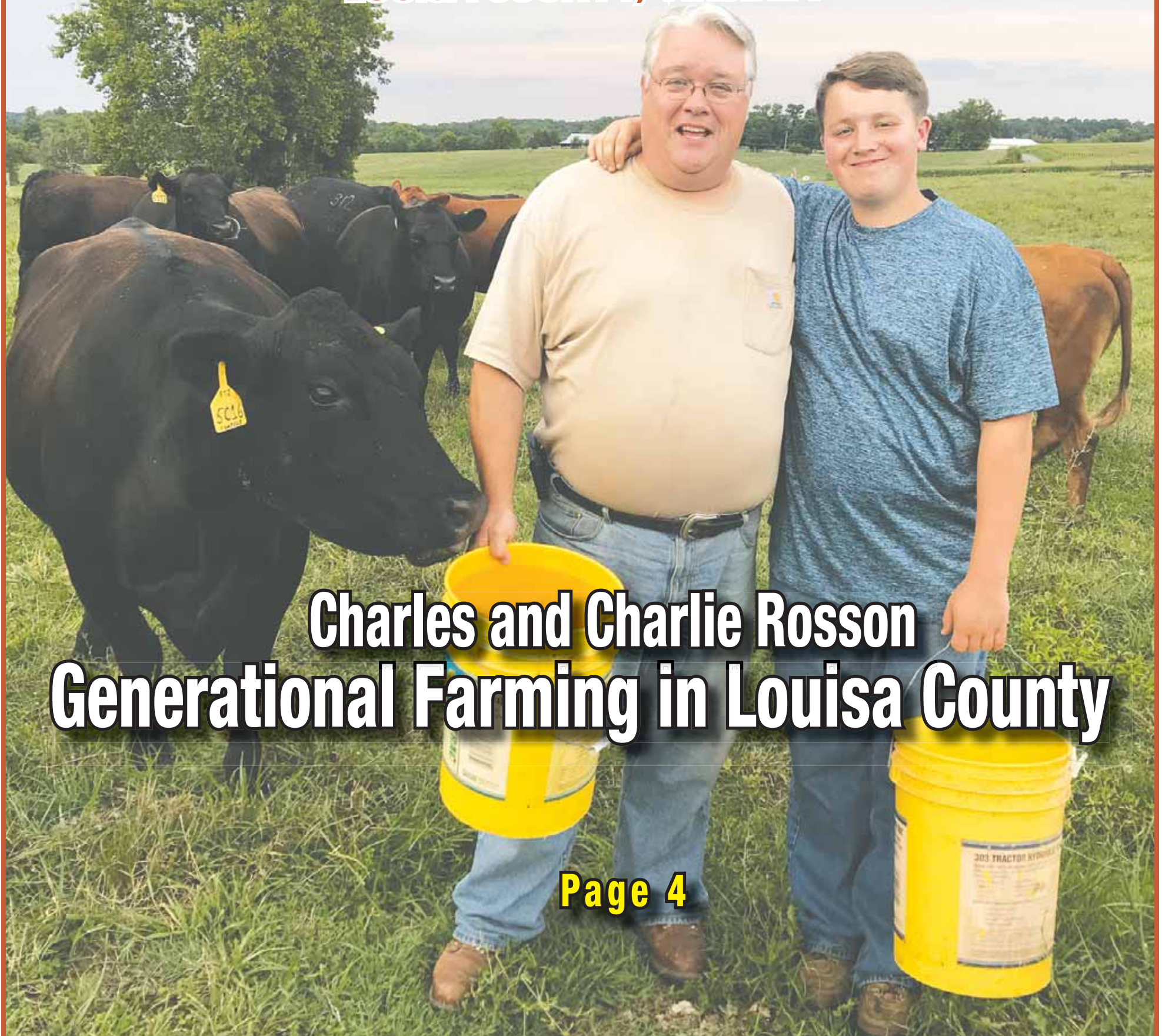


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Cows in the field with Charles and son Charlie Rosson at their Quaker Hill Farm. Photo by Carol Barfield

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Stephanie and Jon Koren winners of the Lake Anna Business Partnership Business of the year 2019—Lake Anna Tractor and Hardware. Photo by Carol Barfield

Lake Anna Tractor and Hardware Focuses on Customers, Community

By Carol Barfield
Correspondent

Q: Welcome Stephanie and Jon Koren, and congratulations on winning the Lake Anna Business Partnership 'Business of the Year' award for 2019!

