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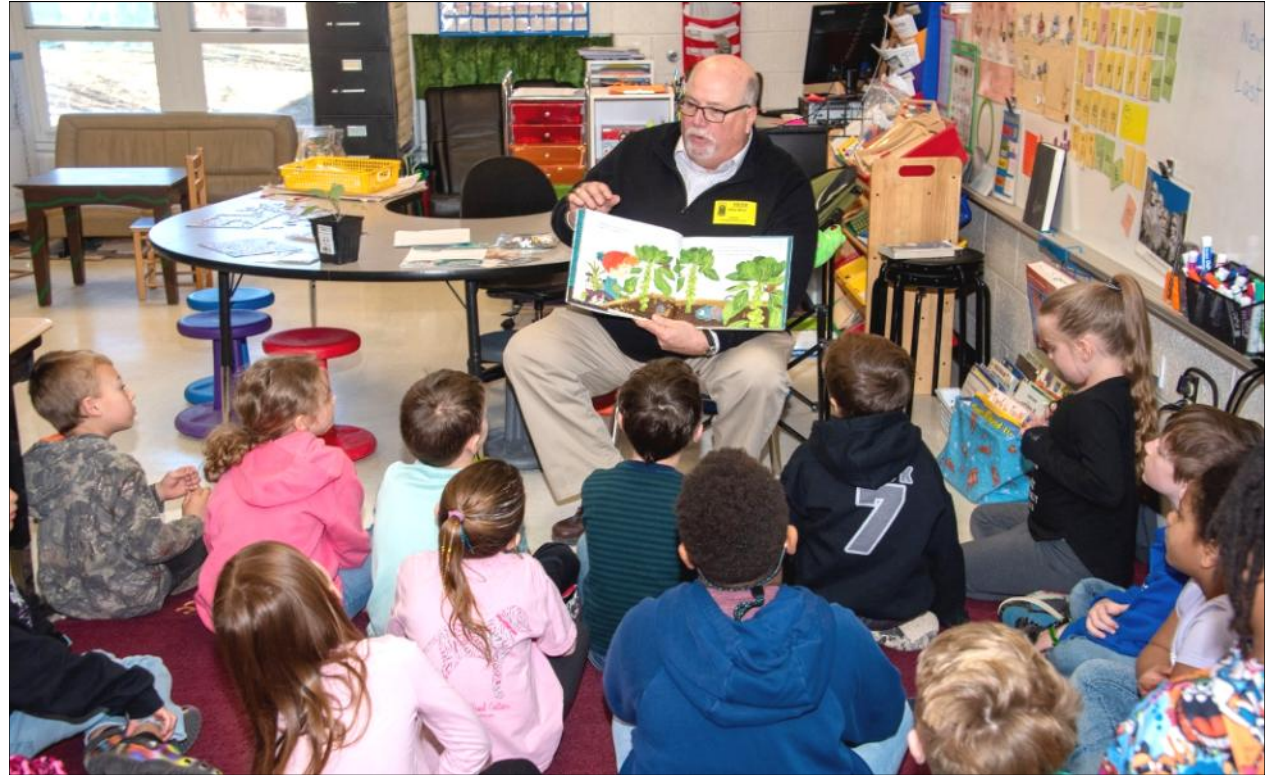
Club member Billy Robinson preparing the catfish

By Gene Campbell

Every second Tuesday in April since 1939, King William Ruritan Club members have risen with the morning sun to prepare for their annual fish fry. Beginning on the banks of the Mattaponi River at Ben Garrett's cabin, moved to Dick Campbell's cottage in 1968 and now held at the club's facilities on Rt 30 since 2010, this tradition has been a cornerstone of the community for 85 years. The event brings together friends, neighbors, politicians, and supporters for a day of delicious food, and community spirit. What began as a simple fish fry for club members and their friends has evolved into one of the club's most significant fundraising events. The fish fry is not just about enjoying tasty catfish and socializing; it is also an opportunity for the club to give back to the community. Proceeds from the event will support local initiatives, including donations to non-organizations and scholarships to local high school students that benefit the community at large. The event serves as a testament to the club's commitment to promoting fellowship, goodwill, and community service.

Please see FISH FRY, continued on page 11.

King William Farm Bureau Celebrates Agriculture Literacy Week



Former K.W. Sheriff Walton reads to the children during literacy week.

