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## Election Brings New Faces to Local Governments



Campaign signs along the entrance to the Aylett precinct

By Gene Campbell

As residents of King William and King & Queen counties made their way to the polls on November 7<sup>th</sup>, they were blessed with sunny skies and pleasant weather. All board of supervisors, school boards and constitutional officers were up for election in each county as well as their House of Delegates and Senate representatives in the Virginia General Assembly.

In King William County the winners were: First District Supervisor Bill Hodges (incumbent), Second District Supervisor Ben Edwards III, Third District Supervisor Justin Catlett, Fourth District Supervisor Lindsay Robinson, Fifth District Supervisor Mary Sue Bancroft, Sheriff Don Lumpkin Jr., Clerk of Court Tina Glazebrook, Commonwealth's Attorney Tiffany Webb, Commissioner of Revenue Karena Funkhouser, Treasurer Abbi Carlton, Second District School Board Eric Farmer, Third District School Board Lindsey Catlett, Fourth District School Board Scott Wassenberg, Fifth District School Board Patricia Atkins, School Board At Large member Veda Frazier and Soil and Water Conservation Directors Three Rivers District Langdon Townsend and Thomas Fox.

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## King and Queen County Celebrates Completion of Fiber Broadband



RiverStreet reps present revenue sharing check to county officials



RiverStreet reps present donation to Walkerton Fire Association officials

By Gene Campbell - RiverStreet Networks, a leading provider of broadband services, recently announced the completion of their fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) network in King & Queen County. A celebration marking this significant achievement took place at the King & Queen Library in St. Stephens Church on November 9<sup>th</sup>. In 2019 King & Queen County and RiverStreet Networks collaborated to build an advanced fiber broadband network to all residential and business customers in the county. RiverStreet built a state-of-the-art infrastructure system ensuring a high-performance internet service for all users. King & Queen County is the first county in Virginia to undergo a comprehensive fiber build and guarantees that every resident in the county will now have access to fiber internet. The project covers 575 miles of fiber connecting 4,236 locations costing approximately \$22 million. Funding for the project included \$14.6 million from grants, \$3.8 million from the county, \$5.8 million from the Virginia Dept. of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI), and \$5 million from the Federal Communication Commission Connect America Fund (FCC CAF).

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## King William Ruritan's Recognize Veterans Receive Awards for Community Service



Ruritan club Vice President Ellen Otey (far right) recognizes club veterans (left to right) Charlie Shaver, Henry Previs, Ed Moren, Dennis Smith, J N Mills, Ray Rudolph, Stuart Bush, Steve Sykes, and Chris White.

By Gene Campbell

The King William Ruritan Club was recently recognized at the Ruritan Chesapeake District Convention in Williamsburg for their outstanding commitment to community service. The club received five prestigious gold awards for their involvement in various community initiatives. Ruritan's motto is to promote fellowship, goodwill and community service in communities across America. Community service plays a vital role in fostering a strong and vibrant society. It brings people together, promotes unity and creates a sense of belonging.

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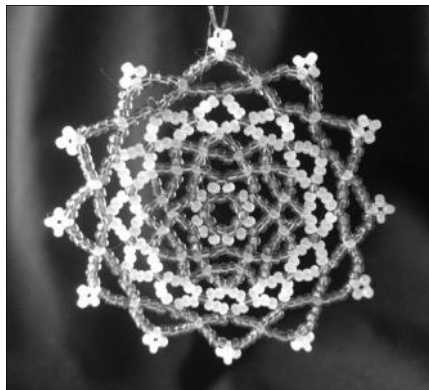


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## King William Christmas Celebration of Song Set for December 3<sup>rd</sup>

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The annual King William Christmas Celebration of Song will take place on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6 pm at Beulah Baptist Church, located at 4805 W. River Road, Aylett. The event will feature several area church choirs and musicians who will come together to present an evening of Christmas Music. This event, which celebrates its 30th anniversary this year, traditionally helps kick off the Christmas season in the King William community. All proceeds from the love

offering will benefit the outreach programs of King William Emergency Ministry, Inc. King William Emergency Ministry, Inc. is an all-volunteer organization that provides emergency financial assistance to individuals and families in need in the King William community. Tax-deductible contributions can be sent to: King William Emergency Ministry, 934 Garnetts Mill Lane, Walkerton, Virginia 23177. For more information, please contact Randy Shank at 804 238 8595.

