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Contributed by the King William Treasurer- The King William County Treasurer's Office conducted a public auction of tax delinquent properties on September 15, 2022, contracting to sell the properties to the highest bidders. Please see TAX, on page 9.

## Two Bells and A Jingle



The Louise docked at Aylett. Photo from York River Yesterdays by Alonzo Dill. Please see STEAMBOATS, on page 4.

## Steven Custalow Acquitted



Steven Custalow- Photo: Tony Sylvestro

By Amanda Walker

Amid tension between some Mattaponi tribal members known as the Spirit Crow group and current tribal leadership, Steven A. Custalow appealed a protective order violation conviction that had been tried in King William General District Court. The charge stemmed from a December 11<sup>th</sup> incident where Chief Mark Custalow alleged Steven Custalow flicked him off as he was holding a council meeting.

Prior to the December incident Steven Custalow, along with other members of the Spirit Crow group and their supporters, marched around the Mattaponi Reservation and onto the property assigned to Chief Custalow protesting current tribal leadership.

Please see ACQUITTED, continued on page 7.

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New Extension Agent Minx

King William & King and Queen Counties have a new Extension agent, giving local agricultural producers and home gardeners a source of information and advice. Turner Minx officially started on June 25th, filling the long-vacant position.

Although he is new to the Middle Peninsula, he is not new to Virginia. Turner grew up in Stafford County, where he was active in 4-H. During his years in 4-H, Turner raised and showed sheep, cattle, and hogs. Turner started a sheep flock while in 4-H, which he still has today. In addition to his livestock interests, Tuner is a long-time vegetable gardener and collector of antique tractors.

After graduating from Stafford High School, Turner attended the University of Wyoming, where he earned his bachelor's degree in Animal and Veterinary Science with a concentration in livestock production. Turner returned to Virginia after graduation and worked in quality control for a general contractor, ensuring that work met project specifications and fulfilled the contract. During his time in construction, Turner was able to again apply the 4-H motto, "To make the best better", by seeking ways to improve the construction process from contract negotiation to logistics and final inspection.



Turner Minx

Turner brings that desire for continuous improvement with him to King William & King and Queen. He looks forward to being a resource for the community and developing meaningful education opportunities. He is looking forward to meeting Middle Peninsula growers, and creating new and innovative programming to serve their needs.

To contact Turner, the King William & King and Queen County Extension Office can be reached at 804-769-4955.

Publisher's Message



I have a birthday coming up in October. Each year I realize I can't do some of the physical things I used to. I am thankful I can get out and move around. Some things I would have done myself, I now call the professionals to help me. The work still gets done. I am reminded of *Philippians 4:13*, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Take care until next time.

*Danny Clark*



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### State Fair

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

The State Fair is back. I always like to go and see the mule and horse pulling. They are amazing animals. There is a lot of things to see like shows, music, and of course the rides.

They used to have a helicopter that for fifty dollars would take you up for a ride. I would always tell my wife "I sure would like to go for a ride in that helicopter." My wife would always say "That's too much money, fifty bucks is fifty bucks!" Every year was the same thing "No way, fifty bucks is fifty bucks!" Well one year the pilot overheard us and said "Folks, I'll make you a deal. I'll take the both of you up for a ride. If you can stay quiet for the entire ride and not say a word, I won't charge you a penny! But if you say one word, it's fifty dollars!" My wife agreed, so we jumped in the helicopter and up we went. After a few minutes, the pilot started doing some trick maneuvers trying to get us to say something. I kept my mouth closed



tight. Then the pilot started rolling the helicopter on its side and almost upside down, but still not a word from me. When we finally landed, the pilot turned around and said "Allen, I did just about everything I could to get you to say something or yell out but you didn't. I'm impressed!" I told him "It was really hard to keep quiet. I almost said something when you turned us upside down and my wife fell out. But you know fifty bucks is fifty bucks!"

I'm just kidding with you.

You can call me at 690-7870 or email

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I'll see you on the trails.

## Steamboats, continued from front page



*Sailing crafts also plied the Mattaponi. This sailing craft is pictured on the Mattaponi just down from my home with White Oak Marsh in the background. Photo from York River Yesterdays by Alonzo Dill.*

By Gene Campbell

My good friend Latane Trice, a legend in Walkerton, who passed away in 2006 at the age of 93, was a walking book of history, especially on the subject of steamboats plying the Mattaponi River. He wrote a brief historical narrative of the Mattaponi River Steamboats and gave me an autographed copy just before he passed away. The title of my article is borrowed from the title of his narrative, "Two Bells and A Jingle." You ask "what does that mean?" It is an old steamboat and sailor term meaning GIVE HER HELL! Forward or Reverse. Back in the days of steamboats, there were no radios or intercoms. Communication from the captain to the engineer and other crew members was done using the boat's brass bell. Different bells told the engineer what to do (one bell, two bells, etc.).... much like the Morse code. Steamboats were a common site on the Mattaponi River in the late 1800s and early 1900s. They were the main means of shipping merchandise, commercial goods,

livestock, freight, etc. to small ports inland and back out. Shipments from Baltimore and other points connected to steamboats in West Point which navigated up the river to Walkerton and Aylett.

The first steamboat to make a run from West Point to Walkerton on the Mattaponi was the *West Point*. This occurred in September 1860. She was a side-wheeler of 409 tons, 190 feet long and 27 feet wide. I sometimes look out from my pier and picture these majestic ships passing my home on the Mattaponi. The second steamboat on the river was the *Robert E. Lee*. She began operation in 1882 and was much smaller at 60 feet long and 16 feet wide and ran all the way up river to Dunkirk about two miles above Aylett. The Elm City took over the Mattaponi runs in 1888 but took on too much water to go above Walkerton, therefore the steam scow (a flat-bottomed boat) Mattie was put into operation.

