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Breaking and Entering Bradley's Convenience Store



Contributed by K&Q Sheriff's Office

On Monday, February 20, 2023 at approximately 2:20 am. An unknown male, dressed in all black, wearing a mask, gloves, and a small backpack, broke into the Bradley's Convenience Store in St. Stephen's Church. The male used an unknown object to break through the side door. He then stole an undisclosed amount of money from under the cash register. The male left, only to return an hour later, at approximately 3:20 am. He entered through the same broken door and then proceeded to break into the office and carried out a small safe. Around 4:11 am, a truck can be seen on security cameras pulling into the parking lot, near the park-n-ride area. The truck stops briefly for a few minutes and then drives away. The truck appears to be a light colored full-sized truck with cab clearance lights on top. Anyone that uses the park-n-ride by either being picked up or picking someone up or dropping someone off, especially Monday morning from 2am - 4:30 am, is asked to call Investigator Phillip Cusick at 804-785-7400 or email him at pgcusick@kqso.net The King and Queen County Sheriff's Office is asking the community for its help to assist with the investigation. We are asking you to contact the office at (804)785-7400 or the Mattaponi Crime Solvers at (804)769-3000 to submit tips that can earn you cash up to \$1,000.00.

Heading in a "NEW DIRECTION"



Scott Wassenberg and Ken Peterson

Contributed by Dorothy Wassenberg- At the last King William TEA Party meeting - The "NEW CHAIRMAN", Scott Wassenberg called the meeting to order on February 9th, at 6:00 PM. He opened with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Please see KW TEA, continued on page 8.

Signs of Spring

By Danny Clark

Mike Thomas takes time out to clean his Purple Martin Nesting Boxes. Mike told me, "They will be arriving the 2nd week in March". Mike owns a beautiful historical home in Newtown, King and Queen. He also told me, "Even though I've been here over 30 years, I'm still a *Come Here*".



Picture - John holds the ladder for Mike, making sure he doesn't fall. You can see last years nest in Mike's right hand.

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Crabtree's Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary



Pam and Rick Crabtree

Pam and Rick Crabtree of Aylett celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on February 17, 2023. The couple have been residents of Aylett for the past forty years. They have three daughters Joanna, Laurie and Rebecca and six grandchildren. A celebration dinner was held at Epworth United Methodist Church's fellowship hall with family and friends. Rick retired last year from Rick's Tire & Auto in Mechanicsville.

Publisher's Message



We are only 20 days away from spring, March 20th. There are some early signs its on the way. Daffodils are beginning to bloom, some of our fisherman are trying their favorite places, folks are getting out and enjoying the occasional summer like days. We are blessed to be living in Virginia. I know every day is a gift and for that I am thankful.

Take care until next time.

Danny Clark



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Trailer Time

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

Trailers are an important part of horse people's lives. With show seasons and trail riding, we need to make sure our trailers are in good shape and everything is working properly and safely. Trailers come in lots of sizes from straight load, slant load, or stock trailers and can be either bumper pull or goose-neck. We know to always check the tires for wear and proper inflation and to check to make sure that all the lights are working. We also need to check the brakes and wheel bearings so as not to have any problems with pulling or stopping. The flooring needs to be looked at for any weak spots that the horse may crack or step through. Check the inside of the trailer to make sure there are no sharp or loose objects that could injure your animal. Our trailers sit sometimes for long periods without use so we need to keep a good eye on their condition.

I remember a story about a friend of mine that had the bright idea of him getting inside the horse trailer and have his wife take him for a short trip to make sure everything was safe and tight. She closed him in the back and locked the rear doors and got in the truck and drove around for 10 or 15 minutes before pulling back in at their house. She said she heard



beating and yelling coming from the back of the trailer so she jumped out and opened the rear doors on the trailer. Her husband ran by her with his hands in the air screaming and using some bad language. It took a little bit for her to catch up him and calm him down. She said it looked like someone had beaten him with a stick. He had knots and whelps all over his head and arms. Come to find out, wasps had built a nest inside the trailer and he had gotten stung several times once they started down the road. I'm sure that he will always check the inside of the trailer for unwanted bees and wasps from now on.

