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## Walkerton Patriotic Boat Parade



*Patriotic Boat Parade passing under the Walkerton Bridge*

Please see **PARADE FULL STORY** on page 10. Photo by Gene Campbell



*Paul, from PRD Concessions, takes a break from grillin'.*

## Barbeque Cookoff Benefitting King William Students

By Lynn Uzel

If you did not make it to the Barbeque Cookoff on Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup> sponsored by Another Round or 2, you missed some good tasting barbeque! Everyone who attended had the opportunity to taste samples from two local establishments: Big Mike's Grillin' & BBQ and PRD Concessions; then they got to vote for their favorite.

Music was provided throughout the day by four different acts: Barefoot Joe, Seven Bridges Band, Alex Pierce, and Soul Fuel. Along with enjoying the music, food and beverages, attendees were able to shop at local vendor booths which sold honey, essential oils, Paparazzi jewelry, Dixie paraphernalia and smoking supplies. Children were also able to have fun in a bounce house and cool off with a snow cone.

In addition to the day's planned events, a '5 Minute' impromptu fundraiser was announced before the last band played. The audience was challenged to raise \$500 within five minutes for Big Mike to jump in the bounce house. The attendees met the challenge in only three minutes! 10% of all the proceeds will be donated to help feed the kids in King William County Public Schools who cannot afford meals.

Please see **COOKOFF**, continued on page 15.

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## District 15 Champs



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The King William Little League 9-11 boys team is District 15 champions. On Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, they traveled to Matthews County and defeated their team in two games. The first game's score was 18-8 and the second game's score was 10-0. They now will head to the state championship tournament in July.

## Publisher's Message



Hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The summer is moving to fast for me. It seems as I get older the days fly by. There is so much to see and enjoy each day. I don't want to waste any time not indulging myself in the happy play of possibilities..have a blessed day and days to come.

Take care until next time..

*Danny Clark*



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### Radar Ears

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

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walking or clucking, but she knew something was coming. I guess it was one of those free ranging chickens. Here's a little joke about kids and chickens.

Two farm boys meet on a dusty old country road. One of them is carrying a big bag labeled Chickens. "Chickens, huh?" The older boy says. "Hey if I guess how many chickens you got in that bag, will you give me one?" The younger boy replied "heck, if I guess right, I'll give you all three of them."

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

## REC Director Elections

On July 1 member-owners of Rappahannock Electric Cooperative (REC) will start voting to elect three directors to the Cooperative's nine-member Board of Directors. You will have three ways to vote, namely (1) complete your Proxy Designation Form you will receive via US Mail and return it by 5pm on August 4, (2) log-in to [www.myrec.coop](http://www.myrec.coop) to access the form, or (3) register to vote August 5 and 6 to participate and cast your vote live at the Virtual Annual Meeting on August 11.

I encourage you to vote for the incumbents Darlene Carpenter and Chris Shipe. Why vote for the incumbent directors? They along with the other directors have worked diligently to find the right balance in the equation of bringing you reliable energy at an affordable cost while making sure REC's operations are sustainable. Electric bills can be a major part of a member-owner's budget and Darlene and Chris understand the financial struggles the member-owners face. REC's Board of Directors analyze and take very seriously projects that will not only bring the greatest cost benefits to its member-owners but also keep the cost of power affordable. Darlene and Chris are accessible and very involved in their communities. When members have a concern, they listen and take them seriously. Rural broadband, renewable energy and energy efficiency have been a big concern of our member-owners. Darlene and Chris along with the other members of the Board are constantly working to find common sense solutions to these and other concerns. Transparency is always a top priority of REC's Board of Directors and they work to ensure our member-owners can access information about the cooperative and the board. Open elections are of upmost importance too and the board is always working to make sure voting is easy and accessible. Please take the time to vote.

Thank You,  
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## Obituaries

### WRENN



Wrenn, M. (Monty) Vernon 85, of St. Stephens Church, VA went to be with the Lord, Wednesday, June 30, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 sisters, 3 brothers,

and his late wife and mother of his children, Frances B. Wrenn. He is survived by his loving wife of 5 years, Marcia Jenkins; 2 children, Chris Wrenn, Sr (Kelly) and Elizabeth Fritts (Anthony); 5 grandchildren, Jessy (TJ), Christopher (Cori), Nicole (Louie), Amber (Stephen), and Zachary; 7 great-grandchildren; his fur baby, Missy; and numerous other relatives and friends. Vernon retired from Reynolds Metals in 1998 after 36 years of service as a Master Machinist. In 1957 he married his first wife and raised a family in Mechanicsville before purchasing his farm in King and Queen in 1989. In 2015 he married his wife, Marcia. They have been enjoying their twilight years together splitting their time between the town house and the country estate. Vernon never met a stranger and would talk to everyone he met. He loved being on the farm and his time spent with his large extended family and friends. His humor

