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Complete with a packed car and cooler, Theresa and I started off on our six weeks trip with an official picture to document our departure. We were off on a six weeks driving trip across the USA! Thanks to friends and family who cut grass, feed pets, and gave us support and encouragement, it proved to be a trip of a lifetime. Photo courtesy of Sue A. Miles.

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# Cross Country Odyssey 

By Sue A. Miles
Correspondent


Our first night was in an Air BnB in Russell, Kentucky, north of West Virginia. April was our host and the Ohio River, with the morning mist clinging to it, our back yard. We also were fortunate two meet two Air BnB boarders (James, from Houston and Arial, from New Orleans) who were in the area to "hang on ropes" as they said. They were indeed dangling from ropes to inspect a local industry pipe system. They were delightful and funny and James left us a great breakfast the next morning before they headed out to work. Photo by Theresa Buschmann.

Wre do you start when you want to share your experience of takg a six weeks cross country trip across the USA? Perhaps at the eginning. Having recently retired as a school counselor, along with congratulations and good wishes, many people asked what I was planning to do. Well, lots of things. But, one was foremost; take a trip across the USA, visit friends and family along the way, and explore old haunts and new sights. My brothers, Tom and Thornton, and I undertook the trip in 1976. I was 27, they were 16 and 14, respectfully. This time I'm in my mid 60s. Let's just go ahead and say that this trip is a totally different experience - as it should be. Obviously, being older and settled in my ways, every decision and move took more thought and pondering, and in the end, none of that actually mattered. I'm literally going on a trip of a lifetime

To make the trip even more exciting and interesting, I'm traveling with my high school friend, Theresa Buschmann; a free spirit, like me Yet, friends that we may be, the idea of riding in a car every day for six weeks, sharing the same lodging, making decisions about every aspect of the day with anyone can result in disaster. Whenever either one of us shared our travel plans to friends or strangers, the common response was that one of us might not survive. That didn't happen - it was an amazing experience which bonded two old friends into an even tighter knot.

The other response we got from many people about our upcoming trip was envy. It seems almost everyone has the dream to do it. Here was our plan. With 45 days of travel ahead of us we took off with a rented Nissan (we named her Tonya for reasons I won't share), suitcases with summer and cold weather clothing, maps, and a cooler full of food (which we replenished about every three days) that would allow us to eat breakfast and lunch on our own terms. Dinner would likely be purchased or provided by our wonderful hosts. And, our handy Google maps phone app that made our trip easy and quite different from the old paper maps of 1976. We also created a Google spreadsheet detailing how many hours we would drive (we opted for no more than five hours a day), our lodging (friends, friends of friends, or Air $\mathrm{BnB})$, and what sights we wanted to see. We decided to drive the north route and come back via the south.

So, come on the journey with us and enjoy. Here are just a few of the places we went, people we met, and experiences we had. Having driven well over eight thousand miles what you're seeing is just a tip of our experiences on the road. We were blessed with strong desire to be joyful and embrace what the road offered us, to have been hosted by wonderful and kind people - some old friends or relatives, some new friends. All treated us well and made our trip even more eventful. Traveling is not just about going to tourist sites but also the people you meet and the experiences you have. We also learned that our country is wonderfully diverse in its geography, climate, and culture. From the North Woods of Wisconsin, the amber waves of grain in South Dakota, the fog covered coast of northern California, the hustle and bustle of San Francisco and the Los Angeles area to the majestic red buttes of the southwest - the drive across the country was a true treat to the eye and memorable to the soul. Here's our story in pictures.


We stayed in Lafayette, Indiana for an overnight visit with Theresa's cousin. Mary Ann is a veterinarian with for the state on infectious diseases and her husband, Steve, is a nephrologist. Their place was amazing, comfortable, and inviting; complete with a tennis court, an equestrian center and regal horses being bordered. Here is Steve, Mary Ann, and Theresa in Steve's wood shop. Photo by Sue Miles.


