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#### Baseball team advances to state tournament

Louisa's Major baseball team wrapped up its run at the District 14 title in style, defeating Culpeper 12-1 on Luck Field in Mineral on July 2. The win earns the team a spot in the Virginia Little League state tournament next week.

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#### The Ten Gallon Challenge continues

After being challenged by Louisa Presbyterian Church, the members of St. James Episcopal Church got together on June 22 to collect gallons of milk. Members from both the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services participated. The donations totaled 23 gallons of milk, along with non-perishable food items. Donations totaled over 270 pounds to benefit the Louisa County Resource Council. Many churches in the area support weekly giving food donations to LCRC. Non-perishable protein items are always sought.

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## A star-spangled night



# Celebrating the 4th in style

Revelers at the Louisa Firemen's Fair had plenty to see and do as they rode the ferris wheel on July 5, with the fairgrounds before them and fireworks above. Photo by Andrew Hollins

# Shooting leads to murder

charge Victim lived in Gordonsville area

By David Holtzman

A Charlottesville man was charged July 6 with the second-degree murder of a Gordonsville resident.

Prosecutors initially charged William Flannagan, 45, with aggra-

vated malicious wounding after he allegedly shot Jason Ferguson, 43, of Gordonsville, in the head at about 11 p.m. on July 3. The

incident occurred



Flannagan

in a garage at a house in the 300 block of Penta Drive. Ferguson was taken to Univer-

sity of Virginia Hospital, where he soon died from his injuries. Louisa

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# Federal panel intervenes in water dispute

### Monacans demand new location to protect historical site

By David Holtzman

Negotiations over a permit to allow water from the James River to feed Louisa County's growth have stalled, and a federal panel has intervened to try to break the

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's entry into the talks between the James River Water Authority and the Monacan Nation shows "this is an issue of high public interest and tribal rights are significantly affected," according to Marion Werkheiser, an attorney who represents the Monacans.

The authority is anxious to obtain the last permit it needs to pull up to eight million gallons of water per day from the river. The water is needed to meet growing demand at Zion Crossroads, support the planned Shannon Hill Regional Business Park and make development possible in other growth areas.

The Monacans want the water project relocated to protect what historians say was the site of their former capital, Rassawek, prior to white settlement in the 17th century. Werkheiser warned that if the project proceeds on the current site, the authority can expect a legal challenge.

The Rassawek site is located near Point of Fork where the James and Rivanna rivers meet in Fluvanna County. The authority proposes to build an intake in the river and a pump station on shore to send the water northward to the treatment plant at Ferncliff. The pump station would be located in an area where the authority's recent archaeological investigation yielded numerous Native

In my opinion, this area comprises one of the most important archaeological districts in the Commonwealth for potential contributions to knowledge of the indigenous peoples of the Piedmont James River drainage.

-Dan Mouer,

Former Virginia Commonwealth University professor

American artifacts, some of them thousands of years old.

The Monacans began talks with the authority over how to mitigate the water project's impact in 2017. Initially, the Mona-

See Water on A-8



Duane Adams addresses the roughly 50 people at a meeting June 30 about conditions on Shannon Hill Road. Adams said he favors a ban on truck traffic, except for logging and farm-related purposes.

# Residents worry about traffic

Speeding, dangerous curves cited on Rt. 605

By David Holtzman

Much of the first meeting of a citizens' group formed to address safety concerns on Shannon Hill Road (Rt. 605) focused on residents' unresolved grievances about the planned 700-acre

industrial park.

The June 30 gathering at Yanceyville Christian Church was attended by about 50 people, including three members each of the county's board of supervisors and planning commission. William Hale, an area resident, organized the meeting after telling county officials at several public hearings that the industrial park

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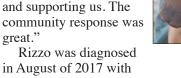
# Sheriff's office mourns loss of bloodhound

Diagnosed with cancer in 2017

**By Andrew Hollins** 

The Louisa County Sheriff's Office is in mourning this week after K9 Officer Rizzo, their eight-year-old black and tan bloodhound, passed away.

