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**NEW TEACHERS LUNCHEON – AUGUST 14, 2008**

Your Chamber will honor new teachers at **Jefferson County Schools, Country Day School, Shepherd University and American Public University** at a New Teachers Luncheon to be held this year in place of the New Teachers Banquet, which is usually held in November. The luncheon will be held on Thursday, August 14 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Moose Lodge in Ranson. We will not be pairing businesses with teachers this year, but ask that you still attend and show your support to the new teachers in our community. We will publish a booklet listing each business that attends and the name and school of the new teachers. The cost is \$15 per person for the meal. See enclosed flyer for more information.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:

**Smith Oil Company**

Fred Ferraro, Representative  
301 N. Mildred Street  
Ranson, WV 25438  
(304) 725-2215  
[smithoilcollc@aol.com](mailto:smithoilcollc@aol.com)  
Oil Company

**Shepherdstown Business Association**

Meredith Wait, Representative  
P. O. Box 1273  
Shepherdstown, WV 25443  
(304) 876-0657  
[uniquelyshepherdstown.org](http://uniquelyshepherdstown.org)  
Nonprofit Organization

**Royal Restrooms of Shenandoah**

Jen Stark, Representative  
206 Hemlock Drive  
Charles Town, WV 25414  
(304) 724-7661  
[www.royalrestrooms.com](http://www.royalrestrooms.com)  
Mobile Restrooms

As of this date we have 274 members who have paid their fair share investments for a total of \$34,409.50 for fiscal year 2008-2009. If you have not paid your fair share investment for 2008-2009, won't you take a few minutes to do so? Remember, the success of your Chamber depends on the active involvement of its members.

**EMAIL BLASTS**

Your Chamber is preparing to offer its members the opportunity to send email "blasts" to other members on a per blast fee basis. In order to be successful, we must have your email address which can be emailed to [mary@jeffersoncounty.com](mailto:mary@jeffersoncounty.com). Look for further information in a future news bulletin.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Plans are underway for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fall Mountain Heritage Arts & Crafts Festival on September 26-28, 2008. Your Chamber will have a booth at the September Festival for members who wish to display their brochures. If you would like to make your information available to large numbers of visitors, please bring 100 brochures to your Chamber office by Friday, September 12. If you would like to volunteer a couple of hours of your time to help in the Chamber booth, please call your Chamber office at (304) 725-2055.

**NEWS FROM CHAMBER MEMBERS**

In an effort to help local businesses with the rising cost of healthcare, **Harpers Ferry Chiropractic** is arranging a special week of chiropractic services for you, your employees and families. During the week of August 11-15, you can receive a health consultation, a chiropractic exam and a private consultation to discuss your results all at no charge (a \$60.00 value). In order to take advantage of this special offer, please call **Harpers Ferry Chiropractic** at (304) 535-3009 and mention this ad from the Chamber bulletin. For more information about the clinic, please visit [www.harpersferry-chiropractic.com](http://www.harpersferry-chiropractic.com).

Soar into the tree tops for a week of faith filled exploration at **Zion Episcopal Church's** Vacation Bible School "Rainforest Adventure!" Kids experience Bible stories through an interactive combination of music, art, science, games, worship and drama in an imaginary Rainforest Canopy! The location is **Zion Episcopal Church** Parish House, 221 East Washington Street, Charles Town, WV. Rainforest Adventure will be held on Monday, August 11 from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. and Tuesday, August 12 – Friday, August 15 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. All children pre-kindergarten to grade 6 are invited to swing on in! Vacation Bible School is free to all children who come to the church's doors. For information or pre-registering, contact the Parish Office at (304) 725-5312 or [ggessler@zionepiscopal.net](mailto:ggessler@zionepiscopal.net) or visit [www.zionepiscopal.net](http://www.zionepiscopal.net).

The **Kohlhepp Agency** (Allstate Insurance) will have its ribbon cutting ceremony at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. All chamber members are invited to stop by to share in the celebration. The **Kohlhepp Agency** is located behind the new Jefferson County Department of Motor Vehicles on Route 9. Refreshments will be provided.

