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Gun Rights Supporters Attend Lobby Day



The State Capital on Lobby Day. Photo by Keith Clark

By Armistead Saffer - This year's Lobby Day at the Virginia State Capitol is the most important Lobby Day Rally according to its organizer, the Virginia Citizens Defense League (VCDL) billed as a "peaceful event about gun rights." Please see **LOBBY DAY**, continued on page 12.

King and Queen School Board Reorganized



Shannon Amos, left, Vice-Chair and Celestine Gaines, right, School Board Chair

King and Queen County School Board elected Celestine Gaines from St. Stephens Church district as Chair and Shannon Amos from Buena Vista district as Vice-Chair for 2020 year. The vote was 5-0 with all Board members excited for the continual growth moving King and Queen County Public Schools forward. Ms. Gaines states we are, "One Team, One Mission" and Ms. Amos is looking forward to the leadership role on the Board.

Business Focus - Andy's Automotive & Transmissions



Andy Pierce and staff with Squiggles the shop dog.

By Florence Cooke

Andy's Automotive and Transmissions, owned by Luis A. Pierce (better known as Andy), is located at 123 Commerce Park Drive in Manquin. Andy lived in Varina and graduated from Varina High School where he took automotive repair in Vo Tech and later pursued his interest in transmission repair.

Please see **ANDY'S**, on page 14.

Greenwood Elected Chairman of KWBOS

By Gene Campbell

At their first work session of the new year, the King William Board of Supervisors elected Third District Supervisor Stephen Greenwood as Chairman and Second District Supervisor Travis Moskalski as Vice Chairman. Joining the three incumbent Supervisors at the table were first term Supervisors C. Stewart Garber and Ed Moren. County Administrator Bobbie Tassinari gave the board an overview of the county's finances and proposed strategic initiatives for 2020. The county is in good financial health. Debt service is currently at 1.64% of total assessed real estate values which is well below the benchmark of 3% for total debt service. Benchmark for debt compared to County/School expenditure budgets should be less than 10% and the County is at 5.89%. Bobbie also said the county real

estate re-assessment is underway and will be finalized with the new values in place by December 31, 2020. Tassinari pointed out that the County has grown 10% in the past nine years necessitating additional office space and expansion of community services. Four properties have been acquired by the county (two pending) over the past two years to allow for this growth and expansion. The two pending properties are located in front of Station One along Rt 360 in Aylett.

Tassinari said the county will continue to focus on economic development, update county ordinances, ensure citizens have adequate protection through law enforcement and fire/EMS services, partner with the schools to provide excellent educational opportunities and continue to work with the Town of West Point.

Please see **KWBOS**, on page 13.



Newly elected Chairman Stephen Greenwood calls the work session to order.

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UPDATE: Two Men Arrested in 2019 Homicide of King William County Boy

Virginia State Police - Two men face 1st degree murder and multiple other charges for their roles in the shooting death of an 8-year-old King William County boy in 2019. Charles E. Coleman III, 32, of Aylett, Va., and Keith E. Hargrove, 35, of Richmond, Va., are being held without bond at Henrico County Jail and the City of Richmond Jail, respectively.

A multi-jurisdictional grand jury handed up the following felony indictments against both Coleman and Hargrove: 1st degree murder, attempted robbery with a firearm, armed burglary of a residence, conspiracy to commit burglary, conspiracy to commit robbery, and two counts of use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. Hargrove faces two additional charges: discharging a firearm in an occupied dwelling and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Both men were served the indictments Jan. 9, 2020.

On Jan. 21, 2019 (Monday) at 11:51 p.m., the King William County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call about a shooting that had taken place at a residence in the 100 block of Robin Lane in the county. It was reported that a male subject entered the residence and began shooting once inside. The shooter then fled the scene on foot. During the course of the shooting, Orlando Anderson Jr., 8, was shot. Anderson, who was affectionately known as "Scrappy," was transported to VCU Medical Center in Richmond, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

Orlando's father and grandmother were also inside the residence at the time of the shooting and both escaped injury. The Virginia State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation's Richmond Field Office investigated the incident with the assistance of the King William County Sheriff's Office, King and Queen County Sheriff's Office, King William County Commonwealth's Attorney, King and Queen County Commonwealth's Attorney, Henrico County Sheriff's Office, Henrico County Police Department, City of Richmond Police and City of Richmond Sheriff's Office.

Anyone with information pertaining to this incident is still encouraged to contact the Virginia State Police Special Agent M. Kriz at (804)887-0024 or by email at questions@vsp.virginia.gov or the Mattaponi Crime Solvers 804-769-3000.

Publisher's Message



We still have more Winter Days to go. Looking ahead we have 46 more days until Daylight Savings Time begins on March 8th. Spring will be here in 57 days on March 19th. Without the cold weather, we would not appreciate the warm days of spring and summer. Hold tight it will be here before you know it. I actually started some inside spring cleaning early. It's amazing how much stuff I have accumulated and really don't have anywhere to put it. I should have a yard sale and let some of this stuff find a new home. One day at a time.

Take care till next time.

Hanny Clark



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The Duck Hunter

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

Happy New Year! I stopped making New Year's resolutions a long time ago but Pip hasn't learned yet. She told me that her resolution was to get me to spend more time with her. She already thinks that I should spend every waking minute with her. I was cutting up an old tree the other day with a chainsaw not 50 feet from her and she was pawing at the gate wanting to come help me. Every time I stopped and looked at her she would throw her head up and chuckle at me. I told her to quit pawing and she stood there nice and calm as long as I didn't make eye contact.

