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Aylett's Red Rose: The Berkley House



The Berkley House as it originally looked in the 1800s

By Gene Campbell

Every time I visit Tom Newman, our conversations veer from the latest national and local news to occasional discussions about politics, but invariably, history takes center stage. Tom, often referred to as the mayor of Aylett, holds a wealth of knowledge about the history of the quaint little town nestled along the banks of the Mattaponi River. We all have driven by the house with the distinctive red roof on River Road in downtown Aylett. Did you know it is called the Berkley House? It is the home of Tom's daughter, Susan, and her husband, Lee Richards.

Aylett was a bustling town, a major river port during colonial times. Ships traveled up the Mattaponi River with goods from afar to stock the many shops and stores in town. It had a foundry and was once considered for the location of the county courthouse. In 1837, a free slave named Mr. Berkley built the house for his family, therefore it came to be known as the Berkley House. When the Yankees entered the town during the Civil War, they set fire to the foundry because it made cannonballs for the Confederate rebels and everything else in town.

Please see Berkley, continued on page 14

A Royal Rewind: King & Queen Courthouse Tavern Steps Back in Time



Off to school in a one room school house!

By Gene Campbell

Picture waking up early on a school day, preparing biscuits from scratch, running to the barn or well to fetch a pail of water or milk a cow, and then walking several miles to school, all before 9 am. I am sure there are still some 'old-timers' today who can amuse you with tales of such days. I recently attended a 'Back in the Day' event at the King & Queen Tavern Museum, organized by the museum's volunteers. The museum showcased a range of activities and exhibits that highlighted the history and culture of the county. Volunteers were on hand to share stories and answer questions about the county's history.

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Debating the Future of a Library



Lisa Vawter voices her concern on the decision to leave the PRL system

By Gene Campbell

The decision to withdraw from the Pamunkey Regional Library (PRL) system was the central focus of the King William Board of Supervisors meeting on July 22nd. In a public comment period, seven citizens shared their perspectives, with five expressing dissents towards the supervisors' prior decision made on July 8th to leave the system. Brenda Clements spoke and asserted that the county cannot match the library services currently provided by PRL with the current budget. Lisa Vawter highlighted the robust services of PRL, emphasizing her use of resources from home via computer and questioning the county's ability to offer a comparable system. Dorothy Wassenberg voiced her support for the decision, noting a perceived decline in PRL standards that do not align with her vision of a suitable library.

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Antioch Baptist Church to Dedicate Historical Highway Marker

Contributed

Antioch Baptist Church of Saluda will dedicate a state historical highway marker on Saturday, August 3, at 12 Noon. The program will be held at the church at 159 Oakes Landing Road in Saluda. Founded in 1866, Antioch is the oldest African-American church in Middlesex County and one of four founding churches of the Southside Rappahannock Baptist Association.

Historical reflections will be given by the Reverend Dr. Leonard L. Edloe, pastor of New Hope Fellowship, Hartfield, Virginia. Music will be provided by Mary Ann Holmes, soprano, and by the Southside Rappahannock Baptist Association Choir under the direction of Marcellus Dungee. Ms. Holmes is a triple great (great, great, great) granddaughter of William Corr, who was one of Antioch's founding trustees. King and Queen County native, the Reverend Fred D. Holmes, Jr., is the pastor of Antioch, having served there for nearly 54 years.

The Middlesex Museum & Historical Society, Inc. and Antioch Baptist Church are joint sponsors of the highway marker. The Virginia Board of Historic Resources, which has the authority to designate new



historical markers, approved the marker in June of 2022.

All are cordially invited to attend the marker dedication program. It will also be livestreamed on Antioch's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/antiochbaptist.church.378). Following the unveiling of the marker in front of the Middlesex historic courthouse at 865 General Puller Highway, there will be a reception on the courthouse green.

For further information, call 804-651-8753.

Publisher's Message



The summer is passing fast. I don't tolerate the heat as well as I used to. Fall is my favorite time of year. It won't be long until there is a crispness in the air and leaves begin to change. There is still time to enjoy the summer. A ride to the mountains or the beach makes a nice day trip. Virginia has many exciting historic places to visit as well. Like Jimmy Buffet said in his song, "Changes in latitudes, changes in attitudes,"

Take care until next time...

Hanny Clark



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Safety

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

There's this nice lady that I know that has always wanted to try horseback riding. She had never taken any lessons or even been on a horse before. She told me a story about her first riding experience.

One day she just decides to give it a try and jumps on this horse without any help and immediately the horse springs into action. It gallops along at a steady pace and she begins to bounce out of control in the saddle. She tries to grab hold of the horse's mane but loses her grip. She decides to try and wrap her arms around the horse's neck to keep from falling. The horse is steadily galloping as she comes out of the saddle and starts to slide down his side. Finally she leaps away from the horse to try and throw herself to safety. Unfortunately her foot has become entangled in the stirrup. She is now at the mercy of the horse's pounding hooves as her head is struck against the ground over and over. As her head is battered against the ground, she is mere moments away from unconsciousness when to her great fortune the department store manager sees



her and unplugs the ride.

I was just joking with you to get a point across that we all should think about safety when riding. Things can and will happen unexpectedly when dealing with animals. They can bump into you and knock you down or step on you. A good set of boots and a riding helmet can help with safety.

I would like to hear from you.
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See you on the trails.

