

MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Happy New Year to each of you, and a very special welcome to all of our new members! 2014 was an exciting year with the merger of the Madison County Business League and the Madison County Foundation. The Madison

County Business League & Foundation is well poised to move forward in our mission to unite private sector business leaders with elected officials in order to have a stronger voice in economic development support for Madison County as stakeholders for MCEDA.

The Madison County Business League & Foundation will continue to host outstanding events designed to educate, inspire and inform business leaders and local elected/appointed officials of timely topics that affect our community. Along with these events, both large and small, the MCBL & F is committed to the completion of the Madison County Strategic Plan, support of education through sponsorship of the Madison County Youth Leadership program, North Madison County Excel by 5, and the Madison County Community Trust - a legacy of the Madison County Foundation.

This newsletter will recap events of the last half of 2014 and spotlight some MCBL & F Members. Among the highlights include the Government Relations & Education Committees "Luncheon with Lynn Fitch," the MCCEC "Madison County 2014 Celebration," the Madison County Youth Leadership Class of 2014-15, the MS Bio-Medical Business Collaboration Press Conference, and the 2014

"VISION Celebration." Photos of these events, and much more, can be viewed at www.madisoncountybusinessleague.com.

There will be numerous "positive" changes in 2015. The MCBL & F will lease office space in the new MCEDA building to be completed in the spring. This will allow room for growth and an opportunity to enlarge our staff to better suit needs of the membership. I respectfully request your patience as we update our systems, marketing tools, and website. I look forward to meeting with each of our new members within the next few months to share information regarding benefits so that they can better realize the value of their membership.

Reflecting on the past year, I can say that it has truly been an honor and pleasure to serve the members of this great organization. The MCBL & F is enjoying an exciting and promising time in the history of Madison County with members contributing to that success through their volunteer leadership. Thank you for your continued commitment through your support and involvement. The MCBL & F will continue to make a difference in planning for the future growth of Madison County!

Truly..... One vision, one voice,

JAN COLLINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Madison County Business League & Foundation

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Speaker of the House, Philip Gunn

SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO

Representative Rita Martinson

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2014 BACK TO SCHOOL READINESS AND HEALTH FAIR



The North Madison County Excel By Coalition hosted the 3rd annual Back to School Readiness and Health Fair on Saturday, August 9, 2014, at the Canton Multipurpose &

Equine Center. The event was in partnership with City of Canton Parks & Recreation. Over 400 parents and students attended the event. Pre-school children aged 0-5 years of age were presented book bags with supplies upon completion of visits to 15 exhibitors sharing kindergarten readiness information. The health fair targeted numerous health related topics pertaining to young children and teenagers.

The North Madison County Excel By 5 is extremely grateful for the support of these exhibitors and volunteers!

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INDUSTRY APPRECIATION HOLIDAY LUNCH



Madison County Economic Development Authority's Existing Industry Committee and MCBL & F hosted an Industry Appreciation Holiday Lunch on December 4th at Two Rivers Restaurant in Canton.

Over 50 directors and managers from companies such as Steel Technologies, Nissan, Minact, Systems Electro Coating, Topre, Peco Foods, Dept. of Revenue-ABC, Levi, Bomgar, C-Spire, Comcast, TelehealthOne, and MCEDA partners including Madison County Business League and Foundation, Mississippi Development Authority, Mississippi Manufacturers Association, Greater Jackson Alliance, Holmes Community College and Entergy were in attendance.

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MADISON COUNTY CELEBRATION



The Madison County Creative Economy Council (MCCEC) hosted the 3rd Annual Madison County Celebration on Thursday, September 25, 2014, at the

Town of Livingston. The Farmer's Table Cooking School catered the event and music was provided by After Hours. Several creative economy businesses were exhibited at the reception in the County Seat Store. Mary Margaret May with the Mississippi division of tourism congratulated Madison County for celebrating its creative economy. The Town of Livingston development is located at the intersection of highways 463 and 22 in Madison County. The MCCEC wishes to thank its beverage sponsors Colony Wine Market and Sprint Mart for their generosity!