and kindness will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. The family will receive friends, Monday, July 5, 2021, from 6 - 9 pm, at Monaghan Funeral Home, 7300 Creighton Pkwy., Mechanicsville, VA 23111, where a funeral service will be held, Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at 11 am. Interment will follow at Hanover Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Shepherds UMC, 163 Fleets Mill Rd, St Stephens Church, VA 23148, or Trinity UMC, 5428 Richmond Hwy, Tappahannock, VA 22560.

### GARLICK



Joe Louis Garlick, 83 of King William gained his wings on Friday, June 25, 2021. Joe is preceded in death by his wife of 48 years, Annie Garlick. Joe leaves to cherish his

loving memories Jesse (Mary) Rogers, Lisa Harris, Albert (Renee) Rogers, Nancy Webb and Martha (James) Banks. Viewing will be Friday July 2 from 12:30-8:00 at B.W. White Funeral Home 7837 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy, Aylett, VA., Home going services will be 12 noon Saturday July 3, 2021 at Hamilton Holmes Middle School King William VA.

### GIBSON



Gibson, Ethel Atkins, 92, of Aylett, passed away June 26, 2021. She is survived by her four children, Kenneth (Debby), Dennis (Sandra) and Roger (Rita)

Fogg and Deborah Davis (Gordon); nine grandchildren, Chris, Kevin, Whitney, Courtney, Jamie, Lindsay, Shannon, Kari and Brandon; 14 great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter; and her brother, Lewis Atkins. She was preceded in death by her husband, Claybrooke Gibson; and stepson, Timmy Gibson. Mrs. Gibson was a member of Bruington Baptist Church. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, at B.W. White Funeral Home, Aylett, where services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 30. Private interment. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Alzheimer's Foundation.



### MCGREGOR

Aubrey "Mac" McGregor 84, passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 24, 2021. He was preceded in death by his wife Harriett E. McGregor. Mac is survived by his daughter Valerie Haley (Wes), stepsons Aubrey Mihalcoe (Susan) and George Mihalcoe. Grandchildren Devin, Brianna, Angela, Jennifer, Kyle, Taylor and Logan. Great grandchildren, Madison, Meagan, MacKenzie, Cameron, Everleigh, great-great granddaughter Finley and his sister Lacy Barker.

His memorial service with graveside will be held at Bruington Church, 4784 The Trail, Bruington, Virginia on Friday, July 2, 2021 at 3 pm. In lieu of flowers you can make a donation to American Cancer Society Relay for Life via Shepherds UMC Team. Please make checks payable to Theresa Wilson, at the bottom in honor of Mac McGregor. Checks can be mailed to Shepherds UMC PO Box 245 St. Stephens Church, VA 23148

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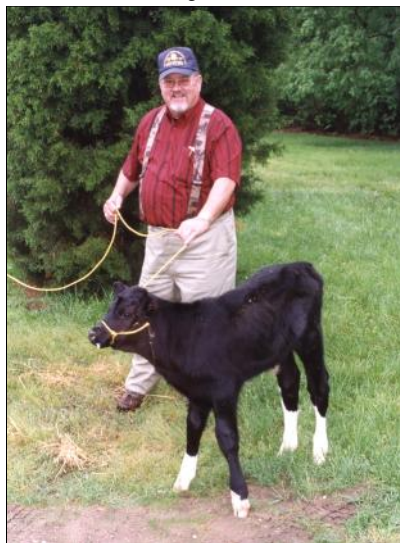
Melvin Kelley (Sharon). She is also survived

Longest, Nancy Kelley, 79 of King William, VA., the widow of Melvin W. Longest departed this life on Tuesday, June 29, 2021. She is survived by her children, Kim L. Campbell (Erwin), Todd Melvin Longest (Marnie) and Michelle L. Nguyen, and a brother, John

by, 5 granddaughters, Kristin, Tiffany, Jaclyn, Lindsay and Christina, 3 grandsons, Phillip, Samuel and Jackson, 4 great grandsons, Cullen, Sawyer, Fielder and Campbell, a special Aunt and many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Nancy was a Avon Representative for over 30 years. Funeral services will be held, 11:00 AM, Friday, July 2, 2021 at the B. W. White Funeral Home 7837 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy, Aylett, VA. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow at Sharon Baptist Church.

