



Morristimes

December E-Newsletter

Over a Century of Service!

**Christmas
IN THE CITY**

DECEMBER 7 • 7:00PM

The Downtown Morristown Christmas Parade
A Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce event.



You're Invited

**Christmas
Open
House**

*Drop in on
Friday, December 15, 2023
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Upstairs at the Chamber*

Caroline Norris joined the Chamber team on December 1st as our Customer Service Specialist. She'll be on hand to greet you at the front desk or answer your telephone calls and e-mails. Caroline recently graduated from TCAT with a diploma in Multimedia Design. You may have met Caroline if you've visited Panther Creek State Park where she worked as an attendant at the Camp Store and receptionist. We are thrilled to have Caroline as part of our staff and hope you'll call or come by to meet her soon.



From the President's Desk

--Marshall Ramsey

How Are You Looking Forward to 2024?

Is Santa bringing your business prosperity going into the new year or coal?

This is a great time of year to look at your 2024 business outlook to determine your business's preparedness level looking ahead at a very uncertain future. Are you in a sector affected by government regulations? Is your business a high risk industry where insurance is on the rise? Are there tax strategies that your business could utilize to free up cash flow? Looking at new "social media" policies for your handbook? Website only got 3 views last months and one was from a spouse and the other 2 were parents trying to figure out what you do for work?

These are issues that many of our business face and the only red nose reindeer saving your day are other chamber members. Through our networking opportunities and membership directory, our community is filled with professionals that can assist with all of these issues. It is always easy to look at the next big community for those services, but remember, those people were trained in the same way, but their vision has been clouded with a higher cost of living and a higher cost of doing business which typically is passed on to you, the potential customer.

Morristown is filled with Rudolph's, so let them guide your business!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Online Citizen Survey Now Available

2023 Morristown Community Survey

It only takes a few moments to make a big difference!

Find online survey here:

bit.ly/Morristown2023

Participate in the annual online survey to voice your opinions about your community. Results from the survey help your local government make decisions for the future of Morristown.

Deadline to take online survey is December 11, 2023



Each year, the City of Morristown asks residents to participate in the National Citizen Survey. Results from the survey guide your local government in making decisions for the future of Morristown. Last month, paper copies of the survey were mailed to 6,000 random households in Morristown. If you did not receive a paper copy, but would still like to participate and voice your opinions, you can do so through the online survey at bit.ly/Morristown2023 or by visiting the City's website. Access to the online survey is available until December 11th. The more input the City receives from the public, the better it can understand and serve its residents. Participate in the survey and help make our community a better place.

The survey is administered by National Research Center, Inc. and includes questions about quality of life in the community, local policies, demographics, ratings of local government services and resident use of services.



Membership BREAKFAST

HOMETRUST BANK
Wednesday, December 6th | 7:30am
120 Evans Avenue

RSVP TO:

macc@morristownchamber.com
or 423-586-6382.



2023 Leadership Morrystown Class Conducting Peanut Butter Drive



Spread the Love Peanut Butter Drive



NOVEMBER 14- DECEMBER 14

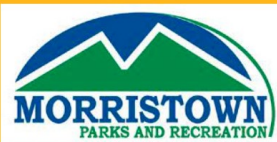
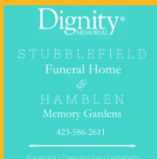
Support Central Services By Donating Unopened Jars of Peanut Butter



Central Services, Inc.
MORRISTOWN-HAMBLEN

A project of
Leadership Morrystown
2023

Drop Off Locations:



After their visit to Central Services as a part of Social Services Agency Day, the 2023 Leadership Class wanted to do something special to help out this busy and valuable organization. Class member Bre Hall came up with the idea of collecting food and Central Services director Ashley Hux requested peanut butter. All of the agencies who are drop off locations are businesses of participants in the Leadership class.