*Please see STEAMBOATS, on page 11.*

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# Cavaliers Clip Westmoreland Eagles Wings 28 – 0 JV Cavs Win 33 – 6

By Gene Campbell and Michael Commins

The King William Varsity Cavalier football team took their 3 – 1 record to Montross on September 23<sup>rd</sup> to take on the Westmoreland HS Eagles. It was a defensive battle in the first half as both teams struggled to find the end zone. Westmoreland mounted two drives in the first half but the Cavs Sincere Baylor intercepted a pass near the beginning of the second quarter and Derek Baker later recovered a fumble with 9:36 left in the first half. The half ended in a scoreless tie. King William had 88 yards rushing, 4 yards passing, and 5 first downs for the half. After the half, King William stuck paydirt when Shelton scored the first of his two touchdowns on a 16-yard romp at the 2:44 left in the third quarter. Cameron LeBaron’s extra point kick made the score King William 7 – 0. Westmorland mounted a drive late in the third quarter but Cavs Carter Hamilton sacked the Eagles quarterback causing a fumble that was recovered by Cavs Trent Johnson with 4:48 left in the third quarter. It was still a defensive contest with King William on top 7 – 0 going into the fourth

quarter. Just barely into the fourth quarter King William’s Cavalier Joe Isaac scored on a 40-yard run and LeBaron’s PAT was good. King William 14 – 0. The Eagles came back with an apparent 68-yard catch and run for a TD but penalties nullified the play. Eight seconds later King William’s Nick Medlin intercepted an Eagle pass in the end zone for an apparent touchback that turned the ball over to the Cavaliers. However, offsetting penalties once again nullified the play and Westmoreland was given the ball at the King William 8-yard line, first and goal. Cavalier Mekhi Martin intercepted an Eagle pass in the end zone. The Cavaliers took possession on their own 8-yard line and Kaleb Shelton scored his second touchdown with a run of 41-yards at the 5:35 mark of the fourth quarter. LeBaron’s PAT was good. King William 21 – 0 with 2:25 left in the game. In the closing moments of the game, Jahmari Wade scored on an 8-yard run and LeBaron added the extra point to improve the Cavs record to 4 – 1. King William’s Kaleb Shelton led the rushing attack with 176 yards on 18 carries scoring

twice, Joe Isaac had 159 yards on 10 carries and 1 touchdown, Monta Roane had 47 yards on 6 carries, James Stewart had 12 yards on 2 carries and Jahmari Wade had 3 carries for 25 yards and one touchdown. Shelton was 1 of 5 passing for 4 yards with a completion to Monta Roane. The Cavalier offensive line paved the way for the ground attack led by senior brothers Trent and Wylie Johnson, Derek Bake, Mason Botkin, and Cory McPhearson. The Cavalier defense was led by Sincere Baylor, Mekhi Martin, and Joe Isaac, each with interceptions. Derek Baker and Trent Johnson each with fumble recoveries and Trent also recorded a quarterback sack, Wylie Johnson, Kaleb Shelton, Kyle Jenkins, K J Washington, James Stewart, and Carter Hamilton all with tackles for losses, and Carter provided a strip-sack of the Eagle quarterback in the third quarter. Jahmari Wade, Nick Medlin, and Monta Roane also contributed. Joe Isaac had 1 punt return for 6 yards, Dylan Jukes had a kickoff return for 28 yards and Cameron LeBaron punted twice with the longest covering 42 yards. Sal Volo had 5 kickoffs to spark the special team’s play.

The JV squad hosted the JV Westmorland squad on September 21<sup>st</sup> and rolled to a convincing 33 – 6 win. The Cavalier offense was led by Bishop Casteel with 102 yards rushing on 7 carries and two touchdowns, Caron Washington with 10 carries for 100 yards and one touchdown, Brayden Cunningham with 75 yards on 9 carries and a touchdown, and Chase Jukes with pass completions for 62 yards and one touchdown. L J Epps, Ethan Small, Jamaris Reynolds, Jason Russell, and Chase Jukes had a combined 52 yards on 9 carries. The JV Cavs improved their record to 3 – 1. The Varsity Cavs have a bye week coming up and will return to action on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at home against the Greyhounds of I C Norcom HS from Portsmouth. The JV squad will also have a bye week before heading to Portsmouth to take on the JV I. C. Norcum Greyhounds on Thursday, October 6th. Again, many THANKS to Michael Commins for the ‘play-by-play’ info and stats. GO CAVS!

# Varsity Cavaliers Out Muscle the Caroline Cavaliers 10 – 6 JV Cavs Lose 24 - 6

By Gene Campbell and Michael Commins

It was billed as the “Cavalier Country Classic” as the King William Varsity Football team traveled to Caroline on September 16<sup>th</sup> to take on the Caroline Cavaliers. King William lit up the scoreboard first when Kaleb Shelton ran for a 10-yard touchdown with 8:36 left in the first quarter and Cooper Wolf split the uprights for the extra point. King William 7 – 0. Caroline

came back with a touchdown late in the second quarter but their extra point try was blocked by King William’s R. J. Jenks. King William 7 – 6. King William drove down the field late in the second quarter and scored on a 37-yard pass from Kaleb Shelton to Jahmari Wade but the refs ruled Wade fumbled in the end zone. Caroline recovered and marched down the field and attempted a 33-yard field goal that was

short and wide right on the last play of the half. King William 7 – 6 at the half. The second half was a defensive battle by both teams with the only score coming on a Cooper Wolfe 27-yard field goal with 11:19 left in the game. King William 10 – 6. In the closing minutes, King William’s Monta Roane intercepted a Caroline pass with 2:12 left in the game but fumbled the ball and Caroline recovered. Caroline tried to mount a go-ahead scoring drive but King William’s defense prevailed and the ball was turned over to King William on downs with 1:01 left in the game. King William ran the clock out to preserve their third win of the season. King William was led on offense by QB Kaleb Shelton who rushed for 24 yards on 13 carries and 1 TD. Kaleb also completed 9 of 15 passes for 74 yards with one interception. Joe Isaac led the King William ground attack with 74 yards on 21 carries. Monta Roane had 30 yards on 3 carries and Jahmari Wade picked up 7 yards on 2 carries. Jahmari Wade and Chris Wimmer each 3 receptions, Wade with 34 yards, and Wimmer with 23. Emmett Shortt had 2 receptions for 13 yards and Monta Roane 1 catch for 4 yards. King William had 14 first downs for the game along with 25 yards on 2 kickoff returns. The Cavs were assessed 7 penalties for 45 yards.

