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Free Backpacks for Back to School



L-R Devin Tucker, Ike Love, Mike Rodriguez and Ace Harris gave free back packs and school supplies to all who came.

By Danny Clark

Kickstart Foundation held a free backpack and school supplies giveaway for back-to-school kids last Sunday at Another Round or 2 Bar and Grill in Manquin. The event gave away over 300 backpacks and school supplies. All kids under 12 ate free and enjoyed face painting, a jumping booth, and slides.

It was a great turnout, and fun was had by all.



Publisher’s Message



We are certainly blessed with two beautiful rivers that flow through our counties. New Kent County is considering taking water from the Pamunkey River to meet its future water needs. The plan could take up to 8 million gallons of water a day from the Pamunkey River if approved. New Kent would have to consult with the Pamunkey Indian Tribe over the project. The Mattaponi and Rappahannock Indian tribes have been opposing plans by Caroline County for a \$200 million dollar intake facility that would take up to 9 million gallons of water a day from the Rappahannock River.

Take care until next time...

Danny Clark



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Connecting

By Allen Brintley and "Pip"

For thousands of years, people have had connections with animals. Some are emotional connections like pets. Others are physical connections like work animals. Horses and mules have a special connection with people because of their size and the things that we do with them. Years ago, we used them to clear land, plant the fields, harvest the crops, pull wagons, carry heavy loads, ride them to explore or escape danger, and the list goes on. Today we use them mostly for pleasure riding. We still have that special bond and physical connection as we are riding on the back of such large and powerful animals with the wind blowing through our hair. Since I don't have a lot of hair left, I guess it's the wind blowing across my bald head. It's still a special feeling. Taking care of them requires us to provide a safe and clean living space, proper food and fresh water, enough exercise and mental stimulation to be happy members of our families. Everyone loves baby animals, whether it's puppies, kittens, horses, or mules. They are so cute and playful and need a calm and patient person to teach them how to act and help them to understand things as they grow.

Talking about baby animals, reminds me of a story that my buddy Jim told me the other day. He said that he was driving home one evening and saw something moving on the side of the road and pulled over to check it out. It was a baby skunk.



He looked everywhere to see where the parents were but found nothing. He decided to take the baby skunk home and raise it. His wife was none too pleased when he got home. Jim fed it some milk and then went and found a big cardboard box to keep it in. He put a towel in the box for bedding. His wife asked "Jim, where are you going to keep that skunk at?" Jim said "I'm going to put him the box and keep him beside our bed at night so I can keep a check on him." Jim's wife said "What about all those scary noises and that terrible smell all night long?" Jim said "Honey, don't worry about that little skunk. He'll get used to you just like I have!" I think Jim and the skunk slept on the couch that night.

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

Obituary

MURRAY



Bobby Gene Murray, age 88, went to be with the Lord on Friday, July 31, 2026. He was born in Roxboro, N C on November 15, 1937. Bobby is preceded in death by his parents Will and Lonie Murray, and his great-grandson Micah. He is survived by his wife, Emma Murray; children Troy (Sue) Murray, Donna Wilson (Jeff Brown), and Glenn (Cheryl) Murray; 5 grandchildren, Brandi (Matt), Bobby, Jackson, Chatham, and Donovan; 2 great-grandchildren, Addison and Sadie; sister, Francis (Martin); and nieces and nephews. Bobby married Emma, the love of his life, on December 26, 1958. Bobby attended Edwards Military Institute for 2 years and later graduated from East Carolina University in 1961. Shortly thereafter, he moved to South Hill, Virginia, where he began teaching at South Hill Elementary. He moved to Shacklefords, VA for his first coaching job at Pleasant Hill High School. He finally settled in King William County, where he began a 36-year career as a teacher, coach, athletic director, and driver's education instructor at King William High School. Under his leadership and love for athletics, the King William High School athletics department grew into what it is today. In 2012, fourteen years after he retired, he was honored for his contributions when the high school gym was dedicated as the "Bob Murray Gymnasium." Even in his

