

AND THE WINNERS ARE..... Small Business Awards of Excellence Presented April 19



EXPRESS EMPLOYMENT PROFESSIONALS was the recipient of the Chamber's SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR Award. Branch Manager, Kristina Veit, along with her staff, accepts the award from Amy Hemminger representing Award Sponsor **Purkey Carter Compton Swann & Carter** and Eric Harrison of Event Sponsor **Wimberly Lawson Wright Daves & Jones**.

SBA Event Sponsors



More Awards!

Horizon Award



CROSSROADS DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP, represented by Sami Barile and Dawn Phillips, receive the award from Event Sponsor Tom Strate of **Strate Insurance Group** and Award Sponsor Nancy Beverly of **King University**

Hospitality/Leisure Award



JERSEY GIRL DINER/LITTLE CITY CATERING. Dawn Phillips receives the award from Event Sponsor Roger Porter of **Porter's Tire Store** and Award Sponsor Kelley Hinsley of **Heartland Title Services**

Retail Award



MD PHARMACY. Shelly Adkins, Manager of the Morristown branch, receives the award from Sarah Hollingshead and Kristy Lacy representing Event Sponsor **Morristown Utility Systems/FiberNet** and Terry Hackney with Award Sponsor **Citizens Bank**.

More Awards!

Service Award



ADVERTISING EXPRESSIONS. Brenda Millican receives the award from Event Sponsor Karen Crumbley of **Jefferson City Health & Rehabilitation Center** and Award Sponsor Sheila Cassell of **Bodycote Thermal Processing**.

Non-Profit Award



CEASE. Donna Kelly receives the award from Award Sponsor John Smyth of **Employee Benefit Specialists**.

HealthCare Award



EAST TENNESSEE CENTER FOR ORTHOPAEDIC EXCELLENCE. Dr. Ron Christopher receives the award from Julie Campbell representing Award Sponsor **The Girls & Me Boutique**.



From the President's Desk

--Marshall Ramsey

In recognition of National Tourism Week, I've asked our Tourism Director, Anne Ross to be our guest columnist for this month. Anne's article is below.

Why We Celebrate National Travel & Tourism Week

—Anne G. Ross

May 1-7 was designated by the U.S. Travel Association as the week in 2016 to celebrate the **\$650.8 billion** direct economic impact that travel and tourism has in the United States.



ceived a gift pack containing a travel-size toothpaste and a tooth brush along with a Morristown visitors guide displaying a "Made in Morristown" label. I heard many appreciative comments from these travelers, but the comment I heard the most was "It's great these were made in the USA!" Even better they're made in Morristown.

Your Chamber did that in great fashion with the help of Chamber members Colgate and Team Technologies.

We go all out for tourism week in Tennessee. Commissioner Triplett and Tennessee Department of Tourist Development staff visited several of the welcome centers and cleaned windshields for visitors. It was the "SEE TennesSEE More Clearly" campaign. We do this because tourism is Tennessee's second largest industry with a **\$16.7 billion** direct economic impact. Tourism generated \$1.5 billion in state and local tax revenue, and appreciated 101.3 million person stays in 2014. Tennessee ranks in the top ten of vacation destinations nationally and internationally.

Every year during the annual Travel & Tourism Week, chambers and convention and visitor bureaus come up with creative ways to thank visitors for traveling. Most often that means visiting the official welcome centers around the state and presenting visitors with a token of appreciation.

Here in Tennessee Little Debbie snack cakes, Goo Goo Clusters, M&Ms and other food items made in our state are popular give-aways. I wanted to do

something different to promote Morristown. Enter Colgate and Team Technologies. For the second consecutive year both generously donated 400 tubes of toothpaste and 400 tooth brushes for



In the Morristown/Hamblen County area tourism had a direct economic impact of **\$87.19 million**, generated **\$1.91 million** in local and **\$5.15 million** in state tax receipts. We rank # 20 in the state, and #5 in revenue generation in our 16 county middle east Tennessee region. That regional ranking is pretty impressive since the four counties ahead of us are Sevier, Knox, Blount, and Anderson.

So, what does all of this mean for us in Morristown and Hamblen County? Without tourists each Hamblen County household would pay **\$287.85 MORE** in state and local taxes. That's why we celebrate National Travel & Tourism Week each year.

the "Made in Morristown" gift packs that were given away at four Tennessee Welcome Centers. One-hundred visitors to the I-40/Cocke County, I-81/Bristol, I-26/Kingsport, and I-26/Erwin centers re-



The Chamber is so thankful for our supportive membership base. We recognize that our organization and our community benefit from the investment made by the 600+ businesses who see the value of a membership in the Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce. When you are seeking products or services, we encourage you to shop with those businesses who are members of the Chamber.



For your convenience, we are starting a series in the *Morristimes* that present our members in specific business categories. We are presenting the categories in random order and eventually will feature categories that will include all our members. Please refer to this list as you shop. You may find our full membership listing at our website, www.morristownchamber.com.

