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A regular church goer since the age of eleven, 100-year-old Mother Stanton, has sat in the same seat since joining the church. She's also known as the 'hat lady' for the many different hats she wears to church. Here she is shown at her 100th birthday party given by her church. Photo by Sue A. Miles

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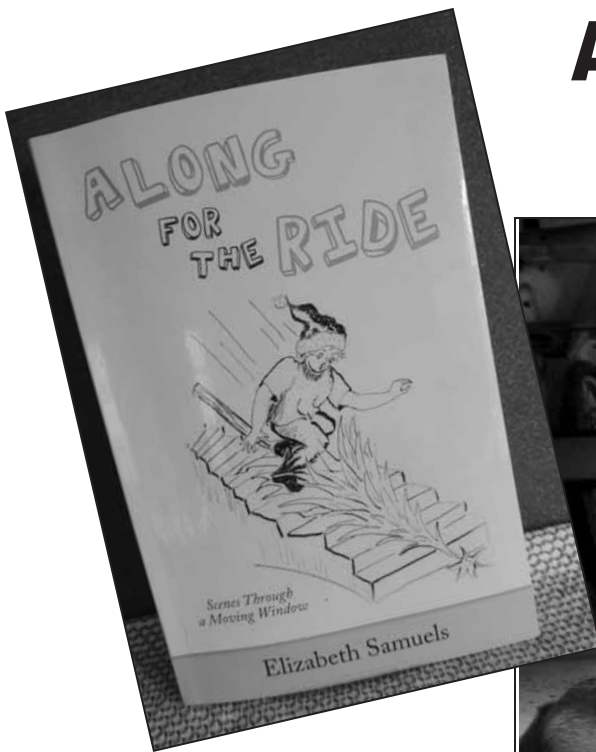
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# Along for the Ride – A book on family

By Sue A. Miles  
Correspondent



Samuels' book, *Along for the Ride – Scenes Through a Moving Window*, is an excellent example of the beauty of putting a family's oral history in print. The book also celebrates Samuels' pets, especially Jack Beagle. Photo by Sue Miles.



Samuels felt a great need to chronicle the stories and antics of her family for her children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, especially when she and her two sisters were growing up. However, her book also honors the infamous Jack Beagle, her constant companion. Photo provided by family.

One of the first things students learn when studying history is the importance of oral history. Before humans learned to write and put words on paper, everything anyone learned came from stories and tales told by the elders in their tribe or family. That premise – of the stories and events in family's lives – is what drove Elizabeth "Betsy" Samuels to write her first book; *Along for the Ride – Scenes Through a Moving Window*. Just published, Samuels' book encapsulates not only her family's history but also her love for her animals – especially the one and only, Jack Beagle.

Samuels, who is known for her famous Christmas tree farm, Foxfire, has been a part of Buckingham County for over 50 years. Her bucolic farm,

purchased in 1967 and laying gracefully along the James River, has drawn friends and family to annual events over the years. And, where there's family, there are stories. "We've always passed on family tales," said Samuels. "It's a funny family and we've had a good time together. I realized that the stories were like a jig-saw puzzle that needed to be pieced together."

When she started sharing some of the family memories on Facebook, many of her followers suggested that

she write a book. "Once I realized that it might be something that I could do something with – I started writing it down," she said. "I knew that this was important for the family and especially for the nephews, nieces and grandchildren."

So write she did. When she realized that she had over 40,000 words she decided that "it was ready to go." Working through Archway Publishing's self-publishing department, she put together a book that is now available for