We stayed in a hostel in Madison, Wisconsin, a short walk from the capitol and center of town, sharing a room with two students from China and a 69-year-old lady from Texas. Downtown was alive with energy and six-foot colorful badgers. Seems University of Wisconsin's mascot is the Bucky the Badger, so there you go. Just a few feet shorter than the U.S. capitol, it is a majestic building, in and out. We then visited the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center, designed by Wisconsin native and famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright.

## BUCKINGHAM FOOD PANTRY CALENDAR

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Leaving Lafayette, we drove north and toured the Fair Oaks Farm; a pork facility that births and sells piglets to farmers. The facility, which was also a dairy farm, is designed for the public to tour and learn more about the farming industry. We gained a tremendous amount of knowledge about the pork and dairy industry and also got to watch live births of pigs and calves. Just as an aside, this stop wasn't on our
schedule but recommended by Theresa's cousin. We were so glad we took her advice.


One of my favorite stops in beautiful Wisconsin, is what is known as the North Woods, where my son Miles was staying with his fiancée's family, in the small town of Harshaw. Full of huge hemlocks, red and white pines, stately ferns, and thousands of pristine lakes, this area is a sportsman's paradise. Fishing, boating, hunting, skiing (both water and snow) activities abound in the area. We got to sample Wisconsin's famous cheese curds and Spotted Cow, a tasty lager that is only sold in Wisconsin.

We had an incredible fish dinner at one of the area's famous supper clubs. And, most importantly, I had the opportunity to encounter one of America's folk heroes, Paul Bunyan and Babe, his blue ox. Quite a treat!

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We stopped off outside of Minneapolis, Minnesota to stay overnight with a Peace Corps friend, Mary Donovan, after which we continued west to Chamberlain, South Dakota, boarding the Missouri River. While in Chamberlain we got to meet Standing Elk, a beautiful and majestic woman of the Sioux tribe.


Being in Chamberlain, SD also allowed us the opportunity to visit the nearby Dignity sculpture, located on a bluff overlooking the Missouri River. The 50 -foot high stainless steel statue by South Dakota artist laureate Dale Lamphere depicts an indigenous woman in Plains-style dress receiving a star quilt. The sculpture honors the culture of the Lakota and Dakota peoples who are indigenous to South Dakota.


Both Theresa and I agree that likely one of the unique manmade highlights of our trip was stopping off on Hwy 90 in South Dakota and visiting the Porter Sculpture Park. Porter is basically a self-taught welder and sculpture. His work is unique, out of the ordinary, whimsical, and awe-inspiring. And, if you are not careful, you'd miss it as you zoom pass the field next to Interstate 94 that houses the art. We are so glad we stopped. And, South Dakota, which neither Theresa nor I had ever visited, was one of the most beautiful states that we encountered on our northbound trip. Photo by Theresa Buschmann


One of the most memorial experiences while travelling through South Dakota was visiting the Badlands National Park, located between Chamberlain and Keystone. Located on the edge of the Great Plains, Badlands National Park consists of 244,000 acres of sharply eroded buttes, pinnacles and spires blended with the largest, protected mixed-grass prairie in the United States. We were in awe as we drove through the park. Along with the incredible landscape we encountered majestic bison and perky prairie dogs.


As we continued west we stopped at Little Bighorn National Battlefield. This area memorializes the U.S. Army's 7th Cavalry and the Sioux and Cheyenne in one of the Indian's last armed efforts to preserve their way of life. At the site Lt. Col. George A. Custer and his U.S. Army soldiers, died fighting several thousand Lakota, and Cheyenne warriors. The significance of this event had faded from my brain. However, standing on the hill and looking down at the plains, gave the battle a whole new perspective. You could almost visualize the battle and the horrible results, for both sides.

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Tobe and Jon Porter hosted us in Port Orford, Oregon. We were able to connect as Tobe is the sister to Betsy Samuels, of Foxfire Christmas Tree farm, in Buckingham. We had a great visit and got to spend time on the beach of Port Orford. Oregon's coast is speculator and a must see.


And, then there are the redwoods. Towering up to 360 feet in the sky, the redwoods are known to be up to 2000 years old. Theresa and I walked through a number of old growth groves and were spellbound by the beauty and majesty of the trees. They are old souls. There is no doubt, seeing the majestic redwoods is something that every Americar should put on their bucket list.


