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## August 2018 Newsletter

The Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce proudly serves the needs of the local business community and promotes tourism to our special community in the heart of Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. Our mission is to "serve our members by enhancing business and tourism throughout the entire county" and our vision is to "be the organization where our business community turns for leadership and business resources."

### Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 PM

Page County Movie Night: Coco. This month's movie will be held at the Hawksbill Recreation Park & Pool in Stanley thanks to the towns, county, and our amazing sponsors! Come early for the Resource Fair and enter to win the movie on DVD; the movie will start at sunset. Free popcorn, free drinks, and of course a free showing of the movie. Kids' activities include face painting, barrel train rides, bounce house, and balloon artistry. Bring your lawn chair or a blanket and enjoy the story of a young boy who dreams of being a musician and through a twist ends up in the colorful Land of the Dead. www.facebook.com/events/166844294159116

### Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:00 PM

Young Professionals. Ace your next interview by focusing on your natural strengths or genius. Come to the second of three meetings for 2018 and participate in a highly interactive workshop facilitated by leadership coach and author John Lesko. So the next time you're asked to "tell me about yourself," you'll have a winning strategy that's sure to illuminate your unique brilliance. Open to professionals between the ages of 21-39, join us at Castle Vineyards in Luray for the workshop and a bit of networking. Contact events@luraypage.com to reserve your seat by Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:00 PM

Business After Hours is at our new member. Rivercrest Farm and Event Center, 7384 East Point Road in Elkton with the Town of Shenandoah. Rivercrest is located across the Shenandoah River from the Town of Shenandoah. The co-hosts are the Town of Shenandoah, Shenandoah Heritage Center, and Shenandoah Industrial Corporation. Join us for light refreshments, good conversation, and lots of networking. Bring your business cards for networking and door prizes!

### Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 12:30-1:00 PM

Tourism Tuesday will cover the events happening on the Shenandoah National Park, including the Apple Butter Celebration in September. Helen Morton of Delaware North will be our guest for the show, so listen in to the River 95.3 to learn more about them and the upcoming events! If you are interested in being a guest, contact Katie at katie.long@luraypage.com.

#### Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2:00-4:00 PM

**SNP Tourism Community Workshop.** Do you interact with tourists in your job? Have you ever been stumped by a question about the Shenandoah National Park? Join the Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce and Shenandoah National Park at the Chamber and Visitor Center for a special workshop event to learn tips and helpful information about the park! Training will include insights about what tourists need to know about the park, basic orientation and resources for you to use, and a copy of the "Shenandoah Answer Book." RSVP to events@luraypage.com or (540) 743-3915 by Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>.

## **Chamber Events**

### **New Member Highlights**

#### Alzheimer's Association Central & Western Virginia Chapter

The Alzheimer's Association Central & Western Virginia Chapter serves 52 counties and cities around our area with the closest office in Harrisonburg. With a commitment "to advocating for the needs and rights of those facing Alzheimer's disease and advancing critical research toward methods of treatment, prevention and, ultimately, a cure," their vision is of a world without Alzheimer's disease.



Alzheimer's is "a type of dementia that causes problems with memory, thinking, and behavior" with symptoms developing slowly and worsening over time, enough to interfere with daily tasks. Symptoms include difficulty remembering newly learned information, disorientation, mood and behavior changes, confusion about events, unfounded suspicions about people close to them, and even difficulty speaking, swallowing, and walking. The disease causes nerve cell death and tissue loss in the brain, causing the brain to shrink dramatically over time.

The Central & Western Virginia Chapter assists with Walks to End Alzheimer's and provides online education programs and support groups for the area. In Virginia, more than 140,000 people 65 and older live with this disease and over 455,000 family and friends provide care for these men and women. Become part of the fight for continued awareness, education, and a cure; as the Alzheimer's Association states, "the first survivor of Alzheimer's is out there, but we won't get there without you." Contact Joni Runzo, the Development Manager, at jrunzo@alz.org or (434) 242-0846 for additional information.