Cavs Taylor Johnson named TD All-Metro Softball Player of the Year



Lady Cavs softball pitcher Taylor Johnson

By Gene Campbell

Just as the rain keeps coming down as I write this article, the accolades for the Lady Cavs softball pitcher Taylor Johnson keep pouring in. From All-District First Team and Player of the Year to All-Region First Team and Co-Player of the Year, and now the Richmond Times Dispatch (RTD) All-Metro First Team and Player of the Year, Taylor's achievements know no bounds. The sky is truly the limit for this talented athlete! Taylor's teammates, Payton Lewis (First Team), Jillian Smith (Second Team), Annabelle Townsend (Second Team), Skylar Meriwether (Honorable Mention), and Hollyn Krukowski (Honorable Mention) were honored by the RTD as well. The Lady Cav's coaching staff of Elizabeth Welshonce and Jim McGuckin were All-Metro Coaching Staff of the Year.

When I first started covering the Cavaliers softball and baseball games last year, Taylor Johnson's pitching skills caught my eye. She quickly became my favorite player to capture through the lens of my camera. Her pitching style and control were a sight to behold. Her fast delivery required me to set my camera to the highest speed settings. Taylor's ability to command the strike zone, mix up pitches, and keep hitters off balance made her a formidable opponent on the field. Her stats speak for themselves - 210 strikeouts and a 0.84 earned run average (ERA) in 117 innings pitched were phenomenal. Oh, did I mention her prowess at

the plate? Throughout the season, Johnson not only consistently delivered stellar performances on the mound but at the plate too. Her .540 batting average, scoring 35 runs while driving in 21 RBIs, and hitting 5 home runs, led the team to an impressive 21-2 record. Not only did Taylor excel on the field, she also excelled in the classroom, earning her a spot on the 2024 All-Academic Team. Her dedication to both her academics and her sport is truly commendable. Those kind of stats can be summed up in three letters....WOW!

Her knack for rising to the occasion in pressure situations and delivering clutch performances was a key factor in the team's success. Scoring one of the two runs in the Cavaliers 2-0 win over Randolph Henry in the state championship game and then calmly shutting down a potential Statesmen comeback in the seventh inning, highlighted her impact on the team's success throughout the season.

As Taylor prepares to head to James Madison University next month, the King William community couldn't be PROUDER of their hometown hero. With a bright future ahead at the collegiate level, Taylor's journey is just beginning, and I will be eagerly following her next chapter in softball. My son, Wyatt, is a rising senior at JMU and will be living just down the street from the softball stadium. I hope to attend some games when I visit Wyatt.

Congratulations Taylor! The King William community is rooting for you and SO VERY PROUD to be your hometown. GO DUKES!

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Obituaries



CHAMBERLAIN Franklin Eugene (Gene) Chamberlain, 77, of Aylett, Virginia went to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 21, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer. He

passed away at home, peacefully, surrounded by his family. He is preceded in death by his parents, Franklin A. and Dera A. Chamberlain. He is survived by his devoted wife of 59 years, Regina C. Chamberlain; children, Renae Murphy (Corey), Scott Chamberlain (Mary) and Mark Chamberlain (Brandi); 12 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; his brother, Bruce Chamberlain; two sisters, Bonnie Pridemore and Diane DesRoches; numerous nieces, nephews and friends. Gene served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Lexington from 1963-1967. He then pursued a lifetime career as an HVAC Technician, a member of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 10, until he retired from United Technologies Carrier Corporation in 2008. Gene's long-time passion was square dance calling and teaching. He and Regina began square dancing in 1990 and he became a square dance caller in 1999. He called for multiple square dance clubs, dances and conventions throughout the country over

the last 25 years. He enjoyed camping, boating, fishing, riding his Harley, restoring antique vehicles and spending time with family and friends. Gene was a hard worker and a great provider for his family. He was always there to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, at any time. A sweet, kind and generous man who always willingly gave his love and time whenever needed. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends but never forgotten. A special thank you to Mary Chamberlain, April Frioui and Amanda Spiller for the loving care that you provided to him during his hospitalizations and hospice care at home. The family received guests Thursday, July 25, 2024, from 2:00-4:00 PM and 6:00-8:00 PM at Bennett Funeral Home, Mechanicsville, Virginia. Funeral Services was held on Friday, July 26, 2024, at 11:00 AM at Bennett Funeral Home, Mechanicsville, Virginia. The graveside service was held at Washington Memorial Park.



SEAL

Jean Pitts Seal, 88, of Newtown, King and Queen County, passed away on Thursday, July 25, 2024, at her residence. She was preceded in death by her husband,

Carl Francis Seal.

Born in Salvia, VA on January 21, 1936, daughter of the late William and Estelle Pitts. Jean loved working in her yard, cooking, and canning. She was happiest when she was riding the lawn mower. Jean worked at Litton Office Products for years and when retired, she and Francis cut lawns for people in the community. She made and served dinner for the King and Queen Ruritan Club monthly meetings for years after retirement. Jean was a member of Upper King and Queen Baptist Church where she was the third woman deacon, taught Sunday School, was a GA and Acteen leader, WMU member and President, and a member of the choir. She is survived by her three daughters, Deborah S. Rhodes (Warner), Denise S. Sanzone, and Nancy S. Berryman; five grandchildren, Jennifer Whitehurst, Robert Goff (Sandy), Jean Marie Handy (Nick), Rusty Goff, and Savannah Berryman; three step-

grandchildren, Rachel Rhodes, Christopher Rhodes (Ellen), and Benjamin Rhodes (Lucy); four great grandchildren, Summer Yeager (Dylan), Jewel Mitchell, Trinity Goff, and Jordan Mitchell; two step-great grandchildren, Beau and Helen Rhodes; two great-great grandchildren, Caden and Walker Yeager; brother, William R. Pitts (Gertrude); sister, Susiette P. Jackson; as well as many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Aylett Chapel of the B. W. White Funeral Home. Services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at Upper King and Queen Baptist Church, 1693 Bradley Farm Rd., Newtown, VA. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. In lieu of flowers please make contributions to Upper King and Queen Baptist Building Fund, PO Box 40, Newtown, VA 23126 or Upper King and Queen Vol. Fire Department, PO BOX 5, Newtown, VA 23126.



