

# Morristines

July E-Newsletter

Over a Century of Service!

#### Saying "Goodbye and Best Wishes to Rogie

On Thursday, June 29, the Chamber staff celebrated Rogie Bebber, our longtime Customer Service Specialist who retired on June 16. For the last 11 years, she has served as the "front door" to the community, assisting visitors, Chamber members and fellow staff in many capacities. We have enjoyed having Rogie as a mem-



ber of our team and we wish her much happiness in her retirement.



Meeting Reminder
NO MEETING IN JULY!

See you in August! Have a Happy Summer!



### From the President's Desk --Marshall Ramsey

#### **Our Farmers Market is Flourishing**

As the summer season ramps up, the Farmers Market in Downtown Morristown is in full bloom.

It is always interesting to hear the individuals early in the year questioning where all the farmers and produce are, and maybe they didn't grow up in East Tennessee so we have to explain that crops don't magically appear the first week in May and last until October. Different items grow at different times of the year, and while we all want fresh produce available every day, a big part of farming is actually picking the produce and working the field. We are very much "on demand" society and while that is fine with most everyday items, if you prefer locally grown produce, the wait is worth it!

Our market requires a certain percentage of products to be locally grown on the farming side and also includes homemade baked goods, meats and crafts. I love stopping by our market on a Saturday and seeing the variety of offerings. This year the market is at capacity with farmers, bakers and artisans occupying all 25 of the available spaces.

Now with HOLA Lakeway's Tianguis Market in the evenings on the 3rd Friday of each month, it allows us to have even more diverse offerings in Morristown at the Farmers Market! I encourage you to check it out





## Leadership Morristown 2023 Save These Dates!

Wednesday, August 9
Team Building/DISC Profile

Wednesday, August 23/Thursday, August 24
Public Safety & Local Government

Thursday, September 7
Social Services

Thursday, September 21
Education Day-1

Thursday, September 26
Arts & Recreation

Thursday, October 5
Education Day-2

Wednesday, October 25
Business & Industry
Economic Development

Thursday, November 9
HealthCare &
Senior Services

Wednesday, November 15
Public Infrastructure

Thursday, January 18, 2024
Graduation
Chamber Annual Meeting

Make-Up/Extra Credit Sessions will be scheduled as needed.

You are invited to be a part of Chamber's Leadership the Morristown program, designed to familiarize the participants with various aspects of life in community, introduce them to those individuals and organizations responsible for "making things happen", and provide some personal development training. Session dates and topics are listed be-A more complete description of the activities included in each session is on the reverse side of this flyer. We hope you'll join us!



#### Leadership Morristown 2023 Schedule & Program Outline\*

**Wednesday, August 9**— Team Building/DISC Profile (personality assessment tool)—at Walters State Community College. Begins with an 7:30 a.m. Chamber Membership Breakfast.

Wednesday, August 23/Thursday August 24—This session will include a tour and update on the Hamblen County jail project, and updates on public safety initiatives/capital projects of the City on Wednesday; Thursday will include review of the county commission agenda and issues and attendance at a meeting (this day will be 3 p.m.—6 p.m. only)

**Thursday, September 7**—Participants will begin the day by attending the annual United Way Kick Off Breakfast. They will spend the day visiting a number of non-profit social service agencies in our area and learning about their activities and the services they provide.

Thursday, September 21 & / Thursday, October 5—Focusing on education, the group will visit local public and private schools and learn about Pre-K—12 education. They will also hear about higher education options, including TCAT and WSCC and the role they play in developing our workforce.

Thursday, September 26—This session will familiarize participants with arts & recreational opportunities available in our community. The group will visit some of our parks and recreational options and get a first hand look at what's happening with the arts in our community. Class participation will be a TREAT!

Wednesday, October 25—Participants will start the day attending the Chamber Industrial Appreciation Breakfast, followed by a meeting with the Chamber's industrial recruiting team. The class will visit Downtown Morristown and learn about the economic impact of rehabilitation of historic buildings and it's impact on tourism. Tours several industries will also be a part of the day.

Thursday, November 9—This session will acquaint participants with some of the newest technology and services provided at our local hospital, and learn about services and health care options offered to our senior citizens.

Wednesday, November 15—The day will begin with a Chamber Membership Breakfast at Morristown Utilities and include the opportunity to learn about what goes on behind the scenes with the infrastructure that makes our community run smoothly. The day will include tours and information on utilities, public works, transportation services and our public library.

**Thursday, January 18, 2024**—GRADUATION at the Chamber Annual Meeting. Complimentary tickets for each graduate and their spouse/guest will be provided.

Most sessions will be held between 8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Times are subject to adjustment—participants will receive e-mail notification at least 1 week prior to each session. Exact program content may be subject to change. Additional opportunities may be available as the class progresses. Participants should not miss more than 2 sessions in order to graduate from the program. Tuition is \$750 per person; \$675 for Gold-Star Members and \$425 for non-profit charitable organizations.