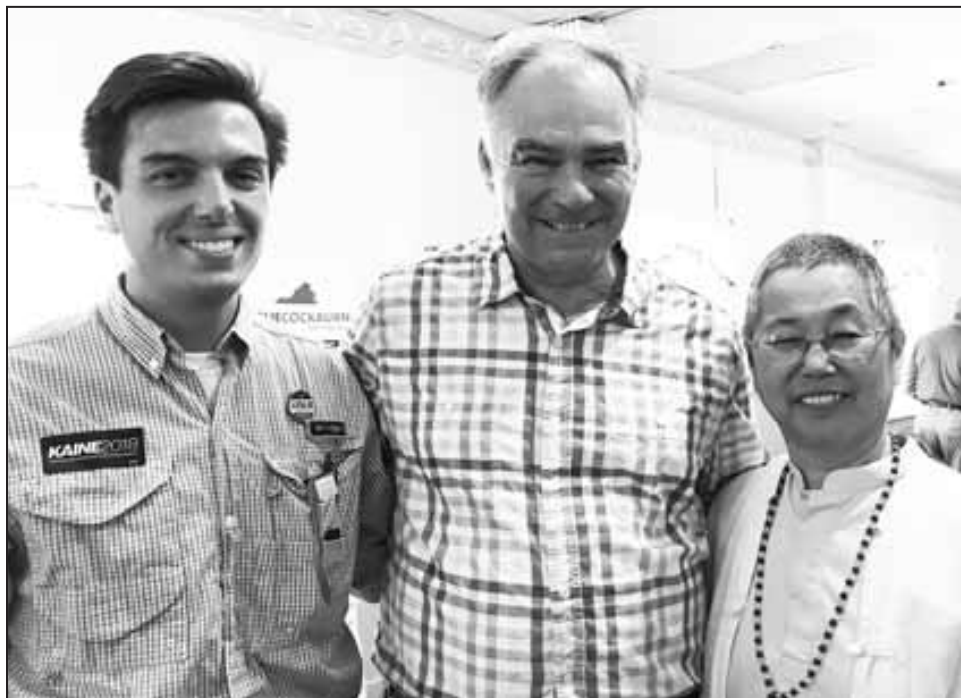
readers. And, to add to the spirit of the book, Samuels has produced her own pencil drawings to the stories. "I've been drawing a lot longer than I've been writing," she said. It certainly adds to the charm of the tales. The book is divided into three parts: Friends and Relations, Housekeeping 101, and Adventures with Other-Legged Folks.

Samuels and her siblings grew up in Virginia Beach area during the 1940's – before it became a tourist mecca. The family would live in Norfolk during the school year and then spend the summer in Virginia Beach with the grandparents and surrounding family members. Thus, along with the humorous stories, readers can get a sense of what Virginia Beach use to be like before it became a city. In many ways, her stories are a bit of a history lesson of the area. Her mother, who was a single parent and a teacher, was a determined woman who, with the help of her family, provided her children with love and emotional enrichment, often during some hard, economic times. Samuels' stories of her childhood and the siblings, cousins, aunts, uncles and other members of her "talented and zany family" provides readers with a collection of stories that are a delight to read.

And, then there's Jack Beagle. Honestly, if you're a dog (especially beagle) lover you'll soon decide that Jack could likely warrant a complete book of his own. Much loved by his owner and, from what you will soon derive, the entire neighborhood, Samuels provides endless fodder on the hound and his life on the farm and in the surrounding properties. Along with Jack, there are stories in the Part Three of her book, about The Hawk of Foxfire (who the family says is her late husband, Robert, keeping an eye on the place), special cats (The Colonel, Sarge,

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Jordan Miles, Tim Kaine and Swami Dayananda. Photos courtesy of Jordan Miles.



Bobbie Holman, Leslie Cockburn, Jordan Miles and Swami Dayananda.

## Buckingham Democrats Meet with Kaine & Cockburn

Members of the Buckingham County Democratic Party recently traveled to Charlotte County to meet with Democratic U.S. Sen. Tim Kaine and Leslie Cockburn, who is running as a Democrat for Fifth District in the U.S. House of Representatives.

The two discussed their campaign platforms, which include working for all Virginians, serving their respective constituencies and took many questions from the audience.

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and Jill), and other distinctive dogs who have come and gone, including Snappy and Gingersnap.

But Jack Beagle reigns and has his own section in the book to let you in on his rambling travels. In fact, Jack has developed such a reputation as being on the move that Samuels now subscribes to Whistle, a software/satellite program that helps her locate him if he's been gone too long. And, to keep things in perspective, Jack has one particular chapter where he attends church (by accident – read about it to find out), perhaps to make amends as his roaming behavior.

It's a good read and comes highly recommended. Along with providing you with some enlightening tales and stories it may also inspire you to start writing down your family's stories and antics. Or, if you don't feel that you

have the skills – start talking to one of your family members who might be so inclined.

You can purchase *Along for the Ride* on Amazon, Ingram Books, and Archway. Copies can also be purchased at The Spa of Buckingham and Baines Books in Scottsville. Keep an eye out for upcoming book signings and if you stop at the Scottsville Farmers Market, you might also find Samuels there. Copies will also be available at the Buckingham and Scottsville libraries. You can also contact Betsy Samuels at [foxfirefarm@nccwildblue.com](mailto:foxfirefarm@nccwildblue.com).

And, if you're in need of a Christmas tree, starting around mid-November, head out to Foxfire Farm and you might get Samuels to stop making wreaths long enough to sell you a book. And, of course, try to get Jack Beagle's paw-a-graph, if he's around.

