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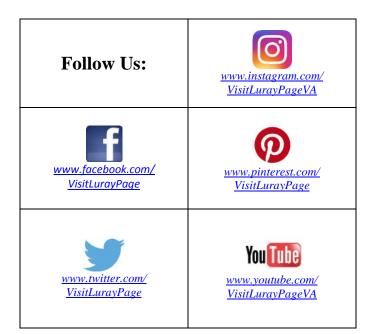
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#### February 2019 Newsletter

The Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce's mission is to serve our members by promoting and supporting business and tourism throughout Page County. The Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce's vision is to be the organization where our business community turns for leadership and resources.

#### **Chamber Events**

#### Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-9:30 AM

LeadShare. An active, structured program for providing and receiving business referrals through personal advertising/networking; this group requires regular meetings, so serious participants are encouraged to attend. The meetings are every-other Tuesday from 8:00-9:30 AM in the Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center Board Room. Join our Chairwoman, Leslie Currle of ALCOVA Mortgage, as this group continues to grow and learn the benefits of direct leads from other business people in our community.

#### Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

**Young Professionals: Side Hustles.** Now-a-days, everyone has at least one extra job, idea, or way to earn a little extra money outside of their full-time job. Join our Young Professionals (ages 21-39) at the Chamber to talk about what you're doing, learn more about Etsy and EBay from Alesia Painter, owner of The Country Gal, and more. A sandwich lunch will be provided by Gathering Grounds for \$10.00. RSVP to <a href="mailto:events@luraypage.com">events@luraypage.com</a> by Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup> to save your seat.

#### Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-1:00 PM

*Valley Business Today* will feature Fred Combs, D.O.O., and Michael Combs of Hearing at Home to discuss their mobile hearing center. Listen in to 95.3 The River to learn more and contact Gina at <a href="mailto:gina.hilliard@luraypage.com">gina.hilliard@luraypage.com</a> to be a guest.

#### Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:00 PM

Business Seminar: Get Found on Google Search and Maps. Explore Google My Business, a free tool for local businesses who want to connect with customers on Google Search and Maps. Get hands-on help creating or updating your listing and take advantage of a free website. This webinar will be held in the L-PCCC Board Room, register through <a href="http://bit.ly/2FIyOmR">http://bit.ly/2FIyOmR</a> to reserve your seat.

#### Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-1:00 PM

**Tourism Tuesday**. We will sit down with Lisa Smith, owner of Compass Tea Room in Luray to talk about this new business, the clothing, tea, jewelry, and more lining her shelves. Listen in to 95.3 The River to learn more and contact Katie at <a href="mailto:katie.long@luraypage.com">katie.long@luraypage.com</a> to be a guest.

#### Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 1:30-5:00 PM

*Job Fair & Non-Profit Expo.* This event is hosted by the Chamber and with our event sponsor: Syntelligent Analytic Solutions, LLC. We've joined with Page County Technical Center and Page County Public Schools at Luray High School to support students and members of the community as they look for jobs and volunteer opportunities. Learn more about the event, how to become a vendor, and more at <a href="www.visitluraypage.com/chamber/chamber-events/job-fair-non-profit-expo">www.visitluraypage.com/chamber/chamber-events/job-fair-non-profit-expo</a>.

#### Thursday, February 21st, 5:30-7:00 PM

**Business After Hours.** Join us at Copper Fox Distillery (9 River Lane, Sperryville) to visit where it all started for this growing business and network with some businesses across the mountain. Come enjoy light refreshments, a tour, and get to know more about Copper Fox.

#### **Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:00 PM**

8<sup>th</sup> Annual Wedding Forum. Hosted by the Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce at The Valley Cork. Come mix and mingle with other businesses in the wedding industry in and around Page County! This open forum is a round-table discussion, so bring topics, ideas, and concerns to discuss with the group. RSVP by Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> to events@luraypage.com to ensure adequate seating. Light refreshments will be served.

#### **Member Spotlight**

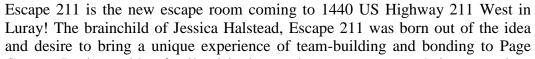
#### **Luray Country Cabins, LLC**



Luray Country Cabins offers exclusive cabin vacation rentals in the Shenandoah Valley just outside of the Town of Luray. Located in Luray, they are just a short drive from to local shopping, attractions, and activities. Their rustic cabins offer guests a place to put up their feet and experience nature with all of the modern conveniences of home.

Their cabins include: Deer Country Cabin, Country Time Cabin, and Bear Oaks Cabin and sleep up to 10 guests. All three cabins have full working kitchens with dishwashers, satellite TV, a Jacuzzi for two, a gas log fireplace, charcoal BBQ grill, picnic tables, and more. Deer Country Cabins sleeps 8-10 with 2 bedrooms of Queen beds and a loft with 2 futons, sleeper sofa and has a screened back porch, video library, and board games. Country Time Cabin sleeps 6 with 2 bedrooms of Queen beds and a sleeper sofa and has an outdoor fire pit, hot tub, video library, and board games. Bear Oaks Cabin sleeps 6 with 2 bedrooms of Queen beds and a futon and has an outdoor fire pit, hot tub, and board games. Look through photos and check availability at <a href="https://www.luraycountrycabins.com">www.luraycountrycabins.com</a>.