Advertising/Marketing/Public Relations

- Absolute Communications, Inc.
- Advertising Expressions
- Chocklett Press, Inc.
- ★ Citizen Tribune
- ★ Elevation Outdoor Advertising LLC
- FiberNet
- Lamar Advertising
- Masengill Marketing Associates
- Morristown Signs
- VIA Media TV
- WCRK-AM 1150/WMTN– AM 1300

Bakeries

- Food City #602
- Food City #607
- Food City #646
- Rich Products Corp.
- Yummy Cakes & More

Equipment Rentals

- A-1 Equipment Rental
- All Occasion Party Rentals
- Grand Rental Station
- Rothchild Catering & Event Rentals
- Volunteer Party Rentals
- Wedding & Party Rentals

Veterinarians

- Morristown Animal Hospital, P.C.
- Moyers Veterinary Hospital

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LUNCH & LEARN

Hosted by King University

Monday, May 16 at 12:00 p.m.
Morristown Chamber Board Room

“The Value of an MBA”
presented by Dr. Randall Blevins
and Dr. Jerry Wood

Lunch catered by Redbud Deli! \$15 per person.

RSVP by phone at 423.586.6382 or
email macc@morristownchamber.com.



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For more information, contact the King University office at Southwest Virginia Community College, 309 College Road, Richlands, VA 24641.

Membership Breakfast



DATE: Thursday, May 19, 2016

TIME: 7:30 a.m.

LOCATION: 908 W. Fourth North St.

MHHS Invites us to attend and see their new changes!

DIRECTIONS: Enter through the main entrance next to the Emergency Room. Staff will be on hand to direct you to the event.



Please RSVP to:

macc@morristownchamber.com

Or Call: 423-586-6382

Welcome New Members!

Civis Bank

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Knoxville, TN 37902
Phone: 865-329-8914
Fax: 423-293-7129

www.civisbank.com

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*All Banking Products & Services
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Collegewood Apartments

1955 Collegewood Drive
Morristown, TN 37813
Phone: 423-581-1238
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www.collegewoodapts.com

Ms. Rhonda Krenzer, Owner
Ms. Amber Decker, Accounting & Admin.
*Apartment Rentals
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Morristown, TN 37814
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Computer Repair*

Patient's Clinic

1532 West Andrew Johnson Hwy.
Morristown, TN 37814
Phone: 423-353-1175
Fax: 423-353-1177

www.patientsclinicinc.com

Dr. Suresh K. Nekuri, Physician
Mr. Casey L. Johnson Physician Asst.
*Internal Medicine
Healthcare Services*

And

Patient's Clinic—East

2104 East Andrew Johnson Hwy.
Morristown, TN 37814
Phone: 423-353-1175

Summit Medical Group

1907 W. Morris Blvd., Suite A200
Morristown, TN 37813
Phone: 423-625-7777

www.summitmedical.com

Ms. Amy Courtney, Administrator
Ms. Joy Fraser, Assistant
*Physicians/Pediatrics/ Orthopedics
Family Practice
Sleep Services*

The Corner

2800 W. Andrew Johnson Hwy.
Morristown, TN 37814
Phone: 423-616-0160
Mr. Jack Horner, Owner

Retail Store

Tennessee Small Business Development Center (TSBDC)

TSBDC at ETSU Kingsport Affiliate Office
400 Clinchfield St., Suite 100
Kingsport, TN 37660
Phone: 423-392-8825

Fax: 423-392-8834

www.tsbdc.org

Ms. Aundrea Wilcox, Sr. Bus. Counselor
*Business Consultant
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YOUR CLIENT/CUSTOMER/SUPPLIER'S NAME HERE

If you know someone whose name should appear in this listing next month, please let us know.

Call Pat Seaver

Director of Sales and Marketing

(423) 586-6382

membership@morristownchamber.com

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Support the businesses who support our community through their Chamber investment. Don't forget to use our on line Membership Directory at www.morristownchamber.com

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May
Ambassador of the Month!



Sherrie Myatt
The Tennessee Credit Union

Congratulations

1st QTR.
Ambassador of the Quarter!



Jerry Sullivan
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Featured Gold Star Members

The Chamber boasts over 40 member businesses designated as Gold Star Members. Each month we are proud to feature, on a rotating basis, three of these special investors in our Chamber!



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The Gold Star designation is for members who support the Mission and Program of Work of the Chamber through increased financial investment. Gold Star Members receive special recognitions and benefits throughout the year in return for their increased investment.

If your company would like more information on becoming a Gold Star Member, please contact Pat Seaver, 423.586.6382 or membership@morristownchamber.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Friday, May 6 Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting — Value RX Pharmacy 6161 W. Andrew Johnson Hwy.	11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 10 Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting — 1st Franklin Financial 1115 East Morris Blvd. (In Popkin Towne Center)	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11 Ribbon Cutting — Home Instead Senior Care 2412 West Andrew Johnson Hwy., Suite E (In The Gardens)	12 Noon
Thursday, May 12 Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting — The Corner 2800 West Andrew Johnson Hwy.	10:00 a.m.
Monday, May 16 Lunch & Learn—The Value of an MBA, Presented by King University Chamber Boardroom	12 Noon
Wednesday, May 18 Ribbon Cutting — Career Professionals 602 N. Jackson Street	1:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 19 Membership Breakfast — Hosted by Morristown Hamblen Health Care System 908 W. Fourth North Street	7:30 a.m.
Friday, May 20 Ribbon Cutting — Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union 4310 Winkler Ave. (Across from Wal-Mart at Merchants Greene)	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 24 Ribbon Cutting — Moyers Veterinary Hospital PLLC 2309 West Andrew Johnson Hwy.	1:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 26 Ribbon Cutting — Patient's Clinic 1532 West Andrew Johnson Highway	9:00 a.m.
Monday, May 30 Chamber Office closed in observance of Memorial Day	
Tuesday, June 7 Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting — Summit Medical Group 1907 West Morris Blvd., Suite A200 (In Bartlett Place)	2:00 p.m.