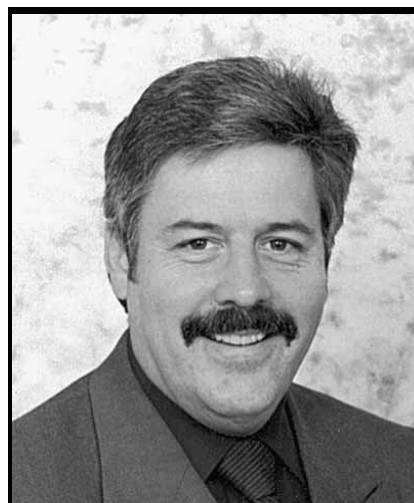
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At age 100, Mother Marie Stanton, continues to cook, wash clothes, and attend church. She is shown standing in front of her home in Stanton Town.  
Photo by Sue A. Miles.



Mother Stanton (center in white dress) attended Jones School on Trents Mill Road until the sixth grade. Even though she was unable to identify every student in the picture, here is a list of students that she recalls going to school with: Daisy Carter, Lucy Carter, Robert Carter, Fanny Woodson, Edith Woodson, Robert Woodson, Martha Ann Wade, and Louise Wade. Photo provided by the family.

## Mother Marie Stanton: At 100, a beacon of light

By Sue A. Miles  
Correspondent

**W**hen you walk into Mother Stanton's quaint home on a dead-end road in Stanton Town, one of the first things you see is a wood stove. Resting for the summer, it represents a long-ago era when such stoves produced incredible tasting food while heating the home. For Mother Stanton, that era still exists, as she refuses to give it up.

Known as "Mother Stanton" to all in her community, Edith Marie Stanton can do anything she wants because she recently turned 100. She's the boss. No argument.

Born in the Gravel Hill area in 1918, Mother Stanton lives in the same house she and her husband built in 1939. Slim and petite, her head covered in a colorful scarf, and with long elegant hands, Mother Stanton reigns with dignity and grace. And at 100, don't assume she's feeble and forgetful. She has her full faculties, washes and irons her clothes, goes to church every Sunday, and is loved and revered by all in her community.

One of four children born to Martha Francis Lee and John Alger Scruggs, Stanton can share many years of memories. Stanton would walk to school with her siblings and remembers, vividly, her first book -- Baby Ray. Attending what was known as the Jones School until the 6th grade, Stanton began working in the fields for differ-





Married for 64 years to Joseph Stanton, Mother Stanton said that "I only wanted one man." Joseph and his wife lived in the same house all of their lives. Photo provided by the family.

ent farmers in the area. "I got paid 50 cents a day," she said. "Twenty-five cents if it was a half day." A true beauty, Stanton married Joseph Stanton at the age of 22. "I only wanted one man," she said. "We went to Buckingham Courthouse to get married." After the wedding, they came to Stanton Town where she has been living ever since. The couple had three children, all at home. No hospital for this lady - she's only been in once in her life and the only health issue that bothers her is her legs and a bit of arthritis. "My legs hurt sometimes," she said.

Longevity is not that common in Mother Stanton's family. "My father ran a saw mill and was killed in an accident when he was young," said Stanton. "My mother lived to be 45 and died of a ruptured appendix." And, her husband, who worked at the slate quarry, died at the kitchen table of a massive heart attack 13 years ago.

During her adult life, Mother Stanton worked hard. "We raised chickens and hogs," she said. "We also had a milk cow and a big garden."

What has lead Mother Stanton throughout her life is her faith. When asked how she managed to live so long, she immediately responded, "The good Lord. I got my religion when I was 11 years old and I've been 'shouting' ever since. When I say I got religion, I don't mean being religious but filled by the Holy Spirit." A lifelong member of Baptist Union Baptist Church, Mother Stanton has attended every Sunday, sitting in the exact same place - third seat from the front. And, over the many years she has become known as the hat lady for her Sunday apparel, which always includes a spectacular hat.

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To this day, she has never driven a car. "I ain't a going person," she said. "Been like that all my life." When running her home, Mother Stanton would venture to Dillwyn to Poole's, Davis Store, and Fred William's grocery store. She still has her first and only dryer bought from Poole's. Now, she's content to be at home and let her family and neighbors bring her whatever she needs. That's doesn't mean she's idle. "As long as I'm on my feet I'm going to do something," she said. That includes fixing dinner, washing the dishes, and cleaning, and staying up until 11:00 p.m. after reading a bit, watching Wheel of Fortune and hopefully some preaching on TV.