"We have received condolences from Italy, France and Germany,' Lt. Patrick Sheridan said. "Rizzo really touched a lot of lives. As soon as the news broke, we had people bringing us cards and supporting us. The community response was



Stage II Lymphosarcoma, a type of cancer in the lymph nodes. It is the third most prevalent cancer in dogs, and her prognosis was grim: six to 12 months. Rizzo, however, handled her

See Loss on A-7



Sheriff's office Major Donald Lowe fist bumps with Law Enforcement Adventure Program participants Chris Suber and Bennie Morgan. Submitted

# Praise for sheriff's programs

By Andrew Hollins

The Louisa County Sheriff's Office says its community outreach programs are continuing to grow in popularity and are showing marked results.

Programs such as the Citizen Law Enforcement Academy, Chaplaincy program, Project First Responder and Law Enforcement Adventure Program (LEAP) are moving into their third year.

Det. Chuck Love and Maj. Donnie Lowe established the programs to form a stronger relationship with members of the community, as well as dispel misperceptions about law enforcement.

"When the community sees a report of an arrest ... there are generally two types of response," Love said. "'I would have done the same thing, they deserved what they got', or 'What was that officer thinking?' To combat this way of thinking, we choose to educate our community, to know what the officer is thinking, and why the officer made the arrest."

With negative or false portrayals of law enforcement being nearly ubiquitous on television, Love said he wants to use education to forge stronger relationships with the community and help make Louisa a safer place.

### Calendar

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using shakers, scarves, and rhythm instruments each Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Designed for ages 2 through 5 with an accompanying adult or caregiver. Siblings welcome. The Louisa County Library is located at 881 Davis Hwy., Mineral.

The Louisa County Library has partnered once again with No Kid Hungry and Louisa County Public Schools to end childhood hunger through their No Kid Hungry summer feeding program. Come out and enjoy a healthy, nutritious meal during the summer from 1 p.m. until 1:45 p.m. Lunch is free and open to anyone age 18 and under. The library is located at 881 Davis Hwy., Mineral.

Virginia Living Museum's "Remarkable Reptiles" will be at the Montpelier Branch Library at 1:30 p.m. Get a close up view of our favorite reptiles and ask questions. Call (804) 883-7116, or visit the library at 17205 Sycamore Tavern Lane for more information.

Louisa Herb Guild will be at the Sargeant Museum of Louisa from 10 a.m. until noon. The group of herb enthusiasts are committed to herb education and bringing county history to life through gardening. The museum is located at 214 Fredericksburg Ave., Louisa.

"Our graduates are now better educated in the workings of our department, and in the law in general," he said. "Being informed is a powerful means to increase the community's empathy for law enforcement officers. It presents an opportunity to humanize law enforcement officers, to get to know the actual person behind the badge."

Support from your community is vital for an effective law enforcement organization, and Lowe said that he is grateful for the trust and support from throughout Louisa County.

"These programs not only enhance the support from the community, but also allow us to interact, listen and bond with the public while teaching them about our department, deputies and staff," Lowe said. "In addition to helping us build rapport with the community, a lot of the information made available to the public can come in handy if you or a loved one are ever in an emergency situation, so it's making our

community safer, as well. Currently, the number of children who are participating in the Law Enforcement Adventure Program makes it one of LCSO's most popular programs.

"LEAP has been a tremendous hit with those who have attended," Love said. "Parents have sent emails saying how much their children talk about everything that they do during the program, and how much they look forward to attending the next day."

Some have requested that the summer program be extended to two weeks, or even the entire summer. This year, they added a field trip to the pool and a visit to an adventure park which including zip lining, mini-golf and wall climbing as a way to change up the itinerary and keep it fresh.

Spaces are full for the fourth session of the Citizens Law Enforcement Academy, which began June 11 and will continue through Aug. 27. The next session will occur in the fall. For a list of available programs, visit the Louisa County Sheriff's Office website at www.louisacounty.com



Alistar Sacra takes a run at the 150-foot zipline during the Law Enforcement Adventure Program. Submitted



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cans focused on the need for compensation for anticipated damage to the site, including a request in September 2018 for \$650,000. A portion of the money would go to the tribe's museum in Amherst County to curate artifacts found at Rassawek.