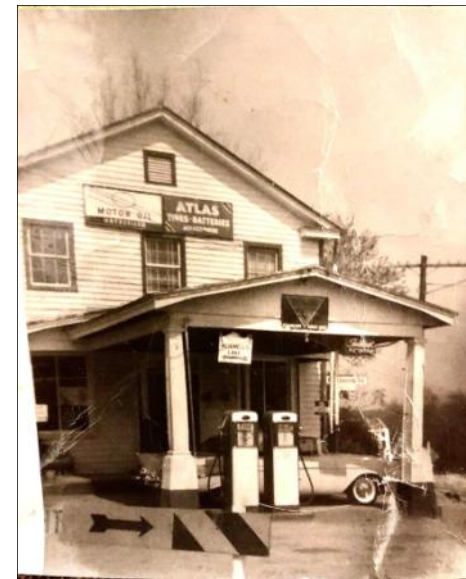
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Three on the Corner

By Gene Campbell

You may recall my article several months ago about the river port town of Aylett on the Mattaponi River. Aylett was the largest center of trade and business for many miles around in the colonial days with its well-stocked stores and bustling river traffic. Fast forward to the turn of the twentieth century and Aylett still was a thriving and bustling hub of activity. In fact, the town supported three stores at the intersection of Rt 360, Rt 600, and Rt 608 from the turn of the century to the 1940s. Joseph Carter Fox opened a general store in 1881 when he was 18 years old. It was located in the area of the Esso station (now an auto detailer business). The name J C Fox should sound familiar to you. He was the gentleman who sold J R Simons 300 acres of land to begin a peach orchard (The Simons Property: A Peachy History). Mr. Fox sold the usual stuff in his store, namely molasses, ginger, cloves, alum, sardines, salted cut herrings (by the barrel), cake soap, joints of stove pie, bluing, seed for the farm and garden, mosquito netting, fly paper, quinine, and bottles of chill tonic and liver regulator, and other home remedies for whatever 'ailed ya'. Chenault's Store once located on Old Stagecoach Road just above Aylett in the late 1800s moved to the triangle between Rt 608 and Rt 600 at the turn of the century. The automobile had arrived on the scene; therefore, country stores became gas stations and Chenault wanted to be where the automobiles were. Years later Chenault moved his store up Rt 360 to where April's Place is now located. The third store on the corner was Broache's Store (where Fayth Works is now located) owned and operated by Clyde Broache. Clyde Broache was Debby Broache Fogg's grandfather. Clyde opened the store in the early 1900s. Debby's father, Billy Broache, ran the store after his father's death in 1955 and kept it open till the early 1980s. You could stand at the intersection and throw a rock to all three stores. All three stores were open at the same time back in the day...and thrived.

Tom Newman tells me there was a fourth store (it appeared later) at the intersection of Rt 360 and Rt 600. It sat across Rt 360 in the area next to the CornerStone. I can



Broache's Store

remember the building Tom is referring to. King & Queen native Walter Jackson set up a barber shop in this building and cut my hair (a crew cut...when I had hair!) in my early years. When Rt 360 was widened to four lanes in the 1960s, the fourth store became a casualty to progress as well as Southside Bank (forerunner to PRIMIS Bank) which was across Rt 360 from the Esso station. These stores provided the community with the necessities of life. Aylett was the perfect example of the quintessence of rural America back in the day... and still is. The mom-and-pop stores and businesses in small towns throughout America still exist and thrive because of the values instilled in us by the generations that came before us. To today's generation, I say "Don't forget how we got here!" Aylett's distinguished senior citizens and members of America's Greatest Generation, Tom Newman (the Mayor of Aylett!) and Gladys Mae Poynter (my favorite school bus driver!), are prime examples of how life should be lived. Down on the corner is where the heartbeat of every American town is located. Information for this article came from the book King William County, Virginia in The Civil War Along Mangohick Byways by Dorothy Atkinson; York River Yesterdays by Alonzo Thomas Dill; and Debby Broache Fogg.

Please see more pictures on page 6.

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Three on the Corner, continued



Joe Fox behind the counter of his store



Homemade car gassing up at Chenault's Store



Patriots Scholarship

Four \$1000 scholarships will be given in memory of three Honorable Veterans: PFC Lambert W. Bradley, US Army; SP4 Lambert G. Bradley, US Army; and TSGT Harold C. Hamlett, US Airforce. Their names are engraved on the monument at the VFW Post 9501- Central Garage.

High school seniors from low-income families attending King William High School and King & Queen Central High school may apply for these scholarships. Students who desire to attend a 4-yr university, community college, technical school or business school must submit a completed application with documentation of acceptance to the university or school they plan to attend. The deadline for completed application is April 15, 2023 to the VFW Auxiliary 9501- Central Garage, PO Box #6, Aylett, VA 23009. Scholarships will be awarded to recipients during our annual VFW Memorial Program on May, 28, 2023. Contact F. Gwathmey (804) 994-2947 or email gwthmy221@gmail.com for an application.

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A celebration of life will be held outside (weather permitting) Saturday, March 18 at 2:30pm at 4257 Three Bridge Road, Powhatan, VA 23139. Please use this facebook page: www.facebook.com/jojo.bullock.92 for condolences and any updates for the celebration of life.

TATE Lorraine Mayton Bullock Tate, age 69, of King William County, Virginia, passed from this life going to her reward on February 1, 2023 after a long, painful battle with numerous serious health issues. Lorraine will be remembered by many because she had the capacity to make people laugh and feel comfortable in her presence. Her generosity and compassion was given to anyone in need. She never saw a stranger. Through the years Lorraine was a caretaker for many children while their parents worked. She showered the children with love as if they were her own.