## Publisher's Message



With so much bad happening in the world today, we are blessed to celebrate Thanksgiving this Thursday with family and friends. It will be a time we take out of our busy schedule to see and enjoy being with those we love and enjoy the wonderful food that has been prepared. When you're at the Thanksgiving table, please take a moment and realize how blessed we are. Remember the special people in our lives that have gone on to be with the Lord. Their memory will bring a feeling of love and thankfulness that we were able to spend some time with them.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

*Hanny Clark*



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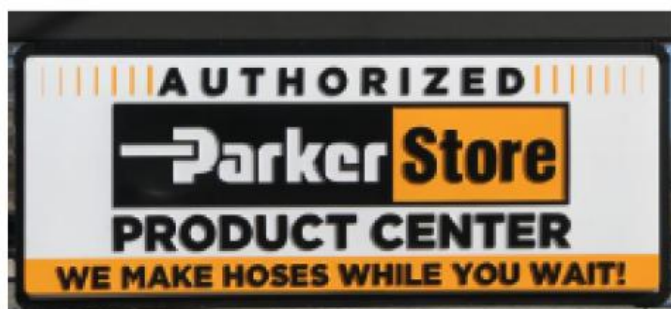


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By Allen Brintley and "Pip"



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Pip and I have so much to be thankful for this holiday season. We hope you have a very Happy Thanksgiving!

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## Obituaries



**RICHARDSON**  
Janice Smith Richardson went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, November 5, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents John T. and

Garnette D. Smith. Janice is survived by her children Lynda (Peter) Willard, Tina (Jason) Ammons and William L. "Buck" (Jessica) Richardson, Jr.; eight grandchildren Kimberly and Jeffrey Ammons, Savannah, Isaiah, Noah, Joshua, John and Matthew Richardson; very special cousins Charles (Gay) Smith, Roy (Sue) Smith, Helen Page Garrett, Amy Smith and Katie Smith; and her best friend since first grade Dorothy Milby. Janice's life was defined by her faith in God and love of family and teaching. The roots of her faith began at her childhood church, Olivet Baptist in King and Queen County and continued to grow when she joined Hermitage Baptist in Church View as an adult. She shared her faith by teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and Bible studies. Janice lived her faith by

teaching Acteens, GAs and Women on Mission and her commitment to Women's Missionary Union (WMU), WMU Virginia and Mid-Tidewater Baptist Association. The opportunity to share her faith while teaching in small private and Christian schools delighted her and allowed her to build treasured relationships with students, parents and coworkers. Upon her retirement, her passion for both teaching and sharing God's Word continued through mission trips to the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in South Dakota. One of her greatest pleasures was seeing her family following her example to walk in faith. One of her favorite Bible passages was Psalms 121:1-2 which reminded her to rely on the strength of the Lord. It was her hope for everyone to have the comfort and strength God provided to her which led her to share through a life of faithful service. Her family offers the comfort of another favorite verse Psalm 91:4 and asks that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made to WMU Virginia, 2828 Emerywood Pkwy, Richmond, VA 23294 or Mid Tidewater Baptist Association, PO Box 32, Saluda, VA 23149. A celebration of Janice's life will be held at a later date at Hermitage Baptist Church. Tributes may be posted at <http://www.vincentfh.com>.

