



COVER PHOTO: Because of its natural beauty, its easy access to the Tennessee River waterfront and its commitment to environmental stewardship and land conservation, Chattanooga and Hamilton County have become of mecca for those who enjoy and respect the great outdoors.

Those who have flocked to the Scenic City include participants in the Head of the Hooch, the Dragonboat races benefiting Children's Hospital at Erlanger, and those who participated in the SUPSplash Paddleboat Races at RiverRocks. In addition, Balloon Glow brought hot air balloon fans to Coolidge Park during RiverRocks.



RIGHT: Growth at Enterprise South continues. Amazon opened its facility in Enterprise South in the fall of 2011. The Erlanger Wellness Center at Volkswagen Drive had its Open House in October. Volkswagen Group of America reached its first significant milestone in September 2011 when Passat number 10,000 rolled off the assembly line in the Hamilton County manufacturing facility.



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