

Hampshire County Relocation Package



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INTRODUCTION

LONG & FOSTER/WEBBER & ASSOCIATES is a growing, vibrant real estate firm. Long & Foster/Webber & Associates is one of the largest offices in the Blue Ridge Association of Realtors area. We currently have a staff of 48 Associates. Among these are 8 Associate Brokers, 11 Associates with the hard earned GRI (Graduate Realtors Institute) designation, one CRB (Certified Residential Broker) designation, 3 CRS (Certified Residential Specialist), 2 SRES (Senior Housing Specialist) and 13 ABR (Accredited Buyer Representative) designations. We also have 20 agents whom are multi-state licensed.

We are highly visible in the real estate community, having won virtually every award available from our Association. We have staff members who have served on the local Association's Board of Directors and have held every office through the Association's presidency. Our sales staff has won the Salesperson of the Year Award, Rookie of the Year Award, Realtor of the Year and Ethics Awards and attained Realtor Emeritus status. In some of these categories, we have multiple winners. The agents of Long & Foster/Webber & Associates are community oriented. We work for the Chamber of Commerce, and act as volunteers in almost every charity, including raising money for Habitat for Humanity.

As a business entity, we are clearly leaders. Our relocation package is second to none. Our agents come from, and work with, all walks of life. We are highly trained and continue our education through weekly sessions. We have extensive backgrounds in relocation.

Long & Foster/Webber & Associates is located at 480 W. Jubal Early Drive, Suite 100, Winchester VA which is convenient to I-81, Rt. 37 and other major thoroughfares. We operate from a three-story modern office building. Our ground level location makes our visibility and image second to none and the front door parking along with our handicapped-accessed facility makes the convenience for our customers and clients unparalleled.

HISTORY

In the early 1700's the first explorers, traders and hunters entered the area now known as Hampshire County. Some of the earliest settlers were the families of Coburn, Howard, Walker, Rutledge, and Forman who settled near the present town of Springfield sometime before 1735. Job and John Pearsall built their homes near the present town of Romney a couple years later, next the Parkers, Rodgers, Hunters, Goods, Blues, Kuykendalls, and Johnsons came to the growing settlements that became known as Pearsall's Flats. By 1748 about 200 people had settled in or near Pearsall's Flats. In March of that year James Genn, a Surveyor with a young helper named George Washington began surveying in the Patterson Creek area. By 1751 they had surveyed the Wappacoma Manor containing 55,000 acres, the Patterson Creek Manor of 9000 acres and about 300 lots of 200-400 acres each.

As more people moved into the area the need was felt for a Court House and seat of government closer than Winchester. In 1753 an act was passed by the General Assembly of Virginia to partition the counties of Frederick and Augusta and form the new county of Hampshire, which act became effective the first day of May 1754. Then in October 1777 the General Assembly in response to the citizens of the western areas of Augusta and Botecourt Counties separated part of these two counties and added those parts to Hampshire. This extended the boundaries of Hampshire to include all of the present counties of Mineral, Hardy and Grant and portions of Morgan and Pendleton. This was an area of about 2800 square miles and a population estimated at 3000 to 4000 people.

Sometime prior to December 1762 Lord Fairfax apparently sent surveyors into Hampshire County to lay out a town. On November 12, 1762 a petition for a town of fifty acres laid off by Lord Fairfax at Pearsall's Level was introduced in the General Assembly of Virginia. After three readings of the bill Governor Francis Fauquier signed it on December 23, 1762 and Romney was established. According to the article incorporating Romney, the town was laid out in 100 lots of one half acre each. The article also makes it clear that a courthouse had already been built.

Apparently no separate town government was had by the new town until December 4, 1789 when the General Assembly of Virginia passed an act providing for a board of trustees made up of: Isaac Parsons, Isaac Millar, Andrew Woodrow, Stephen Colven, Jonathan Purcell, Nicholas Casey, William McGuire, Purez Drew, and James Murphy. The town was laid out in a square with 5 blocks each way or 25 blocks separated by four streets each 60 feet wide running northeast and four streets each also 60 feet wide running southeast. Each block was divided equally into four lots, each lot being 136 feet and 3 inches southeast by 157 feet northeast which is about one half acre. The 1810 Census showed 295 people living in the town of Romney and the 1850 Census showed 456 people living there.

GOVERNMENT

Hampshire County is composed of the city of Romney (also the county seat), the incorporated town of Capon Bridge and nine magisterial districts: Bloomery, Capon Bridge, Capon, Gore, Mill Creek, Romney, Romney Municipality, Sherman, and Springfield.

COURTHOUSE

50 S. High Street, Romney

- *Circuit Clerks Office: 304-822-5022
- *Circuit Judge: 304-822-7442
- *Clerk of the County Commission: 304-822-5112
- *Development Authority: 304-822-4320

COURTHOUSE ANNEX

66 North High Street, Romney

- *Assessor's Office: 304-822-3326
- *Health Department: 304-496-9640
- *Jail: 304-822-3025
- *Treasurer: 304-822-4720
- *Probation Officer: 304-822-4712
- *Planner's Office: 304-822-7018
- *Voter Registration: 304-822-5112

MAGISTRATE COURT

50 S. High St., Romney
304-822-4228
304-822-4022

- *Magistrate Court Clerk: 304-822-4311

FAMILY LAW MASTER

50 S. High St., Romney
304-258-7487

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

50 S. High St., Romney
304-822-3567

TAXES

DATE OF ASSESSMENT AND TAX YEAR

The assessment date is July 1 each year. That means that all assessments are to be based on conditions as of July 1, with regard to ownership, taxability, condition, use, etc. The taxes are for a calendar year and are based on the ownership, etc., as of July 1 of the previous year. In other words, something purchased on July 1, 1999 will be taxed for the 2000 year in the name of the owner as of July 1, 1999, but something purchased on July 2, 1999 will not be taxed until the 2001 year in the name of the owner as of July 1, 2000.