Central Services, Inc.
MORRISTOWN-HAMBLEN



(423) 586- 9431



mhcentralservices.org



**2023 Downtown Christmas Ornament On Sale Now
LIMITED SUPPLY! Get yours before they sell out!**

\$25 each/\$20 each for 5 or more

4 Reasons to Shop Local This Holiday Season

(PT. 3)

1

It's what makes 'home sweet home'

2

Encourages diversity.

3

You get better customer service locally.

4

Local businesses support nonprofits.

SEARCH "RETAIL" ON OUR [ONLINE DIRECTORY](#).





CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS MARKET

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH
MAIN STREET
5PM-8PM

Shop local and enjoy carolers, All Americano Coffee Truck, and Cookies.
\$1 off a beer at 1907 Brewing Company with proof of same-day Downtown purchase.



Welcome New Members!

Henson's Greater TN Flooring

3965 W Andrew Johnson
Hwy
Morristown, TN 37814
Phone: 865-558-8668
<https://www.greatertennessee.com/>
Michael Tenpenny, President
Flooring and Rugs

Up and Up Mobile Mental Health Clinic

At the Health Dept. on Tuesdays
Phone: 865-348-7718
<https://up-up.con.utk.edu/>
David Jackson, Project Manager
Mental Health Services

Superior Plumbing & Septic

124 Shepherd Cemetery Rd
Bulls Gap, TN 37711
Phone: 423-923-5039
[Facebook](#)
Ronald Bouse, President
Plumbing Service, Residential and Commercial

Rapid Dry Restoration

1158 Tom Treece Rd
Morristown, TN 37814
Phone: 423-225-2578
<https://www.rapiddrytn.com/>
Beau Austin, President
Lynn Byrd, Sales Manager
Fire, Smoke, Water Restoration

Morristown Hamblen Humane Society

5251 E Morris Blvd
Morristown, TN 37813
Phone: 423-581-1494
www.mh-humanesociety.com
Stephanie Garza, Executive Director
Animal Shelter

Morrison Real Estate

717 W Main St
Morristown, TN 37814
Phone: 423-273-5001
www.morrisontn.com
Will Morrison, Owner
Donna Thompson, Affiliate Broker
Commercial Real Estate

When you are Looking for a product or service

Don't forget to use our on line Membership Directory at www.morristownchamber.com

To support the businesses who support our community through their Chamber investment.

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 Lauren Stipes, Director of Sales and Marketing at: membership@morristownchamber.com or call 423-586-6382.



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This Holiday Season



Congratulations!
December

Ambassador of the Month



Tonya Hall
College Park Pharmacy

Congratulations!
3rd QTR.

Ambassador of the Quarter!



Lisa Grooms
Morristown Hamblen Lions Club



Featured Gold Star Members



The Chamber boasts over 100 member businesses designated as Gold Star Members. Each month we are proud to feature, on a rotating basis, these special investors.



www.planetfitness.com



www.burke-ailey.com



www.iatricmfg.com



www.citizentribune.com



www.ws.edu



www.ornlfcu.com



www.hcexcell.org



www.musfiber.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 Lauren Stipes, 423.586.6382 or membership@morristownchamber.com

Mark Your Calendars!

Tuesday, December 5th Ribbon Cutting—Rapid Dry Restoration 1158 Tom Treece Rd	4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 6th Membership Breakfast—HomeTrust Bank co-hosted with Covenant Health 120 Evans Avenue	7:30 a.m.
Thursday, December 7th Christmas Parade Main Street	7:00 p.m.
Friday, December 8th Ribbon Cutting—Diamond Property Group 2320 E Morris Blvd	9:00 a.m.
Friday, December 8th Candlelight Christmas Market Main Street	5:00—8:00 p.m.
Friday, December 15th Chamber Christmas Open House 825 W First N St—Upstairs	10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

We encourage you to reach out to us here at the Chamber if you need assistance 423-586-6382.
www.morristownchamber.com

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EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY



SMALL BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT CENTERS



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