Please see full story on page 6.

Supervisors Proclaim the Month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month



Supervisor Ben Edwards, Supervisor Bill Hodges, Kelly Magovero w/Social Services, April Perez w/Social Services, Board Chair Lindsey Robinson, Amanda Tevis w/Social Services, Supervisor Justin Catlett, and Supervisor Mary Sue Bancroft

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Logan Johnson and father Frankie with her turkey

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Logan Johnson bagged an opening day gobbler while hunting with her father Frankie in King William County. The turkey weighed 21 lbs and had an 11 inch beard.

Publisher's Message



I love books, I have books stacked up everywhere. I'm more interested in what the great thinkers have to say about life and what they have found to be true in their own lives. Reading the written word takes me on an adventure with the authors. There is knowledge and tested wisdom in books. The Bible contains answers to many questions we seek. I enjoy reading the written word, it can be very powerful.

Take care until next time.

Danny Clark



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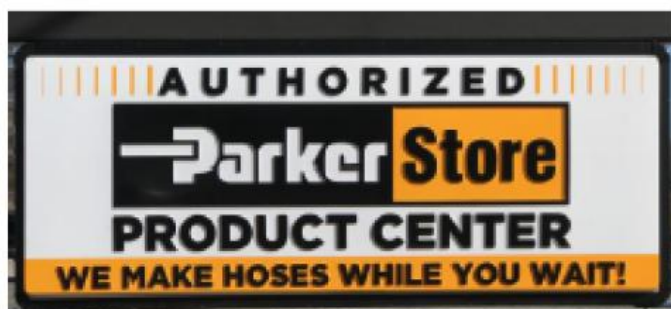


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Horsemanship Terms

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

I've been thinking about some horsemanship words lately that don't make much sense to me. I'm not sure who came up with them. The first is a "crupper". That sounds like a chest cold, not something you put around a horses tail to keep the saddle from sliding forward. Maybe the better word for it would be a wedgie because that is what it does to the horse if your saddle moves. How would that sound if someone said "Hey you better put that wedgie on your horse before you go riding in the mountains".

How about the word "britchin"? Is that like a half a pair of pants or britches? This thing is a strap just a few inches wide that goes from the saddle around the back of the horses butt and keeps the saddle from moving forward. You hear people say to put a britchin on your animal before you go into rough country. I thought maybe it was to protect their legs from briars and such.

I remember the first time that I heard the word "saddle horn". I thought that was a pretty good idea for trail riding when you wanted to pass someone you could just hit



it and they would know to move over because they don't have any rear view mirrors to see who's behind them. But no matter how hard you slap on that thing it doesn't make any noise. It just sticks up on the front of your saddle for you to tie things to.

There's a place at the top of the tail that they call a "dock". To me that means a loading zone or something. Like the guys at the warehouses tell you to go pull up to the dock and they will get you loaded up. But on my animal, it's the dock where they unload everything. Maybe it should be called the undock instead.

I'd like to hear from you so email me at Allen@TwinRiversRealty.com or call 690-7870. See you on the trails.

Unearthing the Past: The Fossil Man Speaks to the King William Historical Society



Newell Randell shows fossils to members of the King William Historical Society

By Gene Campbell

On April 21st, the King William Historical Society was treated to some fascinating history as Newell Randell, better known as the "Fossil Man" was the guest speaker at its quarterly meeting. Newell is a longtime resident of King & Queen County and has been fossil hunting since he was a child. A collection of his fossils is on display at the King & Queen Tavern Museum spanning several geological eras. Did you know 90% of all fossils are marine life? The oldest known fossils of most of the modern orders of mammals and marine life appeared in a brief period during the Early Eocene Period some 50 million years ago. King William and King & Queen Counties were under shallow waters during this period.

At the meeting, Newell had on display a variety of some of his fossils, some found in this area. Newell says you don't find most fossils by digging, you find them by walking along running streams and rivers where the banks are sloped and fairly steep. Sifting through sand and gravel from the streams is the best way to find fossils. Sharks teeth are the most common fossils found in the world according to Newell. We all have walked along shorelines and streams at one time or another and found shark teeth. One tidbit of information I learned from Newell's talk is this: Native Americans sometimes used shark teeth to make arrowheads. The next quarterly meeting of the King William County Historical Society is scheduled for July.

