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A Gathering for the Ages



The 90s Club....(left to right) Donald Moren, Tom Newman and Gladys Mae Poynter.

By Gene Campbell

My father had a sign in his antique shop that read "The most valuable antiques are old friends." How true that is! I asked Donald Moren at his 90th birthday party if he would like to visit some old friends from his past, namely Tom Newman and Gladys Mae Poynter. He quickly replied, "I would love to!" So, I sprang into action. I contacted Tom Newman and he said "Come on by." Gladys Mae's daughter Ginger Rice said, "I will get mom there." Farmer Donald at 90 is the youngster of the group. Gladys Mae, my favorite school bus driver in high school, turned 92 this past October and Banker 'Big T' Tom will be 97 on December 22nd.

On the afternoon of December 6th, Donald's nephew Ed Moren and his wife Debi brought Donald to Tom's house and Ginger brought her mother Gladys Mae for a 'gathering for the ages.' Even ole Santa Claus stopped by. Tom's daughter, Susan Richards, provided refreshments as the afternoon began with laughter, reminiscing, and sharing stories of 'yesteryear.'

Please see GATHERING, continued on page 19.

King William Kares



Left to Right: Assistant Chief Ronald Brown, Chief of Fire and Emergency Services Stacy Reaves, Patrick McCoy, and Assistant Chief Willie Jones .

By Gene Campbell

King William Fire and Emergency Services (KWFES) has launched a new program in the community called "King William Kares." The program coordinated by KWFES Chief Stacy Reaves in collaboration with Home Depot, aims to provide surplus goods and supplies to houses of worship, charitable institutions, and citizens in need.

Patrick McCoy, Home Depot DC Manager, and Lisa Smith, a former coworker of King William Assistant Fire Chief Willie Jones, have teamed together to match excess goods with those who require them. Their efforts were recognized by the King William Board of Supervisors who presented McCoy with a resolution of appreciation during their September 11th meeting. The King William Kares program is a testament to the community's commitment to helping those in need and fostering a spirit of generosity. By repurposing surplus items and distributing them to organizations and individuals who can benefit from them, the program aims to make a positive impact on the lives of community members. Through the collaboration between KWFES and Home Depot, King William Kares is set to make a difference in the community. Citizens wanting to participate in this program may contact King William County Fire and Emergency Services Assistant Chief Jones at 804 980 0771. Many thanks to KWFES Chief Stacy Reaves for the information for this article.

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Publisher's Message



Hope you have all your Christmas shopping done. Christmas is about so much more than presents and decorations. We all enjoy opening presents. The gifts show someone cares and has taken the time to make sure there is something open on Christmas day. It shows there is someone who loves us. I think about the gift the lord gave all of us. He gave his son. That shows how much he loves us. Christmas is about Jesus. On this special day, enjoy the gifts, and the people in our lives we care about. Remember the birth of our lord and savior and have a blessed Christmas this year.

Take care until next time.

Danny Clark



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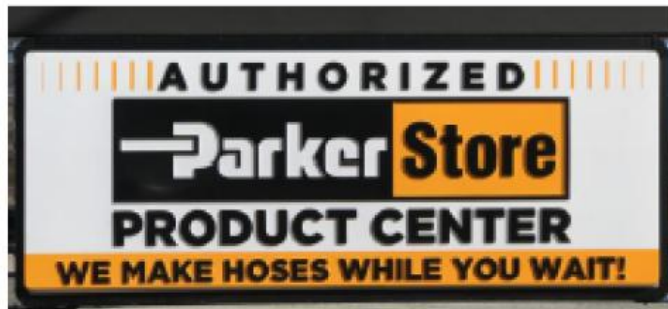


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Happy Holidays

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

This time of year is special as we share gifts and dreams with our family and friends. Pip and I hope that everyone has a great holiday season and Santa Clause brings you everything that you wanted. I know that Pip wants some apples and treats for Christmas.

I wanted to share a new poem with you that a fellow horseman and animal lover wrote.