Lorraine is predeceased by her Mother, Ann Reese Mayton Perkins; her Father, Charles C. Mayton; and her sister, Lisa M. Field. She is survived by her husband,



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Obituaries, continued



SCHNEIDER (Allison); and more brother by heart his Schneider III, May 7, 1956-February 17, 2023 In Loving Respect We Honor the life of John Lauman Schneider III Husband, Father, Papa, and Friend. On Friday, February 17, 2023, John Lauman Schneider III, resident of Essex County, Virginia-born in Richmond Virginia on May 7, 1956, passed from this world to the next, leaving behind a devoted and loving wife of 48 years, Debra Crowe Schneider. He will be joining his parents John and Myrna Schneider (PeeWee), and Henry and Mary Crowe. Also survived by his son, John Lauman Schneider IV; his two daughters, Erika Schneider Ford, and Erin Schneider Hyman; and his son-in-law, Clayton Hyman. He will be reunited in heaven with his grandson, John Lauman Schneider V. He left behind grandchildren Kaitlyn Schneider, Rebekah Hebbe, Hannah Schneider, Madyson Ford, Henry Hyman, Kayla Epting, and Rachel Schneider; and seven great-grandchildren. He was an exceptional husband and father, committed to his family, loved his sister, Teresa Heath; his brothers, Wayne Schneider and Timothy Schneider

(Allison); and more brother by heart his Uncle Alan Venning. John was a graduate of Lee Davis High School Class of 1974. He was a master mechanic, having owned Schneider's Auto Repair and then retiring from UPS. He was very loved by all he knew, which is a testimony to his life. The family will receive friends from 2-3 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2023, with a memorial service to follow at 3 p.m. at Affinity Funeral Service Mechanicsville Chapel, 8074 Mechanicsville Tpke. Mechanicsville, VA 23111. He will be missed but never forgotten. Life at the River will never be the same.



KW TEA Party, continued from front page

Scott introduced our speaker for the meeting and gave his credentials. Scott said, "the speaker would explain the plan that was used in Goochland to make positive changes and we could also follow the same course of action for our county". The group welcomed guest speaker, Ken Peterson who lives in Goochland County. Ken told how he was able to lead the people of Goochland in "The Goochland Revolution". He told us about the corruption within the county and how 28 of 30 members of all departments were voted out and replaced due to corruption and lack of transparency. He then related how Goochland County received the AAA rating and still maintains that rating.

Today Goochland County is the most transparent of all counties in Virginia. Changes made to help transparency include, but not limited to, live streaming meetings and 10 town hall meetings per year with almost all elected/appointed officials attending. This has led to a good personal and working relationship between the school board and the board of supervisors.

The Goochland school system now has a very high on-time graduation rate since adding 17 trade-related job routes for high

school students. The most popular classes are JROTC and trade schools. Another opportunity is the including of how to operate heavy equipment with the assistance of local businesses. As a result of these types of classes, students upon graduation have received offers of employment for up to \$80,000 per year.

Near the completion of his speech, Ken asked if anyone had noticed there was no mention of race, creed, color, political party or religion. All the points he brought up were American ideals and they cut across all individual or political affiliations.

This is truly a "WE THE PEOPLE MOVEMENT" that requires involvement from all citizens of King William County.

At the next meeting, Scott will discuss in more detail the "Take Aways" from the February 9th meeting and it will be held at the King William library on February 23rd from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Come join the movement.

In case you were unable to attend this most important meeting - this article is an abbreviated version of exerts from the February 9th meeting and is to inform all citizens of how we can work together to make positive changes in our county.

King William County Organize a Litter Pick-Up Day in Your Community!

Litter on the roadways of King William County continues to be a problem in our community. Thank you to those citizens who take the time to organize litter pick-up days in their neighborhoods. Unfortunately, motorists continue to illegally dispose of their trash on a daily basis and windy days blow unsecured trash around the County. To organize a litter pick-up day in your community, contact Cindy Hixenbaugh at 804-769-4965 or chixenbaugh@kingwilliamcounty.us for resources to help you stay safe. The County has bright orange vests, orange trash bags, litter pickers, and road signs available at no charge. All we ask is the return of the items so we can continue to

provide them to those who also want to help clean up our County and make it beautiful again. Groups and organizations wanting to sponsor a stretch of roadway on a more permanent basis can join the Adopt a Highway Program available through VDOT. Ms. Hixenbaugh can provide more information and help you get started. Litter pick-ups are great volunteer opportunities for those needing to earn some volunteer hours and those just wanting to do their part to keep King William County a beautiful place to live and work. We can all do our part by securing loose trash and disposing of it properly. We hope you'll join us!