She's hesitant to offer advice to young people. "If you try to tell people something they'll say I didn't ask you anything. I don't want to hear it," she said. "I try to treat everybody right. I don't care how good you treat some people they just don't want to hear it. I pray for them. Ask God to help them. I don't have anything against anybody. Thank God for that. I see a lot of people sit down and talk about each other. If

I've got something to say about you, I'll tell you. We be sitting around talking. I don't want to hear about what happened the other night. If I've got something to say about you, I'll tell you."

Which brings us back to that wood stove. Seems that Mother Stanton won't let it be removed from the house. "I love it in the winter time," she said. She does have an electric stove but noted its limitations. "When you come in the stove's hot, but you're cold. Can't say that about a wood stove." She also loves chicken wings and salted lake herring, chocolate cake and sweet potato pie.

Along with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Mother Stanton is cared for by her son, her neighbors, and her church family. Many consider her a beacon of light and revere her. In June her church family, friends, and relatives celebrated her 100th birthday at Baptist First Baptist. People travelled from all over the country to celebrate her longevity. Hymns were sung and senators and other dignitaries sent her letters of congratulations. It was indeed a great event for a great lady.

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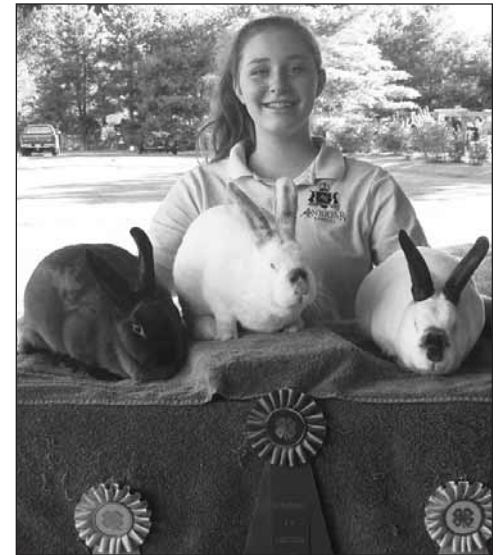
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Elly started showing rabbits in 4H this year. The show requirements are different for 4-H than for the ARBA shows; they are a lot more hands on in the actual showing. Elly did an educational presentation on her Rex rabbit for the public at Old Farm Day in preparation for her upcoming 4H shows. Elly has had fun learning, practicing, and sharing her knowledge. The practice paid off when she did well in her first 4H show, the Grace Church Livestock show in Albemarle county. She won grand champion and reserve grand champion market rabbit and reserve grand champion for breed rabbit.

She is looking forward to her next 4H show at the Fluvanna County Fair and the upcoming fall ARBA shows.



Elly Davis and her prize Rex Rabbits.  
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By Martha Louis  
Correspondent

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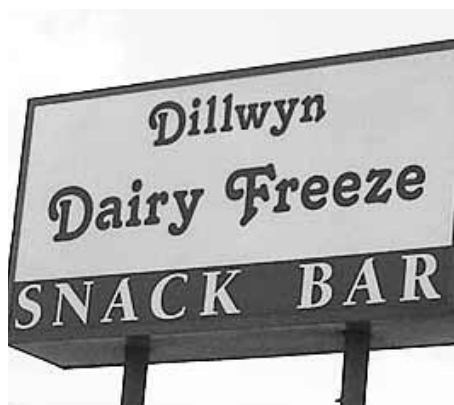
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## Historic Buckingham's Activity Committee Meets to set the Fall Schedule

The Fall season for HBI kicks off with the third annual "Vino in the Village" wine festival. This year's festival will include 6 vineyards, BBQ, Seafood, Italian, Amish bakery sweets, fresh squeezed lemonade, Feng Sway jazz, Farm Use String Band, Kid's Craft area and a fine art show. The festival is held rain or shine on Sept 22nd 11:00am- 4:00pm. Tickets are \$15 for tasters and \$10 for non tasters. Tickets are available at the gates and only cash or check.

The next fall event is the **FALL FARM FESTIVAL** which is cosponsored with The Buckingham County Farm Bureau. The Village is the perfect location for this event. Animals, kids area, exhibits, food, tractors, -all things celebrating the farmer. No admission charge (donations to Village building fund appreciated). This event is Oct. 6th, 10:00- 2:00.

The very next weekend, **Oct 13th 11:00am – 4:00pm is the much anticipated Indian Relic Show.** Collectors from all over the state and NC will be there with their tools, weapons, demonstrations, and more. There will be food available and music. This show will be held rain or shine. (If hard rain it will be at the VFW Hall.)