*I'm proud of my mule
And his name is Nick
Doesn't pull any stunts
Pulling trees is his trick.*

*The spirit of a mule
'Tis to work, not play
Each day is the same
Don't get in his way!*

*A long winding road
May carry your dreams
Mountain to mountain
A thrill to be seen!*

By Bill Crowe
December 2022

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

Mountain Dreams

*Mountain misty morn
Flowing streams of cheer
Moving on, times change
Strong and brave Mountaineer.*

*The sky is watching
For the marching winds
Curling tall grasses
Snow and rain to lend.*

*There's an old mill road
Out behind the shed
Christmas trees growing
Where the cows were fed.*

*A sawmill worker
Coming down the road
Hauling Christmas trees
Thirty to a load.*

EDA Holds Second Roundtable Discussion



EDA Chairman Jay Brown leads the discussion

By Gene Campbell

On December 13th the King William Economic Development Authority (EDA) held its second roundtable discussion with local businesses. Ginger and Lonnie Custalow, owners of the Mattaponi Reserve located on the Mattaponi Indian Reservation hosted the event. Representatives of eleven local businesses were in attendance along with EDA members, county officials, and staff. These roundtable discussions, held every other month, serve as a platform for open dialogue, allowing businesses to engage directly with county officials addressing any questions or problems they have conducting business in the county. These meetings also aim to identify and address any barriers hindering economic growth within the county and foster collaboration and partnerships between local businesses and county officials. The EDA hopes by listening to the challenges faced by the business community they can address these obstacles and foster an environment conducive to business expansion and job creation.

EDA Chairman Jay Brown welcomed everyone followed by County

Administrator Percy Ashcraft who gave an update on economic development projects ongoing in the county. Percy followed up with an update on the expansion of utilities. So far this year 498 permits have been issued by the Planning & Zoning Dept with 68 directly related to business. Director of Planning, Sherry Graham, addressed questions about the process of approving plans for new businesses. She said the average timeline from submission to approval is 3 to 6 months and could take longer if there are problems. The plans have to go through several state agencies such as VDOT and DEQ and take time to review and approve. Topics such as attracting a pharmacy to King William were discussed. The county is actively reaching out to any leads on pharmacies. Other topics discussed included taxes and tourism. At the end of the night, everyone agreed these discussions help strengthen the relationship between local businesses and county officials and pave the way for sustainable economic development in the county. The next roundtable discussion is scheduled for February 28th at a location to be determined.

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Obituary



HEATH

Heath, Dennis E., 95, of Saint Stephens Church, Va., departed this life on December 5, 2023. He was preceded in death by his wife Marie Trexler Heath, his son Dennis Lee Heath, his parents Aubrey and Louise Tucker Heath, and brothers Floyd, William, Elmore, and Monroe. He is survived by his brother Woodrow Heath, sister Linda Heath, daughter Kay Heath and son Benjamin Heath, as well as three grandchildren, Jack O'Brien III (Leslie), Kevin O'Brien (Kacey), Ellen Kniceley (Jordan), three great-grandsons, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dennis was formerly the supervisor at Lakeside Post Office in Henrico. He was also a small engine airplane pilot, a farmer, and the best granddad a child could wish for. The family will receive friends from 2 to 3 pm on Saturday December 9, 2023 at the Mechanicsville Chapel of the Bennett Funeral Home, 8014 Lee Davis Road in Mechanicsville, where a memorial service will be held at 3:00 pm. Private interment at Forest Lawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Alzheimer's Association, all of which he supported, or other charity of your choice.

Secretariat the GOAT

By Gene Campbell
My good friend Bill Crowe loves writing poetry. This year is the 50th Anniversary of Secretariat winning the Triple Crown. Born and raised just up the road at Meadow Farm in Caroline County, Secretariat is without question the greatest of all time (GOAT). Bill and poetry go together like Secretariat and the race track. Bill's words beautifully capture the essence of Secretariat and his impact on the world of horse racing.

Trumpet sounds starting time.