TYPES AND CLASSES OF PROPERTY

There are two types of property, real and personal. Real property generally includes land and things attached to land, such as buildings, etc. Personal property generally includes things not fixed to land such as vehicles, animals, tools, equipment, etc. Mobile homes or buildings on land owned by other than the owner of the mobile home or building are considered personal property by the assessor's office in accordance with the State guidelines.

Individuals, corporations, partnerships or many other entities may own real or personal property. All property must be classified into four classes for tax purposes. As of July 2007, Class I property is not taxable. Class II – All property owned, used and occupied by owner, exclusively for residential purposes, and farms used and occupied by their owners or bona fide tenants. Class III & IV – All real and personal property exclusive of Classes I and II, situated outside a municipality (Class III) or within a municipality (Class IV) (rental and vacant), not used and occupied by the owner.

PERSONAL PROPERTY RETURNS

All individuals and businesses are required to file a property tax return between July 1 and October 1 of each year, with the Assessor's Office. The return requires the taxpayer to provide a listing of all taxable personal property (as well as real property) that is owned on the July 1st assessment date. If you are currently in the property tax system you will receive a form to complete and return to the Assessor's Office. If you do not receive a form, you should come to the Assessor's Office and pick up a form. If a taxpayer fails to file a property tax return, he or she, may be subject to a penalty of not less than twenty-five (\$25) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100) and shall have waived all rights under law for the correction of the resulting supplemental assessment.

SCHOOLS

| Educational Attainment * | |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Less than High School | 23.1% |
| High School/GED | 51.4% |
| Some college/ Associates Degree | 16.1% |
| Bachelors + | 8.7% |
| No schooling | .7% |

*Based on 2015 American Community Survey data

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Office of Superintendent: 304-822-3528

Career Training Center: 304-822-3979

Special Education Office: 304-822-3528 ext. 190

Maintenance Shop: 304-822-3121 (early in the morning) or 304-822-3528 ext. 170

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Augusta Elementary School

304-496-7001

Capon Bridge Elementary School

304-856-3329

John J. Cornwell Elementary School

304-492-5520

Romney Elementary School

304-822-3018

Slanesville Elementary School

304-496-7069

Springfield-Green Spring Elementary School

304-822-4317

MIDDLE SCHOOLS:

Capon Bridge Middle School

304-856-2534

Romney Middle School

304-822-5014

HIGH SCHOOLS:

Hampshire High School

304-822-5016 or 304-822-4321

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND:

301 E. Main St., Romney WV

- **School for the Blind**
 - Principal: 304-822-4881
- **Elementary School for the Deaf**
 - Dean: 304-822-4841
- **Secondary School for the Deaf**
 - Dean: 304-822-4841
- Deaf-Blind Multi Hand Office: 304-822-4850
- Blind Information and Referral Services: 800-642-3021
- WV Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing: 866-461-3578
- School main number: 304-822-4800
- Superintendent: 304-553-7974
- Fax: 304-822-3370
- Radio: WWSB-FM 104.1 Mhz. 304-822-4838

PRIVATE SCHOOLS:

Maranatha Christian Academy

Parsons Avenue

HC 65, Box 300

Romney, WV 26757

304-822-3906

Slanesville Christian School

PO Box 300

Slanesville, WV 25444

304-496-9224

LIBRARIES

Hampshire County Public Library

304-822-3185

153 W. Main St., Romney

Mon., Wed. and Fri.: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Tues. and Thurs.: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sat.: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Email: Hampshire.library@martin.lib.wv.us

Website: hampshirecopubliclib.com

Capon Bridge Public Library

304-856-3777

2987 Northwestern Pike, Capon Bridge

Mon., Wed., Thurs. and Fri.: 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Tues.: 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Sat.: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Email: capon.bridge@martin.lib.wv.us

Website: caponbridge.lib.wv.us

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

WATER

City of Romney, 304-822-5118

340 E. Main St., Romney

Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. M-F

Emergencies: after hours calls will be forwarded to the appropriate on-call personnel

City Maintenance, 304-822-3105

Red Bud Lane, Romney

Hours: 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Emergencies after hours: 304-822-5118

Water Filtration Plant, 304-822-3639

Along Rt. 50 at Indian Heights, west of Romney

Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., 7 days a week

Emergencies after hours: 304-822-5118

Waste Water Treatment, 304-822-3638
Off Depot Street, Romney
Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. M-F
Emergencies after hours: 304-822-5118

Town of Capon Bridge, 304-856-3625
1 Whitacre Loop, Capon Bridge
Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. M-F

POWER

Potomac Edison
A First Energy Company
1-800-255-3443
website: https://www.firstenergycorp.com/.../potomac_edison_west_virginia.html

NATURAL GAS

AmeriGas
126 E. Third Ave., Ranson
304-725-7087 or 800-263-7442

TRASH REMOVAL

United Disposal Service
800-543-7897 or 304-866-8787.