## Please join the Townsend family . . .

On July 19<sup>th</sup>, at 11 am, the H. Barnes Townsend Jr. family hopes that you will be able to make plans to join us at Rehoboth Baptist Fellowship on Acquinton Church Road to celebrate the life and memorialize the passing of our husband, father, brother, friend. Barnes passed away on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (age 78) and for reasons we each know all too well, we have not been able to properly honor and remember him together with those to whom he meant so much. July 19<sup>th</sup> is Barnes' birthday, and he would have been eighty this year. What a fitting day to come together to share the fount of memories, humor, love for history, and unique expression of wisdom that made Barnes Townsend such an outsized and memorable spirit!



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Our family would like to congratulate Michael Lane Williams on graduating with honors from Longwood University with a bachelor's degree in Communications on May, 15, 2021. Lane graduated magna cum laude with a 3.7 GPA and was named to the Dean's list all 4 semesters. Lane was also awarded Sports Broadcaster of the Year.



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## Congratulations Lazar - Baylor University Graduate

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Olivia H. Lazar, Bachelor of Science in Education, Elementary Education, School of Education, May 2021 and was named to the Dean's list

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King William BoS Adopts Resolution to Combat Organ Harvesting, Considers Impact of Newport News Owned Properties

By Amanda Walker

Tiny Tang of Fairfax county and Doctor Tatiana Denning of Henrico County addressed the Board of Supervisors in the June public comment section advocating for the adoption of Resolution 21-49 to educate King William County Residents and Medical Community about human organ harvesting in China. Tang and Denning informed the Supervisors that prisoners of conscience in China are being killed for their organs. According to Tang, practitioners of Falun Gong are primarily affected due to the Chinese Communist Party’s persecution of the spiritual practice. Tang was accompanied by fellow Fairfax County resident Chunyan Wang. Tang and Wang are both practitioners of Falun Gong. Prior to moving to the United States, Wang had been imprisoned for seven years for teaching others about Falun Gong. While in prison, Wang was beaten, tortured, and forced to do slave labor. Her husband had been killed for trying to protect her. Denning informed the board that their goal in getting resolutions passed by local governments is to get the attention of the United States Congress so they will take steps to help bring awareness and eliminate travel to China for transplants of organs harvested from prisoners. The board unanimously adopted the resolution, joining at least ten other counties across the Commonwealth that



King William County raises awareness of nonconsensual organ harvesting by the Chinese Communist Party. Gene Campbell photo

have passed similar resolutions. Commissioner of Revenue Karena Funkhouser brought concerns to the board regarding 47 properties in the county that are owned by the city of Newport News. The properties had been acquired to build the King William Reservoir, a project that was shot down in 2009. Because of the city’s tax-exempt status, the county is not able to collect taxes on the properties. By

Funkhouser’s calculations, taxes on these properties could increase county revenue by about \$32,000 a year. She suggested the board inquire with County Attorney Andrew McRoberts on options that may encourage the city to sell the properties or to possibly even propose legislation that would make the property taxable if the city is not providing services to King William County.

You can view King William BoS meetings on YouTube, just search for ‘King William County’. For upcoming meetings visit the county’s website: [kingwilliamcounty.us](http://kingwilliamcounty.us) for meeting dates and Zoom meeting IDs and passcodes.

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By Armistead Saffer  
Pictures by Armistead Saffer & Gene Campbell

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Walkerton Patriotic Boat Parade took place on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, on the Mattaponi river. The Patriotic Boat Parade was organized in 2020 by a group of friends who frequent the Mattaponi and will continue to be an annual event. The weather was excellent for the event. Boats were decorated in patriotic themes to celebrate America's Independence Day. Around 1 PM the 38 *Special* started sounding its horn to signal the start of the

parade. The parade started at Dick Campbell's Cottage and slowly proceeded up to Walkerton and passed under the bridge by 2 pm. Spectators along the way cheered on the boats as they passed by. The finale was passing under the large American flag on the Walkerton bridge. The parade was led by the 38 *Special* a vintage trawler built circa 1938 and followed by more that 30 boats. The organizers thank everyone who came out to celebrate Independence day on the Mattaponi River and are looking forward to next year's event.