On to the next phase,
Life in the breeding shed.
Big heart and long stride
Amazing traits of Big Red.

Handlers and jockeys
Step up the pace,
While Mrs. Tweedy cried out
We won another race.

Icing on the cake,
A Triple Crown high.
History books are telling
His memory will never die!

A foal with many goals
Secretariat did it all.
Raised the winning bar,
He answered to the call.

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Silver on the line.
Fans counting their money



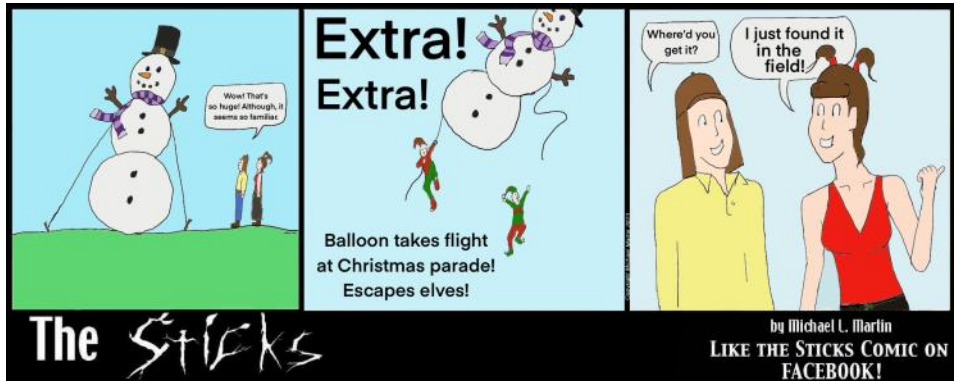
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Christmas Traditions

By Gene Campbell

We all have traditions we celebrate at Christmas. When I was growing up Christmas was a time of joy and excitement. Mom would send us out into the woods to gather running cedar and holly, and I would shoot down some mistletoe. Daddy would cut down a cedar tree. Oh, the smell of all the fresh greens would fill the air in the house and you knew Christmas was just around the corner. We all helped Mom decorate the house, and hang ornaments and string lights on the tree. I remember the bubbly candle lights and tinsel. You don't see them on a Christmas tree anymore. We didn't know it then but it was a time to come together and make memories that would last a lifetime.

We started decorating for Christmas right after Thanksgiving so Mom could take a picture of my sisters and me and order Christmas cards in time to send out before Christmas. Nowadays we have Shutterfly. Mom's side of the family would gather the Sunday before Christmas and Dad's side would gather the Sunday after Christmas. Mom would take us to Miller & Rhoads to visit the 'real Santa Claus' and have lunch with him and Rudolph, then visit the Fawn Shop to pick out gifts. When we traveled to Richmond at night to visit my

grandmother, Nannie (my dad's mother), we played a game called 'Count the Christmas Trees.' When we got to Nannies' the side of the car with the most trees won. It was a simple game that entertained us and made the car ride a whole lot more fun. Dad's family had a tradition of eating oyster stew on Christmas Eve. It was a tradition that continued with my sisters cooking an Oyster Rockefeller casserole on Christmas day.

The best part of it all was Christmas morning. We'd wake up early, and as we made our way down the stairs, we'd peek through the stair rails and see the Christmas tree all lit up surrounded by presents. I can see those presents now, filling my heart with joy! I remember my parents' good friends, Bob and Jackie Abrams, coming over and watching us open presents. Until I got married, I did not miss a Christmas Eve night at home. Later that morning Dad would put on his old WWII Army sweater filled with holes (he would tell people they were bullet holes) and his best friend, Stuart Johnson, would come by and they visited friends in the neighborhood. Spreading the Christmas cheer and making folks smile was his way of showing love and connecting with those he cared about. Even though he is no



My mother and father, Charlotte and Dick Campbell

longer with us, I still wear that old sweater in remembrance of him and the love he shared.

