

Three Star Retirement Committee

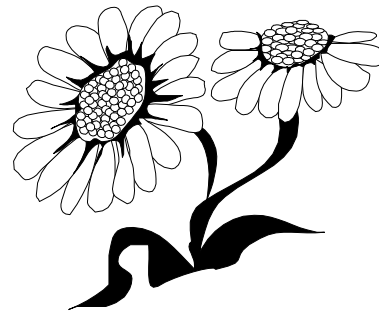
The Three Star Retirement Committee met on Tuesday, March 9th at NCTC. Members of the Retirement Committee are: Doyle Gaines, Patty Petty, Lona Vinson, Carolyn Smith, John Ashburn, Richard Eadler, Brenda Thomas and Brenda Hiatt, President.

The Committee has decided to continue efforts in trying to get a Elder Cohousing project started in Macon County. Last year Charlie Myers and Leonard Berry presented the committee with a power point presentation on Elder Cohousing Communities they had visited. If you would like to learn more about Elder Cohousing contact any of the members of the Retirement Committee.

The committee is so glad to see that City Mayor J. Y Carter plans to add six spaces to the new Key Park addition for RV parking. Park renovation has already begun.

The committee is also talking about the Union Camp Waterfall and how we might make it more assessable for visitors to Macon County. Lona and Crystal have had several visitors to the office requesting how to get to the waterfall.

Please take time to look at the www.retiremaconcounty.com. You may have some other ideas for the committee to discuss.



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Welcome New Members!

*We are happy to be in the new Welcome Center
and these are the first businesses to join the
Chamber since the move.*

PRICE RIGHT SHOES, INC.

505 Ellington Drive • Lafayette, TN 37083 • Phone: 615-688-5558
Charles Bray, Owner

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P.O. Box 235 • 124 W. Third Avenue • Carthage, TN 37030 • Phone 615-735-9435
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MACON COUNTY HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

P.O. Box 231 • Lafayette, TN 37083 • Phone 615-688-6247
Contact: Teresa Whittemore, President

HISPANIC ASSOCIATION

732 Lafayette Road • Red Boiling Springs, TN 37150 • 615-699-6279
Contact: Ms. Maria De Lordes Hernandez

WALLER SIGNS

131 Pearl Lane • Lafayette, TN 37083 • Phone 615-666-3585

*The Arts Council has furnished the office
with some of their beautiful paintings.
Yes, they are for sale. They will be changing
the pictures every two to three months. We hope
you will come by and take a look. We have so
many talented people in Macon County.*

GARDENING TIPS & TRICKS

- When starting your garden seedlings indoors, plant the seeds in egg shell halves. Simply crack the shells around the roots of your plants & transplant them outdoors—the shell is a natural fertilizer!
- Take four or five empty eggshells and put in 4 cups of water. Let stand for 24 hours. Water the plants with this mixture. It will help revive sick house plants.
- **Wondering when you should transplant trees and shrubs?** We were advised by our local landscaping “guru” that it’s OK to transplant in any month with an “R” in it. September, October, November, December, January, February, March, April. Never in May, June, July or August.
- When your hands are badly stained from gardening, add a teaspoon of sugar to the soapy lather you wash them in.
- Plant a few sprigs of dill near your tomato plants to prevent tomato worms on your plants.
- Marigold plants help prevent rodents.
- **Forgot to plant your bulbs last Fall?**
Select a level spot in your lawn. Buy large bags of potting soil, spread about an inch of it where you want to plant the bulbs. Place bulbs that are in good shape firm and not shriveled on the soil and cover with 5 inches of potting soil and water. If you don’t want this location to be permanent. In the spring as soon as they finish blooming plant bulbs permanently.

Membership Renewals in March, 2009:

- COATES CONSTRUCTION CO.
- STEVE JONES
- FAMILY DENTISTRY -
C. SUE VANBLARICUM
- DAVIS ELECTRONICS

Membership Meeting

Our next meeting will be Tuesday,
April 28th at La Tia Mexican Restaurant
at 11:30 a.m. Melinda Williams, Administrator
Marketing and Outreach Programs
will be the guest speaker.