After staying overnight in Idaho Falls we arrived in Boise, Idaho where we took a three-night rest while visiting a longtime friend of Theresa's. That rest actually allowed us to take a rafting trip on the Boise River, which took us through the city of Boise. We viewed wild mink on the river banks while seeing some of the downtown sights of the city. During our stay we also drove two hours up to the Payette National Park, which reminded us of a mini-Grand Canyon. We camped for two nights while enjoying another hot springs.


We stayed six nights in the Bay area; beautiful Sausalito, Berkeley, and Oakland were included. During this visit I connected with over five Peace Corps friends. One such friend was David Zweig (left) who took us on boat rides in the bay which included riding under the Golden Gate Bridge and a morning ride to San Francisco for coffee. On the right is my friend, Scott Gannon.


As we travelled through Wyoming towards Montana we could not avoid the sagebrush, coal trains, 80 miles per hour speed limits, and ironically, Don't Die signs (we never could figure those out). Reaching Bozeman, Montana, I connected with another former Peace Corps friend, Susan Reisch. The town of Bozeman is booming with businesses and the many students of Montana University. Unfortunately, at this time it was also hazy in the vista due to fires from Canada and California.



We traveled to San Diego, desert areas in Southern California that were covered with wild cacti, and got to walk along the incredible Canyon Road of Santa Fe filled with amazing and innovative art. As we crossed the south and central states we were always heading towards Graceland, Elvis' home in Memphis. Our tour was quite informative and it was fun walking through "The King's" home. After one night in Memphis we continued on to see the sights of Nashville. Finally - home to beautiful Buckingham County. What a trip!

A must see on any cross-country trip, Crater Lake, located south of Bend, Oregon. Over 1,900 feet deep, Crater Lake inspires awe and wonder. Native Americans witnessed its formation 7,700 years ago, when a violent eruption triggered the collapse of a tall peak. Only fed by rain and snow, it's the deepest lake in the USA and perhaps the most pristine and pure on earth. Needless to say, this picture does not do it justice.


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Spooky Hollow Drive Thru
October 27th . 7:00pm - 9:00pm This much loved annual event is a fundraiser for the Village takes place at The Historic Village (84 Lee Wayside Road) . \$10/vehicle Come if you dare!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Sponsored by Historic Buckingham Inc


## Halloween on

 Main Street FUN and SAFE !!!!! Wednesday Oct 31st -5:30-7:30pm STREET WILL BE CLOSED AT 5:30 PM.N

## Harvest Moon

 Champagne \& Chocolate Gala 4th Annual event will be held on Friday Oct. 19th, 6:00-8:00pm at the Barbara Rose Johns Farmville- Prince Edward Community Library (1303 W. Third Street in Farmville). This fundraiser supports children's programming at the Buckingham and Prince Edward branches. Tickets are available at both libraries for $\$ 25.00$. Marcus Pendergrass is performing and Aramark is sponsoring the chocolates and champagne as well as catering appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages. Rochettes Florist is designing floral arrangements that will be taken home by some lucky attendees.
## Guest Speaker at Triad

Buckingham Triad will have a guest speaker and presentation from Centra PACE on October 11, 2018 at 1:30pm at the VFW Hall on Route 60 in Buckingham County. Public is invited, light refreshments will be served.

"Estate Planning Essentials" Oct . 10, 2018, 1:30pm4:30pm at The Barn (11851 W. James Anderson HWY, Buckingham Va ) Call (434)969-4261 at The Buckingham Extension Office for more information and to register or email rclaboug@vt.edu. Refreshments served and seating is limited. Learn how:

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- to keep your affairs private and out of the courts
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family members
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## Watching Your Weight

Yes it's true. The loss is happening on the scales at a Weight Watchers meeting every Thursday afternoon which takes place at the beautiful Wiley Fitness Center in The Central Va Community Health Center. The group lost 226 pounds in 12 weeks !! The meetings are on Thursdays with weigh in beginning at $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ and meeting at 2:45-3:15pm.

Contact alex.butterfield@ weightwatchers.com for more information.