The King William defense was led by Sincere Baylor with two tackles and two passes defended; K J Washington with a sack for an 8-yard loss, two tackles, and two assists; James Stewart with 3 tackles, 1 assist, and 1 pass defended; Carter Hamilton with a tackle for loss of 1 yard, 1 tackle, and 1 assist; Marcus Washington with 1 pass batted down, 1 sack for a 1 yard-loss; and the Johnson brothers, Wylie with 2 tackles, 2 assists, 1 tackle for a 1-yard loss, and Trenton with 2 tackles and 1 assist. Other Cavaliers contributing were Derek Baker, Nick Medlin, Emmett Shortt, Monta Roane, Kaleb Shelton, Joe Isaac, Kyle Jenkins, and R J Jenks. King William will take their 3 – 1 record to Montross on September 23<sup>rd</sup> as they take on the Westmoreland Eagles. The JV squad did not fare as well as they fell to the Caroline Cavaliers JV squad by a score of 24 – 6 on September 14<sup>th</sup> at King William. King William’s only score came in the fourth quarter on a pass from QB Javon Lewis to L J Epps. The extra point failed. The JV’s (3 - 1) will meet the Westmorland Eagles on their home turf on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Again, many THANKS go out to my cousin Assistant JV Coach Michael Commins who is doing an excellent job providing the ‘play-by-play’ info and stats. GO CAVS!

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## Royal Tigers on a Roll



Senior Malik Holmes, ready to pass

Picture by MSG Dan Dolan

Contributed by Ashley Edwards

The Central Royal Tiger football program is off to one of the best starts in school history. The Tigers are 4-0 and have outscored their opponents 216-0. Central's defense has been led by linebacker Ty'Quan Speight who is averaging 12 tackles per game. Jacob Paulette is the anchor of the defensive line and has recorded 10 tackles for a loss. The Tiger defense has forced 15 turnovers while scoring 5 touchdowns as well as a safety in just the

first 4 games. Central's offense has been led by quarterback Malik Holmes who has passed for 13 touchdowns and rushed for 2. Running back Kamryn Berry has rushed for 5 touchdowns and is averaging 129 all purpose yards per game. Mekhi Dabney and Jaden Stanley are leading the receiver corps with 4 touchdowns each. The Royal Tigers are set to host the Essex Trojans on Friday, September 23rd, in a rematch of last year's Region A Championship.

## Acquitted, continued from front page

Following the protest march, thirteen individuals were charged with trespassing and assault by mob and were also issued protective orders barring any contact with Chief Custalow. In a December 16<sup>th</sup> hearing in King William General District Court, the assault charges were nolle prosequed and the protective orders were not extended against anyone except Steven due to a pending charge for violating the order. The trespassing charges were deferred until December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at which time they are expected to be dismissed barring any further incidents between the group and Chief Custalow. The group was also advised to limit contact with Chief Custalow to tribal matters only. Because of the December 11<sup>th</sup> "flipping the bird" incident, Steven's protective order remained in effect.

During a February 3<sup>rd</sup> General District Court hearing Steven Custalow maintained his innocence while Chief Custalow and two witnesses testified Steven drove near the council meeting in a suspicious manner, driving by more than once and pulling into a

gravel drive nearby momentarily before driving by once again and flipping the bird. Chief Custalow testified that at one point as he was looking out the window of the council meeting Steven reached his arm out to his side and flicked him off. The Chief testified that Steven did not make eye contact but was looking ahead at the roadway. The Honorable Judge Stephen Ashton Hudgins stated this constituted indirect contact and found Steven Custalow guilty of violating the protective order. He was sentenced to pay a \$200 fine and serve five days in jail.

Steven Custalow and his defense council appealed the conviction, and a new trial was held in King William Circuit Court on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The Honorable Judge Benjamin Elliott Bondurant found that the Commonwealth failed to prove Steven Custalow knew who was in the building and acquitted Steven of the protective order violation. Virginia District 9 Magistrate Kristy Spurgeon processed the initial charges and protective order as well as the violation.



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See "Exhibit A" for legal descriptions.

The property qualifies as a mandatory fee to trust application pursuant to the Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2017, Public Law 115-121 ("Recognition Act"). This parcel is all located in King and Queen County which is within the mandatory trust acquisition zone established in the Recognition Act also referred to as the "Mandatory Acquisition Zone".

It is our determination that this request does qualify under the mandatory provisions of 25 CFR § 151.10 and 151.11.

Therefore, we hereby accept the aforementioned property into trust status. Title will vest in the United States of America in Trust for RAPPAHANNOCK TRIBE INC, in accordance with 132 Stat. 40, Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2017.

#### Notice of Appeal

Any party who wishes to seek judicial review of this decision must first exhaust administrative remedies. The Regional Director's decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals (IBIA) in accordance with the regulations in 43 C.F.R. 4.310-4.340.

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If you have any questions, please contact MR RANDALL TRICKEY, REGIONAL REALTY OFFICER, at (615) 564-6500.

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Enclosure(s)

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## Tax, continued from front page



Mary Sue Bancroft and Abbi Carlton getting ready for the auction to start

These properties had at least three years of real property taxes overdue. The sale was extremely well attended. It was conducted in the King William County Board Room, with 18 bidders attending in person. The auction, held by the law firm of Taxing Authority Consulting Services, P.C. (TACS), was also simulcast for internet bidding, which drew an additional 107 bidders. The auction brought in a total of \$540,400 from the 18 parcels sold, said County Treasurer Mary Sue Bancroft. The sale included nine properties sold through a non-judicial sale, allowing prompt conveyance of title to the high bidders. Nine properties sold require further confirmation by the Circuit Court before deeds can be conveyed.

The highest price for a parcel was \$250,000, and the lowest was \$1,500. In many cases, the record owners of the property were deceased, and there was no consensus among heirs to pay the taxes and redeem the properties. The total outstanding taxes due on the parcels sold was over \$135,000. The excess funds, after paying the taxes, fees, and the costs of sale will be held by the Circuit Court (for the Judicial Sale properties) or the County (for the Non-judicial sale properties) for two years and those funds

can be claimed by the owners or their heirs during that time. If the funds are not fully claimed, the remaining excess proceeds will be deposited into the County's General Fund.

