



GRAINS & GRITS FESTIVAL

Southern Spirits & Gourmet Grub, Nov. 3

Tennessee whiskey has a rich history. It's so ingrained in the culture that Chris Stapleton even wrote a song about it, singing "you're as smooth as Tennessee whiskey." It's no wonder Grains & Grits, a Festival of southern spirits and gourmet grub that draws whiskey lovers from across the region, has grown in popularity. On November 3, 2018, the Festival returns to Townsend.

Grains & Grits, presented by Citizens National Bank, main focus is on whiskey, attracting distillers from across the state to celebrate the culture of whiskey, spirits and distilling. However, this year, the Festival introduces an added emphasis on food, highlighting the area's unique culinary offering and ensuring guests are satiated.

Set against the background of the Great Smoky Mountains at sunset, the event takes place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Townsend Visitors Center located at 7906 East Lamar Alexander Parkway in Townsend. With the growing popularity of the Festival, people are encouraged to purchase their tickets prior to the event. General admission tickets are \$65 in advance or \$75 the day of the event. More information and tickets are available at grainsandgritsFest.com.



Best of Blount Awards, Nov. 1

Honoring those individuals and businesses that give their time and resources to make the community stronger is the purpose of the Blount Partnership's Best of Blount Awards being held Nov. 1 at 6:30 p.m., at the Clayton Center For the Arts on the Maryville College campus. The guest speaker is former University of Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning.

Tickets for the program are on sale by calling the Clayton Center at 865-981-8590 or online at www.claytonartscenter.com.

New Members

We'd like to welcome new members to the Blount County Chamber of Commerce who joined since last month. If you are interested in joining or finding out more information, please call 865.983.2241 or go to www.BlountChamber.com

Lloyd's Electric Services
lloydselectricservice.com

Accident Fund Insurance
www.accidentfund.com

Blaze Pizza
www.blazepizza.com

Special Growers
www.facebook.com/specialgrowers

Qk4, Inc.
www.qk4.com

Rocky Park Farm
rockyparkfarm.com

Knoxville Ice Bears
www.knoxvilleicebears.com

Nothing Bundt Cakes
www.nothingbundtcakes.com/bakery/tn/knoxville

Jiffy Lube
www.jiffylube.com/locations/tn/maryville/3173

TechNav
www.technav.org

Pistol Creek Physical Therapy
www.facebook.com/pistolcreekphysicaltherapy

Old Number Eleven
www.oldnumbereleven.com

Restoration 1
www.restoration1.com

Just by joining, your membership fee is 85% tax deductible. In addition, you can use the website to post your events and news while offering deals and coupons to customers.

Blount Area Jobs

Are you looking for a job?

Are you looking for employees?

If you fall into either category, then you need to check out www.BlountAreaJobs.com.

The job board provided by the Blount County Chamber of Commerce has listings for part and full-time positions with area employers.

Additionally, access to the state of Tennessee's job board can also be found. There, you can create a profile and get notifications of jobs fitting your qualifications statewide.

Employers can post available positions to bring you the most qualified candidates.

www.BlountAreaJobs.com

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EVENTS CALENDAR

The events calendar on BlountChamber.com allows the community to post its events directly to gain added exposure. These are great opportunities to connect and network with potential customers. Visit our website to receive notices of events and meetings you would like to attend – BlountChamber.com.

OCTOBER

- 27 A Paranormal Event at Historic Ramsey House
- 27 Appalachian Bear Rescue 3rd Annual Bearly 5K Run/Walk
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- 28-31 Cathy Coulter at Townsend Visitors Center
- 31 Urgent Team - Ribbon Cutting
- 31 Friendsville's Boo in the City
- 31 Larry Burton and Lynn Monday at Townsend Visitor Center

NOVEMBER

- 1-2 Larry Burton and Lynn Monday at Townsend Visitor Center
- 1 Spirit of Good Neighbors Awards
- 3-5 Jan Kite Lynn at Townsend Visitors Center
- 3 Townsend Grains and Grits Festival
- 3 Families of the Forks with Historian Jan Dickens at Historic Ramsey House
- 3 Black Tie Blue Jeans Gala
- 6 Girls Inc Fundraising with Moe's
- 6-7 Sue Ann Tipton & Ken Justice at Townsend Visitors Center
- 6 Tennessee Memorials - Ribbon Cutting
- 6 Network Training Class - Raeus Cannon
- 7 Core Benefits & Investments Ladies Night
- 8 Maryville College Fall Career and Internship Fair
- 8-9 Barbara Dull & James Dull at Townsend Visitors Center
- 8 The Life and Music of Stephen Foster
- 8 Government Contracting
- 10 Theresa Godfrey at Townsend Visitors Center
- 10 2018 Foothills Holiday Craft Fair
- 12-14 Corinne Coley and Bill Saltz at Townsend Visitor Center
- 13 Girls Inc Fundraising with Moe's
- 14 Stewards of Children at First Baptist Church of Maryville
- 15 Coffee Club sponsored by Southpoint Risk - Blackwood Division
- 15-16 Audrey Cordle at Townsend Visitors Center
- 17-18 Rick Kratz at Townsend Visitors Center
- 18 Clayton Homes Turkey Trot for Education
- 19-23 Fred Weiser at Townsend Visitors Center
- 24 Small Business Saturday
- 24 H.O.M.E. For The Holidays at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center
- 26 Springbrook Splendor
- 27 Girls Inc Fundraising with Moe's
- 29 Festival of Trees at Blount County Courthouse
- 30 It's Your Career - Making Your Social Media Look Good

View more information on these events at www.BlountChamber.com

If you have any events you would like listed on our community calendar, click on *Event Submission* at www.BlountChamber.com

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