

Today's Woman Expo Returns to Anderson County

Refresh, Rejuvenate, Recharge- that is the entire mindset for the Today's Woman Expo. Brought back to Anderson County by popular demand, this one day event hosted by the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce, caters to every aspect of a woman's life. Because let's face it: Women do a lot and most household decisions are made by the woman of the family.

Today's Woman Expo Emcee, Melissa Bingham says, "This expo is an event that we as women can come together- be inspired, encouraged, and embraced all while enjoying the

things that women love to do."

The event will take place on Saturday, October 27th from 10:00 am-5:00 pm at Anderson County High School. Tickets in advance are \$8.00, Seniors (Ages 55+) are \$5.00, and Ages 17 and under are free! Tickets at the door are \$10.00.

The Today's Woman Expo is sponsored by the following businesses: Johnson & Company General Store, First Volunteer Bank, Holiday Inn Express and Suites of Clinton, Community Trust Bank, Enrichment Federal Credit Union, Hampton Inn of Clinton, and All Occasions Party Rentals.

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce is still accepting vendors! With the holidays being around the corner, this is the perfect time to set up shop! For vendor, as well as sponsorship information, please go to www.todayswomanexpo.org or call the Chamber at (865) 457-2559.



Schedule of Events

- 10:00 am: "Get off the Cow Path," Anita Henderlight
- 10:30 am: Erin Barnett—Living East Tennessee
- 11:00 am: "Permanent Makeup—the Good and the Bad!"
Kim Richards, Beauty Redefined
- 11:30 am: "Fall & Football," by Southern Bliss Boutique
- 12:00 pm: Ali Stone, Mrs. Knoxville International 2019
- 12:30 pm: "Shining Brighter than Rudolph," Johnson & Co. General Store Fashion Show
Girls Christmas Shirts
- 1:00 pm: "Beauty from Ashes, Victim to Victor," Michele Armstrong
- 1:30 pm: "Boutique Fashion Show," by Southern Gossip Boutique
- 2:00 pm: "Simply Put Home," Brooke Kelley & Destinee Trent
- 2:30 pm: "Self Defense," by Shamir
- 3:00 pm: "Catering to the Curvy" by Southern Chick Boutique
- 3:30 pm: Special Guest TBD
- 4:30 pm: Drawings and Door Prizes!

MEMBER FOCUS



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Since joining the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce in March 2018, Image360 has loved attending networking coffees, ribbon cuttings and being immersed in the community of Clinton. The chamber staff makes it their passion and priority to make Anderson County a better place for everyone who resides and does business in the area-we are so grateful to be part of such an amazing organization.



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YOUR CHAMBER AT WORK

Ribbon Cuttings



Rocky Top Dentistry hosted a Ribbon Cutting on September 11th.



Clinton Elementary School celebrated their new gym with a ribbon cutting on September 28th.



Granny's Place hosted an afternoon Ribbon Cutting at the Chamber on October 2nd.

Networking Coffees



Clinton Civitan Club hosted a Networking Coffee at the Kincaid House on September 6th.



Ray Varner Ford hosted their annual Networking Coffee on September 20th.



Emory Valley Center hosted a Networking Coffee in honor of their 63 years of service on October 4th.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS



Advanced Financial has appeared in the Inc. 5000 List for the seventh year straight. The company is also ranked 22nd among the 47 Tennessee-based companies that made the list.



The American Museum of Science and Energy has opened their new location in Oak Ridge. Their grand-opening will be on October 18th at 10:30 am.



The Museum of Appalachia will be hosting Haunts and History on October 26th and 27th. They will also be hosting their Fall Heritage Day on Saturday, November 10th. Find out more information at <http://www.museumofappalachia.org/>.



The Anderson County Education Foundation will be hosting their Clinton 5K on October 20th, the funds will go towards Anderson County Schools and Clinton City Schools. Find out more information at <https://www.clinton5k.com/>.



ASAP of Anderson's Executive Director, Stephanie Strutner, was invited to the White House to have a round table discussion with President Trump in September. Strutner discussed the Opioid Crisis and what's working in Anderson County.



Roane State Community College has kicked off it's Middle Technical College program. 14 students from Anderson County High School, Clinton High School, and Oak Ridge High School will graduate with an associates degree in addition to their

high school diploma. This is the first middle college program to be implemented in the state of Tennessee.



TAYLOR MARTIN PHOTOGRAPHY

Taylor Martin Photography has been announced Knoxville's Best Photographer by the Knox News Sentinel.