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Child Abuse Prevention Month, continued

By Gene Campbell

Since 1983 April has been designated Child Abuse Prevention Month in the United States. Child abuse is among the nation's foremost public health issues and affects more than 120,000 families each year in Virginia. It cuts across all boundaries of race, education levels, and income brackets. Prevention is key in safeguarding children from abuse. By shining a spotlight on this issue during the month of April every year, the public is educated on how to recognize the signs of abuse and take action to prevent it. At the April 8th King William County Board of Supervisors meeting, Amanda Tevis, Director of King William Dept. of Social

Services, spoke to the supervisors about child abuse. She said, "We must all work together to increase awareness about child abuse and neglect." The supervisors responded by unanimously passing a resolution proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month, declaring April 5th as Wear Blue Day. Blue pinwheels were passed out to the supervisors which symbolize the notions of playfulness, joy, and childhood. It serves as a reminder of the great childhood that every child deserves. Working together we can all make a difference and create a world where children can thrive without fear of harm.

Literacy Week, continued from front page

By Gene Campbell

Americans need to understand the value of agriculture in their daily lives. One effective way to achieve this is by reading to our children and enhancing their understanding and appreciation of agriculture and nutrition. On March 18th during National Agriculture Literacy Week, the Women's Committee of the King William Farm Bureau along with insurance agents, leaders in the community, and others celebrated by reading the book "Logan's Greenhouse" to the children of Cool Spring Primary School. This book introduced young minds to different types of vegetables and the unique qualities that make each one

special. Through the act of reading to the children, awareness about the significance of agriculture in their lives was raised. As each reader engaged the children, their eyes lit up with delight and curiosity. The children enthusiastically identified and learned about the vegetables mentioned in the book. By the end of the reading session, it was clear that through the pages of a book, the seeds of knowledge for a brighter future were being planted. It is crucial to have conscientious and compassionate individuals like the King William Farm Bureau Women's Committee and others in the community highlighting the significance of agriculture in our lives.

Obituaries

ROBINSON



Collins Sr., her sister Robin Orlando and her husband Steven Robinson.

She was born in Philadelphia, PA, grew up in South Jersey, and also lived on the Pamunkey Indian reservation as a tribal citizen. She settled with her husband in Tucker, GA.

At an early age Rosemary realized the importance of a formal education. She graduated from King William High School, then attended Rappahannock Community College and went on to receive a Bachelor of Science degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in

1985, a first in our family.

Rosemary was a prankster. She enjoyed a little rough-housing, as she was strong. She was compassionate but had little tolerance for excuses. Rosemary loved gardening, going on walks with her Boxer dog's, and spending time with her nieces' and nephews. She was always there for family to lend a helping hand and Christmas was her favorite holiday. She is survived by her siblings. John Collins (Kathy), Harry Collins (Michelle), Gail Richmond, Lynn Cruze (Steve), Dawn Zimmerlink (Joe), April McGowan (Johnny), and Bobby Wilson. Also, many beloved nieces and nephews.

Her ashes will be divided into two separate resting places. She will be placed next to her husband. Steven Robinson at Georgia National Cemetery in Canto GA and also with her mother and father on the Pamunkey Indian Reservation Cemetery. A private memorial service will be held.

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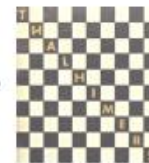
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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I was encouraged to read 3 Letters to the Editor recently that issued warnings to the citizens of King William of the present danger of the tyranny of Cultural Marxism that is at our very doorsteps. Awareness of the destruction of our Constitutional Government of the average citizen is virtually nonexistent nationwide. Ms. McLane warned of Dr. Charles Wagner's attempting to reinstate mask wearing and associated school imprisonment of students and eventually the parents and finally society once again to this Marxist ritual and lie of COVID, or whatever he can imagine in attempt to convince the BoS and SB. The corrupted minds who believe in a lock-downed, subservient society where our daily freedom is denied, are alive and well and will continue to scream for their acceptance. Ms. Wassenberg also warned and is aware of the black pit our land is headed toward. The Achilles tendon of her argument is that she believes the CHURCH has influence upon the worldly lifestyle of its attendees, let alone carnal citizens. The church has ZERO influence! The people who still attend church are not hearing or believing Biblical Truth and the "preachers" are wolves in sheep clothing who haven't the courage to preach the whole council of God, even if they knew it! Society has

