

MACHINE TOOL TECHNOLOGY — NOT A STANDARD "BORING" CLASS

The Tennessee Technology Center at Hartsville's Tri-County Extension Campus offers a wide variety of secondary programs, including Machine Tool Technology. The estimated \$50,000 of MTT Classroom improvements will give Macon and Jackson County students the opportunity to train using high-tech machining equipment.

Students interested in becoming machinists must be enrolled in the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade at Macon County High School, Jackson County High School, or Red Boiling Springs High School. Students must also adhere to academic and attendance policies, be mechanically inclined, have good problem-solving skills, be able to work independently, and be able to do highly accurate work (tolerances may reach .0001 of an inch). The course includes both theory and hands-on experience.

Students successfully completing the Machine Tool Technology Curriculum have the opportunity to earn a Machine Set-Up Operator Certificate, Production Operator Certificate, General Machinist Diploma, and/or a Machinist 1 Diploma. Units of study include: Practical Safety, Mathematical Concepts, Engineering Drawings, Measure/Inspect, Conventional Machining, Manufacturing Materials and Processes, Lathe Competency, Mill Competency, and Advanced Machining and CNC.

The TCEC will be holding an Open House on December 9th. Campus tours will begin at 1:00 p.m. and the program starts at 1:30 p.m. The Tennessee Board of Regents Vice Chancellor, James King, will be attending to help showcase the "best kept secret in Macon County." EVERYONE IS INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

For more information about Machine Tool Technology or Open House, please call (615) 699-2224.

Macon County Chamber of Commerce

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Macon County Chamber of Commerce NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME CENTER HOURS ARE:

Monday thru Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

EMAIL ADDRESS

If you are receiving this newsletter by mail, we ask that if you have an email address please let us know. We can then send this to you as a pdf file. This would help to save money on stamps. The email address here is mchamber@nctc.com

Thank You, Lona Vinson

Business Card Holders

We now have Card Holders at the Welcome Center. If you are a Chamber member and would like to have your card displayed, drop them by the office.

Membership Meeting

Our next membership meeting will be October 27th, at 11:30 a. m. at La Tia Mexican Restaurant. Our guest speaker will be State Representative, Susan Lynn. PLAN NOW TO BE THERE.

Check out the www.maconcountychamber.com website each month and keep up with dates and speakers for the Chamber Membership Meetings.

Chamber Annual Banquet

Macon County Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Banquet will be Tuesday, November 10th at 6:30 p. m. at the Sally Wells Building. Plan now to be there. We promise a fun night. Tickets are now available at the Chamber office. They are \$20.00 each. PLAN NOW TO BE THERE. We will deliver tickets to you. Call 666-5885

Halloween Safety Tips

- ☸ Help your child pick out or make a costume that will be safe. Make it fire proof, the eye holes should be large enough for good peripheral vision.
- ☸ If you set jack-o-lanterns on your porch with candles in them, make sure that they are far enough out of the way so that kids costumes won't accidentally be set on fire.
- ☸ Make sure that if your child is carrying a prop, such as a scythe, butcher knife or a pitchfork, that the tips are smooth and flexible enough to not cause injury if fallen on.
- ☸ Kids always want to help with the pumpkin carving. Small children shouldn't be allowed to use a sharp knife to cut the top or the face. There are many kits available that come with tiny saws that work better than knives and are safer, although you can be cut by them as well. It's best to let the kids clean out the pumpkin and draw a face on it, which you can carve for them.
- ☸ Treating your kids to a spooky Halloween dinner will make them less likely to eat the candy they collect before you have a chance to check it for them.
- ☸ Teaching your kids basic everyday safety such as not getting into cars or talking to strangers, watching both ways before crossing streets and crossing when the lights tell you to, will help make them safer when they are out Trick or Treating.



Welcome New Members

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Cynthia McClard, Owner
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MRS. CRYSTAL JUSTICE
451 Bethany Road
Red Boiling Springs, TN 37150
Phone (615) 633-2329

Membership Dues This Month

Donoho Hotel
Pruitt's Auto Service & Collision Center, Inc.



Leadership Macon

Leadership Macon would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested in participating in the 2010 Leadership Class. This program was organized in 1991 as a branch of the Macon County Chamber of Commerce; Leadership Macon is a committee dedicated to promoting the unity of Macon County and strives to make the community a better place to live, work and play. The goal of the program is to cultivate leadership skills in individuals by providing educational sessions that will introduce them to various facets of Macon County life. For more information, please, contact Crystal Justice @ 615-633-2329 or Lona Vinson @ 615-666-5885; or visit our website 24/7: www.maconcountychamber.com

Macon County Historical and Genealogical Society News

The Macon County Historical and Genealogical Society is pleased to be a member of the Chamber. Since October is Family History Month, we will be holding an Open House at our research library. This library is located at the courthouse on the square. We also have our office located at the Welcome Center. Hope you can stop by and check these locations.

At this time we are working on Macon County Veterans of WWII. Doyle Gaines has spent many years collecting stories on these veterans and we are doing some follow up work. We have a list of veterans names that served in this war, all from Macon County.

If you think one of your loved ones or someone you know served, please call and check the list. Our phone # is 688-MCHS (6247). We feel this is an honor to be helping to get this project ready for publication.

Thank You, Teresa Whittemore, President

Nominating Committee

The Macon County Chamber of Commerce Nominating Committee comprised of Thomas Kidd, President, Richard Thomas, Vice President, Tonia Butler, Sheila Shrum and Cindy Holland met on September 30, 2009. They nominated the following chamber members to serve three-year terms on the Chamber Board of Directors: Clay Morgan, Marcus Smith and Kannithia Yates.