**October 27th 7:00-9:00pm will be the annual "Spooky Hollow Drive Thru"**, a Village fundraiser. Last year was a record with 100 vehicles coming thru the spooky village. A donation of only \$10/vehicle will get you some of the best scares and frights our actors can give you...Come if you dare!!!

The Activity Committee ends the year on a high note with **The Village Christmas Market on Dec. 8 (11:00am-4:00pm) and Dec. 9 (1:00-4:00pm)**. Lunch will be available on Saturday along with all manners of arts and crafts, live music, and more. On the same days, the Housewright Museum and the Adams Museum will host their **Christmas Open House Dec. 8, 9 from 1:00-4:00pm.**

When local residents say there is never anything to do in Buckingham, we hope to change their mind by inviting them to our historic village and our 2 museums. [www.historicbuckingham.org](http://www.historicbuckingham.org) and [www.leewaysidevillage.com](http://www.leewaysidevillage.com)



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## Historic Buckingham 2019 Calendar goes to press



(Big Boy ) LeSueur, Sammy Apperson and B.L. Apperson , Jr.  
circa 1940 Horse's name not known.

Historic Buckingham will publish its 30th edition calendar for the year 2019. This photo donated by Diane Apperson is just one of the 13 gems we have. This unique calendar makes a great Christmas gift and will be available at our annual membership meeting on Thursday, Sept 20th at 5:30 at The Historic Village at Lee Wayside. Members and perspective members are all welcome. [historicbuckingham.org](http://historicbuckingham.org) and [leewaysidevillage.com](http://leewaysidevillage.com)

### *Vino in the Village*

**Sept. 22, 2018**  
**11:00 am to 4:00 pm**

*The Historic Village at Lee Wayside*  
*84 Lee Wayside Road, Buckingham Va.*

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First row Left-Right: Christine Wingert (middle school counselor), Tavion Bartee, Jaylen Anderson, Natalie Aldridge, Tamara Gough, Ashanti Hall, Amir Bolden. Tajhmir Gough, and Erin Webber. Second row Left-Right: Madison Bryant, Libbie Ranson (high school counselor), J'Miyah Holman, Dylan Price, April Sage, Tyshea Chambers, Mia Garrett, Jenny McIntosh, Johniece Baker, Christin Midkiff, Dakota Flood, Olivia Trimble, and Meredith Delong-Maxey. Photo submitted.

# Truth Empowerment Summit

By Sue A. Miles  
Correspondent

## Where can I pick up my Buckingham Beacon?

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| New Images Hair Design            | Ellington Gas                     |
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| Wise Ridge Country Store          | Jenkins Exxon                     |
| Sheppards Exxon                   | Buckingham Library                |
| Bates Market                      | Dillwyn Pharmacy                  |
| Buckingham Co. High School        | Real Estate III (inside)          |
| EXXON                             | Real Estate III (outside)         |
| Buckingham Co. Admin. Bldg.       | Cheryl's Barber Shop/Beauty Salon |
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| Nancy's Gifts                     | State Farm Office                 |
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| Midway Market                     | Farmers Foods (inside rack )      |
| Glenmore Store                    | Farmers Foods                     |
| Howardsville Store                | (outside box)                     |
| Faulknier's Country Store         | Heritage Hall                     |
| Spanglers                         | Martha Jefferson Clinic           |
| P&S Market                        | Fast Mart Valero                  |
| Review Office                     | Fast Mart Auto                    |
| New Canton Post Office            | Food Lion                         |
| Byrants Grocery                   | China Restaurant                  |

As school starts another new year, there is a different and positive energy in a group of students in Buckingham Middle and High Schools. These students were part of a special three-day Truth Empowerment Summit during the summer. At the Summit, they participated in workshops to develop leadership skills while learning how to spread a positive climate in their schools. The event, which included approximately 100 students from the counties of Amelia, Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, and Prince Edward, was designed to help students process strong emotions and develop effective communication skills including maintaining good eye contact and a

confident posture. Participants also were guided through the process of developing plans with their school counselors to create a united environment with their fellow classmates and the school in general. There was also workshops on disarming bullies and harmful behavior. The event, which took place at the Robert Russa Moton Museum and Hampden-Sydney's Snyder Hall was coordinated by Jenny McIntosh and Savannah McIntosh Huddleston, founders of My Truth Bomb, a motivational organization that encourages youth to become the positive change needed in their culture. For more information on the program go to <https://www.mytruthbomb.com>.

