

**Tishomingo County Development Foundation
Tishomingo County Economic Development Authority
Tishomingo County Tourism Council**

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Ted Day
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Dennen Steel
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Tishomingo County Update



Madison Studio & Gifts. On December 10, 2011, local officials, friends, family, and owners gathered to cut the ribbon for Madison Studio Hair & Gift Shop. The studio offers full service hair, nail, and makeup services along with massage therapy. Six hair and skin technicians are on duty. Owner Kathy Ledbetter Haataja reported that "our gift shop has classic one-of-a-kind handcrafted jewelry from Black Mountain, North Carolina, Vera Bradley stylish quilted handbags and accessories, unmatched fragrances from Trapp Private Gardens, and lots of other unique and unusual gifts for yourself and those special people in your life. All of our unique gifts are American made. We wanted to bring to luka high quality gift items that are normally found only in larger cities. We thank everyone for making our grand opening a success. I am a former luka resident and my dad was Virgil Ledbetter." The new business has created eight new jobs. Madison Studio is located at 102 Front Street in the former Rushing Drug Store in luka and is open 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday thru Friday and 9 AM to 2 PM Saturday, with other times by appointment. Call 662-423-6668 or cell phone 256-810-0095 for more information or to schedule an appointment.



2011 Annual Meeting. The 2011 annual meeting for the Tishomingo County Development Foundation was held on Monday, November 21, 2011. Business of the Year was awarded to Mike Nelson Contractors. G&G Steel was selected as the Industry of the Year. The Volunteer of the Year was Ken Cooley. Butch's Auto Service was selected as the Development of the Year. The Bob Yarber Leadership Award went to Mayor Buddy Wiltshire. The 2012 chairman is Neil Davis while Buddy Wiltshire is the chairman elect and Ted Day is the first vice chairman. Dale Curtis will serve as Secretary-Treasurer. Board members are volunteers and serve without compensation of any kind. The January TCDF board meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 6 PM** at the Tishomingo Community Living Center, 1410 West Quitman Street, luka. The public is invited. See the annual report at www.tishomingo.org.

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luka Animal Clinic
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Little Properties
Littrell Lumber Mill
Harold Lomenick
J. R. Long
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METROCAST
Mill Creek Marina
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Education Center
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Mike Nelson Construction
North Mississippi Medical
Center--luka
Nunley Trucking
Charlotte Orick
Oswalt Construction Co.
Piggly Wiggly
Pray Pottery
Billy Rainey
Jimmy Ramsey
Renasant Bank
Roll Form Group
Rushing Drug Company
Ryan Properties
Jimmie Seago
Dr. Kelly Segars
Martha Segars
Sid's Trading Company
Silver Dollar Sales
Skyline Steel
Sonic Drive-In
Sparks CPA Firm
Spirit Bank
Sun-air Products
Sunflower Antique Mall
Swans Sweet Treats
Derrick Tapp
Truck Bodies & Equipment Int.
Tennessee Valley Authority
Timbes Tire
Tishomingo County
Board of Supervisors
Tishomingo County Electric
Power Association
TLH Sales
Tool Mart, Inc.
Tri-State Recycling
Union Harbor Marina & Dev.
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John R. White
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Aviagen. Aviagen is still seeking growers in the Tishomingo County region, especially near Highway 72. Growing houses are 50' x 400' and cost around \$700,000 to build. Aviagen will cover approximately half of the debt.

Mississippi Land Bank in Corinth is interested in financing these deals. The State of Mississippi will invest up to \$200,000 in a 0% interest loan and Rural Development may guarantee up to 90% of the loan for qualified applicants. Breeder houses are clean and odorless and are nothing like the older broiler houses that many may remember. Average annual income for growers is \$42,000 to \$84,000. Feed will be provided from the Athens, Alabama, feed mill. Contact Roy Brazeal at 800-444-3101 for more information or visit the web site at www.aviagen.com. For more information on financing, contact Brett Marlar at Mississippi Land Bank at 662-286-0020, web site www.mslandbank.com. Aviagen has never had a project to fail, and, over the past 30 years, the state 0% interest loan fund has had only one failure out of over 400 funded projects in Mississippi.



Dynetics. Dynetics, a Huntsville based space research & development company with a test facility in Tishomingo County, has won a contract with Stratolaunch Systems for part of a new space delivery system. Stratolaunch, founded by Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen, has partnered with SpaceX Technologies and Scaled Composites to build the world's largest airplane to launch rockets bearing medium sized payloads into orbit. The air launch system has a wingspan greater than the length of a football field and weighs 1.2 million pounds. Dynetics responsibilities will include "leading the technical integration of the air launch enterprise including program management support, systems engineering, flight dynamics and integration, test and operations as well as developing, manufacturing, testing, and integrating the hardware that will attach the booster to the carrier aircraft."



Mississippi Market. The 2012 Mississippi Market is scheduled for June 7 & 8 at the Mississippi Trade Mart in Jackson. The Mississippi Market specializes in wholesale gifts, gourmet foods, pottery, jewelry, tabletop, home decor, and others. The purpose of the market is to match buyers and sellers. For more information, visit the web site at www.mississippimarket.org or call 888-886-3323.



Start Your Own Business. The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is offering a free "how to" workshop at the NEMCC branch campus at 2759 Harper Road in Corinth from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM on Thursday, January 12, 2012. A special program entitled "How to Develop a Business Plan" is scheduled at the same location on January 26, 2012, 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM. For more information, contact Jo Ann Harris, 662-915-1291 or 1-800-725-7232, e-mail umsbdc@olemiss.edu, or visit the SBDC website at <http://www.mssbdc.org>. The SBDC also offers individual and private counseling services at no cost to the client at its office in the NEMCC branch campus in Corinth. Call Katie Drewry at 662-696-2311 for an appointment.