**West Virginia University Hospitals-East** and the **West Virginia University Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center Eastern Division** will sponsor a community mini-medical school program "*All Stressed Up & No Place To Go*" on Tuesday, August 26, at St. James Catholic Church in Charles Town. The mini-medical school program will be presented by Rosemarie Cannarella, MD, MPH, and Rebecca McDonald, PhD, advanced nurse practitioner. Dr. Cannarella is an assistant dean for student services at West Virginia University's Eastern Division, a family practice physician with **Harpers Ferry Family Medicine**, and a member of the medical staff at **Jefferson Memorial Hospital**. The public is invited to attend this seminar to learn techniques to prevent everyday stress, which can be associated with 60% of all illnesses. This community mini-medical school seminar will be held in the St. James Catholic Church social room. Sign-in begins at 6:30 p.m., with the program to follow from 7 – 8 p.m. Light refreshments will be served following the program. For more information or to register for this program, phone (304) 264-1223 or email [bknotts@wvuh-east.org](mailto:bknotts@wvuh-east.org). This community mini-medical school program is being offered free to the public as a community service of **West Virginia University Hospitals-East** and the **West Virginia University Health Sciences Center Eastern Division**.

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

This is a reminder that the “Hat’s Off” Benefit Gala will be held on Saturday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Ballroom, Martinsburg. “Wear A Hat – Dress to Match” tickets are now on sale for \$50.00 per person. (Tables of 8-10 may be purchased and VISA & MasterCard are accepted.) There will be a live auction, silent auction, door prizes, dinner and dancing. All proceeds will be donated to the **Care Pregnancy Center of the Eastern Panhandle**. Make checks payable to: Care Pregnancy Center, P.O. Box 1963, Shepherdstown, WV 25443. For more information, please call (304) 876-3598 or stop by 1586 Winchester Avenue, Martinsburg, Monday – Friday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

With the **United Way** Day of Caring in the Eastern Panhandle quickly approaching, organizers are encouraging local businesses and residents to show they care about their community by donating their time on this day of service. This year’s Day of Caring will be held on Tuesday, September 9. For more than a decade, the **United Way** Day of Caring has provided opportunities for the Eastern Panhandle community to participate in projects that benefit local nonprofit organizations and their clients. “We are excited about the opportunity to rally more than 1,000 volunteers to help with projects for our non-profit agencies in the three-county area,” said event chair Joanne Wadsworth. “Projects range from painting and cleaning to building wheelchair ramps.” The Day of Caring official kick off will be held at 7:30 a.m. at War Memorial Park in Martinsburg, with breakfast provided by WVU Hospitals-East. Following breakfast, volunteers will report to their respective project sites to perform a variety of community services activities. Volunteers will then gather at the **Clarion Inn** in Shepherdstown from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. for dinner, sponsored by the **Clarion**. All Day of Caring volunteers are asked to bring items for the Day of Caring Mega Food Drive to either the kick-off breakfast or to their project site. Additionally, the public is encouraged to help stock local food pantry shelves by donating food items to the Mega Food Drive. These non-perishable food items can be dropped off at any bank and many other locations in the Eastern Panhandle. “The Day of Caring is a great way for hundreds of volunteers to see first-hand the needs in our community and experience the satisfaction that comes with making a difference,” said **United Way of the Eastern Panhandle** Executive Director Jan Callen. “We’re always amazed at the work that gets done on this one day when our community unites to assist our local non-profits,” he added. People and groups interested in volunteering should contact the **United Way of the Eastern Panhandle** at (304) 596-5529 or visit the web site at [www.uwayep.org](http://www.uwayep.org).

Plans for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual **American Cancer Society** Fall Classic, to be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> at **Cress Creek Golf & Country Club** in Shepherdstown, are well underway. Proceeds from the annual fundraiser, named in memory of former ACS regional representative Charlotte Lockwood, are used to continue the fight against cancer here in the Eastern Panhandle. Event Chairman Roger Shallis recently announced that since the tournament was established in 1996, over \$200,000 in proceeds has been raised in support of the Cancer Society’s efforts in the region. The goal for this year’s Tournament is \$25,000. According to Shallis, this year’s classic will once again feature an afternoon flight only, with the shotgun start scheduled for 12:30 pm. The tournament format, a modified 4-person scramble, will allow each golfer the option of bringing a partner. “The ‘bring your own partner’ option that was added several years ago has been well received by the participants,” Shallis said, adding that golfers can only choose one partner and the teams will still be handicapped for fairness. As in the past, an array of unique prizes will be offered to the top five placing teams. Golfer and sponsor packages are currently available, each level offering the sponsor a variety of “perks” such as golfers, on-course advertising and admission to the reception following play. For more information on golfer or sponsor packages, contact Shallis at (304) 263-1319 or the **American Cancer Society** at (540) 667-2315.