retirement, he continued to support the school and its athletes, attending games and driving teams to their competitions. As a lifelong Tar Heel fan, he never missed the opportunity to talk about Carolina; famously, he was known to "bleed Carolina Blue." That same devotion carried over into everything he did with his own family. Although he was known to most as "Mr. Murray" or "Coach Murray," to family he was "Pop" or "Bunk." Simply put, he was an unwavering family man whose grandchildren were his world. He always encouraged them to pursue what they loved. You could count on finding him cheering them on at every activity, whether it was sports, dance, cheer, or academics. He was a fully hands-on Pop, who was always up for any adventure or shenanigan. You could find him at the pool, the gym, a sporting event, or the golf course. He was a man of faith and served as a leader at Saint Stephens Baptist Church. He also gave back faithfully to the broader King William community as a highly involved member of the King William Ruritan Club. He was known by friends and strangers alike as a humble and kind person who made people laugh with his witty humor. He loved serving as a mentor to his students and, to some, he unknowingly became a father figure. While his absence leaves a hole in the hearts of those close to him, it is a comfort to know he is finally home with the Lord, where we will see him again. The family will receive guests at the King William Ruritan on Sunday, August 23, from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Because of Bobby's dedication and love for athletics, in lieu of flowers and cards, donations may be made to King William High School Athletics in memoriam.

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Remembering Bob Murray

By Gene Campbell

When I heard the news of Coach Bob Murray’s passing, I felt as though I had lost a member of my own family. To tell the story of Bob Murray is not to recount a series of wins or losses, but to measure a life by the countless individuals he shaped and inspired. For generations of students at King William High School, Bob was far more than a coach, teacher, athletic director, and driver’s ed instructor; he was a constant, steady presence who believed in the potential of every person who walked through his doors.

Bob’s journey at King William High School began in 1964, the year I entered eighth grade. Over the decades that followed, his influence on every student only deepened. Whether he was on the sidelines coaching every sport, standing at the front of the classroom, or riding “shogun” during a driver’s education lesson, his philosophy never wavered: lead with kindness, teach with patience, and always seek the positive. Bob possessed a rare, charismatic warmth that seemed to light up every room he entered. He cared deeply about everyone’s well-being, and his optimism was contagious. He led by example, standing firmly for the truth and treating every person with a level of respect that made them feel truly seen and valued.

Even after his retirement in 1999, the impact of his dedication remained etched into the fabric of the community. It was a fitting tribute when, in 2012, the school honored his legacy by naming the gymnasium after him, a permanent testament to a man who spent his life building up the people around him.

Perhaps the most telling detail of his character emerged during his time with the



local Ruritan club. When he joined in 2001, he tried to shed the formality of “Mr. Murray,” insisting on being called simply “Bob.” But the club’s response speaks volumes: they couldn’t help but call him “Mr. Murray.” It was a title bestowed not out of obligation, but out of a deep, instinctive respect for a man who had earned his place in our hearts. Bob was a member for 25 years, serving as President, Vice President, and Treasurer. To know Bob was to know his roots. Hailing from Roxboro, North Carolina, he was a true Tar Heel through and through. His loyalty to the University of North Carolina was so infectious that his family and friends often joked that “Bob bleeds Carolina blue.”

Bob’s legacy lives on in every athlete he coached, every student he taught, and every neighbor he befriended. He reminded us all that the most enduring mark you can leave on the world is the kindness you show to the people around you.

Bob, I am sure when you arrive at the Pearly Gates, St Peter will escort you to the Carolina Blue section of heaven.

Let the future tell the truth, and evaluate each one according to his work and accomplishments. The present is theirs; the future, for which I have really worked, is mine.

Nikola Tesla

Letter to the Editor

This letter was submitted to the KW BOS, and to us at CC.

Dear Editor,
YMCA? More like YMC-Nay

Good Evening, KW Board of Supervisors.

I am writing to express my concerns about the proposed development of a YMCA on the parcel of land originally intended for the expansion of our KW Parks and Rec program.

The KW Parks and Rec program has consistently grown to meet the needs of the youth and families in our county. Current enrollment numbers and waitlists demonstrate the strong demand for these services and support the program’s vision for continued growth. Building a YMCA on this site appears to duplicate services that our community already provides through a successful and well-established program. Rather than investing in an outside organization, I believe our county should prioritize strengthening and expanding the program that has served residents for years.

