

ROCKY TOP NEWS

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Sign-up Dates:
Saturday, November 4th, Saturday, November 11th &
Saturday, November 18th
11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. each day.
Rocky Top Community Center
Must have Lake City (Rocky Top) address
(or Caryville up to A&S Steel)
Photo ID and monthly income needed.

Night of Hope Dinner November 9th

The American Cancer Society is hosting the 6th Night of Hope Dinner in Anderson County on Thursday, November 9th at the 205 Main in Clinton at 6:30 PM. The dinner will feature special guest, Maria Cornelius who is a breast cancer survivor and author of, "The Final Season – The Perseverance of Pat Summitt. Table Hosts are currently being recruited. The role of the table host is to invite 7-8 other people to sit at their table and help in serving dinner to them. They will also be assisted by high school student volunteers who will be waiting on tables. There is no fee to host a table. Throughout the fun filled evening guests at the table will be encouraged to tip their waiters for good service and tallies will be run throughout the evening for competition. The table with the most tips at the end of the evening will be crowned the 2017 Night of Hope Winner and awarded a prize package.

This is a great way for cancer survivors to get family, friends, co-workers and church family to rally around them in their fight against cancer or to celebrate their cure. It is also a way to remember a loved one who has lost his or her battle to cancer. Churches are also encouraged to get a table together to participate in this event.

Table hosts are encouraged to decorate their own table to a specific theme to add to the fun and variety. A dessert auction with auctioneer Randy Lowe will be held to conclude the dinner. The evening is great opportunity to help people stay well, get well, find cures, and fight back against cancer!

If you would like to be a part of this fun and exciting event as a table host or would just like to receive an invitation to the event, please contact Kelly Lenz at Clinton Physical Therapy Center at 457-1649 or CPTCKLENZ@aol.com. There is no cost to attend the event, but tips are expected! Sponsorship opportunities are also available for event sponsor, dinner sponsor and dessert auction sponsor. A special thanks to Knight's Flowers who is a sponsor for the event.

"Thanks-Giving-Away 2017"

Everyone is invited to Willow Brook Baptist Church's annual "Thanks-Giving-Away", Saturday, November 18th.

Food boxes, clothes, shoes, household items, toys and miscellaneous items are all available to anyone at no cost.

The event begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m.
Willow Brook Baptist Church is located in Rocky Top,
just off I-75 at exit 129.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

All Veterans are invited to attend a special program in their honor at Lake City Elementary School at 8:00 a.m. on November 8th. There will be a special breakfast for all veterans following the program.



Clinch River Baptist Church
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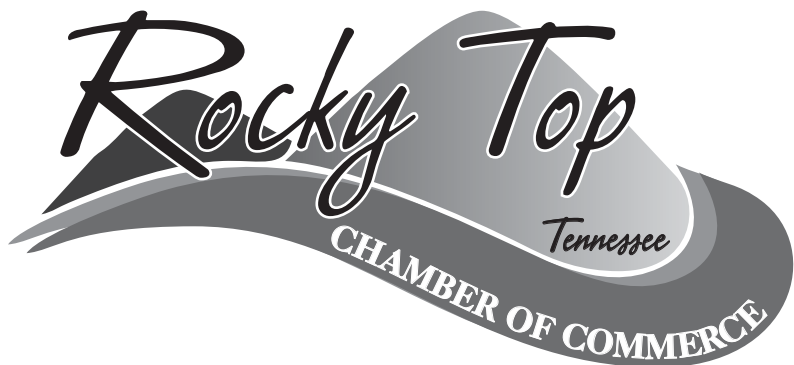
The Rocky Top News is published by volunteers who are not always able to gather all of the news happenings in Rocky Top. Therefore, we are asking for your help. If you are at an event, please take a picture and email it to the Rocky Top News at rockytopchamber@gmail.com with the details of the event. Also, if you are involved in an organization or group that is planning an event in Rocky Top, please email or call the Rocky Top News with the details. There is no event too big or too small to let us know about.

AREA EVENTS IN AND AROUND ROCKY TOP COMMUNITY

- November 5 Women's Shredfest at Windrock Bike Park
- November 18 Secret City Half Marathon and 5K
- November 18 FLW High School Fishing Tournament
- November 19 The Bigfoot Blast 5K/10K Trail Run
- December 1-2 A Candlelight Christmas at Museum of Appalachia
- December 1 Rocky Top Christmas Parade at 7:00 p.m.
- December 2-24 Christmas in Old Appalachia at Museum of Appalachia
- December 9 Holiday Homecoming Celebration at Norris Dam State Park
- December 9 Clinton Christmas Parade at 2:00 p.m.
- December 9 Oak Ridge Christmas Parade at 6:00 p.m.

ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

- December 20 - January 2 Winter Break
- January 3 In Service - No School for Students
- January 4 Classes Resume
- January 15 Martin Luther King Day - In Service



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Chamber Networking

The next Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce Networking Event will be at Coal Creek Smokehouse in Rocky Top, Tuesday, November 14th from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

This is a great opportunity for Chamber members to network with other Chamber members. If you are interested in joining the chamber, please feel free to attend this event. For more information about the Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce, visit www.rockytopchamber.com



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Clinch River Baptist Church
Rocky Top Worship Center**

CITY OF ROCKY TOP MEETING SCHEDULE

- City Court 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 8:00 a.m.
- Planning Commission 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 5:30 p.m.
- City Council Meeting 3rd Thursday of the Month at 6:00 p.m.



ROCKY TOP TENNESSEE

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Faith Forum Held in Rocky Top, Focused on Recovery - Friendly Congregations

Rocky Top, TN – On October 3rd, members of the Anderson County faith community came together to have a discussion on how to harness the power from the pews of our churches to fight the substance abuse crisis.

Hosted by Pastor Wayne Phillips and Main Street Baptist Church, the event drew over 60 people. Attending was Trish Adkins who said, "I am so thrilled we are having this conversation in our community."

Presenting were Dr. Monty Burks, Director of Faith-Based Initiatives for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; Stephanie Strutner, Executive Director of Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) of Anderson County; Project Lifeline Coordinators Jeremy Goodman and Nathan Payne; and Dr. Stephen Loyd, Medical Director for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

Those in attendance heard one consistent message: the role of the faith community in prevention, treatment, and recovery is integral to long-term success and each church plays a vital role. Dr. Burks said for every person positioned for needing treatment and recovery support in Tennessee, there are 8.2 congregation members. "Fellowship is what we're missing," he said. "Every time we help someone, it plants a seed for them to help someone else. We can't wait until tomorrow...we are supposed to uplift people. That's our duty as humanity."

Dr. Loyd explained the physiological process of addiction and explained how biology (genetics), adverse childhood (or life) experiences, and social availability of drugs play a role in one's propensity for addiction.

The event was sponsored by Project AWARE of Anderson County and agencies were on hand to provide resources to attendees, including Project AWARE, the Anderson County Health Department, and ASAP of Anderson County.

For more information about how your church can become a recovery-friendly congregation, or for resources on how to start the conversation in your place of worship, contact ASAP of Anderson County at 865-457-3007 or info@ASAPofAnderson.org.

Anderson County Library Board
will meet on **Thursday,**
November 16th, 2017
at **4:00 p.m.**
at the **Alex Haley Farm Library**
in **Clinton.**

Meeting Reminder!



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- ~Works hard until it is finished
- ~Follows school rules



FIRST GRADE

ADEN RUFFNER

- ~Polite and kind to all students
- ~Quietly does what needs to be done
- Studies and tries very hard



SECOND GRADE

MICHAEL PIETROBURGO

- ~Shows respect to teachers and friends
- ~Is a very hard worker
- ~Helps around the classroom whenever he can



THIRD GRADE

KENDRA SMITH

- ~Kind and compassionate to peers
- ~Respectful to teacher and other staff
- ~Works hard and displays perseverance and determination



FOURTH GRADE

DALTON JOBE

- ~Asks smart questions
- ~Puts forth great effort in his work
- ~Is a hard worker



FIFTH GRADE

MORGAN LINDSAY

- ~An excellent work ethic
- ~Focuses and works hard on each lesson
- ~Has a positive attitude and is friendly to all

Rocky Top Crafters

presents

"Fall into Christmas"

Our holiday craft fair will be honoring our veterans

Saturday Nov 11th, 2017
9am - 2pm

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Come out and join us for a special day honoring our veterans
Shop til you drop with wonderful vendors and their amazing gifts for everyone!

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The Rocky Top Crafters would like to invite everyone to come out and start your Holiday Shopping with their talented crafters and also help honor our Veterans.