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ENTREPRENEUR SWAT

Madison County Business League Entrepreneurship Committee members participating on the Madison County Entrepreneurship SWAT Team received Venture Development Academy training sponsored by Tony Jeff and Innovate Mississippi. The Venture Development Academy prepares professionals to share their expertise as coaches and mentors for entrepreneurs and startup businesses throughout Mississippi.

Seated (l-r): Wendy Mullins, Bradley Arant Boult & Cummings, LLP; Mary Rountree, Strategic Energy Management, LLC; Blair Waggoner, Horne, LLP; Pamela Hancock, Hancock Law Firm, PLLC. **Standing (l-r):** Charles Byram, Haddox Reid Eubanks Betts; Bryan Carter, Think WEBSTORE; Eddie Woodard, Priority One Bank; John Taylor, Taylor Industries; Jason Brooks, BancorpSouth. **Not pictured:** Cory Wilson, Heidelberg Steinberger Colmer Burrow & The Office of the State Treasurer; Larry Ratzlaff, Community Trust Bank; Brenda Thames, Simon Properties; Scott Jones, Adams & Reese.



MADISON COUNTY BUSINESS LEAGUE & FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2014-15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS & OFFICERS



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MADISON COUNTY BUSINESS LEAGUE AND MADISON COUNTY FOUNDATION MERGE TO FORM MADISON COUNTY BUSINESS LEAGUE & FOUNDATION

RIDGELAND, MS: The Madison County Business League (MCBL) and the Madison County Foundation (MCF), through their respective Board of Directors, announce the merger of the two organizations. The membership of both organizations voted to approve the merger. “This merger has been in the works a long time,” said Jan Collins, executive director of the MCBL. “Much careful consideration by directors of each organization’s board has gone into each aspect of the merger. The main consideration by both boards has and always will be the betterment of Madison County.”

The Madison County Foundation has been in existence for nearly 20 years with the mission of “providing private sector support for projects imperative to the economic development and improvement of Mississippi and Madison County,” according to the organization’s web site. The Foundation’s membership consists of both public and private businesses, as well as individuals dedicated to moving Madison County forward through intelligent planning, while appreciating and preserving Mississippi’s rich heritage.

The Foundation has served as a visionary for Madison County, supporting high-profile projects that would allow additional and future economical growth for the area. Barney Daly, president of Trustmark Bank Metro Commercial Lending, is a MCBL sponsor and past MCF chairman and current MCF director. Collins says that Daly is responsible for spearheading the merger efforts. “This all happened with Gail Pittman’s leadership,” explains Daly. “She asked me if I’d look into the possibility of getting the two groups together. We had a good board, they had a good board, and we were all doing the same things. If you look at our mission statements, they were almost identical.”

Pittman serves as the current chairman of the MCF. “The Madison County Foundation and the Madison County Business League were both established to give Madison County ‘one vision and one voice,’ yet they were two separate organizations,” Pittman says. “Business leaders who were members of both organizations realized forming one large group makes more sense than having two smaller ones. The belief that one strong group of business and community leaders will have a greater

impact on economic development and overall quality of life for Madison County has been the driving force behind this merger. We look forward to combining the great work of both organizations and working closely with our elected officials, both locally and on a national level, to continue to make Madison County the very ‘best of the best’ in the nation.”

The MCBL was founded in 2008 through a partnership with the Madison County Economic Development Authority. The Madison County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution creating the Business League in March 2008. The purpose of the League is to offer the County a unique opportunity to bring a renewed spirit of cooperation and unity between the public and private sectors, thereby encouraging proper planning for future growth and development. Tim Coursey, executive director of MCEDA, says “the Business League is the stakeholder organization for MCEDA and with this merger, we recognize an immediate increase in stakeholder participation and support due to the subsequent increase in the membership of the combined organization.”

