

August chamber advantage



The Pulse of Business in Culpeper

members in the news

UVA Health Culpeper Medical Center is thrilled to share that we've earned the Get with the Guidelines – Rural Coronary Artery Disease STEMI Bronze award from the American Heart Association!

Windstar Technologies reminder: Your team is your biggest risk AND your best defense. Here's a stat no business owner wants to hear: 71% of employees knowingly did something risky online last year. Clicked a sketchy link. Reused a password. Shared credentials. Even after training. Mistakes happen; but one wrong click can cost you a fortune. That's why it's important for business owners to put systems in place to catch mistakes before they become disasters.

Dr. Nanette Graham, Associate Vice President for Health Sciences at

Germannna, has been selected as one of just 40 leaders nationwide for the prestigious 2025–26 Aspen Rising Presidents Fellowship, part of the Aspen Institute's College Excellence Program.

Acti-Kare Responsive In-Home Care & Personal Transportation Assistance: Cassandra Bradford has spent the past 12 years devoted to caring for others through her work with Acti-Kare Responsive In-Home Care. Known for her compassion and commitment, she has supported many clients through life's transitions. Now, Cassandra is taking on a new role as a police officer for Culpeper. As she moves forward, we're grateful for her service and excited to see her continue making a difference in our community.

Omas Creative Corner would like to announce our new member to our Store, Sabina Gonzales, who works in the store to help out and do our media. She is doing an excellent job! Also our updated business hours are Tuesday to Saturday from 11:30 am

until 6 pm and Sunday from 12pm until 4 pm.

Early's Carpet Inc. - Some of our team enjoyed a wonderful afternoon at the 2025 Fauquier Times Readers' Choice Awards Winner Luncheon at the beautiful Airlie Conference Center! We loved connecting with other amazing local businesses and taking a moment to celebrate being voted Best Carpet & Flooring Company — and of course, cheering on our very own Ebba, winner of Friendliest Front Office Staff! Thank you again to everyone who voted for us — you make moments like this possible!

The **Evergreens at Culpeper** has taken its first big step toward opening a luxury Assisted Living and Memory Care Home—purchasing 10 acres in southern Culpeper. While construction is still ahead, this milestone marks the beginning of creating a warm, home-like environment for seniors in our community.

Dogwood Village Member Spotlight: Kristen was raised in Spotsylvania and graduated from Christopher Newport University with a degree in Social Work. She has been married to her husband, Jason, for 20 years, and they have two children—Trenton and Campbell. Much of her time is spent driving her kids to and from activities and cheering them on at their sporting events. She also has two dogs, Cookie and Bailey. What she loves most about Dogwood is the family atmosphere—her coworkers have watched her family grow from the very beginning. She believes the staff truly care for the residents and love them like their own, and she wouldn't hesitate to bring a loved one to Dogwood."

A new nonprofit, **It Sucks Sometimes**, launched to support cancer patients in

Culpeper and nearby counties. Monthly support groups, care packages, and financial aid aim to foster connection and ease burdens. Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 6 PM at Elevate Co-work + Community. All diagnoses and genders are welcome.

Severe rain has caused flash flooding in southeast Wisconsin. More than 13,000 people reported property damage, and 20+ counties are under flood watch for expected heavy rainfall in the coming days. **Christ In Action** is sending an assessment team to meet in-person with emergency management, pastors and homeowners to formulate a *regional* response to meet needs from this disaster that is continuing to unfold.

The Northern Piedmont Community Foundation welcomes Wendy Nos-theide as our Executive Assistant and Tammy Buckalew as our Program and Communications Officer. Wendy joined our team in March and is already an indispensable part of the organization, and Tammy came on board in July, eager to share her energy and creativity with the team!

Rozwaduckie Design is celebrating one year in business with two award-winning projects: ChooseCulpeperFarms.com, which won IEDC's Gold Award and was a Best in Show finalist, and CulpeperVA250.com, which earned the Virgo Award for Best Comprehensive Advertising Campaign. Tony is grateful to have worked with amazing teams at **Culpeper Economic Development** and **Culpeper Tourism and Economic Development** on these impactful initiatives.