So, there you have it folks. Good ole Christmas traditions and memories that make this time of the year so special. I am sure you have your family traditions too. It's all about family, love, and coming

together to celebrate the joy of Christmas. So gather around your loved ones and make some memories that will warm your hearts for years to come. But most of all, let us not forget the real reason for the season, the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

In the December 6th issue we ran an ad for Thrive VA which was not correct. The correct ad is below. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.
The Country Courier

Thrive Virginia Receives Donation from Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation Feeding the Hungry grant addresses food insecurity; supports nutrition education

King and Queen County VA - Thrive Virginia has received \$2,000 from the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation to help nourish neighbors experiencing hunger. The Feeding the Hungry grant supports Thrive Virginia's efforts to assist families participating in the organization's King and Queen Family C.A.R.E. Center programming. In addition, the grants support community feeding partners by helping neighbors increase their access to nutritious food and providing nutrition education to eliminate health risks for those experiencing food insecurity.

Thrive Virginia uses person-centered and collaborative services to empower those fighting poverty to achieve individualized prosperity and community connections. Thrive Virginia is a 501c3 non-profit community action agency founded in 1970 as part of the Economic Opportunity Act to fight poverty. We are dedicated to supporting and uplifting communities, using a Whole Family Approach to help persons fighting poverty overcome barriers to their success. The Whole Family Approach involves identifying the factors that undermine a family's overall well-being, then working with the family to solve problems, access new resources, and sharpen existing skills.

The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation is committed to supporting families facing food insecurity across its 10-state footprint. Established in 2001, the foundation provides financial support for programs and organizations dedicated to feeding local neighbors in the communities it serves. Since its inception, the foundation has awarded more than \$18.1 million in grants.

About The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation

The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C. Established in 2001, the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation provides financial support for programs and organizations dedicated to eliminating hunger. The charitable foundation has provided more than \$18.1 million in grant funding, helping to nourish communities with fresh food for backpack programs, Kids Café's, and other hunger-relief programs as well as funding for long-term programs to help shorten the lines at food banks. The charitable foundation partners with Feeding America, the nation's largest hunger-relief agency, in addition to local food agencies serving the 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states in which Food Lion operates. For more information, visit www.foodlion.com/pages/food-lion-feeds.

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King William Ruritans Celebrate the Community and the Christmas Season



Gene Campbell presents Citizen of the Year to Sheila Iswariah



(left to right) Sam Fisch & Cheryl Kelske w/Mangohick Fire Dept, Randy Shank w/KWEM, Ashley Gladden & Othell Hall w/WCFA and Mike Williams w/KWSO

By Gene Campbell

Ole Santa Claus set the mood as he entered the King William Ruritan building on Tuesday, December 12th. It was the club's annual spouse's dinner and awards night, and everyone was getting into the holiday spirit. Every year the club's regular meeting night in December is a celebration for those who mean so much to us and support us throughout the year. It is also the night the club presents checks to nonprofit and charitable organizations in the community. Representatives from the Mangohick Fire Dept, Walkerton Fire Community Association, King William Emergency Ministries, and the local sheriff's department were in attendance to

receive donations totaling \$3,700 from the club. This year the club donated \$18,250 to the community. Because of the support of the community, the King William Ruritan Club can donate to the local fire and rescue departments, donate to charitable organizations, and award scholarships to deserving high school seniors. Sheriff Jeff Walton who is a club member and is retiring at the end of this year, was recognized for his service to the community and the club.

The highlight of the night was the announcement of the Citizen of the Year and the Ruritan of the Year. Sheila Iswariah of the Cornerstone Community Development Center was named Citizen of

the Year, recognizing her outstanding contributions to the community. Club member Frankie Barham was named Ruritan of the Year for his dedication and service to the club. National Ruritan President and club member Mike Morrison installed the 2024 officers of the club. They are President Troy Simons, Vice President Ellen Otey, Secretary Ed Moren, Treasurer David Leake, and Directors Chris White, Dennis Smith, and Gene Campbell. Club members are busy preparing for its next fundraiser, their annual Brunswick Stew Sale on January 20th.