For more information, contact Debra Williams: manager@morristownchamber.com or 423-586-6382

<sup>\*</sup>Specific activities subject to change

## Membership Breakfast

in the R. Jack Fishman Library



**DATE:** Wednesday, August 9, 2023

**TIME:** 7:30 a.m.

**LOCATION:** R. Jack Fishman Library

Parking available at the Library

500 S. Davy Crockett Parkway



Please RSVP to macc@morristownchamber.com or call 423-586-6382

#### You are invited to CELEBRATE their

45th Anniversary with a

# Business After Hours



WHEN: Thursday, August 10, 2023

WHERE: 149 West Main Street

TIME: 5:00 P.M.



**RSVP** to

macc@morristownchamber.com

Or Call: 423-586-6382

### 2023 Business

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## **Showcase**



A Free Event Connecting Business and Community—60+ Vendors

First Presbyterian Church, 600 W. Main Street — 3:00 to 6:00 P.M.

Event Sponsorships Available —- \$350 (15 Available)

Vendor Booths Available --- \$195 & \$250

**6 Food Vendor Spaces Available** 

Contact Pat Seaver at the Chamber 423-586-6382

membership@morristownchamber.com

**SAVE THE DATE** — Thursday, September 14th

Watch for Registration forms in your email.

## Welcome New Members

#### **Acme Printing Inc.**

1100 East Main Street Morristown, TN 37814 Phone: 423-581-8528



www.acmeprintinginc.com

Cheri Bruce, Owner/President

Jim Bruce, Owner

Ann Hale, Outside Sales

Printing Signs

**Apparel** 

**Promotional Products** 

Mailing

#### Cheddars

4204 Roberts Lane Morristown, TN 37814 Phone: 423-200-3119

https://www.cheddars.com

Matthew Adams, Managing Partner LeAnn Peters, Services Manager

Restaurant

#### Cruze Farm

143 E. Main Street Morristown, TN 37814 Phone: 865-333-1265 www.CruzeFarm.com Colleen Bhatti, Owner

Kelsie Chandler, Oper. Manager

Ice Cream Restaurant Farm

#### **Granite of The Smokies LLC**

6688 W. Andrew Johnson

Talbott, TN 37877 Phone: 423-839-1331

https://graniteofthesmokies.com

Beverly Jones, Owner Granite, Quartz Marble & Tile

#### Sidney's Bark N Bath

2481 Brights Pike Morristown, TN 37814 Phone: 715-459-2545

www.facebook.com/sidneysbarknbath

Sidney Kropidlowski, Owner Pet Grooming

#### **STRONG Accountable Care Community**

303 Med Tech Pkwy., Suite 370

Johnson City, TN 37604 Phone: 423-302-3382

www.strongacc.org Mark Cruise, Director

Brittany Boles, Community Specialist Heather Logan, Community Specialist ACE, Trauma & Resilience Training

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Tennessee's Vital Signs

#### **Summit View Real Es-**

2000 Harbor Way Morristown, TN 37814

Phone: 615-556-4672

Real Estate

Real Estate Dev & Sales

Trent Nairn, Broker

#### **T-Mobile**

2550 E. Morris Blvd. Morristown, TN 37813 Phone: 865-973-0041

https://www.t-mobile.com

Chastity Hueser, Rural Market Mgr.

Cell Phones & Accessories

Cellular Services Phone Systems

Telephone Service Provider

#### YOUR NAME COULD BE

**LISTED HERE!** If you know of someone who should be a member of the Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce, please contact Pat Seaver, Director of Sales and Marketing at:

membership@morristownchamber.com or call 423-586-6382.



When you are Looking for a

www.morristownchamber.com

their Chamber investment.

# Congratulations! July

Ambassador of the Month



Rhonda Sams Crye\*Leike Premier Real Estate

# Congratulations! 2nd QTR.

Ambassador of the Quarter!



Rhonda Norris-Spencer GAINS Coaching & Consulting



#### **Featured Gold Star Members**



The Chamber boasts over 85 member businesses designated as Gold Star Members. Each month we are proud to feature, on a rotating basis, six of these special investors.



www.tufftorq.com



www.gemcareinc.com



www.usdiabetescare.com



https://jmt.com/vaughn-melton





www.southmarketinggroup.com

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 this 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, July 7 6:00—8:00 p.m.

75th Anniversary Morristown Hamblen Lions Club Celebration

& Ribbon Cutting — For Fred the Lion Fountain

Fred Miller Park

Friday, July 7 7:00—9:00 p.m.

1st Fridays Concert Series — "Tequila Mockingbird" & Night Market

Downtown Green/Farmers Market

Friday, July 28 8:30 a.m.

**New Member Orientation** 

Chamber Board Room, 825 W. First North St., Lower Level

Wednesday, August 9 7:30 p.m.

**Membership Breakfast** — Walters State Community College

Jack R. Fishman Library, 500 S. Davy Crockett Parkway

Thursday, August 10 5:00 p.m,.

Business After Hours — 45th Anniversary East Tennessee Diamond

149 West Main Street

We encourage you to reach out to us here at the Chamber if you need assistance 423-586-6382. <a href="https://www.morristownchamber.com">www.morristownchamber.com</a>

#### Aundrea Salyer, MBA Senior Business Counselor







EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY





#### **IMPACT**



- 207 loans obtained by TSBDC clients in 2022
- \$78,740,850 obtained in loans by TSBDC clients in 2022
- \$24,255,215 in SBA-backed loans obtained by clients in 2022