created their own god in their imagination, where every man does that which was right in his own eyes. Bible; Judges 17:6. There is NO fear of God in them! Mankind continues in its dark m a n i f e s t a t i o n o f depravity. America's culture is completely in defiance of God Almighty. The god of men, women and children are them! Their culture is the thoughts, tastes, and manner of living. It is manifested in people's dress, tattoos, poetry, acceptance of depraved culture and music. This outworking of man's self-god is the inherent principle of sin and will bring men, women and children to all evil wretchedness. Additionally, Mr. Fogg's comment about Rob Wittman shows that the House and Senate's example of cowardliness before the enemy which is what the majority of the House and Senate are. America, as other countries of this world, has joined them in the Socialist and Marxist lie and the outcome of this will be a one-world government and one dictator over all, the anti-christ. Man has become his own God and he loves him! Note Ronald Regan Jr., belligerent quote; "I'm not afraid of burning in Hell". He has many in agreement!

M Wayne Owens
King William

Middle Peninsula Bird Club



Gee Brownley, Anne Wilber, Joyce Pully, Ginger Custalow (owner), Susan Crockett, Ginny Miller, Ed Brown (photo by Julie Brown).

Contributed

Lionel Custalow and his wife, Ginger, invited the Middle Peninsula Bird Club to birdwatch at their winery, Mattaponi Reserve, on the banks of the Mattaponi

River in King William County. The group viewed birds from a large deck overlooking the river observing 11 species of birds and counting 102 individual birds."

Got Old Photos?

Do you have any historical photos, old family pictures, or interesting pictures from King William County? Please bring them to the first Farmers Market at the KWHS parking lot on Friday, May 3rd and look for the King William Historical Museum's booth. They will scan a copy of your pictures and you will keep your originals.

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Obituaries, continued

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Anna James "Jane" McCloud Vencill, age 87 of Bruntington, Virginia, passed away on January 29, 2024.

Anna was born on January 11, 1937 to Raleigh and Virgie McCloud in Lebanon, Virginia. She was predeceased by her husband Ira Edward "Eddie" Vencill, her parents Raleigh and Virgie McCloud and her brother Robert Burt McCloud.

She is survived by her daughter Tina Merea Vencill, grandchildren Phillip Edward Vencill McElveen and James Brooks "Jamie" Vencill McElveen, close nephew Craig McCloud, son James Vencill, sister Catherine McCloud and

numerous other family members and friends.

Anna "Jane" will always be remembered as a loving grandmother, a great country cook, a caretaker to numerous children, her love of Little League Baseball and dogs. She spent many hours on her front porch in her rocking chair with her dog and watching over the children she cared for. She loved helping her husband raise champion quail hunting dogs and tending to her gardens and chickens. She was known for her delicious homemade apple butter and biscuits. There was always an extra plate at the table for anyone to enjoy her home cooked meals.

Anna was laid to rest at Signal Hill Memorial Cemetery on February 5, 2024. Memorial donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in honor of Anna "Jane" and all the children that she spoiled with her love and care.



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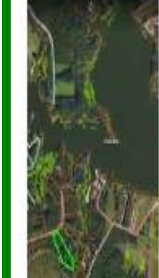
The crowd enjoying the annual fish fry

Approximately 500 people from all walks of life made their way to the club's facilities on Rt 30 on April 9th. As they arrived they were greeted with the country tunes of Faron Hamblin strumming his guitar as old friends greeted one another and new friends were made. A pot of delicious clam chowder beckoned the hungry crowd towards the end of the pavilion where pork skins and hush puppies also awaited them. Before the meal was served the club paused to remember club members who have passed away with a special remembrance of recently passed club member Bryant Wilson. At 5 pm a meal line formed inside the club building as the patrons sat down to a meal of fried catfish with all the fixins....mmm mmm good! The club extends a BIG THANK YOU to the following businesses and vendors who were sponsors of the event: Tappahannock Chevrolet, Rozell Marine, Colonial Farm Credit, Twin Rivers Realty, Shed Man/She Shed, Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, Southern States, Andy's Automotive, Pla-Mor Construction, Jojo's Hunting & Fishing, Edwards Automotive, Virginia Outdoor, Jake's Tire and Auto Service, Champion Saddlery, Spa-Doc, Primis Bank, S & S Investors, Smokey Mountain BBQ, Atkins Propane and a special THANK YOU to CRANEMASTERS for their support and donations. The club also extends its MANY THANKS to the community who support us throughout the year. With each passing year, the event gains in popularity and significance ensuring what started as a 'good ole boy' gathering will continue in the spirit of giving back to the community. See you next year on the second Tuesday in April!

