

## Cathy Robbins Takes Helm at BR Chamber

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The of economics and Blowing Rock, looking back and looking forward, was part of the vision through the eyes of new President of the Blowing Rock Chamber, Cathy Robbins of Tweetsie Railroad. Robbins follows in the steps of her husband's grandfather in the long history of the Robbins family with the chamber. She told the overflow crowd about the work of Grover Robbins not only instrumental in forming the chamber 80 years ago, but he started the first tourist attractions in the High Country, starting with The Blowing Rock. The theme for her year as president, 'collaborate.'

Among the awards at the Chamber's annual meeting, Ray and Melissa Pickett of Blowing Rock Inn were honored as business of the year, their business model honored, their personal chamber involvement cited even more.