But in November, the tribe changed its position, requesting that the pump station be located elsewhere. Werkheiser said authority members told her and tribal leaders in an Oct. 31 meeting that there were viable alternatives to locating at the current site. The authority's consultant, Timmons Group, cited a possible alternative site 2.2 miles upstream in a December 2015 memo. The company advised against this scenario because of likely additional costs and delays.

'Once it was made clear that the project could meet its goals without impacting Rassawek, the Monacans decided to halt discussion of mitigation and instead demanded the project be moved," Werkheiser said.

In a January letter to the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the agency responsible for issuing the permit, then-Fluvanna County administrator and authority member Steven Nichols decried the Monacans' shift.

"It is unfortunate that the Monacans would dramatically reverse their stated position on the project at this late hour after a history of constructive discussions," he wrote.

Nichols offered \$125,000 to support the Monacan museum and to pay curation fees to deliver artifacts recovered at the Rassawek site to the

"While this is a significant financial burden for our small rural utility and ratepayers, we are proud to be able to make this substantial commitment to historic preservation," Nichols wrote.

When Louisa and Fluvanna counties first moved to withdraw water from the James River in 2010, the intended project site was at Bremo Bluff, adjacent to the Dominion Energy power plant and several miles upstream from Point of Fork. The pipeline would have run along James Madison Highway (Rt. 15) through Palmyra.

Fluvanna officials ended consideration of that site, citing the cost. The new site at Point of Fork was chosen in part because the water pipeline could be placed parallel to an existing gas line easement on Fluvanna's eastern edge, and the distance to reach Louisa is less.

There was little public discussion about the potential impact to Rassawek when



The James and Rivanna rivers meet at Point of Fork.

Louisa County officials moved forward with the James River project in 2016. The authority moved the project site a short distance in early 2016, not to avoid the Native American site but to address the concerns of an adjoining landowner.

"We think of [Rassawek] as a point on a map. For the Monacans it's more like an area," Shaun Kenney, a former Fluvanna County supervisor, said recently. "Nobody really knows the precise location."

Jeffrey Hantman, a University of Virginia anthropologist, has been involved with archaeological digs at other Monacan sites in the region, including on the James River in Nelson County. He said historical documentation about the Monacans is limited, because there was little contact between white settlers and the tribe before the Indians retreated westward in the mid-17th century. However, he said the explorer and colonist John Smith cited Rassawek as one of the tribe's five towns and located it on a map near the confluence of the James and Rivanna rivers.

"Everything we know about [the Monacans] is

second-hand," Hantman said during a talk in Charlottesville on May 24. "That's why the archaeology and oral history of the Monacans plays a big role in answering the question of who they were."

"In my opinion, this area comprises one of the most important archaeological districts in the Commonwealth for potential contributions to knowledge of the indigenous peoples of the Piedmont James River drainage," Dan Mouer, a former Virginia Commonwealth University professor who conducted archaeological research near Point of Fork in the 1980s, wrote on his Facebook page.

Mouer's research coincided with construction of the gas pipeline through the area. At the time, some human remains were unearthed and relocated. Werkheiser said. No human remains have been found during recent site testing, but the authority has applied for a burial permit in case any are discovered.

Werkheiser said she expects the United States Army Corps of Engineers, which must issue the permit for work to proceed, to schedule a meeting with the affected parties in late July.





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# **READERS' CHOICE** WINNERS

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# Consultant unqualified, state says

Could cause further delays for water pipeline

By David Holtzman

A senior state official says the consultant overseeing archeological work at the site where Louisa County hopes to draw a public water supply is not qualified to do the job.