PARTNERS IN THE NEWS

CUB Clinton Utilities Board has upgraded their Community Partnership with the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce to the silver level.



Brian Fian with Enrichment Federal Credit Union, recently celebrated his 10th year anniversary with the company.



Community Trust Bank has renewed their Bronze Community Partnership with the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce



Fox Toyota hosted a President's Award Luncheon in honor of the organization winning the Toyota President's Award for exceptional service!

ORAU ORAU was named among the winners of the Green Electronics Council's 2018 EPEAT Sustainable Purchaser Award for the fourth year in a row.



ORNL Federal Credit Union has announced that they will award \$10,000 grants through a \$70,000 Community Giveback and Investment opportunity in honor of their 70th year anniversary. The following organizations that will receive the \$10,000 grants are: Blossom Center for Childhood Excellence, Knoxville Dream Center, Knoxville Pays it Forward, Sertoma Center, Smoky Mountain Service Dogs, Sunshine

Ambassadors, and Youth Outreach STEM (YO! STEM).



Tennova has renewed their Silver Community Partnership with the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce.

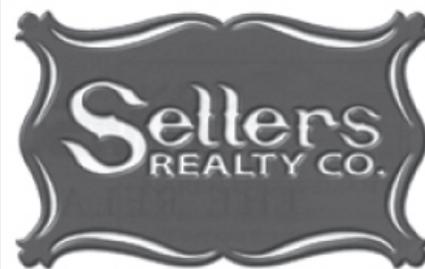
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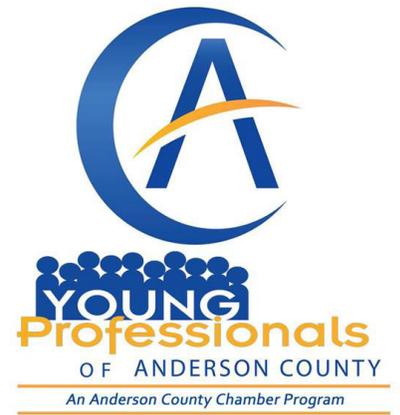
Nominations Begin for The YP of the Year Award

It's time to nominate the Young Professional of the Year! The Young Professionals of Anderson County want to recognize the contributions of young adults throughout the county. This is a perfect way for your business or organization to recognize the outstanding contributions of the individuals inside of our community.

The following nominee must be a leader with passion for making Anderson County a better community through professional and philanthropic efforts. Candidates must be no more than 39 years old as of December 31, 2018. All finalists will be invited to the Chamber's Annual

Business Luncheon where the winner will be announced at that time.

Nominations will be open until November 2, 2018. To nominate for the Young Professional of the Year Award, entries can be submitted here: <https://goo.gl/forms/ZDau2AFhhPaYmpCl1>



L-R: Tim Thompson, President, Anderson County Economic Development, Lt. Governor Randy McNally, Woohyun Son, President, SL Tennessee, LLC, Rick Meredith, President, Anderson County Chamber of Commerce and Scott Laska, Business Development Manager SL Tennessee, LLC.

SL Tennessee, LLC. Wins Philanthropy Award

On Friday, October 5th, SL Tennessee was awarded the Excellence in Philanthropy Award by Tennessee Board of Regents. This celebration was held on National Manufacturing Day, at the Roane State Community College Clinton Higher Education & Workforce Training Facility.

SCHOOL NEWS

ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

ACS Surpasses State's Graduation Rate

While the State of Tennessee announced a 89.1-percent high school graduation rate, Anderson County recorded a rate of 95.9 percent for the 2017-2018 school year.

According to ACS Director of Secondary Schools Eric Snider, the high school also maintained the highest attendance percentage in memorable history with an average of 96.7 percent. "We would like to congratulate all of our hardworking students, parents, and our outstanding high school staff for this awesome accomplishment," said Snider.

The state rate is the highest graduation rate on record, according to Education Commissioner Candice McQueen.

The calculations for graduation rates have gotten more rigorous since 2011, according to the Tennessee Department of Education. One significant change is that participation in the ACT or SAT is now required.

"Our schools and districts should be proud that once again we have hit our state's highest graduation rate on record while still holding our students to high expectations," McQueen said.

"By continuing to raise the expectations, we are signaling that Tennessee students are leaving high school with the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce.