## River Town Fest: Scottsville Community Day

**Saturday, September 8; 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Where: Dorrier Park (250 Page St., Scottsville) and throughout Scottsville  
More info: <https://www.facebook.com/events/220082711906153/>

This year marks 200 years since Scottsville was incorporated as a town. Formerly called "Scottsville Community Day," River Town Fest celebrates our community by inviting nonprofits, partners, and local businesses to unite and make Scottsville a destination for anyone who considers the greater Scottsville area "home."

Events this year include the Farmers Market (8am-12pm); Scottsville Organization for Kids Soccer opening day games (10am-12pm; Dorrier Park); non-profit, business, and craft vendor fair (10 am-5 pm; Scottsville Community Center); tours, business events, and tastings (downtown, uptown, and beyond), kids activities and free music (3-9pm; Dorrier Park).

We're creating a map and schedule of events to better support all participants. Please contact us ASAP if you are interested in participating!





On The Move With Joanne Yeck

Joanne Yeck has been fascinated with Buckingham County for over twenty years. Since late 2012, she has shared her collection of Buckingham facts and photos on her blog, "Slate River Ramblings" (slateriverramblings.com). Her newest history, *Peter Field Jefferson: Dark Prince of Scottsville & Lost Jeffersons*, is now available locally and online (braughlerbooks.com).



Mount Ida. Courtesy Historic Buckingham.

Reconstruction in Buckingham County

In early 1867, Lieut. Col. John W. Jordan of the Freedman's Bureau recommended a dozen men fit for leadership in Buckingham County's new Reconstruction-era government. They represented forward-thinking men in the white and newly freed African-American communities. The first name on Jordan's list was Thomas H. Garnett of Curdsville. In 1877, he served the county as coroner.

According to genealogist Harry S. Holman: "Thomas Henry Garnett lived near "Garnett's Chapel," on Hooper's Mountain. The property adjoined my Grandmother Ellie Hooper Holman's old home where the Hoopers lived since colonial times. This Thomas H. Garnett was born in 1819 and married Ann Elizabeth Eldridge, daughter of Thomas Kidder Eldridge and Mary Ayres Eldridge, the daughter of Rev. John Ayres of "Edgehill," Buckingham County."

Holman, believes that Garnett died on September 7, 1906, at the advanced age of eighty-eight. "At that time he was a member of Smyrna Methodist Church and was buried on the western slope of Willis Mountain. It was said of him that he was one of the best known and beloved citizens of the county."

The second man on Jordan's list was Thomas Leitch of New Canton, the son of Irish immigrant and wealthy planter, William Leitch. Educated at the University of Virginia, Thomas M. Leitch (1826-1886) was a Lieutenant in the 18th Regiment, Virginia Infantry, making him an odd candidate for one who, according to Jordan was "originally opposed to the secession movement and those among them who have in any way given encouragement to the Rebel Cause did it reluctantly and because they were compelled to do it to protect themselves & property." The family lived at Mt. Ida, near New Canton. In 1880, Thomas Leitch was still living in Buckingham County with his wife, Martha, and nine children.

Harry Holman offered these details about Leitch's life and family: "Thomas Maurice Leitch (1826-1886) was the son of William and Mary Ann Langhorne Leitch. His second wife was Martha G. Spencer (1839-1892), the daughter of Nathan and Martha Meredith Spencer of Buckingham and granddaughter of Judith Ayres Spencer—eldest child of Col. Nathan Ayres (d. 1822). Among the Leitch children were Mildred Fontaine Leitch, who married John Ayres Gary and lived at "Locust Hill," on James River across from Columbia. Her brother was a distinguished Methodist missionary (educated at Randolph-Macon and Vanderbilt) and principal of a high school in China. He died young—no descendants."

Lieutenant Jordan next named was J. B. Finklin of New Canton. In 1868, Finklin served the county as a Superintendent for District No. 5 and, in August of 1879, a brief article in Richmond's *Daily Dispatch* mentioned him as a canvasser in the Sixth Congressional District, specifically the Buckingham Senatorial District.

The next name on Jordan's list is very-well known in, and far beyond, Buckingham County. Alexander J. Bondurant was the son of Thomas Moseley Bondurant, publisher of Richmond's Whig. By 1870, he had removed to Nelson County, thus, did not remain active in politics in Buckingham. Again, his service for

the Confederate States of America, would seem to make him a peculiar selection. In 1868, Alexander J. Bondurant served the county as a Superintendent for District No. 2. In March of 1910, his brief obituary was printed in Lynchburg, Virginia. It reads as follows:

A. J. Bondurant  
Lynchburg, Va., March 7. — Alexander J. Bondurant, of Buckingham County, Virginia, aged seventy-four, died here today of appendicitis. He served in the civil war in Malone's brigade, and from 1896 to 1901 was a tobacco expert in Victoria, Australia. Since that time he had been professor of agriculture at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Last year he celebrated his golden wedding, and his wife survives. Among the surviving children are A. L. Bondurant, professor of Latin at Mississippi University, and G. P. Bondurant, an attorney-at-law at Birmingham, Ala.