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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
*Board of Supervisors
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Please know that I do not approve of your vote to leave the Pamunkey Regional Library System. I believe that your decision was not well informed nor was it well thought out. Perhaps some Town Hall meetings to share the information you have as well as your plan going forward would have been a good idea. This is a major decision and the citizens of this county need to be informed and included.

The Pamunkey Regional Library has served this community well for 40 plus years. It continues to serve us well. I am not opposed to responsible change if it offers improvement. I do not believe that you have enough reliable information to prove to our community that you can improve on the services that the Pamunkey Regional Library System provides to us.

This is our community. The Pamunkey Regional Library is part of that community. I am sure that many if not the majority of your constituents share this opinion. I am also sure that many of those constituents will be reaching out to you by phone, email or letter to let you know how they feel. Please listen.

Your job is not easy, however listening to the wishes of the people who elected you is a part of the job. Thanks for doing that and for acting according to their wishes.

Respectfully,
Penny Volk
King William

Dear Editor,
Save King William's libraries

I am writing to ask every King William County citizen to help save King William's libraries. On July 8 the King William Board of Supervisors voted to withdraw from the Pamunkey Regional Library. The issue was not on the agenda and their discussion about the Library was held in closed session. The Board has promised that "By operating our own county library, we feel we can improve services, and do it cheaper and more efficiently." There is no evidence to support this statement.

As a King William resident I am appalled and embarrassed that my local governing body would make such an important decision without a full cost/benefit analysis, a truthful disclosure of what library service we would have if we leave Pamunkey Regional Library, and open public hearings about this issue.

Ask your Supervisor to vote to stay in the Pamunkey Regional Library system until they have proven that they can operate an "independent library" with improved services and do it cheaper and more efficiently.

For more information and a link to the Save the King William Library petition please go to <https://savethewilliamlibrary.org>

Sincerely,
Fran Freimarck
Manquin, King William

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Questions arose about the absence of a cost analysis and community referendum for input before the decision was made. The current chairman of the PRL Board of Trustees, Barbara Young, spoke and extended an offer to the supervisors to meet and address any questions.

Supervisor Mary Sue Bancroft responded, stating the decision was made in the best interests of the majority of the citizens, considering many counties are moving to an independent library system. She said the county finance department is conducting a cost analysis to ensure financial stability, promising improved library hours and space. The current Parks and Recreation building in Aylett is under consideration as the potential new library site, while the West Point library remains following recent renovations. Bancroft also mentioned the option for citizens to remain PRL members by paying an average monthly fee of \$2.08. The county's departure from the PRL will become effective on July 1st, 2025.

Additional matters discussed at the meeting included a public hearing on proposed changes to the boathouse and boat shed ordinance. No one spoke and the amendments were unanimously approved.

Staci Longest, Director for Finance for King William Schools, presented amendments to the 2024 and 2025 fiscal year school budgets, which were passed unanimously. County Administrator Percy Ashcraft, provided updates on the progress of the water line extension project along Rt 360 in the Manquin area, reporting it is 60% complete, and noted that the water tank construction on Manfield Road (Rt 605) is at 28% completion. Ashcraft further mentioned that the YMCA is conducting a market analysis for potentially establishing a gym in the upper end of the county, emphasizing that it would not compete with the Parks and Recreation Department. Additionally, he announced that a National Night Out event will take place at the King William High School parking lot and the West Point Town Hall on Tuesday, August 6th from 5-8 pm. The next meeting of the King William Board of Supervisors is scheduled for August 19th at the administrative building in the courthouse complex, commencing at 6:30 pm. All Points Broadband is scheduled to give an update on their progress in installing broadband at the meeting.

Letters to the Editor

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

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN OPIOID CRISIS TOWN HALL

Stakeholders in and around King William County are hosting discussions on the future of Opioid addiction services in our community. Service providers, family, friends, those in recovery or anyone affected by the crisis are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF RAPPAHANNOCK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE'S APPLICATION FOR A STREAMLINED INCREASE IN RATES

CASE NO. PUR-2024-00132

On August 30, 2024, Rappahannock Electric Cooperative ("REC" or "Cooperative") expects to file with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application requesting approval of a proposed increase in rates and charges for bills issued on and after October 1, 2024 ("Application"). The Cooperative is filing the Application pursuant to §§ 56-231.33, 56-231.34, 56-235, 56-236, and 56-585.3 of the Code of Virginia and under 20 VAC 5-200-21(C) of the Commission's Rules Governing Streamlined Rate Proceedings and General Rate Proceedings for Electric Cooperatives Subject to the State Corporation Commission's Rate Jurisdiction ("Streamlined Rate Case Rules").

REC has experienced increases in its cost of service due to inflation and higher interest rates. Additionally, REC has continued to invest in its system and the requested revenue increase will allow it to recover the investments that it has already made and related operations and maintenance expenses. Further, the increase in revenues will permit the Cooperative to continue to meet its financial obligations and to continue investing in the reliability of the electric grid. Specifically, the proposed rates are designed to increase the Cooperative's revenues by approximately \$19.0 million per year, an overall increase of total revenues for the Cooperative of 4.00%. Impacts on individual member bills may vary based on usage. Based on pro-forma year results, the proposed rates will produce a TIER (Times Interest Earned Ratio) of 2.03.