"Almost all of the properties that sold went for significantly more than the county's taxes and the costs of the sale," Bancroft said, "And it was great that we were able to have so many people participate online". In addition, a significant amount of money was collected prior to the sale, as numerous property owners finally paid off the taxes due to keep their property from the sale. "There were 4 parcels redeemed before the sale began," Bancroft said. The Treasurer has retained TACS, a law firm focusing its practice in representing local governments, to handle the legal requirements to bring these properties to sale. The next auction is likely to be conducted sometime next Spring.

For more information contact:  
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## King & Queen County Public Schools Fully Accredited

King and Queen County Public Schools (KQCPS) are proud of our continued FULLY ACCREDITED status reflective of the 2021-2022 school year released by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) on September 22, 2022. KQCPS were able to use a three year average in Science at both elementary schools which only tested Science 5. Science 5 is the accumulation of Science 3, Science 4, and Science 5. We feel our students during the last two years fell short with this SOL because of the lost learning from March 2020 to June 2021.

Most counties are extremely concerned with their math scores. At Central High School (CHS) our math scores remained the same as 2018-2019. King and Queen Elementary School (KQES) increased their math percentage from 89% to 92.31%. Lawson Marriott Elementary School decreased from 89% to 78%, but met the required criteria at 70%. So proud of our continued growth in our math scores.

Divisions also struggle with the SOL English scores and our elementary schools increased. KQES went from 78% to

91.92% and LMES increased from 86% to 87%. The English SOL is a combination of Writing and English Reading. CHS used a three year average to reach the required percentage of 75% with a 75.93%. Writing will be one of our main focuses for the upcoming school year with more emphasis on writing across all grade levels.

Attendance was waived by VDOE and we are concentrating on improving our attendance percentage at all schools. Our graduating rate was at 93.26% and we continue to support our students to acquire their diplomas.

What matters now is how we use this data to drive our instruction, identify learning gaps, and set in action plans to accelerate learning opportunities for our students. The main use of this data will be used as a diagnostic tool to make sure we know where students are in their learning so we continue to design plans to help our students continue to recover from the pandemic. With a strong partnership with parents and the community, we know KQCPS will continue to succeed.

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Congress passed legislation that requires the implementation of an educational program pertaining to the United States Constitution on a date designated by statute officially as Constitution Day and Citizenship Day. This 2004 Congressional initiative is authorized by Section 111 of Division J of Public Law 108-447 and applies to educational institutions receiving federal funding from the U.S. Department of Education (USED).

All schools may determine what kind of educational programs are appropriate for their students. The Virginia Department of Education offers the Documents of American History including the text of the Constitution of Virginia, Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, Declaration of Independence, Constitution of the United States of America with Amendments, and the Virginia Charters. Additionally, the Library of Virginia's Document Bank of Virginia provides a repository of primary documents related to the Constitution and other topics that can be browsed and searched by era or theme.

*Central High School Government teacher, Jennifer Powell, and the seniors celebrated Constitution Day and Citizenship Day.*

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## Steamboats, continued

She didn't take on as much water as the Elm City and would carry freight from Walkerton upriver to Aylett. The fourth steamboat on the Mattaponi River was the *Louise*. She was 136 feet long and 39 feet wide and started her runs in 1906. The *Louise* was probably the most well-known and admired of these steamboats. But she sank one year after she was put into operation. After she sank her owners decided to bring her back to life but cut her down in size because she was too much boat to run the upper Mattaponi. The rebuilt *Louise* returned to service in 1908 and enjoyed her 'hey days' until her retirement in 1923 when her boilers would no longer pass inspection. For some reason in the 1920s, steamboats were having trouble making money, so she was offered for sale.

Enter a group of King & Queen County businessmen, namely R. D. Allen, C.C. Caldwell and Henry Taylor (they later built a cannery at the present site of the boat landing in Walkerton), George R. Minor, Thomas Stone, and the L. C. Watkins brothers who purchased the *Louise* for \$5,000 in 1922. I am sure there are descendants of these men living in King & Queen County today.

This group of gentlemen realized steamboat service was the fastest way to get merchandise from Baltimore and likewise to ship produce, livestock, eggs, etc. to Baltimore. It took two days to get

to Richmond with a pair of horses and wagon depending on the condition of the roads. Only one truck was in the area. It is easy to understand why Baltimore did a thriving business in Tidewater during these times. In the first year of operation, the *Louise* netted \$78.72 in profit. The second year was much better netting \$787.58 in profit. The *Louise* was the workhorse of the Mattaponi but she also ran excursions or leisure trips on the fourth of July from Walkerton to West Point. Latane liked to tell the story when he was a baby (1915 or 1916), his parents took him on one of those excursions. The forward deck was cleared of freight and became a dance floor. A fellow picked a banjo and everyone danced and had a good time. This was before prohibition and a fellow had brought along a bottle, started bending his elbows a little too much with bottle in hand, and fell overboard. The fellow's son was on board and started shouting "Pa overboard, Pa overboard." The quick-thinking captain grabbed a boat hook and hooked the fellow in his clothing and pulled him back on board.

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**GARNETT**  
Ellen Clegg Garnett, 84, of King and Queen Courthouse, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on September 25, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Edna Clegg and her husband Francis Garnett. She is survived by her children Linda Lindner (Craig) and Mark Garnett (Stacey); grandson, Elliott Garnett; sister, Roberta Jones (Shirley); and beloved nieces and nephews and other family and friends. She was a lifelong member of Mattaponi Baptist Church, where she sang in the choir. She was a devoted wife for 57 years and a devout Christian. Ellen enjoyed cooking and gardening as well as other crafts and hobbies. She was an avid walker and loved a good yard sale. Visitation will be held from 6-8 PM on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at B.W. White Funeral Home in Aylett, VA. Funeral Service will be held at 11 AM on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at Mattaponi Baptist Church, 13466 The Trail, King and Queen Courthouse, VA 23085.