JON: Thank you. We took the business over on January 15, 2018,

and changed the name to Lake Anna Tractor and Hardware. Owning a hardware store was on my bucket list, but more importantly, for thirty years I've traveled almost weekly. The idea of spending less time in airports and coming home to my wife every night was very attractive.

Q: Did your former career prepare you for owning a business?

JON: For the past couple of decades I was vice president of sales for various tech companies and managed a sales organization that operated throughout the U.S. and Canada. I would have to say though, that on January 15, at 7 a.m. I began a crash course—on the job training—for the hardware business. Stephanie's experience has been of help too.

Q: What sort of work did you do pre-hardware, Steph?

A: I was a legal assistant in federal court in the '70s. Also, in my past life I managed real estate closings, sold corporate jets and managed the leveraged leasing of commercial jets. I was on the Louisa County Board of Supervisors and am presently on the board of several community-oriented organizations. That's where my heart is, and where I really learned to listen to people and hear what they have to say.

Q: What do you think people want in a hardware store?

STEPH: I think they would like to not have to drive to Fredericksburg for their hardware needs. We are shaping a

family-friendly community store with what our customers tell us they want and need.

JON: Yes, not many people knew there was even a hardware store in this building. Out of 125 people at the Lake Anna Business Partnership meeting, less than a third knew there was a hardware store here. And we are a full-service hardware store; in addition to stocking the usual hardware items, we have a small engine repair shop. We employ four mechanics certified for every kind of small engine used on the farm, in the home or garden.

Q: What makes people visit you and more importantly, want to come back?

JON: We really go the extra mile for whoever walks in the door.


STEPH: And we value our employees and appreciate what they do. When you focus on customer service, a talented and happy staff is a big plus.

Q: Have you had any unusual requests from customers?

JON: One of our customers bought 6,000 square feet of our artificial turf to cover a muddy area in his yard where he planned to hold his wedding and reception. We delivered it on Thursday, and by Saturday the yard was transformed. It was beautiful!

We've also had unusual mechanical requests. Our shop fabricated parts to repair a broken trailer that had been overloaded. We picked up the trailer on our rollback, repaired and welded it and had it back on the road.

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The Rosson family Charles, Ellen, Sherry, Elizabeth and Charlie.
 Photo submitted by Charles Rossen

And Charlie Makes Six—Generational Farming in Louisa County

By Carol Barfield
 Correspondent

It was something out of a dream, to ride an ATV out to feed the cows. Just thirty minutes outside the town of Louisa at Quaker Hill Farm there is another world—one where you almost feel you have traveled back in time. The beauty of the rolling land, the color-splashed sky with storm clouds riding the horizon, and the lowing of the cattle all add to the mood. The billowing clouds and the hint of rain taps on your shoulder as if to remind you that weather really matters here. The interested shuffle of the cows' hooves accelerates in tempo to match the



Charlie in the field with his cows. Photo by Carol Barfield

enticing shake of grain in a bucket.

This is country, where kids love being outside and are more likely to compete for riding the ATV than for screen time. “Charlie” (Charles Joseph) Rosson is an unabashed country boy. He loves corny jokes and can tell you “a few” when encouraged. His expression is often slightly amused, like he can find funny in a hundred situations.

Charlie graduated from Louisa County High School last May, showered with scholarships, headed for Oklahoma State University, to continue learning about what he absolutely loves...cattle ranching. Charlie is the sixth generation of Rosson farmers, the lion share of which lived on the family property off Poindexter Road.