The Cooperative proposes the following changes to the revenue produced by each of its rate schedules:

Class (Rate Schedule)	Revenue	Revenue
	Increase/Decrease	Increase/Decrease
	Amount (in \$000s)	%
Schedule A-1 Residential and Church Service	\$ 14,611	4.75%
Schedule A-2 Farm, Civic and Ancillary Resid.	\$ 1,433	6.48%
Schedule A-1 Prepaid Electric Service	\$ 153	4.63%
Schedule A-1 -T OU Time of Use	\$ 19	16.83%
Schedule B-1 Small General Service <25 kW	\$ 509	4.36%
Schedule B-3 Small General Service > 25kW	\$ 671	2.72%
Schedule LP-I -Large Power Service	\$ 1,263	1.75%
Schedule HD-I Large Power High Diversity Service	\$ 74	2.70%
Schedule LP-3 Large Power Subst Direct Service	\$ 145	0.65%
Schedule OL Outdoor Lighting	\$ 115	4.05%
Total	\$ 18,993	4.00%
*4.75% is the class percentage increase based on 2023 revenues-An individual member's increase will vary based on electricity usage and current power costs.		

Under the proposed new rates, an average residential member using 1,187 kWh per month will see an increase of approximately \$8.31 per month, which would be a 4.8% increase to the member's monthly bill based on the current Power Cost Adjustment rate. The proposed rates in the Cooperative's Application will include a \$1.80 increase in the residential member's Access Charge.

The Application does not propose any wholesale power cost riders be rolled-in to base rates. Additionally, the Cooperative is not proposing revisions to its rate structure as part of the Application. At the same time that the Cooperative intends to implement the proposed rates in its Application, it also intends to implement a change in the Power Cost Adjustment, under which an average residential member using 1,187 kWh per month will see a decrease of approximately \$1.79 per month, which would be a 1.0% decrease to the member's monthly bill after the new rates, for a net increase of \$6.52, or 3.8%.

The Cooperative intends to file the Application with the Commission on August 30, 2024. Any person subject to the change or changes proposed by REC has the right to request a hearing within 30 days of the Application's delivery to the Commission, or by September 29, 2024. Requests for hearing should be directed to the Clerk of the Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218. If the Commission receives objections from fewer than (i) 150 of the Cooperative's members; (ii) one-quarter of the members within a rate class that is the subject of a revision or increase; or (iii) all of the members within a rate class that is the subject of a revision or increase if the rate class contains 20 or fewer members, REC may petition the Commission to make rates permanent without hearing within 30 days after the Application is filed with the Commission. Specifically, REC intends to request in its Application that if the Commission does not suspend the proposed rates as provided in the Streamlined Rate Case Rules, REC be permitted to implement the proposed rates on a permanent basis without a hearing effective for bills issued on and after October 1, 2024. The Commission may convene a hearing to consider the Cooperative's Application, and if a hearing is held, the Commission may order rate relief, redesign rates or adopt tariff revisions which differ from those appearing in REC's Application.

Interested persons are encouraged to review the Application and supporting documents once it is filed for the details of these and other proposals and may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: <https://www.scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information>. Copies of the Cooperative's Application also may be inspected during regular business hours at each of the Cooperative's business offices in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Copies of these documents also may be obtained, at no charge, by submitting a written request to counsel for the Cooperative: Timothy E. Biller, Esquire, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, Riverfront Plaza East Tower, 951 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-4074, tbiller@hunton.com.

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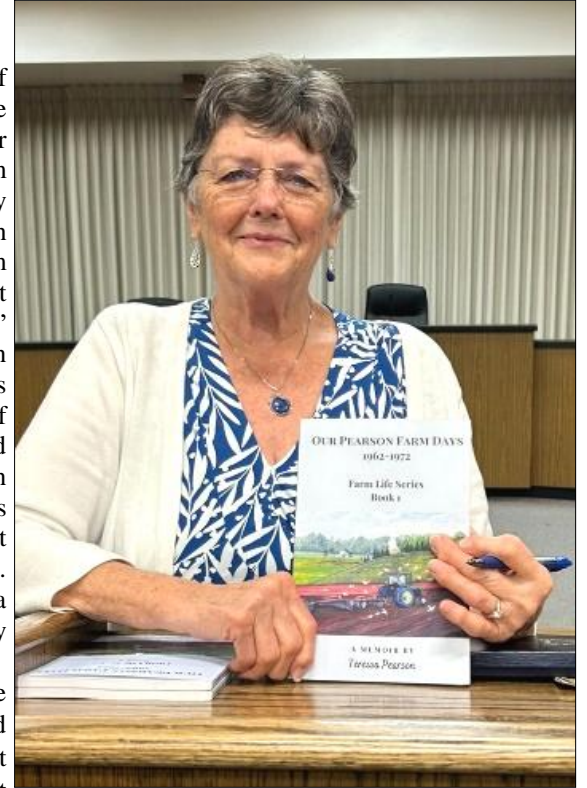
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Teressa Pearson Presents her Book “Our Pearson Farm Days”