### WOODY

WOODY, Mildred B, 88 of Mangohick, VA September 09, 1935 – November 05, 2023. She is survived by her sister Barbara B. Reed, two daughters, Carolyn Mathias (Mike) and Evelyn Martin; two sons, Lin Woody (Tina) and Tee Woody (Lisa), Nine grandchildren; Greg Mathias (Kristy), Stacey Lantz (Lowell), Sarah Glazebrook (Brandon), Ashley Lipscomb (BJ), Seth Martin (Ashley), Morgan Whittaker (Seth), Emily Woody, Madison Spicer (Addison) and Koby Woody. Thirteen great grandchildren, Amber Harrison, Hannah Mathias, Faith Lantz, Brandon Lipscomb, Tori Glazebrook, Maddie Lantz, Blake Lipscomb, Jase Lipscomb, Ella Martin, Jaxson Lipscomb, Christian Lipscomb and Gatlyn Martin. She was preceded in death by her husband Theodore F. Woody, Jr., and her grandson Brandon Woody.

Mildred was a proud wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She enjoyed crocheting, camping, and riding with Junior in the wrecker. She spent a great deal of her life helping Junior operate Woody's Garage, Inc. When she wasn't helping at the shop, she was looking after and caring for her grandchildren, great grandchildren as well as many other children within the community all of which kindly referred to

her as granny.

Mildred will be missed, and the family sincerely appreciates all the love and support that has been shown and shared during this very difficult time.

Remains rest at B.W. White Funeral Home, Aylett, where family will receive friends Wednesday, November 8th from 4pm to 8pm. Services will be held at Broadus Hebron Campus Thursday, November 9th. Viewing will be at 1pm with service beginning promptly at 2pm. Interment in Broadus Hebron Campus Church Cemetery.

The family requests in lieu of flowers that contributions be made to a favorite charity of your choice in Mildred's honor.

### COLLIER

Tony Ray Collier, 55, of Aylett, VA died on October 27, 2023. Tony was preceded in death by his father Gerald R. Collier, Sr. He is survived by his mother, Joyce E. Maready, son Brandon Collier, daughter Lea Collier, brother, Gerald R. Collier, Jr. (Loretta), sisters Angela M. Hobbs and Tanya M. Collier, granddaughter, Eliza Collier, along with nieces, nephews and friends. A graveside service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 16, 2023 at Mattaponi Baptist Church, King and Queen Courthouse.



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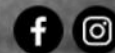


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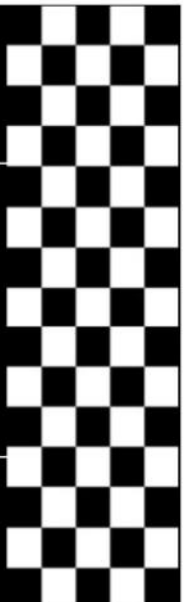
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## Obituaries, continued



### WOLFORD

James Braddock Wolford, 84, of Shackelfords, VA passed away November 15, 2023. In 1954, Jim was a founding member of the Chuckatuck Fire Department. He was a former Virginia State Trooper from 1961 to 1972 and went on to serve as Sheriff of King William County from 1972 to 1984. In 1977, Jim graduated from the FBI National Academy. He was a 37 year Master Mason and a member of West Point Masonic Lodge #238 AF & AM. During this time he served as Worshipful Master of West Point Lodge #238 in 1991 and later served as District Deputy Grand Master for the 11th Masonic District in

1993. He loved woodworking, fishing and blacksmithing. Jim was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Patricia Wolford; his parents, Oscar Obed and Effie Moyers Wolford and two brothers, Byron G. and Gene V. Wolford. Jim is survived by his daughter, Karen Wright (Chris); a son Jamie Wolford (Julie); three grandchildren, Brad Wolford (Alexa), Bryce Wright (Lacy) and Cole Wolford; three great-grandchildren, Elizabeth and Samuel Wright and James Walker Wolford; two sisters Joann Dale of Tiger, GA and Grace Atkins of Suffolk, VA. The family will receive friends from 10-11 a.m., Tuesday, November 21st at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th St., West Point, with a masonic service and celebration of life beginning at 11 a.m. Inurnment will follow in Sunny Slope Cemetery, West Point. Memorial donations may be made to Lower King & Queen Fire Department, PO Box 187, Shackelfords, VA 23156. Tributes may be posted at <http://www.vincentfh.com>.

