

# JEFFERSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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## WOMEN'S NETWORK

The Martinsburg-Berkeley County Chamber of Commerce and the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce are proud to announce the Women's Network, a new and exciting program for Chamber of Commerce members and their employees. The purpose of the Women's Network is to enhance the personal and professional growth of businesswomen and encourage participation and recognition of women in the community. This program provides a great opportunity for personal and professional growth and business success, and will include networking, leadership opportunities, education, and events. Member-

ship is open to any individual who is an owner or employee of a business or organization that is a member of the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Chamber of Commerce or the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce. Dues are \$25 per year.



For more information, please contact your Chamber office at 304-725-2055.

A few of the many exciting events and projects planned include:

- \*Quarterly workshops covering topics such as Leadership for Women, Life Balance, Marketing Yourself and Your Business, Stress Management, Financial Planning for Women, Health and Fitness, and more
- \*A Women's Network Directory for WN members only
- \*A Women's Conference featuring speakers, workshops, networking, trade show and other special events planned for 2011
- \*Long-range plans include community projects, a book club, and more

## NEW TEACHERS LUNCHEON

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce will host a luncheon to welcome the new teachers to Jefferson County on Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the **Charles Town Moose Lodge** from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. We will not have sponsors this year but ask

that a business representative sit at a table with a new teacher to meet. The Chamber will create a booklet with contact information on each business and new teacher that can be helpful in the future. Everyone attending the luncheon will receive a copy. The cost is

\$15.00 per person. If you have not sent your information sheet to the Chamber office with payment, please do so by August 11<sup>th</sup>. Come and welcome the new teachers to Jefferson County.

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *The 35th Annual Fall Mountain Heritage Arts & Crafts Festival will be September 24-26, 2010 at Sam Michaels Park. Over 200 artist/craftspersons will be there, along with great food, great bluegrass music, wine tasting and fun for the whole family.*

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## LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON

Your Chamber is still accepting applications for the Leadership Jefferson V, class of 2010-2011. During this 10-month program, participants will develop leadership skills



and will hone their leadership abilities through training sessions under professional leadership. The primary goal for Leadership Jefferson is to educate current and future leaders about Jefferson County's assets, opportunities, and hurdles, in order to strengthen the sense of community and ensure a prosperous future. Tuition is \$825 for chamber members and \$975 for non-chamber members. The participants sponsor

or employer should pay the tuition. Please visit our website to download an application.

**IF YOUR  
BUSINESS HAS  
UPDATED  
BROCHURES,  
PLEASE BRING  
THEM TO THE  
CHAMBER  
OFFICE**

## MOUNTAIN HERITAGE ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL

Plans are underway for the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Mountain Heritage Arts & crafts Festival on September 24-26, 2010. Your Chamber will have a booth at the Festival for members who wish to display their brochures. If you would like to make your information available to a large number of visitors, please bring 100 brochures to your Chamber office by Friday, September

10<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to volunteer a couple of hours of your time to help in the Chamber booth, please contact your Chamber office at 304-725-2055.

## NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS

The Charles Town Heritage Festival is a family-friendly event that celebrates the rich history of Jefferson County. This will be held on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 beginning at 10:00 am in Historic Downtown Charles Town. Experience exciting hands-on history activities, live music, craft fair, local history films and more! Take a guided tour

of one of Charles Town's Historic Districts or visit Charles Washington's home Happy Retreat. Watch storytellers recount the tales of historic characters. Discover local artisans and farm products. Watch a historic reenactment in the historic Jefferson County Courthouse. Play colonial kids games while listening to folk music. This is

a rain or shine event and entrance to the festival is free, however tickets are required for some events. For more information, please visit [www.historiccharlestownwv.com](http://www.historiccharlestownwv.com). History awaits you!

## NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS

The **West Virginia Housing Development Fund** is offering a new mortgage program for West Virginia families that includes a 30-year fixed rate at approximately 3.5 percent. The program also includes a zero percent down payment and closing cost assistance loans. With low cost financing, down payment and closing cost assistance and homebuyer counseling, many West Virginia families should qualify to own

a home. Applications for loans will be taken immediately through banks, mortgage brokers and credit unions. The funds for these low rate loans are limited and applications will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.



**Tom Maiden's Insurance Outfitters**, an award winning independent insurance agency is proud to announce the addition of Shelby Hoffman as its marketing director and Leigh Maiden and its new administrative assistant. To learn more about **Tom Maiden's Insurance Outfitters** please call 304-876-0822 or visit [www.tommaiden.com](http://www.tommaiden.com).



## NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS

The **JCCOA Jefferson Center**, a day habilitation center for mentally and physically disabled adults, is now open. Through the efforts of the **JCCOA**, we are able to provide Jefferson and Berkeley counties' disabled community a structured setting for acquiring job-related and social skills that will allow them to better acclimate themselves into the commu-

nity. We are asking local businesses to consider contracting their various work projects out to our Center, allowing our consumers to give back to our community while learning viable skills in today's workplace environment. We can handle anything from clerical to maintenance. **Jefferson Center** is also working on fundraisers throughout the community,

which will allow our consumers to participate in social events, as well as provide necessary items needed to keep our center functioning. Future events include a Dining to Donate night, Community Yard Sale, and a Craft Fair. More information will be in the September newsletter. Contact Kathy Garza, Director of the **Jefferson Center**, at 304-728-1104 for more information.

## NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS

The **Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County** will be hosting its Annual Paws and Claws Dinner/Live Auction on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Join us for our "Howl-O-Ween Spooktacular" being held at the **Hollywood Casino's** Skyline Terrace Ballroom. For more details, watch for our flyer in the Chamber's September

newsletter. For ticket information, email

[AWSJCEVENTS@live.com](mailto:AWSJCEVENTS@live.com) or call 304-728-7922.



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

AS OF THIS DATE WE HAVE 97 MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR FARE SHARE INVESTMENTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$13,242.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010/2011. IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR FAIR SHARE INVESTMENT, WON'T YOU TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO DO SO? REMEMBER, THE SUCCESS OF YOUR CHAMBER DEPENDS ON THE ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT OF ITS MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVE YET TO RECEIVE YOUR DUES INVOICE, IT SHOULD EITHER BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO YOU IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- August 6 Charles Town/Ranson First Friday Concert Series featuring Groove Merchants
August 19 Third Thursday, Downtown Charles Town
August 19-21 17th Annual African American Cultural & Heritage Festival
August 22-28 58th Annual Jefferson County Fair

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

- September 3 Charles Town/Ranson First Friday Concert Series featuring Cazhmiere
September 4 2nd Annual Car Show, Downtown Charles Town
September 9-12 The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee Old Opera House
September 14 United Way, Day of Caring
September 16-19 The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee Old Opera House
September 16 Chamber Mixer at Untied Bank 5pm-7pm
September 16 Third Thursday, Downtown Charles Town
September 19 Octoberfest-Bavarian Inn

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