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Cavaliers Continue Their Dominance on the Diamond



Lady Cavs Varsity player Olivia Unser headed for first base



JV Cavs Gage Burrow is safe at home

By Gene Campbell

The King William Cavaliers baseball and softball teams are on fire this season, showcasing their dominance on the diamond with convincing wins and shutouts that have left their opponents in awe. The Varsity Boys' Baseball team is undefeated. With recent overpowering wins over Mathews (9-1), West Point (17-0), and Middlesex (13-0), the Cavs have extended their record to 7-0. Cavs pitcher

Andrew Lee struck out 10 and gave up zero hits over six innings in the Mathews win. Lee also led the attack with his bat in the lopsided 17-0 victory over West Point driving in four runs with two hits. Cavs pitcher Colton Maiorana with three victories on the season had 11 strikeouts giving up no hits over five innings in the West Point win. A big second inning saw the Cavs score eight runs on eight hits in the West Point shutout. Grayson Reid, Jack Longest, Dustin Bevins, Andrew Lee,

and Brandon Deal batted in runs in the West Point win. Returning home on April 16th, the Cavs continued pounding their opponents with a 13-0 win over Middlesex. Pitcher Daniel Burton picked up his third win of the season with an impressive performance not only on the mound but with his bat as well. Burton went the full distance for the shutout and batted three for three at the plate. Again the Cavs had a big second inning scoring eight runs behind the hitting of Grayson Reid, Daniel Burton, Timmy West, Kolton Jimmo, and Brandon Seal. The JV Boys won their game against Middlesex 5-3 extending their overall record overall to 5-2-2 (two ties because of time).

The Lady Cavs Varsity Softball team is also undefeated with a 9-0 record. Shutouts over Mathews (17-0), West Point (15-0), Middlesex (5-0) and Charles City (13-0) were very impressive to say the least. Cavs ace pitcher Taylor Johnson continued her dominance on the mound recording all 9 wins in the wake of 88 strikeouts to date including a no-hitter against Middlesex! Johnson led the Cav's hitting attack in their 13-0 win over Charles City collecting three hits at four at-bats including a home run in the fifth inning. Cavalier utility player Hollyn Krukowski drove in five runs with three hits including a grand slam in the 17-

0 victory over Mathews and pitcher/third baseman Jillian Smith led the Cavs over West Point with two home runs and four runs batted in. Other Cavs collecting hits in their four-game shutout streak were Annabelle Townsend, Skylar Meriwether, Payton Lewis, Olivia Unser, Amanda Kirby, and Chloe Harley. On display was TEAMWORK at its BEST! The Lady JV Cavs are also a powerhouse with an unblemished record of 10-0. Their convincing 14-2 home victory over Middlesex on April 16th delighted the die-hard Cavalier fans.

With each game, these dedicated young athletes have demonstrated their skill, teamwork, and determination inspiring fans and supporters with their remarkable performances. They are a force to be reckoned with in the league. All eyes are on the Cavaliers as they continue their march toward the state championship. Stay tuned, the BEST is yet to come!



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Three Rivers SWCD participated in the 2024 Agriculture Literacy Week

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Agriculture Literacy was celebrated March 18-22, 2024. Three Rivers staff read this year's Ag in the Classroom book "Logan's Greenhouse" to over forty children at the King William, King & Queen and Essex County libraries during story time. Several copies of the book purchased by Three Rivers Soil & Conservation District were donated to the libraries at the end of the program.

An additional book was also donated to West Point Elementary School where Michele Bland (2nd grade teacher) and Kathryn Bland (3rd grade teacher) read to their individual classes.

After reading to the children, Three Rivers staff also helped the children participate in hands-on activities involving vegetables that highlighted the message which correlated back to "Logan's Greenhouse". At King William Library, the children were given lettuce seeds to take home and plant while children at King & Queen Library planted carrot seeds in biodegradable peat pots to take home and plant in their garden. Essex County Library children did an activity where they colored a pea plant and made pea pods out of construction paper that were then glued onto their page.