## Lost Dog

Blake has been missing from Herring Creek Rd near Wingmont Farm in King William since November 9<sup>th</sup>. Blake is 15 years old and cannot hear well. He is small and mostly black with some gray and weighs about 15 pounds.



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## Bob Murray – A Beloved Coach

By Gene Campbell

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What set Coach Murray apart was his genuine care for his players and the entire high school community. He was a mentor, a role model, and most importantly a friend. He instilled in us the values of discipline, teamwork and resilience in the face of adversity. Coach Murray taught us that success is not solely measured by wins and losses, but by the character we display both on and off the field. He emphasized the importance of integrity, sportsmanship, and hard work. Even after his coaching career ended, Coach Murray



Coach Bob Murray

continued to contribute to the King William community as athletic director at the high school. His dedication to the school was recognized in 2012 when the new gymnasium was named the Bob Murray Gymnasium in his honor. This gesture is a testament to the lasting impact he had on the lives of countless students and athletes.

As King William continues its pursuit of a state football championship, we owe a debt of gratitude to Coach Bob Murray and others who laid the foundation for success on and off the sports field.

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## Ace Lady Cavalier Softball Pitcher Taylor Johnson JMU Bound



Lady Cavalier softball pitcher Taylor Johnson signing letter of intent to attend JMU in the fall of 2024.

Taylor pitching in the state semifinals in Salem

By Gene Campbell

It was a momentous occasion on Wednesday November 8<sup>th</sup>, as family, friends, teammates, coaches and supporters gathered at King William High School to witness the signing of a letter of intent by senior Lady Cavalier Softball Pitcher Taylor Johnson to attend the prestigious James Madison University (JMU) in the fall of 2024. Taylor's softball career has been outstanding and was one of the main reasons the Lady Cavaliers Varsity Softball team reached the semi-

finals of the VHSL Class 2 State Championship in Salem, Va this past summer. This achievement is a testament to Taylor's hard work, dedication and talent, representing the culmination of years of training, sacrifice and perseverance on the softball field.

Throughout her high school career, Taylor has consistently excelled, earning numerous accolades such as Honorable Mention All-Metro Team (Sophomore Year), First Team All-Metro (Junior Year), First Team All-District (Freshman,

Sophomore and Junior Year), Offensive Player of the Year (Freshman and Sophomore Year), Defensive Player of the Year (Junior Year), Tidewater District Player of the Year (Junior Year), First Team All-Regional (Junior Year), Region 2A Player of the Year (Junior Year), and First Team All-State (Junior Year). Not only has she demonstrated her skills on the field, but she has achieved success in the classroom, becoming a member of the Academic All-District Team throughout her high school years. James Madison University (JMU) is renowned for its strong athletic programs and academic excellence and Taylor's decision to attend JMU further highlights her commitment to both her athletic and academic pursuits. JMU has gained national prominence and attention this year, particularly with its

success in football and basketball. Taylor's achievements serve as a reminder that with dedication, perseverance and support, dreams can be realized and goals can be achieved.

As the crowd gathered in the atrium, cheers erupted when Taylor signed her letter of intent. The community is confident that she will represent them with pride and distinction at JMU. Taylor is the daughter of Tara and Bryan Johnson and the granddaughter of Catherine Taylor and the late Carl Taylor; and Nancy Johnson and the late Hugh Johnson. The community extends its heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Taylor as she embarks on her academic and athletic journey at JMU.

