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**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING – MAY 22, 2008**

The general membership of the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce will travel to nearby Berkeley County on Thursday, May 22, to tour the new facilities of the 167th Airlift Wing, West Virginia Air National Guard. The Air Guard base has been undergoing renovations of well over \$200 million to accommodate its new mission aircraft, the C-5A Galaxy airlifter, the largest aircraft in the Air Force and Air National Guard inventory. The Air Guard unit is located at the Regional Airport outside of Martinsburg, with access to the Air Guard off U.S. Route 11 just south of Pikeside. The advent of the C-5A in Martinsburg brings with it more than 200 new jobs, along with major improvements to the airport itself, including lengthening of one of the airport runways, additional ramp (parking) space for the huge aircraft, and new maintenance and office facilities. One of the first construction projects to be completed is the new, modern aircraft control tower at the airport, which is visible from U.S. Route 11 south. Although many are unaware of its existence, many Jefferson County residents have been members of the 167th Airlift Wing, including Brigadier General V. Wayne "Speedy" Lloyd and Brigadier General James Crawford, both well known throughout the community and now both retired as commanders of the Air National Guard in West Virginia. Another lesser known fact is that Lockheed Corporation, the contractor that built the C-5A Galaxy, had a plant in the South Berkeley (County) Industrial Park a number of years ago, where the sub-assembly of the C-5A was done, then shipped to its plant in Georgia where the C-5A was put together. Chamber members attending this month's meeting will not only get a first-hand look at the new base construction of the 167th, but will also have the opportunity to get inside one of the gigantic aircraft, which fly worldwide in support of the Air Force mission as well as humanitarian efforts. For directions, visit [www.wvmart.ang.af.mil](http://www.wvmart.ang.af.mil).

The monthly membership meeting begins at 12:00 noon and those planning on attending should make their reservations for lunch by calling the Chamber office at (304) 725-2055. Lunch will be catered and cost of the meal will be \$10.00. Reservations must be made by Monday, May 19.

**ELECTION – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

At the May 22, 2008 meeting there will be an election of four members to serve three-year terms on your Board of Directors. In accordance with Article III, Section 9 of our Bylaws as amended on January 25, 2007, four (4) members were nominated by the general membership by the deadline of March 31, 2008. They are:

Julie DeHaven  
**Nichols DeHaven and Associates, CPAs**

Edward "Pat" Dockeney  
**Jefferson Publishing Company**

Chuck Ellison  
**Frontier**

Judy Hockman  
**Jefferson Memorial Hospital**

Nominations will not be received from the floor.

**RIGHT HANDS DAY**

Once again, we had an excellent response to “Right Hands” Day, celebrated at the April 24<sup>th</sup> monthly membership meeting at **The Bavarian Inn** in Shepherdstown. Over one hundred members and guests, including 53 honorees, enjoyed a delicious lunch at this annual event. Thanks to the generosity of our Chamber members, all honorees received a door prize, a vase of flowers courtesy of **Charles Town Races & Slots**, and gift baskets. Contributing to the success of this program were the following:

**Advantage Appraisals LLC** – Gift Bag  
**Albert & Arnold’s** – \$25 Gift Certificate  
**Allegheny Power** – Home Energy Kit/Nightlights  
**Anvil Restaurant** – Gift Certificate/Lunch for One  
**Audiology Hearing Care Services** – Clarity Phone  
**Aunt Irene’s** – Gift Basket/Candy/Cinnamon Rolls  
**Bavarian Inn** – Gift Certificate/Sunday Brunch  
**BB&T** – Gift Basket/Mints/Chapsticks  
**BCT** – Two Calculator Portfolios  
**Beauty Center** – Gift Certificate for a Facial  
**Carriage Inn** – Gift Certificate/Weeknight Stay  
**Charles Town Curves** – Gift Bag with 1-Month Free Membership/Popcorn  
**Charles Town Races** – Tickets to the Epic Buffet/Flowers for Honorees  
**City National Bank/Potomac Marketplace** – Key Chains/2-Thermo Coolers  
**Clarion Hotel** – Sunday Brunch for Two  
**Comcast Spotlight** – Beach Tower/Columbia Jacket  
**Cress Creek** – Round of Golf with Cart  
**DALB** – \$50 Gift Certificate for the Beauty Center  
**Dr. J.T. Gibson/Blue Ridge Smiles** – Gift Certificate for Teeth Whitening/Lollipops/Floss  
**Edward Jones** – Gift Basket  
**Fargo Insurance & Financial Services** – \$150 GRAND PRIZE  
**Frontier/Citizens Communications Co.** – Cordless Telephone & \$25 Gift Certificate to Applebee’s  
**Gold’s Gym** – 3-Month Free Membership