I have a good friend named Jim that loves to duck hunt. Jim says that the worst the weather is, the better the duck hunting. He said that he was hunting at a new place this year and wasn't seeing any birds, when finally one duck came by and he shoots but it falls across a fence on another farm. He laid his gun down and climbs over the fence about to go retrieve his duck when the farmer walks up and asks "What are you doing?" Jim said "I'm just getting my duck that I shot." The farmer said "This is my land so that's my duck." Jim said "No sir. I shot the duck over there but it fell over the fence here."

The farmer said "I guess you need a lesson on property rights!" Jim said "What do you mean?" The farmer said



"We're going to have to settle this dispute the old fashioned way. We'll take turns kicking each other in the privates until one of us gives up. Since we're on my land, I get to go first." Now Jim thought of himself as a pretty tough guy so he agrees. The farmer goes first and kicks Jim between the legs so hard that it lifts him into the air a couple of feet and he hits the ground like a sack of potatoes. The pain is so bad that Jim can only hold himself and roll around on the ground trying to catch his breath. After a few minutes, Jim finally gets to his feet and says "Now it's my turn!" The farmer says "That's alright, I give up. You can have the bird."

You can email me at Allen@twinriversrealty.com or call 690-7870. I'll see you on the trails.

King and Queen Central High School DAR



Miss Elissa Smith is the King and Queen Central High School recipient of the 2020 DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Good Citizen contest sponsored by Old St. John's Church Chapter, NSDAR. Pictured left to right are the following: Pam Sutherlin, DAR Good Citizen Chairman, Old St. John's Church Chapter, NSDAR; Principal Preston McKellar, Jr.; DAR Good Citizen Elissa Smith; and Chrissy Shepherd, Guidance Counselor. This award was given by the Old St. John's Church Chapter, NSDAR, located in West Point.

The DAR Good Citizen Award is a

wonderful way to recognize outstanding young people who exhibit the qualities of good citizenship in their homes, schools, and communities. Students are selected by the faculty of the school as their DAR Good Citizen, and the student must have the qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism, all of which make him or her an excellent student and citizen. We are proud to sponsor Elissa Smith as our DAR Good Citizen from Central High School for 2020!

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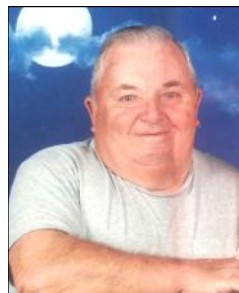
Words of Thanks from Earnest "Melvin King" who at age 81 passed into Gods Loving Arms on November 29, 2019. He was retired from the City of Richmond where he worked as a supervisor in Maintenance for 30 Years. Employed briefly at Chesapeake Mills in Maintenance. His last job and the one most enjoyed was at Tuckers Recreational Park. There he met his life partner of 17 years, Nancy Harding. They traveled and spent most of their time in New Orleans working for everyone and helping all who were in need, family and co-workers at Tuckers for 20 years. He associated with YMCA, 55 Alive (West Point Baptist Church), Bluegrass music at John Walton's home, and the West Point United Methodist Church.

All prayers, visits and food were appreciated and the love he received from them keep him fighting his illness. To the King and Queen Rescue Teams, Rev. Kim (WPUMC), and Rev. Groom (WPCOG) his sister Arlene Poston and Nancy Harding will be forever in their gratitude.

Love is space and time measured by the heart.
Marcel Proust



Obituary



ALEXANDER
Oscar Porter Alexander, III, 86, of St. Stephens Church, Virginia passed away peacefully on Friday, December 20, 2019 surrounded by loved

ones. Burial will be in St. Stephens Baptist Church Cemetery. A reception will follow in the church social hall. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Stephens Baptist Church Cemetery Fund at P.O. Box 9, St. Stephens Church, Virginia 23148.

ones.

Oscar was born on May 18, 1933 to O. Porter, Jr and Christine B. Alexander who predeceased him. He was also predeceased by his twin infant brother and twin infant daughter.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years Jeanne, his daughters, Libby Greenwood (Charles) and Cindy Stanley (David), grandchildren, Megan and Allison Greenwood and Taylor and David Stanley and his 4- legged companion, "Rosie". A special thank you to his wonderful caregivers, Rhonda Hubner and Diane Harvey.

Oscar graduated from Marriott High School and went into farming. He loved gardening, yard work, the beach, fishing, hunting and Nascar. Oscar was a member of St. Stephens Baptist Church.

Visitation will be from 12:00pm to 2:00pm at B. W. White Funeral Home in Aylett, Virginia on Thursday, December 26, 2019 with funeral services to follow at

WALKER

Eugene Randolph Walker, 31, of St. Stephens Church departed this life on January 6. He is survived by his mother, Bonnie Walker, his father, Alvin G. Walker, Jr., two daughters: Myelle Walker and Myana Harvey; two brothers: Michael Walker and Keith Walker and his best friend, Charmia Harvey. The viewing will be held on Friday, January 10 from 1-6 p.m. At Washington Funeral Home, Tappahannock. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 11 at 11 a.m. at Essex High School, Tappahannock. The interment will be in the Bethlehem Baptist Church cemetery, 4389 The Trail, Bruington.