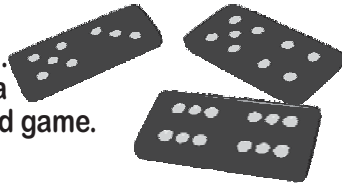
They are sending out a special invitation to all Veterans to come and join them for special gift baskets, raffles and more!

LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS

NEW BOOKS & DVD'S

Senior Game Day

Join us on Monday, November 6th at 11:00 a.m. and Monday, November 27th at 12:00 p.m. for a game of Dominos, Yahtzee or your favorite card game. Games are provided by the library.



LEGO Club - All Ages

LEGO Club will be on November 14th, 21st and 28th from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. We provide the LEGOS and you provide the imagination! Build your creations and we'll display them in the library until our next LEGO

Club Meeting. The LEGO Club meets every Tuesday from 3:30-5:00. No registration is required.

Adult / Teen Coloring Day

Monday, November 13th at 11:00 a.m., join us for a fun and relaxing hour of coloring. Coloring pages and supplies will be provided or you may bring your own.



Adult Craft Day

The November Craft Class is "Learning how to make a beautiful beaded bracelet". Step-by-step we will show you how. With a few basic jewelry making skills you will be able to make your own beautiful beaded bracelet to take home. Limited space is available. Registration and supply fee of \$10.00 is due by Monday, November 13th.

Book Discussion Group

Join us for Book Discussion Group on November 27th at 11:00 a.m. Bring a book you are currently reading or have read to share with others in the group. This is a great way to be introduced to new authors you may not have read. A brown bag lunch will be served.



Free Computer Classes

Rocky Top Public Library provides Basic Desktop Computer Classes every Tuesday.

(except the first Tuesday of the month)

Note we have made some changes in the times our computer classes are offered **Beginning November 14th**

Level I Class is for "New and Beginning" Students.

If you are new to computers and need to learn basic skills, then this is the class for you! Class times are from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Level II class is for students that are "Beyond the Basics".

If you already have basic computer skills and would like to learn something new, join us from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Children's Story Time

Story Time for the month of November will be Fridays at 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays at 12:00 p.m. A story, craft and snack will be provided for children of all ages.

There will not be a "Story Time" on Friday, November 10th, Friday, November 24th, Saturday, November 11th and Saturday, November 25th.



Friends of Rocky Top Public Library

Join the Friends of the Rocky Top Public Library. Become more involved in your community! Pick up a brochure today at the circulation desk!

November Closings

Tuesday, November 7th until 1:00 p.m. for a staff meeting.

Friday, November 10th & Saturday, November 11th for Veterans Day.

This Library will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd and Re-Open Monday, November 27th for Thanksgiving.

All Rocky Top Public Library events are free (unless specified) and open to the public.

Adult Fiction:

The Girl Who Takes an Eye for an Eye by David Lagercrantz
 Don't Let Go by Harlan Coban
 Sleeping Beauties by Stephen King
 Bringing Maggie Home by Kim Vogel Sawyer
 Caroline, Little House Revisited by Sarah Miller
 The Cuban Affair by Nelson DeMille
 The Burning Girl by Claire Messud
 The Vengeance of Mothers by Jim Fergus
 The Christmas Room by Catherine Anderson
 Sleep Like a Baby by Charlaime Harris
 Holly and Ivy by Fern Michaels
 Winter Street by Elin Hilderbrand
 Winter Stroll by Elin Hilderbrand
 The Child Finder by Rene Denfeld
 An Arizona Christmas by William Johnstone
 Origin by Dan Brown
 Sisters by Lily Tuck
 Winter Solstice by Elin Hilderbrand
 Merry and Bright by Debbie Macomber
 It by Stephen King

Paperback:

To the Nines by Janet Evanovich
 Firebase Freedom by William Johnstone
 Lie Down in Roses by Heather Graham
 Wicked Deeds by Heather Graham
 Undercover Protector by Elizabeth Goddard
 Special Agent by Valerie Hansen
 Buried Memories by Carol Post
 Mountain Ambush by Hope White
 Classified Christmas Mission by Lynette Eason
 Abducted by Dana Mentink
 Shielding His Christmas Witness by Laura Scott
 You Say It First by Susan Mallery
 Redeeming Grace by Emma Miller
 Dark Horse by B.J. Daniels
 Protection Detail by Julie Miller
 Cavanaugh Standoff by Marie Ferrarella
 Bodyguard with a Badge by Elizabeth Heiter
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 Murder in Black Canyon by Cindi Meyers
 Manhunt of Mystic Mesa by Cindi Meyers
 Undercover Husband by Cindi Meyers
 Mystery Child by Shirlee McCoy
 The Warrior's Way by Jenna Kernan
 Hunted by Cynthia Eden
 Marriage Confidential by Debra Webb
 Sheik Defense by Ryshia Kennie
 Kiss Me, Kill Me by Allison Brennan