Letters to the Editor

**Dear Editor,**  
*You're NOT crazy for NOT being lazy!*  
If you worked hard and paid off your loan, it's difficult to fathom what's happening now & it's tough not to groan.  
For example:  
I see before me a hard-working young tradesman, who made choices not to have any debts & plans on sweating for all that he gets. This is what makes our world go-round; what's best for you isn't necessarily what's best for me, so many are blind they just can't see. With long drives, he paid loads of money in gas alone, but he had big goals and those hard journeys set the tone.  
He drove many miles to the community college; his experience and training is no-less valuable than any other choice of knowledge. So, while he works to save money for a truck and tools, sadly, there are many people who take folks like us, for fools.  
Although, his story is not unique, I pray more will see this is true and their interest it will pique. We, the People, will be paying off loans for willing borrowers who make up to \$124, 999.99 and signed on the dotted line, and knew they had to pay it off or they'd owe a fine! This is putting fuel on the raging inflation fire; it allows and even

encourages the universities to raise their fees even higher. The bait for the November vote is strong this is clear and true, but I pray that morals & integrity.... the majority of us will pursue. Lots of us pinched pennies & worked 2 jobs. This is socialism, and it robs. I've heard it quoted Jesus was a socialist because He said we need to share, the difference in scripture is, He didn't FORCE anyone to give, it was their choice to care. He did say in love, we should help one another, give to the poor and be kind, this I agree BUT again the difference is....it needs to be our freewill, therefore I will bow to no other but Jesus, on my knee. Sometimes the weeks are long and instead of seven days we feel there's an eighth! BUT,  
I encourage you to keep fighting the good fight & keep the faith! While we're on this earth, we are in the midst of the race.... Remember you're not alone because I, too, feel the quickening of our steps and the faster & faster pace! The Good News? If we put our Hope in only Jesus Christ, we won't break although we may sometimes bend. To God be the glory we win in the end! Woot! Woot!

Kay Gall  
Aylett

Letters to the Editor

We welcome signed letters to the editor. Each letter must carry the writers signature, full valid address, and daytime phone number. We reserve the right to edit for accuracy, brevity, clarity, legality, and taste. We do not guarantee that every letter received will be published. Letters reflect the opinions and positions of the writers and not *The Country Courier*.

Steamboats, continued

At the time she was tied up at West Point. Mrs. Caroline Gwathmey Jones of The owners put her up for auction and received an offer of \$1,500 but they wanted \$2,500. 'Father time' then took over and the *Louise* eventually sank in the mud. The wood rotted on the mud flats and the boiler was at one time visible in the mud but I am sure the river has now swallowed that too. The last boat to ply u and down the Mattaponi River was the Commodore Bartlett. She was a propeller-driven boat and ran the river till the early 1930s. Route 360 was built between 1922 and 1925 and trucks and good roads spelled doom for the steamboat business.

Mrs. Caroline Gwathmey Jones of Canterbury, who passed away in 2011, told Latane the thrill of her life was when the Captain of the Commodore Bartlett let her blow the whistle signaling the bridge keeper at Walkerton to open the drawbridge for the Commodore Bartlett to pass through. These majestic boats were beautiful sights on the river back in the day. I swear I can hear 'two bells and a jingle' off in the distance sometimes on a warm summer night as I sit on my pier. Latane, I am sure you have your 'hand' on that ship bell.... GIVE HER HELL!

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# Remembering Robert Bowers

By Gene Campbell

Most of you never knew or heard of Robert Bowers. Robert died unexpectedly on September 14<sup>th</sup>. He was one of twenty in my 1968 King William High School graduating class. We all remember our classmates in high school from the first day of school to the day we graduate. I felt compelled to remember Robert because he played a part in my “growing” years of life. He lived not far from me at Etna Mills. His home still stands at the intersection, a two-story white framed house where his sister lives today. He attended my first birthday party when I turned six years old. We were competitors in 4-H public speaking contests.... he would win sometimes and I would win. Robert was very intelligent and I must admit smarter in academics than I was. I remember my mother going to his house one night with me in tow to get help on my math homework. I could not do ‘square roots’ in math to save my life. My mother called his mother and asked if Robert would help me. For me it was embarrassing, but you know what, I can do ‘square roots’ longhand to this day! How many of you can say that?

When I first started hunting, I would pick up Robert in my father’s old pickup truck on Saturday mornings and we would go squirrel hunting on the lower farm in Greenville. I remember one time just as we were coming out of the woods at the edge of dark, wood ducks started pouring into the marsh we were hunting. We sat right down along the edge of the marsh and shot up two boxes of shells.... didn’t get many ducks but man did we have a good time! Robert was a little chubby and not the athletic type but he wanted to participate in sports in some way. Coach Murray made him the basketball scorekeeper. He loved it! I can see him now intently watching the score clock on the wall in the old high school gym clicking the toggle switches on the metal score box each time a basket was made. Robert and I rode the same school bus from the first grade through high school. To bide our time on the bus, we played

chess on little magnetic boards. On our senior class trip to Hershey Pennsylvania (yes, Hershey Pennsylvania to tour the chocolate factory), Robert, Dennis Bew, and I went to the amusement park. There was a ride called the ‘Barrel of Fun.’ You had to walk through a barrel while it was turning. Dennis and I walked right through the barrel but Robert fell and could not get up while the barrel was turning. Well, Dennis and I could not stop laughing at Robert. The barrel operator stopped the barrel so Robert could stand up and walk out. Robert took it very well and didn’t get mad with us.... he laughed with us. After we both graduated from high school, we attended Virginia Tech. We started drifting apart at Tech not because we wanted to, but because we each had a different set of friends.

Robert graduated from Tech and went to work for United Virginia Bank in Richmond and was very successful. Robert married and had three children. The last time I had any communication with Robert was our 40th high school class reunion in 2008. I talked to him on the phone, he sent me his \$10 check to attend but for some reason did not, and I, for some reason, did not cash the check. I still have it today.

My classmate, Sandra Poynter Kersey, said it best the other day when I called her and told her about Robert’s passing. “We need to make it a priority to meet with our 1968 classmates and have lunch, dinner, or whatever.” There are some of us, classes of the 60s, who are doing just that, meeting for dinner at Vinny’s every other month. How many times have we all said to ourselves, “I wish I had called or visited John or Mary before they passed away.” Do yourself a favor, and make it a priority to meet with your high school classmates and old friends as often as you can. You will be SO GLAD you did! Don’t wait for that phone call and then wish you had. My father had a sign at his antique shop that read “the most valuable antiques are old friends!” Life is too short! MAKE THE MOST OF IT!

Robert, save me a spot at the chess table!