Michael wakeboarding with American Flags



Fireworks on the river



The 38 Special passing under the Walkerton Bridge



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## Local Habitat Expanding

CONTRIBUTED - Now Serving Hanover, King William, and the Towns of Ashland & West Point

MECHANICSVILLE, June 28 - After 30 years serving Hanover County residents, Hanover Habitat for Humanity is expanding their service area into King William County as part of their vision to ensure everyone has a decent place to live. Their new name will be Hanover and King William Habitat for Humanity. Habitat operates three key programs; an affordable homeownership program, critical home repairs, and a ReStore that operates as a nonprofit home improvement store.

In Habitat's homeownership program, Habitat typically serves individuals with an annual household income between \$30,000 and \$63,000 depending on family size. In this program, individuals have steady income, but need access to a more affordable housing option to purchase their home. Teachers, first responders and other critical workers in the county often fall within these income levels. With volunteer labor and subsidized costs, Habitat helps families achieve financial independence. Habitat is actively searching for viable, buildable land in both counties.

Habitat's repair program addresses critical needs to keep homeowners safe in their homes when they are unable to afford repairs without assistance. Habitat typically serves individuals with an annual household income less than \$44,000, depending on family size. Recent repairs have been for senior citizens living on social security. Habitat expects the



demand for programs like this to grow as the number of senior citizens living in the area continues to grow. In Hanover, the number of households with individuals 65 and older accounts for 18.5% of the population. In King William, 16.3% of the county is age 65 or older. Habitat is taking applications for critical repairs for residents of both Hanover and King William Counties.

Find more information on ways to get involved or to inquire about the programs available at Hanover and King William Habitat for Humanity, visit [www.hkwhabitat.org](http://www.hkwhabitat.org) or call 804-569-6108.

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## Northern Neck Vegetable Growers Association Scholarship Winners

The Northern Neck Vegetable Growers Association (NNVGA) is proud to announce the 2021 NNVGA scholarship winners.

In first place, winning \$4000, is JP Maupin of Callao, VA. JP graduated from Rappahannock High School in 2019 and is currently a junior at Virginia Tech. JP is majoring in Agricultural Sciences and plans to be an Extension Agent with Virginia Cooperative Extension or an agriculture educator after graduating.

In second place, winning \$3500, is Ashley Upshaw from West Point, VA. Ashley graduated from King William High School earlier this June. She will attend Virginia Tech in the fall and plans to major in Agribusiness. She hopes to be an agricultural lender and would like to eventually manage and expand her family's farm.

In third place, winning \$2500, is Kelsey Moss from Callao, VA. Kelsey graduated from Northumberland High School in 2020 and is currently a sophomore at Randolph-Macon College. Kelsey is majoring in Accounting and Economics and would like to pursue a career as an agricultural policy analyst or an agricultural lawyer.

Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all the applicants!

The NNVGA is a producer group representing the vegetable industry in eastern Virginia. The organization sponsors educational activities for growers and other agricultural endeavors including this scholarship program to promote the industry in the region. For more information about this scholarship program or the NNVGA, please call Virginia Cooperative Extension in Westmoreland County at 804-493-8924.



JP Maupin



Ashley Upshaw



Kelsey Moss

## King William Farm Bureau Presents 2021 Scholarships



Kayley Mitchell and Regan Musick.



Ashley Upshaw



Addie Johnson



Sophia Harrison

by Florence Cooke

Pictures by Ellen K. Otey & Susan Hurley

The King William Farm Bureau and King William Farm Bureau Women's Committee proudly awarded scholarships of \$1,000 each to five graduating 2021 seniors. The Farm Bureau presented their scholarships to Addie Johnson, Ashley Upshaw, and Kayley Mitchell. Sofia Harrison and Regan Musick were the winners of the Women's Committee scholarships. The recipients, whose parents have to be King William Farm Bureau members, are chosen based on grades, career choices, and community involvement.

Ashley Upshaw is the daughter of Susan Upshaw and the late Gary Upshaw and will be pursuing a career in Agriculture at Virginia Tech. Addie Johnson is the daughter of Troy and Stacy Johnson and will be majoring in a recreational degree at East Carolina University. Kayley Mitchell is the daughter of Shane and Courtney

Mitchell and will be studying to be a physical therapist at James Madison University. Sophia Harrison, daughter of John H. Harrison, will be going into Pre Med at Johns Hopkins. Regan Musick, daughter of Russell Musick and Leah Hancock, will be going into the nursing field at the University of Tennessee.