Currently, the MCF has 108 members and the MCBL has 150 members, some of whom are members of both organizations. “With this merger, increased efficiency can be realized by one organization rather than two,” explains Collins. “One organization will decrease current and avoid future duplicative and overlapping demand for resources such as dues, vendor support, commitments of time, etc. One organization can build a larger presence in the community by capitalizing on the synergies of both the Madison County Business League and the Madison County Foundation.”

There will be some restructuring as the merger goes through. The new name of the organization will be the Madison County Business League & Foundation. “The name was one of the biggest issues with our group,” says Daly. “This new name best communicates who we are as an organization.” The biggest concern for the MCBL, according to Daly, was that their bylaws not be changed. “All that stays intact. The MCBL bylaws will be the bylaws for the merged organization.” Gray Marchetti, executive administrator of the MCF, states “the Foundation is extremely excited about this opportunity to partner with

the Business League. We feel it is best for Madison County as a whole and will unify the business community as we move forward.”

Todd Burwell served as the first chairman for the MCBL and is currently an advisor for the organization. He was instrumental in drafting the agreement to merge the MCBL and the MCF. “As the initial Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Madison County Business League, I am very proud of our growth and accomplishments over the last few years which got us to the point where a great organization like the Madison County Foundation was interested in joining forces to help promote the kind of economic development in Madison County that all of us who live and work here should want. The merger of the Madison County Business League and Foundation will only strengthen our mission of working with our public officials to promote economic development in Madison County.”

The MCBL Board of Directors will remain intact as the Board of Directors for the surviving entity with two possible exceptions. Butler Snow and C Spire both have directors on the boards of the MCBL and the MCF. At their election, the directors from those companies on the MCF board may replace the directors from those companies on the MCBL board. The incoming chairman of the MCF board will serve as co-chairman of the surviving entity’s Board of Directors for the first year.

“There are just so many positive points to this merger,” says Daly. “While both organizations were touting ‘one voice, one vision,’ it was more like double vision. We realized that we can be a stronger unit by coming together.”

The Madison County Foundation is leaving a legacy in the form of a trust fund that will be run by the executive committee. The fund will help with major projects in the county, particularly in the area of education.

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT: WENDY B. SCOTT



Wendy B. Scott, 8th Dean of the Mississippi College School of Law

On August 11, 2014, Wendy B. Scott became the 8th dean of the Mississippi College School of Law. A graduate of Harvard University and New York University School of Law, Dean Scott taught at the North Carolina Central University School of Law for 8 years, where she served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. She previously taught at Tulane Law School in New Orleans for 17 years and served as Vice Dean for Academic Affairs there as well. Dean Scott brings a lifetime of exceptional service to the position, having distinguished herself as a lawyer, teacher, legal scholar, administrator and community leader. Scott describes the Law School as “a diverse community of intergenerational faculty and staff committed to providing a high quality legal

education.” She also boasts that MC Law School enjoys the support of loyal alumni. Dean Scott shares with the Madison County business and legal communities about MC Law School and how it has weathered the impact of the economic downturn on legal education.

Legal education has been under the microscope for several years with questions about the cost and the shrinking job market. The current changes taking place in legal education prompted by this close scrutiny are dynamic, unsettled and require close examination by every law school of each aspect of its program of legal education. Our belief is that law school should always remain an academic enterprise for the expansion of systematic and critical thinking through a variety of pedagogies: classroom, clinical, externships, summer employment. During the past decade, MC Law has engaged in self –reflection and the results have led to nationally recognized innovations. MC Law has modernized our facilities, grown the faculty, created centers to advance knowledge in specific

areas of law, established foreign study abroad programs, an LL.M in American Legal Studies and expanded our experiential learning opportunities. These innovations have allowed MC Law to withstand the downturn in the applicant pool and employment, and remain true to our mission to provide a superior education in the context of a Christian university, create a diverse community of scholars and students, and train our students to become skilled, ethical lawyers capable of adapting their practice in a changing world. Now that the economy has rebounded, legal employment opportunities are improving, especially in the areas of employment law, health care, intellectual property and information technology. MC Law School has achieved many milestones and looks forward to continuing to provide an excellent legal education in a changing world.