SOLID WASTE

Region VIII Solid Waste Authority
Off Rt. 28 about 2 miles north of Romney
304-257-2644 or 800-339-5777
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. M-F; 8:00 a.m. -12:00 noon Saturday

COMMUNICATIONS

Atlantic Broadband – 304-538-6176
Frontier – 304-822-3801
AT&T – 304-530-2355
U.S. Cellular – 304-822-4004
Visual Link Internet – 304-867-4134

US POSTAL SERVICE

- Augusta: 304-496-8063
- Bloomery: 304-856-2713
- Capon Bridge: 304-856-3546
- Capon Springs: 304-874-3206
- Green Spring: 304-492-5154
- High View: 304-856-3500
- Points: 304-492-5584
- Purgitsville: 304-289-3942
- Rio: 304-897-6094
- Romney: 304-822-5119
- Shanks: 304-496-9384
- Slanesville: 304-496-7922
- Springfield: 304-822-7192
- Yellow Spring: 304-856-3621

Romney Community Pool: 304-822-7456

WV Dept. of Health and Human Resources: 304-558-0684

Hampshire County Health Dept.: 304-496-9640 or 304-496-9641

Girl Scouts - Shawnee Council: 304-263-8833

American Legion: 304-822-3014

Motor Vehicles Department: 304-558-3900

Chamber of Commerce: 304-822-7221

HEALTH

DENTAL:

Tim Nichols, DDS, Inc.
304-822-4447
32 Stayman Dr., Romney, WV 26757

HOSPITALS:

Hampshire Memorial Hospital
304-822-4561
363 Sunrise Blvd., Romney, WV 26757

Grant Memorial Hospital
304-257-1026
117 Hospital Dr., Petersburg, WV 26847

Western Maryland Health System
240-964-7000
12500 Willowbrook Road, Cumberland, MD 21502

Winchester Medical Center
540-536-8000
1840 Amherst St., Winchester, VA 22601

OPTOMETRIST:

Regional Eye Associates
800-598-3301
4 WV locations: Morgantown, Fairmont, Bridgeport and Petersburg

Rebuck & Associates Eye Care
304-725-2020
805 N. Mildred St. #3, Ranson, WV

PHARMACIES:

CVS Pharmacy
304-822-8806
30 Heritage Cir., Romney WV
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Mon. – Sun.

Rite Aid
304-822-3313
150 W. Main St., Romney WV
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. M-Sat.; 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sun.

PHYSICIANS:

Family/General Practice
Anthony K. Haywood, DO
304-822-7866
25121 Northwestern Pike, Romney, WV 26757

Internal Medicine
Vijay Chowdhary, M.D.
304-822-4932
549 Center Ave., Romney, WV 26757

OTHER HEALTH CARE:

Potomac Center, Inc.
Phone: (304) 822-3861
Fax: (304) 822-4297
One Blue Street, Romney WV 26757
Serving People with Developmental Disabilities of Eastern WV since 1980
www.potomaccenter.com

The Potomac Center is an independent, not-for-profit, private organization that is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. Since 1980, the Center has provided residential assistance and support to both children and adults with developmental disabilities as they learn the skills needed to lead successful lives. The primary goal is to reunite the individuals with their families. Since that is not possible for some, alternate living places are sought. At Potomac Center a team of professionals including the individual (and guardian if appropriate) develop and implement plans and activities to ensure all needs are met.

CHURCHES

ADVENTIST:

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

1373 Grassy Lick Road, Romney, WV, 304-822-7399

ASSEMBLY OF GOD:

MOUNTAIN VIEW ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rt. 50 W., Capon Bridge, WV, 304-856-3514

LIGHTHOUSE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rt. 29, Paw Paw, WV, 304-947-7280

SPRINGFIELD ASSEMBLY OF GOD

9367 Cumberland Rd., Springfield, WV, 304-822-5759

ROMNEY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

87 Mitchell St., Romney, WV, 304-822-4263

KIRBY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Augusta Ford Hill Rd., Rio, WV, 304-496-8363

AUGUSTA ASSEMBLY OF GOD

15511 Northwestern Pike, Augusta WV, 304-469-8466

GREEN SPRING ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Norton St., Green Spring, WV

COMMUNITY BIBLE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Poland Hollow Rd., Romney, WV, 304-822-7613

BAPTIST:

FOX'S HOLLOW BAPTIST

Fox's Hollow Rd., 5 miles W. of Romney, WV, 304-289-5030

HERITAGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Capon Springs Rd, Capon Springs, WV, 304-874-3858

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

58 N. Old Mill Rd., Fort Ashby, WV, 304-298-4752

FAITH BIBLE BAPTIST

214 Smokey Hollow Rd., Capon Bridge, WV

BEREAN INDEPENDENT BAPTIST

Dan's Run Road, Fort Ashby, WV, 304-298-3922

LITTLE CAPON BAPTIST

2254 Little Capon Rd., Romney WV, 304-496-7438

ZOAR BAPTIST CHURCH

Ford Hill Rd., Augusta, WV, 304-496-7772

MT. BETHEL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST

Jersey Mountain Rd., Three Churches, WV

UNION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

54 N. Shady Side Dr., Romney, WV, 304-822-3228

MARANATHA BAPTIST

19 Parsons Avenue, Romney, WV, 304-822-3906

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

325 W. Main St., Romney, WV, 304-822-3141

COVENANT BAPTIST CHURCH

Rt. 50, Romney, WV, 304-822-7306

AMAZING GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Christian Church Rd., Capon Bridge, WV, 304-856-2773

BRETHREN:

