

# HC\*EXCELL E-NEWS



**We dedicate this  
newsletter to the  
memory of  
Dwight L.  
Nelson  
HC\*EXCELL  
Co-founder  
January 5, 1920  
February 26, 2006**

Dwight L. Nelson enriched the lives of Hamblen County students and workers by co-founding a vehicle to support educational excellence and achievement. He championed quality education and committed his time, energy and financial resources to facilitating HC\*EXCELL's creation, development and sustainment. His efforts have resulted in greater community awareness, involvement and appreciation of the link between an educated citizenry and a healthy economy. Though he will be sadly missed his spirit will live through the work and accomplishments of HC\*EXCELL.

**Board Additions:** HC\*EXCELL welcomes Max Biery, President of JTEKT, Automotive Tennessee-Morristown and Roland Zitt, President MAHLE to its Board of Directors.

**Hamblen County 2006 Teachers of the Year: Congratulations!** Sharon Turner, Pre-K- 4 Witt Elementary, Michelle Newman, Grades 5-8 Lincoln Elementary and Suzanne Terry, Morristown High School West **and** Northeast District Teacher of the Year for Grades 9-12.

**MAHLE-Han D. Jehle Technical Award:** The MAHLE-Hans Jehle Technical Award was established by the Executive Management Team of MAHLE to recognize and celebrate the leadership, guidance, and contributions of Hans D. Jehle, third president MAHLE, Inc. (April 24, 1989 – January 31, 2005) to the Company and the people of Hamblen County. The purpose of the award is to honor a Hamblen County certified educator who has promoted technological improvement through the implementation of curriculum, skills and/or technology related equipment.

**TANA Award:** The TTA Educational Leadership Award was created in March 2002 to recognize the support and significant contributions of Toyoda TRW Automotive, Inc. in encouraging quality education. When Toyoda TRW Automotive changed their name to Toyoda-Koki Automotive North America, the name of the award was changed to the TANA Educational Leadership Award. The purpose of the award is to honor a business, industry, individual, school or organization that has followed the TANA lead in promoting educational excellence in Hamblen County.

**Imagination Library** – As of March 2006 the Hamblen County Imagination Library program has enrolled 1450 children.

**P-16** – On Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> the Hamblen County P-16 Council in collaboration with the Mid-East Regional P-16 Council and the Claiborne County P-16 Council made a presentation at the State Tennessee P-16 Council meeting in Nashville, TN on organization, structure and sustainment.

**High School Leadership** – Plans are being made to transition the revamped after-school MACC High School Leadership program into an in-school class for the 2006-2007 school year. The Yasuyuki Yamaoka High School Leadership Fellowship was created by Tuff Torq and facilitated by HC\*EXCELL to support leadership development in Hamblen County High School students and will help implement this change through its financial support.

**HC\*EXCELL School Representative Committee:** HC\*EXCELL has developed a School Representative Committee. This committee will facilitate the "HC\*EXCELL Day in the Schools" and will meet on a set schedule with staff and or Board members to provide input from local educators. School Reps are: Alpha - Nikki Price; East Ridge -Karen Rogers; Fairview Marguerite Peggy Howell; Hillcrest Susie Justice; John Hay Dolores Moore; LHE Lisa Templin; LHM Lee Workman; Manley Wendy Szatkowski; Meadowview Shirley Brooks; Miller Boyd Suzanne Poole; MHSE Traci Jefferson; MHSW Marcia Whetsel; Russellville Lisa Ray; Union Heights, Rachel Ripley; West Elementary Sarah Bryant, Westview Middle, Audrey Hughes, Witt, Diane Spooone, Whitesburg Debbie Morrisett, Central Office, Teresa Ayers