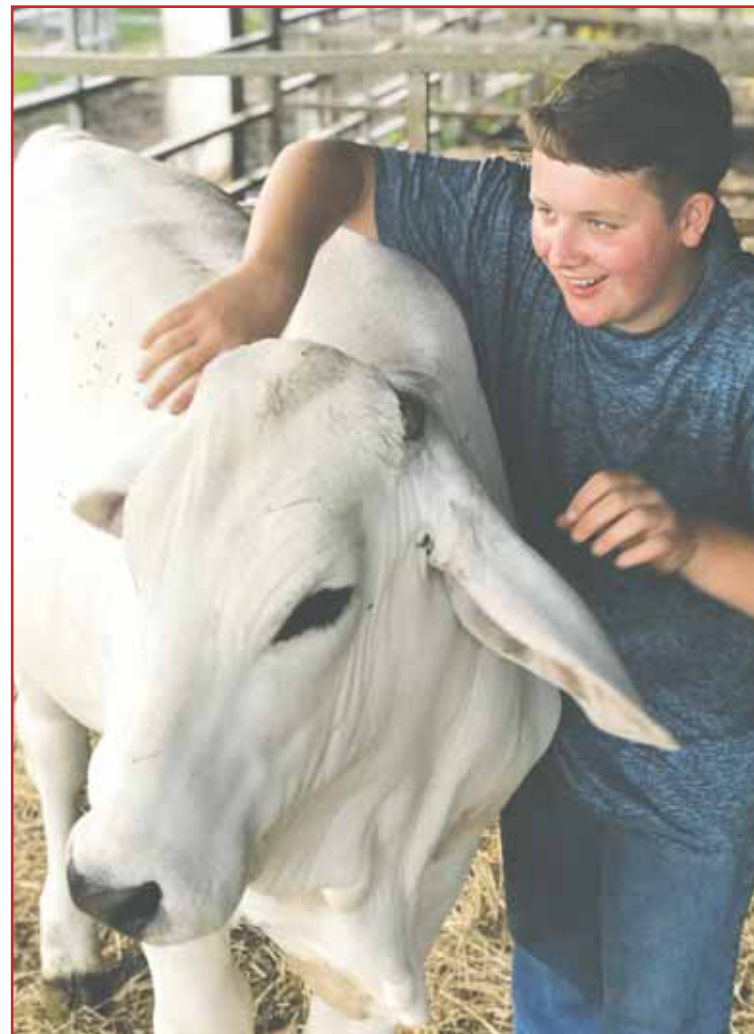
Charlie’s great-great-grandfather Joseph Lee Rosson and wife Cora Lee Dickerson bought this land in 1920. The farmhouse on the property was built much earlier, in 1750 by a Quaker Colony who made their home in Greensprings. The doors throughout the house have crosses engraved at the top and open Bibles at the bottom to keep out evil spirits. The rooms have high ceilings, heavy wooden antiques and pictures of every generation that lived in them sprinkled liberally on all surfaces. The kitchen is big and welcoming with a thick wooden table-- just what you would envision stepping into to enjoy a hot farmhouse meal. Joseph was the owner of a country store, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and owned the “Rosson School”, a one-roomed place of learning from bygone days, where children in all grades gathered to learn together.

The next Rosson to farm the land was Charlie’s great-grandfather Charlie Lee, who married Ruth Waddy of Spotsylvania. Charlie Lee and Ruth had Charlie’s grandfather, Charles Stapleton Rosson, “Pete”, who married Betty Carol Coleman. The “begats” are important in a land where relationships were the first topic of conversation in every meeting. “Who are your people?” was the important question. Charles Ashby Rosson, Charlie’s father, feels that ancestry, and his roots are sunk deep into this land. “This is the lifestyle I love, intense at times, laid back at times. The cattle, hogs and crops are all around us. Here we have time to enjoy God’s creation at work.”

Quaker Hills farm grows two main crops: corn and soybeans. They also produce breeding stock, beef and pork, and own the top angus bull in the USA who is named “Rampage”. Twice a year on a Saturday in late April and again in late October, hundreds of people come to Quaker Hill to buy stock; 90% are local folks, the rest come from California and outside the U.S.



These two young cows are a mirror image of each other. Photo by Carol Barfield



Charlie and his Brahman. Photo by Carol Barfield.

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The love of animals and the land seems to seep through the boots of those who work her soil. Charlie loves being outdoors and being with cattle. “You can make your own schedule. I never wanted to do anything else.” Charlie’s goal is to run the farm with his dad. Although he does become attached to the animals, he knows the bottom line with cattle and the farm is to make money. While out together in the field with the cows, Charlie and his father ran a near constant “cow talk” dialogue, finishing each others’ sentences....who was out of whom, who was shaping up quickly, all punctuated with numbers and bovine family trees that sounded like a foreign language-- one they spoke fluently.