Buckingham County Library Events:
Saturday Oct. 6th 10:00-2:00 The Library will have a craft \& game table at "Fall Farm Fest" (The Historic Village at Lee Wayside)

Saturday, Oct. 13th 10:00am- 4:00pm - Pumpkin painting - Decorate a pumpkin to enter in our contest for gift card to a local business.

## AA and AI Anon

Every Tuesday at 7:30 pm - Scottsville United Methodist Church. AA meets in the Fellowship Hall and AI Anon (for families of problem drinkers) meets in the Sunday School Room.

AA meeting on Wednesdays 6pm Emmanuel Episcopal Church Howardsville Rd. Glenmore in Buckingham


## UPCOMINGEVENIS AND ANNOUNCEMENIS



The Club members, parents, volunteer leaders, and Extension Agents at the Piedmont Area Jr. Livestock Show that was held on April 28, 2018.

## 4-H Livestock Club will hold their Kick-Off Meeting

The Buckingham 4-H Livestock Club will hold their Kick-Off Meeting to begin their new year on October 15 at 5:30 p.m. at the Virginia Cooperative Extension -Buckingham office at 54 Administration Lane, Buckingham, VA. Youth ages 9-19 and their parents who would like to learn more about raising beef cattle, sheep, meat goats, and hogs are invited to attend. Club members will have the option of showing their project animals at the Piedmont Area Jr. Livestock Show in Blackstone on April 27, 2019. Children ages 5-8 and their parents are also invited to participate as Cloverbud 4 -Hers. They can participate in the Club's monthly meetings to learn more about livestock but do not compete in the April Livestock show until they reach age 9. At the Kick-Off meeting on October 15 there will be a hot dog supper provided. Please call the Extension office at 434-969-4261 if you should have any questions and to RSVP.


Betty Jean Anderson, Marie Sweeney, Joshua Meek, Vic Moss, Caroll Gathright, John Sedgwick. Background from left to right: Christopher Opie, Ayers Newton, Enoch Matthews, Sean Ballowe)

## VFW Post 8446 awards $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 0 0 0}$ to Buckingham JROTC Raider Team

The Buckingham County VFW Post 8446 has awarded the Buckingham County High School JROTC Raider Team an award of $\$ 1,000$. This will help defray costs when the Raiders travel to Molena, Georgia on 1 November to compete against the best of other JROTC from around the United States. The Raider Teams will watch the All-Service Championships held on 2 November and compete in both the AllMale and Mixed Categories for the U.S. Army National JROTC Raider Championships on 3 November. The JROTC Raiders and the Cadre greatly appreciate the support and generosity that has been given by VFW Post 8446 .

## Indian Relic Show

Saturday October 13th • 11am-4pm
Amazing exhibits of relics, demonstrations, lunch available Event happens rain or shine. No admission charge

## Fall Farm Fest

October 6th 10am -2pm no admission charge
Everything FARM including cows, chicks, rabbits, pigeons, and more, Antique tractors, demonstrations, vendors, lunch, live music, buggy rides, KIDS area and more! Great fun for the whole family! Co-sponsored by Buckingham County Farm Bureau.


## Önnual Spooky Ffolfow Drive Tiru

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A much anticipated tradition in Buckingham County that draws folks from Farmville, Scottsville and Appomattox

Saturday, Oct 27th 7:00pm - 9:00pm \$10/car donation to village
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# Buckingham's Very Own Playwright! 

Contributed by Kristye Moxley, High School Drama Coach

The Buckingham County High School Drama Club will debut a student's original one act play, Love is Broken Glass, on Friday, October 19 at 7:00pm at the high school auditorium. The playwright, junior Tajhmir Gough, was inspired his freshman year to write his own tragic play about the trials of forbidden love after reading Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet

Tajhmir's one act takes place in present day. It tells the story of Jonathan, a teenager from a poor family, who falls in love with Brooklyn, a beautiful girl from

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the wealthy part of town. Wellrounded characters surround the young lovers and make the thir-ty-minute production captivating and even a bit humorous.