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Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

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- 8 Aaron Burr, famously
- 14 Had in mind
- 16 Like some beds
- 17 Dustin Hoffman role
- 18 Flower part
- 19 Leg, in old slang
- 20 Gym wear
- 22 Pilot's announcement, briefly
- 23 Kind of grin
- 25 Princeton mascot
- 26 Londoner, e.g.
- 27 Of the kidneys
- 29 Worn-down pencil
- 30 Dateless
- 31 Record manufacturer
- 33 Annual report data
- 35 Bread maker
- 37 \_\_\_ to riches
- 38 Certify
- 42 More adorable
- 45 Like some curtains
- 46 Cumberland \_\_\_
- 48 Cut off
- 50 Henry VIII's last wife
- 51 Hurler
- 53 Loaded
- 54 One of the Gershwins
- 55 Fit of nervousness
- 57 Morning drops

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- 9 Windows alternative
- 10 Ambulance letters
- 11 Not quite yet
- 12 Cleaning up, in a way
- 13 Tells, as a story
- 15 Tropical fever
- 21 Prohibit
- 24 Working stiff
- 26 Burn result
- 28 Crowbar, e.g.
- 30 Breed of cattle
- 32 Headed up
- 34 Ric \_\_\_ (wavy fabric)
- 36 Dusk to dawn
- 38 Aimed for, with "to"
- 39 Hepburn-Grant film of 1963
- 40 Like pottery
- 41 Seafood sauce
- 43 Plain to see
- 44 Whistle blower
- 47 Kitchen gadget
- 49 Wanted poster word
- 51 They roll in
- 52 Dropped a line
- 55 Become firm
- 56 Circus performer
- 59 Wharton degree
- 61 By means of





As part of the Lunch and Learn series, Swami Dayananda, of Yogaville, is shown presenting Chair Yoga. The group of adults who attended were from various Farmville and Buckingham locations. All photos by Sue A. Miles.

## Buckingham Library - What's New!

By Sue A. Miles  
Correspondent

**A**s summer plugs along with its long, lazy, hot days – and the family beach trip is long past – it's time to take advantage of what our public library has to offer for everyone in the family as well to get an update on what's new. One of the biggest changes is the extension of operating hours. Beginning on July 2nd the Buckingham Branch, located in Dillwyn, will be open on Mondays through Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m. But, there's more! The library offers movie times for families at 11 a.m. on Fridays. Afternoon activities including Lego™ for school agers on Thursday, a Summer Reading Challenge for the whole family, and Story Time sessions for preschoolers on Tuesday. To add to the array, there is a Lunch and Learn on Tuesdays at noon where you can bring your lunch and hear speaker on subjects such as cooking, car rental, yoga, sign language, and beekeeping. And, yes – there is a new library in the works. Amy White, Buckingham's Branch Manager, reports that the concept plan is available to view.

Come and see the ideas and what the new space may look like as renovations are being designed for the old Dillwyn Primary building. Go to [www.cvrl.net](http://www.cvrl.net) to learn more about the variety of activities and services available.

See Library, page 15



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## Class Reunion of 1963

Buckingham Central High School alumni from the Class of 1963 officially gather every five years to celebrate the "good old days." This year the event took place in June at The Barn (Buckingham Agricultural Resource Network). Front, left to right: Betty Crump Perkins, Kay Webb Cowan, Faye Wyland Shumaker, Gloria Steger Wood, Mrs. Pat Johnson (teacher), Becky Morgan Heath, Nancy Ballowe Taylor, and Barbara Waycaster Dunn. Middle row: E.B. Sprouse, James A Wooten, Jr., David F. Fulcher, Marvin Dale LeSueur, Lucy Johns Swartz, Hazel LeSueur Ragland, Carolyn Rush Jamerson, Dot Adcock Ragland, Carolyn Seay Morris, Jamie Mitchell Peters, Connie Herndon Pepper, and Frances Durham Duty. Rear: E.B. Earl Snoddy, Irving Driskill, Jr., Edna Ragland Tinsley, and Tommy E. Patterson. Photo provided.



