

# ROCKY TOP NEWS

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## ATTENTION PARENTS OF GRADUATING SENIORS!

Did You Know Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce gives two \$1000 scholarships? Each year two students that attended Lake City Middle School and are Graduating from Anderson County High School receive the scholarships. Scholarship Applications are available to pick up in the Guidance Office at Anderson County High School. Applications must be emailed to [rockytopchamber@gmail.com](mailto:rockytopchamber@gmail.com) by April 9th.

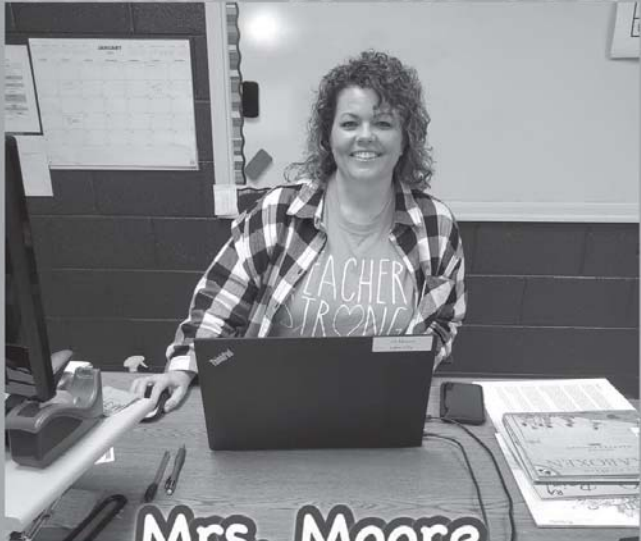


Congratulations to  
Briceville Elementary School's 2020-2021  
Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Tiffany Warman!



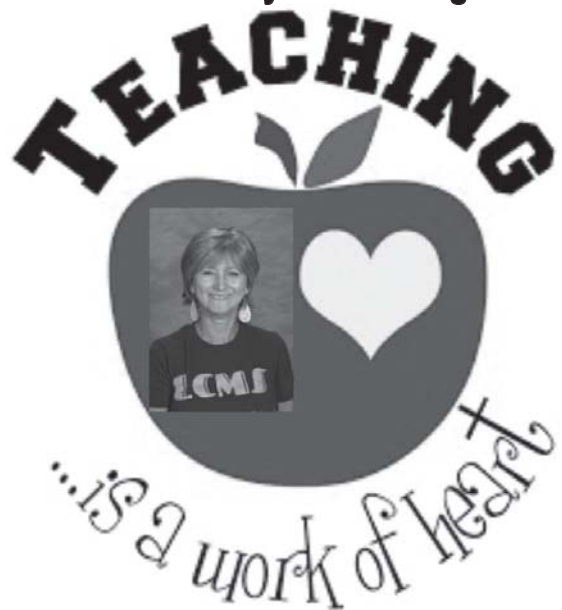
Congratulations to  
Lake City Elementary School's 2020-2021  
Teacher of the Year, Jill Moore!  
This is Mrs. Moore's 23rd year to teach at LCES!

## Teacher of the Year



**Mrs. Moore**

Congratulations to  
Lake City Middle School's 2020-2021  
Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Tonia Gossett!  
Mrs. Gossett teaches 8th grade Social Studies  
and this is her 19th year teaching at LCMS!



## SEND US YOUR EVENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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

Southern Rock Racing Series Hillclimb at Windrock Park  
March 5-7

Tennessee National Bike Festival at Windrock Bike Park  
March 10-14

Titan Off-Road Shamrock Shakedown  
March 18-21

Ladies Jeepers Event at Windrock Park  
March 26-28

*All events are subject to change.*

*Please follow social media or call for up-to-date information about your favorite events.*

## CITY OF ROCKY TOP MEETING SCHEDULE

### City Court

2nd Wednesday of the Month at 8:00 a.m.

### Downtown Growth Committee

2nd Thursday of the Month at 6:00 p.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.

## Chamber Networking

We will update this list as more are scheduled. All coffee's are from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. unless noted otherwise. This is a great opportunity for Chamber members to network with other Chamber members. Everyone is welcome. If you are interested in joining the chamber, please feel free to attend any these events. For more information about the Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce, visit [www.rockytopchamber.com](http://www.rockytopchamber.com)



## Anderson County Schools

Every Student, Every Day  
2020-2021 School Year Calendar

January 18	Martin Luther King Day - In-service (NO school for Students)
February 15	Presidents' Day (District Closed)
March 12	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grading Period Ends (47 days)
March 15-19	Spring Break (Schools Closed)
April 2	Good Friday (District Closed)
April 5	In-service (NO school for Students)
May 14	Graduation for Clinch River Community School
May 16	Graduation for ACHS & CHS
May 28	Last Day for Students (Abbreviated Day - No Buses) (95 days) (179 Year Total)
May 31	Memorial Day (District Closed)