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HEALTHY WORKPLACES, HEALTHY COMMUNITIES IN MADISON COUNTY



Murray Harber, Executive Director, Mississippi Business Group on Health

Employers are a key stakeholder in ensuring a healthy community along with government, schools, land planning and transportation, as well as architects. A healthy community is one where healthy lifestyle choices are easily selected through healthy choices when considering access to places, policies, and programs. In 2015, there will be a focus in Mississippi to promote Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Communities encouraging employers to promote health at the workplace, at employee’s homes, and in the communities where they live and play.

The Mississippi Business Group on Health is the lead organization in this initiative and has partnered with the Madison County Business League & Foundation to promote the concept in Madison County in 2015. On May 19th, the MSBGH and MSDH will offer the Healthy

Workplaces, Healthy Communities Conference bringing together national experts, regional and state examples, and local employers to learn how to better connect the dots with a elements of a healthy community. The Health Care Committee will have a meeting in early March 2015 (TBA) to discuss the collaboration and learn more about Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Communities. The MSBGH will also be holding a meeting on Specialty Pharmacy in April to share resources and programs to help educate employers on their options as health plan sponsors. Some of the conditions to be addressed include Hepatitis, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Hemophilia, and Cancer.

RECOGNITION

This year, employers can apply for recognition, awards, and possibly get rewards if they follow a comprehensive model of employer health management which follows best practice guidelines and evidence-based interventions, if all goes well. First, the 2015 Healthiest Mississippi Employers awards program will recognize employers who meet specific criteria and award those that excel at offering effective EHM. The Mississippi Business Journal along with MSDH,

MASI, and the MSBGH are collaborating to the awards programs showing the interest and need to a variety of stakeholders. The MSBGH is also supporting the Workplace Wellness Tax Credit Bill being pushed in the legislature by MASI – The Mississippi Association of Self Insurers. If passed, the law will encourage employers who pay taxes an opportunity for a tax credit if they offer a wellness program that meets specific criteria, the same as the awards program. The Mississippi State Department of Health will evaluate the employers and submit the list of employers who quality to the Mississippi Department of Revenue. So, hopefully more employers will try to use the best practice standards to offer an employee health and wellness this year. When the awards application goes live on February 1st, be sure to apply for the recognition and awards program. To learn more about MSBGH and their events, please visit www.msbg.org.

MSBGH is a SILVER Member of the MCBL & F.

THE 2014-15 MADISON COUNTY YOUTH LEADERSHIP CLASS



FRONT ROW (L-R): Kendall Clarke, *The Veritas*; Perrin Bauder, *Germantown High School*; Kyle Kantor, *Jackson Academy*; Kendall Murry, *Velma Jackson High School*; Justin Lake Grewe, *Tri-County Academy*; and Matt Taylor, *Canton Academy*.

MIDDLE ROW (L-R): Kirby Mitchell, *Ridgeland High School*; Luci Strong, *St. Joe*; Anna Daniels, *MRA*; Juliette Richert, *Ridgeland High School*; Cassidy Jones, *Tri-County Academy*; Freddy Garcia, *New Summit School*; Wilson Montjoy, *St. Andrew's*; Jaylen Taylor, *Canton High School*; Gracie McGill, *New Summit School*; Madeline Beard, *The Veritas*; Breanna Horn, *Canton High School*; Kice Brown, *Germantown High School*, and Meredith Rand, *St. Andrew's*.

TOP ROW (L-R): Kendall Clarke, *The Veritas*; Perrin Bauder, *Germantown High School*; Kyle Kantor, *Jackson Academy*; Kendall Murry, *Velma Jackson High School*; Justin Lake Grewe, *Tri-County Academy*; and Matt Taylor, *Canton Academy*.