**Guy’s Buick-Pontiac-GMC** – Oil Change & Lube  
**Harpers Ferry Chiropractic** – Free Consultation  
**Holiday Inn Express** – Gift Certificate for One Night  
**Images Glass Studio** – Etched Sun Catchers  
**Jefferson Memorial Hospital** – Hand Sanitizers  
**Jefferson Publishing Co.** – Two \$50 Cash  
**Jefferson Security Bank** – Two Golf Umbrellas  
**La Mezzaluna** – Gift Certificate/Lunch for Two  
**Magnolia Tree** – Gift Certificate  
**Mary Kay/Connie Sudeuth** – Gift Certificates  
**MVB** – \$25 Savings Bond  
**Nichols DeHaven & Associates** – Donation towards the Goodie baskets  
**Old Opera House** – Tickets to “Bye, Bye Birdie”  
**Panera Bread** – Coffee Mugs  
**River & Trail Outfitters** – Two Gift Certificates for Tube Trips/Magnets, Postcards  
**River Riders** – Two Gift Certificates for Raft Trips  
**Roy Rogers** – Two Gift Certificates  
**Specialty Business Supplies** – DVD Player  
**The Turf** – Two \$20 Gift Certificates  
**The Vintage Lady** – Gift Bag  
**United Bank** – Gift Basket from Albert & Arnold’s  
**United Way of the Eastern Panhandle** – Key Chains  
**Wal-Mart** – \$5 Gift Cards  
**Washington House Inn** – One Night Stay/50% Off Coupons for One Night Stay

In addition to the above, we thank all of our Right Hands and their bosses/employers who sponsored them at our event: **The Bavarian Inn, Blake Business Supplies, Phil Hill/Bowles Rice McDavid Graff & Love, CASA of the Eastern Panhandle, Cell-Page Communications, Charles Town Baptist Church, Charles Town Race Track Chaplaincy, Children First Child Development Center, Church of Joyous Living, Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, Cress Creek Country Club, Duraclean by Fritts, Edward Jones, Fargo Insurance & Financial Services, Fellowship Bible Church, Frontier, Good Shepherd Caregivers, Jefferson County Ambulance Authority, Jefferson County Schools, K&K Cleaning Company, Shepherdstown Visitors Center, Smoot’s LLC, Spirit of Jefferson, United Way of the Eastern Panhandle, The Vintage Lady, Washington House Inn, and West Virginia University Hospital-East/Jefferson Memorial Hospital; Lorrie Miller of BB&T, Nancy Morgan, Head Volunteer, and the Chamber staff who helped to prepare for the event; the staff at **The Bavarian Inn**, who prepared and served the lunch; and **The Magnolia Tree**, who arranged the beautiful flowers.**

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:

**Remarkable Home Staging LLC**

Tracy Kable, Representative  
322 W. Washington Street, Suite 5  
Charles Town, WV 25414  
(304) 725-9320  
Real Estate Service  
[remarkablehomestaging.com](http://remarkablehomestaging.com)

**Upward Education LLC**

Tom Foster, Representative  
483 Hughs Road  
Charles Town, WV 25414  
(304) 725-3520  
In Home Tutoring  
[www.clubztutoring.com](http://www.clubztutoring.com)

**TravelHost of Shenandoah Blue Ridge**

Doug Miller, Representative  
P. O. Box 562  
Strasburg, VA 22657  
(877) 288-2202  
Magazine  
[www.travelhost.com](http://www.travelhost.com)

**Elizabeth Martin Design Works LLC**

David Winslow, Representative  
P. O. Box 746  
Shepherdstown, WV 25443  
(304) 876-8079  
Miscellaneous  
[www.emdesignworks@frontiernet.net](mailto:www.emdesignworks@frontiernet.net)