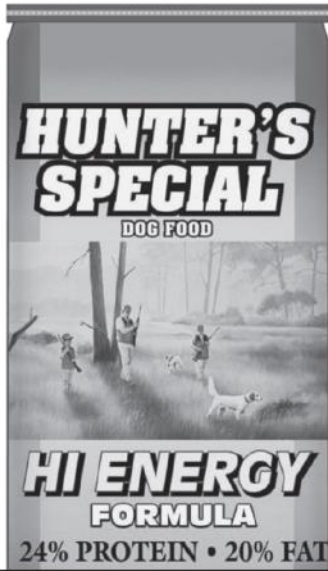


Robert eyes the scoreboard with seconds to go!

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## King and Queen Historical Society Meeting

*Contributed by KQ Historical Society*

### October meeting at Wayside, Indian Neck, King and Queen County

The King and Queen Historical Society will hold its fall quarterly meeting on Sunday, October 23, on the lawn at Wayside, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Wayside is located at 6779 Owens Mill Road, Indian Neck, VA, 23148. (Access Owens Mill Road from Newtown Road, above Route 360, Richmond Tappahannock Highway).

Seating will be provided beneath a large tent. Attendees should dress appropriately for the weather. Refreshments will be served after the program. Wayside is owned by David and Susan Norman, who will present a program about the history of the house and corner store, the house's former residents, and their current renovations. The house is thought to be more than 150 years old and built by Jim Smoot for his family. Other families have lived there since, including Beale, Hutchinson, Sizer and Blount.

Fall is a spectacular time to take a drive on King and Queen County's scenic back roads to enjoy gorgeous autumn color. Wayside is in the area known as Indian Neck, named in colonial times when members of the Rappahannock tribe



settled there. Located around the intersection of Indian Neck Road and Owens Mill Road, the community is a charming place not likely to be discovered by casual travelers. Old buildings carry the patina of age evoking a sense of times past, where the landscapes speak of the generations of isolated inhabitants making their living from the land.

Traces of Indian Neck's former inhabitants remain while today's inhabitants continue their ancestors' traditions. The Rappahannock Tribe's Cultural Center is nearby. Regrettably, the Society had to cancel its July meeting there and plans to schedule a program with the tribe in the future. The meeting is open to the public.

*For more information, visit [kingandqueenmuseum.org](http://kingandqueenmuseum.org).*

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sovereign Nations of Virginia Conference

Contributed by Pat Morris

The Rappahannock Tribe hosted the 2nd Annual Sovereign Nations of Virginia Conference on September 15th, 2022, at Virginia Crossings Conference Center in Glen Allen, VA to discuss Indigenous Led Conservation.

Conservationists are turning their attention to the tribes to share their Indigenous conservation expertise, gained through thousands of years of stewardship of natural resources. Indigenous Knowledge and conservation practices are holistic in approach to managing land through healthy relationships with humans and nature. Instead of “fighting” climate change, Indigenous conservation focuses more on working with nature to mitigate climate change by restoring and protecting forests, rivers, and wildlife, engaging in sustainable food production, and adapting to permanent changes through recognizing trends and planning for the future.

Tribal nations from around the country, federal, and state agencies, nonprofit organizations, and donors gathered at the conference to learn about Indigenous Led Conservation to address the Climate Change Crisis and how traditional conservation of natural resources leads to more sustainable outcomes. Almost 250 attended in person and another 175 via a live stream. Top officials from the Department of the Interior’s Bureau of Indian Affairs, United South and Eastern Tribes, the Chesapeake Conservancy, Cultural Heritage Partners, and speakers from the Pew Charitable Trusts, United Houma Nation and the Yurok Tribe



*Wizipan Little Elk Garriott, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Department of the Interior, Indian Affairs*

presented to a diverse audience that included representatives from approximately 30 tribal nations, national and local conservation agencies and organizations, as well as many other partners and friends. Recorded sessions from the conference will soon be available on the website: [www.sovereignnationsva.org](http://www.sovereignnationsva.org)

Following the conference, leaders from seven Virginia tribes and one North Carolina Tribe met to discuss a way to formalize conservation and land management training and information sharing with all tribes on the east and southern coasts. More information will be available in the near future.

We thank all who attended and supported our efforts to educate our tribes and the general public and to plan ways to save those resources so critical to the survival of humankind.

## Aylett Toys for Tots Campaign

Contributed by CornerStone Community Development



This Fall marks the 75th anniversary of Toy for Tots. In 1947, Marine Corps Reserve Major Bill Hendricks was preparing for the holidays with his family in Los Angeles, CA. His wife, Diane, was an altruistic mother with nimble fingers and a knack for handcrafting. She handmade a few dolls during the holidays that year and asked her husband to donate them to an agency that supported children in need. The agency he sought didn’t exist - not yet. Diane inspired her husband to “start one!” He proceeded to round up the Marines in his unit to create a way to donate the dolls to children in need. They collected and distributed 5,000 toys that year.

Seeing the impact, it created, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen Clifton B. Cates, directed all Reserve units to implement a Toys for Tots campaign in 1948, making the Program national. Hendricks’ civilian job was as Director of Public Relations for Warner Brothers Studios and he used his connections to support the Program to expand its reach. As a favor to his friend Bill, Walt Disney created the first Toys for Tots poster that was adopted as our official logo. Seventy-

five years later, Toys for Tots now distributes an average of 18 million toys and books to over 7 million less fortunate children across the Nation.

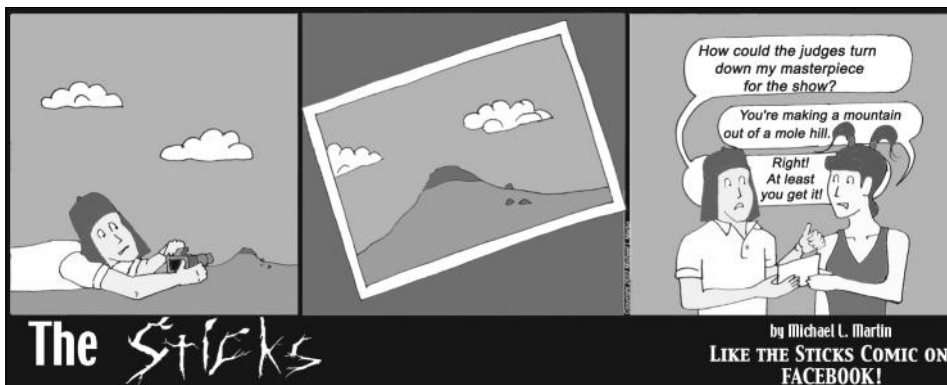
Today, 1 in 5 children in America live in poverty. That means they’re the poorest age group in the entire country (Children’s Defense Fund 2021). Simple things like books and toys are often overlooked but are pivotal to brain development. Toys for Tots remains dedicated to providing joy and hope to children in need across the Nation through the gift of new toys, books, and games.