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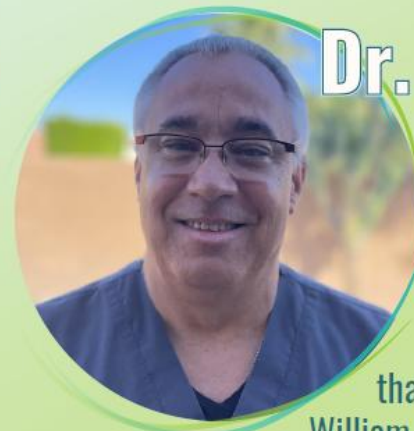
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## Average price for a Thanksgiving meal in Virginia is \$91.30

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As the cost of consumer goods continues to trend upward, so has the price of a Thanksgiving meal. According to an informal survey conducted by the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation, the average cost to prepare a traditional Thanksgiving meal for 10 is \$91.30, or \$9.13 per person. The survey's menu consists of turkey, ham, stuffing, sweet potatoes, russet potatoes, rolls, carrots, celery, cranberries, green beans, peas, milk and pumpkin pie with whipped cream. A meal without ham, russet potatoes and green beans costs \$66.88, or \$6.68 per person. This year's statewide average increased by \$17.39—a 24% increase—from the 2022 average of \$73.91 for a 10-person meal. Prices reported by volunteer shoppers were collected between Oct. 25 and Nov. 6—before major retailers began offering holiday discounts, promotional sales or coupons. This year, the average per-pound price for a whole frozen turkey during the data collection was \$2.18. But on Nov. 8, when one major supermarket chain ran its weekly sale ad, consumers could buy a whole frozen turkey for 39 cents per pound.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Nov. 10 retail report indicated that the Southeast region's average price for an 8- to 16-pound whole frozen turkey was \$.87 per pound, down from \$1.43 per pound in the Nov. 3 report. The Nov. 10 report also said 66.9% of Southeast stores were running sales promotions, versus just 13.8% in the Nov. 3 report. "Although turkeys are plentiful in Virginia and across the country this year, with the state's production up 5.5% from a year ago to 15.4 million birds, there has been a trend of retailers waiting to run promotional prices and sales closer to the holidays," noted Elijah Griles, VFBF commodity specialist. "This is consistent with this year's Thanksgiving dinner survey findings." This is the 20th year Virginia Farm Bureau has conducted the survey, which is based on an annual survey organized by American Farm Bureau Federation. Volunteer shoppers checked

prices online and in person at 45 grocery stores throughout the state.

The VFBF survey showed the average cost of a 16-pound turkey was \$34.86, or \$2.18 per pound. This represents a 24% increase in price versus the 2022 average of \$1.76 per pound. The Farm Bureau survey discovered the average price for a 4-pound boneless ham was \$18.45, while last year the average price for a 4-pound bone-in ham was \$10.24. "There's a significant price difference between boneless and bone-in ham, which could easily explain the large increase this year," Griles explained. Consumers pay more for boneless hams because it costs more to produce them due to the processing involved, like deboning and packaging. As for the other ingredients for a traditional Thanksgiving meal, the survey showed that a gallon of whole milk was \$3.47; frozen peas, \$1.77; frozen green beans, \$1.84; three pounds of sweet potatoes, \$3.06; a 5-pound bag of russet potatoes, \$4.13; fresh celery, \$1.91; fresh carrots, \$1.17; two pie shells, \$3.43; whipping cream, \$3.47; canned pumpkin pie filling, \$4.21; fresh cranberries, \$2.43; stuffing mix, \$3.30; and a dozen dinner rolls, \$3.80.