**The American Blanket Chest Company LLC**

Jan L. Loy, Representative  
P. O. Box 160, 3264 Withers LaRue Road  
Rippon, WV 25441  
(304) 728-8080  
Furniture  
[americanblanketchest.com](http://americanblanketchest.com)

**Connie Suddueth**

Independent Beauty Consultant  
142 Blue Spruce Drive  
Charles Town, WV 25414  
(304) 728-0621  
Mary Kay Cosmetics  
[www.marykay.com/csuddueth](http://www.marykay.com/csuddueth)

**Toktin Business Brokers LLC**

Richard May, Representative  
1638 W. Washington Street  
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425  
(703) 283-4010  
Real Estate Services  
[www.toktin.com](http://www.toktin.com)

**Melissa Welch**

42395 Ryan Road  
Brambleton, VA 20149  
(703) 722-2704  
Real Estate Services  
[www.klnbretail.com](http://www.klnbretail.com)

As of this date, we have 467 members who have paid their fair share investments for a total of \$48,614.00 for fiscal year 2007-2008.

**IN APPRECIATION OF OUR MEMBERS**

In appreciation of our members' support for our biggest project, two passes to the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Mountain Heritage Arts and Crafts Festival are enclosed with this bulletin. Each pass is good for one admission on any one day of the June 13, 14 and 15, 2008 festival being held from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday. Before presenting the pass at the admission gate, please fill in the name of the Chamber member and sign on the line provided.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We offer two opportunities for you to be a part of the Mountain Heritage Arts & Crafts Festival. Firstly, if you bring 100 brochures to the Chamber office by June 4, they will be displayed in the Chamber booth at the festival. Secondly, volunteer to work in the Chamber booth for a few hours. Meet new people and tell them all that is great about our county. For more information or to volunteer, call your Chamber office at (304) 725-2055.

**ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

Mark your calendar for this year's annual banquet which will be held at **The Clarion Hotel and Conference Center** in Shepherdstown on Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. At this banquet each year, new and expanded businesses are recognized for their achievements and several local citizens are honored for business and community involvement. The officers and directors for 2008-2011 will be introduced and will begin their terms on July 1. Tickets at \$27 per person will be available at your Chamber office at 29 Keyes Ferry Road, Suite 200 in Charles Town. If your business would like to contribute 225 items to be used as favors, please call your Chamber by Friday, June 6.

**LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON**

Participants in the Leadership Jefferson program were involved in the Land Use module on April 9. The class attended a seminar entitled, "Handling the Media", led by Sandy Sponaugle, **Platinum PR**. Different aspects of land use were discussed, such as Comprehensive Planning led by Tony Redman, Director of Jefferson County Planning and Zoning Department; Zoning led by Stephanie Grove, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney; Sub-Division led by **William H. Gordon Associates**; Building & Engineering led by Roger Goodwin, Jefferson County Engineer; and Smart Growth led by David Mills and Patrick Davenport of **City of Ranson**. Participants traveled to School House Ridge in Harpers Ferry in the early afternoon to look at the Standard Quarry area from that vantage point. In late afternoon, participants attended a Pre-Election County Commissioner Forum. Candidates for the office of County Commissioner discussed questions written by Leadership Jefferson participants. The forum was moderated by Peter Corum, **Wells Fargo Home Mortgage**. The module for the May Leadership Jefferson class will be Tourism, which will be held on May 14.

**NEWS BULLETIN INSERT REMINDER**

Your Chamber is pleased to enclose information from members in these monthly bulletins on a first-come first-served basis. Due to the increasing number of members who request this service, please notify your Chamber at least three (3) months prior to your requested date. Enclosures should be standard size (8 1/2" X 11"), standard paper, and folded in Z form. No business cards! Please call your Chamber office with questions, or if you have reserved a space and then are unable to have the insert ready, so your name can be moved to the next available spot.

**NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS**

**Asbury United Methodist Church of Shepherdstown** announces a new Sunday morning service beginning May 4, 2008 at 8 a.m. Join them for AN HOUR OF POWER, a new one-hour worship service for the entire family. Nursery care and transportation are available; call (304) 876-3112. **Asbury Church** is located at 4257 Kearneysville Pike, along Rte. 480 South, across from Morgan's Grove Park, just south of Shepherdstown. Asbury is a community partner whose goal is equipping, encouraging, and empowering families. For more information, email [asburyumc@comcast.net](mailto:asburyumc@comcast.net).