Last year with the help of families in community, local churches and several businesses 2412 children received 6430 toys. This year the campaign will begin receiving requests for toys beginning October 1st and close registration on December 12th. For information on how to request toys, contribute to this year’s efforts, donate money directly online, please visit <http://aylettva.toysfortots.org>. Checks may be written to ‘Toys for Tots’ and mailed to ‘Aylett Toys for Tots’, Box 68, Aylett, VA 23009. Please call 804 885 0035 or email [aylett.va.t4t@gmail.com](mailto:aylett.va.t4t@gmail.com) to make arrangements to donate new toys and gifts.

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You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2022-1581) at <https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/>. We will accept comments by the USPS provided they are received within 15 days of this notice to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg 96, Hampton, VA 23651.

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# Church Calendar

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### Christian Fellowship Ministries

304 W. Chinguapin Road King William, 23086 Pastor Mary P. Edwards . Email cfm23086@yahoo.com Secretary: Julie Peters 804-510-8022 www.corinthchristianchurchkw.net 9153 Dabney's Mill Rd Manquin 23106

### Jerusalem Christian Church

We invite you to worship with us in person service. Adult Sunday School at 10:00 am and Sunday Service at 11:00. Minister Joshua Lewis, 1902 Powhatan Trail, King William.

### Smyrna Christian Church

Come worship our Lord, Jesus Christ with us inside on Sundays at 10am, or join us live on Facebook or view later on our website: www.smyrnacc.org. 3655 Powcan Rd, Bruington

### West Point Christian Church

290 West Euclid Blvd. West Point. Pastor Matt Cox West Point Christian Church West Point 290 West Euclid Blvd. P.O. Box 800 804-843-3185 westpointchristian.com

## BAPTIST

### Beulah Baptist Church

Worship with us in sanctuary OR drive -in at 11 AM following updated Covid guidelines. Adult Sunday School at 9:45 AM; meeting inside. Pre K thru 3yrs, Elem 4-6, Middle 7-8, HS 9-12 Youth/college. View sermons via link to YouTube at www.beulahbaptistva.org/. Like us on Facebook also. Beulah is located at 4805 West River Road near intersection at Dorrell Road.

### Broadus Church Hebron Campus

3407 King William Rd, Aylett Facebook Broadus Church Hebron Campus web www.broaduschurch.org Fall Schedule: Sunday Worship 9:30, Sunday School for all ages 10:30 Tuesdays 6:00 PM Youth Mid-week, 6:15 Ladies Bible Study, Wednesday 6:00 Mid-week Bible Study. Feeding Ministry: 2nd Monday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. For furniture or firewood ministry please call 804-779-2700 ask for Pastor Jeff Poythress.

### Bruington Baptist Church

4784 The Trail, Bruington, King and Queen County. Please join us at our

Bible Study on Sundays at 10 a.m. with Worship Service following at 11 a.m. Face coverings required and social distancing recommendations observed. Community Clothes Cupboard open first Saturdays from 10 a.m. until noon. Contact us at 804-769-3246.

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### Colosse Baptist Church

Colosse invites you to worship with us! Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 am Worship Service 11 am Located at 23954 King William Rd West Point, Va 23181, 804-769-2797

### Indian View Baptist Church

Pastor Paul McDaniel 13349 King William Road, King William Come worship with us on Sundays at 11:00 AM All Are Welcome!!

### Kingdom of God Living Water Ministry

Pastor Leo Reed 1438 Manfield Road, Manquin 23106. Sunday's at 12:15 PM.

### Lower King & Queen Baptist Church

204 Timber Branch Rd., Mascot, 23108 (temporarily meeting at different location) Pastor Terry Morrison preaches straight from the Bible. Until our church is rebuilt we are holding Sunday Services at: The Woman's Club House 208 Allen's Circle King and Queen C.H., 23085. Directions or questions, call or text Pastor Terry at (804) 925-5699. Sunday Schedule: 10am Sunday School for Adults and Children of all Ages 11am Worship Service ~All are welcome, come as you are.

### Mattaponi Baptist Church

Worship in person Sunday at 11a.m. Children from pre-K & up invited to participate in Children's Church during worship service, experience their own Bible lesson and enjoy snacks and fellowship. During Daylight Saving Time, we meet in person the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month for in-depth Bible study. All services live on Zoom at: http://bit.ly/MBCLIVE (Meeting ID: 871 964 216). Announcements on Facebook: @MattaponiBaptistChurchVa. 5 miles north of King & Queen Court House, Rt.14 at: 13466 The Trail, King and Queen Court House, 23085. Questions contact Pastor Stephen Rountree (tel. 804-514-5715).

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### Poroporone Baptist Church

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### Providence Baptist Church

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

### Rock Spring Baptist Church

(RSBC) at 4134 Manfield Rd. Manquin, The Recipe Church Fundraiser is scheduled for Friday, September 30, for 11am-6pm. Dinners are \$14 each. See Rock Spring Baptist church facebook for menus and prices.

### Sharon Baptist Church

Regular services: Sunday School at 9 am; Morning Worship at 10:15 am, Worship available inside the church or in your car. Bible Study on Sunday at 6:00 pm Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10:00am Youth Group & Awanas on Wednesdays at 7pm. For more info, call the church office. Office hours: 9am - to 2pm Tuesday through Friday 804-769-2320 or email us at sharonbc@verizon.net

### The Edge Worship Centre

460 14th St. West Point. www.tewcwestpoint.net

### The Fix Ministry

We are meeting on Saturday nights, 5:30pm, at Colossee Baptist Church located at 23945 King William Road, West Point. Potluck dinners are the first Saturday night of each month, and will follow the service. Any questions, please call 774-5319.

