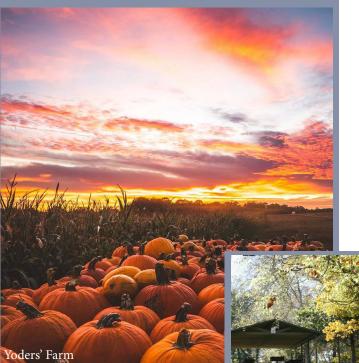
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All Things Fall in Campbell

From changing leaves to apple picking and pumpkin patches, Fall is a time of gathering with family and friends to enjoy the delights of the season.

Yoders' Farm opens this month with an all-new corn maze, pumpkin patch and tasty treats from the Farm Store. Avoca Museum will host "Where the Rivers Meet Summer Festival" this month while Patrick Henry's Red Hill presents "Home Educators' Living History Days," "Lantern Tours with Patrick Henry Jolly" and the "Tenth Annual Bluegrass, Barbecue and Brew Festival" in the months ahead.

Got a sweet tooth and looking for a spooky good time? Join Campbell County Parks and Recreation and Campbell County Public Library System for the 2nd Annual Halloween Candy Cruise Drive through Trunk-or-Treat next month.

Look no further than Campbell County Economic Development's <u>website</u> for these events and destinations to make the most of this fabulous time. Stay up-to-date on all things Campbell by <u>subscribing</u> to our newsletter or connecting with our office at (434) 332-9595.

SBDC - Lynchburg Region's Business Game Plan Series

SBDC - Lynchburg Region will offer a <u>Business Game</u> <u>Plan Series</u> starting October 7, 2021. This is a multiweek seminar designed to help owners and leaders of businesses make a plan to grow and scale their business. Facilitators will coach participants to help businesses make positive adjustments past a Covid-19 pandemic economy.

Different topics surrounding Covid-19 Challenges and Risks, SWOT Analysis, Marketing, Financials, Legal Compliance, Growing the Right Team and Gearing up for Scale are discussed one night each week.

For more information about the series, visit SBDC-Lynchburg Region's <u>Business Game Plan page</u> on the website or contact at the SBDC at (434) 845-5966.



New Visitor's Center Coming to Altavista

The <u>Staunton River Memorial Library</u> in Altavista is partnering with the <u>Town of Altavista</u> to bring a certified Visitor's Center to the area.

They are currently soliciting brochures, rack cards, and other promotional materials to be housed in the space. There will be a display for information for area attractions, dining, and accommodations. There is no cost to you to include your business' information.

The Visitor's Center will be housed inside the Staunton River Memorial Library in Altavista and open 7 days a week. The tentative opening date is late fall 2021.

> Please mail materials to: Attention: Stormi Anderson 664 Village Hwy, Lower Level Rustburg, VA 24588

Commercial & Industrial Rehabilitation Tax Exemption Program

The Office of Economic Development has worked with the Campbell County Board of Supervisors over the last year to develop incentive programs that promote the betterment of existing commercial and industrial properties. Included in the Incentive Policy is the Commerical & Industrial Rehabilitation Tax Exemption Program, which provides commerical and industrial property owners the ability to apply for tax exemptions made to the property.

Eligible property and projects must meet the following parameters:

- Building must be at least 20 years old
- Improvements made must increase the assessed real estate value by 40%
- The project may not increase the total footprint of the building (in square feet) by more than 15%

Total replacement of the structure will not be eligible for exemption. The exemption duration may be specificed at the time of application.

Applications are available on Campbell County Economic Development's website or can be obtained through the Campbell County Real Estate Office. Application must be submitted with building permit and fee paid. Hard copy applications can be mailed to:

> Campbell County Real Estate Office P.O. Box 100 Rustburg, VA 24588

For more information, visit www.campbellvirginia.com/ incentives. Questions may be relayed to Campbell County Real Estate Office at (434) 332-9510.

Job Seekers: Find Employment Opportunities through Virginia Career Works

Did you know <u>Virginia Career Works</u> offers up-to-date <u>employment listings</u> on their website? Find current employment opportunities around the locality, schedule an appointment for resume help and other employment services to jump-start your next career.

Upcoming Events

- <u>September 17: Diva Night at DeVault Vineyards</u>
- <u>September 18: Vista Outdoor Movie Night</u>
- <u>September 18: Yoders' Farm Pumpkin Patch and</u> <u>Corn Maze Season Begins</u>
- September 25: Where the Rivers Meet Summer <u>Festival at Avoca Museum</u>
- October 7: Home Educators' Living History Days for Children at Red Hill
- October 8: Home Educators' Living History Days for Children at Red Hill
- October 8: Lantern Tour with Patrick Henry Jolly at Red Hill
- October 16: Vista Outdoor Movie Night
- October 30: Halloween Candy Cruise
- <u>November 6: Tenth Annual Bluegrass, Barbecue</u>
 <u>& Brew Festival at Red Hill</u>

How do I share my event?



The solution is simple! <u>Send Economic Development</u> <u>your information</u> or fill out the <u>Calendar Event</u> <u>Request Form</u> on our website and we'll take care of the rest!

Community Supported Agriculture Program

The Campbell County Extension Office is currently looking for community members that would be interested in being a part of a Community Supported Agriculture Program (CSA) for the Summer 2022 season.

In a typical CSA, members become shareholders of a farm and pledge to help cover the anticipated costs of the farm's production for part or all of the growing season. The CSA allows the farm to have working capital in the late winter and early spring when it is needed most and helps to guarantee a market for the produce that will be grown. In return, the members receive a portion of the farm's crops over the period of time specified in the CSA membership agreement, usually once a week summer through early fall.

Underlying the CSA relationship is the agreement that the farmer and CSA members share the risks inherent in agriculture, including commodity (crops, livestock, and eggs) failure due to drought, disease, etc.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the program please contact <u>Darienne Montgomery</u> with the Campbell County Extension Office at (434) 332-9622.

A Look Into the First Annual Central Virginia Farm Tours

The First Annual Central Virginia Farm Tours was held on Monday, September 6, 2021 with participating farms from Appomattox, Campbell and Charlotte Counties. The event gave visitors the chance to explore each farm's unique experience.

In Campbell County, Debbie Gagon, owner of <u>Seeds of Faith Farm</u>, demonstrated how to preserve seeds while Bryan Allgood of <u>Allgood's Farm</u> showed us how he uses their antique tractor to work their 10 acre produce farm.

From distilling lavender and cleaning lavender buds at <u>Evergreen Lavender Farm</u>, assembling freshly clipped flowers at <u>Rosefield</u> <u>Farm and Flowers</u>, hayrides and a petting zoo at <u>Wilt Family Farms</u>, walks through the gardens at <u>Deb's Daylilies & More</u>, as well as seeing all aspects of poultry production at Pamplin Poultry, there was something for every agricultural interest.

If you are a farmer that is interested in participating in next year's tour please contact your <u>local extension office</u>. Follow the <u>Central Virginia Farm Tours page</u> for annual event updates.



Seeds of Faith Farm



Allgood's Farm



Evergreen Lavender Farn



Rosefield Farm and Flowers