Non-Fiction:

Why Does He Do That? By Lundy Bancroft
 Four Blood Moons by John Hagee
 Korea Reborn a Grateful Nation
 Labrador Retriever by Dog Fancy
 The Accidental Victim by James Reston
 The Secret Rescue by Cate Lineberry
 Infant Massage by Vimala McClure
 The New Healing Herbs by Michael Castleman
 Can It and Ferment It by Stephanie Thurow
 Ghost of the Innocent Man by Benjamin Rachlin
 Laugh Out Loud Ultimate Jokes for Kids by Rob Elliott
 The Old Farmer's Almanac 2018
 What Color is Your Parachute by Richard Bolles
 My Amazing Body Machine by Robert Winston
 Dear Fahrenheit 451 by Annie Spence
 Superman Multiplicity Vol. 3 by Peter Tomasi
 Justice League of America Vol. 1 The Extremists by Steve Orlando
 Visual Guide to Grammar by Shelia Dignen
 The Good Book by Deron Spoo
 Planting the Heavens by Tim Sheets
 Old Farmer's Almanac for Kids
 The Sound of Gravel by Ruth Wariner
 Scotts Gulf by Howard Baker

Young Adult Fiction:

Lady Midnight by Cassandra Claire
 The King of Attolia by Megan Whalen Turner
 Here Lies Daniel Tate by Cristin Terrill

Juvenile Fiction:

Minnie and Daisy a Disney Graphic Novel
 Let's Pretend We Never Met by Melissa Walker
 Chasing Herobrine by Cara Stevens
 Pokemon Race to Danger
 Laugh Out Loud by James Patterson
 Mice of the Nine Lives by Tim Davis
 Mice of the Seven Seas by Tim Davis
 Batman: His Greatest Adventures by Kelley Puckett

Children's Easy:

The Jelly Bean Tree by Toni Yuly
 Who Can? Daniel Can! By Maggie Testa
 Shop the Vote by Sydney Malone
 The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors by Drew Daywalt
 The Day the Crayons Came Home by Drew Daywalt
 Little Kangaroo by Guido Van Genechten
 Toot, Toot, Zoom! By Phyllis Root
 Bob and Flo and the Missing Bucket by Rebecca Ashdown
 Baby Bear, Baby Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin
 Weird Word Day by Jen Jellyfish
 Creature Features by Jen Jellyfish
 A Hap-hap-py Day by Jen Jellyfish
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ROCKY TOP CHRISTMAS PARADE DECEMBER 1ST @ 7:00 P.M.

2017 ROCKY TOP PARADE INFORMATION

The City of Rocky Top and the Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce would like to invite you to participate in the upcoming Christmas Parade. The parade will be on Friday, December 1, 2017 at 7 p.m. The theme for this year's parade is "Christmas from the Heart". Participants are encouraged to decorate their floats in accordance with the theme.

Registration will start at 5:00 p.m. and everyone must be registered by 6:45 p.m. so that all participants can get in line for the parade. **Everyone that participates in the parade must register and sign a release form.** You can find a Registration/Release Form on our website, www.rockytoptnchamber.com

If you are driving a classic or antique car in the parade, you will need to park and register at Lake City Internal Medicine, on Industrial Park Road. Please back your car into one of the spaces provided while you are waiting for the parade to start. Also, if you are planning on riding an all-terrain vehicle, you must also register at Lake City Internal Medicine. **If you are riding an all-terrain vehicle in the parade you MUST be 16 years or older and have a valid Driver's License, you MUST wear a helmet and you MUST show proof of Liability Insurance at Registration.**

Emergency vehicles will line up on Industrial Park Road. Industrial Park Road to Hustler Boat Lane will be closed at 5 p.m. until all parade participants leave the area.

Anyone participating with a horse will register at the Lake City Middle School. All horses must wear a horse diaper or you will not be eligible to participate in the parade.

If you are sponsoring a float or a group, you must also register at the Lake City Middle School. All floats and everyone participating with floats must be lined up **behind** the Middle School. **Please DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE PARKED BEHIND THE SCHOOL while you participate in the parade.** The gates will be locked when the last float leaves and you will not be able to pick up your car until Monday morning when school resumes.