BEAN SETTLEMENT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

.25 miles west of Rock Oak, WV, 304-496-7800

CAPON CHAPEL CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Hopkins Lick Rd., Levels, WV, 304-492-5838

OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Jersey Mountain Rd., 1.5 mi. N.E. of Levels, WV

ROMNEY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Parsons Heights, Parsons Ave., Romney, 304-822-8272

WHITE PINE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

U.S. Highway 220, Purgitsville, WV, 304-289-3343

CATHOLIC:

ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

238 North Route 28, Fort Ashby, WV, 304-298-3392

OUR LADY OF GRACE

299 School Street, Romney, WV 304-822-5561

CHRISTIAN:

MOUNT UNION CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bloomery Pike, Slanesville, WV, 304-496-8486

DELRAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

6619 N. Texas Rd., Augusta, WV, 304-496-7230

ROMNEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

125 N. Charlevoix Pl., Romney, WV, 304-822-7540

CAPON BRIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

157 Cold Stream Rd., Capon Bridge, WV

SANDY RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

5329 Cold Stream Rd., Capon Bridge, WV

TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

5700 Christian Church Rd., High View, WV, 304-856-3658

CHURCH OF CHRIST:

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH OF CHRIST

Border Lane, Capon Bridge, WV, 304-856-3987

DELRAY

Rt. 29, 7 mi. S. of Rt. 50, Delray, WV

TIMBER RIDGE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Christian Church Rd., Capon Bridge, WV, 304-856-3658

ROMNEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

293 North High Street, Romney, WV, 304-822-7441

AUGUSTA CHURCH OF CHRIST

15338 Northwestern Pike, Augusta, WV, 304-496-7775

ZION CHURCH OF CHRIST

Hoy, WV, 304-496-8075

CHURCH OF GOD:

ROMNEY CHURCH OF GOD

128 Everett Pl, Romney, WV, 304-822-5002

PAW PAW CHURCH OF GOD

Rt. 29, Pin Oak, WV, 304-289-5086

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS:

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

York Drive & U.S. Rt. 50 East, Romney, WV, 304-822-5298

EPISCOPAL:

ST. STEPHEN'S

316 E. Main, Romney, WV, 304-822-5054

FOURSQUARE CHURCH:

Fireside Christian Fellowship

3112 Northwestern Pike, Capon Bridge, 304-856-1605

LUTHERAN:

Ebenezer Lutheran Church

6365 Needmore Rd., Baker, WV, 304-897-6533

St. Peter's Lutheran

60 W. Main St., Wardensville, WV

Hebron Lutheran

10851 Carper's Pike, Yellow Spring, WV

Fairview Lutheran

464 Fairview Rd., Gore, VA (1 mile from Capon Bridge, WV), 540-858-2643

UNITED METHODIST:

Capon Bridge United Methodist

3236 Northwestern Pike, Capon Bridge, WV, 304-856-2483

Central United Methodist

Rt. 50, Timber Mountain Rd., Loom, WV

North River Mills

Cold Stream Rd., North River Mills, WV

Augusta Charge

- Augusta- Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
- Hott's Chapel, Kirby - Worship 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Handicap accessible
- Mt. Zion - Sunday School 11 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.

Cacapon Charge

- Shiloh – 10 a.m.
- Willow Chapel - 9 a.m.
- Bethel – 11 a.m.

Hampshire Charge

304-492-5934

- Bethel – 10:30 a.m.
- Island Hill – 9 a.m.
- Levels – 11 a.m.
- Salem – 9 a.m.
- Wesley Chapel – 10 a.m.

Forest Glen/St. Paul's Charge

304-726-4012

- Forest Glen – 9 a.m.
- St. Paul's – Sunday School 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.

Ebenezer/Springfield Charge

- Ebenezer - 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.
- Springfield – 11 a.m.

Mill Creek Valley Charge

- Marvin Chapel
- Mt. Olive

First United Methodist Church

49 N. High St., Romney, WV

Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church

240 North Main St., Romney WV,

MENNONITE:

SLANESVILLE COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH

922 Slanesville Pike, Augusta, WV, 304-496-9524

NAZARENE:

ROMNEY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
339 Elk Pl., Romney, WV, 304-822-5412

NON-DENOMINATIONAL:

GOD'S PAVILION CHURCH

Rio, WV, 304-897-6273

WOODROW UNION CHURCH

Rt. 9, Paw Paw, WV, 304-947-7585

ST. PETERS CHURCH OF GOD

Rt. 1, Paw Paw, WV, 304-947-5545

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

11545 Jersey Mountain Rd., Levels, WV, 304-492-5333

EVANGEL HOLINESS CHURCH

296 W. Sioux Ln., Romney, WV, 304-822-8787

PAW PAW CHRISTIAN CENTER

Winchester, Paw Paw, WV, 304-947-7754

SAFE HAVEN TABERNACLE

Ed Arnold Rd., Augusta, WV, 304-496-8237 or 304-289-3683

CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

74 Hollow Rd. and Northwestern Pike, Augusta, 304-496-8566

PENTECOSTAL:

APOSTOLIC EMANUEL TABERNACLE

Reynolds Acres, Romney, WV, 304-496-7281

PRESBYTERIAN:

ROMNEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

100 W. Rosemary Lane, Romney, WV, 304-822-5083

SPRINGFIELD PRESBYTERIAN

Market St., Springfield, WV, 304-822-3055

SLANESVILLE PRESBYTERIAN

Springfield Grade Rd, Slanesville, WV, 304-496-9503

BLOOMERY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rt. 127, Bloomery, WV, 304-856-3814

BURLINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

12687 Patterson Creek Rd., Burlington, WV, 304-289-3735

TEMPORARY LODGING

Almost Heaven Alpacas & Guest House

Phone: 304-496-1073
HC 78 Box 48-A
Augusta, WV 26704

ASA Cline House Bed & Breakfast

Phone: 304-874-4115; Toll Free: 866-665-4115
State Route 259
Yellow Spring, WV 26865
www.asaclinehouse.com

Black Bear Chalet

Email: blackbearchaletwv@verizon.net
Between Paw Paw, WV and Slanesville, WV
www.blackbearchaletwv.com

Capon Springs and Farms

Phone: 304-874-3695
1 Main Street
Capon Springs, WV 26823
www.caponsprings.net

Charlotte's Web Country Guest House

Phone: 304-496-7628
Ford Hill and Loy Roads
Augusta, WV 26704

Country Inn at High View

Phone: 304-856-1415
Carpers Pike
High View, WV 26808
www.thecountryinnathighview.com

Just Far Enough Getaway

Phone: 304-496-8002 or 304-703-1350 (cell)
1768 Hoy Road
Augusta, WV 26704
www.justfarenough.com

DINING

Gourmet Central

47 Industrial Park Road, Romney, WV 26757
Telephone: 800-984-3722 or 304-822-6047

M&M Pizza

Springfield Plaza, Rt. 28, Springfield, WV
Telephone: 304-822-3176

Brass Rail, The

18 S. High St., Romney, WV
Telephone: 304-822-5300

Dairy Queen

450 W. Main St., Romney, WV
Telephone: 304-822-3111

Domino's Pizza

490 N. High St., Romney, WV
Telephone: 304-822-3866

Doodle's Place

72 Redskins Ln., Augusta,
WV
496-9481

Telephone: 304-

Romney Diner

44 N. Marsham St., Romney,
WV
822-3904

Telephone: 304-

Four B's Pizza

15691 Northwestern Pike, Augusta,
WV
496-8542

Telephone: 304-

Fox's Pizza Den & Mountaineer Restaurant

472 N. High St., Romney,
WV
822-3831

Telephone: 304-

Mario's Italian Restaurant

33 S. High St., Romney,
WV
822-7776

Telephone: 304-

McDonald's

370 Main St., Romney, WV
Telephone: 304-822-7348

Mountain Top Restaurant/Truck Stop

Rt. 50 E, Romney, WV
Telephone: 304-822-5918

Sparky's Rocky Top

4654 Northwestern Pike, Capon Bridge,
WV
1030

Telephone: 304-856-

RECREATION

EXPERIENCE NATURE AND LOCAL ACTIVITIES

The Potomac Eagle Scenic Rail Excursion

Will take you on a unique ride through the Trough of the South Branch of the Potomac River May/June through October. Travel past historic farms and eagle nests. Eagles sighted 90% of the time. Special trips such as all-day or murder mystery trips are available. Rail fans will love this excursion, thanks to the friendly and knowledgeable train staff. Call: 304-424-0736. Website: www.potomaceagle.info

BOWLING

Wilson Lanes and Hot Spot Lounge

Rt. 50E Romney, WV
304-822-4100

LIVE MUSIC

Hampshire County Arts Council concerts

Fall thru Spring at The Bottling Works and occasionally other venues. Free "Summer Concerts on the Lawn" one Sunday evening per month. Call: 304-496-8002. Sign up for Free weekly [e-mail Arts Alerts](mailto:artsalerts@hampshirearts.org) at www.hampshirearts.org

Doodle's Place

Family restaurant and bar with country music bands weekends; D.J. Thursday evenings. Large parking area. Rt. 50, Augusta, WV. Call: 304-496-7260.

The Bottling Works

Performances by world-class musicians and local talent provide entertainment for a wide range of tastes from blues to bluegrass, old-time Appalachian to Celtic, Broadway cabaret to jazz, classical to classic country.

426 E. Main St., Romney
Call: 304-703-1350 or 304-496-8162
www.thebottlingworks.com

Fairs and Festivals

Live music is an integral part of Hampshire County's numerous fairs and festivals, such as the **WV Peach Festival, Hampshire County Fair, Hampshire Heritage Fest, AvalonFest, Capon Bridge Founders' Day** and **Annual South Branch Bluegrass Festival**.

HORSEBACK RIDING

Crystal Valley Ranch

Horseback riding over guided trails as well as riding lessons, boarding and special events such as rodeos.

Rt. 28 N, Romney, WV. Call: 304-822-7444

CANOE RENTALS/TRIPS

Trough General Store

Canoe rentals, fishing supplies (no licenses) bait, drinks, snacks, ice
9690 S. Branch River Rd., Romney, WV

Open mid-April through mid-October, 6 days a week (closed Tuesdays)

Telephone: 304-822-7601. www.wvcanoerentals.com

SWIMMING

Romney Community Pool

260 School St., Romney, WV

Building available for functions.

Open 7 days a week, Memorial Day through Labor Day

Telephone: 304-822-7456

SIGHTSEEING/TOURING

Pliska Winery

A picturesque vineyard and farm winery nestled in the foothills between the Appalachian and Allegheny front mountains in the southwestern corner of Hampshire County. Part of the proceeds from sales go to benefit the mentally handicapped.