The club wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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KWHS FFA Competes in The Virginia State Fair



Members of the Jr. and Sr. Crop Judging Team at the State Fair (Left to Right) Anthony Lane, Jay Jones, Macie Newcomb, Sadie Jacobs, Makenzie Neely, and Camdyn Watkins



Members of the Jr. Foresters team and Jr. and Sr. Forestry Field Day teams taking a team picture before their competition.

Contributed by Camdyn Watkins

This year the King William High School FFA, competed in the Sate Fair of Virginia. Students competed on September 22nd, 26th, and the 27th, 2023. There were many various events and kids competing. On September 22nd, King William students attended the Lawn Mower Competition. The competition consist of a

written test on safety and small engines, identification of small engine tools and parts. As well as being able to operate a lawn mower through an obstacle course. We had two students competing for this competition, Turpin Rowe placing 19th competing for King William FFA, and Hunter Stephens competing as well, placing 24th. Hunter Stephens competed for King William 4-H. These two young

men competed very well, competing against 40 other students.

On the 26th, King William FFA students competed in the Forestry Field Day Competition. King William FFA took a junior and senior team. The junior team placed third in the state. The senior team placed fourth in the state. The junior team had 7 contestants, Ksean Hill, Chase LeBaron, Tyler Oaks, Trevor Dalton, Cameron Neely, Hunter Kersey, and Jace Prince. Ksean Hill placed 1st in the Log Throw, Chase LeBaron placed 3rd in Water Accuracy, Tyler Oaks placed 15th in Bow Saw, Trevor Dalton placed 6th in the Log Roll, and Hunter Kersey placed 8th in Crosscut. There were 7 contestants on the Senior team. The senior team consisted of Trent Stallings, Jaheim Trueheart, Kolton Jimmo, Gibson Farmer, Blake Martin, DJ Harris, and Shane Duffey. Trent Stallings placed 4th in the Low Throw, Jaheim Trueheart placed 3rd in Water Accuracy, Kolton Jimmo placed 5th in Bow Saw, Gibson Farmer placed 2nd in log Roll, and DJ Harris placed 10th in Crosscut. The Junior division consisted of 30 teams and the Senior team held 40 different temas. Also on the 26th, Jr. Foresters Competition was held. It

consisted of Tree ID, disease and Pest ID, Forestry Tool ID, Tree Value Calculations, and Mapping. The team placed 24th out of 40 different teams. Members on the team were Jack Longest, TyQuan Hence, Brody Hite, and Andy Putnam. The top scorer for King William in this competition was Brody Hite.

On the 27th, the following day, was Crop Judging. The Senior team place 5th out of 40 different teams in the state. Macie Newcomb placed 6th, Anthony Lane placed 17th, Mackenzie Neely placed 26th, and Camdyn Watkins placed 27th. The contest consisted of Crop Identification (seeds and plants), Weed Identification, and Judging classes of Barley, Soybeans, Corn, and Timothy Hay. The Junior Team placed 10th out of 15 teams. The members were Sadie Jacobs and Jay Jones.

All teams did amazing and had a wonderful time competing in the Virginia State Fair! All of the students can not wait for next year!



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Our beloved Janie Evelyn Anderson Edwards quietly passed away on Monday, March 20, 2023 in the peace and comfort of her home.

Janie A. Edwards was born in Mangohick, Virginia on March 14, 1929. She was the fourth of nine children born to the late Samuel and Essie Anderson. She celebrated her **94th** birthday on March 14. At the age of four Janie lived with her grandmother in New York City. Her education began from kindergarten to third grade. After going back home to Mangohick there was no school bus, so she rode with her brother on "Pete" the mule to catch a bus to another county. **Education was very important to her.** She graduated from Union High School in Caroline County, VA in June 1945. Janie attended Rappahannock Community College earning a Careers Studies Certificate for Instruction Aides and graduating "With Honors" in 1988.

On December 21, 1946 Janie married George T. Edwards, Sr. and to this union four children were born: Cecelia, Celestine, Cheryl and George Jr. (Tommy).