If you are sponsoring a group or float, please designate a place and time for your group to meet at Lake City Middle School. The volunteers assisting with registration will not be responsible for watching children dropped off by their parents. The group sponsor is responsible for submitting all completed registration/release forms and ensuring that participants under 18 years old, have a completed form signed by the child's guardian and ensuring that all participants are aware of the rules regarding the parade.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE IF YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED AND HAVE SIGNED THE RELEASE FORM. IF YOU DO NOT REGISTER AND HAVE A NUMBER YOU WILL NOT BE IN THE PARADE. NUMBERS NEED TO BE PLACED ON FRONT OR DRIVER'S SIDE OF ALL VEHICLES.

Cash prizes will be given out at the City Council Meeting on Dec. 21st for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place floats and 1st and 2nd place group and there will be trophies for 1st and 2nd place in the tractor, antique car, hot rod and horse categories.

We also want to let you know that Santa Clause has been contacted and he plans to attend the parade. He would appreciate it if no one else dresses up like him so that the children won't be confused.

If you have any questions, you can call 865-426-9595 or visit www.rockytoptnchamber.com.

BLAKE MCMEANS ADDRESSES HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS THROUGHOUT ANDERSON COUNTY



When Blake McMeans speaks, his message is clear, "Don't drink and drive or ride with those who do." Blake has now added to his speech "don't text and drive". But his message has a far greater impact when the 40-year-old walks to the podium. McMeans tells his compelling story and warns kids not to make the same mistake he did.

On September 21st and 22nd, the former athlete challenged students at Anderson County, Clinton and Oak Ridge High Schools to make a promise to themselves and him...not to drink or text and to make healthy life choices. Car crashes are the number one killer of teens in the United States. That's why ASAP of Anderson County with the help of Laura Lynn Riden, State Farm® Agent, and the Tennessee Highway Safety Office brought Blake to Anderson County to share his inspiring message with local students.

A number 4 nationally ranked tennis player entering The University of Tennessee in 1994, McMeans had it all. Friends, family, full college scholarship and an athletic future as far as the eye could see. That is, until November of that year when he chose to drive home one night after drinking with fraternity brothers at a Knoxville bar. A terrible car crash less than a mile from home almost took his life, sending him into a months-long coma and leaving him partially paralyzed and facing years of rehabilitation.

It took Blake seven years to re-learn how to stand, chew and talk. But the accident also forever ended his dreams of being a professional athlete. "I want people to learn from my mistake, that underage drinking and drinking and driving can have a devastating effect on your life," McMeans said.

This message affected the over 800 students who sat silent as he told his story. Blake said, "It is impossible see me and ignore the consequences drinking and driving can have." This event is just one more example of how everyone in our community can say "I AM ONE" and be proactive against underage drinking and other substance abuse. The members of the ASAP Ambassadors Youth Coalition heard Blake speak during a previous event at the Tennessee Teen Institute and immediately started to figure out how they could get him to Anderson County. They recognized the need to the message to be heard by all of their peers, not just the few who were able to go to that event.

If you are interested in learning more about substance abuse prevention in Anderson County or need tips for talking to your teen about alcohol or other drugs contact ASAP at 865-457-3007 or visit to ASAPofAnderson.org.



US SENATOR APPLAUDS MAVERICKS' PATRIOTIC ENTRANCE



A few weeks ago, in response to the controversy surrounding player protests in the NFL during the National Anthem, the Anderson County High School football team made a statement of their own, running out on to the field before a game through red, white, and blue fireworks, carrying American flags to the tune of Toby Keith's "Courtesy of the Red, White & Blue."

That entrance has been viewed thousands of times online and, now has also drawn the attention of none other than US Senator Lamar Alexander.

The Tennessee Senator penned a letter to Maverick Coach Davey Gillum and the football team congratulating them on their display of what he called "a significant amount of maturity, respect and patriotism." A teacher at the school alerted Alexander to the display, which clearly moved the longtime politician.

Alexander writes: I have spent most of my life working to remove obstacles based on race, clearing a path, making a more level playing field. During my lifetime, I have seen the terrible damage our country suffers when we make distinctions based on race, especially when the government itself does so. I am determined as United States Senator to do my best to make sure every American, regardless of race, has an opportunity to live the American dream—and to condemn any actions or statements that suggest otherwise."