101 Piterra Place, Purgittsville, WV
Telephone: 304-289-3493 or 877-747-2737

Gourmet Central

Works with farms and orchards in surrounding states, as well as international countries such as the Phillipines, to manufacture and market value-added specialty food products. Their products, fruits and vegetables are in farmer's markets around the region including the Washington D.C. area.

47 Industrial Park Rd., Hampshire Industrial Park, Romney, WV
304-822-6047

Ice Mountain/Nature Conservancy Preserve

Private preserve, "Nature's icebox", where ice naturally remains most of the year in crevices and was used by Native Americans for food storage. It is located off Cold Stream Road between Slanesville and Capon Bridge. Trips are usually offered on Saturdays. To schedule a guided hike (at no charge) contact Steve or Terry Bailes at 304-496-7359 or visit the website at: www.stevebailes.org/icemountain/visit.htm

PARKS

Hampshire Park

11-Acre public park with kitchen and dining hall, 7 picnic pavilions, restroom facilities/shower house, sports field, playground equipment, basketball and volleyball courts.

3 Miles south of Romney on River Rd.

Reservations begin after January 1st of each year. Call: 304-822-7300

Central Hampshire Park

16-Acre public park with 4 picnic pavilions, restroom facilities, sports field, playground equipment, outdoor amphitheater, horseshoe pits, basketball and volleyball courts.

East of Romney on Rt. 50 behind the Augusta Volunteer Fire Department.

Reservations begin after January 1st of each year. Call: 304-822-7300

FISHING & PUBLIC HUNTING

Hampshire County has highest percentage of state-owned public hunting in the state. It is also the home of 4 native trout streams and 6 stocked locations. These include Mill Creek, Mill Run, Dillon's Run, Edwards Run, North River and Warren Lake.

Fishing and Hunting Regulations and maps can be found at: www.wvdnr.gov

Licenses can be purchased online at: www.wvhunt.com

Nathaniel Mountain Wildlife Management Area

10,675 Acres with oak, pine and hickory forests on Big, Piney and Nathaniel Mountains which ascend as high as 3,050 ft. above sea level. Game traditionally hunted include bear, deer, fox, squirrel, turkey, bobcat and coyote. More than 70 primitive campground sites with pit toilets have been developed in the area.

From Rt. 50 east of Romney, south on Grassy Lick Rd. approximately 8 miles to entrance road on right.

Fees: a nominal camping fee is charged.

West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, 1 Depot St. Romney, WV, 304-822-3551

Short Mountain Wildlife Management Area

8,000+ Acres of mountainous woodland. Almost all is covered with mixed oak and Virginia pine. Hunting is available for turkey, deer, squirrel and ruffed grouse. One half mile of North River crosses the southern portion of Short Mountain west of Rio and is stocked with trout once in February and then once every two weeks March through May by the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources. Six primitive camp grounds are distributed around the area.

8 Miles south of Augusta, WV off Augusta-Ford Hill Rd.(Rt. 7).

Fees: a nominal fee is charged for camping

West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, 1 Depot St., Romney, WV, 304-822-3551

Edward's Run Wildlife Management Area

Approximately 397 acres consisting of low hills with steep slopes covered in forests of various species of oaks and hickories plus approx. 17 acres of scattered clearings and brushy areas. White-tailed deer, turkey, quail, squirrel, rabbit and grouse hunting opportunities are available. A section of Edwards Run and a 2-acre lake, Edwards Pond, provide fishing for shortmouth and longmouth bass, sunfish, bluegill and channel catfish. Edwards Run and Pond are also stocked with trout February through March and in October. A primitive camping area is in proximity to Edwards Pond and pit toilets and trash receptacles are provided.

2 Miles north of Capon Bridge on Cold Stream Rd. (Rt. 15) near Cold Stream, WV

Fees: a nominal fee is charged for camping

West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, 1 Depot St., Romney, WV, 304-822-3551

TRANSPORTATION

Highways (distances from Romney)

- * I-81: 41 miles away via U.S. 50, accesses I-66
- * I-66: accessed via I-81, major route to D.C.
- * I-68: 46 miles away via U.S. 28N to I-68W
- * I-70: accesses Hagerstown, Frederick and Baltimore, MD.
- * Pennsylvania Turnpike: 124 miles.
- * U.S. Routes: 50 & 220
- * WV Routes: 28, 29, 127, & 259

| Proximity to Major Cities | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Washington DC | 119 |
| Charleston, WV | 226 |
| New York, NY | 323 |
| Pittsburgh, PA | 134 |
| Philadelphia, PA | 260 |
| Cincinnati, OH | 373 |
| Cleveland, OH | 262 |

Trucking

Federal Express, UPS, YRC Freight & several local companies.

Rail

- * *Industrial*: A CSX line and the South Branch Valley Railroad.
- * *Passenger*: AMTRAK in Cumberland, MD and Potomac Eagle Scenic Railroad (recreational) in Romney along with the South Branch Valley Railroad (passenger and freight) .

Air

- * Morgantown Municipal Airport – 106 miles from Hampshire County.
- * Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport- 136 miles from Hampshire County.
- * Washington Dulles International Airport- 88 miles from Hampshire County.
- * Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport – 126 miles from Hampshire County.
- * Private airports include: Rivers Edge Farm Airport in Capon Bridge, Eastview Airport and Lost Mountain Airport in Romney.