The KW Parks & Rec program has already made significant sacrifices over the past year when it was relocated from its dedicated building to make room for the library. At the time, residents understood that the adjacent property would support the program’s future

growth. Now, instead of fulfilling that vision, the Board is considering using the land for a YMCA.

Many neighboring Virginia counties have enhanced their Parks and Recreation systems by adding athletic fields, playgrounds, splash pads, walking trails, and other outdoor amenities without relying on a YMCA. They use grant mechanisms and other local sources. KW should follow a similar path by investing in public recreational facilities that remain accessible and affordable for everyone.

Expanding our existing Parks and Rec program provides flexibility for the future. Dedicating this parcel to a YMCA could tie up the property for decades, while investing in county-owned recreation allows the land to evolve as community needs change. Many YMCA associations have faced financial challenges in recent years, with some reducing services or closing facilities. That uncertainty raises an important question about whether valuable public land should be dedicated to an outside organization for decades.

The KW Parks and Rec soccer league already partners successfully with surrounding counties to provide a competitive, affordable program for local families.

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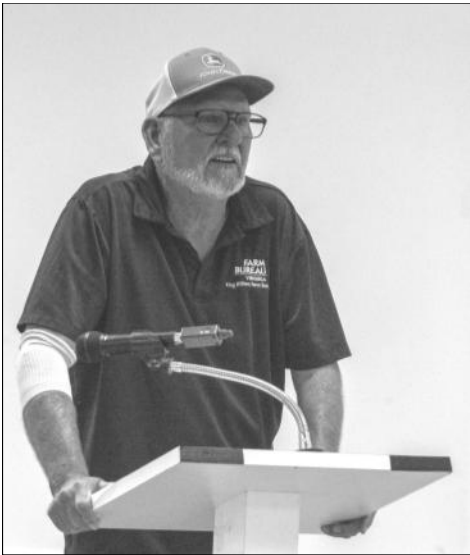
Lainey Mae Herndon checks out her dinosaur "face painting"

The facility, located at 7980 Richmond-Tappahannock Highway, occupies the site of the King William Pharmacy. The building was transformed from its commercial roots into a modern library space designed to serve as an educational hub for residents of all ages. The celebration drew a large crowd of residents, children, county staff, and local officials to commemorate a new era in the education of our children and adults alike. The ceremony featured remarks from County Administrator Derek Stamey, Library Director Catherine "Cat" Rashid, Supervisor Justin Catlett, and Ashley Herndon, Chair of the Library Board of Trustees, and culminated in an official ribbon-cutting. The King William County Library System now operates two primary branches: the new location in Aylett and a branch in West Point. Both facilities offer a wide range of services, including programs tailored for children, teens, adults, seniors, and homeschoolers, as well as digital library access, educational resources, digital tools, and community programming. Whether you are looking for a quiet place to read or want to explore modern amenities, "check out" the new library.

Farm Bureau, continued from front page

By Gene Campbell

Members of the King William Farm Bureau gathered at the King William Ruritan Building on August 13th for their annual membership dinner, bringing together approximately 150 attendees to celebrate the local agricultural community and conduct organizational business. President Charlie Piersa called the meeting to order at 6 pm and welcomed everyone. The evening featured remarks from several officials, who emphasized the importance of the local chapter, established in 1943. The King William branch is one of 88 Farm Bureau chapters across Virginia, representing a vital part of an organization that includes over 138,000 members statewide and more than 6 million members nationwide.



President Charlie Piersa

Following the business session, members enjoyed a dinner prepared by Billy Moore and his team from All Stewed-Up Catering. The evening concluded with a series of raffles and distribution of door prizes. During the meeting, the organization announced its newly elected leadership team for the coming year. They are President Charlie Piersa, Vice President Robbie Barber, Secretary/Treasurer Owen Johnson, Directors J. N. Mills, Luke Hallerman, Troy Johnson, Erwin Campbell, Bob Wood, Trey Mills, and Women's Committee Chair Betsy Piersa.