If you would like more information about Agriculture Literacy Week, please contact the Three Rivers SWCD office at (804)443-4027



Kids listening to the book while our staff member reads

Indian Rivers Humane Society

Contributed by IRHS

Indian Rivers Humane Society will be at Tractor Supply for Pet Appreciation Days on the 4th Saturday of every month. We will have any adoptable animals we currently have available as well as handmade items such as bandanas and earrings available for donation. We will have information available for anyone who is interested in low/cost spay/neuter options. We will also be partnering up with Regional Animal Shelter to bring adoptable dogs as well. Our next event is on Saturday, April 27th from 10-2. Come out and see us!



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Cavalier Coaching Staff Attends Football Clinic at N C State



Cavalier head JV and assistant varsity coach Jamal Johnson, NFL veteran quarterback and N C State alum Philip Rivers, and Cavalier assistant coach Michael Commins

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Cavalier head football coach Scott Moore, JV head and varsity assistant coach Jamal Johnson, and assistant Michael Commins were in attendance at the Mega Football Coaches Clinic hosted by the coaching staff of N C State University in Raleigh on Saturday, April 24th.

school coaching staffs from North and South Carolina and Virginia. The program allows for discussion and exchange of ideas among all coaches in attendance.

NFL veteran quarterback Philip Rivers was the keynote speaker. Philip was being inducted into the N C State Hall of Fame and is currently the head football coach at St. Michael's Academy in

The clinic brings together college Fairhope, Alabama. His NFL career coaching staffs from N C State, spanned 17 seasons, 16 with the San Appalachian State University, and Coastal Carolina University along with high the Indianapolis Colts.

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Essex Tour Day Set for April 26



Contributed by Middle Peninsula Garden Club

The Garden Club of Virginia's Historic Garden Week (HGW), which is hosted by 48 member clubs across Virginia is almost concluded, but visitors can still attend the Friday April 26, Essex County tour hosted by the Garden Club of the Middle Peninsula. All five of the properties on the tour provide visitors a chance to explore properties with a diverse range of styles and architecture in beautiful settings, which also reflect the rich history and pastoral beauty of the area.

The tour will operate from 10 AM to 4 PM. Advance tickets (\$35) may still be

purchased at middlepeninsula@vagardenweek.org. Visitors can purchase tickets on tour day for \$45, payable by cash or check at the houses, or by credit card at the beautifully restored 1710 Tavern in Tappahannock (314 S. Water Lane), worth a stop on tour day even if you already have your ticket. Visitors can enjoy a fun day touring the three properties in Tappahannock, catching a bite for lunch at one of the many local restaurants, and then exploring the two properties on the Rappahannock River in Upper Essex County, before heading home.



2024 Bay Transit – Rappahannock Community College Scholarship Winners Announced



Contributed

Frontline staff continues to take advantage of continuing education opportunities

Bay Transit, the public transportation division of Bay Aging, announced the three winners of the 2024 Bay Transit – Rappahannock Community College (RCC) Scholarship in a ceremony held at the RCC Warsaw Campus on April 15th. For the second year, Bay Transit Mechanic's Assistant Trinity Puckett, received a scholarship to continue coursework in support of earning her Diesel Mechanic Certification. Last year Trinity completed classes in air conditioning repair and diesel fuel systems and tune ups. This year, she is taking classes in powertrain and chassis and air brake systems.

The second scholarship winner is Bay Transit Dispatcher/Scheduler Kaitlyn Allen, who has been studying at RCC for two years. Ms. Allen has been taking biology and other prerequisite courses in pursuit of a diagnostic medical sonography (DMS) degree. The third scholarship winner is Ava Oliff, granddaughter of Bay Transit bus operator Wayne Oliff. Ms. Oliff also received a Bay Transit – RCC Scholarship in 2023, focusing on completing the general education classes completed during her first year as a full-time RCC student. This fall, Ava will begin taking classes for a degree in graphic design.

The Bay Transit – RCC Scholarships are paid for entirely with funds generated from sponsorships of Bay Transit's annual 'Art in Transit' judged competition, as well as a \$1,000 match from the RCC Educational Foundation. Bay Transit Scholarships are

awarded each spring for one or more of Bay Transit's frontline employees, the employee's children, or employee's grandchildren, who are, or will be, attending RCC. The scholarships are one of several measures Bay Transit has taken to bolster their ongoing frontline employee recruitment and retention efforts, to help ensure continued excellent customer service standards, and support employee professional development.