The letter, dated October 2nd, concludes with Senator Alexander commending Coach Gillum for his "teaching and demonstrating these powerful lessons. Very best wishes for a great season of football. Go Mavericks!"

COMMUNITY Thanksgiving Service

November 19th at 6pm

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LCES NEWS

During the month of August these students were named Students of the Month for showing outstanding responsibility in the classroom and the school community.

(seated) Cayson Kuriger; Coltyn Noe; Sophia Martin; Xander Beets; Heaven Pietroburgo; Carmen Navarro; Corbyn Taylor; Jaydin Marinelli; (standing) Marley Russell; Kaleb Byrge; Jeremiah Owens; Neylan Beaty; Jaylynn Seiber; Dylan Hopper; Jordan Simonds Not pictured: Marley LaRue; Bailey Johnson; Lukas Sharp; Tanner Frizell; Thomas Sexton; Gabby Green; Sophia Carroll; Ethan Varnell; Tyson Powers; Jamie Budrow



On September 8 Lake City Elementary School held its Annual Walkathon to raise funds for PTO and the related arts programs at the school. This year the students raised more than \$10,000. The students, parents, and staff want to thank the following businesses for donations to this event: Eagle Bend Manufacturing; Express; Coal Creek Smokehouse; Southern Chick Boutique; Little Ponderosa; Main Event; All Bounce; Chick-fil- A; Dollywood; Nascar Speedway; Hollywood Wax Museum Entertainment Center; Chunky Monkey; Max Air; Regal Cinema; Wonderworks; Titanic Museum Attraction.

Pictured below are fifth graders Dylan Thurman and Jacob Hatmaker enjoying the day.



Pictured below is Assistant Principal Mr. Enix boasting his new haircut with the top fundraisers for the Walkathon who gave it to him. (from left) Emerie Bullock; Sophia Martin; Gavin Higgs; Carter Melton, Jaxon Huddleston; Easton Cox; Hunter Newberry; Kade Aslinger; (not pictured: Jacob Martin)



LAKE CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 1ST 9 WEEKS

THIRD

A Honor Roll: Daejah Daniels; Natelie Flatford; Cayson Kuriger; Vansh Raj; Rebecca Varro; Joshua Williams; Marley Russell; Rylan Elkins; Stella Farrow; Raegan Green; Trysten Harmon; Aubri Neer; Natalie Sellers; Cayden Hill; Brook Russell; Makayla Graham; Jansen Baker

AB Honor Roll: Willa Bullock; Michael Maggi; Tyler Pitsenbarger; Brooklyn Bradley; Emerie Bullock; Saidie Carter; Jayden Chesney; Isaiah Savage; Garrett Turner; Ansley Wilbanks; Lee Goins; Brooklyn Howard; Hannah Leinart; Alexander Livingston; Colton Long; Preston Ridenour; Jaylen Shelton; Garret Riggs; Jaidyn Pebley; Gloria Massengill; Raelynn Luke; Matthew Goans; Sarah Garbes; Jamie Budrow; Joseph Benjamin; Nevaeh Mincey

FOURTH

A Honor Roll: Karoline Arender; Dakotah Berlin; Chloe Freeman; Eli Johnson; Carter Melton; Jeremiah Owens; Lainey Phillips; Mylee Pietroburgo; Jayden Smiddy; Coy Tomlinson; Jayden Smith; Austin Smith; Evan Prewitt; Neylan Beaty; Emilee Braden; Cayson Hooks

AB Honor Roll: Madison Babb; Jordan Lindsay; Landon McCracken; Rylee Phillips; Bethany Robertson; Bella Templin; Makayla Vowell; Morgan Hatmaker; Jordan Hosch; Caden Idles; Kayla Sharpe; Eli Bean; Justin Bunch; Kaleb Byrge; Savannah Rhoades; Victoria Sharp; Lakely Ridenour

FIFTH

A Honor Roll: Brooklyn Brown; Emma Johnson; Stephen Powers; Ashlyn Sharpe; Trenton Strickland; Clara Tomlinson

AB Honor Roll: Easton Beaty; Cailey Braden; Maddie Braden; Megan Braden; Rylee Buchanan; Morgan Lindsay; Nick Ault; Krissy Epperson; Tiffany Horne; Taylor Kuriger; Evan Martin; Peyton Rainey; Aden Roberts; Jaylynn Seiber; Austin Smith; Kylie Smith; Jordan Simonds; Alyssa Brown; Jasmine Amaya; Keaton Fox; Ryleigh Weltch; Gracie Loope; Alex Carroll; Leeland Tucker

