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**TRADITIONAL ELEGANCE FOR CONTEMPORARY LIVING:
SHENANDOAH CABINETRY® INTRODUCES THE PORTAGE™ COLLECTION**

*New Cherry and Maple Cabinets Provide Today's Homeowners with
Modern Luxury throughout the Home*

CHICAGO (April 21, 2006) – Now more than ever, the kitchen prevails as the heart of the home. Not only is the kitchen a place where families and friends congregate to enjoy each other's company over a good meal, but it is also a place where we relax, study and even take care of family business. The foundation of any kitchen is quality cabinetry that is beautiful and has lasting value. This season, luxury meets functionality with the introduction of the Portage™ Collection from Shenandoah Cabinetry®, found exclusively at Lowe's. Part of Shenandoah's extensive range of cabinetry styles, this new collection provides discerning homeowners with a higher standard for comfortable, yet stylish designs.

Considered the ultimate in luxury and taste, the Portage Collection is available in Cherry and Maple hardwoods and in a range of specialty finishes. The doorstyle features a raised panel full overlay design that is accented with an extra layer of applied molding surrounding the center panel. This extra bead of molding gives depth to the overall look and adds greater definition and durability to the cabinetry.



Portage Maple Spice

The Portage Collection is available in five Maple finishes: Maple Natural, Maple Honey, Maple Spice and with an optional Maple Coffee or Maple Mocha Glaze. The collection also comes in three Cherry finishes: Cherry Bordeaux, Cherry Spice and with an optional Cherry Chocolate Glaze. The dark, rich Cherry tones exude classic, sophisticated elegance, adding warmth to any room.

These lighter toned Maple cabinets put a modern spin on traditional cabinetry styles – its fine, even-textured natural tones being one of the more popular choices of the season.



Portage Maple Natural

Today's kitchen floor plans are designed around family life, encouraging family members to spend more time together. Kitchens – once secluded, utilitarian work spaces – nowadays open onto primary living areas such as family rooms. Installing a snack bar with Portage can act as a comfortable link, allowing family and friends to mingle during food preparation. Islands and more expansive countertop space, with complementing cabinets, help extend the kitchen area, enticing them to gather around the cook when hosting an informal dinner party at home.

"More than anything else, homeowners today are looking to transform their homes into luxurious, comfortable retreats with quality cabinetry for their kitchens and built-ins," says Connie Edwards, director of design, Shenandoah Cabinetry. "Shenandoah's new Portage collection gives an added touch of refinement that will bring modern flair or chic, traditional style to any home."

About Shenandoah Cabinetry

Shenandoah Cabinetry, manufactured by American Woodmark Corporation and sold exclusively at Lowe's, offers a selection of cabinets from the most popular hardwoods available, including Hickory, Oak, Maple, Cherry and White Thermo Foil. Each comes in a variety of finishes with a complete line of coordinated moldings and accessories. All Shenandoah Cabinetry comes with the Company's TuffTech® and BeautyGuard® finishes to resist scuffs, scratches, fading and moisture, and the entire line features standard Dovetail Hardwood Drawers with the Full Access Hidden Glide Drawer System for a furniture quality fit. For more information on Shenandoah Cabinetry, visit its Web site at shenandoahcabinetry.com.

About American Woodmark Corporation

American Woodmark Corporation, located in Winchester, Va., is the third largest manufacturer of kitchen and bath cabinets in the United States. Offering more than 230 cabinet lines in a wide variety of designs, materials and finishes, American Woodmark products are sold through a network of dealers and distributors and directly to home centers and major homebuilders. The Company currently operates 15 manufacturing facilities in Arizona, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia, as well as various service centers across the country. American Woodmark shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "AMWD." To find out more about American Woodmark, and view its vast array of cabinet styles, visit its Web site at americanwoodmark.com.

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