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University and College Mentors for the 2014-15 Class are Jake Ponder, Tulane University – Madison Campus; Macala Boxx, Holmes Community College; Kierstan Knaus, University of Southern Mississippi; and Daniel Gallarno, Millsaps College.



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Madison County Business League Members serving on the 2014-15 Youth Leadership Committee include Jan Collins, Madison County Business League; Dean Sherry Chance, Tulane University – Madison Campus; Jessica Gosa, MCEDA; Dr. Don Burnham, Holmes Community College – Ridgeland Campus; Pat McNulty, Security Ballew; Rochelle Culp, MS Tobacco Free Coalition; and Career Day Chairman, Amanda Fontaine, MS Burn Foundation. Not pictured are Joe Donovan, Millsaps College; Suzanne Sullivan, Belhaven University; Monica Harrigill, Jackie's International; Monte Barton, Jernigan, Copeland and Anderson; Liz Woodall, The Headache Center; John Taylor, The Taylor Industries; and Debbie Weems, IBM.

The Madison County Business League & the Madison County Economic Development Authority present the 2014-15 Madison County Youth Leadership Class. Economic Development: Career Day was held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014. Twenty-seven of the best and brightest juniors from each public, private and parochial high schools in Madison County, plus Jackson Academy and New Summit School, were selected by their administration to represent their respective schools. Four college and university mentors representing the University of Southern Mississippi, Tulane University – Madison Campus, Millsaps College, and Holmes Community College – Ridgeland Campus, serve as mentors for the class.

The law firm of Adams & Reese hosted a breakfast sponsored by Holmes Community College. Guest Speaker was Founder and Chairman of the Board for Bomgar Corporation, Joel Bomgar. Lunch was hosted and sponsored by Metropolitan Bank where Curt Gabardi, Founder/President/CEO, gave a presentation on careers in banking and finance. The class and mentors traveled around the county to other businesses where various careers and professions were highlighted by community leaders and professionals. In addition to Bomgar, Adams & Reese, and Metropolitan Bank, businesses participating in Career Day included Horne, LLP, Mad Genius, Dale Partners Architects, MSU CAVS Extension, and Madison River Oaks Medical Center. Dale Partners sponsored the Madison County Citizens Services Agency Bus and the students enjoyed snacks provided by Bumpers!



MCEDA PRODUCES YOUNG PROFESSIONAL PROMOTIONAL VIDEO



The Madison County Economic Development Authority (MCEDA) has produced an outstanding young professional video to attract talent to Madison County. You will recognize several young leaders promoting Madison County/Metro Jackson area as a great place to live, work and play!

Please view videos at:

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MISSISSIPPI BIO-MEDICAL BUSINESS COLLABORATORY



The Madison County Economic Development Authority and the Madison County Business League hosted a press conference on Friday, October 24, 2014, to announce the Mississippi Bio-Medical Business Collaboratory located at 152 Watford Parkway Drive in Canton, MS. Over 100 MCBL members, guests and elected officials were in attendance. Governor Phil Bryant and MDA's Manning McPhillips presented remarks at the event.

Helping to accelerate the development of a private Bio-Medical sector in Mississippi has been a vision of MCEDA's for over five years. The creation of The Mississippi Bio-Medical Business Collaboratory (MBBC), located at 152 Watford Drive Parkway in Canton, is being made possible through the efforts of MCEDA and Governor Bryant and the legislature's creation of the MS Health Care Industry Zone Act.

The facility being developed in Canton is designed to foster relationships, cooperation, and innovation among healthcare related companies that operate within the facility. The ultimate goal of the Collaboratory model is to help create the sustainable higher paying healthcare and bio-medical jobs of the future, and then for Collaboratory companies to grow and expand in the Madison County Healthcare Zone. Tenant companies of the facility are/will be focused on providing advanced healthcare services, medical training and simulations, long term care IT asset management, pharmacy services, research and testing, and medical equipment manufacturing.