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A Thank You from the Morris Family

Sent to the Country Courier from the Morris Family

On Tuesday, December 17, 2019, our family was awakened to a fire that had already engulfed the entire attic, barely making it out before the ceiling caved in, setting the whole house in flames. The only belongings to survive was what we were wearing, and what was still in the dryer.

We are slowly trying to get our lives back on track, currently on our 3rd move, nursing school is underway, and we are back to a normal work schedule, so stability is slowly returning.

To say we are extremely grateful and overwhelmed by the love and support shown to us by the King William community is an understatement. We had food and clothing within hours after the fire, thanks to Brian (Uncle), who literally helped bring order from chaos. We had a roof over our heads that night, thank you Brandon (Friend). Folks were dropping off gifts for our 5yr old son, clothing, money, furniture, and food at the local fire department. So much that Matthew (brother) and Daniel (friend) went and set up a storage unit for all of it. 2 fund me accounts were set up, a PayPal (setup by Adryne (Sister) and GoFundMe (setup by Mary Sue (Aunt)), which raised much-needed funds to get us back on our feet.

Churches made donations along with several fundraisers hosted by Roma Ristorante, Hardees in Lightfoot (Where the Work N Progress Band) led by Kerman Ward entertained the crowd, and Another Round 2, were held. Tractor Supply pitched in to help our 5yr old have a Christmas.

For everyone who has reached out, donated, or just prayed, we say a heartfelt THANK YOU!

We would be remiss not to send a huge Thank You out to Fire Chief, Laura Nunnally, and her crews for all they have done, during and after the tragedy. Some were treated for dehydration trying to save what they could, along with King William Sheriff's department, who were there in minutes from the 911 call. They all even took up a collection that morning from themselves, so please, support your local Fire and Sheriff's departments, give when and what you can as most run solely on donations. They risk their lives daily for our safety.

Another Huge Thanks out to The American Red Cross, who showed up literally minutes after they found out, with a check, blankets, clothes, etc. Just amazing folks, so know that any donations given to the Red Cross, do go straight out to tragedy victims, and we will be upping our donations to them here on out.

Have to give a shout out to Eric and his dad Mark, Daniel & Jacky, Brandon & Morgan, these life-long friends have just gone above and beyond for us, they are all brothers and sisters from another mother and truly are considered family. On the family, well there just isn't enough room here to write how blessed we are, to have such relatives, from our parents to 2nd cousins, near and far have really been one heck of a support group. We are forever thankful and blessed they all are in our lives.

In lieu of further donations, we do ask that you give to one of the organizations mentioned or to another family who is going through a tragedy or just needs a helping hand.

Plans are to stay here in Aylett and rebuild, the rental home we are in now is literally just down the road from where we were living.

#AylettStrong #Lovethiscommunity

Rebecca Kelley Named to Fall Dean's List

CLARION, Pa. (January 10, 2020) - Rebecca Kelley of King William, VA, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2019 semester at Clarion University of Pennsylvania. To earn placement on the dean's list, students must be enrolled in at least 12 credits and earn a 3.5 grade point average.

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How Sweet it is!



Kyle Lynch #34 lays in two of his 20 points against the Mathew Blue Devils

By Gene Campbell

The King William Cavalier Varsity Basketball team hosted the Mathew Blue Devils on January 17th. Just one month earlier the Cavaliers traveled to Mathews and lost to the Blue Devils 82-61. What a difference a month makes! From the opening tip-off, there was little doubt who would win this rematch. The Cavs began the game with a 6-0 run and went into the locker room at the half with a comfortable 36-26 lead. With as much as a 19-point lead in the second half, the Cavs coasted to a 70-54 win. Kenadre Roane and Kyle Lynch led the team with 21 and 20 points

respectively. Kyle had 14 points in the first quarter and 11 rebounds for the game. Kolby Anderson had 11 points and pulled down 14 rebounds followed by Skyler Stone with 8 points, Gavin Lipscomb with 6 points and C-lo Weeden with 2 points. The Varsity Cavs are now 10-3 for the year.

All of the King William Basketball teams (Varsity, JV and Girls Varsity) are doing very well. The Boys Varsity and JV teams host Rappahannock HS on January 21st and King & Queen Central HS on January 24th at home. Come out and support your local youth!! GO CAVS !!

A New Beginning

This story is about a donor transplant by Mitchell Wilson, an Investigator with the King and Queen Sheriff's Department - a wonderful story of hope, a new beginning and the goodness of people.

In 2016 I went to my Primary Care doctor for what I thought was just a normal checkup. However, I noticed that no one had come back to my room for quite some time. Then my doctor came in and told me that I needed to see a kidney specialist.

I then went to Dr. Ellen Belichek, who had me get a kidney biopsy. A few weeks later she had a diagnosis for my kidney problems – a kidney disease called Alports Syndrome. I then was told that in time my kidneys would stop working and I would need dialysis or a kidney transplant. For the next two years, with the aid of medication, I was able to slow the progression of the disease.

In 2018 the medication was no longer working. I began to gain weight due to fluid retention, along with becoming very sick. At some point it was even difficult to stay awake.

In June of 2018 I learned from my doctor that I would have to start dialysis. However, my doctor waited until after my wedding and honeymoon to start treatment. After I returned home in August, my doctor had me get a permanent access put in my left arm along with a temporary line to my heart for immediate dialysis to begin.

