

## Get In The Mood For Fun, Food and Music

Tickets are now available for the 10th Annual Taste of Blount hosted by Blount County Chamber of Commerce and the City of Maryville. This popular event, held at a NEW LOCATION, the Theater in the Park in Maryville (across from the Blount County Courthouse), is set for Thursday, Sept. 22 from 6-8 p.m. Savory favorites from local restaurants, caterers, and gourmet grocers can be sampled by ticket holders. Live entertainment is provided by the 3CD Band ([www.3cdmusic.com](http://www.3cdmusic.com)).

Tickets can be purchased at the Blount Chamber, 201 S. Washington Street in Maryville or online at [www.blountchamber.com](http://www.blountchamber.com). Cost is \$25 for Chamber Members, \$30 for the general public and \$20 for students 17 years and under or college students with valid identification.

Attendees can vote for their favorite appetizer, main course, sandwich, dessert, beverage, presentation and overall winner.

In addition, Blount County Chamber's Volunteers in Progress (VIP) & Smoky Mountain Brewery present a Beer Garden & Wine tasting Thursday, Sept. 22 from 5-7 p.m., at Vision Engineering, 308 Cates St., Maryville.

Limited tickets for the Beer and Wine Tasting are now available at the Blount Chamber, 201 S. Washington Street in Maryville or can be purchased online at [www.blountchamber.com](http://www.blountchamber.com). Cost is \$15 for Chamber Members, \$20 for the general public. (Must be at least 21 years old to participate.)

Separate tickets are required for both events.

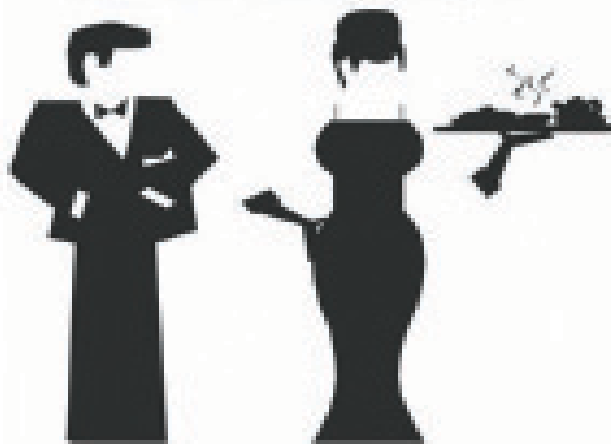
Also, employees of Chamber Members are eligible to purchase tickets at the discounted price.

Enjoy food and beverages from the following vendors: Bread of Heaven Catering, Chick-fil-A, El Sazon Mexicano Restaurant, Food City Maryville, Full Service BBQ, Honey Baked Ham, Jamaica Sunrise, Kroger Alcoa, Lemon Grass of Maryville, Lenny's Sub Shop, Marlin & Rays, Miss Lily's Café & Catering, Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, Panera Bread, Salsarita's Fresh Cantina, Silverspoon Express @ Maryville College, Sister Heart Sweets Bakery, Smoky Mountain Brewery, Something Savory, StoneHouse Pizza, The Miles Family 411 Restaurant, and Vienna Coffee.

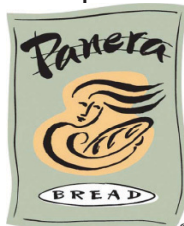
Soft Drinks will be provided by EZ Stop Food Marts. Water will be provided by Alcoa, Inc. Decorations will be provided by Out of Eden Garden Center. Media sponsors include The Daily Times, B97.5 and WIMZ 103.5.

## Taste of Blount County

Hosted by the Blount County Chamber of Commerce and the City of Maryville



### Event Sponsors:



## Mark Your Calendar

Your Chamber has great opportunities each month for members to connect and network with potential customers. The events and meetings below will be held at the Chamber unless otherwise noted. Visit our website to receive notices of events and meetings you would like to attend - [www.blountchamber.com](http://www.blountchamber.com), click on Chamber Calendar of Events. For more information, call 983-2241.

September 19, Noon	Women in Business
September 21, 11:45 a.m.	Ambassadors
September 22, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Small Business Counseling, 273-1207 for appointment
September 22, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Wine & Beer Tasting at Vision Engineering, 308 Cates St. Maryville
September 22, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Taste of Blount at Theater in the Park
September 23 & 24	Heritage Fall Festival and Old Timers Day in Townsend
September 27, 7:30 a.m.	Reference USA Workshop, RSVP 273-1207
September 28, 8:00 a.m.	"What's Happening in Your Backyard" Summer Series Presents City of Alcoa Briefing with City Manager, Mark Johnson, RSVP 273-1207
September 29, 7:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Coffee Club sponsored by Camellia Trace Apartments, 1201 Camellia Trace Dr., Maryville
September 29, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Small Business Counseling, 273-1207 for appointment
October 6, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Small Business Counseling, 273-1207 for appointment
October 13, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Small Business Counseling, 273-1207 for appointment
October 13, 3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Afternoon Mixer at Sam Houston School House, 3650 Old Sam Houston School Road, Maryville

To schedule a free small business counseling session or to make an appointment with a representative from the Tennessee Small Business Development Center call Vicky at 983-2241.