Governor Phil Bryant, MCEDA Chairman Bill Guion and MCEDA Executive Director Tim Coursey

In 2012, Governor Phil Bryant signed into law the Mississippi Health Care Industry Zone Act (House Bill 1537) to promote the growth of the health care industry in Mississippi. The legislation created a business incentive program, known as the Mississippi Health Care Industry Zone Incentive Program, to encourage health care-related businesses to locate or expand within a qualified Health Care Zone in the state.

"This type of collaboratory among private sector businesses is exactly what we envisioned when we created the Healthcare Industry Zone Incentive Program," Gov. Bryant said. "I know this teamwork among companies will fast-track the development of the bio-medical sector in Mississippi, and I'm pleased to be a part of this announcement today."

MCEDA Executive Director, Tim Coursey, applauds Governor Bryant and the Mississippi Legislature for making this possible through their leadership and action of the passage of the HB 1537. "Several years ago we decided to take a lead role in advancing the growth of the private bio-medical sector in Mississippi. As a result, we proposed the concept of creating a financially sustainable Business Collaboratory in Madison County. The concept is now becoming a reality and the Health Care Zone is a central theme in our success."

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2014 GOVERNMENT RELATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE AUGUST LUNCHEON



Pictured with State Treasurer Lynn Fitch are TEAM Partners Barney Daby, Trustmark; and Alon Bee, Regions.

The Madison County Business League Government Relations and Education Committees hosted a luncheon meeting on Wednesday, August 20, 2014, in the McGowan Center located on the Ridgeland campus of Holmes Community College. Attendees included MCBL members, elected officials, educators and guests.

Government Relations Committee Chairman Phil Buffington introduced State Treasurer Lynn Fitch who presented her new TEAM initiative (Treasurer's Education About Money). TEAM has partnered with EverFi and the Mississippi Council Economic Education to offer every public, private and parochial school across Mississippi the opportunity to teach students the importance of managing money. Several MCBL members sponsoring the program include Trustmark, Regions, Renasant Bank, AT&T, BankPlus and Community Bank!

Madison County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ronnie McGehee gave a report on Madison County Schools and Education Committee Chairman Dr. Nancy New introduced the new Canton Public Schools Superintendent Ike Haynes.

The Madison County Business League CONGRATULATES Treasurer Fitch for her vision and to the MCBL TEAM Partners for their support and generosity! We proudly support all schools in Madison County and thank them for the tremendous job they are doing to provide quality education for our children.

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Weichert, Realtors - Covington Group*
 Wells Marble & Hurst, PLLC
 Will Norris Drywall, Inc.
 Woodridge Capital Portfolio Management, LLC

GOVERNMENT/SCHOOLS

Belhaven University
 Canton Academy
 Canton Public Schools
 Canton Convention & Visitors Bureau
 & Film Office
 Canton Redevelopment Authority
 CAVS - Center for Advanced Vehicular
 Studies (MSU)
 Holmes Community College
 Innovate Mississippi
 Jackson Academy
 Madison County School District
 Madison Ridgeland Academy
 Millsaps College – Else School of Management
 Mississippi Business Finance Corporation
 Mississippi College School of Law (MC Law)
 Mississippi Small Business Development
 Center – University of Mississippi
 Mississippi Tobacco Free Coalition of
 Madison, Yazoo & Holmes Counties
 St. Andrew's Episcopal School
 St. Joseph Catholic School
 The University of Mississippi School of Law
 The Veritas School
 Trent Lott International Center for
 Excellence in Economic Development &
 Entrepreneurship- USM
 Tri – County Academy

* Charter Member



THE MISSION OF THE MADISON COUNTY BUSINESS LEAGUE & FOUNDATION

*“The mission of the Madison County
 Business League & Foundation is to bring
 together, under one organization, the voice of
 numerous entities in order to establish a clear
 and concise message for the future. This
 organization, which is comprised of elected,
 appointed, business, and individual leaders
 of Madison County, will enable all partners
 in business and economic development to
 participate collectively in bringing together
 the overall vision for Madison County.
 Simply put...one vision, one voice.”*