMCCA Introduces Culinary Arts

Clinton Middle College and Career Academy is pleased to introduce the new Culinary Arts Program. In Culinary Arts, students will be learning about kitchen safety, sanitation, recipes, knife skills, cooking methods, food trends, nutrition, meal planning, and more. The students will also have the opportunity to learn the skills needed to cook at home and in a commercial setting. Culinary Arts students will be participating in lab experiences where they will be cooking at school. This is just one of the many programs, CMCCA is introducing as they embark on the new focus of being a college and career academy. The staff is excited and looking forward to a fun year of learning!



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Deputy J. Acker presents a K9 Demonstration to LAC Class of 2018.



Anderson County Mayor, Terry Frank speaks to LAC Class of 2019 during County Gov. Day

On July 17th, the Leadership Anderson County Class of 2019 spent the day learning about Anderson County's Government.

Class participants participated in a mock County Commission Meeting along with the opportunity to hear many of Anderson County's public officials speak and explain their role in the community.

The leadership class also toured the county government sites including a K9 Presentation by the Anderson County Sheriff's Department.



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CHAMBER NEWS

Anderson County Awarded ThreeStar Grant

On July 19th, Governor Bill Haslam and the Department of Economic and Community Development Commissioner Bob Rolfe announced that 60 counties will receive ThreeStar Grants. The grants will be used for a variety of local programs addressing economic development, education and workforce development, public safety, health and efficient government.

"Providing more opportunities for Tennesseans is one of our state's main objectives, and with the assistance of the ThreeStar Competitive Grants, 60 recipients will be better prepared for success," Haslam said. "The ThreeStar program is a great asset to help communities across Tennessee thrive, and I look forward to seeing each of these 60 communities continue to succeed." "I want to congratulate the 60 communities chosen in this round to receive the ThreeStar

Grants," Rolfe said. "The projects that these counties complete with ThreeStar grant assistance will enhance local communities by creating a better living and working environment for residents."

ThreeStar focuses on best practices in five key community areas, including jobs and economic development, education and workforce development, fiscal strength and efficient government, and public safety and health. To be eligible for this grant, the county must meet requirements in these five areas and show how the project will move the county forward in at least one of those areas.

"TNECD is able to assist the 60 recipients of the ThreeStar Grants by investing in locally-driven projects that transform communities." Amy New, Assistant Commissioner of Community and Rural Development, said. "We are proud to partner with these communities as they continue to work

collaboratively to enhance their economic landscape."

In total, TNECD is awarding \$955,000 to Tennessee Communities through this round of the ThreeStar Grant program. Anderson County will be awarded \$5,000 as part of their ThreeStar Grant.

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