



VIRGINIA CHAPTER

VA Voice: July 2024

MPI Virginia Upcoming Events

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August 5th - 7th, 2024

The Kimpton Forum Hotel
Charlottesville, VA

Member: \$329.00
Non-Member: \$399.00

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September Morning Brew Meet-Up

Virginia Crossings Hotel, Glen Allen, VA

September 17th, 2024, 8:00am-9:30am

[Register Here](#)

FREE for MPI-VA Members

\$10.00 Fee for Non-Members

October Morning Brew Meet-Up

Lost Office Collaborative, Richmond, VA

October 16th, 2024, 8:00am-9:30am

[Register Here](#)

FREE for MPI-VA Members

\$10.00 Fee for Non-Members



November Quarterly Education & Networking Program

November 19th, 2:00pm -
November 20th, 12:00pm

Member: \$105.00

Non-Member: \$120.00



Hilton Norfolk the Main

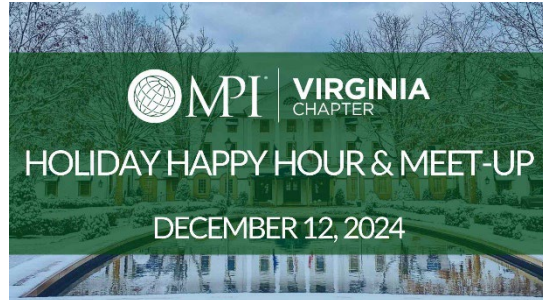
Norfolk, VA

[Register Here](#)

December Chapter Meet-Up

Colonial Williamsburg Resorts,
Williamsburg, VA

December 12th, 2024,
5:00pm-7:00pm



[Register Here](#)

FREE for MPI-VA Members

\$10.00 Fee for Non-Members

Step back in time and celebrate with MPI Virginia at Colonial Williamsburg Resorts December 12th from 5pm-7pm! Immerse yourself in history by exploring a vibrant 18th-century city, 5 flexible accommodations, 70,000 sq. ft. of meeting space and world-class amenities!

Membership News

Save the date! MPI's annual Membership and Chapter Satisfaction Survey is one of the most important tools we have for capturing the thoughts of members. Don't miss the chance to help shape the future of our association. Upon completion of the survey, you will be entered for a chance to win a \$100 Amazon gift card or a

one-time renewal of your MPI Membership. The choice is yours! Look for an email from #MPI on July 30 and take the survey!



The MPI Foundation is a non-profit organization that will celebrate 40 years in 2024 as the leading meeting and event industry foundation devoted to funding grants, scholarships, and pan-industry research for the people who need it most.

Whether you're an industry veteran or just getting started in your career, the MPI Foundation is committed to giving back to you and your industry, making you both stronger. A donation to the MPI Foundation helps secure the meeting and event profession for the future. When you help the people who bring people together, you help change the world.

Member Support from the MPI Foundation

The MPI Foundation offers grants for education, training, research and other special interest needs that enrich our industry as well as scholarships to complement MPI membership, education and career opportunities. With these grants and scholarships, together, we move this community and our global industry towards critical recovery.

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Happy July Membership Anniversaries!

Abigail Tammen, CMP, Charlottesville Area Association of REALTORS, 25 Years

Laura Hurt, DoubleTree by Hilton Richmond Midlothian, 24 Years

Marla Popkin, Outdoor Power Equipment Institute, 23 Years

Megan Williams, CMP, Virginia Sheriff's Association Inc., 23 Years

Michele Moker, Omni Richmond Hotel, 21 Years

Connie Brewer, C3 Coverage Coaching Consulting, 17 Years

Ariel Cole, CMP, Reynolds Community College, 16 Years

Kathleen Hinger, Colonial Williamsburg Company, 5 Years

Rachel Foutz, Virginia Farm Bureau, 2 Years

Amy Hyde, Kimpton The Forum Hotel, 1 Year

Cheryl Simmons, Christian Broadcasting Network, 1 Year

Karen Unterreiner, Virginia Tech, 1 Year

Kate Belleman, Dover Hall Experiences, LLC 1 Year

Valencia Moore, Chesapeake Convention & Visitors Bureau, 1 Year

Welcome New Members!

Melanie Bowman, GoldKey PHR

Tracy Fink, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research Conference Center

Megan Gavano, GoldKey PHR

Barbara Pavesi, Cvent

Shaun Simon, Cvent



Want to shine a spotlight on who you are, personally and professionally? We're looking for members who want to be featured in the next issue of the VA VOICE. If that's you, [please submit your profile today!](#)

Featured Article



5 Tips for Preventing Heat-Related Illnesses at Outdoor Events

According to a recent report by the [Copernicus Climate Change Service](#), the summer of 2023 was the hottest summer on record, with many experts saying that the [summer of 2024](#) will also be one of the hottest on record in recent years. According to some, the heatwaves could even last well into September and into the fall season.

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