### Union Hope Baptist Church

King William: Sunday Morning Worship 10:15 a.m. (In-person and Teleconference) Teleconference option: Phone: (774) 220-4000, PIN 57187. Follow us on Facebook: Union Hope Baptist Church, King William, Virginia. Upcoming event: Fall Revival, Mon., October 10<sup>th</sup> thru Wed., October 12<sup>th</sup> (Teleconference only) at 7:30 p.m. Upcoming event: 147<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary, Sun., October 16<sup>th</sup> (In-person and Teleconference) at 10:15 a.m.

### Upper King & Queen Baptist

## Church

1693 Bradley Farm Road invites you to worship with us at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday. Sunday School @10:00 A.M. Bible Study and Prayer at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday.

### Wayland Baptist Church

10809 The Trail Stevensville

## METHODIST

### McKendree United Methodist Church

Friday, October 7 - BBQ, 5-7 PM. Eat in or take-out meal of pork BBQ, homemade slaw, broccoli salad, baked beans and rolls for \$14. Purchase tickets ahead from McKendree members, email mckendree23106@gmail.com text (804)305-0427. 4347 Manfield Rd., Aylett, Proceeds benefit McKendree United Methodist Church programs and missions.

## EPISCOPAL

### Immanuel Episcopal Church

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

### St. David's Episcopal Church

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

### St. John's Episcopal Church

916 Main St. West Point, 804-843-4594 welcome.

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Evensong, October 2, at 6:00 pm. Prayers and songs with a reception to follow. Featuring Kristi Reynold playing the harpsichord and Cecky Ropelewski singing 3 Baroque pieces of music. 7924 Richmond Highway. 443-2341 stpaulsmillerstavern.org

## PRESBYTERIAN

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396 Newtown Road, St. Stephens Church Email Melissa Rice at mrmelissarice@aol.com.



# Community Calendar

## Grief Support Group

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Thursday nights at 6:30 pm each week starting September 8 to December 8, 2022. Colosse Baptist Ch. 23945 King William Rd. West Point, 23181. [colossebaptistchurch.com/griefshare](http://colossebaptistchurch.com/griefshare).

## Running for the Tata's Fundraiser

Oct. 29 at Aisling Farm, Breast cancer awareness Fundraiser Contact Jenn Lusk 804-822-9708 or Erin Spencer 804-629-1044. 973 Smithfield Rd. St. Stephens Ch. 23148. Exhibition: 8-10am Opening Ceremonies: 10:30am

## King & Queen Branch Library

Family Storytime Thursdays, Oct 6, 13, 20, & 27, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Anime/Manga Club Wednesday, Oct. 12, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Ages 12-18. Scratch Coding Saturday, October 15, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00pm King and Queen Book Club Thursday, Oct. 20, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. King & Queen Chess Club Thursday, Oct. 27, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Call 804-769-1623 or visit the library at 396 Newtown Road for more information.

## Upper KW Branch Library

Family Storytime Wednesdays, Oct. 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Creative Art Saturday, Oct. 8, 11:00 a.m. - noon Ages 18 & up. Create Your Own Monster Saturday, October 22, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Ages 5-11. Call 804-769-3731 or visit the library at 694-J Sharon Road for more information.

## West Point Branch Library

Family Storytime Fridays, Oct. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Stay and Play Fridays, Oct. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 11:00 a.m. - noon Ages 0-5 w/parents and caregivers. John Marshall at Home Monday, Oct. 10, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Ages 18 & up. Nasty Nibbles Cooking Class and Art Program Saturday, Oct. 15, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Ages 12 - 18. Monty's Monstrous Eats Video premieres Oct. 17. Call 804-843-3244 or visit the library at 721 Main Street for more information.

## VFW Post 9501

The veterans of VFW Post located on 7712 King William Road, Aylett will have their monthly meetings the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 5:00PM. Call Post Commander Herbert "Tim" Johnson for membership or information 804-769-1862. VFW Auxiliary meets in-person and virtual at 12:00 noon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday. Call Gladys Hickman, President at 804-330-9925 or Carolyn Brown, Senior-Vice 804-769-2496 for

membership or more information.

## West Point 40th Annual Crab

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## The Woman's Club of King &

### Queen

CRAFT VENDORS wanted for a Christmas Craft & Gift Market, to be held on November 12 in front of Dragon Run Brewing in Shacklefords. Contact Susan, 804 347 5175 or see our Facebook page for an application. The Woman's Club hosts several fund raisers throughout the year. The proceeds are used to purchase school supplies, to support community organizations, and to maintain the club house which is a historic schoolhouse building near the courthouse.

## KW Republican Committee

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at the Upper King William Library Meeting room. Please join us and find us on Facebook @king.william.gop! Yard signs are available daily at 115 Commerce Park Dr, Suite G Manquin. or email [theccdc@gmail.com](mailto:theccdc@gmail.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.

## The CornerStone

### Community Development Center

Food Distribution - 11235 West River Road, Aylett Mobile Pantry on Wednesday, October 5 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays (October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29) - 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. The Lily Field Clothing Shed - (11235 West River Road, Aylett) Open on Saturdays. Please do not drop off donations outside the building. Call ahead to schedule a donation drop off or drop off at the clothing shed on Wednesday mornings before 9 a.m. The CornerStone Free Health Clinic - 8270 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy., Aylett No walk in appointments. Please register to receive an appointment. Covid-19 Vaccine clinic will be on October 8, from 9 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. First, second and bivalent

booster doses of Pfizer and Moderna will be available. Call ahead to reserve. Fundraiser: Dinner deal on Thursday, October 13 at 6p.m. \$10 Proceeds to benefit Food and Free Health Clinic Programs. The CornerStone Community Development Center is a 501 (c)(3) non profit organization. Donations are tax exempt. Mailing address: P.O. Box 68, Aylett, Virginia 23009.

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## KW T.E.A. Party

Our twice-monthly in-person meetings have resumed on the second and fourth Thursdays each month. Info at [kwteaparty.com](http://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.

## KW Children First Lions Club

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

## Girl Scout Troop 1132

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## DCSE Service Point Assistance

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## KW Parks and Recreation

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## Southern States

485 Sharon Rd. King William, 23086 769-3100.

## KW Community Watch

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