I started my dialysis treatments in Tappahannock. I remember walking through those doors terrified of what was coming next. It was then that I met two of the most amazing people – my nurse Corrie and Mr. Lee. Corrie was just such a happy, outgoing person. She sat with me during my first treatment – giving me words of encouragement and letting me know everything was going to be okay. Mr. Lee talked me through my next few treatments with his kind words and his reassurance that I was going to be better soon.

I was then referred to VCU Medical Center by my new doctor for testing to be put on the kidney transplant list. I then went through multiple tests to make sure I was healthy enough for a kidney transplant. I passed all their tests and was placed on the list.

I then learned about the Living Donor Transplant. I took the information to my



Kidney Donor Michelle Southern & Recipient Mitchell Wilson on one year anniversary, January 5th.

family and friends to see if there were any living donors. Little did I know that a person was already in the process to see if they were a match. Weeks went by and I had not heard if anyone had been a match.

That was until my birthday, November 29, 2018, when I got a text from Michelle Southern, a family friend for as long as I can remember. She told me that she had a gift for me at my parents' house and to stop by and get it before I went out for dinner. She had two envelopes – one for me and the other for my parents. Inside was an invitation to kidney transplant surgery on January 7, 2019, at 5:30 a.m. SHE WAS A PERFECT MATCH.

I continued dialysis treatments until January 5, 2019. On January 7, I along with my living donor Michelle Southern, arrived at VCU Medical Center, where we would both go through a life changing event.

I then spoke with my transplant surgeon who told me that I was going to be the 12th person in Virginia to have a Robotic Kidney Transplant. I was then taken off to surgery. When I woke up several hours later, there was a room full of family and friends.

I they stayed in the hospital for five days for observation. Once I went home I returned to VCU twice a week for the first month for blood draws and medication changes. I became stronger day to day and was able to return to full duty at the Sheriff's Office on February 20, 2019.

My life has been forever changed by the generosity of Michelle Southern. I encourage others to become organ donors and to become living donors.



King William County Local Government Update

KING WILLIAM COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET

The fiscal year 2021 budget cycle is underway. Please take a few minutes to take the 2021 Budget Survey found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KWCFY21>.

KING WILLIAM COUNTY TOWN HALL MEETING

The annual **Town Hall Meeting** to receive input from the public on the County budget for fiscal year 2021 will be held at the Administration Building, Board Room, 180 Horse Landing Road, King William, VA on **Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**

KING WILLIAM COUNTY NEW PARKS & REC MANAGER

The new Parks and Recreation Manager will start with the County on January 28, 2020. Please join with me to welcome, Jennifer Leleux to the County team.

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King William Lady Cavaliers - Undefeated Start to the Season

The King William Lady Cavaliers opened the season with two difficult games. December 4th they played Washington and Lee and won pretty convincingly. On December 6th, the Lady Cavaliers played their Route 360 rivals, the Lee Davis Lady Confederates. The Lady Cavs jumped out to an early lead in the first half, and never looked back as they would go on to win by 15 points. They are led by Kristen Dungee (Jr) coach on the floor, Allie Patterson (So) leading team scorer, Emma Anderson (So) leading team rebounder, Mallory Salmon (Sr) co-captain and Channing Pitts (Sr) co-captain. They would meet again on December 27th and 28th 2019 at the Southerner Holiday Classic Tournament that is hosted by Lee Davis High School.

The game would prove to be a fight to the end with the Lady Cavs coming out on top by a score of 53 – 49, leading scorers were Allie Patterson with 18 and Kristen Dungee with 12 points. This would set the tone for the Championship game versus North Stafford Lady Wolverines, who won easily over Colonial Heights in the first game of the tournament. In the Championship game North Stafford came out fresh and confident, whereas, the Lady Cavs looked nervous and lacking energy. The Lady Wolverines would jump to a 19 – 7 lead before the Lady Cavs would get themselves together to make a run of their own 11 – 6 and go in at half time down by 2. In the second half the Lady Cavs would adapt, adjust and overcome North Stafford's pressure defense and the Lady Cavs regained the lead. Late in the fourth quarter, Patterson drove the ball down the floor and through contact would make a layup and 1 to seal the game 55 – 51 as the 2019 Southerner Holiday Classic Champions.

Closing out the tournament, Allie Patterson leading scorer (23 points) and Kristen Dungee took home All-Tournament honors for the Lady Cavaliers.



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Ruritans Support Local Students



Ruritans Ronnie Moore and Mike Morrison hand out dictionaries to seventh grade students at Hamilton Holmes Middle School.

By Gene Campbell

The future of the King William Ruritan Club and our community starts with our youth. Since 2012 one of the club's community service projects is to provide dictionaries and thesauruses to students at Acquinton Elementary School and Hamilton Holmes Middle School. The project was the idea of club member Mike Morrison and this year Mike along with club members Ronnie Moore and Bryant Wilson distributed 178 dictionaries to fourth-grade students at Acquinton and 181 thesauruses to seventh-grade students at Hamilton Holmes. With this distribution, the club has donated close to

3,000 of these educational tools to area students. The club's motto is to promote 'fellowship, goodwill and community service'. This is one of many community service projects the club undertakes each year. Nationwide the National Ruritan organization has provided over 300,000 dictionaries and thesauruses to students in local communities. When you attend one of the club's fund-raising projects you are supporting the purchase of these tools for success and also supporting yearly scholarships the club gives each year to graduating seniors. The club THANKS YOU for your support



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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Concerned Resident Addresses King William County Leadership and Citizens in Open Letter

In the wake of the vocal citizen opposition against Invenergy’s proposed solar complex, Stephen Graves, lifelong resident and landowner in King William County, Virginia has decided to make the public aware of the serious concerns surrounding the establishment of a solar complex on local soil and wetlands. The proposed solar complex threatens 1,200 acres of precious land and protected wetland in King William County jurisdiction.