Susan Hurley, Farm Bureau Member Service Specialist, stated, "King William Farm Bureau and Women's Committee are proud to announce the scholarship winners for 2021. This year we were thrilled to have all of the applications submitted and every one of the students was deserving. For many years King William Farm Bureau has provided scholarships to local King William youth to further their education. We feel that the future of our county lies with the youth and we want them to succeed. King William Farm Bureau is dedicated to giving back to the community."

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## REC Board Elections Open Member-Owners Urged to Participate

Fredericksburg — Member-owners of Rappahannock Electric Cooperative (REC) will elect three members to the Cooperative's Board of Directors as part of the virtual Annual Meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 11.

The Director Election process is now open. Starting July 1, member-owners can:

- Complete their Proxy Designation Form online. Member-owners with a valid email on record with REC will receive instructions and access to complete form. In addition, member-owners can log-in to [MyREC SmartHub](#) to access the form anytime between July 1 and Aug. 4 at 5 p.m.

- Early in July, member-owners will also receive the Proxy Designation Form by U.S. Mail. Completed forms can be returned in the business reply envelope included.

**Completed Proxy Designation Forms must be received by 5 p.m. on Aug. 4, 2021, to be valid.**

Member-owners who participate in the 2021 Annual Meeting by designating their proxy will be entered to win one of the following prizes:

- Designate and return your proxy form by July 14 to win 1 of 30 \$250 cash prizes.
- Designate and return your proxy form by July 28 to win 1 of 14 \$100 cash prizes.
- Designate and return your proxy form by Aug. 4 to win 1 of 10 \$50 cash prizes.

prizes.

All other member-owners who have returned their proxy or register for the meeting but did not win one of the other prizes will be entered to win additional prizes announced during the Annual Meeting. Prizes are:

- \$100 cash
- \$50 cash
- \$25 cash
- \$25 cash

If your preference is to participate live in the Virtual Annual Meeting, registration opens at 7 a.m. on Aug. 5 and closes at 5 p.m. on Aug. 6. Only registered members will receive instructions to join the virtual Annual Meeting on Aug. 11 to cast their vote live.

- Register at [myrec.coop/register](#) OR call 800-552-3904.

- Annual Meeting participation instructions will be emailed to registered participants.

REC provides electric service to over 170,000 connections in parts of 22 Virginia counties. With its general office in Fredericksburg, Va., the Cooperative operates and maintains more than 17,000 miles of power lines through its service area, which ranges from the Blue Ridge Mountains to the tidal waters of the Chesapeake Bay. For more information about REC, please visit [www.myrec.coop](#). Follow REC on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn and YouTube.

## Governor Northam Welcomes \$182 Million Investment from Nestlé Purina PetCare in King William County

Richmond - Governor Ralph Northam today announced that Nestlé Purina PetCare Company, a leading manufacturer of pet care products, will invest \$182 million to expand its manufacturing operation in King William County to support growing consumer demand.

Purina will add 138,000 square feet to increase capacity and enhance business operations in the U.S. and Canada for its Tidy Cats litter products, including the LightWeight formulas such as Free & Clean Unscented. The project will also include an additional 100,000 square feet of warehouse space leading to more efficient logistics management and expedited delivery of products to pets and pet owners. The factory expansion is expected to be completed by late 2023.

"Nestlé Purina PetCare has been a vital contributor to King William County's economy for more than two decades, and this major investment further solidifies its commitment to the community," said Governor Northam. "With multiple operations across Virginia, Nestlé is an important partner to our Commonwealth, and we look forward to supporting this global company and household brand in its next chapter of growth."

Governor Northam met with the company CEO at Nestlé's headquarters in Switzerland during his international marketing mission to Europe last month.

Located in Virginia since 1997, Purina is King William County's largest employer. The expansion in King William, which is part of the company's network of 21 existing manufacturing facilities across the United States, is part of a broader growth plan for Purina, which has recently announced new factories in other states.

"Nestlé Purina PetCare's significant capital investment and growing operation reinforce Virginia's world-class business assets that attract and retain high-caliber manufacturers," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. "We are excited to strengthen our partnership with this world-renowned company and remain confident in Purina's continued success in King William County."

"The investment in Virginia provides an

exciting opportunity to strengthen our operations in King William," said Purina Factory Manager Travis Gumbs. "We are committed to delivering the innovative litter solutions cat owners trust, with a continued focus on safety and sustainability in our operations. We are proud to be part of the King William community and look forward to many more opportunities to make a positive impact for pets and people." The Virginia Economic Development Partnership (VEDP) worked with King William County to secure the project for Virginia. Governor Northam approved a \$2 million Virginia Investment Performance Grant, a performance-based incentive that encourages continued capital investment by existing Virginia companies.