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Middle Peninsula Master Naturalists Course



Basic Training Course being conducted by the Middle Peninsula Master Naturalists

The Middle Peninsula Chapter of Virginia Master Naturalists will begin a new basic training course for interested citizens of the Middle Peninsula in the Fall. This young chapter currently has over 60 members but it is eager to grow and to gain more members to help conserve and manage the environment and the natural resources in our five Counties. By providing volunteer citizen scientists, educators, and stewards of our environment, we are truly making a difference in our local areas. Please consider joining us.

The Basic Training Course covers background knowledge and skills to prepare students for their volunteer service. The training course begins at the end of August

and concludes around the end of January. There is a holiday break, from the weekly class. Classes will be provided on-line via Zoom, during the evening. In person field trips are a part of the training and will be conducted on some Saturdays. The training is an opportunity to learn much about our local ecology and how to preserve it.

To learn more about Virginia Master Naturalists, the Middle Peninsula Chapter's environmental activities and to apply for the upcoming training offered, go on-line to middlepeninsulamasternaturalists.com.

Applications will be accepted from March to mid May.

Severe Weather Awareness Week

Contributed by Farm Bureau - Severe Weather Awareness Week will be observed March 6-10, just in time for the unpredictable spring storm season. Hosted by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and the National Weather Service, the week serves to remind the public about threats from severe weather and how to avoid them. Thunderstorms are the most common severe weather in the spring. With temperatures veering from cold to warm, and moist air colliding with cool, dry air, conditions are ripe for thunderstorms—bringing lightning, flooding, hail and even tornadoes. "Now is the time to be proactive and take steps to prepare

your home for the upcoming storm season," said Scott DeNoon, senior farm product and underwriting manager for Virginia Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co. "Taking a walk around the property to identify and correct issues can pay big dividends and minimize frustration in the long run." These steps include trimming shrubs and overhanging branches near houses and power lines. High winds can easily whip around branches and trees, damaging roofs, windows and other property. *Virginia Statewide Tornado Drill to take place March 7, 2023, at 9:45 AM. To learn more about Severe Weather Awareness Week, visit bit.ly/3lWtdOb. For additional information on spring storm preparedness, visit bit.ly/3lQ94ep.*

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KWHS Golfers Blanton and Curry Sign Letters of Intent to Attend Shenandoah University

By Gene Campbell

The two winningest golfers in King William High School history have signed Official Celebratory Division 3 letters of intent to play golf for Shenandoah University this fall. Seniors Kyla Blanton and Seth Curry inked the letters at King William High School on February 15th in front of cheering families and friends. Kyla and Seth have been 4-year starters on the golf team at King William High School. During that time, they won four regular season Tidewater District Championships, a Tidewater Tournament Championship, three straight 2A Regional Golf Championships, and a 4th place and back-to-back 3rd place finish at the 2A State Championships. Kyla also represented King William in the Girls State Open Championship. Both were members of the Tidewater All-District teams as well as the Tidewater All-Academic Teams (3.5 GPA or higher). During their careers at King William, they lead the golfing program to an outstanding 93 – 11 record, only losing 1 regular season match during that time. Kyla is the daughter of Golf Coach Jay Blanton and his wife Jenny. Seth is the son of Scoots and Goldie Curry. Coach Blanton said in his remarks “As their coach, I have had the pleasure of watching



Golf Coach Jay Blanton (middle) with seniors Seth Curry (left) and Kyla Blanton (right)

both of them grow into not just really good golfers, but really great people. Obviously, Kyla as my daughter, makes this a Super Dad moment but I look at Seth like a son as well.” Congratulations to Kyla and Seth for their amazing careers at King William High School and we all look forward to even better things at Shenandoah University. Many thanks to Coach Blanton for this information. GO CAVS!

Spring Animal Rescue Season is Coming!

Contributed by Sharon O’Neal

Spring is coming and people are looking forward to warmer weather and longer days. Springtime also means that baby animal season is right around the corner. In many areas, babies are already being born. Mating season is also currently in effect for many species. This leads to many animals being injured as they try to cross the roads. From now until early fall, the possibility of finding wildlife babies, or injured adult wild animals, greatly increases. Wild baby animals have specific needs and are sometimes very sensitive. When it comes to injured animals, time is of the essence. It’s important to know what to do if you happen to find a wild animal in need under varying circumstances. Over the course of the next issues in the *Country Courier*, Sharon O’Neal the founder of Maleena’s Wildlife Rescue will share some insight into these topics.



Sharon O’Neal the founder of Maleena’s Wildlife Rescue feeding a raccoon.

