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21st Fall Antique Festival expected to bring thousands to downtown area Sept. 30-Oct. 1

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Historic Downtown Clinton's biggest event of the year -- the annual Clinch River Fall Antique Festival -- is coming up.

This event, featuring the best Clinton's downtown area has to offer, will be held Friday, Sept. 30, and Saturday, Oct. 1, primarily on Main and Market streets in the historic shopping district.

As usual, thousands of people are expected to attend, with many coming to see Clinton from out of town for the first time.

Once again, festival activities will begin at noon and continue until 8 p.m. on Friday, and then will resume at 9 a.m. Saturday, continuing until 5 p.m.

Live entertainment has been lined up for both days, beginning with the gospel group "Old Men with Guitars" performing from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday.

Following, from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, will be the Fountain City Ramblers, an acoustic trio.

Saturday's entertainment will begin with the Sons of the Revolution performing a Burr-Hamilton re-enactment from 11 a.m. until noon.

Next will be the Jasper Hollow Duo, featuring "country soul," performing from noon-2 p.m.

The final act will be Travis Bigwood and the Lonesome Doves, an "Americana folk" group, appearing from 2-4 p.m.

This year's event will be the



VISIT: HistoricDowntownClinton.org.



21st Fall Antique Festival. The only interruption since it began was in 2020, when the event was canceled during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Street vendors, food trucks, special displays and sales showcasing the antiques shops on Main and Market streets will be the highlights of the festival on both days, and Market Street will be closed to vehicular traffic.

That's to allow the street vendors and food trucks to set up along Market, Cullom and Eagle Bend streets.

For those who enjoy classic vehicles, there will be a collector-car show on Saturday.

Also returning is the Beer Garden, where craft brews made in Anderson County

will be sold for consumption in that area.

"Easily our biggest event of the year with hundreds of antique vendors lining Market St, this year will be the biggest yet," Historic Downtown Clinton's website says.

"We start on Friday at noon and continue through the entire day Saturday, with live music, entertainment, food, beer and more.

"It's the perfect way to kick off the fall season."

Ample free parking is always available in the city of Clinton's Commerce Street parking lots, one block west of Market Street.

More information can be found at HistoricDowntownClinton.org.



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CLINTON CITY SCHOOLS

CCS Staff Participates in School Safety Training

On Friday, September 2, all Clinton City Schools staff members participated in school safety training with Clinton Police Department's Lt. Brandon Floyd. Each school has an updated school safety plan, and drills are conducted to practice appropriate steps for a wide variety of emergency situations. CCS has many safety supports in place. Some are public

knowledge, and some are not. The city of Clinton graciously funds a full-time School Resource Officer in each school which adds an additional layer of protection for students and staff members. Clinton City Schools maintains a close relationship with Clinton Police Department as both organizations are committed to providing a safe learning environment for all schools.



Clinton Elementary Students Show Appreciation!

Students at Clinton Elementary took time to show appreciation to the wonderful maintenance team who works diligently to keep the schools clean. It takes all hands-on deck to be a successful school district. Maintaining the facilities is a key component to a safe, healthy learning environment. Our maintenance teams across the district works tirelessly to provide a clean building for students and staff each day. Part of developing well-rounded students is teaching children to show appreciation to those who work hard for their benefit. This was a creative way to show support for all our maintenance team does each day! We love our "spotless" buildings!



NCES 3rd Graders Release Butterflies



Students in Mrs. Flora's third grade class at North Clinton Elementary School started the year off with a project. Students witnessed the metamorphosis of a monarch butterfly. The timing was not by mistake! It was important to be able to release the butterflies in time for the annual migration to Mexico. Students will track the migration route of their newly released butterflies "Monica" and "Monty." There was such great joy as the students clapped and waved a sentimental goodbye as the newly formed butterflies made their initial flight into the new world!

State Implements 3rd Grade Retention Law

During the General Assembly's 2021 Extraordinary Session, the Tennessee General Assembly passed several key pieces of legislation to ensure that academic supports are put into place to put each child on a path to success. As part of this legislation, the state's 3rd grade retention law was revised to ensure students would receive additional supports and interventions towards grade level expectations before being promoted to 4th grade.

Beginning this year, the following are the requirements for a student to be promoted to 4th grade based on the 3rd grade TCAP performance levels below:

Approaching Expectations Score

The student must:

- Attend a summer school Bridge Camp focused on learning loss with 90% attendance; OR
- Participate in high-dosage, low ratio tutoring for the entirety of the upcoming school year from an All Corps Tutor; OR
- Retest again prior to the school year and score "Meets or Exceeds Expectations"

Below Expectations Score

The student must:

- Attend a summer school Bridge Camp focused on learning loss with 90% attendance; AND
- Participate in high-dosage, low ratio tutoring for the entirety of the upcoming school year from an All Corps Tutor; OR
- Retest again prior to the school year and score "Meets or Exceeds Expectations"

Exceptions to the Retention Law

- Previously retained students
- ESL students with instruction less than two full school years
- Students that receive special education services focused on reading or fall under the "suspected disability" category (yet to be defined by TDOE)

ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

School Days



Congratulations to Scott Gillenwaters newly elected chairman of the school board and Teresa Portwood newly elected vice chairperson.



Norris Middle School hosted their 2nd Annual Literacy Night to promote joyful reading, discuss how literacy impacts all content areas, and encourage students to find a perfect fit book. They were able to meet their teachers, join book club, commit to the 40 Book Challenge, enjoy the book fair, and sign up for library cards from the Norris Public Library!



On September 8th, Don Bell, Scott Gillenwaters, Teresa Portwood, and Jo Williams took their oath of office as re-elected members of the Anderson County School Board. Thank you for all the hard work you do for our district every day.



Introducing the 2022 - 2023 Dutch Valley Elementary Pioneer Men! These guys will be working on being leaders in our building by creating a positive group that work together to be make impactful choices at school and in life! We are excited to see them grow!



Parents and students attended our parent cafe meeting at Briceville Elementary School to learn about the importance of pedestrian safety and car seat safety from SRO Mike and participated in a fun family activity!



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