This is the third year that Bay Transit and RCC have partnered in support of continuing education for frontline staff. "RCC is proud of the students who received the scholarships and to partner again with Bay Transit," stated RCC Vice President of College Advancement Sarah D. Pope. "This year over \$700,000 is being awarded to over 500 deserving students."

For Towne Insurance, this is their third year of sponsoring Art in Transit and the Bay Transit – RCC Scholarship. Towne Insurance Senior Vice President Brittany Totty noted, "We are thrilled to see the impact our support has in improving access to educational opportunities for Bay Transit frontline staff and family members. It was so much fun meeting the scholarship winners in person and taking part in this proud moment."

For more information about Bay Transit, please visit the Bay Transit website at www.BayTransit.org. For more information about the Rappahannock Community College, please visit their website at https://www.rappahannock.edu/. To learn more about Bay Aging, please visit the website at www.BayAging.org.

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Maleena's Wildlife Rescue

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King William Sheriff's Office



March 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

Calls for Service	1014
Incident Reports	109
Traffic Summons	99
Warrants Served	64
Civil Papers Served	427

UCR Code	Count
18.2-103-SHOPLIFT/ALTR PRICE/CONCEAL/XFER GOODS <\$1000	1
18.2-137-MONUMENT: INTENTIONAL DAMAGE, VALUE <\$1000	1
18.2-137-MONUMENT: INTENTIONAL DAMAGE, VALUE >=\$1000	1
18.2-152.3-COMPUTER FRAUD: EMBEZZLE OR LARCENY <\$1000	1
18.2-152.3-COMPUTER FRAUD: OBTAIN PROPERTY/SERVICES >=\$1000	1
18.2-266-DWI: 1ST OFFENSE	1
18.2-266-DWI: 2ND OFF WIN SY	1
18.2-386.2-OBSCENITY: DISSEMINATE PHOTO/VIDEO TO HARRASS ETC	1
18.2-57-ASSAULT: (MISDEMEANOR)	3
18.2-57.2-ASSAULT & BATTERY - FAMILY MEMBER	11
18.2-91-BURGLARY: ENTER HOUSE TO COMMIT 9.1-902 FELONY	1
18.2-95-GRAND LARCENY: FIREARM, NOT FROM A PERSON	1
18.2-96-PETIT LARCENY: <\$1000 NOT FROM A PERSON	2
23C-Shoplifting	1
23H-All Other Larceny	1
250-Counterfeiting/Forgery	2
26A-False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	1
26E-Wire Fraud	1
46.2-613-IMPROP/FICT REG/TITLEPLATE	1
46.2-817-LAW ENF COMMAND: DISREGARD OR ELUDE, ENDANGER	1
46.2-862-RECK DR: SPEED OVER 85 MPH	1
90F-Family Offenses, Nonviolent	3
90Z-All Other Offenses	3
ANIMBD-ANIMAL BITE - DOG/ CANINE	3
ANIMBF-ANIMAL BITE - CAT / FELINE	1
CHILD-CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT/ENDANGERMENT COMPLAINT	1
CIVILD-CIVIL DISTUBANCE/VERBAL DISPUTE	2
DOA-DEAD ON ARRIVAL/DECEASED PERSON	1
FOUND-FOUND PROPERTY	1
JUVI-JUVENILE ISSUE	6
MENTAL-MENTAL SUBJECT	4
MPER-MISSING PERSON/ADULT	1
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4144 Manfield Road, Aylett 23009 Pagie Hancock, Pastor. 9:15 Sunday School, 10:15 Morning Service. Mother's Day Dinner Saturday, May 11th 3:00pm, Fellowship Hall. Tickets on sale now. Adults \$20, Children Ages 6-12 \$10, Under 6 Free. Contact: Sister Wanda Johnson 1-804-517-7843 or Deacon Carolyn Ford 1-804-385-5360. Friday May 3rd, Lunch/Dinner Fundraiser held 11am-6pm for \$15 per dinner. See facebook for info. Facebook: ROCK SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH or email rockspringbaptistchurch1@gmail.com

Second Mount Olive

will be having its annual Mother's Day program. May 12th The speaker will be Elder Linda Brown of Edge Worship Center, West Point, VA.