Topics will include the most important

things to remember if you find wildlife in need. What to do if you find a baby squirrel. What to do if you find an injured or deceased possum. What to do if your dog finds a nest of bunnies. If you see an injured animal feel free to contact Maleena’s Wildlife Rescue anytime. Maleena’s Wildlife Rescue Cell (804) 366-7120 Landline (804) 769-2751 maleenaswildliferescue@gmail.com Facebook.com/MaleenasWildlifeRescue

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Rev. Boyd speaks about Voting Rights to King William Democrats



Betsy Donoghue (Chair of King William Democrats) and Rev. Dr. John T. Boyd, Jr., speaker for the King William Democrats, at their celebration of Black History Month.

Contributed by KW Democrats
 In celebration of Black History Month, the King William Democrats hosted Rev. Dr. John T. Boyd, Jr. for a dynamic and informative speech about Voting Rights. Rev. Boyd, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, who has previously had a stellar career in the military and as a lawyer, gave the group an overview of voting rights for African American citizens. He noted that the amendments to the Constitution after the Civil War granted the formerly enslaved individuals the right to freedom, citizenship, and voting. Since then, he noted, politics has often curbed those rights, even up to the present time. Rev. Boyd ended with a Call to Action for all citizens to be informed and involved in government, at the local, state, and federal levels. The members of the King William Democrats wrote postcard messages to our State Senator and our Delegate, indicating our belief that access to voting should be expanded, not restricted.

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King William High School Wrestler Signs With Emory and Henry College



Pictured: Assistant Coach Scott McCulley, Mary Viars, Haley Viars, Stacie Viars, Justin Viars

Contributed by Mary Viars

Haley Viars is the only female athlete on the King William High School varsity wrestling team. Haley is seen here signing her letter of intent to attend Emory and Henry College as a member of the Women's Wrestling Team. Through the combination of academic and athletic scholarships, Haley will have her complete tuition fully covered.

Haley is an honor student at King William and in May will have graduations from both KWHS and Rappahannock Community College due to her dual enrollment status. Haley has much to be proud of at King

William. She has qualified twice in wrestling for States, and as a member of the King William Cross Country team has qualified for Regionals three times and States once. She is also currently co-cadet colonel for the JROTC.

Haley lives with her parents, Justin and Stacie Viars, her twin sister, Caden, and her younger sister, MaryKate. She is appreciative of the support of family, friends, coaches, and teammates. Above all, she hopes that her participation on the wrestling team will encourage other young women to join the team and pursue wrestling

King William High School Wrestlers Compete at VHSL Group 2 State Finals Austin Weeks Wins 3rd Straight State Title

By Gene Campbell

The King William High School Wrestling Team competed in the VHSL Group 2 State Finals on February 17th and 18th at the Salem Civic Center in Roanoke. The wrestling team finished 2nd overall in regional competition and 12th in the State. Austin Weeks, a four-time Regional Champion won his third straight State Title. Here is a summary of the regional and state tournaments:

Maddox Heck (10th) - 2nd in the region at 106- and first-time state qualifier

Alejandro Cuencas (11th) - 2nd in the region at 120- and first-time state qualifier

Austin Weeks (12th) - 4x regional champion and state qualifier. Won 3rd consecutive state title. Wrestled at 144 this year.

Taylor Hooper (11th) - 2nd in the region at 157- and first-time state qualifier.

Kaleb Jimmo (12th) - 1st in the region at 165 and 4th in the state. First-time qualifier
Trevor Black (12th) - 1st in the region at 175 and 2x state qualifier. Fourth in the state

Macari Martin (10th) - 2nd in the region and first-time qualifier.

Marcus Washington (11th) - 2nd in the



Austin Weeks with head coach Buck Downey

region and first-time qualifier.

2 returning state qualifiers and 6 first-time qualifiers.

The team finished 2nd in the region and 12th in the state.

Wrestling Coach Scott McCulley said these boys worked hard all year and he is very proud of their accomplishments. Many thanks to Coach McCulley for this information. GO CAVS!

MARCH 7TH VOTE

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Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor,

To the Citizens of King William County:

We keep hearing the word "competent" used to describe the two candidates for Treasurer. In order to be competent to do a job, experience is a must. Only one candidate has the experience and that is Abbi Norman Carlton. Abbi ran the office almost single-handedly this Fall. Why, you may ask? Well, the County Administrator and the BOS reduced her staff to "0", not to save money because they increased the staff in the finance office. The Treasurer's office now has two more employees but is not fully staffed. It is extremely difficult to send out the tax bills by yourself, but Abbi did it this past Fall.

Abbi's competitor has stated "I will ensure that the office is staffed during all County business hours ...". How can she ensure this unless the County Administrator and the BOS have promised her the funding in some kind of "closed door deal"? Is this the County Administrator and BOS's way to undermine the integrity and independence of the Treasurer's office? You be the judge!

Just an FYI, the County has spent thousands of dollars since August with their legal counsel on ways to do away with all Constitutional offices.