“To the Board Members, Planning Commission, and Residents of King William County,

“I write this letter today to express my serious concern for the state of our community, in the face of this proposed solar application from the foreign solar company Invenergy LLC, and their conditional permit request to build the Sweet Sue Solar complex on over 1,200 acres of prime agricultural and rurally zoned land here in King William County.

“As a longtime resident of King William County, I have enjoyed the scenic and peaceful nature of my surroundings for decades, and am in a state of anguish over

the threat such a monstrous project poses to the integrity and bucolic landscape of our ecosystem, as we’ve recently seen in neighboring Essex County the irreversible damage these solar companies can inflict, whether it be through toxic runoff, water contamination, wildlife destruction, or endangering native animals to the area.

“The parcels of land in question contain over 33,000 linear feet of nontidal wetlands and marsh areas, that will be forever disrupted by the implementation of such panels, with the propensity to destroy the precarious habitats of the native bald eagles that often nest here.

“Aside from the looming threat of the destruction of our local environment, this solar company brings with it a history of malfeasance, with multiple outstanding lawsuits currently pending in higher state courts, as well before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). A multi-billion-dollar foreign solar corporation with corrupt, solely profit based practices will not benefit the hardworking residency of King William County, and will significantly affect taxpayer revenue.

“Unsubstantial claims have been made of purported economic returns to the taxpayers by this solar company that have yet to be proven or detailed, such as the claims that the solar company will generate over \$1.9 million in taxpayer

revenue over 15 years and bring jobs to the community. A 40-year lease is shocking, as the sales of solar facilities increase as the accelerated depreciation schedules decline leaving the potential for the facility to change hands throughout the length of the lease, opening the door to additional foreign entities in King William County.

“Only a few officials in King William County have listened to their constituents. Planning Commissioner, Don Wagner made a public statement at their last meeting, “I firmly believe there is a fatal flaw with the Sweet Sue Solar Center because of its location. Specifically, the 576-acre site is located on a plateau surrounded on its southern and eastern borders by relatively steep slopes descending from 30 feet to 60 feet to extensive wetlands bordering Webb Creek and Governors Run. These two streams join at the southeastern end of the site to form Moncuin Creek which flows under Venter Road, Route 360 and Route 661 and to the Pamunkey River. As a result of its location, the proposed Sweet Sue Solar center poses a significant risk to public and private properties as well as wildlife habitat adjacent to and downstream from the solar center.” No independent economic impact study or environmental impact study has been completed, and upon request, these inquiries from


residents have been blatantly brushed aside. It appears that all information considered is being provided solely by Invenergy.

“I implore you to hear our concerns and understand our serious disagreement with this proposed application, and vote against approving it in the upcoming Board of Supervisors vote. This will not be a short-lived decision, but rather insidious and enduring. Make the right choice on behalf of your residents.”

Sincerely,

Stephen Graves,
Concerned Citizen
King William

Please see **LETTERS**, continued on page 14.



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For more information, and pre-registration, pet owners should call the Regional Animal Shelter Monday through Friday at 804-769-4983, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

KWBOS, continued from front page

Laura Nunnally, Chief of Fire and EMS, addressed the board requesting funding for three (3) additional full-time personnel with firefighter and EMT certifications. The county hired six (6) full-time personnel last year. Nunnally said the six (6) full-time personnel hired last year did not have all their certifications which have put a strain on her personnel. It takes time to get these certifications (as much as 10 months in some cases). Currently, some employees are working 72-hour and 48-hour shifts. She also advised they are in need of

some new equipment.

Tassinari advised the board a new manager for the Parks and Rec Department has been hired. Jennifer Godfrey-Leluxe was introduced to the board and will begin her duties on February 3rd.

The next meeting of the board will be their regular monthly meeting on January 27th beginning at 7 pm at the Administrative Building. A public hearing is also scheduled that night on the proposed Sweet Sue Solar Farm.




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ANDY'S, continued from front page

He worked for Weaver Transmission Service in Richmond for 18 years. He moved from Mechanicsville to King William County in 2001. In 2003 a shop became available to rent on Sharon Road and he opened his own business. There he stayed for three years.

In 2006 he purchased land in the King William Commerce Park, and built the building he resides in today. The shop has 10 employees including his twin sons. They do all types of automotive repair, transmission rebuilds, oil changes and State Inspections. They have three State

Inspectors and their Techs are ASE Certified plus Andy and one other technician are Master Technicians. Their motto is "We Keep King William Moving."

Andy has been a faithful advertiser in the *Country Courier* for many years. He stated "I like the people there and the owner Danny Clark. We appreciate all this little free paper does to serve the people in King William and King and Queen counties and to promote the local businesses in the two areas."

Planning Commission approves Solar Farm in King William

In a 3-2 vote at the January 7th. Planning Commission meeting the Chicago-based Invenergy got the go ahead for a conditional use permit to build a 77-megawatt solar facility on 1,262 acres in Manquin. Final approval to build the facility must come from the Board of Supervisors. Board and Commission member Stephen Greenwood said, "There are more hoops to jump through before the company has the go-ahead to begin construction." Commission member Donald Wagner stated, "I firmly believe there is a flaw with the Sweet Sue Solar Center because of its location, as with Gaston the streams and wetlands, private properties and public roads adjacent to as well as downstream from this project could experience severe flooding." The Board of Supervisors next meeting will be January 27th at 7:00 p.m. at 180 Horse Landing Road.

