

Randolph County Developments

A Publication of the Randolph County Economic Development Corporation

September 2019

Crystal Gettys to Lead EDC Recruitment Efforts

The Randolph County EDC is excited to welcome Crystal Gettys in the newly-created position of Business Recruitment Director. She will join the EDC on October 7. As Business Recruitment Director, Gettys will coordinate efforts to attract new industrial development in Randolph County and manage product development initiatives.

“I am excited to join the Randolph County EDC team. Randolph County is poised for success and new opportunities as it continues to prepare for future growth. I look forward to collaborating with local officials and community leaders from both the public and private sectors,” said Gettys.

Gettys has spent nearly a dozen years honing her skills as an economic development practitioner, and she brings a wealth of experience to Randolph County. Prior to joining the Randolph County EDC, she worked as a consultant with Sanford Holshouser Economic Development where she assisted economic development organizations, local governments, and private sector companies in areas such as marketing analysis, executive search services, bridge management, strategic planning and organizational budget management.

In addition to consulting work, Gettys also spent a decade as a local economic developer in North Carolina’s Wayne and Lincoln counties. Her expertise in business development and product development, her breadth of knowledge, and her established relationships with site selection consultants will greatly enhance the EDC’s recruitment efforts. While continuing to foster established relationships, Gettys will also build a strong network of relationships with developers, contractors, and commercial real estate brokers in Randolph County and across the region.

“Crystal will be an outstanding addition to our team and I’m eager for her to join us,” stated EDC president Kevin Franklin. “Her proven track record of success, work experience, and skill set are a perfect match for this new role. She will be a great ambassador for Randolph County and a true asset for our business recruitment efforts.”



RCC Welding Program Expanded

On September 5, Randolph Community College hosted a ribbon cutting to celebrate the expansion of the welding lab at the college’s Archdale Center. There are now thirty-one welding booths at the lab, allowing for training of eleven additional students at any one time. With trained welders in high demand, the expanded program can help ensure that local employers are able to hire employees trained right here in Randolph County. Students can earn credentials, certifications, and even an



associate degree at the RCC welding lab, and students are generally committed to jobs prior to completing the program. An [article](#) in the Courier-Tribune provides additional information about the ribbon cutting and the welding program.

Business News & Announcements



Congratulations are in order for two Randolph County manufacturers that have been [named](#) among the Triad Business Journal's 2019 Fast 50 winners. Randleman-based **Alumiworks**, which fabricates and installs custom stairs and rails, came in at number 19 on this year's list. **PEMMCO Manufacturing** in Asheboro, a supplier of machined parts, landed at number 32. The annual ranking honors the fifty fastest growing for-profit companies in the Triad based on dollar and percentage growth. www.alumiworks.net www.pemmcomfg.com



Asheboro-based **Founder's Hemp** is seeking funds to facilitate growth in one of its Asheboro facilities. The company will renovate existing space, constructing five new clean rooms to expand its extraction capacity. The clean rooms will meet the supplement grade processing standards. Total investment in the project including machinery and equipment is anticipated to exceed \$400,000, and the company is committed to creating at least fifteen new jobs with an average annual wage of \$35,667. The City of Asheboro has approved submission of a Building Reuse Grant application to NC Commerce in the amount of \$150,000 to assist with renovation expenses. Grant awards will be announced on October 17. *Founder's Hemp is a vertically integrated hemp company and a leading provider of premium hemp extracts, products, and services.* www.foundershemp.com



Industrial Controls Division

On September 27, **Hubbell Industrial Controls, Inc.** in Archdale hosted a ribbon cutting to officially open the new home of the company's engineering team. Formerly a medical facility, the new space was renovated thanks in part to a \$125,000 Building Reuse Grant from NC Commerce secured by the City of Archdale. The relocation of the engineering team to this facility will also make room for additional production space in the main facility which is across the road from the new engineering office. In total, the company will add fourteen new jobs related to the expansion. In addition to the ribbon cutting, Hubbell Industrial Controls is celebrating 100 years of operations as a company and 25 years in Archdale this year. *Hubbell Industrial Controls, Inc. is a member of the Hubbell Industrial Products Group, which is part of Hubbell Incorporated (NYSE: HUBB), an international manufacturer of quality electrical electronic products.* www.hubbell.com/hubbellindustrialcontrols/en/



Thomas Built Buses may be headquartered in High Point, but we're proud to also claim the company since one of their production facilities straddles the High Point/Archdale municipal boundary. The Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina recently produced a brief [promotional video](#) about the company featuring CEO and president Caley Edgerly. The video captures the passion of Thomas Built Buses to produce school buses which safely transport students every day. *A subsidiary of Daimler Trucks North America LLC, Thomas Built Buses manufactures a full line of school, activity, commercial, and childcare buses.* www.thomasbuiltbuses.com

Vecoplan® A September 13 [article](#) on recyclingtoday.com highlights expansion plans at **Vecoplan's** U.S. headquarters in Trinity. According to the article, the expansion will result in 50,000 square feet of dedicated manufacturing space, doubling shred truck production capacity. *Vecoplan is an industrial pioneer in the development of shredding and recycling technologies for the plastics, wood, paper, and waste industries.* www.vecoplanllc.com

EDC Partnership News

The Randolph County Partnership is the member organization of the EDC. Through annual dues, our members invest in economic development in Randolph County by supporting marketing, recruitment, existing business and industry services, and industrial product development. Partner members are [listed on the EDC website](#) and included in existing business and industry directories, and they benefit from services and referrals from the EDC.

We'd like to welcome our newest Partnership member, **First National Bank** in Greensboro! Joining at the Bronze (\$250) level, First National Bank is a full-service bank offering commercial banking, consumer banking, and wealth management solutions. www.fnb-online.com

We greatly appreciate recent **Partnership renewals** by the companies listed below. We currently have 115 [private sector members](#) and would welcome new partners. Please direct membership inquiries to Lisa Bennett at 336-626-2233 or lbennett@rcedc.com.

Platinum (\$1,500)

J.P. Thomas & Co., Inc.
Post Consumer Brands

Silver (\$500)

Chandler Concrete Company, Inc.
Courier-Tribune
ECS Southeast, LLP
Fidelity Bank
Klaussner Home Furnishings
Randolph Community College
RubberMill, Inc.
Triad Design Group

Bronze (\$250)

Advisors Financial Center, LLP
AVS Catering, Inc.
Brubaker & Associates, Inc.
Commonwealth Hosiery Mills, Inc.
Deep River Fabricators, Inc.
Engineered Steel Products, LLC
Line Drive Graphics
Manhattan American Terrazzo Strip Company
Pugh Funeral Home
Ralph's Frame Shop
RE/MAX Central Realty
Ridge Funeral Home & Cremation Service
Sapona Manufacturing Co., Inc.
The Wooten Company
Village Printing
Wayne Thomas Chevrolet-Cadillac

Randolph County Economic Development Corporation
176 N. Fayetteville St. | Asheboro, NC 27203
336-626-2233 | www.rcedc.com
[@Randolph_EDC](#) | facebook.com/RandolphEDC