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This collaboration demonstrates that our existing Parks and Rec program has the leadership experience, partnerships, and community support necessary to continue growing and expanding if given the resources. I ask that you invest our tax dollars and land to support a locally operated Parks and Rec program with deep KW roots and a longstanding commitment to serving our community. Thank you for your time and consideration,

Melissa Yopp
(District 5)

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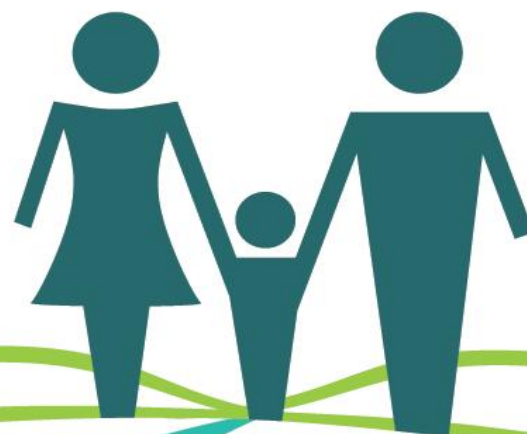
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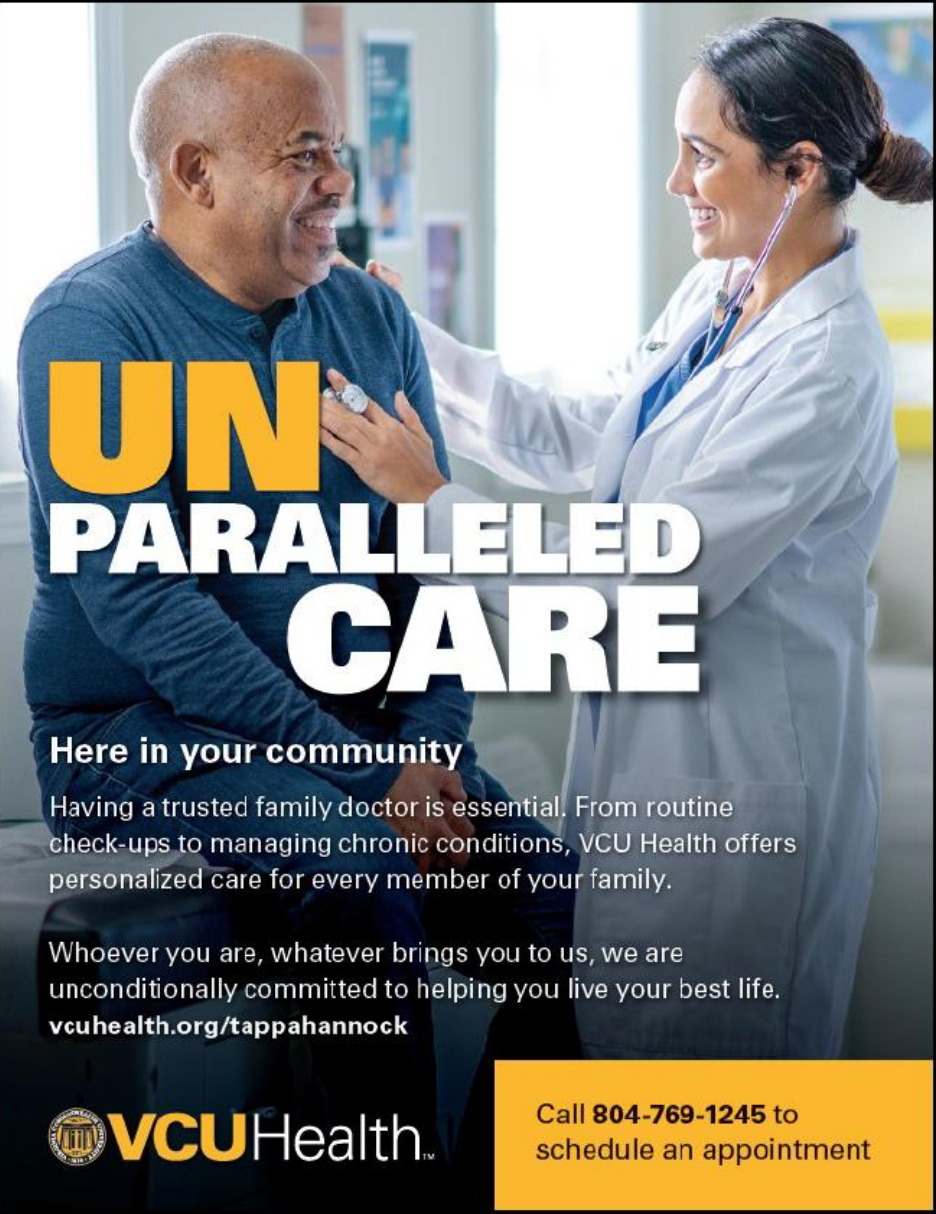
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Press Release