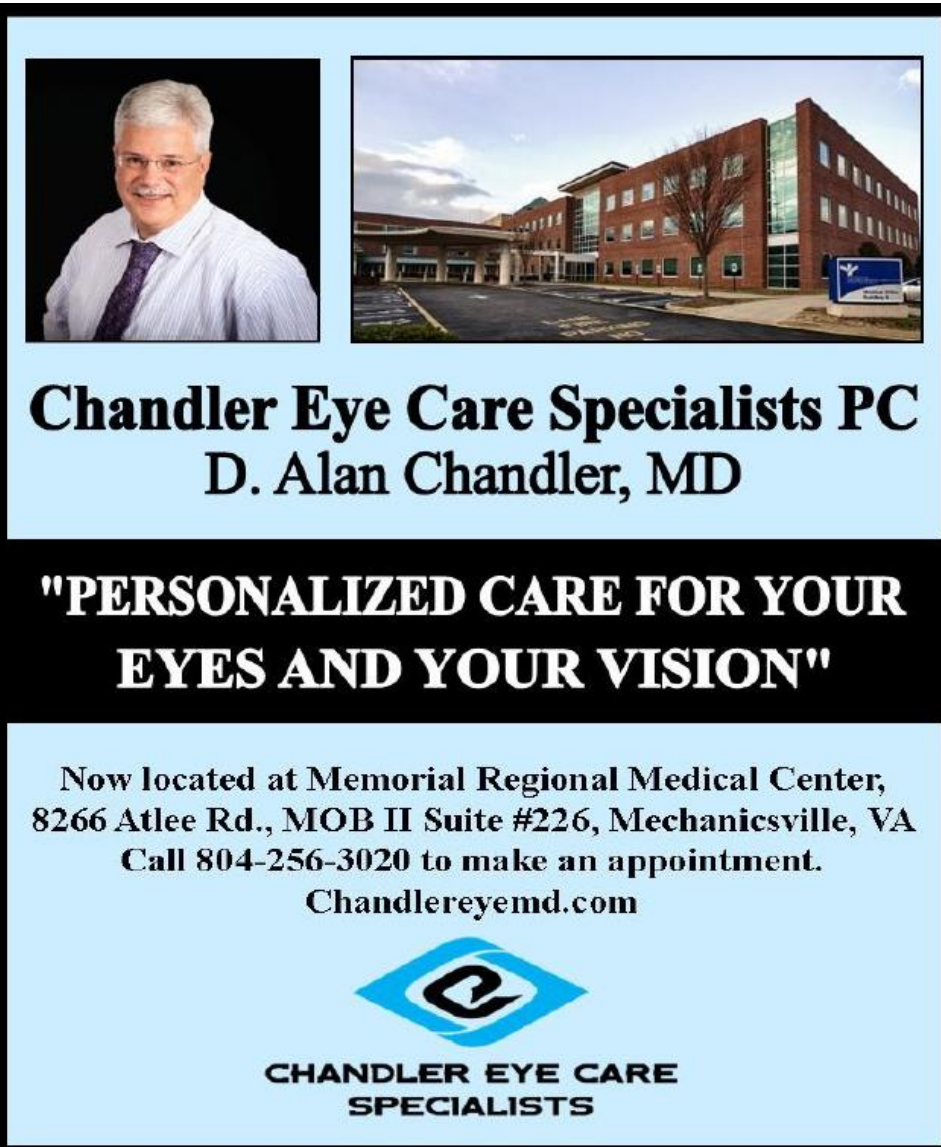
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On a road in the western part of King William County near the Pamunkey River at the Hanover line sits tucked away an old farm called Difficult Hill. On Sunday July 14th Mrs. Teressa Pearson spoke before the King William Museum Council about her first book “Our Pearson Farm Days” 1962-1972, Book 1. Mrs. Pearson started journaling her farm days starting on the very first day of her marriage in 1962 to Donald Pearson. Their home was built in 1905 from hand hewn timbers from a home called Narrigansett not too far up the road. Originally this land was part of a tract owned by Thomas Cary Nelson.



Teressa Pearson

The book describes life on the farm with family, friends and neighbors. She read one excerpt entitled “The Horse of a Different Color” about a rather stubborn mare that didn’t want to be ridden. She also spoke of “Seining of the Pond” and the big flood of 1971 of the Pamunkey River. You can just imagine yourself being with her as she goes about her daily life, visiting neighbors and friends, raising her children, taking piano lessons. She is an accomplished artist and some of her art work can be purchased in the Museum. The front of the book is her own illustration. Mrs. Pearson has kept a journal for sixty years and is now working on her second book. We are all looking forward to her sequels. Her book can be purchased on Amazon.