Most items increased in price versus 2022 values except for sweet potatoes, russet potatoes and whole milk, which were all less than last year. The locality with the highest average cost for a traditional Thanksgiving meal was Powhatan County at \$124.84. The locality with the lowest average cost was the city of Richmond at \$57.93 for a 10-person meal. Inflation continues to affect families across the country, including the nation's farmers. "Although there is a great deal of volatility and unpredictability in both production costs and marketing of agricultural products, farmers are efficient and effective at what they do and they persevere to provide food for our tables in Virginia, across the nation and around the world," noted VFBF president Wayne F. Pryor. Consumers do have some options for lowering their Thanksgiving meal costs, Griles said. They can compare store

prices, look for special promotions and buy store brands rather than name brands.

Nationally, American Farm Bureau Federation's survey found the average cost of its classic Thanksgiving meal for 10 was \$61.17, a 4.5% decrease from \$64.05 in 2022. The basic AFBF survey does not include ham, russet potatoes and green beans. With these items included in the AFBF findings, the national average cost for a traditional meal was \$84.75, 8% lower than the cost in Virginia. Veronica Nigh, senior economist for AFBF, noted

that turkey prices nationally were down 5.6% because of the reduction in avian influenza cases. AFBF also reported that volunteer shoppers checked prices Nov. 1-5, before most grocery store chains began featuring whole frozen turkeys at sharply lower prices. Details about the AFBF survey findings are available at fb.org/newsroom.



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## Sheriff's Office Activity October 1, 2023 – October 31, 2023

Calls for Service	951
Incident Reports	76
Traffic Summons	84
Warrants Served	73
Civil Papers Served	424

UCR Code	Count
13B-Simple Assault	3
18 2-115-TRESPASS: AFTER BEING FORBIDDEN TO DO SO	1
18 2-137-MONUMENT: INTENTIONAL DAMAGE, VALUE <\$1000	2
18 2-137-MONUMENT: INTENTIONAL DAMAGE, VALUE >=\$1000	2
18 2-152.3-COMPUTER FRAUD: OBTAIN PROPERTY/SERVICES >=\$1000	1
18 2-250-DRUGS: POSSESS SCH I OR II	1
18 2-265-DWI: 1ST OFFENSE	1
18 2-265-DWI: 2ND OFF W/IN 5Y - 10Y	2
18 2-266-DWI: DRUGS, 1ST OFFENSE	1
18 2-272-DRIVING AFTER FORFEITURE OF LICENSE	1
18 2-282-FIREARM/ETC: POINTING/BRANDISHING	1
18 2-460-OBSTRUCT/RESIST: W/ THREATS/FORCE	2
18 2-57-ASSAULT: (MISDEMEANOR)	1
18 2-57.2-ASSAULT & BATTERY - FAMILY MEMBER	2
18 2-57.3-FIRST OFFENDER VIOLATION: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	1
18 2-95-GRAND LARCENY: >=\$1000 NOT FROM A PERSON	1
23D-Theft From Building	1
23H-All Other Larceny	1
26B-Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud	1
26E-Wire Fraud	2
26F-IDENTITY THEFT	2
290-Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	3
3.2-6503-ANIMAL INADEQUATE CARE OF ANIMAL(S) BY OWNER	1
3.2-6540-CIVIL: DANGEROUS DOG	1
46 2-301-DRIVE WHILE LICENSE REVOKED/SUSPENDED	1
90F-Family Offenses, Nonviolent	3
90Z-All Other Offenses	3
ANIMBD-ANIMAL BITE - DOG / CANINE	2
ANIMBF-ANIMAL BITE - CAT / FELINE	1
CIVILD-CIVIL DISTURBANCE/VERBAL DISPUTE	8
CIVILI-CIVIL ISSUE	1
DOA-DEAD ON ARRIVAL/DECEASED PERSON	2
FOUND-FOUND PROPERTY	1
JUVI-JUVENILE ISSUE	5
MPER-MISSING PERSON/ADULT	1
SUIC-SUICIDE	1
SUICY-SUICIDE THREATENED	2
WARR-WARRANT SERVICE	6
** TOTAL **	76

# Holiday Open House set for December 3<sup>rd</sup>

The King and Queen Court House Tavern Museum Holiday Open House is the perfect way to start your holiday season. Come join the indoor and outdoor festivities on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 2 PM. The museum is located at 146 Court House Landing Rd., King and Queen Court House, VA 23085.