By Tania Hao, Cornell Lab

Nature is good for your mental health—decades of evidence now show that even brief outings can make people happier, less stressed, and help them see life as more meaningful. Taking a walk in nature, compared to walking on a busy street, can even decrease activity in stress-related regions of your brain.

And now there's growing evidence that birding can offer an extra level of wellness benefits—including greater happiness, decreased anxiety, and stronger feelings of peace and calm. It's good timing, too, as birding has been exploding in popularity, especially among younger generations.

On the surface, going on a bird walk doesn't seem so unlike taking a walk in nature. Yet several recent studies have shown there is a difference. Both hearing and seeing birds yield benefits, and it may have something to do with the intentional mental state a person enters when they're birding.

Seeing birds can decrease anxiety and stress

In one study, more than 100 college students in North Carolina either took a series of half-hour bird walks (with the help of the Merlin Bird ID app), went on nature walks, or continued with their daily activities. The walks were in a nearby green space where species like Carolina Wrens, American Robins, and Brown Thrashers are common. Students who went birding reported stronger decreases in

anxiety, stress, and depression compared to the others. The researchers say that these findings could help address high rates of depression and anxiety among young adults. "Exposure to birds may be more influential than other forms of nature, especially on college campuses," they write. "Our study suggests birding may represent an easy and accessible way to help address growing mental health concerns on college campuses." These benefits can extend across the lifespan. At 65 nursing homes in Germany, researchers installed bird feeding stations outside windows for elderly residents to observe birds (potentially including species such as European Robins, Great and Blue Tits, and Common Chaffinches). The residents reported how they felt on surveys throughout the experiment. In the weeks and months after the feeders were installed, residents' emotional well-being improved compared to those at nursing homes without feeders. On average, residents noted that they were happier, more satisfied with their lives, were moving around more to see the birds, and even felt they could concentrate better. "There seems to be something unique to birding that separates it from even other types of nature exposure, although any type of nature exposure tends to be beneficial," says Jennifer Andrews, a psychology professor at Morehouse College who is the author of a 2025 review article about the benefits of birding and mental health.

Beyond the Flags: Five Lines VA811 May Not Mark

Press Release – VA811 Day is designed to remind commonwealth residents to contact Virginia 811 before starting any project that disturbs the ground.

Submitting a request at VA811.com or by calling 811 gives utility companies time to mark the approximate locations of their underground lines. But those colorful flags and paint may not tell the whole story.

This year, Rappahannock Electric Cooperative (REC) reminds members to be mindful not only of what Virginia 811 marks, but also of what it may not mark. Some lines on private property belong to the homeowner rather than a utility company and may not be included in the standard locating process.

Before digging, watch for these five common examples:

1. Power lines beyond the meter

Underground wiring to a detached garage, shed, barn, workshop, landscape lighting or other outdoor feature may be privately owned.

2. Water and sewer lines on private property

The portion of a water or sewer line between the home and the utility connection may be the homeowner's

responsibility and may not be marked.

3. Septic systems

Septic tanks, drain fields and connecting pipes are private facilities. Property records, installation plans or local health department records may help identify their locations.

4. Propane tanks and fuel lines

Underground propane tanks and the lines serving homes, generators or appliances may require help from the propane provider or a private utility locator.

5. Irrigation and other outdoor systems

Sprinkler systems, invisible pet fences, landscape lighting and some communications lines may be buried only a few inches below the surface.

Contacting Virginia 811 should always be the first step before digging. The next step is looking beyond the marks.

Check property records, ask about previous improvements and consider whether a private locator is needed. A few extra questions before the shovel hits the ground can help prevent damaged equipment, interrupted service and serious safety hazards.