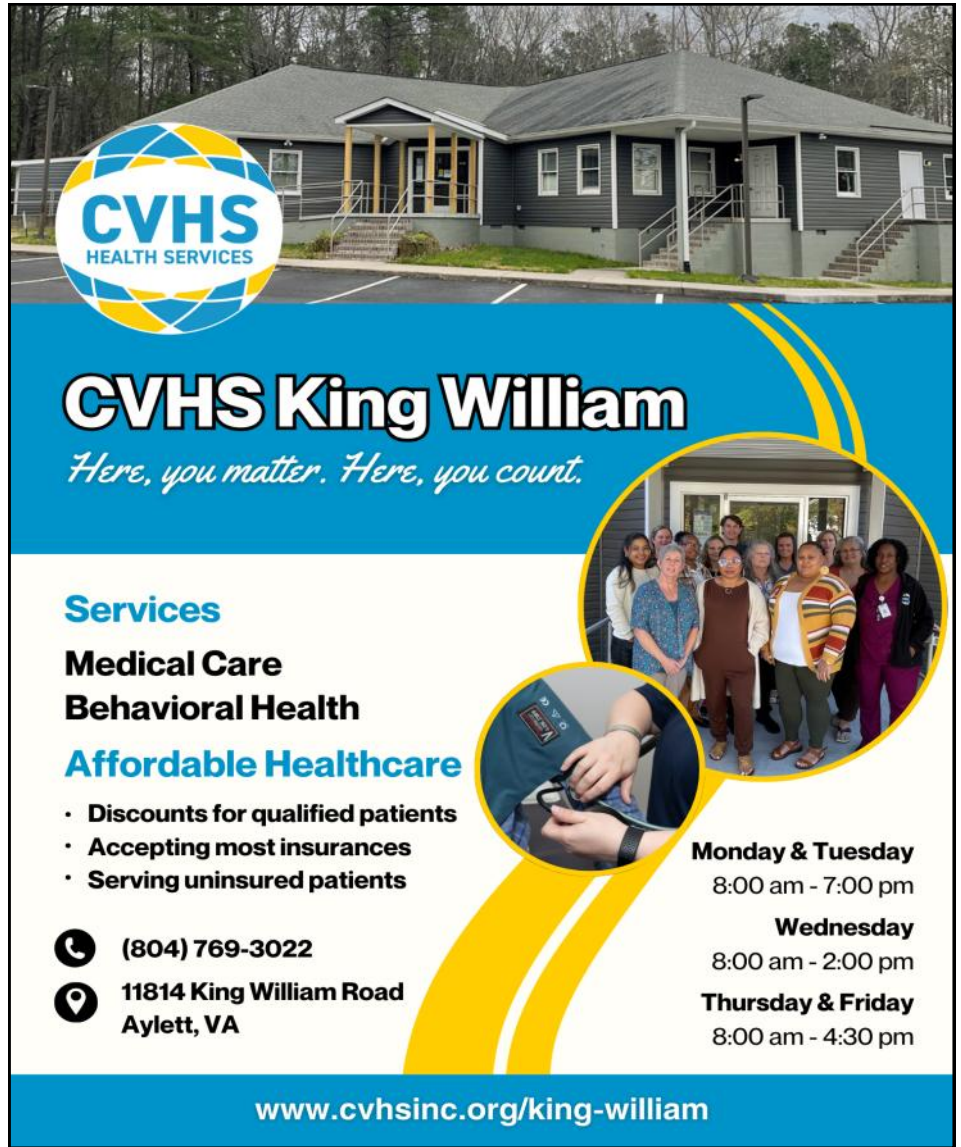


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New Project is Causing a Buzz in Manquin

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A recent collaboration between Energix Renewables and Siller Pollinator Company is using a 13MWac solar site in Manquin, King William County, Virginia, to help foster sustainable and productive environments, creating economic and agricultural benefits for the surrounding communities.

In partnership with local communities, Energix established ten bee hives on the site, and they are now producing honey and pollinating the surrounding land. The project started nearly two years ago based on Energix's commitment to sustainable land use and, given the benefits realized, there are plans to expand.

The bees have a range of benefits for the site itself and the surrounding ecosystems and communities. Honeybee pollination increases seed sets of desirable species, leading to more self-seeding of clover under the panels and pollinator plants in the wildflower meadow. Because bees have a range of 17,000 acres, the benefits extend far beyond the site itself. Surrounding vegetable gardens, fruit orchards, and row crops often experience yield benefits when pollinated by honeybees. The honey produced on site provides a hyper-local food source enjoyed by the beekeeper, site operators, and neighbors, creating a sense of community.

"The bees are thriving alongside the panels," said Allison Wickham, the

beekeeper on site. "The shading provided by the panels keeps the cool-season clovers planted under the panels in bloom longer, which is very beneficial to pollinators. I've seen the bees foraging happily amongst the panels. The hives on site are very healthy and progressing at better-than-average rates."

Every two to three weeks, a staff member from Siller Pollinator Company visits the bees to ensure the bees are healthy, have queens and sufficient space, and to treat pests or diseases if necessary. If needed, the bees are fed supplements, but so far, their nutritional needs have been met on site.

The team of professional beekeepers is skilled at identifying pest and disease issues, signs of poor nutrition, and degrading environmental factors that pose risks to the bees. They clear surrounding vegetation with string trimmers during each visit to maintain flight paths and ventilation. The team uses integrated pest management techniques to keep the bees healthy. They routinely check for diseases and pests, treating them with appropriate cultural or chemical treatments when necessary. Only naturally occurring compounds are used for treatments, as they are most effective for the bees. The bees are safe behind a fence that protects them from vandalism and predators like bears.

Please see **BEES**, continued on page 14.

Museum, continued from front page



Museum volunteers Martha Hart (left) and Susan Richardson (right) show children how people washed clothes back in the day

Within and outside the Courthouse Tavern, there were displays dedicated to the early days of the King & Queen County. Both kids and adults had the chance to experience washing laundry with a wash tub and wringer, observe a spinning wheel creating yarn, sit in a one-room schoolhouse with desks, books, and even a teacher, walk to a post office with a stable behind it – all things your grandparents did and experienced many years ago. In the stable, you could even sit in a buggy and pretend to tell the 'old gray mare' to giddy up. One exhibit featured fossils, showcasing rocks, and shark teeth that were millions of years old. Why ole George

Washington was on hand to tell you about his travels through King & Queen on his way to see Martha Dandridge Custis when he was courting her.

The 'Back in the Day' celebration provided a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together, experience, and learn what life was like in King & Queen County many years ago. Life was challenging 'back in the day' yet significantly more uncomplicated. Visit the Courthouse Tavern Museum. The history and artifacts on display are captivating. I promise you will walk away with a newfound appreciation for things in your life that you now take for granted.