**Note:** Students are dismissed 90 minutes early each Wednesday

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Rocky Top Chamber of Commerce  
P. O. Box 1054  
Rocky Top, TN 37769  
865-426-9595

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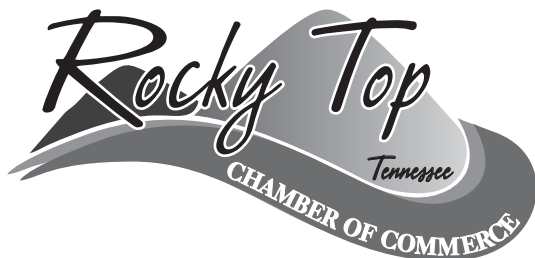
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*Everyone Welcome*

*1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the Month  
4-6pm*

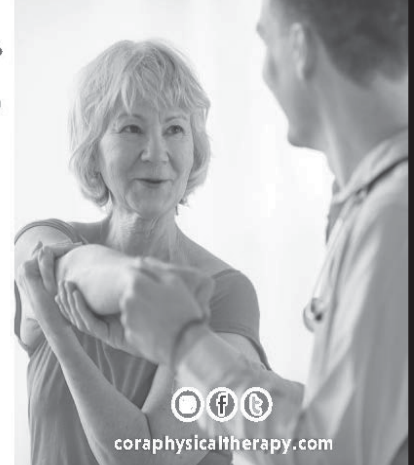
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- Proof of identification
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- Wage and earning statement(s) Form W-2, 1099-G, 1099-Misc., 1099-R, from all employers
- Gambling Winnings (Form W2G)
- Interest, IRA and Dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099)
- Tuition (Form 1098-T)
- Health Insurance information (If you have Marketplace/Obama Care insurance you MUST have FORM 1095-A)
- Total paid for day care provider and the day care provider & tax identifying number (the provider & Social Security Number or the provider & business Employer Identification Number)
- A copy of last year's Federal returns if available
- Bank Routing Numbers and Account Numbers for Direct Deposit
- To file taxes electronically on a married filing joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms.
- It is extremely important that each person use the correct Social Security Number (SSN). The most accurate information is usually located on your original Social Security card.



## ANDERSON COUNTY MAVERICKS

# Congratulations to our Top 10 students in the Class of 2021!

- 1: Valedictorian: Gabriel Watson
2. Salutatorian: Alexandria Perry
3. Elijah Arender
4. Preston Martin
5. Myra Mustard
6. Erin Palmer
7. Iain Heurer
8. Nathan Welden
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v	h	o	i	k	a	c	p	s	r	t
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s	w	e	e	r	t	s	f	r	i	e
v	c	h	o	c	o	l	a	t	e	k

valentine	red	roses
arrow	fourteenth	friend
cupid	hugs	flowers
hearts	chocolate	sweetheart
love	pink	kisses

Everyone is Welcome at

## Main Street Baptist Church

215 4th Street, Rocky Top • 865-426-2499 • [www.msbcrt.org](http://www.msbcrt.org)

"Main Street Baptist Church strives to provide life-changing ministries for every member of the family. Through worship and discipleship training, we hope to share the love and grace of Jesus Christ with the Rocky Top community. We also offer a Food Pantry (Tuesday 12-2pm) and the Rocky Top Recovery program (Thursday 7pm) for individuals or families of individuals with addiction issues."



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Wednesday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

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# ROCKY TOP PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

## NEW AT THE LIBRARY

### Adult Fiction:

My Name is Anton by Catherine Ryan Hyde  
 Deadly Cross by James Patterson  
 Cold Wind by Paige Shelton  
 Thin Ice by Paige Shelton  
 Angel Eyes by Ace Atkins  
 Someone to Watch Over Me by Ace Atkins  
 Under the Alaskan Ice by Karen Harper  
 The Midnight Library by Matt Haig  
 The Deep, Deep Snow by Brian Freeman  
 Dark Tides by Philippa Gregory  
 To Sleep in a Sea of Stars by Christopher Paolini

### Non-Fiction:

Kingdom Encounters by Tony Evans  
 Wedding Hacks Plan the Best Wedding Ever  
 by Maddie Eisenhart  
 The Light of His Presence by Anne Graham Lotz  
 On the Farm: Heritage & Heralded  
 Animal Breeds by Aliza Eliazarov  
 The Illustrated Guide to Fossils & Fossil Collecting  
 by Steve Parker  
 KETO Diet Hacks by Lindsay Boyers  
 Tennessee Off the Beaten Path  
 by Jackie Sheckler  
 Biography:  
 My Life in Lyrics by Dolly Parton