#### New Member Highlights Escape 211





County. Jessica and her family visited several escape rooms on their own and each left a lasting impression and fueled the desire to bring the experience to Luray.

Escape rooms are set up and designed as an interactive activity where teams work together to make a series of clues, puzzles, and problem-solving activities make sense to unlock the room. Escape 211's goal is to provide a variety of rooms promoting group cooperation, problem-solving, and communication. Together, these teambuilding activities highlight and promote participants' strengths. More importantly though, escape rooms provide an alternative activity to the outdoors and are great experiences for locals and tourists year-round.

Escape 211 will be open Wednesday through Sunday from 10:00 AM-10:00 PM with hours subject to change seasonally. They will be opening with 2 locally-themed rooms with plans to open a third shortly thereafter. They will be changing the themes regularly once they are up and running to keep guests returning time and time again. Keep up with their renovation progress on their Facebook, <a href="www.facebook.com/escape211">www.facebook.com/escape211</a>, and get ready to book your own experience at (540) 843-4427 and <a href="escape211@211entertainment.com">escape211@211entertainment.com</a>.

#### **Green Hill Cemetery Association**



The Green Hill Cemetery Association was originally established in 1896 and tasked with managing the Green Hill Cemetery, at 202 East Main Street in Luray, after the deaths of the cemetery owners, Daniel Fagan and his wife. Trustees were appointed by the Page County Court for life to handle the upkeep of the cemetery, originally established in 1877. Green Hill is laid out in a Victorian Garden Cemetery design to encourage people to come and visit amongst the walking paths, trees, and monuments.

The 9 Trustees of the Association have formed committees to help with funraising, historical research, genealogy research, and grounds maintenance. Green Hill Cemetery is home to 1600+ tombstones dating from 1810 to 2017 with most of the burials occurring between 1877 and 1927. There are over 95 Civil War veterans from both sides buried there, along with veterans from the Mexican border war to the Vietnam War. The stories of the lives of the interred at Green Hill give one a real history of Luray during the post-Civil War boom.

There are 15 active volunteers and the Friends of Geen Hill are eager to grow! Currently, the volunteers are in the midst of restoring broken tombstones, gathering family stories for a digital database and a hard collection for the Page Library, planning future education events on-site, seeking volunteers for our Adopt-a-Plot program, and beginning a fundraising campaign to help with annual maintenance and special projects. They are working to return the cemetery to its glory to be recognized as an important historic and tourism asset to the Town of Luray. If you're interested in assisting with their mission, feel free to join them on the second Friday of the month at 11:00 AM and keep up with their progress on their Facebook page, www.facebook.com/groups/1914689218824652.



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# JOB FAIR & NON-PROFIT EXPO

Wednesday, February 20th

Luray High School 243 Bulldog Drive, Luray, VA 22825

#### Vendor Information

- · L-PCCC will furnish one 6ft table and two chairs.
- Set-up will begin at 1:00 pm, 30 minutes prior to the event's start, at Luray High School (243 Bulldog Drive, Luray).
- Spaces are pre-assigned. Upon entering the event, you will be directed to your space.
- Your booth should remain open for the entirety of the advertised

Business/Organization Name:
Contact Name:
Contact Number:
Email Address:
Other Notes (need electricity, etc.):
☐ We will be attending the Job Fair & Non-Profit Expo on

Wednesday, February 20th from 1:30-5:00 pm.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return agreements by Friday, February 15th to ensure your business/organization receives a booth space.

Return to: 18 Campbell Street, Luray, events@luraypage.com, or by Fax to (540) 743-3944.















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Wednesday, February 20th 1:30-5:00 pm

# Luray High School 243 Bulldog Drive, Luray, VA 22825

- Open to Page County and the surrounding communities.
- Employers from various industries including: tourism, manufacturing food service, etc.
- Full-time, part-time, seasonal, internship, and apprentice positions.
- Candidates of all ages, experience levels, & industries are encouraged to attend.
- Remember 1st impressions are important. Dress professionally.
- Come prepared with multiple resumes.
- Be prepared for day-of interviews.
- Non-profits are looking for volunteers.
- Visit the website to view participating businesses and organizations:
   www.visitluraypage.com/chamber/chamber-events/job-fair-non-profit-expo



For more information contact (540) 743-3915 or events@luraypage.com





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# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Wedding Open Forum

### Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Looking to strategically advance your business with innovative ideas and partnerships? This forum will bring together the best wedding professionals in and around Page County. The intimate atmosphere allows for a free exchange of ideas as well as the chance to make lasting connections with peers in the wedding industry. You will leave with innovative ideas and long-lasting partnerships. It's about connection and community, not competition. Come with questions and discussion topics and ready to hand out business cards and network.



Join Us

5:00-7:00 PM at The Valley Cork

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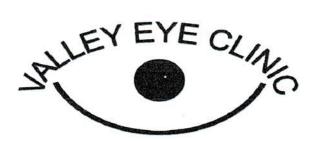
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