

August chamber advantage



The Pulse of Business in Culpeper

members in the news

Aging Together - 2023 Art of Aging Lifestyle & Wellness Expos Featuring different exhibitors at each with various resources for older adults, activities, health screenings, vaccinations, flower arranging, Carfit demo, document shredding & more. All free! No registration required. Just show up! Culpeper Site: Thursday October 26; 10am-1pm The Culpeper Field House (at The Sports Complex) 16388 Competition Drive, Culpeper (Sponsored by Culpeper County Parks and Recreation) Contact Aging Together for information about exhibiting, or to be a sponsor!

Leavitt Group recently awarded **Puffenbarger Insurance** with the "Agency Excellence Award" at Leavitt Group's annual conference. The annual conference was held in Anaheim, California, and included Leavitt Group's network of agencies from over 200 locations nationwide.

Home & Tack Organizing tip: Seasonal changes bring many people digging through their closets and dressers. If you have clothing that is packed tightly into your closet and/or drawers or you haven't gone through ALL of your clothing in a while take it all out and sort through it. Only keep items that fit you, you feel good in and are not stained or torn. When you put the items away keep like items together. For example, long sleeves together, short sleeves/sleeveless, pants, shorts, etc. (sorted rainbow or light to dark).

Courts Kitchen - hosted their first Tasting Kitchen and partnered with Mountain Run Winery to sample fall menu items.

Cleopatra Vaughn has made changes to their hours. They are now open Tuesday through Friday from 10 am - 5 pm and 10 am - 1 pm on Saturday.

Pelican Aircraft Consulting announced the opening of its new 10,000 square foot aircraft hangar facility located at 12539 Beverly Ford Road, Brandy Station, Virginia at the Culpeper Regional Airport. The hangar will provide space for corporate aircraft and personal aircraft owners seeking long-term, short-term, and transient aircraft storage.

Bo Kilby, Owner of **RW Kilby Wire and Water**, recently completed all his continuing education classes for his electrical, plumbing, and gas fitters tradesman licenses with the VA Department of Professional and Occupation Regulation. He also carries a Class A Contractors license. Congratulations Bo for keeping up to date with the current code regulations.

Aging Together's Dementia Friendly trainings in partnership with the **Culpeper Chamber of Commerce for Culpeper** businesses are brief (about 30 minute long) trainings which help owners and employees know how to effectively help and interact with customers who have dementia. Businesses that complete the training will also receive stickers that read "We are dementia friendly" and will be added to our directory of Dementia Friendly businesses.

Dr. Whitney Grespin of **Sloan Manor Consulting** has been awarded a Visiting Research Fellowship with King's College London at the United Kingdom's Defence Academy, where she will continue her professional military education scholarship on contingency contracting and security assistance to

partner nations across the globe.

Jason Ford, Democratic candidate Va. Senate District 28, will be the guest speaker at the **Culpeper County Democratic Committee** general membership meeting on Saturday, September 2, 9 a.m., at the Culpeper Library. All are welcome to learn and explore the candidate's vision and priorities for our community. Light refreshments.

SUMMERTIME HOMEWORK! This is a friendly reminder from **Kelley A. Pearson for School Board** to be sure to do your homework and research all the candidates on the ballot for the November 7th election! You are reminded that early in-person voting is from September 22 - November 4, 2023. Thank you in advance to all voters for your participation! Good Luck, Candidates!

Congratulations to Wayne Mason for 17 years work anniversary with **Faye's Office Supply**, as delivery person and sales rep.

VolTran Transportation Service offered a new wheelchair van training for a few drivers. They are expanding into Orange and Madison Counties.

Luckinbill Counseling - the name of the practice has changed. They are now officially called **Piedmont Counseling, PLLC**. You may slowly begin to see the transition in the community. The office on S. East Street will remain in its current location. They are also adding a second counseling location in Charlottesville which they anticipate will open October 2023. They are very excited about building their team and growing the practice.

Join **Girls on the Run Piedmont** for their season-ending celebratory 5K event and birthday bash! Doors open

member spotlight



Actikare is celebrating their 1 year anniversary! Personal transportation assistance that makes travel safe and convenient to doctors appts, dialysis or cancer treatments, pharmacy, grocery shopping, airport, school pick up/drop off and more.

at 12:30 pm, and the 5K starts at 2 pm. This 5K is an untimed, no-pressure celebration of healthy movement. Men, women, and kids of all ages are invited to come out to run this event. Whether it is your first 5K or your 50th 5K, you will have fun, be inspired and most importantly you will NOT FINISH LAST.

