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Bedford Business First

News from Bedford County Office of Economic Development - April 2015

Get featured by 'giving back'



Lynchburg Business would like to feature community-minded companies within Region 2000 in their June/July 2015 issue. If you would like to submit an entry explaining how your company gives back to our local community, or nominate another business, click

Business Appreciation event set for May 26



May is Business Appreciation month, and we want to thank you!

Please join us at Benjamin's Restaurant on Tuesday, May 26 from 4 - 5:30 p.m. for tasty hors d'oeuvres and drinks to show our appreciation to you for growing your business in Bedford County!

Bring a business card for a chance to win one of our amazing door prizes!

Please RSVP by May 20 to Business Programs Coordinator Jessica Hupp at ihupp@bedfordcountyva.gov or call 540-587-5670.

Exclusive food-grade conveyor produced in Bedford

Central Virginia Manufacturing (CVM), a top contract manufacturer of sheet metal and light structural products in Bedford recently finished a custom stainless steel specialty conveyor for a Fortune 50 company.



The conveyor will quickly move food *CVM co-owner Chris Markham tests* items through a modern cafeteria for *stainless steel conveyor* efficiency and convenience. Read more.

Teva wins vaccine government contract

Artisan Center of Virginia names Michael Maxwell Juried Master Artisan recipient



Teva Pharmaceuticals, located in Forest, was recently awarded a \$170 million contract for a vaccine used at military basic training camps. Read more.

NanoTouch seeks Tobacco Commission funding for expansion



With extra funding,
NanoTouch plans to
produce its 5th generation
NanoSeptic surface, as
well as expand operations
in the New London
Business and Technology
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Michael Maxwell, founder of M.T. Maxwell Furniture Company in the Town of Bedford, has been named a recipient of the 2015 Virginia Juried Master Artisan by the Artisans Center of Virginia. After opening his business in Bedford 20 years ago, Maxwell has become a respected quality furniture maker in the community, with his work known and sold worldwide.

Read more .

Bedford Centertown Pavilion gets a makeover



Now that spring has finally made its appearance, the Farmers' Markets of Bedford County are gearing up for another season. Thanks to Bedford Main Street, Inc., the Bedford Farmers Market Management Team, Rotary Club of Bedford, Bedford Public Works, and the Bedford Lowe's Heroes Program, the downtown pavilion received new picnic tables, flower beds, and more. Read more.

Visit your Farmers Market this week!

Starting this week, the Bedford County Farmers' Markets will begin their seasonal hours. After much preparation, three markets will be available to county residents for locally grown food and crafts.

Bedford Centertown Pavilion:

Fridays, 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. First Sat. of the month, 8 a.m. - noon

Bedford Y Pavilion:

Tuesdays, 3 - 6:30 p.m. at the Bedford Y

Forest Farmers Market:

Saturdays, 8 a.m. - noon at the Forest Library (Rt. 221)



The Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce, which hosts a dinner every year to recognize its outstanding members, awarded two town businesses at their event last Thursday, March 26.



Town Kitchen & Provisions won best small business and Fostek was awarded best large business. Other winners include the D-Day Memorial as Best Non-Profit and the Bedford Farmers Market at the Y as Best Agri-Business. Congratulations!



Phil Foster, CEO of Fostek, accepts Best Large Business Award

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