During the month of September these students were named Students of the Month in their classroom because of their great self-esteem. (front) Jaxon Huddleston; Kali Roaden; Josiah Harness; Evan Slover; Reagan Horne; Aliyah Mull; Emmily Wells; (middle) Evie Warwick; Kelsey Burris; Easton Cox; Michael Pietroburgo; Makayla Graham; Trystan Harmon; Mikey Maggi; (back row) Chloe Freeman; Lonna Barnette; Jordan Hosch; Dalton Jobe; Stephen Powers; Kylie Smith (not pictured) Sophia Lewis; Mason Caddell; Weston Smith; Payci Caldwell; Alex Kennedy



This month AWARE recognized these students from LCES as students of the month for showing resiliency.



FISHING AND OUTDOOR SWAP MEET



Spincasters, fly fishers, outdoor folk of any sort can barter, buy or sell fishing, camping or other outdoor gear (no guns, please) at the annual free, public swap meet of the Clinch River Chapter, Trout Unlimited.

The swap meet starts at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 9, at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 158 W. Norris Road, Norris.

Everyone attending is invited to take along surplus items to trade or sell. There'll be bargains galore including fishing tackle, lure-making and fly tying materials, books, outdoor wear and much more. Admission is free; on items sold for cash, the chapter requests donations of 10 percent to support its outdoor education programs for children, adults and disabled veterans.

Clinch River Chapter works to preserve and protect the Clinch River tailwater and its watershed through conservation projects and through education of children and adults in aquatic natural resources. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at St. Francis Episcopal Church, Norris, except when outdoor activities are scheduled. For more information, visit <http://crctu.org/>.

ASAP STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS CAMP FOR THE COMMUNITY

CLINTON, TN – ASAP staff, along with key community leaders, camped at the courthouse this week, during Red Ribbon Week to raise money to fill the funding gap for the Family Drug Treatment Court Program for Anderson County.

The program had been granted funds totaling over \$47,000 by the United Way of Anderson County, The City of Rocky Top, and the Oak Ridge Breakfast Rotary; however, the money was going to have to be returned without securing an additional \$33,000.

“The Family Drug Treatment Court has been under development for a number of years, based on best practices from across the country,” said Stephanie Strutner, Executive Director of ASAP. “This is too important to let go.” The program is geared toward rehabilitating not only adolescents through the Juvenile Court system, but their entire family unit.

This desperate plea initiated quite the community response, both through the media and online. “People drove here from as far as Loudon County to bring donations and to thank us for the work we are doing,” said Strutner.

The idea for the Family Drug Treatment Court has been well-received by the community. Stacey Pratt, Project Director for ASAP came up with the unique idea after attending a public relations training at the United Way of Anderson County. “I know Stephanie hates to camp, but I just told her I knew she was willing to do anything to fund this program and this is what we had to do,” said Pratt.

Juvenile Court Judge Brian Hunt said “this program offers the possibility to break the generational cycle of substance abuse many of our juvenile offenders experience. It also offers hope; hope that these adolescents can stay out of jail as adults and become contributing members of their community.”

Strutner said, “we have been blown away by the incredible support this community has shown. People have come from far and wide. In a time in which the news is covered with stories of overdose and drug crimes, we now have an opportunity to make a real difference and reveal the hope that lies within our community. What is so cool is this is now truly community-owned.”

The challenge that pushed the donations to the finish line was issued by Rocky Top City Manager, Michael Foster. Foster challenged the community to come up with \$2,600 overnight and he would jump in the Clinch River. Not only did the community meet that challenge, it was far exceeded. He then issued another challenge to fill the funding gap by close of business on Friday and Stephanie Strutner and Stacey Pratt, the week-long camping warriors, would jump in too.

The week of camping came to an end after 97 hours, almost 4 and half days, as the weary campers made a splash in the Clinch River: this splash will be felt in this community for years to come. The ASAP Board of Directors, staff, coalition, and volunteers would like to thank everyone who participated in any way in this campaign for their incredible support!

The Family Drug Treatment Court offers an opportunity to not only save money, but save families and save lives. To learn more about ASAP of Anderson County or the Family Drug Treatment Court, visit www.ASAPofAnderson.org.



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