In a Sept. 6 letter to the James River Water Authority, Department of Historic Resources Director Julie Langan said that because the consultant lacks the proper academic credentials, the reliability of her reports from the past two years is in ques-

"The failure of the archeological consultant to meet [federal] requirements renders the information previously provided ... unre-

The confluence of the James and Rivanna rivers, where the James River Water Authority hopes to draw water to serve Louisa County's growth areas.



See Water on A-2



#### **Lions battle Panthers** until the end

Fans who came out to The Jungle to see a highly competitive football game Friday night were not disappointed. The Louisa Lions squared off against one of the toughest teams on their schedule, the Massaponax Panthers, battling the Class 6 powerhouse to a 28-27 victory.

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#### Local man wins poetry contest

David Black, a poet who lives in Louisa County, placed first in the annual Blue Ridge Writers Club poetry contest. This organization of about 150 members represents writers in the Piedmont and northern Valley of Virginia.

#### **Beautiful Brokenness**



Katy Pistole shows Charis Overstreet and Kaitlin Makradis a rescue horse at a demonstration for Pistole's Beautiful Brokenness, an equine-assisted therapy farm.

# Horses combined with healing

By Andrew Hollins

Katy Pistole is a lot of things. She is a novelist, an evangelist, a teacher and a horse trainer. She's a traveler, a Christian, a wife and a friend. Soon, she'll be the counselor for Beautiful

Brokenness, an equine-assisted Christian coun-

seling ministry for women and girls who are victims of trauma or abuse. Pistole founded the program in 2010 and recently relocated it to her farm on Apple Grove Road in Mineral.

At a demonstration on Sept. 14, she said that the nature of both horses and people enable the See Horses on A-6

# **Political** hopefuls report \$\$ raised

Laufer outraised Reeves during summer months

By David Holtzman

Amy Laufer, the Democrat running against Sen. Bryce Reeves in the 17th Senate district, continued to outraise the incumbent during the two months of July and August, according to Virginia Department of Elections data released this week.

Laufer collected \$206,970 during the two-month period. Reeves, a Republican who has served the district, including

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Faith & Values

# Signs to highlight ag and forestal areas

Fees also waived to add land to a district

By David Holtzman

Roads leading into the county's 14 agricultural and forestal districts will be posted with signs to inform motorists of the value of the landscapes around

The Louisa County Board of Supervisors approved a supplemental budget transfer of \$10,000 at their Sept. 17 meeting to pay for about 50 signs, at an estimated price of \$200 each.

The Agricultural, Forestal and Rural Preservation Committee voted at its August meeting to ask the supervisors for the signs, which members hope will raise awareness of the districts' importance to the county's rural character.

See Signs on A-5

# 67 goats taken from farm



Authorities will seek permission in court on Sept. 19 for the animals' seizure.

# Goats seized from Bumpass

Overgrown fleece, other conditions alleged

By David Holtzman and Andrew Hollins

Authorities seized 67 goats they claim were in poor health from a Bumpass property on Sept. 9.

The animals suffered from a range of conditions, animal control officers for the Louisa County Sheriff's Office alleged. These include overgrown fleece and hooves, hoof rot, leg deformities and malnutrition, said Det. Chuck Love, a sheriff's office spokesman.

"Several appeared to have extreme difficulty walking and appeared to be walking on their knees," Love wrote in a statement released on Sept. 12.

One goat was euthanized at a veterinar-

ian's recommendation, he said. Richard Bergeron, who lives at the twoacre Wickham Road property where the

goats were seized, said he had been caring See Goats on A-6

#### Water

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liable," Langan wrote.

The Army Corps of Engineers, the federal agency from which the authority needs a permit to start construction of the water pipeline, now says it will require the authority to pursue a different permit than the one it applied for more than three years ago.

"We will continue to work with the [Department of Historic Resources] and you to understand more fully the implications of this latest development," William Walker, Army Corps regulatory chief, wrote in a Sept. 10 letter to Christian Goodwin, Louisa County administrator. Goodwin is a member of the authority's board.