### Audio Cds:

The Noel Letters by Richard Evans  
 The Book of Two Ways by Jodi Picoult

### Adult Paperback:

Marrying Matthew by Kelly Long  
 The Amish Midwife's Hope by Barbara Cameron  
 Marrying Matthew by Kelly Long  
 His Accidental Amish Family by Rachel Good

### Westerns:

The Shotgun Wedding by William Johnstone  
 Never Seen Deader by William Johnstone  
 Texas Kill of the Mountain Man  
 by William Johnstone  
 The Devil's Boneyard by William Johnstone

### Young Adult:

Vampire Diaries/Salvation: Unspoken by Aubrey Clark  
 Broken Wish by Julie Dao  
 The Queen of Nothing by Holly Black  
 Juvenile Non-Fiction:  
 High Riders, Saints and Death Cars a Life Saved  
 by Art by Nicholas Herrera  
 Be an Expert - Dinosaurs by Erin Kelly  
 Be an Expert – Super Sharks by Erin Kelly  
 Be an Expert – Bugs by Erin Kelly  
 Be an Expert – Cool Cars by Erin Kelly

Be an Expert – Pets by Erin Kelly  
 Be an Expert – Mighty Trains by Erin Kelly  
 Be an Expert – High Fliers by Erin Kelly  
 Be an Expert – Construction Trucks  
 by Janice Behrens

The Coolest Stuff on Earth by Brenda Scott Royce  
 Fighting Fires by Erin Kelly  
 Birmingham Sunday by Larry Brimmer  
 Seabird in the Forest by Joan Dunning  
 The Mangrove Tree by Susan Roth  
 2021 Book of World Records by Scholastic  
 Ancient Adventures 20 Epic Stories from the Bible  
 by Jimmy Lynn  
 The Elephant's New Shoe by Laurel Neme

### Juvenile:

Hurricane Heroes in Texas by Mary Pope Osborne  
 Magic Treehouse – To the Future, Ben Franklin  
 by Mary Pope Osborne  
 The Ickabog by J.K. Rowling  
 Magic Treehouse – A Big Day for Baseball  
 by Mary Pope Osborne

### Children's Easy:

I Want to be a Police Officer by Laura Driscoll  
 Cinnamon Baby by Nicola Winstanley  
 I Will Come Back for You - A family in Hiding  
 During WWII by Marisabina Russo  
 I'm Not by Pam Smallcomb  
 Hot, Hot, Roti for Dada-Ji by F Zia  
 Grandma's Gift by Eric Velasquez  
 Twinkle and the Fairy Cake Mess by Katharine Holabird  
 Mitchell's License by Hallie Durand  
 M.O.M. Mom Operating Manual by Doreen Cronin  
 The Chicken Who Couldn't by Jan Thomas  
 Clyde the Hippo Likes to Ride by Keith Marantz  
 The Couch Potato by John Jory  
 The Bat Can Bat: A Book of True Homonyms  
 by Gene Baretta  
 Without You by Genevieve Cote  
 Making a Friend by Alison McGhee  
 Tom's Tweet by Jill Esbaum  
 You Make Me Happy by Smriti Halls  
 The Bear and the Duck by May Angeli  
 Click, Clack, Good Night by Doreen Cronin  
 Saving Eli's Library by Ruth Horowitz  
 Night Night, Valentine by Amy Parker  
 Interrupting Cow and the Chicken Crossing the Road  
 by Jane Yolen  
 Llama, Llama Loose Tooth Drama by Anna Dewdney  
 Do Not Open This Book! by Andy Lee  
 Remembering Barkley by Gregory Barrington  
 Dear Deer: A Book of Homophones by Gene Barretta  
 Max & Mo's 100 th Day of School! by Patricia Lakin  
 Twinkle, Twinkle Sparkly Star by Katharine Holabird

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Beginning, Monday, November 2, 2020. the Rocky Top Public Library will begin their Phase 2 re-opening process. The following guidelines will be in place until further notice due to community health concerns surrounding the COVID-19 virus.

The total occupancy for the library will be 10 people (including staff). You will be required to have a temperature check.

You **MUST** wear a mask at all times while inside the library. You must have library business to come inside the building. Backpacks or baggage will not be permitted inside the building.

We ask that you follow the social distancing signage that is located throughout the library.

A staff member will be present at the front door when you enter.

You will be given a card with a number and the time you enter.

A 1 hour time limit per person per day will be given to patrons.

All library/computer services must be completed in the one hour time limit.