Bus

*Potomac Valley Transit

POPULATION

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| 1980 ----- | 14,867 |
| 1990 ----- | 16,498 |
| 2000 ----- | 20,203 |
| 2010 ----- | 23,964 |
| 2015 estimates----- | 23,353 |
| Population Percent Change----- | - 2.5% |

CLIMATE

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Annual Precipitation (rain) | 36" |
| Annual Precipitation (snow) | 29" |
| Avg. July High Temp. | 85.9 F |
| Avg. Jan. Low Temp..... | 20.5 F |
| Average Temp..... | 53.2 F |

LABOR FORCE

| Labor & Wage Data | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Civilian Work Force | 9,910 |
| Cost of Living Index (2016) | 87.8% |
| Unemployment Rate (2014) | 6.1% |
| Annual Job Growth Rate | 2.1% |
| Ave. Annual Wage (2009) | \$27,727 |

| Worker Commuting Patterns | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Reside & Work in County | 3,638 |
| Reside in, Work outside | 4,752 |
| Net Commute | -3,792 |
| Mean commute time | 39.7 min |

EMPLOYMENT

| Employment by Industry (%) | |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Management/Professional | 21.4 |
| Service | 14.6 |
| Sales & Office | 19.7 |
| Agriculture | 1.8 |
| Construction/Extraction | 16.1 |
| Production/Transportation | 26.4 |
| Government* | 17.5 |

* Public; not to be included with private industry

| Major Employers (# employees) | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Public | |
| Board of Education | 526 |
| Deaf & Blind School | 187 |
| Potomac Center | 163 |
| Bank of Romney | 104 |
| Committee on Aging | 107 |
| Regional Jail | 75-80 |

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|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Genesis Eldercare | 100 |
| County Government | 80 |
| FNB Bank | 49 |
| Special Services | 30 |
| Hampshire County Health Department | 10 |
| Private | |
| Memorial Hospital | 135 |
| Koppers Industries | 51 |
| Food Lion Grocery | 67 |
| Allegheny Power | 32 |
| Frontier | 23 |
| Shingleton Timber/Trucking | 28 |
| Dyno Nobel | 20 |
| Riverside Mulch | 32 |
| Capon Springs Resort | 120 |
| S. J. Morse | 18 |
| Gourmet Central | 8 |
| Camp Rim Rock | 19 (seasonal) |

SHOPPING

Anderson's Corner

Antique and new jewelry, in-house jeweler, crafts and collectibles
8 W. Main St., Romney, WV
Mon-Sat 10AM-5PM
304-822-4285
www.andersonscorner.com

Millwood's 4As Gallery

Art (original oils, watercolors, and old painting); antiques (furniture and glassware); jewelry (from Anderson's Corner); vintage clothing from The Farmer's Wife Antiques; American Indian Artifacts Museum; WV art pottery; flowers; a flea market
Rt. 220S, 6 ½ miles from Rt. 50, Purgitsville (on left in brick building) 1194 Mountain View Rd.
Call ahead for hours
304-289-3013

Bent River Woodworks

Custom log furniture built on-site and accessories
Rt 50, Capon Bridge
Fri-Sat 10AM-5 or by appointment
304-856-1200

B Belle's Boutique Home décor, kitchen items, handmade jewelry, purses and accessories, Hatley sleepware, baby and mommy gifts, items for men, vintage garden pieces, Root candles, WoodWick candles
34 W. Main St., Romney
Tues-Fri. 10AM-5PM; Sat 10AM-3PM
304-822-8002
See them on Facebook

Dan's Antiques

16 antique dealers in 6,700 sq. ft., 2-story barn. Furniture (oak, country, Victorian), ironware, glassware, collectibles, toys, crocks, clocks.
Rt. 50 at east edge of Augusta
Mon-Sun 10AM-5PM
304-496-8187

Dillon's Country Treasures

Romney and Hampshire County items, gifts, baskets, linens, home accents, painted wooden items, country and seasonal décor, Yankee candles, Vera Bradley
352 E. Main Street (next to McDonalds), Romney
Mon-Fri 9AM-5:30PM, Sat 9AM-5PM, Sun 11AM-4PM
304-822-4202
See them on Facebook

Good Times Ridge Alpacas

The large alpaca farm in Augusta produces yarn and many beautiful alpaca products. The Farm offers a selection of many different fine alpaca products available in our farm store including alpaca rugs, alpaca hats (knitted, woven and fur), purses, yarn, socks, headbands, shawls, alpaca scarves, handmade soaps.

3354 North River Rd., Augusta

304-496-9946

www.goodtimeridgefarm.com

Flower Creations & Gifts

Silk arrangements, fresh flowers, balloons & gifts for every occasion

3112 Northwestern Pike, Capon Bridge

304-856-2225

Granny's House

Country décor, baskets, candles, Americana, seasonal items, swags and berries, wooden items

N. Texas Rd., Augusta

304-496-1123

Reclaim Renew, LLC

Upcycled lighting, coffee, tea, antiques.

72 South Marsham St., Romney

304-822-4300

See us on Facebook

Tiny Snapdragon Antique Boutique & Christian Bookstore

Antique glassware, Christian books, CDs, DVDs and gifts. Custom medical alert bracelets and Tupperware.

34 W. Main St., Romney

Thurs-Fri 10AM-6PM.; Sat 10AM-4PM

304-359-1276

Janet's Crafts and Collectibles

Retail gifts, crafts, and handmade collectibles

Rt. 50 ¼ mile west of VA/WV line

Mon-Sun 9AM-5PM

304-856-2578

Lyndazigns Gifts & Jewelry

Candles, home & garden décor, bracelets, rings, teen jewelry, men's jewelry. UPS shipping, daily pickup by 2PM.