The day, water, sun, moon, night - I do not have to purchase these things with money.
Plautus

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Farmers and rural landowners can adapt to survive and thrive in a changing economy

My name is Sue Chenault, and I am proud our family farm off of Enfield Road, the same land that the Chenault family has worked for over 80 years, will host part of the Sweet Sue Solar Project.

Farming has always been an integral part of our family and identity, but it is a hard way of life that has recently become only harder. Low grain prices and increasingly high fuel and machinery costs make it more difficult to turn a profit each year. Our land has sustained our family for generations, and hosting a solar farm on part of it will allow us to keep it that way for decades to come.

There is no denying that traditional crop farming is a much more intensive use of our land as compared to solar development. Rather than tilling and disturbing the land multiple times each year, the solar project will be planted with deep-rooted vegetation and remain undisturbed for decades. The solar project does not require the use of water during operations, unlike crop farming, which applies millions of gallons of water to the land on a daily basis. By reducing the amount of water flowing through the land and leaving the soil and vegetation undisturbed for years, soil erosion and stormwater runoff will be substantially reduced as compared to the current use and our land will be better preserved over

time. At the end of the project's life and following decommissioning, we are confident that our land will be even more suitable for agricultural use than it is today.

We were approached by many developers looking to lease our land for solar. We took our time deliberating the decision and selecting a company that would be the best partner and addition to our community. Ultimately, we chose Invenergy, a company with a proven track record of acting as both good stewards of project land and good neighbors in the communities where they develop projects. Invenergy showed a willingness to work with us to address all of our concerns. Additionally, the project will have to comply with all regulatory requirements and meet the additional 18 conditions the Planning Commission has proposed.

Solar is already here in King William County, and it provides a great example of how farmers and rural landowners can adapt to survive and thrive in a changing economy. Working with Invenergy and the County to responsibly develop this project brings value to our family, our land, the County, and the Commonwealth. I encourage you to speak out in support of the Sweet Sue Solar project.

Sincerely,
Sue Chenault
King William

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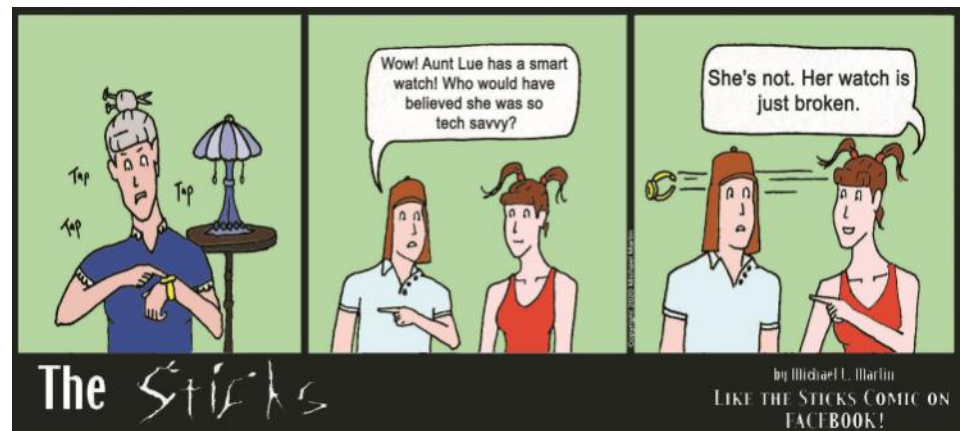
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180 Horse Landing Road, King William VA
Mon-Fri, January 16th - February 29th: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 29th: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
County Offices are closed Friday January 17th and Monday January 20th for Holidays
(February 29, 2020 is the last day qualified voters can vote an in-person absentee ballot at the Voter Registration & Elections Office)

ABSENTEE VOTING BY MAIL
Tuesday February 25, 2020: Last day for qualified voters to request an absentee ballot by mail, online or fax. Applications must be received in the Voter Registration & Elections Office by 5 p.m.
Tuesday, March 3, 2020: Election Day ALL Absentee voted ballots must be returned to the Voter Registration & Elections Office by 7 p.m. to be counted.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Sweet Sue Solar farm will contribute millions in tax revenue

As small business owners in King William County, we believe it is important for our elected officials to know that we support the Sweet Sue Solar project. Between the public meetings, news reports, and opinion stories, there has been a lot of talk recently about Sweet Sue Solar. Here are the facts: solar farms are safe for neighbors, good for the environment, and economic boons for local communities.

The Sweet Sue Solar farm will contribute millions in tax revenue over its lifespan and employ hundreds of people during construction. Not only is this economic benefit good for businesses like mine, but the tax revenue generated will reduce the burden on residents and help fund important city services, like schools, roads, and police.

Additionally, solar farms are good for the environment, providing us with a clean, renewable source of energy produced in America. The Sweet Sue project provides us an opportunity to make a positive contribution to American energy independence while producing no harmful byproducts. Investment in renewable energy sources is simply a smart decision for our future.