Charlie had good times and good teachers in the Louisa schools. He was involved with the FFA and the 4-H club and showed livestock in the county fairs, as do sisters Elizabeth and Ellen. Why choose an out-of-state college then, you might wonder? Charlie explains, “Oklahoma State, where I am heading, and Kansas State are two “hands on” agricultural and animal science schools. They have the best production agricultural program in the U.S. and perhaps the world. You might call them the Harvard and Yale of Agricultural Schools. They teach how to manage natural resources, cultivate the soil and produce the food.”

To get himself to Oklahoma State, Charlie applied for 15 scholarships and was awarded quite a few. Each scholarship listed represents not only a monetary gift, but is rooted in history important to each group:

- 1) William Cooke Foundation: (William had no heirs and was a local fire chief, judge, mayor and landowner.)
- 2) BioCat: (In memory of school board member and 4-H enthusiast Brian Huffman. BioCat makes enzymes that foster chemical reactions in the food realm)
- 3) Chamber of Commerce: (They were excited to give a scholarship to a student that planned to live and work back in his hometown.)
- 4) Louisa Christian Church: in memory of Judge Purcell
- 5) Louisa Education Foundation: Funded by principal donor Tridim Filter.
- 6) Three Chopt by Ruritan Club
- 7) Masonic Bay Lodge 58
- 8) Oklahoma State Scholarships (awarded for Charlie’s high SAT scores; helps offset out-of-state tuition fees)

Charles also shares the vision for Charlie’s involvement in the farm, and further dreams that it could grow into a family business for all three kids and for his brother Lee’s two kids as well-- big enough that all the children could be involved if they



Rampage the bull. Photo by Carol Barfield

desired. “My nephew is studying Turf Science, so perhaps part of the land could be made into a turf farm. Ellen is interested in the culinary field, which brings to mind opening a farm/plate restaurant. Elizabeth and cousin Haley are interested in graphic design and could run the office and design catalogs and mailings.”

Family support is necessary for any farming venture. Sherry Rosson, Charlie’s mother, taught first grade at Jouett Elementary then took off 10 years to raise the kids. She is nearing a decade now of teaching at Thomas Jefferson Elementary. Although they live in the town of Louisa, they spend lots of time at the farm. “Whenever we couldn’t find Charlie, we knew he was somewhere out on the farm,” Sherry cheerfully relates. She adds, “Christmases are also a special time at the farm, when the extended family gathers around the table.” Family lore is shared...like the story about the poor little pig who ate all the green apples in the orchard, then drank and drank at the stream until he popped open. Then come the farming stories. For all the idealizing about farm life, farming is a very dangerous occupation. “I had a bull run me up against a gate,” Charlie shares. That sounds minor...except cows weigh 1500 lbs., and bulls over a ton. Even little calves hit 400 pounds quickly. Charles adds, “I got between a baby Limousin cow (from France) and her momma—she hit me in the ribcage and tossed me for a loop!”

Charles’s dad Pete Rosson seems to have had the most exciting farming experiences. In the first, he was almost killed in a silo incident. When the grain rushes into the silo, it deoxygenates the environment, and he was overcome. Luckily, he was found and saved in time.

Another close call happened in the 1970s when a tree he was trying to remove rolled and crushed his ankle. “They had to have a big sale to afford the medical treatment, plus they couldn’t care for that many livestock with him incapacitated,” Charles explains. And the patriarch definitely brushed close to his Maker with this final story.

“Back in the early CB (Citizens’ Band) radio days, we had a 35’ antennae that received transmissions. Dad was walking through the middle of the field carrying the antennae when it touched the main line above that carried 7500 volts. He was electrocuted. After he came to, he crawled toward the house passing three angels and a plumber, Russell Marks, who was working at the house. He called out, “Russell, I’ve been electrocuted!” Russell thought he was kidding (he was a kidder) until he saw him crawling on his hands and knees with smoke coming from his clothes. When he removed his socks, he discovered that every metal nail in his boots had branded him as if with a branding iron!” He was in the burn unit at UVA for more than six weeks.

The current work of operating farm is a joint family effort run by Pete and Betty, their two sons Charles (and wife Sherry) and Lee (and wife Joy), and Charlie--when he graduates from Oklahoma State.