CMCCA Highlights College of the Week

Along with the new changes to what was formerly known as Clinton Middle School, they are adding a new focus on college and career. With this new focus comes our College of the Week program. This program was initiated through a grant won by Angela Merryman, the head of the Gear Up program here in Anderson County Schools. Mrs. Merryman states, "College of the Week is our way of exposing students to the many opportunities offered by Tennessee's post-secondary

schools. "There are twelve college programs a person could drive to within one hour of Clinton but many of our students do not know they exist. By focusing on one college or one program per week we can help students realize the many possibilities that could be part of their career path." Through this program, students can expand their variety of college options. Students now have more opportunities to learn about colleges and expand their path to a possible career.



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CCS: Exemplary and Reward Status

District and school determinations have been publicized from the 2018 TN Ready Assessment. This is the last piece of data from this testing cycle. Districts are given a designation in three different areas: Achievement Status, Subgroup Status, and Final Determination. There are four possible distinctions assigned in each reporting category: In Need of Improvement, Progressing, Achieving, or Exemplary. We are pleased to announce that Clinton City Schools received the following distinctions:

Achievement Status: Exemplary
 Subgroup Status: Exemplary
 Final Determination: Exemplary

Out of the 146 districts across the state, 14 districts, only ten percent, achieved the Exemplary level as a final determination.

A new accountability measure was put into place this year to identify both Priority and Reward Schools across the state. Student Achievement, Student Growth (TVAAS), Chronic Absenteeism, English Language Learners, and several other categories that apply to high schools were used in determining a school's status. The Reward School status is the highest status a school can receive. Clinton City Schools would like to announce that both Clinton Elementary School and South Clinton Elementary School are 2018 REWARD SCHOOLS! North Clinton Elementary was a 2017 Reward School making all Clinton City Schools in the Reward Status category in the past two years.

The staff at Clinton City Schools was informed of this wonderful news on Friday after the state

embargo was lifted. Needless to say, there was a great amount of celebrating occurring throughout the district. Kelly Johnson, Director of Clinton City Schools, stated, "We are thrilled with our students' test results. Not only are Clinton City Schools students achieving at high levels, but they continue to make impressive growth each year. It is a testament to the hard work and educational focus of our students, staff, parents, School Board, City Council, and community stakeholders".



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ACS Hosts Principal for the Day Event

On September 27th, Anderson County Schools hosted an event titled, "Principal for the Day." This all-day event featured professionals from all across Anderson County. Each participant served as a principal in a certain

school for the entire day to learn first hand the day-to-day operations of principals throughout Anderson County Schools. It was an impressive day of learning for all!



NMS Partners Up With Crayola and TerraCycle

Sixth grade Norris Middle School students in Technology class with Mrs. Jones are responsible for collecting and sorting the school's recycling.

In addition to collecting regularly recyclable items such as cardboard, cans, and paper, Norris Middle has partnered with Crayola and the TerraCycle Company to collect items that are typically not recyclable and

help reduce the school's environmental impact.

Through these efforts, NMS collected nearly 500 markers last year that were shipped to Crayola and converted to liquid fuel.

This is a wonderful way to teach students the value of recycling and how it helps our world!



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Clinton City Schools Achieves 1:1 Across District

A few years ago, Clinton City Schools implemented a Technology for Learning (T4L) Program, focusing on providing high quality technology to students across the district. We are proud to announce that our district is now a full 1:1 system – meaning that every student in grades K-6 have an individual Chromebook to use during the day to enhance instruction.

This journey, supported by the City of Clinton, began several years ago. In grades K-3, students have a class set of Chromebooks to use. In the fourth grade, students receive a Chromebook that is assigned to them. This becomes their individual device until graduating 6th grade. If they have been consistently enrolled in Clinton City Schools, they are able to keep this device upon graduation.

Having individual Chromebooks changes the landscape of classroom instruction. Students are able to engage deeply in class lessons through the use of PearDeck, Google Classroom, and See Saw. Students have an abundance of online reading support through Big Universe, MyOn, and RazPlus. Kahoot allows students to all answer questions at the same time, giving teachers immediate formative data to guide instruction. Students have the ability to record themselves reading and giving presentations through Screen Castify. Applied Digital Skills is being

implemented, allowing students to create projects using real-life skills. The integration of individual devices has not diminished the role of a teacher in the classroom. However, it has increased the engagement, excitement, critical thinking, and creativity in students while mastering the grade level standards.

Clinton City Schools' T4L Program is not only about student devices; it encompasses all educational technology. All classrooms across the system have a new, updated Smart Board (interactive board). North Clinton Elementary also has Audio Enhancement, a system that amplifies sound equally across the classroom. Research indicates that this sound enhancement is particularly beneficial when students are learning reading foundations, such as letter sounds.

