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**March 2021 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**

**Wednesday, March 3rd, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM**

**Virtual 411 Orientation.** New Chamber members from December, January, and February are invited to join our Virtual 411 Orientation. Our 411 Orientation offers an in-depth review of membership benefits, gives a chance to have your membership questions answered, talk about your business, and network with other new members. RSVP to events@luraypage.com by Tuesday, March 2nd. Register in advance for this webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SMX6iMKER8OgY8nUBXIi1Q>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Thursday, March 11th, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM**

**Virtual Lunch N' Learn.** Sharon Booker, manager of H&R Block, along with Senior Tax Advisor Laurie McKenzie, will join us for this month's Lunch N' Learn. Deduction, Credits, & COVID: 2020 Tax returns. Answering your questions about individual and business tax returns.Register in advance for this webinar:<https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_s_B2JzIGT5eCQXkNqqHFoQ>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Sunday, March 14th-20th**

**Page County Restaurant Week.** Page County area restaurants and local foodies join together to celebrate the Third Annual Page County Restaurant Week. Participating restaurants will feature specials and menu favorites, and some new and unique choices. Want to win a gift certificate to a restaurant in Page County? Follow these rules: Eat at your favorite restaurant in Page County starting Friday, February 19th-March 13th, email a copy of your receipt, or guest check to [events@luraypage.com](mailto:events@luraypage.com) to be entered into a gift certificate on us! Prizes will be gift certificates to restaurants with the most receipts received. Restrictions apply. For more information, visit [www.dineoutpagecountyva.com](http://www.dineoutpagecountyva.com), or contact (540) 743-3915 or [events@luraypage.com](mailto:events@luraypage.com).

**Tuesday, March 17th, 12:00-12:30 PM**

**Tourism Tuesday Radio Show: Copper Fox Distillery.** Cheryl Targos, with Copper Fox Distillery, is joining Edie Emmons to share information on their Distillery. Listen in to the River 95.3 or <https://theriver953.com/podcasts/the-valley-today/> to hear about Copper Fox Distillery and all they have to offer. To be a future guest on the Tourism Tuesday Radio Show, contact Edie Emmons at [edie.emmons@luraypage.com](mailto:edie.emmons@luraypage.com).

**New Member Highlights**

**Nesbitt Realty**

**Nesbitt Realty,** 1451 Belle Haven Road Suite 222, Alexandria, is a family-run estate brokerage serving the Shenandoah Valley and Northern Virginia. After years of being a leading member of a dotcom technology team, Will Nesbitt bought the office of retiring broker, River Towers in New Alexandria. What became Nesbitt Realty, Will began to build a web-based hub of real estate information to provide buyers, sellers, renters, and landlords an easy and user-friendly way to exchange information. Once they established their web-based hub, business took off, and they added some more family to the team, allowing them to help more customers. In 2020, Will and his wife Julie returned to the Valley they grew up in, purchased a home in Luray, Va, and expanded their service area to the Shenandoah Valley. For the past 35 years, Nesbitt Realty has helped buyers, sellers, renters, and landlords achieve their real estate goals.  Nearly half of Nesbitt Realty's income is from property management. To learn more, visit their website, <https://nesbittrealty.com/>, send an email to [will@nesbittontheweb.com](file:///\\CHAMBERDC1\Tourism\Staff\Edie%20Emmons\Chamber%20Writing\Newsletter\2021\February\will@nesbittontheweb.com), or call (703) 765-0300.

**Studio 31.13**

**Studio 31.13,** 12 East Main Street, Luray, is Luray's newest crafting studio. Opening this year, Studio 31.13 will allow the community to participate in craft projects, workshops, kits, and parties. In summer 2020, Christine Caldwell, who developed Studio 31.13, had the opportunity to transition out of a successful Human Resources career. Considering herself a crafter, she got the idea for a studio where others could learn techniques and skills to do crafts.

Christine started developing a business plan and vision for Studio 31.13 in November 2020 and working to open as soon as possible. The studio will be a crafting studio boutique that offers upscale, trendy, and unique craft projects, kits, workshops, and parties for all ages. With various experiences and crafts offered, they will help all who attend design and execute masterpieces while encouraging and celebrating creative freedom. To learn more about Studio 31.13, visit <https://www.facebook.com/luraystudio3113/>, email [luraystudio31.13@gmail.com](mailto:luraystudio31.13@gmail.com), or call (828) 577-0313.

**Help Us Welcome Our New Members**

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**Member Spotlight**

**Castle Vineyards**



**Castle Vineyards**, 2150 Mims Road, Luray, is a local vineyard that offers various wines from Barren Ridge Vineyards in Fishersville, VA. Castle Vineyard is a joint effort of Jeremy McCoy and his uncle, R. Steven Davis. Opening its doors in 2017, Castle has made a fun, laid-back environment for locals and visitors alike. With an option for indoor and outdoor seating, there is no shortage of areas to sit and enjoy the wine and entertainment they offer. Aside from wine tastings, they also provide the chance to hold special events on their property and accommodate 45 people. While they are catered more to adults, they have fun and games for the whole family to enjoy. For more information, visit their website, <https://castlevineyardsva.com/>, email [info@castlevineyardsva.com](mailto:info@castlevineyardsva.com), or call (571) 283-7150.

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**\*If you haven't already signed up for or gotten your COVID-19 vaccine yet, visit the Virginia Department of Health's new vaccine registration website. Getting both shots of the COVID-19 vaccine will help to slow the spread and is the best way to make sure that you keep yourself and others safe. You can register for your vaccine by visiting** [**https://vaccinate.virginia.gov/**](https://vaccinate.virginia.gov/)**.**

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