The authority held a special meeting on Sept. 17 to address Langan's letter. D.D. Watson, the authority's chairman, responded later that day in writing, defending the consultant's qualifications. Watson also charged the state agency with yielding to the demands of the Monacan Nation, which says the water project site was their capital city prior to white settlement.

"It is wholly inappropriate, and we believe unlawful, for DHR to purport to cede its decision-making authority to a consulting party," Watson said. "In light of the Monacans' recent well-publicized statements about the project, we read your letter as effectively granting the Monacans a veto power over the project," Watson said.

Louisa County's efforts to obtain the Army Corps permit have stalled since last winter, when the Monacans first demanded that the project on the James River be relocated to avoid the former site of Rassawek. The site was identified on a map drawn by explorer John Smith in the early 1600s. The tribe says the construction of a pump station and water pipeline will desecrate an important historical area and may disturb human remains buried there.

Justin Curtis, an authority spokesman, said last month the site was chosen to avoid other areas further upstream that would be more likely to contain human remains, and where development would be more costly and less practi-

State historic resources officials advised the authority's engineers, Timmons Group, in early 2016 that locating the pump station at Rassawek would be "ill-advised," Langan said previously. She said she gave similar advice to Goodwin and then-Fluvanna County Administrator Steve Nichols.

Besides demanding the project site be moved, the Monacans have also insisted for the past year that the authority hire a different archeological consultant.

"The Nation has lost faith with Circa and does not want their continued involvement on Rassawek," Marion Werkheiser, the Monacans' attorney, wrote in a December 2018 letter to the Army Corps. "The lead cultural resources [contractor] does not have either a sense of the seriousness of this undertaking or the capacity to conduct it adequately."

Carol Tyrer, the archeological consultant, operates Circa, a Williamsburg-based firm that was hired by Timmons as a subcontractor on the James River Water Project. Tyrer's firm performed a study in 2018 that uncovered hundreds of Native American artifacts along the James and Rivanna rivers near where the pump station and pipeline are planned.

This is not the first time DHR has questioned Circa's work. In October 2017, the agency conducted a surprise visit to the project site while an archeological dig was in process, and found that a Circa employee who did not have proper qualifications was supervising the work.

In a 2018 letter, a DHR staff member used the term "salvage archeology" to refer to some of the consultant's work, suggesting that the firm was not doing a thorough investigation of the project site.

The Monacans have also challenged Circa's qualifications and accused the company of shoddy work. In comments at an Aug. 9 meeting with the Army Corps,

Werkheiser said the consultant had used the name of Dan Hayes, an archeologist, in a report when he had not given his permission and had not seen the document.

"It was quite surprising to us that they said he did not have any involvement, when a lot of it was his work," Curtis said.

Watson wrote that it was peculiar that DHR suddenly found Tyrer to be unqualified, when the state agency had no reservations about her credentials in the past. In October 2017, Langan wrote that her agency found Tyrer "qualified to complete the work."

"Given that Ms. Tyrer has been a practicing archeologist full time for over 35 years, has authored over 700 publications, and managed hundreds of field studies with DHR's involvement, we presume the professional experience [is] not in question," Watson said.

Langan's objection to Tyrer's background comes as the authority seeks a burial permit from DHR. The permit is required in case any human remains are uncovered, and would provide a process for removing the remains and

possibly transferring them to the Monacan Nation.

Randy Jones, a DHR spokesman, said on Monday that the agency is not changing its position about whether the credentials Tyrer presented in the past were appropriate for someone overseeing an archeological dig.

"I don't think the person's credentials are what they reported them to be," Jones said.

It's unclear to what extent the uncertainty about the consultant's qualifications could cause further delays for the water project. The Army Corps letter says that while it wants the authority to apply for a new, individual permit in place of the current nationwide permit application, the federal agency has the discretion to revert back to the current process.

Curtis, the authority spokesman, cast the situation as a misunderstanding that could be resolved after further communication between the authority and state and federal officials.

"If we had been consulted earlier we could have clarified some of the issues in [Langan's] letter," he said.