#### **Audra Beers**

Audra Beers is a new patron to the Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce. Audra is currently pursuing real estate property for a child care center in Luray. The center will act as a daycare, head start, and more for children in the area. Audra owns and operates a center like this in Pennsylvania for several years and is looking at opening a new one here in Virginia. She fell in love with the community when she was visiting her aunt and has felt welcomed and at home since her arrival. She is using this time as a patron to network and support the business community as a patron and future business owner. You can reach Audra at mimismagicgarden@gmail.com.

#### Happy Mini Mart & Deli



Happy Mini Mart & Deli is owned and operated by Shova and Kamel Pokharel. Located at 822 East Main Street in Luray, the Pokharels opened their business in May 2018. A new experience for the couple, both of their parents owned small local grocery shops in Nepal when they were growing up and they bring that knowledge with them into this business venture. They are grateful for the support of a family friend who helped guide them as they worked to open the store.

Shova and Kamel wanted to be entrepreneurs and were looking for a business of their own to grow when they found the former Subway near Wrangler. A gas station and convenience store with a deli shop inside, they have a variety of merchandise and food items including sub sandwiches, pizza, hotdogs, and breakfast foods at reasonable prices. Their cold cases are stocked with beer, wines, and other cold beverages and they offer a selection of hot drinks as well. Additional merchandise for vacationers and locals looking to enjoy the outdoors includes fire logs, fishing materials, and swim tubes for the Shenandoah River.

They have plans to be a successful business and are looking forward to the support of the community and are looking to get involved in the social activities in the area. Future plans include selling additional food items, including Indian and Nepali lunch and dinner dishes. Stop by to meet the new owners and see what they have to offer at their store or contact them at kp2.usa@gmail.com or call (540) 669-5134 to welcome them.

#### **Massanutten Timeshares**

Massanutten Timeshares is managed by Vacation Village Timeshare, a company offering vacationers spacious, luxurious lodging at some of the most popular destinations in the United States.



Massanutten Timeshares is constantly developing and refining the timeshare program at McGaheysville's Massanutten Resort. Part of the four-season, year-round resort, they offer accommodations and extensive features for owners and guests. With over 2.218 comfortable, luxurious timeshare units sprinkled throughout the complex, their resales and rentals can accommodate up to 12 guests and offer everything from romantic getaways to larger villas and condos for family vacations. Moreover, the resort offers endless attractions and entertainment from the gigantic water park to golfing, skiing, and the on-site spa.

For owners, Massanutten Timeshares offers members the option to select a fixed or floating membership including rentals, resale, and advertising. For renters and buyers, Massanutten Timeshares can help you escape to the beauty of the mountains and outdoor recreation regularly or as a last-minute getaway. Check out the benefits for each or look for your next vacation at www.sellmytimesharenow.com/massanutten-timeshare, info@sellmytimesharenow.com, or (877) 815-4227.

#### **Old Wagon Ridge**



Old Wagon Ridge is a vacation rental property in Luray, VA. Sitting in the shadows of the Blue Ridge Mountains, they are located off an old fire road built by the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corp) in the 1930s. Surrounded by 6 acres of land and miles of private mountain roads for hiking and submersion into wildlife and nature, Old Wagon Ridge can sleep 2-8 people to accommodate couples, families, or small groups.

The cabin has a fully-equipped kitchen, including a microwave, coffee maker, toaster, blender, dishwasher, and even spices for use. Linens are provided for all 3 bedrooms, including the queen bed, 2 full beds, and twin bunkbeds. They are open year-round and offer beautiful mountain views during every season, including winter. They are pet friendly, so there's no need to leave your furry friend at home, and they have an assortment of movies, books, board games, and a Nintendo Wii with games to keep the whole family entertained and making memories during your stay. Outside you'll find a swing, picnic tables, table and chairs, fire pit with wood provided, a charcoal grill, and a small herb garden. Peruse their pictures and find out more at www.allstarlodging.com/vacation-rental-home.asp?PageDataID=128515, edverwood@gmail.com, or (540) 743-3225.