## New Members

### Always Buy Chamber - New Members

By joining the Blount Chamber, the following companies have made an important decision in their business. Use the ABC theory -- Always Buy Chamber. It's good business to do business with Chamber Members. Use them for your professional and personal needs. Find out more information on all 1300 plus Chamber Members online at [www.blountchamber.com](http://www.blountchamber.com), click on Business Directory.

AVON— Susan Lahrs—982-5366  
Skin Care, Make-Up and Giftables

Blount County Rescue Squad — Keith Sartin & Edward Wolff  
984-9315 — Organization

Bread of Heaven Catering\* —Michael Colquitt — 980-0117  
Restaurants/Catering (\*Denotes Catering)

Budget Blinds of Maryville — Sue Gerrish & Brad Gerrish  
982-5113 — Window Coverings

Camelot Care Centers, Inc.— Janet Davis & ChanteLeDage  
481-3972— Adoption Agency/Foster Care

Crown Point Consultants — Alan Baker — 414-0310  
Business Consultants/Government Proposals

Edward Jones — Todd Mills & Laurie Thayer — 982-2546  
Financial Planning/Investment Advisors

Mr. James R. Ferguson — 898-9860  
Individual

Hawkins Computer Services — Emmett Hawkins — 233-377  
Computer Repair, Software Development, Web Design/Hosting

Jamaica Sunrise\* — Cheryl Williams & Rocky Williams  
233-1065— Restaurants/Catering (\*Denotes Catering)

Mountain Highway Veterinary Hospital  
Megan Jones & Ryan Jones — 982-5554 — Veterinarian

Olive Garden Italian Restaurant\*— Dustin Burnette — 379-0224  
Restaurants/Catering (\*Denotes Catering)

Stone House Pizza — Mike Dunn & Duane Graves — 980-2999  
Restaurants/Catering (\*Denotes Catering)

## Chamber Briefs

### U.S. Dept. of State's van der Horst To Speak on Trade & Business

The Blount Partnership, along with the East Tennessee Economic Council and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of East Tennessee, are proud to announce that Natalie van der Horst, an Economic/Commercial Officer in the Office of Bilateral Trade Affairs, is scheduled to speak about the United States trade policy in Latin America Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. ET at the Blount County Chamber of Commerce located at 201 S. Washington St., Maryville, Tenn.

This open forum is geared towards the small business leaders in East Tennessee. Please RSVP to Kathy DeLozier at 865.983.2241 or [kdelozier@blountpartnership.com](mailto:kdelozier@blountpartnership.com)

### Blount Partnership and Blount County Library Host ReferenceUSA Workshop

The Blount Partnership and Blount County Public Library will host a ReferenceUSA workshop on Thursday, September 28th from 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. The event is free for chamber members and includes breakfast. You must register to attend at 983-2241 or email Kathy DeLozier at [kdelozier@blountpartnership.com](mailto:kdelozier@blountpartnership.com). Rick White with ReferenceUSA/InfoGroup will present the program.

ReferenceUSA is a product that can help with promoting a business. It is a database, accessible from any internet computer for free with a library card number through the Blount County Public Library website, [www.blountlibrary.org](http://www.blountlibrary.org).

### "What's Happening in Your Own Back Yard?" Summer Series Presents

Alcoa City Manager Mark Johnson will discuss priorities, budget challenges and their vision for the future for the community on Wednesday, September 28th, at 8:00 a.m. at the Blount County Chamber, 201 S. Washington Street, Maryville. The briefing provides an excellent opportunity to strengthen and build new partnerships between members of the business community and local government officials. RSVP to attend the briefing to Kathy DeLozier at 983-2241 or [kdelozier@blountchamber.com](mailto:kdelozier@blountchamber.com). There is no cost to attend for chamber members. Sponsored by Twin City Dealerships.

### Townsend Heritage Festival

Bring your lawn chair and enjoy a celebration of the traditional music, crafts, and heritage of Townsend, Blount County, and the Great Smoky Mountains on Friday, Sept. 23, and Sat., Sept. 24. For more information, visit [www.smokymountains.org](http://www.smokymountains.org).



Includes Blount County Chamber of Commerce, Smoky Mountain Convention and Visitors Bureau, Chamber Foundation and Blount County Economic Development Board

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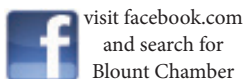
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