Additional names of candidates for Directors can be submitted by petition bearing the signature of at least ten (10) members in good standing of the Chamber. Such petition shall be filed with the Nominating Committee within (5) days after notice has been given of the names of those nominated by the Nominating Committee. The determination of the committee as to the legality of the petition shall be binding and final on all parties.

If no petition is filed within the designated period, the nominations shall be closed and the nominated slate of three (3) candidates shall be declared elected by the Board of Directors at their regular November board meeting.

If a legal petition shall present additional candidates, the names of all candidates shall be arranged on a ballot in alphabetical order. Instructions will be vote for three (3) candidates only and the Executive Director shall mail the ballot to all active members at least ten (10) days before the regular board meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

LIONS & LIONESS RADIO AUCTION ON WLCT/WEEN:
Contact: Chris Phillips at 615-666-2121 or email: maxee@nctc.com

HOW'D DEY DO DAT DAY: October 10, 2009 from 10:00 a. m. till 4.00 p. m. A rural heritage celebration in Macon County. Old time crafts, farm equipment, and bluegrass music. Hosted by Grandpa's House on the Ritter Farm. Call 615-699-2738 for more information.

TREASURE TALK: (Antique and Collectible Event) -The Palace Care & Rehab. – Saturday, October 10th from 10:00 a. m. till 2:00 p. m. Contact: Glenda Browning at 615-655-4274.

HORROR HOTEL: The Thomas House & Stage Productions. Dinner and Ghost Tour- \$25.00 plus tax per person. More information Contact: Evelyn Cole at 615-699-3006. www.thethomashouse.com

FIFTH FRIDAY FISH FRY: October 30, 2009 at 5:00-9:00 p.m. The Donoho Hotel in Red Boiling Springs. Contact Robert Stroop at 1-800-799-1705 or visit www.donohohotel.com. All entertainers and help are volunteers—proceeds benefit the Goodwill Committee.

NOVEMBER

MURDER MYSTERY COMEDY DINNER: Nov.7th, 2009 at 6:30p.m. at the Red Barn Winery – Contact Judy Clements at 615-688-6012 or visit: www.redbarnwinery.com.

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION: Friday November 10th, at 2:00p.m. at The Palace Care and Rehab. Contact: Glenda Browning at 615-655-4274.

CITIZENS BANK VETERANS BREAKFAST: November 5th, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. Contact: La Rue Polston at Citizens Bank 615-666-2195.

THE VETERANS BREAKFAST COMMUNITY CELEBRATION-(CONTINUATION FROM THE VETERAN'S BREAKFAST): Nov. 11th, 2009-Starting at 9:30p.m. held at the Citizens Bank (Main Branch Office). Contact: La Rue 615-666-2195. All proceeds will go toward the Local Veteran's Group.

MACON BANK & TRUST VETTRAN'S BREAKFAST: November 11th, 2009-Starting at 8:00a.m. Contact: Debbie Mason at 615-666-2121.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND CRAFT FAIR: (2nd weekend in November annually) November 14th, 2009 at the Macon County High School- (this is a fundraiser for the girl's basketball team) - Contact: Jeff Beam at 615-666-5594 or 615-666-4630.

LAFAYETTE LIONS CLUB KNIFE SHOW: November 14th 2009 from 9a.m. -4p.m. at the Macon County Fairgrounds at the Sally Wells Building. Contact: Mike Johnson at 615-666-2428 or Joe Eden at 615-666-4631.

GREETINGS FROM MACON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

From the very end of the cafeteria, all the way across to Coach Anderson's upstairs math classes, there is always something happening at MCHS. Tiger Spirit has been all but scarce. Homecoming week at the high school was interesting to say the least. Each day of Homecoming Week had a unique theme throughout the day. A new theme this year was "Generation Day" where each class (Senior, Junior, Sophomore, and Freshmen) was from a different generation ranging from little babies to the eldest of us all. All in all, it was a good week: to grow closer as a school and as a community.

Mark your calendar! Students tend not to remember these important dates until the last minute; here they are so we all know! Make sure to mark these dates on your calendar.

Saturday, October 17th – PSAT Test
Monday, October 19th – College Night 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
Tuesday, October 20th – PLAN Test (All Sophomores)
Saturday, October 24th – ACT Test
Monday, October 26th – Diploma Meeting (All Freshmen) 6:30 PM

RED BOILING SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

Oct. 8 - Jr. High Volleyball - Home
Oct. 9 - Football - Monterey - Away
Oct. 12-16 - Fall Break
Oct. 12 - Volleyball District Tournament at Friendship Christian
Oct. 16 - Football - Jackson County - Home (Senior Night)
Oct. 20 - Plan Test - 10th Graders
Oct. 21 - College/Career Fair in Cookeville - 11th and 12th graders
Oct. 23 - Football - Friendship Christian - Away
Oct. 23 - Report Cards go out
Oct. 30 - Football - Trousdale County - Away

Stephanie Loftis
Counselor

Macon County Arts Council News

Art classes for our teens and pre-teens are starting this month. They will run for four consecutive Saturdays, October 10 thru October 31, and will be held at the Women's Building on the Fairgrounds. Classes include drawing, painting and clay. For more information, contact Macon County Arts Council at 644-5179, or email rxnd@nctc.com.

Crystal Miller, a ventriloquist from Nashville, visited Macon County Elementary Schools on September 30 and October 7. She did a program which featured three different puppets and a "magic mirror" that talked to the children. The children thoroughly enjoyed her performance. In fact, one little boy was heard saying, "Man, she is good! She even taught that puppet to sing!". The program was sponsored by the Macon County Arts Council.

Nancy Doss