Janie joined Third Union Baptist Church in 1951; was a Charter Member of the VFW Auxiliary Post 9501 (1990); loved playing dominoes and bingo at the Senior Center. Janie was the Matriarch of the Anderson clan organizing the first Family Reunion Committee in 1980.

Janie retired July 1994 after working in the King William School system for 27 years as a teacher's aide.



Janie enjoyed her many flowers, plants, and shrubbery. She loved gardening--digging and planting--her hands in the dirt. She truly had a green thumb.

She is survived by four children: **daughters:** Cecelia Johnson (Herbert "Tim"), Celestine Wilson (Leo), Cheryl Montague (Riccardo), a **son** George T. Edwards, Jr.; a **brother**, Douglas Anderson (Sarah), a **sister**, Elaine Anderson; **eight** grandchildren; **thirteen** great-grandchildren, and **one** great-great-granddaughter.

And her cat "**Rusty**" who was by her side for 14 years (since 2009).

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Cecelia, Celestine, Cheryl and Tommy



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Colosse Baptist Church

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Epworth United Methodist Church

11 Epworth Road Aylett 23009. Sunday 9:00am Worship Services.

Gethsemane Baptist Church

1890 Dunluce Road, King William, 23086. phone service at 267-807-9605 Meeting id# 88745. Starts at 10:00am Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays.

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Kingdom of God Living Water Ministry

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METHODIST

McKendree United Methodist Church

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Gladys Mae turned to Donald and said, "Do you remember when you threw rotten eggs at me?" "Humm..." said Donald as a grin slowly appeared on his face, "Let me think.... oh, was that the time you and Tilly Jo (Donald's sister) rode your bikes by the chicken house? Daddy told me to get rid of all the rotten eggs that day!" From that point on, stories of the good ole days and the mischief they got into were told, one story behind the other. It was as if time had stood still and they were transported back in time. They remembered attending the Beulahville "one room" school house through the sixth grade. "The Carter sisters (as in June Carter who married Johnny Cash) entertained us one time," said Gladys Mae. "When we stopped going to Beulahville and started attending King William High School, I thought I was attending a university!" said Donald with a roar of laughter. "I looked forward to going to Mr. Guy's store after school," said Gladys Mae. "Mama would give me 10 cents to spend. I would get two slices of bologna (a penny a slice), a soda drink, some candy, and I had some change left over! "exclaimed Gladys Mae. They talked about classmates who would later become icons in the community. One was B W White. Tom said B W would cut hair for 15 cents when he wasn't tending to his funeral home business. One day a fellow from West Virginia needed a haircut. B W told him to come on by. When the fellow got there, B W told him to lie down. That's the only way I can cut your hair. The fellow

thought a minute and then said... no thanks! Tom was born and raised in Aylett, Gladys Mae grew up near Beulahville and Donald spent his whole life in Duane not far from Beulahville. Donald asked Tom, "Who was your doctor in Aylett?" "Gus Lewis," said Tom. Then Tom told the story about Mr. Sidney Rice going to see Dr. Lewis at his home in Aylett. Dr. Lewis was examining and taking the temperature of an infant when Sidney arrived, so Sidney waited for his turn on the porch. Now in those days, there was only one way to take an infant's temperature. Sidney could hear the infant squealing and when it was his turn to see the doctor, the first thing Dr. Lewis said to him was, "Sidney, I need to take your temperature." "No thanks," said Sidney as he walked out. "I often wondered if Sidney ever went back to see Dr. Lewis," chuckled Tom. In those days an office visit was \$1.50. Tom said, "Dr. Lewis's cash register was his pants pockets...he would make change from his pockets." As the afternoon came to a close some two and one-half hours later, a sense of gratitude and contentment filled the air with everyone cherishing the moments spent together. It was a reminder that the most valuable antiques in life are not material possessions but the relationships we build and nurture over time. My father's antique shop sign had proven itself true once again.... the most valuable antiques truly are old friends.

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