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Bees, continued

Beekeeping and solar operations are complementary activities, as an apiary or bee yard requires a small footprint but has a significant impact. According to Allison, "Bees on solar sites are a natural choice, especially when the operator has prioritized pollinator plantings. An apiary has a very small footprint compared to its impact. Bees will travel up to three miles, meaning an apiary will pollinate the entirety of the site and support the surrounding areas, but the hives only require a few hundred square feet."



Such collaborations can serve as a model for all businesses moving forward. They offer mutually beneficial relationships for all stakeholders and neighbors of the sites. Placing apiaries in solar sites provides economic opportunities for local beekeepers, improves results for solar operators, keeps land under solar sites in agricultural use, and benefits the local community and ecosystem.

Energix's integration of bees into their solar projects demonstrates the company's commitment to environmental stewardship and

sustainability. Beyond renewable energy production, they contribute to increasing bee populations and preserving biodiversity. This project showcases how advanced technology and traditional agricultural practices can be harmoniously combined for the greater good.

Energix and Siller Pollinator plan to continue updating the public on the progress of the project. We eagerly anticipate more updates and successes on our path toward a greener future.

Gwathmey Named to Dean's List at Dickinson College

Laila Gabrielle Gwathmey, a rising senior art & art history major at Dickinson College, has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2024 semester. A graduate of Collegiate School, she is the child of John Owen and Kelly Gwathmey of Aylett, Va.

Dickinson College, located in historic Carlisle, Pa., was chartered in 1783. The

private, liberal-arts college is nationally recognized for its cross-disciplinary, active approach to learning, international education, civic engagement and its commitment to teaching its students about sustainability across the curriculum, the community and the globe. www.dickinson.edu.

Planned Parenthood Speaks to King William Democrats



King William Democrats gather for the presentation by Han Jones (center) about the Virginia League for Planned Parenthood.

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King William Democrats gathered in July to hear from Han Jones, from the Virginia League for Planned Parenthood, who described services provided by the Richmond offices of Planned Parenthood. Members expressed their support of Planned Parenthood services for themselves, their daughters, and their granddaughters.

Ms. Jones stated, "Planned Parenthood health centers provide a wide range of preventive health care services, including lifesaving cancer screenings, birth control, and STI testing and treatment. They are also proud to provide safe and legal abortion to ensure that patients have accurate information about all of their options."

Ms. Jones stated that Virginia is one of

the few remaining Southern states that does not have an abortion ban and has no required counseling or waiting period. However, she stated that there is support for passing a Constitutional Amendment, saying, "A CNU poll found that 62% of Virginians support amending the constitution to guarantee abortion rights, and 77% of Americans support abortion rights."

Voters in Virginia would be able to vote on this proposed amendment after a lengthy legislative process. Ms. Jones reported that "this amendment is needed because medical decisions should be made by patients and their health care providers, not politicians."

For more information about this topic or the King William Democrats, please visit

www.kwdemocrats.org.

Berkley, continued from front page

However, they spared St David's Church, the Tavern (the home of Gladys Mae Poynter), and the Berkley House. The Tavern was left untouched, well, because it was a Tavern (food and drink). Who in their right mind would destroy that? St David's Church was spared for obvious reasons, and the Berkley House was spared because it was the home of a 'free slave.'

Tom's father purchased the house in 1922 for \$420, a sum that now seems unimaginable. Tom was born in the house in 1926. Following the passing of Tom's mother, Tom's father sold the house to

Mr. Robinson. The house fell into disrepair. After Mr. Robinson died, Tom noticed a 'for sale' sign in the yard and seized the opportunity to reclaim the house he was born in. Susan and Lee now live in the Berkley House. They undertook some renovations and expansions and it is now what you see today.

So, the next time you pass by the house with the distinctive red roof, remember that history surrounds you at every turn. The sleepy little town of Aylett once comparable to bustling cities like Richmond, holds a multitude of untold tales waiting to be discovered and told.

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The Power of Change grants are awarded to 501(c)3 organizations serving members within the REC service territory. If your nonprofit organization needs funding to support an initiative, please consider applying. If you know a nonprofit in need of funds to achieve its mission, please share this opportunity.

The deadline to apply for funds is 5 p.m. on Aug. 10, 2024.

Apply for Funds: Find information on our Giving Guidelines to learn more about eligibility, and find the application by visiting myrec.coop/power-change.

Contribute: For members who would like to contribute to The Power of Change, it's as simple as rounding up your electric bill to the next whole dollar. The more members who enroll, the more money we can award to support our communities. To enroll in your MyREC SmartHub account, click Bill & Pay > The Power of Change > Select Enroll.

REC provides electric service to over 179,000 connections in parts of 22 Virginia counties. With its general office in Fredericksburg, Va., the Cooperative operates and maintains more than 18,000 miles of power lines through its service area, which ranges from the Blue Ridge Mountains to the tidal waters of the Chesapeake Bay. For more information about REC, please visit www.myrec.coop. Follow REC on Facebook, X, Instagram, LinkedIn and YouTube.

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Bank Ministry Hours of Operation (Monthly from 1pm-3pm) Every Tuesday 1st Friday 3rd Saturday. Upcoming Event: Homecoming - Sunday, August 18 Guest Speaker: Apostle William Winston, Faith Tabernacle Family Life Center, Richmond, Prayer & Praise: 10:30am Morning Worship: 11am Lunch Following.

Upper King and Queen Baptist Church

1693 Bradley Farm Rd. Sunday Worship Service at 11:00 A.M. & Sunday School at 10:00 A.M. Visit us on Facebook.com/upperkingandqueenbaptist and <https://www.youtube.com/@UpperKingandQueenBC> Rev. Gerald Klimczak -Pastor.

Zion Baptist Church

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.