In addition to a community performance, the cast will be performing Love is Broken Glass on Saturday, November 3 at Nelson County High School for the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Theater competition. There is a thirty-five-minute time limit for all entries in this competition. Tajmir's original script was about forty-five minutes long. Therefore he has experienced the trials of an editing process and has seen his original design take new form. As his friends fill the roles of people he had only previously envisioned, Tajhmir has expressed excitement at witnessing his ideas "come to life" on the stage This process of writing and creating a live production is one that few people ever get to experience. Tajhmir says of the process, "Having the experience of directing a play that I wrote and being able to share it with the community, is a blessing. I'm excited to see how this production will unfold. Hopefully, it will be the beginning of a successful career in writing and directing."

Tajmir Gough, an exceptional student, dedicates his time to studying and getting good grades while balancing his involvement


Student Tajhmir Gough, writes, directs, and stars in his own play. in different clubs and activities. In addition to being a dedicated member of the drama club, Tajhmir serves as the Secretary of the Student Council Association and as Vice President of the Future Business Leaders of America. Student Council Advisor, Mary Stearrett says of Tajhmir, "He is an amazing young man of high moral character. His dedication and commitment to his projects, academics, and helping others is truly commendable in a young man of his age. Tajhmir is always the first to volunteer to help." His FBLA sponsor, Sandy Wier says, "Tajhmir is an awesome student. His character and work ethic makes him a great leader among his peers."

Come support Tajhmir and the cast of "Love is Broken Glass" on Friday, October 19. It is a performance you won't want to miss! Tickets are $\$ 4.00$ at the door.


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).


## Reconstruction in Buckingham County

## Letter from Lt. Col. Jordan. Courtesy Bibb Edwards and Library of Virginia.

In February of 1868, news of a "Conservative Meeting in Buckingham County" was reported in Richmond's Whig. Several of the men put forward by Lt. Col. Jordan of Freedman's Bureau as viable leaders in Buckingham County's post-war government were named in the article. The purpose of the meeting was to organize a Conservative Party "in accordance with the plan recommended by the Conservative Committee in Richmond." Mr. Richard Ivanhoe Cocke was named Chairman. Representatives from Buckingham's District included men which Jordan approved of: Dr. Charles E. Davidson (District No. 1); Alexander J. Bondurant (District No. 2); and J. B. Ficklin (District No. 5).
According to the article, the meeting attracted more than "an ordinary interest." The "crippled condition" of the Commonwealth was discussed and attendees were encouraged "to put forth every effort to kindle the hope and arrest the sinking fortunes of the State." Whig Editor Alexander Moseley, who had gifted land to a group of African Americans to establish a community at Allexander Hill, was in attendance and was asked to address the group:

He said his opinions in regard to the white man and the negro cooperating in any movement whatever, had undergone an entire change; he once thought there was hope of such a thing, but was now convinced that oil and water should sooner unite than the two classes upon any common measure; it was, therefore, necessary for us to make a "pull together" to defeat the forthcoming Constitution, although the captivating clause of repudiation should be inserted to make us except universal suffrage.

Alexander Moseley had long been known as a generous and equitable man. For him to despair the future of racial integration indeed represented a pivotal moment in Virginia's political history.


Stanton Family Cemetery. Courtesy Virginia Department of Historic Resources.

African Americans in Post-War Government

And what of the six African Americans named on Lt. Col. Jordan's list as potential Magistrates? They were: John Scott, Curdsville; Woodson Washington, Rock Mills; Cesar Perkins, Court House; Solomon Brown, Curdsville; John Stanton, New Canton; and Peter Fontaine, New Canton. With the exception of Rev. Cesar Perkins, evidence of these men participating in Buckingham County government remains elusive

In 1870, a man named Woodson Washington ("Mulatto," age 40) lived in Curdsville Township and Peter Fontaine (Black, age 56) was enumerated in Marshall Township. The John Stanton on the list is likely John Stanton ("Mulatto," age 34), living in the northeast section of Buckingham County, a member of the well-known and established "Free Black" Stanton family.