## Class Reunion of 1968

It was a grand gathering on a hot summer night when the Buckingham Central High School Class of 1968 celebrated their 50th high school reunion. Great food, great conversation, and great memories abounded all night as the classmates shared stories and tales about the "good old days" of high school. Shown left to right (rear): Gene Ragland, Kate Wilmoth, Tommy Ragland, Brady "B.J." Jones, Braxton Apperson, Richard Bickford, Herbert Maxey, Kathy Crump Dunnivant, Patricia Jones Mullins, Janet Miller, Linda Morris, Margaret Webb Thomas, William "Shorty" Kidd, Marie Kidd Hill, Robert "Bob" Murphy, and Ronnie Moss. Middle row: Doris LeSueur, July Snoddy Groelke, Patricia Patterson Martin, Gloria Mitchell Stout, Henry Hackett, Pamela Morris Waycaster, Susan Gough Yankes, Virginia Sue Moss, Donna Moss Glenn, Shirley Sprouse Hall, and Wanda Agee Albrecht. Front: John Yancey, Debbie Oliver Shumaker, Faye Leonard Spurluk, Gloria Jean Banton Tyree, Brenda Yancey McAllister, Faye Davis Wharam, and Diane Moss Flippen. Not pictured: Renny Miles and Mrs. Patricia Johnson (teacher).

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

### Public Notice – Environmental Permit

**PURPOSE OF NOTICE:** To seek public comment and announce a public hearing and an information briefing on a draft permit from the State Air Pollution Control Board for an air pollution source in Buckingham County, Virginia.

**INFORMATION BRIEFING:** Peter Francisco Auditorium in the Buckingham County Administration Building at 13380 W. James Anderson Highway in Buckingham on August 16, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The informational briefing will be a DEQ presentation to inform the public of the draft permit review. An opportunity for questions related to this air quality permit will also be provided. No oral comments on the draft permit will be received at this briefing. Please note this briefing and the public hearing are at different locations.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** August 8, 2018 to September 11, 2018

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Buckingham County Middle School at 1184 High School Road in Buckingham on September 11, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. or until all comments are received, whichever is earlier.

**PERMIT NAME:** Minor Source Construction Permit issued under the authority of the Air Pollution Control Board

**APPLICANT NAME AND REGISTRATION NUMBER:** Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC; 21599

**FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS:** ACP – Dominion Energy Buckingham Compressor Station; 5297 S. James River Hwy, Wingina, VA 24599

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC has applied for a new permit to build the Buckingham Compressor Station (ACP-2). The facility is a natural gas pipeline compressor station. It will be classified as a minor source of air pollution. The maximum annual emissions of air pollutants from the facility under the proposed permit are expected to be: 34.2 tons per year (TPY) of nitrogen oxides, 39.2 TPY carbon monoxide, 9.8 TPY volatile organic compounds, 8.3 TPY sulfur dioxide, 43.2 TPY of particulate (PM10 and PM2.5). The applicant proposes to use approximately 4,550 million cubic feet of natural gas for fuel. The technology that will be used to control the air pollution from the facility is selective catalytic reduction for the control of nitrogen oxides; oxidation catalyst for the control of carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, and formaldehyde; natural gas, inlet air filters, and good combustion practices for control of sulfur dioxide and particulate; and a vent gas reduction system to reduce the venting of natural gas to control volatile organic compounds and hexane. The estimated effect on air quality near the facility from the proposed project is that all emissions will comply with all applicable ambient air quality standards.

**HOW TO COMMENT:** DEQ accepts comments by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. The Director of DEQ has determined that the permit will go before the Board in accordance with 9 VAC 5-80-25 F.

Contact for public comments, document requests and additional information: Ann Regn; Phone: (804) 698-4442; Postal Mail: Piedmont Regional Office, RE: Buckingham Compressor Station, 4949-A Cox Rd, Glen Allen, VA 23060; E-mail: [airdivision1@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:airdivision1@deq.virginia.gov); Fax: (804) 527-5106. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

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# Centra Medical Group Nephrology Center welcomes A. Ahsan Ejaz, MD, in Farmville



A. Ahsan Ejaz, MD, has joined the Centra Medical Group Nephrology Center located in the Centra Southside Medical Center. Dr. Ejaz is board certified in internal medicine and nephrology. He is also a hypertension clinical specialist.

Dr. Ejaz joins Atul Bali, MD, and Holley Aderholt, NP, in the Centra Medical Group Nephrology Center, 935 S. Main Street, Farmville, Virginia. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 434.315.5360.

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