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Christian Fellowship Ministries

Join us at 304 W. Chinquapin Rd., King William on Sundays at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary and on Zoom. Also, join us for Bible Study at 7p.m. on Wednesdays via Zoom. Zoom ID: 890 008 8851 Password: 6iafH.

Jerusalem Christian Church We invite you to worship with us, in person service. Adult Sunday School at 10:00am. Sunday Service & Children's Service at 11:00. Minister Joshua Lewis, 1902 Powhatan Trail, King William. Jerusalemcc.com

One Hope Community Church Sundays 10:15am worship in a welcoming, kid-friendly environment. Coffee, light breakfast. Wednesdays - 6:30pm Awana (ages 4-12) and Teens (13+) 6:45pm Adult small groups. Like us on Facebook. 186 Walnut Spring Rd, St Stephens Church 23148 PO Box 9, Aylett 23009 Email onehopeva@gmail.com Pastor Joshua Brassard 804.840.4461

West Point Christian Church 290 West Euclid Blvd. West Point. Pastor Tom Wilburn P.O. Box 800 804-843-3185 westpointchristian.com

BAPTIST

Bethlehem Baptist Church Route 14, 4389 The Trail Bruington, 23023 Pastor James T. Hill, Sr. Come worship with us every Sunday morning at 11:00 AM. For directions or questions, call 804.769.7033 or email us at n1871bbc@gmail.com. Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/ourBBC1. All Are Welcome!

Beulah Baptist Church Sunday School, all ages 9:45AM, Worship Service 11AM. View sermons, via YouTube / Facebook at beulahbaptistva.org. Follow, like YouTube / Facebook, be notified of upcoming livestream. 4805 West River Road Aylett, 23009. PO Box 846 Aylett, 23009 804.539.2191 kwbeulahbaptistchurch@gmail.com beulahbaptistva.org

Broadus Church Hebron Campus Sunday worship at 9:30am Bible Study for all ages at 10:45am. Mid-week Bible Studies Tues. evening. Youth 6pm, ladies and men group at 6:15pm. Food Distribution 2nd Monday each month from 6-8pm. Free firewood or used furniture call 804-779-2700 ask

for Pastor Jeff. Come SEE what GOD is doing!

Bruington Baptist Church 4784 The Trail, Bruington, King and Queen County. Please join us at Sunday School on Sundays at 10am. and Worship Service at 11am. Community Clothes Cupboard open first Saturdays from 10am. until noon. Rev. Brian Harfst, pastor. Contact us at 804-769-3246

First Baptist Church of Hockley

Annual Homecoming service will be on Sunday, August 16, at 11:15 a.m. Rev. Harvey Cook, Interim Pastor. Revival will be Tuesday thru Thursday, prayer and praise beginning at 7:00 p. m. Revival service at 7:30 p.m. Evangelist for Tuesday will be Pastor Clifton Collin's, Wednesday-Rev. Kirk Houston, Jr. and Thursday - Rev. Dr. Carlon Lassiter.

Gethsemane Baptist Church

1890 Dunluce Rd, KW. Annual Homecoming Celebration on Sunday, August 23 with service starting at 11am. Message delivered by Rev. Marcus Hickman of Wayland Baptist Church, Stevensville. Annual Revival Tuesday, August 25 through 27. Praise and Worship will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the worship service at 7:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

Indian View Baptist Church 13349 King William Road, King William Come worship with us on Sundays at 11:00 AM All Are Welcome!

Kingdom of God Living Water Ministry We invite you to worship with us, Sunday School 10:30, Tuesday night Party 7:00, Thursday night Bible Study 7:00, Morning Service 12:30. All Welcome. Pastor Leo Reed 1438 Manfield Road, Manquin 23106. Sunday's at 12:15 PM.

Lower K&Q Baptist Church 204 Timber Branch Rd., Mascot, 23108 Pastor Terry Morrison. Directions or questions, call or text (804) 925-5699. 10am Sunday School for all ages, 11am Worship Service. All welcome, come as you are.