One of the many responsibilities of the Treasurer is to make sure the County gets the most income from its investments. Recently Abbi was able to negotiate a rate of 4.5% on the investments including the school fund. Yes, it is her job to be involved with financial issues for King William County and work with all of the departments.

ABBI NORMAN CARLTON is the most competent, experienced and qualified candidate for the Office of Treasurer.

Vote for ABBI NORMAN CARLTON on March 7.

Tom Redd
West Point

Dear Editor,

Wine, wine, wine

I prefer mine in a glass not served up with an H. As a result of working many years I've run across all kinds of people but the ones that whine are usually either lazy, incompetent, blame anybody and everybody for their deficiencies, and never take ownership of their shortcomings. These are the people that suck the life and energy out of the workplace. I worked with one person that always had an excuse for not doing their job and let everyone else pick up the pieces and carry the load. We did all the work and he did nothing. He got credit for doing nothing. After all of his whining, I had to ask him, "What would you do if you had a REAL job?" He quit several months later.

I would expect our elected officials and Constitutional Officers to do their jobs without complaining and do what it takes to work for the people. So, time for our Treasurer to do the job and stop whining. We don't want to hear it. We want the tax bills to go out on time, the office to be open during county office hours; we realize the previous Treasurer continues to create havoc and make the job harder. You have failed to distance yourself from venomous people that continue to disrupt. We realized it wouldn't be easy, so should you. I understand you have a full office staff at this time so no excuses -- work with what you've got.

After reading another interview, I have decided to add – **VOTE FOR JULIE KELLEY MILLS to get the job done.**

Jeanette Wagner
Aylett

Dear Editor,

Abbi Norman Carlton

I had the pleasure of working with Abbi Norman Carlton as her manager at C&F for several years. She demonstrated a strong work ethic, eagerness to learn, and exemplified excellent customer service skills. Abbi cared for her customers and co-workers, showed compassion and understanding, and was pleasant in her interactions with those around her. Even though we no longer work together, I have kept up with Abbi over the years. She has grown tremendously in her career in finance, while at the bank and working for King William County. Abbi brings warmth, caring, knowledge, and a genuine realness many can relate to. She has always had a thirst for knowledge, seeking to improve her skills and help those around her. As a former manager and co-worker, I endorse Abbi Norman Carlton for King William Treasurer.

Sincerely,
Penny Wynn
Tribal Administrator,
Chickahominy Tribe

about a week and cast out vote for county treasurer of the county. Mrs. Julie Mills is running against Abbi Carlton. Mrs. Mills has never worked in the Treasurers office. Now, I'm sure she is a very nice lady. Mrs. Carlton has worked in said office for three years and come March, actually holding the position of Treasurer since September of last year, to present.

Ladies & gentlemen please find the time on March 7th to go vote. Treasurer is a vital and important position, you want the person that has been in the position already. Mrs. Carlton is an asset to our county government. Please join me in keeping her working for all of us. You can buy a lot of things in this world, but experience isn't one of them. Mrs. Carlton has proven she's more than capable. It's just a common sense matter. Abbi Norman Carlton for Treasurer & the tax payers of King William county. I thank you for taking your time to read this.

Sincerely,
William Holloway
Aylett

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Dear Editor,

And the good people of King William county. Before I get started please know I don't align myself with any political party. Not do I wish to go back & forth with anyone. We are asked to go to the polls in

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Letters to the Editor, continued

Dear Editor,

I read with great concern the letter to the editor in the last issue from Don Wagner. He was so quick to spew outlandish criticism of our interim Treasurer he didn't even spell her name correctly. Attention to detail is important – especially as it relates to our county finances!

Wagner must not know that the Treasurer's that offered endorsements for Abbi Carlton not only know what is happening in King William, they've seen it firsthand! Multiple Treasurers came to KW to help with the workload when she was stripped of support staff - a decision by our irresponsible Board of Supervisors to leave her alone in the office to handle all taxpayer needs. I'm thankful these other localities are aware of the dysfunction of King William Administration and came to offer support during that transition.

He must also not be aware that actions of the current Board of Supervisors and Administration have been labeled a "Hostile Takeover in King William" by the Virginia Treasurers Association's own lawyer.

It's true – our Board sent a request to the Judge asking him to break his Constitutional Oath and not follow state code. Not even our own highly paid

lawyer supported this letter and luckily the Judge rejected the Board's request.

The reality is this Board and its Administration have shown no ability to run this county effectively. In their 3 year term we've had 3 Country Administrators, 2 Commissioners of the Revenue, and 4 Treasurers.

Even with a new County Administrator we've seen absolutely NO metric of operational or financial measurement, and I know of no improvement. What are they trying to hide by gaining control over this office by supporting a challenger from the Finance Dept?

If you want to keep the Constitutional Offices independent to provide for a check and balance of our Board and Administration, vote for Abbi Carlton for Treasurer on March 7th.