METHODIST

McKendree Methodist Church

4347 Manfield Rd., Manquin, 23106. Sunday worship 9:30AM in person and Facebook Live, followed by fellowship and Sunday School. Pastor Corey McConnville. mckendree23106.org, mckendree23106@gmail.com. CARE meets the second Monday of each month until December.

EPISCOPAL

Immanuel Episcopal Church

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

St. David's Church

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St. John's Episcopal Church

916 Main Street, PO Box 629, West Point. 804-843-4594. Sunday Service at 10 am, followed by social time with refreshments. Services both in-person and livestream on Zoom. All are welcome, always! Please join us. stjohnswp.org

St. Paul's Millers Tavern

7924 Richmond Highway. 804-443-2341 Sunday service 10am. The Rev. Dr. Johan Johnson, Priest in Charge, coffee hour and Bible Study following the service. Nursery and Sunday School during the service. Choir directed by Kristi Reynolds. stpaulsmillerstavern.org

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Brett-Reed Memorial Presbyterian Church

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Community Calendar

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King & Queen Library

*Fish Hatchery Story Time Tuesday, August 6th 11am
*Kid Yoga Wednesday, August 7th 1pm
*Community Cookout August 9th 11am-1pm (all welcome- hot dogs, face painting, juggler, petting zoo)
*Mommy and Me Tuesday, August Story Time Tuesday, August 13th 10:30am
*Story Time Tuesday, August 13th 11am visit kingandqueenco.net and select library. 804-785-4425 or visit the library at 396 Newtown Road for more information.

Upper KW Branch Library

Coloring, Coffee and Donuts Thursday, Aug. 1, 10:30am - noon Ages 18 and up. **Animals Aware** Monday, Aug. 5, 10:30 - 11:30am All Ages. **Needle Felting** Thursday, Aug. 8, Noon - 1:30pm Ages 18 & up. **Learn How to Cross-stitch** Tuesday, Aug. 13, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 18 & up. **UKW Anime Club** Tuesday, Aug. 20, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 12-18. **Tabletop Game Night** Tuesday, Aug. 27, 6:00 - 7:30pm All Ages. **The Stitching Hour** Thursday, Aug. 22, 6:00 - 7:30pm Ages 18 and up. Call 804-769-3731 or visit the library at 694-J Sharon Road for more information.

West Point Branch Library

Family Storytime Friday, Aug. 2, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. ages 0-5 with caregiver. **Stay & Play** Friday, Aug. 2, 11:00 a.m. - noon **Animals Aware** Monday, Aug. 5, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. All Ages. **Play-Doh @ the Library** Saturday, Aug. 10, 11:00am - Noon **Back to School Movie** Thursday, Aug. 15, 5:00 - 6:30pm **I'd Rather be Reading Book Club** Wednesday, Aug. 21, 11:30am - 12:30pm Ages 16 and up. Call 804-843-3244 or visit the library at 433 12th Street, West Point for more information.

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.

Town Hall Meeting

5th District Supervisor Mary Sue Bancroft is holding a town hall meeting on 8/8/24. Location is the King William Senior Center located at 8306 King William Road. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Three Rivers SWCD Board of Directors' Meetings

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.

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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

Visit the King William County Parks & Rec Site for details about upcoming events, workshops, exercise classes, and more! @ kingwilliamrec.com

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KW Community Watch

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 kws@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

King William Democrats

Join us for 2 events this month! Aug 17, from 10:30 to noon, we will be writing POSTCARDS TO VOTERS at the Upper KW Library OR the West Point Library. Then, join us for our PICNIC on August 24! Good food, good company, yard signs, and Candidate Leslie Mehta to speak! Email kwdems@gmail.com for address.

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African-American Genealogy Meeting

Saturday, August 10 Middle Peninsula African-American Genealogical and Historical Society (MPAAGHS) will hold its monthly meeting virtually on Saturday, August 10, at 11:00 AM. To receive an

invitation for this virtual meeting or for further information about MPAAGHS, email mpaaghs.va@gmail.com or call 804-651-8753.



VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KING WILLIAM COUNTY

IN RE: ESTATE OF
DAVID A. JENNELL, Deceased

CL 24000392-00

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THIS MATTER having come before the Court upon the Affidavit of the Petitioner, Sheryl L. Herndon, Esq., seeking service on parties by Order of Publication; and

Upon a review of the Petition, the exhibits attached thereto, and the Affidavit for Order of Publication, the Court hereby finds as follows:

1. That the object of this suit is for a photocopy of the original Will of David A. Jennell dated April 20, 2015 to be admitted to probate in lieu of an original;

2. That the location and address of CHRISOPHER LEE JENNELL, JAMES JENNELL, JR., JEANINE JENNELL, and JAMES JENNELL III cannot be found after reasonable diligence and the last known addresses of such parties are unknown to the Petitioner; and

3. That there may be other persons interested in these proceedings whose identities are unknown and who are identified in the Petition as "PARTIES UNKNOWN."

It is therefore ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:

A. That CHRISOPHER LEE JENNELL, JAMES JENNELL, JR., JEANINE JENNELL, JAMES JENNELL III, and all other "PARTIES UNKNOWN" who believe they have an interest in these proceedings or in the Estate of David A. Jennell shall appear on or before September 5 ^{at 9:00 AM}, 2024, to protect his, her, or their interests.

B. That this Order of Publication shall be published once a week for four successive weeks in the County Courier, serving the King William and King and Queen communities since 1989.

C. That a copy of this Order of Publication shall be posted at the front door of the Circuit Court for King William County, Virginia.

7/31/24

Date

B. Herndon

Judge, King William County Circuit Court

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