Mangohick Baptist Church 147 Mangohick Church Road Hanover 23069. Come worship with us each Sunday morning @9AM. Sunday

School following morning worship 10:30AM. Bible Study Tues & Thurs at 6PM. Wednesday Morning Inspiration at 6AM both via Teleconference:978-990-5181 Access Code:1850844# Rev. Dr. Elijah L. Campbell Pastor Email:Mangohickbaptistchurch147@gmail.com Facebook: Mangohick Baptist Church (804)994-5390

Mattaponi Baptist Church

Sundays 11am. Children's Church during service. In-depth Bible study 2nd & 4th Wed. during Daylight Saving Time. Services live Zoom at: <http://bit.ly/MBCLIVE> (Meeting ID: 871 964 216) & FBLive. Visit Facebook for news/schedule changes: @MattaponiBaptistChurchVa. 13466 The Trail, King & Queen C.H. 23085. Pastor Stephen Rountree: 804-514-5715.

Mattaponi Friends Meeting

942 Buena Vista RD. Shacklefords 23156. Join us in-person and Zoom for Quaker Worship in silent meeting at 10A.M. and worship sharing/discussion at 11. First Sunday business meeting at 11. Third Sunday potluck lunch at 12noon. For more info 804-785-9401.

New Hope Memorial Baptist Church Rev. Dan Grantham 14173 New Hope Road Shacklefords, Va 23156 Worship service at 10am

New Mt. Zion Baptist Church and Pastor-Elect Rev. Michael Coleman invite you to join us we celebrate our 156th Homecoming Service, Sept 27, at 11:00 a.m. The Guest Minister will be Pastor Marcus Hickman of Wayland Baptist Church. The Music Ministry will be provided by the choir of Wayland Baptist Church. Please join us for a blessed and enjoyable celebration. Psalm 126:3..."The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

Olivet Baptist Church Join us for traditional worship services 10am Sunday School Bible Studies for children and adults of all ages. 11am Worship Service each Sunday morning. A place to be with God!

Poroporone Baptist Church Sunday School - 9:30am Worship Service - 10:30am Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:30pm www.facebook.com/PoroporoneBaptistChurch.

Revival Baptist Church Are you

looking for something different? Revival Baptist Church is a new Independent Baptist Church! Come join us on Sunday mornings at the King William High School Cafeteria! Sunday School at 9:00am, and Morning Service at 10:00am. Learn more at visitrevival.org.

Sharon Baptist Church 901 Sharon Rd, King William, 23086 804-769-2320, Office hours Tuesday through Friday 9am to 2pm Pastor Chad Brannan, Sunday School 9am, Worship 10:15am Tuesday Morning Bible Study - 10am Wednesday Youth Group - 6pm Awanas - 6:30pm. Wednesday Night Prayer Group - 6:45pm

The Forge Ministry Join us for our church service at 10:30 on Sunday morning. Spark City Kids is available for 5th grade and under. Find more information at theforgeministry.churchcenter.com (Theme: Moving Forward, Phil 3:13-14)

Union Hope Baptist Church

571 Union Hope Road, King William: Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 AM (In-person & Teleconference) Teleconference: (774) 220-4000, PIN 57187 Follow us on Facebook: Union Hope Baptist Church, King William, The Food Bank Ministry Hours of Operation (Monthly from 1pm-3pm) Every Tuesday, 1st Friday and 3rd Saturday Sept 13: Party for Jesus- Featuring: The Hearts of Joy at 3PM

Upper King and Queen Baptist Church invites you to worship with us at 11:00 A.M. Sunday with Sunday School at 10:00 A.M. Pastor Dr. David Peppler Visit us on Facebook.com/upperkingandqueenbaptist

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



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NON DENOMINATION

Rehoboth Bible Church 5904 Acquinton Church Road, KW, Sunday Worship service at 10:30am. We are a church that still walks the old paths while shining the light of truth in today's world. Monthly Blue Grass Gospel Jam held the 3rd Tuesday of each month from March to October from 6:30 to 9:00. (804)769-8400.

Women in the Word Community Bible Study! 396 Newtown Road, St. Stephens Church Email Melissa Rice at mrsmelissarice@aol.com.

CATHOLIC

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church 3570 King William Ave. W.P. 23181. 804.843.3125. worship 5pm Sat. 9am Sunday, 10:15am Sunday—Bible Study & Sunday school.