Chris Couch
Aylett

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One Year Anniversary Open House

In March, the Habitat ReStore will have been at their new space for a year! The new location on Stonewall Parkway in Mechanicsville has been a wonderful space, and it's time to mark a year of successes. To celebrate, the ReStore will have a special open house on March 11. The entire day is filled with activities and sales, so plan to come out and have fun.

The ReStore is nonprofit home improvement store and donation center. The store sells community donations of new or gently-used items at a discounted price, such as furniture, appliances, home accessories and building materials. Everything in the store is donated by either community members or local businesses. All proceeds go directly toward Habitat's community service programs, including its homeownership program and critical repairs program.

At 9:00 a.m., there will be refreshments and the first 50 customers will receive a special coupon. Take part in a store scavenger hunt or grab a coloring book for the kids. From 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., there will be two food trucks on site. Purchase your lunch, snack, or dessert from the Hibachi Mobile or Funcakes-Fun Food 4 U. At 1:00 p.m., the Richmond Flying Squirrels' Nutzy and Nutasha will stop by for an hour so your family can grab a great photo.

Don't forget to purchase your raffle



tickets! Tickets are only \$1 each, and the winner receives half of the funds. The winner will be announced at 2:00 p.m. on March 11, so stop by the ReStore now until then to purchase your chance to win.

Interested in seeing where Habitat for Humanity's staff work? Stop by the administrative office that Saturday between 9:00 a.m. and noon and see where the magic happens. In the office, staff work with clients to purchase affordable homes or make critical repairs; they help raise funds to support those programs and communicate volunteer needs and events. It's a wonderful space that helps make a difference in people's lives.

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improvements are anticipated to help the flow of traffic, increase the capacity of the site, and provide a quicker servicing time for residents. This work will require closures at certain times throughout the project due to safety concerns. Notices of all transfer station site closures will be provided to residents as soon as possible to

ensure open communication and to provide residents time to plan accordingly for their drop-off needs. During times of closure, we encourage residents to utilize alternative convenience centers located within King William County. A map with convenience center locations, hours of operations, and materials accepted can be found on the Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority (VPPSA) website at www.vppsa.org. We understand that this may be a short-term inconvenience and we hope to work together with you in a professional and amicable manner for the long-term improvement of your transfer station. The site improvements and construction have been streamlined and will occur at a fast pace to limit closure time. The length of the project is anticipated to be three months or less. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation during this essential project for the community. Sincerely, King William County Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority (VPPSA)

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Church Calendar

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Attention Churches: We do not keep announcements. Please send your updates accordingly.

Christ Community Church

We are currently meeting Sunday morning in the sanctuary at Beulah Church - 1539 Lewis B Puller Memorial Hwy. east, (SR 33E, Saluda 23149) PH: (804) 370-5035 Service starts at 0930. All are invited to join Family, Friends and Neighbors to come and worship our Lord together. We are Christ Community Church, where Christ is the center of our community!

Christian Fellowship Ministries

304 W. Chinquapin Rd., King William, 23086 Mary P. Edwards, Pastor Church Number: 804-822-5405 Contact: Gladys McCoy, 804-318-7631 Sunday Service in the Building and on Zoom at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study on Zoom at 7 p.m. Zoom Information - Meeting ID: 890 008 8851 and Meeting Passcode: 6iafyH

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 Bruington

3655 Powcan Rd., Bruington, 23023 ALL WELCOME! Join in worship Sunday mornings 10AM. Adult Bible Studies each Sunday 9AM Wednesdays, Series starts March 1- May 17 at 7PM. Children's Sunday School each Sunday at 9AM. Search for us on Facebook or Youtube: Smyrna Christian Church Bruington. Pastor Bill Ford (770) 687-6621/ WWW.smyrnacc.org

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Beulah Baptist Church

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Broadus Church Hebron Campus

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Kingdom of God Living Water Ministry

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Lower K&Q Baptist Church

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Mattaponi Friends Meeting

is located at 942 Buena Vista RD. Shackelfords 23156. Join us in-person and via Zoom for Quaker Worship in silent meeting at 10:00 A.M. and worship sharing/discussion at 11:00. Every first Sunday we have a business meeting at 11:00. On third Sunday we join together for a potluck lunch at 12:00 noon. For more information contact 804-785-9401.

Mattaponi Baptist Church

Worship in person Sunday 11a.m. Children from pre-K & up invited to Children's Church during worship service, Bible lesson, snacks, fellowship. Daylight Saving Time, meet in person, second & fourth Wed of

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4134 Manfield Road, Aylett, 23009 Pastor Pagie Hancock. Join us for Sunday at 9:15 am and Morning Worship at 10:15 am. The Recipe Fundraiser will have Lunch/Dinner 11am-6 pm Friday, March 3. Menu and prices may be secured at: rockspringbaptistchurch1@gmail.com or call: Tammy Upshaw 1-804-370-2849. Also The Annual March Rally has been scheduled for, Sunday, March 19th, to benefit the Building Fund, during Morning Worship Service at 10:15 am. Contributions are welcome as Captains are available to assist.