Habitat for Humanity of Culpeper County has unveiled their new website, culpeperhabitat.org

Pathways Inc - Is searching for reliable and trustworthy volunteers to join our organization. Volunteer opportunities are Computer/Technology Trainer, Career Coach and ESL Tutor. Flexible onsite and remote schedules. Pathways, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) Christian based nonprofit organization.

Would you like to learn more about the life of a volunteer firefighter? Join **Culpeper County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association** and VA Tractors for a special, free screening of the volunteer fire service documentary "Odd Hours, No Pay, Cool Hat" on September 10. Come meet your local Firefighters and EMT's. Then stick around for the movie and follow the inspiring journey of Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians from across the nation. Tickets are limited and on a first come, first served basis. Reserve your spot today.

The Cedar Mountain Battlefield Foundation - On October 1st, the Cedar Mountain Battlefield Foundation will host our first 5K and 10K run on



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battlefield trails, and on October 28th we will hold our annual Soldiers of Virginia commemoration. We recently increased our visitor center accessibility and are now open Saturdays and Sundays. Many volunteer opportunities are available.

Culpeper Food Closet offered in-person and online training to their volunteers, who now number over 70 with the addition of 11 new folks for this training. Divided into two teams, Procurement and Food Givers, these folks work to bring in, shelve, stock, and pack customer grocery bags for over 600 families each month. Last year they packed 3500 meals per week, currently that number is 4500 meals per week.

UVA Outpatient Imaging Culpeper - It is that time again to start our Annual Best for Breast Bra Auction to help raise awareness for Breast Cancer and remind our community how important Mammograms are for all.

GET INVOLVED! You or your group can

decorate a bra for the contest. Decorate the bra in any theme desired.

Wine & Design is excited to welcome two new team members to their staff as they gear up for the busy season this Fall! We'd like to introduce our new artists, Lindsey Reingruber and Sixx Bayne, both Culpeper natives with a passion for exploring art in many mediums and teaching others. Lindsey and Sixx will be teaching a variety of art classes to the community!

101 Latino Multiservice, LLC., an expansion project took third place award through Culpeper Competes, winning \$5,000. This grant will enable them to further their mission of providing essential services to the Latino community in Culpeper and enhance outreach efforts, expand educational workshops, and empowering individuals and businesses. They plan to allocate a portion of the funds to upgrading their technology infrastructure, including acquiring essential office equipment such as computers, printers, and software.

member spotlight



Dogwood Village would like to recognize Crystal Dudley Burton for her contributions as a volunteer. Crystal's family has been in the area for over 100 years. Crystal spent summers in Orange as she was growing up and later moved to Virginia full time to work with her father. Crystal married Sonny Burton last summer and they enjoy traveling whenever they can get away. Crystal's grandparents played a pivotal role in her life and were always an example of what true happiness looks like. They were active in their community and showed her how to treat others and care for those in need. She was introduced to the Gordon House and Dogwood Village as a young girl by her grandmother who was a volunteer. She would assist her as she spent time oil painting or doing wheelchair aerobics with the residents. Crystal loves visiting older adults, listening, and learning from them. She feels blessed to still have her grandmother around to spend time with and keep their legacy going by volunteering.

Upcoming events

Ribbon Cuttings

The Behavior Doc
Thursday, September 7, 4 pm
100 Saunders Street
Culpeper, VA

Culpeper Cheese Company
Wednesday, October 11, 5 pm
306 South Main Street
Culpeper, VA

Young Professionals Luncheon

Wednesday, September 6 at noon
Peppers Grill
791 Madison Road, Culpeper, VA

Young Professional Charity Crab Feast

Saturday, September 9, 4-7 pm
Mountain Run Winery
10753 Mountain Run Lake Rd
Culpeper, VA

Candidates Forums

Wednesday, October 4 & Thursday,
October 5, 6-8 pm
Germanna Daniel Technology Center
18121 Technology Drive
Culpeper, VA

109th Annual Meeting & Award Banquet

Thursday, November 2, 5:30-9 pm
Germanna Daniel Technology Center
18121 Technology Drive
Culpeper, VA

welcome new members

Habitat for Humanity of Culpeper County

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