"We are extremely pleased that Nestlé Purina has chosen to expand its operations in King William County, guaranteeing jobs and investment in our community for years to come," said Interim County Administrator Steve Hudgins.

"This exciting announcement is the culmination of a year's worth of concerted effort with VEDP and Nestlé Purina to solidify this expansion and investment in King William," said Ed Moren, member of the King William County Board of Supervisors and project liaison.

"Purina's decision to expand its King William operation is fantastic news for our region," said Senator Thomas K. Norment, Jr. "With the number of households with cats continuing to grow, this facility promises to provide secure jobs in manufacturing and distribution for generations."

"Congratulations to Nestlé Purina PetCare on the expansion of its manufacturing operation in King William County, which will enable the company to increase production to meet customer demand," said Delegate Scott A. Wyatt. "I am pleased to see Purina continue its investment in King William County and utilize a Virginia Investment Performance Grant, leading to economic development in the County. I wish Purina continued growth and success."

## Important Blueprint 2041 Events: Guiding the Future for King William County

Contact: King William County Planning Department  
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King William County officials will host two community information sessions on *Blueprint 2041* on Monday, July 12 at 7:00 PM and Wednesday, July 14 at 7:00 PM to share important preliminary findings from *Blueprint 2041 Comprehensive Plan* consultants, Hill Studio and Arnett Muldrow, on the future growth and direction of King William County. The meetings will be open to the public and be held in the Board Meeting Room at 180 Horse Landing Road, King William Courthouse, Virginia.

The session on Monday, July 12 will be a presentation to a joint work session of the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission and Economic Development Authority. It will focus on preliminary research completed that details economic and demographic trends for the County and discussion of some opportunities for growth and change.

The session on Wednesday, July 14 will be an open house for the public with a presentation that will share the preliminary trends, draft vision and goal statements (based on community input), and some potential ideas and concepts for guiding future development and investment in King William County. The Blueprint 2041 Project Team will be working in the County from July 12 through July 14 and meeting with selected stakeholders to discuss potential concepts and strategies for managing business and residential growth and development, as well as thoughts on expanding recreational opportunities and tourism. Additional details on the workshop content, schedule, and opportunities for public input will be published closer to the meeting dates on the County webpage and the project Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/KingWilliamComprehensivePlan/>.

The Blueprint 2041 King William Comprehensive Plan Survey remains open for public comments and can be accessed using the link below.

[https://corexms292ywdv24j5.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_71FZ6udcCUGPDqS?fbclid=IwAR1-9nqmCHKOUwpT0semKq2PCgwe\\_BYnudPKLuC2qhS7uDjpcZaymgrMhRE](https://corexms292ywdv24j5.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_71FZ6udcCUGPDqS?fbclid=IwAR1-9nqmCHKOUwpT0semKq2PCgwe_BYnudPKLuC2qhS7uDjpcZaymgrMhRE)

King William County officials started updating the long-range Comprehensive Plan for the County in January 2021. The updated Plan, branded *Blueprint 2041*, provides guidance for public investment and facilities, as well as important information, trends, and recommended policies and direction for making informed public decisions and managing future growth and land development. The Plan will consider existing conditions, challenges, and future needs for the County over the next 20 years and look at diverse topics including economic development, utilities, public safety, education, environment, historic properties, recreation, transportation,



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Votes were collected for the Best BBQ.

Candidate Meets with King William Democrats



Contributed Stan Scott, Candidate for Delegate in the Virginia House of Delegates, met with the King William Democrats recently. He is running to represent the 97th District, which includes parts of King William County and Hanover County, as well as New Kent County. He is a Veteran who served in the U.S. Army, whose slogan is "Still fighting for hard-working families who play by the rules. Commonwealth, not Corporate Wealth." Pictured are King William Democrats members Sandra Taylor, Betsy Donoghue, and Frances Gwathmey, along with Candidate Stan Scott. The KW Democrats meet the third Tuesday of the month. Learn more at [www.kwdemocrats.org](http://www.kwdemocrats.org).