Refresh Kitchen recipe - Simple Tzatziki Dip: Creamy, tangy sauce to serve with chicken, flatbread, vegetables or your favorite salad. Stir to combine the following: Greek yogurt, grated English cucumber minced garlic, salt, squeeze of lemon juice and a drizzle of olive oil.

Brynmor at **Culpeper Baptist** invites families to our Touch a Truck event on Saturday, September 27, from 2–4 pm at 318 S. West Street, Culpeper. Children can climb aboard fire trucks, police cars, and construction vehicles while learning about the important jobs they do—a fun, hands-on community experience.

Somewhere between the beat of a drumstick and the hush of a deep breath, **Ducking Gravity** has found two new ways to move. Pound Fitness and Yoga are at the studio. Combined with aerials, we are reshaping how Culpeper stretches, sweats, and shows up. Defying gravity is one thing, grounding yourself is quite another, and finding them both in one place is something else altogether.

Culpeper County Economic Development won six 2025 IEDC



2025 CULPEPER COUNTY CANDIDATE FORUMS

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18121 Technology Drive
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A FREE educational event for the community.

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Excellence Awards, the most of any organization globally. Recognized for innovative programs like Be A Culpeper Local and Choose Culpeper Farms, the small team's work in agriculture, small business support, and creative marketing showcases impactful, com-

munity-driven economic development on an international stage.

Aging Together's 13th Annual 5 Over 50 Celebration honors five remarkable older adults—one from each county—who exemplify community service,

leadership, and generosity. To be held on September 18, 2025, this event highlights their lasting impact and challenges stereotypes of aging, celebrating wisdom, resilience, and dedication across the region's older adult community.

BrThRR is a tool from **Girls on the Run** that helps kids manage emotions and make thoughtful choices. It stands for: Breathe, Think, Respond, Reflect. Girls learn to pause, calm down, consider their options, act wisely, and reflect on the outcome. A simple practice with a powerful impact—try it today!

The Blue Ridge Chorale had its first rehearsal for the winter season on August 25 at 6:00 pm at Culpeper United Methodist Church. Open to all

ages and vocal abilities, the community chorus will prepare for December concerts showcasing a variety of seasonal music.

The African American Heritage Alliance Culpeper in partnership with the **Windmore Center for the Arts** is pleased to host Windows to Our Heritage: Art that Honors Our Journey, on Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 10am to 4pm. They are currently seeking artists to participate in this program.

Beer Hound Brewery is introducing summer cocktail seltzers to their lineup. Guests can enjoy a variety of seasonal flavors, including margaritas, mojitos, and other light, refreshing options.

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upcoming events

The Chamber Nonprofit Council Educational Luncheon: Measuring and Communicating your Impact
Culpeper County Library
271 Southgate Shopping Center
Friday August 29th 12pm

Young Professionals Luncheon
Peppers Grill
791 Madison Road
Wednesday, September 3rd 12pm

Ribbon Cuttings
Grand Opening of Parkside Apartments
325 Parkside Court, Culpeper, VA 22701
Friday, September 5th 10am

Grand Opening of Main Street Home Loans
210 N Main Street, Suite 1
Wednesday, September 10th 4pm

Grand Opening of Ducking Gravity
15532E Montanus Dr, Culpeper
Friday, September 19th 4pm

Grand Opening of Lakeside Title & Escrow
700 Southridge Pkwy, #301, Culpeper
Tuesday, September 23rd 1:00pm

Grand Opening of Stanley Excavating
Old Trade Brewery, 13270 Alanthus Road
Friday, September 26th 5pm

Chamber Chat
Friday, September 12th 9-12pm

Young Professionals Charity Crab Feast
Mountain Run Winery
10753 Mountain Run Lake Rd, Culpeper
Saturday, September 13th, 3-6pm

Candidates Forums
Germanna 's Daniel Technology Center
18121 Technology Drive
Tuesday, September 23rd & Wednesday, September 24th 6-8pm

111th Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet
Germanna Daniel Technical Center
18121 Technology Drive, Culpeper
Thursday, November 6th 5:30-9:00pm

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