

Leadership Roanoke Valley Alumni Association (LRVAA)

The Leadership Roanoke Valley Alumni Association (LRVAA) is dedicated to continuing the rich tradition of excellence in community leadership inspired through the Roanoke Regional Chamber's Leadership Roanoke Valley (LRV) program. LRVAA membership provides opportunities for members to be informed, active, and engaged leaders in the community for the purpose of creating lasting community impact and developing meaningful lifetime relationships. Membership is open to anyone who has graduated from the LRV program.

Value Proposition

We offer continued professional development, leadership, and community service opportunities to our alumni. We strive to provide quality connections in a purposeful and dependable way.

Mission of LRVAA

The mission of the LRVAA is to create a sense of connection and purpose for LRV alumni and provide ongoing education on important issues facing the Roanoke region. LRVAA seeks to foster opportunities for ongoing leadership development, community involvement, and alumni integration into leadership positions in the Roanoke region.

Goals of LRVAA

The following goals have been established to meet the LRVAA mission:

- Host quarterly social events that provide opportunities for members to network and engage with fellow alumni and LRV participants.
- Host educational programs to increase understanding of community needs.
- Offer professional leadership development opportunities.
- Connect alumni with leadership opportunities in local government and nonprofit organizations.
- Provide opportunities for meaningful community service and advocacy.
- Serve as a resource for the current LRV Class.
- Provide regular communication with LRV alumni through a newsletter and social media.

Organizational Structure

LRVAA is led by a steering committee of LRV alumni. Current members of this committee are:

Chair: Patience O'Brien (Class of 2011)

Vice Chair: Chris Thomas (Class of 2012)

Social Events Committee Chair: Shamaill Ross (Class of 2015)

Leadership Development Committee Co-Chairs: Leah Shank (Class of 2017) and Andrea Martin (Class of 2017)

Community Service Committee Chair: Jenna Lazenby (Class of 2012)

Communications Committee Co-Chairs: Sarah Boswell (Class of 2016) and Erin Cooper (Class of 2015)