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

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Sporting Clay Charity Shoot to benefit **CHEERS School Family** will be held on September 20 with a rain date of September 27. Registration is at 8 a.m. at Prospect Hall Shooting Club, 187 Brucetown Road, Kearneysville. The cost is \$75 per person, \$40 for ages 12-16, and includes 75 round sporting clay and 25 round 5 stand shoot, lunch and great raffles. For more information and/or to register, please contact Beth Speidel at (304) 725-4233 or visit [cheersschoolfamily.org](http://cheersschoolfamily.org).

The **Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County** is having a Bark in the Park fundraising event at the Sam Michaels' Park on Job Corps Road, near Harpers Ferry, WV. The event will be on October 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. with a rain date of October 12<sup>th</sup>. You and your best doggy pal can participate in a day of fun. There will be a Blessing of the Animals, a Pledge Walk, canine demonstrations, food, vendors and canine contests. For a doggone good time, plan to spend the day and quality time with your best friend to benefit the homeless pets at the **Animal Welfare Society** shelter. Registration is a \$10.00 donation for the walk and your canine friend receives a doggy bandana. The Pledge Path is approximately ¼ mile with suggested pledges beginning at \$5.00 per lap. Print the Pledge and Registration forms from the AWS website at [www.awsjc.org](http://www.awsjc.org) and start collecting pledge donations from family and friends. If your business would like to become a sponsor for the event, please visit the website or call (304) 725-5972. Vendors are also needed for this event. If you would like to set up a booth to display a craft or business, visit the AWS website at [www.awsjc.org](http://www.awsjc.org) to register or call (304) 725-5972 for more information. A 10 ft. by 10 ft. vendor space will cost \$25.00. You must provide your own set up. Animal Rescues will be provided space free of charge.

On July 16, 2008 the Secretary of Defense, acting for the President of the United States, approved a selection board report recommending Navy Reservist Tom Maiden (of **MAIDEN Financial, Inc.**) be promoted to the permanent grade of Lieutenant Commander. Maiden, a Certified Financial Planner practitioner in Shepherdstown, was recalled to active duty through spring 2009 to serve as a targeting officer for the Joint Special Operations Command in Iraq. Maiden lives with his wife and four children in Shepherdstown.

A Groundbreaking Ceremony to launch the Huntfield Recreation Center took place on Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. The ceremony was held at the site of the future Recreation Center, which is at the end of Prospect Hill Boulevard in the Huntfield community. The ceremony marked the beginning of development to the highly anticipated and awaited Recreation Center, the first of its kind in Jefferson County. Upon completion, the Rec Center will house an outdoor pool, locker rooms, work out facility, catering kitchen, social hall, a business center and offices for the Huntfield Homeowners Association. "It's been wonderful watching Huntfield grow into the small town that it is. We're pleased to build the Recreation Center for the Huntfield residents and are sure that they will enjoy this amenity for years to come," said Christina Sanders, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for **Greenvest L.C.**, developer of Huntfield. Speaking at the Groundbreaking Ceremony were Christopher Rudy and Travis Witmer, Vice President of Land Development and Huntfield Project Manager for **Greenvest L.C.** Also present was Gary Rawlings, Charles Town City Manager. The event was open to the public.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

August 14 New Teachers Luncheon – Charles Town Moose, Ranson – 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
August 17-25 Jefferson County Fair – Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Leetown  
September 1 Labor Day – Office Closed

# WELCOME NEW TEACHERS



## LUNCHEON

THURSDAY – AUGUST 14, 2008

11:30 – 1:00

CHARLES TOWN MOOSE LODGE

COST: \$15.00

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce will host a luncheon to welcome the new teachers to Jefferson County. This will be in place of the teacher's banquet held in November. We will not have sponsors but ask that a business representative sit at a table with a new teacher. This is a great way for the business community and the new teachers 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 of the booklet. Take advantage of this great opportunity to welcome new teachers to Jefferson County. Please fill out the information below and return it with payment by **August 6, 2008.**

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**2008 WELCOME NEW TEACHERS LUNCHEON**

NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING:

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\_\_\_\_NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS X \$15.00

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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