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## BAPTIST

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### Broadus Church Hebron Campus

Summer Schedule Worship Service is Sunday at 9:30 AM followed by Sunday School for all ages at 10:30. Tuesday Nights at 6:00 we have Youth Bible Study and Ladies Bible Study. Wednesday Nights Christian Support Group. We have an ongoing furniture ministry, firewood ministry and the 2nd Monday of each month we have food distribution at 6:30. Open to all KW county residents and students in King and Queen. Check us out on Facebook, Broadus Church Hebron Campus, our worship services are on FB live. We are located at 3407 King William Rd Aylett VA 23009. Phone 779-2700. Website broaduschurch.org

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On Sunday, June 27, we will be celebrating the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pastor Pagie Hancock. Our morning service will begin at 10:00 a.m. with Dr. Alvin Drew from Concord Fellowship Baptist Church delivering the message. Lunch will be served immediately following the morning service. We are requiring masks, but if you forget yours, one will be provided.

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### Mattaponi Baptist Church

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### Providence Baptist Church

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

### Rehoboth Baptist Fellowship

Monday, July 19th, @ 11am Memorial Service to Celebrate the Life and Mourn the Passing of H. Barnes Townsend, Jr. Please save the date and make plans to join us!

### Sharon Baptist Church

Sunday School at 9am; Morning

Worship at 10am; Youth Group Wednesdays at 7pm. Worship available inside the church or in your car. We will also be starting our AWANAS program when school starts and run the entire year. Call the church for more info. Office Hours: 9am to 2pm Tuesday through Friday, 769-2320 or sharonbc@verizon.net

**Vacation Bible School** July 18th-22nd from 6:15-8:30pm. Call 769-2320 to pre-register. Our address is 901 Sharon Road across from King William High School.

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### The Fix Ministry

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### Third Union Baptist Church

We will not hold services at the church until further notice. We now have Church Services via teleconferencing and virtually via ZOOM on Sunday mornings at 10:30AM. You can join our Church Service by Computer or by phone: The Meeting ID is 937 282 5797 The Passcode is 172021 The Dial in number is 1-301-715-8592. PO Box 74, King William, 23086.

### Upper King & Queen Baptist Church

Sunday School will begin at 10:00 A.M. followed by WORSHIP Service at 11:00 A.M. Due to Covid 19, masks and social distancing will be practiced until further notice. Rev. Wade Wilkins-Pastor. 769-8534

## METHODIST

### McKendree United Methodist

## Church

McKendree UMC is having "in person" worship service every Sunday morning beginning at 9:30am. Social distancing and wearing a mask is being practiced (masks will be available if you do not have one). Betty Jo Sims, Pastor 4347 Manfield Road (Rt. 605) Manquin. www.McKendree23106.org

## EPISCOPAL

### Immanuel Episcopal Church

190 Allen's Circle King & Queen Court House. For information on a particular Sunday call 804-785-2122

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804-496-1002 stdavidsaylett.church Like us on our new Facebook page at "St David's Episcopal Church, Aylett" including sermons during the pandemic "To Know Christ Jesus and to Make Christ Known" 11291 West River Road, Aylett (Beside the Public Boat Landing) Featuring The Rev. T. Gustavo Mansella All Are Welcome! All Sundays - 11 AM Eucharist Service First Sunday of the Month - Youth Focus/Potluck After

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## Pamunkey Regional Library Virtual Programs on Zoom

For more information or if you have a special physical or communication need, please contact ask@pamunkeylibrary.org. 804-769-3731. **Creating Backyard Habitat** Wednesday, July 7, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. **UKW Virtual Book Club** Saturday, July 10, 11:00 a.m. - noon. **Animals of Legend and Lore with the Virginia Living Museum** Thursday, July 15, 2:00 – 2:30 p.m. Grades K-5. **Kids' Lego Club** Friday, July 16, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Grades K-5. **3D Printing at the Library** Tuesday, July 20, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. **Leave It, Roll It, Move It, Take It**

Tuesday, July 20, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Eyes of the Wild: Zanimal Show!** Saturday, July 24, 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. **CoderDojo Workshop** Saturday, July 31, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Ages 8 & up. **On Demand Videos** **Rainbow Puppets: Amazon Adventures** Monday, June 28 – Sunday, July 11. **Invisible Ink** Premieres Tuesday, July 6 Grades K-8. **Storytime for Grownups** Premieres Wednesday, July 14. **Kitchen Close-ups: Veggie Pizza Bars** Premieres Friday July 16. **Poetry Break** Premieres Wednesday, July 21. **Genealogy 101** Premieres Thursday, July 22. **Getting Buggy with It!** Premieres Friday, July 23 Grades PreK-5. **Take & Makes**