If you are checking out books you need to do that prior to getting on the computer.

All returned books must be put in the outside book drop in front of the library.

Curbside pickup will still be available if you would like to use it.

All computers will be sanitized after each session, book carts will be available to put browsed books on for sanitizing. Door handles and frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned regularly.



### How to log in and access our on-line catalog from the website:

1. Log into: rockytoppubliclibrary.com
2. Click on: Request an Item
3. Select Log In: It is automatically defaulted to TENV
4. Select Drop Down Box: You will be given an option to select your library. Type in Rocky Top Public Library.
5. Enter your library card number
6. Enter userpass as your password when you first set your account up. You can change the password once your account is set up.
7. You will now have full access to all the materials at the library and can renew and reserve materials you would like to check out.

## ROCKY TOP PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## Virtual BEDTIME Story Time

**Every Saturday  
8:00pm**

On our Facebook page  
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Join us for bedtime stories, and more.  
Pajamas, slippers, & stuffed animals  
Highly recommended!

ROCKY TOP PUBLIC LIBRARY

# State to Send Postcard Renewal Notices

Starting this month, the Tennessee Department of Revenue is now sending postcards to motor vehicle registrants to remind them of upcoming renewal dates.

The postcards will replace traditional letters and will reduce state mailing expenses by an estimated \$500,000. Other states, including neighboring Kentucky, North Carolina, and Virginia—just to name three, also send postcard notices for registration renewals.

“This is a more efficient, effective way to remind citizens about their upcoming registration renewals,” Commissioner David Gerregano said. “It’s also a good way for the state to save money without sacrificing any services.”

The department partners with the state’s 95 county clerks to administer vehicle title and registration in the state. You can find more information about renewals on the department’s website at [www.tn.gov/revenue/renewals](http://www.tn.gov/revenue/renewals).

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the department encourages motorists to renew their registration online at [www.andersoncountyclerk.com](http://www.andersoncountyclerk.com).

“We are excited to partner with Department of Revenue to help get the word out about this new postcard registration reminder,” Jeff Cole Anderson County Clerk said.

**How do you renew your registration?**

- Online: [tncountyclerk.com](http://tncountyclerk.com)
- Renew with the app: [getautoassistant.com](http://getautoassistant.com)
- Kiosk: Visit [tncountyclerk.com](http://tncountyclerk.com) for locations
- Mail: Send payment and renewal notice to your local county clerk office.
- In person: Visit your local county clerk office with renewal notice or current registration. For all locations: [tn.gov/revenue/renewals](http://tn.gov/revenue/renewals)

**Tennessee Specialty License Plates:**

Tennessee offers more than 100 types of license plates to residents registering a private motor vehicle. For more information visit: [tn.gov/revenue/renewals](http://tn.gov/revenue/renewals)

**Organ Donor:** Check this box  and add \$1.00 to your fee if you want to help the Donor Awareness.

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**Address Changes:** Please submit address changes to your local county clerk office.

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 Class Code: **1000**  
 Issue Year: **2006**  
 License Plate: **123456**  
 VIN Last 8: **12345678**  
 Model: **CWF**  
 Make: **FORD**  
 Year: **02**

**Motor Vehicle Renewal Fee Due:**

Renewal Fee:	29.00
County Fee:	
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**SAMPLE POSTCARD ABOVE**

# NORRIS LAKE CLEAN-UP



The Norris Lake Project Team will be hosting a Lake Clean-Up on **Friday, March 26th from 3 pm to 5 pm (Launching from Sequoyah Marina) and Saturday, March 27th from 9 am to 1 pm (Launching from Oak Grove Public Launch) to help clean up debris and trash on the lake’s shorelines and islands.**



Please note that we will be following all the recommendations from the CDC pertaining to COVID-19 for the cleanup. If you are participating in the cleanup with family and/or friends, you will be transported and work with that group. If you are not with a group, we will also be limiting the number of people on boats for transportation to allow for social distancing. Also, a mask will be required when on the boat and when social distancing is not possible. As long as you are appropriately distanced from other participants you will not be required to wear a mask when working on the lake banks.

Volunteers will be cleaning up the lake shore near the launch point and on nearby islands. Boat transportation will be provided but if you have a boat, you are welcome to bring it. You are also encouraged to bring a life jacket if you have one.

Bags will be provided by the Tennessee Valley Authority at all of the locations. Participants are encouraged to bring gloves and wear tennis shoes, boots or other shoes with tread. The lake banks will be muddy so please wear appropriate footwear. Each participant will receive a free T-shirt.

For more information, email [info@norrislakeproject.com](mailto:info@norrislakeproject.com) or call 865-457-4547.