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

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Rev. Dr. Wilbert D. Talley & Third Union Ch, located at 452 Walkerton Road in King William County, invites everyone to worship with us for our Annual Family & Friends Day on Sunday, February 19, at 10:30am either in person, on Zoom: Meeting ID: 937 282 5797 Passcode: 172021 or via phone by dialing: 1 301 715 8592 Meeting ID: 937 282 5797 Passcode: 172021. The Guest Preacher will be Rev. Cora Harvey Armstrong. The theme is "Family and Friends: One in Faith, One in Love, and all in God! Ephesians 3:19-20. We look forward to having you worship with us. Questions, call 804-769-3123 or visit www.thirdunionbaptistchurch.com.

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Zion Baptist Church

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Upper KW Branch Library

Family Storytime Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Teddy Bear Sleepover Friday, March 3, 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Saturday, March 4, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 0-12. After School Hangout Thursday, March 23, 3:45 - 5:00pm Ages 12-18. We'll have Nintendo Switch and other games available to play. Snacks will be provided. UKW Book Club Monday, March 27, 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Ages 18 and up. "Persuasion." Call 804-769-3731 or visit the library at 694-J Sharon Road for more information.

West Point Branch Library

Family Storytime Fridays, March 3, 10, 24, & 31, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Stay and Play Fridays, March 3, 10, 24, & 31, 11:00 a.m. - noon Ages 0-5 w/parents and caregivers. Movie Nite Thursday, March 9, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Ages 16 and up. Check with the library to see the title we are playing. Refreshments provided by the Friends of the West Point Library. Zen at the West Point Branch Library Wednesday, March 22, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Enjoy a discussion of a cool book while we color a stress relieving Mandala coloring page. Refreshments Call 804-843-3244 or visit the library at 721 Main Street for more information.

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KW Republican Committee

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King William Democrats

Join us to hear dynamic speaker, Reverend Dr. John T. Boyd Jr. speak about Voting Rights as we celebrate Black History Month. Participants will write postcards to our Virginia legislators about current voting rights legislation. Saturday, February 18 at 10:30 am at Upper King William Library. Call 804-513-2546 for Zoom link.

Alzheimer's Awareness Meeting

A representative from The Greater Richmond Chapter Alzheimer's Association will be at the Upper King William Senior Citizens' Center, 8306 King William Road, Aylett, 23009 on Tuesday, March 14, at 11:00 a.m., to provide information on Alzheimer's awareness. Information will be provided on early warning signs and early stages of Alzheimer's, when we should be tested for Alzheimer's, how to prevent Alzheimer's, information on support for caregivers and assistance for family members of Alzheimer's patients. All residents of K.W. County and surrounding areas are invited to attend.

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.

VA Master Cattlemen Online Course

Virginia Cooperative Extension will be offering the Virginia Master Cattlemen program online Spring 2023. Online classes will be held weekly on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m., starting March 2 and concluding April 13. To register, use the link <https://tinyurl.com/vamastercattlemans23>. Registration deadline is February 25. For additional information please contact the King William & King and Queen County Extension Office at 804-769-4955.

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 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.

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KW Community Watch

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CornerStone Community Development Center

Aylett. Food Distribution - 11235 West River Road Saturdays (March 4, 11, 18, 25) - 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. Kindly call ahead to schedule a donation drop off. Drop off is 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. Fundraiser: Dinner deal on Thursday, March 9 at 6p.m. \$11 CrabCake sandwich with a choice of two sides - potato salad, green beans, coleslaw & soda. \$8 Pulled chicken sandwich with a choice of two sides - potato salad, green beans, coleslaw & soda. 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. Call 804 769 2996 or Email theccdc@gmail.com

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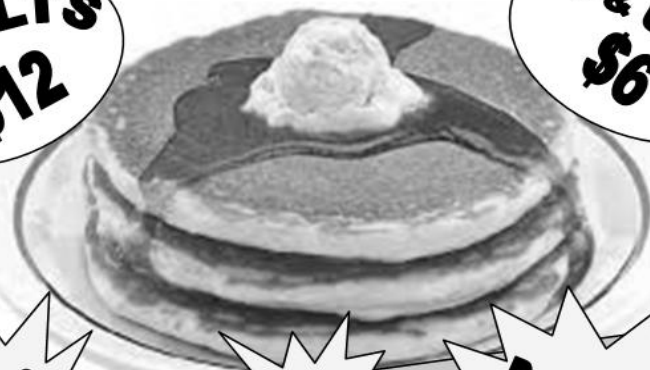
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