The Edge Worship Centre

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The Fix Ministry

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3. Storytimes will resume in June.

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Upper KW Branch Library

Family Storytime Wednesday, May 1, 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. For ages 0-5 with caregiver. Free Comic Book Day @ UKW: Make a Pokémon bookmark Saturday, May 4, 10:30am - 12:30pm All ages. Coloring, Coffee, & Donuts Tuesday, May 7, 10:30 - 11:30am Ages 18 & up. Stay and Play Wednesday, May 8, 11:15am - noon Ages 0-5. Learn How to Cross-stitch Tuesday, May 14, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 18 & up. Create a Grass Head Thursday, May 16, 4:00 - 6:30pm Ages 3-12. UKW Anime Club Tuesday, May 21, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 12-18. The Stitching Hour Thursday, May 23, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 18 and up. UKW Chess Club Tuesday, May 28, 6:00 - 7:30pm All Ages. Call 804-769-3731 or visit the library at 694-J Sharon Road for more information.

West Point Branch Library

Star Wars Scavenger Hunt Saturday, May 4, 10:30am - 1:30pm Kids' Craft Club Saturday, May 11, 10:30 - 11:30am Ages 5-10. I'd Rather be Reading Book Club Wednesday, May 15, 11:30am - 12:30pm Ages 16 and up. Legos @ the Library Friday, May 17, 4:00 - 5:00pm Grades K-5. Refreshments provided by the Friends of the West Point Library. Mocktails & Summer Party Food Saturday, May 18, 12:30 - 1:30pm Play-Doh Monday, May 20, 11:00 a.m. - noon Ages 1-5. Call 804-843-3244 or visit the library at 721 Main Street for more information. Starting after Saturday, May 4, the new address for the West Point Branch Library will be 433 12th Street, West Point, VA 23181.

VFW Post 9501

The veterans of VFW Post located on 7712 King William Road, Aylett will have their monthly meetings the 2nd 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 2nd Thursday. Call Gladys Hickman, President at 804-330-9925 or Carolyn Brown, Senior-Vice 804-769-2496 for membership or more information.

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Monthly Board of Directors' meetings on the third Tuesday of each month. If you would like to attend, contact the office at (804)443-4027 for meeting place and time. The public is invited.

K.W.T.E.A. Party

We now only meet the second Thursday of each month at 6:00pm. 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.

DCSE Service Point Assistance

DCSE Contact Information: 1-800-468-8894

KW Parks and Recreation

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Interested in a community watch? Call Lisa Mayville at 804-551-3267 or Email: lisamayville@atlanticbb.net. Any crime call King William Sheriff Office at 804-769-0999 or kwso@kingwilliamcounty.us Crime tips call Robin Bostic with King William Victim/Witness Program at 804-525-8838 or email: rbostic@kingwilliamcounty.us

KW Republican Committee Meetings

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 6pm at the KW Parks & Rec Building, 7890 Richmond-Tappahannock HWY. Questions please email us: kingwilliamgop.com

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Department

Welcomes volunteers, come to our Business Meeting, first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm, 3493 King William Rd, Aylett, for more information; phone us at (804)994-9800. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram. Always, in case of Emergency, Dial 911.

Good Neighbor Center

Financial and related assistance to area residents. For assistance, please call the GNC's Manager, Ms. Thornton at 757-585- 8227. Mail contributions to West Point Ministers Association, PO Box 1139, West Point, VA 23181.

The CornerStone Community Development Center

Food Distribution *11235 West River Road, Aylett Saturday food distribution. April (27, May 4, May 11, May 18, May 25) 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.

Mobile Pantry April 24, 11.30a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Registration for the food program is done during drive through distribution. Please bring a pen and id.

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The CornerStone Free Health Clinic

8270 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy. Aylett. No walk in appointments. Please call to register. Fundraisers *Friday Fundraiser on May 3 from 11a.m. - 6p.m. *Dinner deal on Thursday, May 9 at 6p.m. Order ahead and pick up at 8270 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy. Aylett Call 804 769 2996 or Email theccdc@gmail.com Proceeds to benefit Food and Free Health Clinic Programs. The CornerStone Community Development Center is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization. Donations are tax exempt. Mailing address: P.O. Box 68, Aylett, Virginia 23009



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