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» MARCH 2019 | HALIFAX COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Pictured seated, left to right: Denise Baird, Fairfield Inn & Suites; Trad Moore, Huber Engineered Woods; Lauren Davis, Edward Jones; and Steven Smith, Brooks Lyon Funeral Home. Standing, left to right: Brandee Lloyd, Halifax County Chamber of Commerce; Jennifer Throckmorton, Benchmark Community Bank; Virginia Byrd, Southern Virginia Higher Education Center; Senator Frank Ruff; Delegate James Edmunds; Meagan Owen, Southern Virginia Higher Education Center; Meredith Weddle, Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital; and Eric Morris, ABB.

LEADERSHIP HALIFAX COUNTY MEETS WITH LEGISLATORS, STATE OFFICIALS

Members of the Leadership Halifax County class of 2019 traveled to Richmond on February 7 to meet with legislators and state officials. The group met with Delegate James Edmunds and Senator Frank Ruff upon arrival at the general assembly building. Participants observed the Virginia House of Representatives in session and were recognized by Delegate Edmunds. Throughout the day, the group met with Secretary of Education, Atif Qarni; Secretary of Commerce and Trade, Brian Ball; Work-

force Advisor to the Governor, Megan Healy; and Secretary of Finance, Aubrey Lane.

"This visit to the Capitol is an integral part of Leadership Halifax County because it gives participants a first-hand look at how various entities of government work together," stated President Mitzi McCormick.

Leadership Halifax County is targeted toward people who have demonstrated commitment to, and interest in serving Halifax County in a leadership role. Other criteria are a willingness to commit time and

energy to completing the program, ability to demonstrate significant current community involvement and the applicant must be a resident of Halifax County.

This program is highly regarded by local government officials as well as business owners and managers. It instills the knowledge necessary for good decision making, provides extensive information on all aspects of Halifax County and builds character as well as a much deeper understanding of and respect for Halifax County and its leaders.

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HOW TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE WORKSHOP SET FOR MARCH 21

A free workshop designed to assist Halifax County residents who are interested in running for public office or who may be interested in learning more about the election process from the candidate's perspective.

Citizens who are or may be interested in running for public office are encouraged to attend an upcoming workshop on "How to Run for Public Office." The workshop will be held on Thursday, March 21, in the Southern Virginia Higher

Education Foundation Boardroom in the Southern Virginia Higher Education Center from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

This workshop will provide the appropriate steps necessary to run an election campaign. Whether already

running or considering a run in the upcoming November 2019 election or sometime in the future, this workshop will provide useful information.

For more information, contact the Chamber at 434-572-3085.

TICKETS ON SALE FOR VIRGINIA CANTALOUPE FESTIVAL

Tickets are now on sale for the 39th Annual Virginia Cantaloupe Festival on Friday, July 26, 2019 5:00 pm-10:00 pm at Berry Hill Resort and Conference Center.

The 2019 ticket price will remain at \$35.00 each and will cover admission, unlimited domestic beverages, wine, ritas, and (5) craft beer samples, along with Sweet Halifax County Cantaloupes, ice cream, and local roasted corn. Craft beer will be available for purchase and food truck menus will be selected to ensure everything is affordable. The

2019 festival will also include a \$5.00 ticket for children 12 and under who attend.

This year's lineup consists of Megan Doss, The Kameron Marlowe Band, and Jim Quick and Coastline Band.

Advanced tickets are available online at www.valopefest.com and at the Halifax County Chamber of Commerce office, Halifax County-South Boston Visitor Center, URW Community Federal Credit Union (South Boston and Danville), and WAKG (Danville).

HALIFAX YOUNG PROFESSIONALS AND ENTREPRENEURS TO HOST MARCH EVENTS

Halifax Young Professionals and Entrepreneurs is working on its 2019 calendar, hoping to provide several professional and social development opportunities in the area. On March 6, HYPE will host a Lunch-N-Learn event with South Boston Town Manager Tom Raab as the speaker. The event will focus on educating young professionals on different ways to get involved in the community through boards,

committees, and other projects.

The group's Speed Networking Event on March 14, 2019 will bring a new way to network in Halifax County. Seasoned and young professionals alike are invited to attend this event to learn about businesses and also create connections during 3-minute speed rounds. Afterwards, light appetizers and beverages will be provided during a social hour.

Halifax Young Professionals and Entrepreneurs is designed to recruit and retain young professionals to Halifax County by offering professional development, social, and leadership opportunities. If you are interested in joining the HYPE email list or would like to RSVP to any events, email info@halifaxchamber.net or call (434) 572-3085. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook!

LIMITED AVAILABILITY FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The 64th Annual Meeting and Awards Celebration will be held Thursday, March 28, 2019, at the Prizery. The Annual Membership Meeting is one of the most popular events of the year, bringing together a cross-section of

Chamber Members, business leaders, elected officials, and community stakeholders. The event celebrates a year of Halifax County Chamber's accomplishments, recognizes volunteers, and highlights those members that have had an exceptional influence on the community and economy.

The event is sponsored by Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott, and Lawrence Distribut-

ing is the contributing sponsor. The event will kick off at 5:30 pm with a social and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Live music will be provided by the RockSteady Band.

Limited tickets are available. For more information on the Chamber's Annual Meeting & Awards Celebration, call the Chamber office at 434-572-3085 or visit www.halifaxchamber.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

COFFEE & COMMERCE
March 14, 2019
8:00 – 9:00 am
Hosted by:
Sentara Woodview

HOW TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE WORKSHOP
March 21, 2019
4:00 – 6:00 pm
Southern Virginia Higher Education Foundation Board Room
180 Factory Street
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March 28, 2019
5:30 pm
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