



# VINTON AREA CHAMBER E-NEWSLETTER

*Your Vinton Area Business Connection*

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April 2009

## Meet Our New Intern



**Allyson Henderson**, a graduate from WBHS in 2005, went on to continue her education at Johnson and Wales University, Charlotte, N.C. During her internship at the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce, she will be focus-

ing on new memberships, event planning and developing new marketing communication tools to help better the chamber's future. This May, she will be graduating with a degree in marketing and a minor in advertising. At the end of her internship, she hopes to obtain a full-time position in the Roanoke area with a focus on economic development. Stop by, she would love to meet you!

## Upcoming Events



**Membership Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 7, 2009**  
11:30 am-1:00 pm  
Vinton War Memorial  
Speaker: Mark Wigginton,  
Valley Bank  
Topic: Wealth Management

### Business After Hours

**Wine Tasting and  
Silent/Live Auction**

**Tuesday, May 12**

5:00 - 8:00 pm

Vinton War Memorial

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## Welcome New Members. . .

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 Roanoke Gas Company  
 Roanoke Times  
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 Roanoke Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau  
 Roanoke Valley Credit Union  
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 Whole Body Health Massage Therapy  
 William Byrd High School  
 Winter's Mini Storage  
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### Oops! I missed my Membership Luncheon Meeting

Due to increased food and location costs, the Chamber Board of Directors has voted that if a luncheon reservation isn't cancelled at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, a meal charge will be due from the member. We are sorry to have to pass along this expense but we need to decrease the amount of wasted monies.

### Volunteer Coordinator Wanted!

The Vinton Chamber is looking for a retired senior who would enjoy and has the time to coordinate our volunteer committee.

Qualifications for the position include:

- have a valid driver's license
- be well organized
- leadership qualities
- friendly, professional attitude
- have a dedicated amount of time to volunteer

Your duties would include:

- coordinating other volunteers for specific events
- coordinate with Committee Chairperson at each event
- maintain volunteer call list
- recruit volunteers
- train new volunteers for specific duties

This position normally requires only a few hours a week but requires more time during an event week. Please call the chamber office at 343-1364 if you are interested in filling out a volunteer application.

## Upcoming Events

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### Business After Hours

William Byrd High School

Baseball Field

Friday, May 1, 2009, 5:30 p.m.

### Business After Hours

Sponsored by

Salem Red Sox

Thursday, May 21, 5:30 - 7:00pm networking;  
7:05pm game begins.

Admission is \$5.00 for members and guests which includes ticket and food. Call 343-1364 or email [info@vintonchamber.com](mailto:info@vintonchamber.com) to make a reservation.

### Share n' Tell Membership Meeting -

Wednesday, June 3rd, 11:30 - 1:00 pm

Woodland Place

Special Presentations by:

Send Out Cards - Jeanie Patterson

TBA Topic by Dr. Guy Hughes, DDS

Back by popular demand, the chamber's Share N' Tell format will be used at the Membership luncheon. Each member attending will be given time to make a 60 second "Elevator Speech" about their business. Please bring your business card and marketing material. If you would like to set up your own table, just let us know ahead of time and we will provide one. We would also appreciate members to pre-register for this time so that we can allocate time. We will also be enjoying 2 - 15 minute presentations by Jeanie Patterson from Send Out Cards and TBA Topic by Dr. Guy Hughes, DDS.

Call 343-1364 or email [info@vintonchamber.com](mailto:info@vintonchamber.com) to make a reservation today.

## Student Volunteers Needed!

The Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for student volunteers to help out at events like :

**The Vinton Fall Festival and 5 K Run/Walk -**

Saturday, October 10, 2009

**Golf Tournament - Thursday, September 17, 2009**

**Vinton Christmas Parade - Thursday, December 3, 2009**

**General Office Help** - call for details

Please call 343-1364 or [info@vintonchamber.com](mailto:info@vintonchamber.com) if you are interested in volunteering for any of these events. We plan months in advance, so let us know, the sooner the better.

## 2009 Member Discount Program

Are you familiar with the Chamber's Discount Program?...or ... Are you using your Discount Card? It works in several ways IF you are a member of the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce.

1. You may offer a discount or incentive at your business for other Chamber members to take advantage of. The business offering the discount signs a simple contract stating the terms of the program.
2. As a Chamber member you receive an ID card that you may use as identity to take advantage of the discounts at other businesses. (Need a new discount card or don't have one? E-mail us at [info@vintonchamber.com](mailto:info@vintonchamber.com) with your name and address and we will mail you one.)
3. Value is added to your membership in an organization striving to make our community a better place to live and work. And remember - Business Referrals are available ONLY for Chamber members!

### Participating Chamber Members Include:

#### Cox Media

Advertise on 47 major networks -15% off total monthly schedule

#### Creative Occasions Floral & Fine Gifts

10% discount on every order of fresh flowers

#### Frame 'N Things & The Gallery

20% discount on all custom framing

#### Grand Rental Station

10% off all rentals

#### Leonard's Copy Systems

25% off retail of any supplies, copier or fax  
20% off service calls on 1st hour of labor  
Free fax machine with purchase of digital copier

#### Bruce Mayer, Attorney-at-Law

In office consultation for matters of a general legal nature not requiring research, documents drafted or court appearances - \$20 (reg \$35 fee)

#### Winter's Mini Storage

10% discount in addition to current specials

### Vinton Fall Festival Registration Deadline

Just a reminder to all chamber members: the registration fee deadline for a Fall Festival booth is about to change.

- Booth site registration fee right now thru 4/30/09 is \$25.00.
- Booth site registration fee after 4-30-09 is \$50.00. Visit [www.vintonchamber.com](http://www.vintonchamber.com) for a Fall Festival Registration Form.

The **Vinton Chamber E-Newsletter** is now published once a month and is sent to over 300 members and non-member businesses. A business card size ad for 6 months would cost \$60.00

Send your business card and check to:

116 S. Poplar Street, Suite 2, Vinton, VA 24179

Deadline: April 20, 2009 for next issue

## The Vinton Image Advertising Campaign Begins!



The Vinton Chamber of Commerce and RP Publishing is putting together the 2009 *Vinton Image* magazine.

**The Vinton Image chamber magazine/membership directory is**

**seen by over 4000 business owners and consumers in the Roanoke Valley.** Professionally put together and printed, the *Vinton Image* provides a focused method of getting your company's products and services in front of the people who use them!

If you would like to reserve space or for more information including ad options and rates, please call Barry at 772-1868 or email [Barry@rppublisher.com](mailto:Barry@rppublisher.com) or [info@vintonchamber.com](mailto:info@vintonchamber.com)