Finally, the Sweet Sue Solar farm will have no negative impact on the surrounding neighbors. This solar farm will be screened by a buffer of trees and will be nearly invisible to anyone passing by, including the closest neighbors. Excluding a brief period during construction, there will be very minimal traffic to and from the site and no noisy operations and maintenance. In fact, I would argue that most people will not even know the solar farm exists.

King William County is an incredible place to live. We are a vibrant, growing community who should make smart decisions about our future. The residents of King William County deserve the truth about this solar project. We have a good company wanting to develop a safe project on private land in our county that will create jobs and generate new tax revenue in a clean, sustainable, and lasting way. Can we really afford to say no? Why would we

say no?

Sincerely,
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Dear Editor,
To the Citizens of King William County,

We all know "litter" has become a major problem in our community. Every roadway has become a trash bin for individuals that can't take the time to dispose of their own trash properly. We are in the time of season where the ditches are no longer green with grass and the trash is even more noticeable.

For those of you that are not aware, there are litter tools available for anyone who has the desire to make their stretch of roadway clean again. The County Facilities Department has orange trash bags, bright orange vests, litter pickers and road signs notifying cars that litter is being picked up, at no charge. Please come to the Administration Building at 180 Horse Landing Road, King William, Virginia. You can also reach out to me, Cindy Hixenbaugh, at 804-769-4965 and I will be more than happy to pull together the items that you need. We do ask for the return of the items (vest, pickers and signs) to be used by the next individual or group that want to help clean up our county. VDOT, upon notification, will pick up the filled trash bags alongside the road.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the groups and citizens that through their hard work has kept our county beautiful over the past year. Join them in their crusade, or better yet, think twice before you throw your trash out the window of your vehicle.

Thank you,
Cindy Hixenbaugh
King William County
Facilities Coordinator
804-769-4965

Dear Editor,
Sick and tired of the disrespect!

I've lived on West River Road (Rt. 600) since 2004 when I built my home after having lived on Smokey Road for 8 years prior. Traffic on both roads has increased exponentially in those 24 years. And, with it so has the disrespect for the citizens who live on both roads. Especially in the little small area of Aylett on both sides of 600 at Route 360. The speed limit is 25 MPH! And, then it progresses to 35, then 45 and ultimately 55 in some areas. Have you SEEN how close the houses are to the road in the 25 MPH area? If not, are you on your phone or just plain distracted? Then shame on you even more so.

I've witnessed so MANY people totally ignoring the speed limit in those areas and it makes me shake my head in disgust every time. You are practically in those folks' front yards and yet you whiz by like you could care less that their children may be playing in the yard or their animals are also in the yard. And, let's face it, one cannot always control either if they decide to cross the street last second without proper escort. I've seen a few cats scurry across a time or two. I've also witnessed families enjoying a peaceful day on their

front porches. Can you put yourself in their shoes? Can you make a concerted effort to abide the speed limit while going through that area? Can't you be more thoughtful of the folks who live there?

Collectively I think we can make a difference if we all become more thoughtful of the folks who live and play in that area. And, you don't even want to hear what I think of the disrespectful folks driving on Smokey and Globe Roads. A whole LOT are on the wrong side of the road AND going way too fast.

Come on people, slow down and pay attention. One day it may cost you dearly and perhaps some other innocent person as well. Is that what you want on your hands because you couldn't exercise more discipline in your driving?

Mary Sue Bancroft
Aylett

Letters to the Editor

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Broadus Baptist Church Hebron Campus

3407 King William Rd Aylett, 779-2700 Facebook Broadus Church Hebron Campus
www.broaduschurch.org Worship with us Sunday morning with coffee and snacks at 9:45, Sunday School at 10:00 AM and worship at 11:00. Come as you are and we promise to help you feel right at home. We are focused on Loving God, Loving each other and loving the community around us.

Colosse Baptist Church

Sunday School classes- all ages 9:45a.m. Worship services 11 a.m. Bible studies are held on Wednesday nights. We offer many activities for all ages. questions, call 769-2729, someone will return your call.

Corinth Christian Church

www.corinthchristianchurchkw.net 9153 Dabney's Mill Rd Manquin 23106 Corinth welcomes all to join us in worship and bible studies. Sundays, Bible study 10:00am, Worship 11:00am. Children's Church 11am, Tuesdays Bible study 7:00pm. Every 5th Sunday, fellowship lunch after 11am service.

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Kingdom of God

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Mattaponi Baptist Church

(Circa early 1700s) Come join us and worship! The Mattaponi Baptist family welcomes everyone to hear the music ministry and the teachings from God's word. Sunday school begins at 10:00am followed with Worship services at 11am. Be sure to "like" our new Facebook page listed under Mattaponi Baptist Church to learn all the great things God is doing for our church.

Mt. Sinai Baptist Church (2327 Commins Road, Aylett)

Come join us as we celebrate Black History on Sunday, February 9, at 3:00 p.m. Guest church family will be Rev. Dr. Patrick H. Jones, Pastor of Bethany Baptist, Montpelier. Dinner will be served at 1:30 p.m. Special guest will be VFW Post #9501 (Post Commander, James Brown). All are welcome. For information contact, Mr. James Perry, Chairperson (804)769-1200.

New Life Community Church

109 Commons Park Cir, Ste. J. Manquin 23106 Rev. Littycia Clay-Crawley Pastor. Begin 2020 right, if you are looking for a church home or a place to come praise and worship, we invite all to join us on Sunday mornings at 8am for worship service.