GOOD NEWS!

We have it on good authority that "Color Me Cute Day Care" may be growing! The present day care is doing well and may choose to expand. Owner Shauna Barber is the owner of the vacant lot beside Color Me Cute, on Hwy. 52 By-Pass. Shauna and Director Debbie Saylor are in the very early planning stages of a "Color Me Cute, Too" Day Care. There is no definite date at this time, but we will keep you informed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lincoln Day Dinner – Date and location to be announced. Sponsored by the Republican Party. Contact: Susan Witcher at 615-666-4027 or Barry Witcher at 615-666-5837

Macon County Democratic Party Bean Supper – Date and location to be announced. Contact: George McCrary at 615-699-2705.

Arts in Bloom – April 24-26 – An exhibition of local art will be held at Macon Bank & Trust (main branch office Hwy 52 Bypass E.). Contact: Nancy Doss at 615-644-5179 or Shirley Anderson at 615-699-2340 or email: rxnd@nctc.com Sponsored by the Macon County Arts Council.

Dirty Laundry – Presented by the Thomas House of Red Boiling Springs. The event will include dinner and show for \$25.00 + tax per person. Show may provoke uncontrollable laughter! Contact: The Thomas House at 615-699-3006.

The Haunting of Cloyd's Ghost: - May 1, 2, 8, 9, 15 & 16. Presented by the Thomas House of Red Boiling Springs. The event will include dinner and show for \$25.00 + tax per person. The show is a murder mystery! Contact: The Thomas House at 615-699-3006.

Citizens Bank Gold Club May Dayz - May 1st at the Sally Wells Building at the Macon County Fairgrounds. Contact: LaRue Poston at 666-2195

5th Annual Terry "Jackhammer" Driver Scholarship Truck & Tractor Pull – May 9th – Macon County Fairgrounds. Contact: Kyle Turner at 615-633-7625. Sponsored by the Lafayette Fire Department.

Mother's Day Brunch - May 10th Red Barn Winery. Contact Judy Clements. 688-6012, or visit www.redbarnwinery.com

Macon County Arts Council News

Macon County Arts Council will hold its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m. at the new Welcome Center. Speaker for the meeting will be storyteller Karen Davis from Grandpa's House." Karen has a unique group of stories based on events her father shared with her and some stories that she herself has lived. She believes that oral storytelling helps the listener to focus on the important things in life. Her stories are tender, humorous, and touch the heart of her audience. Everyone interested in the arts is invited to attend this meeting.

"Arts in Bloom" will be held April 24th thru 26th at Macon Bank & Trust Company on the By-Pass. Hosted by Macon Bank and sponsored by MCAC, this exhibition of local artwork is now in its eighth year. Prizes will be given to the first and second place winners in each of the media, plus there will be a People's Choice Award given to the favorite work chosen by the viewing public. A reception will be held Sunday, April 26, between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. Come, view and enjoy some of this fine Macon County artwork!



Macon County Tourism Book

The Macon County Chamber of Commerce is doing the Macon County Tourism Book this year. Crystal and Lona visiting you to talk about your ad in the book. We are moving into a new Welcome Center and know that we will need to have the new book available this year. It will take time to update the information and to sell ads, but we hope to move on it as fast as possible.

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross Donor Coach will be at Macon County General Hospital on April 16th 2009 from 12 noon to 5:00 p. m. Please Call 1-615-666-2147 Ext. 338 to schedule and appointment.

Senior Citizens Center News

We are sorry we do not have any news about the Senior Citizens Center this month. Jamie has been very busy and unable to get us anything. We know they had a large crowd for the Senior Citizens Dance and they had a full bus for the trip to Metropolis, Ill. There is much more going on at the Senior Center than ever before. If you would like information on any of the activities drop by the Center and pick up an April calendar. You can also contact them at 666-3780.