Community service is something that runs in the family as well. Charles was the mayor of Louisa from 2000-2004. His favorite memories were bringing the Arts Center into being and working with the Town Council to make a 20-year plan. Each subsequent mayor and council have been implementing that plan, to include Arts Center growth and bricking the sidewalks downtown. “We hired a grant writer—a person who hunts for federal and private grants from corporations. That took our money and leveraged it up with big private and public corporation grants.” He is currently the Louisa County Agriculture Extension Agent and is running this fall for Commissioner of Revenue. Charles feels he has more time to give now with Charlie in college and the girls in high school. Perhaps Charlie will carry on the Rosson tradition of service to the community when he returns.

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STEPH: How about the squirrels?

JON: Oh yes, two ladies came in and asked for help figuring out a way to block animals from getting into their attic. A woodpecker had started a hole in their siding, the squirrels enlarged it, and every effort they'd made to block them out hadn't worked. We fashioned some sheet metal and a way of attaching it, solving the problem.

Q: So the hardware store business is interesting, and time-consuming I would venture.

JON: Yes, one night I came back to the store off hours on a Sunday to pick up a mower and left the gate half open. A speeder pulled in, followed closely by a police car. Once I finally got the gate closed and locked and was driving away loaded up, I saw people wandering around in the back lot where our turf is. Since I couldn't turn back at the time, I went home, jumped in Steph's truck (which she never lets me drive) and returned to the store- only to have a deer run into the side of the truck. And it turned out that the people locked in the back were legit.

STEPH: Yes, they were from the CART (Community Animal Rescue Team) who stores trailers and vehicles here. We also support fire, rescue and police however we can. I'm not kidding when I say we are community-focused!

JON: Yes, Steph has always been a giving person. It's in her DNA, and one of the things I love about her the most. Through Steph's volunteer work we donate a lot of hardware to local charities.

Q: Which charities have you supported?

JON: We have donated supplies to Habitat for Humanity, the Fluvanna/Louisa Housing Foundation and to the Louisa County Resource Council.

Q: That sounds great! Your store name also has the word Tractor... what about the tractor part of Louisa Tractor and Hardware?

JON: We sell Kioti tractors and Woods farm implements. They are sold not only to farmers but also to private residents and small businesses. In addition we have SCAG, the highest rated commercial lawn mowers made. They are zero turn mowers; they basically turn in place. Once you drive it, you don't want to drive any other mower!

Q: Seriously...do you have any examples of customers who felt that way?

JON: Well, Mayor Garland Nuchols and his wife Jackie came in to try it out. She does all the mowing, so she "test" drove it. It scared me to death-she just casually crossed her legs and took off full speed and barely missed a car. Garland was laughing his head off!

STEPH: Well, Jackie just wanted to make sure it was going to do what she needed it to do. She's so good at handling the SCAG that the landscapers offered her a job!

JON: Then...one Friday afternoon at 5 pm, I was standing outside talking to a local landscaper when a woman drove up in a white pickup truck with a man sleep-

ing in the passenger seat. "You aren't closing are you?" she asked. The man cracked an eye and said to me, "Hey, you're Stephanie's husband aren't you?" It turned out to be a County Supervisor from Dinwiddie County.

STEPH: Yes, they had come to try out the SCAG mower.

Q: So, you stayed open and...

JON: ...and of course they bought one!

Q: In closing, do you have anything else you would like to say about your new business venture?

JON: So many people have come into the store and have liked what we've done. But without our employees and Orgill, our phenomenal hardware distributor, and without our customers, we couldn't have done it.

STEPH: Yes, without them, we have nothing.

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At the recent African American Heritage Festival, Trooper George Grady Sr., an interpreter from the Petersburg Chapter of the Ninth and Tenth Horse Cavalry Association, informed visitors of the historical contribution of Buffalo Soldiers in war and peace.

Unsung Heroes in War and Peace

By Pat Wilson
Correspondent

Veteran George Grady has stories to tell about his two tours of duty during the Vietnam War, but it's his research and interest in the Buffalo Soldiers that leads him to share his expertise with students, church members, civic organizations and festival visitors. His display and artifacts tell about the black horse cavalry that was vital to the settlement of the American West, along with the infantry regiments that served the nation in wartime.