**Bird Houses** Pickup starting Thursday, July 1 at 10:00 a.m. Pick up your kit at King & Queen Branch Library at 396 Newtown Road. **Embroidery Floss Bracelets** Pickup starting Thursday, July 8 at 10:00 a.m. Grades 6-12. West Point Branch Library at 721 Main Street. **Macrame Keychains** Pickup starting Monday, July 12 at 10:00 a.m. Grades 6-12. Mechanicsville Branch Library at 7461 Sherwood Crossing Place. **Macramé Wristlet Keychain** Pickup starting Friday, July 16 at 10:00 a.m. Mechanicsville Branch Library at 7461 Sherwood Crossing Place. **Paint by Numbers** Pickup starting Tuesday, July 20 at 10:00 a.m. Grades PreK-5 West Point Branch Library at 721 Main Street. **What is a Thaumatrope?** Pickup starting Thursday, July 29 at 9:00 a.m. Grades PreK-5. youtube.pamunkeylibrary or tinyurl.com/prlchildrens to see our tutorial video. For more information or if you have a special physical or communication need, please contact ask@pamunkeylibrary.org. 804-769-3731.

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### KW Children First Lions Club

Crossroads Mission Center located at 694 K Sharon Road, King William.

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### DCSE Service Point Assistance

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### Upper King William Active Lifestyle Center

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### King William Parks and Recreation

For more info visit King William County Parks and Recreation @ www.kingwilliamrec.com

### Three Rivers SWCD Board of Directors Meetings

The 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.

### Good Homes Needed For Good Pets

Regional Animal Shelter, 20201 King William Road, King William 804-769-4983. www.petfinder.com email: animalshelter@kingwilliamcounty.us

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### King William T.E.A. Party

Our twice-monthly in-person meetings have resumed on the second and fourth Thursdays each month. Info at kwteaparty.com and Facebook Come for the fellowship of patriots and the latest on what's happening at local, state and national levels. KWTP's meetings are open to all citizens of good will.

### Bay Aging

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### King William Community Watch

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### King William Democrats

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### Craft Show

Saturday, July 31 at Another Round or 2 109 Commons Park Cir Suite L, Manquin, VA 23106. 7am set up. Craft show from 8am to 1pm. Benefits go to Mangohick F.D. looking for vendors, call Pat 804-997-5220.

### The CornerStone Community Development Center

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food distribution at Aylett on Wednesdays) **The Lily Field Clothing Shed** - (11235 West River Road, Aylett)

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**The CornerStone Free Health Clinic** - (8270 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy., Aylett) No walk in appointments. Please register to receive an appointment.

**Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic** - (8270 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy., Aylett) July 10, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. - first and second doses (Pfizer and Moderna) July 17 - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.- second doses only (Pfizer and Moderna) July 24 - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. - second doses only (Pfizer and Moderna) Please email [theccdc@gmail.com](mailto:theccdc@gmail.com) or call 804 769 2996 for more information.

The CornerStone Community Development Center is a 501(c)3 organization. Monetary donations are tax deductible.

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## KING WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Board of Zoning Appeals of King William County, Virginia will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard and via Zoom to receive public comment and consider approval on the following matter:

Variance V-02-2021 – Owner, Kennington Place, LLC

A request for a variance to reduce the required setbacks on nine proposed carriage houses to be located in Sections 3A and 3B. The property is located on Kennington Parkway and Wendenburg Terrace, tax map parcels 22-11-BB-E1 through E5, 22-11-BB-F1 through F6, 22-11-BB-G1 through F6, 22-11-BB-D1 through D6, 22-11-BB-I1 through I6, 22-11-BB-H1 through H4, 22-11-3A-J1 through J6, 22-11-3A-L1 through L6. The property is zoned R-1 (Suburban-Residential) and is located in the Aylett (3rd) Voting District. There are currently single-family homes and carriage homes located on the property.

All interested persons may present their views during the meeting or via ZOOM. If a member of the public cannot attend, comments may be submitted by mail to 180 Horse Landing Road, #4, King William, Virginia 23086; or by fax to (804)769-2235, or by email to [sgraham@kingwilliamcounty.us](mailto:sgraham@kingwilliamcounty.us) - Comments received by 12:00 noon on the day of the hearing will be distributed to the Commission members and made a part of the public record. All records pertaining to this matter may be viewed in the Planning and Zoning Office at 180 Horse Landing Road, King William, Virginia during regular business hours. Anyone needing assistance or accommodations under the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act should contact the Planning and Zoning Office at (804) 769-4978 or email to [sgraham@kingwilliamcountv.us](mailto:sgraham@kingwilliamcountv.us).

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