There will be children's activities, including decorating gingerbread cookies and a visit from Santa. Food, shopping and exhibits are on display. Visit the latest display focusing on King and Queen schools with photographs, artifacts, student and teacher remembrances, descriptions of the Rosenwald schools, and teacher duties. The free event is open to everyone and includes admission to the museum.



King and Queen County school students singing carols at last year's Holiday Open House.

To find out more, visit the Court House Tavern Museum website, [www.kingandqueenmuseum.org](http://www.kingandqueenmuseum.org).



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### Vote, continued from front page

Of the 14,119 registered voters in King William County, 6,523 voted for a 46% turnout county wide.

In King & Queen County the winners were: Buena Vista Supervisor Carolyn Billups, Newtown Supervisor Sherrin Alsop (incumbent), Shanghai Supervisor Marie Norman, St. Stephens Supervisor Lawrence Simpkins (incumbent), Stevensville Supervisor Mark Berry, Sheriff Rob Balderson, Clerk of Court Hattie Robinson, Commonwealth Attorney Meredith Adkins, Commissioner of Revenue Kelly Lumpkin, Treasurer Stephanie Sears, Buena Vista School Board Daryl Oakley, Newtown School Board Celestine Gaines, Shanghai School Board Harwood Hall, St. Stephens School Board Howard Hill, Stevensville School Board Brenda Lee and Soil and Water Conservation Directors Three Rivers District Sara Henley and Bruce Taylor. Of the 5,383 registered voters in King &

Queen County, 2,651 voted for a 49% turnout county wide.

In the newly redrawn 68<sup>th</sup> District of the Virginia House of Delegates in which all of King William and King & Queen County is a part of, Delegate Keith Hodges of Urbanna was re-elected. In the newly redrawn 25<sup>th</sup> District of the Virginia Senate in which all of King William and a portion of King & Queen County is a part of, Senator Richard Stuart of Westmoreland County was re-elected. In the newly redrawn 26<sup>th</sup> District of the Virginia Senate in which a portion of King & Queen County lies in, Senator Ryan McDougle was re-elected.

Elections are an essential component of a democratic society. They reflect the will of the people, provide a mandate for elected officials, foster civic engagement and shape the future of our community. Congratulations to the winners!

### Murray, continued

Their teachings and guidance have shaped us into the individuals we are today, instilling in us the values of hard work, perseverance and teamwork. The dedication in the 1966 yearbook sums it up perfectly, "We, the senior class, wish to pay tribute to one whose loyalty and friendship have meant much; to one who always has the time to be helpful; to one

whose efforts on our behalf have been untiring. We proudly dedicate our 1966 edition of *The Columns* to our friend, advisor and coach, Mr. Bobby G. Murray."

THANK YOU Coach Bob Murray for all you have done for King William High School and the community! GO CAVS!

### Ruritan, continued from front page

The club's commitment to community service is evident in their numerous projects and donations to charitable organizations every year. This year the club has donated over \$18,000 back to the community. Representing the club at the convention was King William Ruritan Club member and National President Mike Morrison and club member Gene Campbell.

During the November club meeting, club Vice President Ellen Otey took the opportunity to recognize and honor the veterans in the club. A cake was presented

to express gratitude and appreciation for the sacrifices made by these brave men in service to their country and to also remember those veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice. The club is planning their Annual Spouse's Night and Awards Dinner at their December meeting and also making plans for their next fund raiser, a Brunswick stew sale on January 20th. Contact any Ruritan member for information on the stew sale. As always, the club extends its heartfelt THANKS to the community for their continued support!