**Friends of Happy Retreat (FOHR)** is excited to announce the kickoff of their summer fundraisers with a pancake breakfast sponsored by Applebee's Restaurant in Ranson! The date is May 17, from 8-10 a.m. Breakfast features pancakes, sausage and beverages. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12. Applebee's will supply and prepare the food and tables will be dutifully waited on by FOHR volunteers. All proceeds will go to benefit the operating fund for FOHR, which is working to save Happy Retreat, the home of Charles Washington, who founded Charles Town. Tickets are available from any FOHR board member or by calling the FOHR office at (304) 724-7956. They are also available at the door. Please join them for great food, a great time and a great cause. Thanks to Applebee's for their support!

**NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS (cont.)**

Last call for a fun day of golf for a great cause; sign up sheets are enclosed with this newsletter. Deadline for t-shirt advertising is May 9. Don't miss out this year! Join the **Rotary Club of Charles Town** at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual J.B. Smith Memorial Golf Tournament on Friday, May 23 at 1 p.m. at both **Sleepy Hollow** and **Locust Hill Country Clubs**. A reception and silent auction will follow at **The Anvil Restaurant** in Harpers Ferry. Non-golfers are welcome to attend the 6 p.m. reception for \$25.00. Donations of items for the silent auction are also welcome. The silent auction is one of the best places to find golfing memberships, jewelry and logo golf clothing. More information can be found at [jbsmithmemorial.com](http://jbsmithmemorial.com) or call Ann Smith at (304) 725-8117 or Leslie Smith at (304) 728-0318. Major sponsors of the tournament are **Jefferson Security Bank**, **Charles Town Races**, **The Anvil Restaurant** and Brookewood Construction of Ohio.

The **Eastern Panhandle Free Clinic** is in the planning stage of its annual Car Show on June 14, with a rain date of June 15. It will be held at the Martinsburg Mall from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration is \$12 for show cars; there is no cost for the general public. Free health screenings, blood pressure and diabetes testing will be provided along with hourly door prizes, 50/50 drawing, and a bake sale. The Free Clinic is looking for help with advertising through car clubs, advertising in newspapers, newsletters, etc., sponsors, door prizes, and non-profit vendors to sell food and donate a portion to the Clinic. The **Eastern Panhandle Free Clinic** is a 501c3 nonprofit providing FREE health care to the people of the Eastern Panhandle. For more information, contact Leona or Randy Cook at (304) 724-6091.

**Child Guide Magazine** received top honors at the 2008 Parenting Publications of America (PPA) Editorial & Design Competition in Little Rock, Arkansas. The regional parenting publication won a gold medal for editorial excellence. A panel of judges from the University of Missouri's School of Journalism reviewed 1,249 entries to choose the winners in editorial and design categories. PPA is a nonprofit national organization representing more than 120 parenting magazines and newspapers in the United States, Canada and Australia. This is the seventh consecutive year that **Child Guide** has won top honors in the editorial category. **Child Guide Magazine** is distributed for free at over 300 locations in the Eastern Panhandle and neighboring counties in Maryland and Virginia. Call (540) 955-2004, visit [www.childguidemagazine.com](http://www.childguidemagazine.com) or email [Wendy@childguidemagazine.com](mailto:Wendy@childguidemagazine.com) for more information.

Chamber member **Bob O'Connor** has just published his third historical novel. This book called "Catesby: Eyewitness to the Civil War", is about a real blacksmith who was a slave of Colonel Lewis Washington at Beall Air in Charles Town. The book follows Catesby through his capture by John Brown and his struggles to become a free black man. For information on the new book, please visit [www.boboconnorbooks.com](http://www.boboconnorbooks.com).

With over 40 million members worldwide, most would think the **Curves** women's fitness franchise has nothing to prove. But the company is going above and beyond and looking for participants in the Charles Town/Ranson area to be a part of the Curves/Avon Fitness Study to ensure that everyone knows the power of the **Curves** workout program. For \$30, participants will be asked to complete 12 workouts over a 30-day period with a minimum of three workouts per week. In addition, participants will receive a start and finish fitness evaluation, 30 days free on [CurvesComplete.com](http://CurvesComplete.com), an online diet and fitness solution, and supervised training from a **Curves** trainer. For more information on the Curves/Avon Fitness Study, please contact **Curves of Charles Town/Ranson** at (304) 725-3482 or visit the **Charles Town/Ranson Curves** location at 305 S. W. Street, Charles Town. With more than 10,000 locations in dozens of countries, **Curves** is the world's largest fitness franchise. For more information on **Curves**, please visit [www.curves.com](http://www.curves.com) or [www.curvescomplete.com](http://www.curvescomplete.com).

**NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS (cont.)**

Save the Date! **Sir Speedy Printing** is hosting an Open House from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. on May 21<sup>st</sup>. They are celebrating 13 years in business serving the general public and businesses alike in all their printing and copying needs. Come and have lunch on them! Meet their courteous staff and tour their facility. They are located in Old Courthouse Square shopping center next to the Martinsburg Post Office, one mile off I-81 at exit 16E. They will also be hosting a Martinsburg-Berkeley County Chamber Mixer from 5:00-6:00 p.m. that evening; RSVP at **Sir Speedy** at (304) 267-0703.

The Board of Directors of **West Virginia University Hospitals-East** recently announced the addition of two new members, Robert F. Baronner, Jr. and Dr. Robert E. Jones. Baronner is president and CEO of the **Bank of Charles Town** and has worked in the banking industry in the Eastern Panhandle since 1991. He is a graduate of Virginia Tech, holds a MBA in Finance from Mount St. Mary's College, and is a graduate of the University of Delaware's Stonier School of Banking. In addition to serving on the **WVUH-East** Board, Baronner serves as the chairman of the Jefferson Health Care Foundation, a member of **WVUH-East**. He is also a board director for the **United Way of the Eastern Panhandle** and a board member and vice president of the Community Bankers of West Virginia. Baronner will serve a 3-year term on the **WVUH-East** Board. Jones joins the **WVUH-East** Board as the new president of the **Jefferson Memorial Hospital** Medical Staff. He is a board certified internist and pediatrician, with an office in Ranson. He also serves as the medical director of Emergency Medical Services in Jefferson County. A graduate of the Marshall University School of Medicine, Jones completed his residencies in internal medicine and pediatrics at Christiana Medical Center in Wilmington, Delaware. He will serve a two-year term on the Board of Directors. The 15-member **WVUH-East** Board includes representatives from Jefferson and Berkeley Counties as well as individuals from **WVU's Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center**. **WVUH-East** is a regional not-for-profit healthcare system serving the Eastern Panhandle.

**Girl Scouts of Shawnee Council, Inc.** is seeking nominations from the community to honor outstanding women in the Eastern Panhandle for its **WOMEN OF DISTINCTION** luncheon September 17, 2008. The **WOMEN OF DISTINCTION** event highlights the importance of positive female role models and the significance of Girl Scouting in the lives of girls. Louis Harris, a well-known researcher, author and journalist, found that "The Girl Scouts have had a direct and powerful impact on the lives of American women." In fact, two-thirds of female members of Congress have been Girl Scouts. Three outstanding women were honored in 2007: Maria Lorensen, Editor of **The Journal**; Barbara Pichot, retired Certified Public Accountant and partner in with **CoxHollida**; and Lara Smith, Berkeley Springs Visitor Center and President of the Morgan County School Board. **Girl Scouts of Shawnee Council** is inviting local business and service organizations in Jefferson, Berkeley, and Morgan Counties to nominate women who have distinguished themselves as outstanding role models for girls and women through their professional and personal achievements. Nominations are being sought in the following categories: Arts, Business/Industry, Communications, Human Services, Professions, Public Service, Health Care, and Education. A Selection Committee not affiliated with **Girl Scouts of Shawnee Council** will make the final recommendations regarding honorees. To obtain a **WOMEN OF DISTINCTION** nomination packet, contact **Girl Scouts of Shawnee Council** at (888) 263-8834 or download the packet at [www.ShawneeGirlScouts.org](http://www.ShawneeGirlScouts.org). Nominations are due by June 1, 2008. In addition to the presentation of our honorees, the **WOMEN OF DISTINCTION** luncheon will include a special guest speaker to be announced at a later date.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 22            Monthly Membership Meeting – WV Air National Guard, Martinsburg – 12:00 noon