Olivet Baptist Church

25375 The Trail, Mattaponi, Sunday School at 10:00 AM Sundays Worship at 11:00 AM pastor Terry Morrison

Providence Baptist Church

4570 Dorrell Road, Aylett, Pastor White (804) 240-1982.

Sharon Baptist Church

901 Sharon Road across from King William High School. Sunday mornings breakfast 8:45 am in Fellowship Hall, followed by Sunday School all ages 9:15am. Worship Service 10:30am. Nursery

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Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration Thursday, Feb. 27, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Yoga for Seniors Thursdays, Feb. 6, 13, 20, & 27, Noon - 1:00 p.m. Family Storytimes Thursday, Feb. 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 a.m. Call 804-769-1623 or visit the library at 396 Newtown Road for more info.

Upper King William Library

Valentine's Day Party Thursday, Feb. 13, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Yoga for Seniors Tuesday, Feb. 4, 11, 18, & 25, 11:00 a.m. - noon Cooking with Fish & Game Saturday, Feb. 22, Noon - 1:00 p.m. Family Storytimes Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 a.m. Call 804-769-3731 or visit the library at 694-J Sharon Road for more Info.

West Point Library

Stay and Play Fridays, Feb. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11:00 a.m. - noon Second Saturday Matinee Saturday, Feb. 8, Noon - 1:45 p.m. Chess Players Club Monday, Feb. 10 & 24, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. BINGO Tuesday, Feb. 11, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Ages 10 & up Mid Day Movie Matinee Thursday, Feb. 20, Noon- 2:00 p.m. Ages 16 & up LEGOMania Friday, Feb. 21, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Ages 5-12 Movie Night Thursday, Feb. 27, 5:30 - 7:45 p.m. Ages 16 & up Cell Phone Hologram and Stylus Saturday, Feb. 29, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Family Storytimes Friday, Feb. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 a.m. Call 804-843-3244 or visit the library at 721 Main Street for more info.

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Every other Sunday from 2:30-4 at Poroporone Church, lower King & Queen. Email wyatt.amyl@gmail.com or kelly.magovero@yahoo.com

VFW and Auxiliary 8356

Meets third Tuesday of the month at post in lower King William/West Point. VFW meeting is at 7 pm, Auxiliary is at 6 pm. Contact Post Commander (vfw8356@gmail.com) or Auxiliary President (kelly.magovero@yahoo.com) for membership and/or information.

DCSE Service Point Assistance

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Girl Scout Troop 1132

Weekly meetings on Thursdays at 6pm at Mattaponi Vol. Rescue Squad Building.

KW Children First Lions Club

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00p.m. at the Crossroads Mission Center located at 694 K Sharon Road, King William.

American Legion Post 314

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Will be held on Friday, Jan. 24 beginning at 6 PM at the King William Ruritan Building. Bring a dish to share. Program: April Hill Deacy will discuss the Pamunkey Tribe's Sturgeon Tagging Program. Everyone is welcome.

Three Rivers SWCD Board of Directors Meetings

Three Rivers Soil & Water Conservation District will hold their monthly Board of Directors meetings on the third Tuesday of each month. If you would like to attend, contact the office at (804) 443-2327, ext. 4 for meeting place and time. The public is invited.

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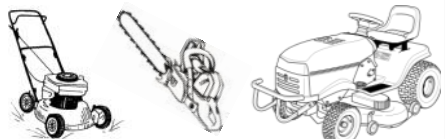
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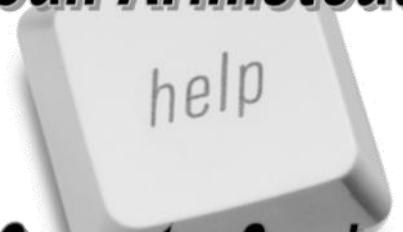


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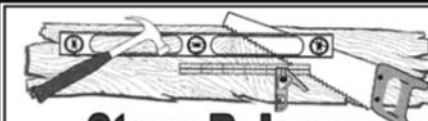
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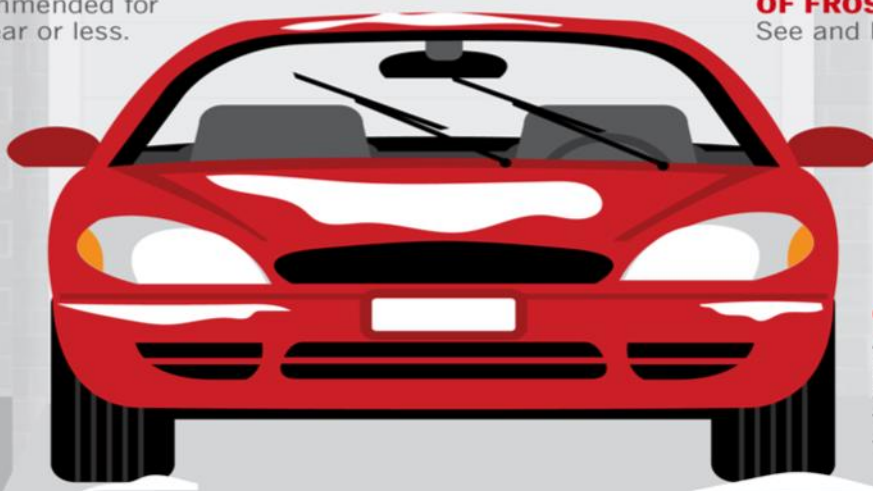
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