There were multiple John Scotts living in Buckingham County in 1870. One John Scott (Black, age 40) was enumerated in Curdsville on the same page as Solomon Brown (Black, age 57). Living between them was John W. Eppes (White, age 53), of "Millbrook," and an African American named Allen Eppes (Black, age 25).
In 1866, Solomon Brown was contracted by Eliza J. Eppes (with her brother-inlaw and agent E. W. Hubard) to serve for one year as "headman and supervisor" at the Eppes plantation, "Millbrook." Perhaps, his record as a foreman came to the attention of Lt. Col. Jordan. Any government service by Solomon Brown is yet to be found.

While little more is known about Solomon Brown, he and his wife, Harriet, had a son, Solomon Brown, Jr., born about 1868. Shockingly, in 1898, he was murdered by Brown family neighbor and friend Allen Eppes. Richmond's Times reported:

## TWO TRAGEDIES IN BUCKINGHAM.

The Insane Slayer of Solomon Brown Placed in Jail. Tries to Commit Suicide.
Buckingham C. H., VA., Dec. 22. - Special. - Allen Eppes, a well-to-do and respected colored man, on yesterday shot and killed Solomon Brown, also colored. For some time past Eppes has shown signs of insanity, and the killing of Brown is regarded as the act of a crazy man. It appears that Brown worked a part of Eppes' farm, and the two were upon terms of intimate friendship. Yesterday Brown went to Eppes' house and they had a talk in a perfectly friendly way. When Brown got up to leave and passed into the hall, Eppes grabbed a shot gun and fired both barrels at Brown, inflicting such injuries that he died in a short time.

## EPPES ARRESTED.

Eppes was promptly arrested, and on his way to jail stated to Mr. Joe Cox, the special constable, that Brown was the best friend he had, and that the devil made him kill Brown. When Eppes arrived at jail and was given a cell he tried to kill himself with a stick of wood. The scene of the shooting was near Curdsville, twelve miles distant from here.

The general impression is that Eppes is crazy. Previous to this he has borne good character and has been very popular with the whites.

While the murder of Solomon Brown, Jr. tells us nothing about his father's involvement in Buckingham County politics, intriguing questions remain. How was Allen Eppes connected to John W. Eppes, son of John Wayles Eppes (1773-1823) of "Milllbrook," Buckingham County and Eppes' second wife, Martha Burke Jones, originally of Halifax County, North Carolina, and kin to Francis Eppes, grandson of President Thomas Jefferson?

Crossword
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48 Granola morsel
51 Back of a boat
54 Cozy room
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Brenda seen here with her cage ( butterfly delivery room). She places watermelon, orange slices inside the cage along with flowers and milkweed for them to eat till they are set free. Photo courtesy of Brenda Marks.


4th Instar caterpillars competing for milkweed with the aphids.

# Raising hope for the Monarch Migration 

By Brenda Marks Contributor
got my natural love of flowers from my mother, however, I was never fond of caterpillars until I became interested in the butterfly garden. I am presently a member of the Buckingham/ Dillwyn Garden Club. That was when I started to research as much as I could about butterflies and especially Monarchs. It is more than just planting flowers, it is researching the correct flowers for the benefit of the butterflies, for both spring and fall.

Mother Nature can be brutal to the Monarch caterpillar, they have a long list of predators and a shortage of food supply. If Monarchs are going to stay off the "endangered species list" they need more to eat and we can help, but they only eat milkweed. They used to feast on milkweed in corn and wheat fields, but then the Herbicide Glyphosate was widely used on GMO crop fields, resulting in the lose of most of the milkweed. Now .they rely on milkweed from other places.

Their life cycle is not only beautiful, but is mezmorizing! It is awesome to be able to witness the change from the egg to the 5 stages of the caterpillar. Now it's time to climb to a sheltered, safe spot in which to pupate. He makes a simple silk pad on the most unusal places in my enclosure. It uses a hook covered appendage called a "crewmaster" to attach it to this pad. The caterpillar hangs in a " 1 " position and starts to twist around until it sheds it's skin revealing a soft chrysalis. It takes about 1 hour to for the chrysalis to harden into a beautiful jade green, wearing a crown of gold pearls! In about 7 to 14 days a beautiful Monarch will emerge.