### **Member Spotlight**

#### **Shen-Paco Industries, Inc.**

Shen-Paco Industries is a non-profit vocational agency serving the disabled and business industry. They provide developmental, educational, vocational, and rehabilitative services to adults with disabilities in Page and Shenandoah County. Established in 1974 as the Shenandoah County Sheltered Workshop, Inc., they changed the name to Shen-Paco Industries, Inc. in 1976. The second facility opened in Luray in 1984 to serve Page County and a new facility was built in July 1999 to replace the old.

Their mission is to "provide an array of services to people with disabilities focusing on education, development, vocational training, employment and residential services." They serve approximately 100 adults within both facilities and approximately 40 adults through their Supported Employment program, which "places individuals in competitive employment in the community." Find out about their services, how they can help you, and more on their website, www.shenpaco.com, or by contacting them at chubbell@shenpaco.com or (540) 743-4761.

### Advertising in Our Newsletter

The Luray-Page Chamber of Commerce is offering all members the opportunity to advertise your events in our newsletter. The newsletter will be sent out to our 420+ members in addition to state and local government officials.

Deadline for submissions is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the newsletter release. For instance, the next newsletter will be released before the 1<sup>st</sup> of September, so all ads must be submitted to Katie Long at katie.long@luraypage.com by August 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Member Benefits**

**Refer a New Member** – Get \$50.00 off your next membership renewal fee when you refer someone for their Chamber membership. The new member must identify you as their referral when filling out their member application. New members must not have held a Chamber membership with us within the last three years.

Member to Member Discount Program – This program is strictly between Chamber members. We encourage members to do business with other Chamber members. As an incentive, many local businesses offer discounts to Chamber members. Take advantage of these great opportunities and say "thank you" for supporting the Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce. If you are interested in updating your discount or offering a new discount, contact Katie at katie.long@luraypage.com or (540) 743-3915.

> \*This month we encourage you to reach out to Khimaira WebHosting Solutions for a 15% discount on web hosting packages for Chamber members!\*

**Chamber Hot Deals** – By using Hot Deals through the Chamber, you are able to take advantage of the over 50,000 annual Chamber website visits. Hot Deals' participants have a special listing on the Hot Deals' webpage of the website. Chamber members, the community, and visitors have the ability, 24/7, to click on your Hot Deals, print them, or email them to a friend to expand your potential reach. Your Hot Deals can be shared on Facebook and Twitter too! This is free, interactive advertising. Hot Deals can help you generate business by encouraging people to visit your place. If you would like to offer your own Hot Deals, please send your information to Katie at katie.long@luraypage.com; include a description of the deal and the dates the deal is valid.

Job Postings – Do you struggle to get your "Help Wanted" needs out to the public? We can help! Our benefits include the ability for you to advertise your job availabilities for free on our website. We want to help you find employees, so contact Katie at katie.long@luraypage.com to add your job opportunities to our list.



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A Page County School Bus, with driver, will be on site, ready to be filled with school supplies, which will be delivered to our Page County Schools for children in need.

Get your club, church, friends, and co-workers to <u>donate</u> <u>school supplies</u>, <u>volunteer to help</u>, or <u>make a monetary</u> <u>donation</u> to support the need.

<u>Contact Information:</u> Page One – Lois Shaffer, Director of Operations, 540-448-8480 Page One Managers – Patsy & Francis 540-743-4357 Tina Wood – 540-433-9101



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Don't miss your opportunity to participate! If you are planning on volunteering, make sure you are registered by August 10th to get your requested t-shirt size!

## **VOLUNTEER:**

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DAY OF CARING

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