Sol Shanholtz Rd., Augusta, 2/10 mile on right.

Mon-Fri 9AM-6PM; Sat 9AM-1PM

304-496-7090

Mountain Tyme

Gifts and collectible items, jewelry, handcrafts
Off Rt. 28 North, just south of the Potomac Eagle Station
Weekends only
304-822-4006

Sugar Magnolias

Gifts to satisfy the soul: Gypsy Rose, Braja, Liquid Blue, Amy Brown, greeting cards, gems, rocks, crystals, taro
Rt. 50 East, Hampshire Square
Tues-Fri 11AM-5PM; Sat 11AM-4PM
304-822-3056
See us on Facebook

Ruckman Mill Farm

Textile arts – Art studio and workshop featuring hand-hooked rugs
P.O. Box 409, Augusta, WV
Open by appointment
304-496-8073
www.ruckmanmillfarm.com

Rio Mall and Antique Shop

Economical finds and treasures, antiques
Rt. 29 South, Rio (turn off Rt. 50 next to Xpress Stop/Liberty or on Ford Hill Rd. in Augusta and continue to Rio)
M-Sat 9AM-7PM, Sun Noon-7PM
304-496-7847

Romney Florist & Iron Works

Fresh and silk flowers, retail gifts, baskets, pottery, ironwork, stepping stones
238 W. Main St., Romney
M-F 9AM-5PM, Sat 9AM-3PM
304-822-3888

Taggart Hall House & Civil War Museum

Gift shop with Books, post cards, Civil War prints, Fenton Art glass
Mon-Fri 9AM - 4PM, Sat 9AM-5PM
304-822-4320

The Bloomin' L

Florist and Tuxedo rentals.
72 South Marsham St., Romney
Call for hours
304-822-4300

EVENTS

Milleson's Walnut Grove Campground

Monthly scheduled events

From Rt. 28 in Springfield, east on Springfield Grade Rd. toward Slanesville to Silas Milleson Rd., 2.5 miles to end.

(304-822-5284) www.millesonscampground.com

Ft. Edwards Foundation

Hampshire County Family Frontier Day

An introduction to the lifestyle of Joseph Edwards and other settlers of the mid-eighteenth century in Hampshire County. Blacksmith, bagpiper, traders and vendors, colonial gown making, lace making, wool rug braiding, "scout" encampment, reenactments. Visit the kitchen garden. Browse the Museum Shop.

Ft. Edwards Visitors Center, 350 Cold Stream Rd., Capon Bridge WV.

(304-856-3866)

Springfield Ramp Dinner

Generally first Sunday in May (depends on growth of the ramps)

Annual dinner featuring the seasonal favorite, Ramps.

Springfield Volunteer Fire Co., Springfield Pike, Springfield, WV

(304-822-3007)

South Branch Valley Bluegrass Festival and Fireworks Show

Late June

Food, crafts, children's activities, fireworks display. Camping available.

Wapocoma Campground, South Branch Rd., Romney, WV.

(304-822-7300 or 304-813-7625)

Confederate Memorial Holiday

1st weekend in June Annually

Celebration conducted by Hampshire Historical Society

Romney, WV

(304-856-2623)

Annual Strawberry Festival

2nd Saturday in June

Food, crafts, family fun, gospel singers, games, wagon rides, flea market.
Hampshire Fair Grounds. From Rt. 50 in Augusta take Augusta Ford Hill Rd. south,
bear left at first fork, Fairgrounds on right.
(304-492-5128 or 304-822-5013)

Annual North River Mills Day

Mid June

Celebration of the history and settling of the community of North River Mills. Historic
displays and tours, tours of Ice Mountain Nature Preserve.
8241 Cold Stream Rd., Capon Bridge, WV
(304-496-7359)

Saturday in the Park

Annually in August

Sports events for everyone: basketball tourney, horseshoe tourney, cornhole tourney,
volleyball tourney. Water slide and bouncy house for the children. Free dinner followed
by children's activities, including relay races, guessing games, face painting.
Central Hampshire Park, Augusta, WV
(304-822-7300)

Annual Peach Festival

Annually in July

Fresh baked peach pies and ice cream, Peach Fuzz and Blossom contest, car and
antique tractor show, children's games, Original Art Wooden Peach Auction, live bands,
singers, magician, puppets and clowns, crafts, flea market and farm produce.
At Taggert Hall, Romney, WV
(304-822-7477)

Avalon Folk Festival

August

3 Days of music, fun, vendors. Admission includes free primitive tent camping.
Note: Clothing optional resort.
Avalon Resort, 223 Avalon Rd., Paw Paw, WV
(304-947-5600)

Hampshire County Fair

August

Annual County Fair. Midway rides, 4H livestock, agricultural and project exhibits, evening musical events, pageants, food, games, parade, drawings, antique car show, chain saw contest.

Augusta, WV

Cost: Parking Fee – per vehicle
(304-822-5013)

Hampshire Heritage Days

1st weekend after Labor Day

Annual parade, crafts, food, juried fine art exhibit & sale, Artisan's Village with demonstrations, music, Civil War military display, historic displays, antique & classic car display.

Primarily in Romney, WV

Most events free.

www.hampshireheritagefest.com

Bluegrass in the Barn

Once a month

Hosted by Capon Crossing Farm. 4+ Hours of live music plus food sold featuring grass fed beef raised on Capon Crossing Farm as well as other snacks.

Yellow Springs, WV

Cover charge: \$10.00
(304-874-3462)