### RiverStreet, continued from front page

The project was completed in February of this year and represents a significant boost to the economic and educational development of King & Queen County. Representatives of RiverStreet along with local government officials, and business leaders, were on hand for the celebration. The celebration included two check presentations. The county was given its first two months revenue share check of \$21,971. RiverStreet and the county have an agreement to a percent share of collected broadband revenue tied to the customer take rate upon reaching a specific adoption threshold on their network. The second check presentation was a \$5,000 grant check to the Walkerton

Community Fire Association from the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS). RiverStreet worked with FRS to apply for the grant and provided a \$500 match for the award. FRS is a non-profit arm of NTCA - The Rural Broadband Association. RiverStreet President and CEO, Eric Cramer, said "Today, we celebrate a giant leap forward in connecting King and Queen County to the world of technology. High-speed internet is no longer a luxury; it's a necessity for education, business, healthcare, and communication. RiverStreet is proud to say on behalf of our board, management and employees - Mission Accomplished."

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King and Queen Courthouse, 615 Zion Church Road, King and Queen Courthouse, VA 23085. Mailing Address: P. O. Box 82. Worship Service (in-house), Each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Virginia "BeeBee" Harvey Young, Pastor.

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4347 Manfield Rd., Manquin, 23106. Sunday worship 9:30AM in person and Facebook Live, followed by fellowship and Sunday School. Pastor Corey McConville [mckendree23106.org](mailto:mckendree23106.org), [mckendree23106@gmail.com](mailto:mckendree23106@gmail.com).

**EPISCOPAL**

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

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**King & Queen Branch Library**

**Hot Cocoa Bombs** at Thursday, Dec. 14, 11:00am - noon Ages 5-12. **K&Q Book Club** Thursday, Nov. 16, 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**

**Decorate a Gingerbread Man** at Saturday, Dec. 2, 10:00 - 11:00am Ages 2-12 **Gingerbread House Contest** Saturday, Dec. 2, Noon - 2:00pm Ages 11-18. **Tai Chi Class** Mondays, Dec. 4, 11, & 18 6:30 - 7:30pm Ages 18 & up. **Origami!** Thursday, Dec. 7, 6:00 - 7:00pm Ages 12 & up. **UKW Anime Club** Tuesday, Dec. 12, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 12-18 **Stay and Play** at Wednesday, Dec. 13, 11:15am - noon Ages 0-5. Call 804-769-3731 or visit the library at 694-J Sharon Road for more information.

**West Point Branch Library**

**Family Storytime** Friday, Dec. 1, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. **Stay and Play** Friday, Dec. 1, 11:00 a.m. - noon Ages 0-5. **Gingerbread Houses** Saturday, Dec. 9, 11:00am - noon Ages 5 - 12. **Play-Doh at the Library** at Monday, Dec. 11, 11:00 a.m. - noon Ages 1-5 **Legos @ the Library** Friday, Dec. 15, 4:00 - 5:00pm Grades K-5. **Family Movie Night** at Thursday, Dec. 21, 6:00pm - 7:45pm Ages 6 & up. 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.

**King William Democrats**

Contact us for location [kw Dems@gmail.com](mailto:kw Dems@gmail.com) or 804-513-2546.

**King William Republican Committee Meetings**

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**Three Rivers SWCD Board of Directors Meetings**

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**KW Children First Lions Club**

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**DCSE Service Point Assistance**

DCSE Contact Information: 1-800-468-8894

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**Southern States**

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**KW Community Watch**

Interested in a community watch? Call Lisa Mayville at 804-551-3267 or Email [isamayville@atlanticbb.net](mailto:isamayville@atlanticbb.net). Any crime please call King William Sheriff Office at 8 0 4 - 7 6 9 - 0 9 9 9 o r [kwso@kingwilliamcounty.us](mailto:kwso@kingwilliamcounty.us)

Crime tips call Robin Bostic with King William Victim/Witness Program at 804-525-8838 or email: [rbostic@kingwilliamcounty.us](mailto:rbostic@kingwilliamcounty.us)

**The CornerStone**

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