In 2004, Grady's passion began when, at the urging of friends, he joined the Baltimore chapter of the Ninth and Tenth Buffalo Soldiers Horse Cavalry Association. Later, when

a friend moved to Petersburg in 2006, Grady helped establish a chapter in that area.

"I became so enthused about the history and the way the Buffalo Soldiers were treated that I researched more," said Trooper Grady. "Then I started giving short presentation to various civic groups, then churches and schools."

Now 48 members strong, the group meets every third Saturday. The chapter is named in honor of Mark Matthews, the oldest surviving Buffalo Soldier who died in 2005 at the age of 111 and is buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

Buffalo Soldiers

In 1866, the Ninth and Tenth cavalry units, along with four infantry units, were established by the Department of the Army with the assignment to patrol the West. One duty was to assist wagon trains of settlers through Indian territories as they homesteaded the Great Plains. The soldiers also built and manned forts such as Fort Sill in Oklahoma. They protected mail routes and carved out roads and trails.

"The irony is that once the settlers set up towns, they passed segregation laws to keep the Buffalo Soldiers out," he said. "The soldiers were often falsely accused of crimes and some were hung."

The men also fought in various Indians Wars earning numerous Medals of Honor. They would even become some of the first National Parks rangers.

"The term Buffalo Soldier was coined by the Cheyenne Indians because the buffalo was a chief source of their livelihood and when it was cornered, it came out fighting," said Grady. "The black soldiers often wore hides in cold weather, so with their dark features and curly hair, as well as the fact that they were fiercely courageous, the Indians gave them the name, which the men considered as a term of respect."

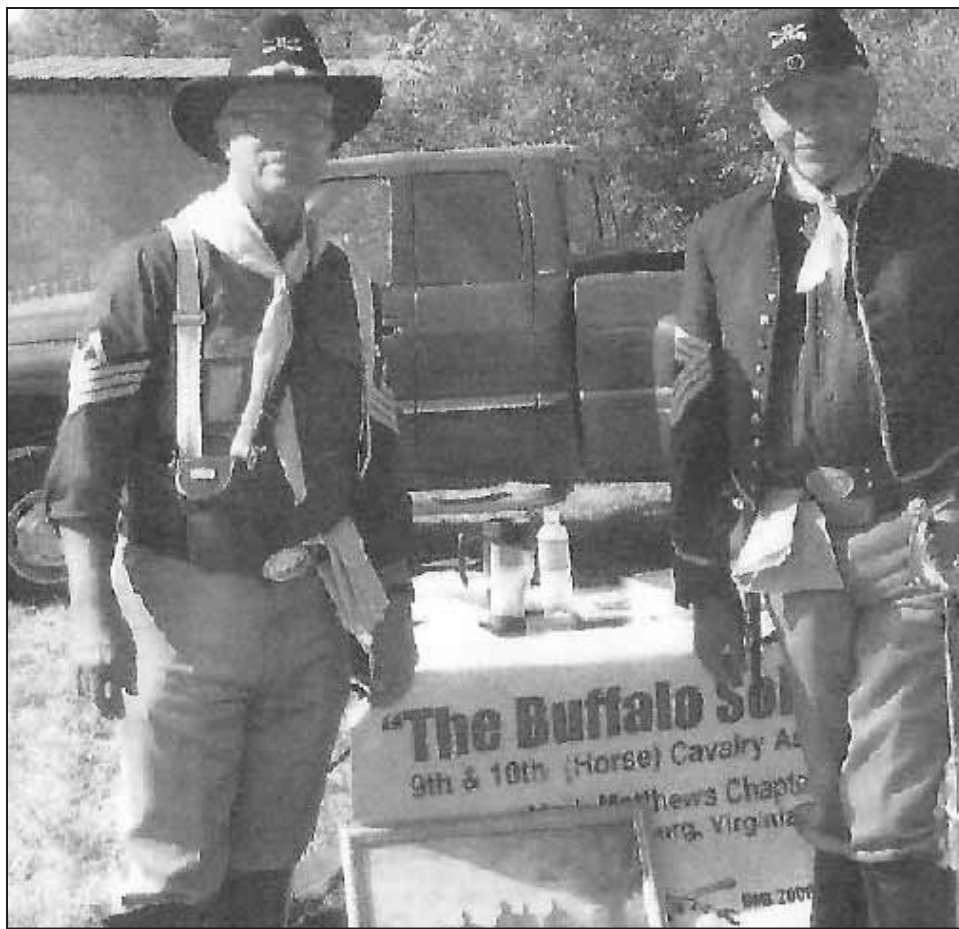
Black regiments, both mounted and later as infantry, would participate in wars under the command of white leadership. Both cavalry and the infantry fought with Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders during the Spanish-American War. Black cavalry regiments under command of General John J. Pershing chased Pancho Villa into Mexico. In 1917, the war