METHODIST

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Service Times! 10:00–10:25 AM — Sunday School 10:30 AM — 11:30 AM Worship Service Following worship — Fellowship Time

Mizpah United Methodist Church 6062 Canterbury Rd. Walkerton. 23177 Service every Sunday at 11:00 with Pastor Steve Hundley All Welcome

New Song Church

King William. YOU are invited! Join us for worship on Sundays at 10am at Cool Spring Primary School (7301 Acquinton Church Rd, King William, 23086). New Song Church: King William is a United Methodist faith community that Loves ALL! Jesus Said So!

Old Church Methodist Church Route 14, 25614 The Trail, Mattaponi. Come worship with us Sunday mornings at 11:00 am. Bluegrass Jam is held the 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm.

follow us on Facebook: Old Church Methodist Church in King and Queen email us at lgoins45@gmail.com Welcome All

EPISCOPAL

Immanuel Episcopal Church 190 Allen's Circle King & Queen Court House. For information on a particular Sunday call 804-514-5952.

St. John's Episcopal Church 916 Main Street, PO Box 629, West Point. 804-843-4594. Sunday Service at 10 am, followed by refreshments, conversation and Bible study. In-person or Zoom. 2nd & 4th Wednesday Holy Eucharist with healing prayers in Church Library at Noon.

stjohnswp.org; info@stjohnswp.org

St. David's Episcopal Church Aylett "To Know Christ Jesus and to Make Christ Known" 11291 West River Road, Aylett (Beside Public Boat Landing) Vicar Rev. T. Gustavo Mansella All Are Welcome! All Sundays - 11 AM Eucharist Service

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PRESBYTERIAN

Brett-Reed Memorial Presbyterian Church 29680 King William Road West Point, 23181. Pastor Karen V. Stanley. Sunday School 10. Worship Service 11.

St. James Presbyterian Church (The church next to K.W. Courthouse) 411 Courthouse Lane. Rev. Dr. John Turner.

Community Calendar

King and Queen County Library

Rural Readers Book Club Thursday, Sept. 10th 6pm. Treasure Map Adventure (children) Saturday, Sept. 12th 11am* (Children design and build a 3D treasure map inside a keepsake treasure box while learning basic map skills through a fun, hands-on activity.) Felting with Ms. Whitney (adults) Thursday, Sept. 17th 6pm* VA250 Regional

Community Calendar

History Talk Thursday, Sept. 24th 6pm. AARP Scam Prevention Workshop Friday, Sept. 25th 10:30am Story Time with Mr. Jesse every Tuesday at 11am. Chair Yoga with Beth Hayes Every Monday and Thursday at 2pm. *Registration Required

Upper King William Branch

Library

@7890 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy. New Regular Hours: Monday - Thursday 10am- 8pm. Friday 10am -6pm. Saturday 10am-2pm. Storytime Wednesdays 10:30am, Lego at the Library 8/22. 11:00am, Sensory Playtime w/ Play -Doh 8/24 11:00am, Coloring & Coffee 8/25 10:30am, Paws & Pages 8/25 6:00pm, Yarncraft 9/1 1:00pm.

DCSE Service Point Assistance

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Bay Aging invites community members to participate in its free virtual caregiver support groups, designed especially for those who may find it difficult to leave home. Meetings are twice each month—first Monday 4:30 to 5:30PM and fourth Thursday 2 to 3PM. August 27 is next. First-time attendees call Bay Aging at 800-493-0238 at least two hours before meeting to register, Zoom access details.

The

CornerStone Community Development Center, Aylett

Food Distribution - (*11235 West River Road, Aylett) Saturday food distributions are from 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. (August 22, 29; September 5,12,19,26)

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The CornerStone Free Health Clinic - (8270 Richmond Tappahannock Hwy. Aylett) No walk in appointments. **Fundraisers: DINNER DEAL on Sept 10 at 6p.m. Proceeds towards programs of The CornerStone, Aylett** Call 804 769 2996 OR EMAIL theccdc@gmail.com



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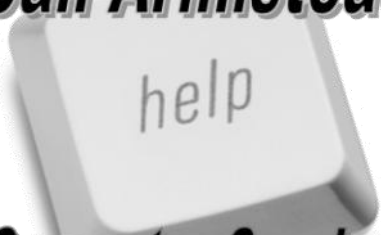
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