We can help future Monarchs by planting milkweed. There are many species that are native specific per State. milkweed is critical to their survival. They only lay eggs on the milkweed plants.

Resources or blogs are helpful before achieving a healthy success. My favorite Blog is Monarchbutterflygarden.net. This Blog is an awesome resource and guide to help with the challenges of raising healthy butterflies.

I collected my first caterpillars toward the end of August. I found 18 caterpillars on my milkweed competing for leaves with Aphids and another 28+ on milkweed found in other places. Caterpillars and eggs can be collected and raised from Spring and thru September and still be released for migration for Fall. Butterfly enclosures are readily available on line along with flower tubes for milkweed stems and flower pot water trays are great for catching Caterpillar "frass" droppings. The most important thing I can pass on is to clean your enclosure frequently you will be shocked how much caterpillars can poop!! Not doing this could possibly endanger your cats in case you have some that are compromised with parasites or viruses.

So that means, good hand washing!!! When handeling all aspects of raising, especially

Milkweed. remember, do your research before you jeopardize any caterpillers.
Raising these beautiful creatures and watching their amazing metamorphosis is addictive and enchanting. And for goodness sake do not start unless you have enough to feed them!!! You don't want to have a 911 caterpillar emergency!

We can help the fall migrating Monarchs heading south by planting flowers that bloom longer into late summer, early fall, like lantana, sedum, cone flower, mexican sunflowers etc. So think about planting a butterfly garden! Every backyard can become an oasis for Monarchs and other pollinators, even in cities, schools, youth and community groups. Engage in planting and protecting monarch habitat along roadsides, rights of way, and other public and private lands. Also visit the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service "Save the Monarch Butterfly" web page.


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## Ellis Acres Receives Community Pride Award

Ellis Acres Memorial Park Inc. has been awarded the Community Pride Award for the month of September by the Buckingham County Chamber of Commerce.

The park, equipped with a pavilion, gardens, trails, a playground, elegant meeting spaces, a commercial-style kitchen and a great deal of historical information, is the site of the first high school for African Americans in Buckingham County. The site served as the Buckingham Training School and Stephen J. Ellis Elementary School.
"Ellis Acres is a such a gem, offering recreation, outdoor space, meeting space, and, more importantly, so much history about our community and county," said Community Pride Award Committee Chairman Thomas "Jordan" Miles III. "The buildings, grounds and overall appearance is well-maintained and is always in great shape"


Pictured are, from left, standing in front of sign, Brooklynn Bartee, standing behind sign, Ramiyah Bartee, Dr. Maurice Carter, Edith Austin, Ruby Johnson, Wilbert Dean, Andrea Johnson, Andrew Johnson, Mary Bartee, John Hurt, Dillwyn Mayor Linda Paige, Pat Dean, Marie Flowers, Marcellus Bartee, Chamber President Eddie Slagle, Jordan Miles and Faye Shumaker. Photo courtesy of Martha Louis.

## Community support for Buckingham County JROTC Raiders

On 5 September, the Buckingham County Chamber of Commerce showed their support of the Buckingham County High School Raider Teams by presenting a financial donation. This will help defray costs when the Raiders travel to Molena, Georgia on 1 November to compete against the best of other JROTC from around the United States. The Raider Teams will watch the All-Service Championships held on 2 November and compete in both the All-Male and Mixed Categories for the U.S. Army National JROTC Raider Championships on 3 November.

Also showing support to the


Sandra Moss presenting a check to Cadet LTC Joshua Meek, the Buckingham County JROTC Battalion Commander. JROTC Raider Teams are Moss Motor Company, Inc of Dillwyn, Pino's Ristorante Italiano and Grill of Dillwyn, and Buffalo Wild Wings of Farmville Both Pino's and Buffalo Wild Wings are hosting fundraising events for the JROTC Raiders and Moss Motor Company has assisted in advertising with their marquee sign. The JROTC Raiders and the Cadre greatly appreciate the support and generosity that has been given.

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PALMYRA METHODIST CHURCH: sponsoring Huge Yard/Bake Sale on Saturday, October 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Fluvanna County Library


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