As part of his display, George Grady has a photograph of Jackie Robinson who served in a cavalry regiment at Fort Riley, Kansas after being drafted in 1942 and before his record setting baseball career.

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George Grady and John Nichols often joined efforts to set up displays at festivals.

department commissioned two all-black infantry divisions which fought as part of France's fourth army. President Woodrow Wilson referred to the men as "Buffalo Soldiers." The term was used in World War II to describe black units that saw combat during the invasion of Italy. Again, they often experienced discrimination from fellow soldiers, commanders and civilians. The cavalry was deactivated in 1944.

Preserving History

With 45 chapters across the United States, the Ninth and Tenth Horse Cavalry Association holds conventions yearly in various locations. Grady uses the occasions to spend a month or so visiting relatives and army buddies in nearby states, in addition to attending the annual event. He boasts six children, 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and three great-grandchildren scattered mostly in the southeastern U. S. region.

A veteran of the Vietnam War, Sargeant First Class E7 Grady served 20 years in the United States Army. The combat engineer saw action on the front lines as his unit cleared land for helicopter landings, build road and bridges and established land mines. For 16 years, Grady was a master paratrooper with 109 jumps to his credit.

Grady moved to Louisa County in 2001 since he had always had a desire "to live in the country." He continues his research into history. Using his power point presentation and detailed display, the historical interpreter welcomes opportunities to explain the role of the Buffalo Soldiers, their courage in battle and their strength in overcoming the discrimination they experienced while serving their country.



John Nichols (far right), a close friend of George Grady, served with prizefighter Joe Louis (center) during basic training in an all-black unit at Fort Riley, Kansas at the start of World War II. Nichols later fought with the 28th black regiment in Northern Africa.

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- 6 Charges
- 10 Scottish miss
- 14 Pretty up
- 15 Weak, as an excuse
- 16 E, to a pilot
- 17 Halifax's home
- 19 Surgery souvenir
- 20 Vocal vibration
- 21 Pair on the links
- 23 Growing business?
- 25 Affirm
- 26 Walk with attitude
- 30 Audience member
- 34 Private instructor
- 35 Scrooge's look
- 36 Quaint lodge
- 37 In awe
- 38 Catchall category
- 39 Misplaced
- 40 Trapper's ware
- 41 Intense dislike
- 42 Event location
- 43 Not a child of slavery
- 45 Brief promo
- 46 Samson's pride
- 47 Word before gas or drop
- 49 Soon
- 52 Circus staple
- 57 It may be proper
- 58 Mercy killing
- 60 Church nook
- 61 Sole anagram
- 62 Becomes tiresome

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- 63 Look narrowly
- 64 Palm reader, e.g.
- 65 Parched
- 11 Squeezeboxes
- 12 Pillow covering
- 13 Needing kneading
- 18 Like some pigeons
- 22 "Get ___ it!"
- 24 Subject of the 1993 film "The Fugitive"
- 26 Work group
- 27 Soothsayer
- 28 Depository
- 29 ___ wild
- 31 Overflow (with)
- 32 Follow as a result
- 33 Script direction
- 35 Recipe instruction
- 38 Scent-free
- 39 Rural sight
- 41 Final notice?
- 42 Covered balcony
- 44 Breadwinner
- 45 "Gone With the Wind" plantation
- 48 Anesthetic of yore
- 49 Ginger cookie
- 50 Crosby costar in "Road to Rio"
- 51 Type of log
- 53 Cowpoke's pal
- 54 Biblical birthright seller
- 55 Turns sharply
- 56 Vane direction
- 59 Nail holder

DOWN

- 1 "Out of the question"
- 2 Emanation
- 3 Wander
- 4 Unit of fat
- 5 To such an extent
- 6 Elevator stop
- 7 Absorb, as a cost
- 8 Throw off
- 9 Atlantic fill
- 10 Diminish



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More Alike than Different

By Pat Wilson
Correspondent

Whroughout the day, over 1,400 people participated in numerous activities, visited informational booths and watched on-stage performances at the second annual African American Heritage Festival held on Saturday, August 24. Greg Jones Sr., president of the Louisa County Chapter National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, organized the event with assistance from coordinator, Deborah Coles, and a committee of chapter members.