So, what is next for CCS? Stay tuned! Virtual reality has made its way here! More to come on that soon! CCS' goal is to stay on the cutting edge of technology in order to adequately prepare their students for success in a fast-paced, digital society.



Building Bridges through STEAM and Literacy

At NCES, there is a lot of activity and excitement about our new bridge. Four teachers have combined their areas of interest to offer 20 students an after-school “The Bridges Project” program designed around the theme of our new Clinton City bridge. Students are researching different types of bridges, learning about some very notable bridges located in the United States and in other countries, building bridges from different materials and testing their strength, incorporating art

projects that focus on different bridge designs, and reading fiction and nonfiction books about bridges. In addition, we will have guest speakers, including E. T. Stamey and Jerry Shattuck, who will inform the students about the history of our own Lewallen “Green Bridge” (The Hon. William Everette Lewallen Memorial Bridge) and the design and detail about our new Clinton bridge.



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ACS Principals Selected for Rural Principals Network

Education Commissioner Candice McQueen announced today the 52 principals who will serve in the inaugural class of the Tennessee Rural Principals Network, one part of Gov. Bill Haslam's Transforming School Leadership Initiative, which is a comprehensive approach to improve the preparation, retention, and development of Tennessee's principals.

Two principals from Anderson

County have been selected: Karri Hobby of Norwood Elementary School, and Beth Roeder of Andersonville Elementary School.

The department is also providing funding for scholarships to support professional development for up to 200 additional rural principals.

Principals in rural schools are often unable to take advantage of leadership development due to the cost of registration and travel and have few networking opportunities to learn from other school leaders.

NWMS Hosts Dad's Day

Norwood Middle has been working hard to get the community involved in the school. The middle school hosted their first Dad's Day in the month of September. Dads had the opportunity of learning beside their child and collaborating with educators on how to make Norwood the best school for them, the community and of course every child. NWMS Staff is very appreciative to see so much participation from the fathers within the community. The dads have set a high level of expectations for the moms in the month of October.



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Willy Wonka Day at SCES

Second grade at SCES has spent the last 7 days working through their first chapter book study, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory!* Over the last week they have worked through each chapter and done various activities rich in vocabulary and sure to be remembered. They were able to relate personally to the text and do fun activities like create their own Wonka Bar and make their own Lickable

Wallpaper. Students were able to experience being on the edge of their seats, eager to find out what would happen in the next chapter. We ended our book study with a celebration where students were able to taste various Wonka candies, watch both the classic and modern adaptations to compare and contrast to the book, and we even had 5 golden ticket finders during our celebration!



Cades Cove: Authentic Science Instruction

Fifth Grade visited Cades Cove in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park on Thursday, October 4th. They had a wonderful day collecting data to determine the health of the forest and streams. The students worked their way through the scientific method, developing a hypothesis and drawing conclusions from the data they collected. They used different tools and techniques to find and collect a variety of macro invertebrates from the forest floor and the riverbed. Rangers will use the data collected to aid in their assessment of the health of the streams and forest. The science activities were followed by a short hike to the Oliver Cabin, the home



of the first settlers in Cades Cove, to hear a brief history of early life in the Great Smoky Mountains. Students had a wonderful day, filled with interactive, engaging instructional activities! There is so much to learn right in our own backyards!

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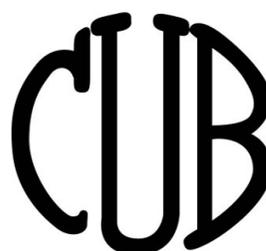
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Agriculture Day



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Clinton: The Downtown Vision



Above are renderings created by QK4, Inc. that showcase the new "Green" Bridge.

The Anderson County Chamber of Commerce partnered with QK4, Inc. to create a video that highlighted Clinton: The Downtown Vision. This video showcases 3D animations of the new Green Bridge, streetscapes, and more of what the vision holds. The video was revealed to the public for the first time on September 25th during a public meeting held at Faith Promise Church. Didn't get the chance to see the video in person? Not a problem- the video is now online and anyone can watch- just go to <https://www.andersoncountychamber.org/the-vision/>.

 An advertisement for Samuel Franklin, a home decor store. At the top is a logo consisting of three stylized leaves or petals. Below the logo, the name 'SAMUEL FRANKLIN' is written in a large, bold, serif font. Underneath is a photograph of a beautifully decorated interior space, likely a living room or dining area, featuring a table with various decorative items like vases, figurines, and floral arrangements.

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