"It was a vision from God that I had about 10 years ago and finally realized," said Jones. "I wanted to highlight the African American experience of life but also show that we are more alike than different."

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Dr. Essie Nuckols sewed pillows, carryalls and other items with proceeds from the sales to benefit the Louisa Chapter of the NAACP. Lewis Stephens assisted her in the booth.

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Free Family Fun Days

By Pat Wilson
Correspondent

Crafts, cooking, games and history lessons ... and all are free. Louisa County Historical Society volunteers invite visitors on the fourth Sundays of the month (except December and April) to join them at the Heritage Farm to experience a facet of Virginia history. From 1 to 4 p.m., the project, Free Family Day Fun, explores a different theme appropriate to the month or season. The programs are coordinated by Lenee Gordon, a 2018 graduate of the University of Central Florida with a major in history.

"We emphasize the colonial and post-colonial periods," said Gordon. "The fun days provide an opportunity, especially for kids, to reinforce what they are learning in school,"

A special celebration of the season is planned for Saturday, December 7, following the Louisa Christmas Parade. The Michie House, Trevilians Schoolhouse and Sargeant Museum will be open with exhibits centering on traditions and decorations over the centuries. Mr. and Mrs. Santa will welcome visitors and cookies and hot cocoa can be enjoyed while touring the site.

Additional information on these events, as well as other historical society projects, is available at the website, louisahistory.org, on Facebook and in Louisa Parks, Recreation and Tourism's brochure, Leisure Times.



Braxton, Brooklyn, Bryson and Brayden Nemec make mock ice cream in the tradition of Thomas Jefferson with assistance from volunteers, Sharon Wright and Trencia Jenkins.



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The Louisa Chapter meets at 7:30 p.m. on every third Thursday at the First Baptist Church on Meadow Avenue in the town of Louisa. Jones welcomes the community to attend. The group will hold its annual banquet on Friday, October 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Betty Queen Center. The theme for the occasion is "The Time Is Now to Take a Stand" and U. S. Representative Abigail Spanberger is the guest speaker. Cost is \$35 per person. **For more information contact Jones at 434-960-3554.**

The gymnasium at Moss-Nuckols Elementary School featured continuous entertainment including dance groups, church choirs, historical interpreters and guest speakers. Outside under numerous large tents, local, regional and state organizations manned booths to inform the public of their services. Among these were the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8947, Louisa Resource Council, Louisa County Historical Society, the American Health Association, the Piedmont Housing Alliance, and CHIP. Vendors and food trucks offered a variety of options. Several motorcycle groups, including Buffalo Soldier reenactors, participated.

Donations from numerous churches, businesses and individuals, along with grants from BAMA Works (Dave Matthews Band), the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation and the John E. Thomasson Charitable Foundation, helped make the festival a success. Jones was most appreciative of county and school officials, along with Louisa County Parks and Recreation personal, in volunteering their time.

"It was a community effort and people from all walks of life joined to make this a wonderful day for the county," said Jones. "It was a family affair full of laughter and smiles."

Historically, the year represents the 400th anniversary of Africans arriving in the Virginia colony. Even the school site was significant as MNES is named for two prominent black educators, the late Henry Spurgeon Moss and the late Harry L. Nuckols.



Carol Jones folded a festival shirt purchased by Linda Collins. Proceeds benefited the host organization.



Bill and Brenda Taylor browsed through the assortment of children's and adult books donated by the Louisa County Public Library in an effort to show visitors the variety of materials that can be borrowed at the Mineral location.



Louisa Crime Solvers, represented by Charles Brown and Debra Dawson, along with Katana Quarles from the Virginia State Department of Game and Inland Fisheries shared a booth. Pelts from a fox, beaver and possum attracted attention throughout the day.