Last month the authority

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-D.D. Watson

issued a request for proposals for an archeologist to assist with ongoing work on the project site. Curtis said the intent is not to hire a company to replace Circa. He said the authority is responding to requests from other consulting

parties, presumably includ-

ing DHR and the Monacans, for Circa's work to be peerreviewed.

"The authority may elect to go in a different direction, but that is the intent right now," he said.



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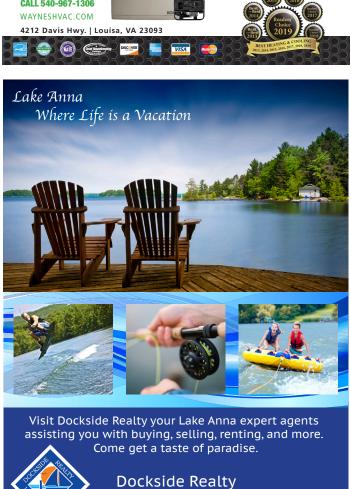
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## Whistleblower alleges wrongdoing at James River site

Water authority declines comment for now

#### **By David Holtzman**

A whistleblower alleged that he observed "unethical" practices during recent archeological work at the location where Louisa County hopes to build a water pump station near the banks of the James River.

In a statement sent to the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Eric Mai said he participated in an archeological dig at the site from May 2017 to January 2018 while employed by Circa Cultural Resource Management. He said Circa hired inexperienced staff, used minimal technology to save money and reported misleading information about the artifacts that were found.

The Monacan Indian Nation claims Rassawek, their former capital, was located in the area where Louisa and Fluvanna County want to build a pump station, working through the James River Water Authority. The area is also known as Point of Fork, given its proximity to the

James and Rivanna rivers.

"My intent is to report an urgent concern about what I believe to be illegal, unethical, unprofessional and unscientific practices by Circa in its work generally and at Point of Fork specifically," Mai wrote.

Justin Curtis, an attorney for the James River Water Authority, declined to comment about Mai's allegations. He said the authority received a copy of the statement on Oct. 21.

The director of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources previously accused Carol Tyrer, the Williamsburg-based company's principal, of claiming she had a master's degree in archeology when she actually has a degree in another field. The Monacans have said for the past year that Circa used improper archeological procedures, but Mai's statement provides more detail than was previously divulged.

Circa was tapped as a subcontractor to Timmons Group, which the authority hired to manage construction of a pump station and pipeline to bring raw water to Ferncliff.

Mai said he worked for Circa for six years, and that the problems he saw on the James River site were similar to what he observed on other projects he was involved with for the company. He said he had urged Tyrer in the past to invest in mapping technologies such as GPS to ensure accurate data, but she resisted, citing the cost.

"Because of this mapping deficit, there were several times on the project when we conducted shovel test pits in the wrong location, well outside of the project area targeted for construction," he said. Some maps created for the water authority by Timmons may be of questionable value, he added, because they were based on data that Circa collected.

Mai completed a master's degree in archeology in 2017, according to his statement and resume. In October 2017, the Department of Historic Resources sent Tyrer a letter chiding her for not supervising work at the James River site directly.

"Soon thereafter, Joe Hines, project lead for Timmons, came to the site and asked me about my professional and academic credentials," Mai wrote. "Tyrer then instructed me to send her my resume. [She] suggested

that she might forward my resume to VDHR.'

After Mai left Circa, he obtained a copy of the resume Tyrer had given to state officials. The document was different from the one Mai had provided. He said it mischaracterized him as a supervisor when Tyrer had never given him that role, and exaggerated his experience working on Native American archeological sites.

Other workers at the James River site lacked college degrees or formal training investigating Native American sites, Mai said. At one point, he said, Tyrer used workers from Faulconer Construction, the contractor in charge of building the pump station and pipeline, to participate in archeological work, even though they had no experience in that field and used inappropriate tools for the job. He was told the workers were paid for this work by Faulconer, not Circa.

The report Tyrer submitted to DHR in the spring of 2018 about work Mai and other crew members performed at the project site was misleading, he said, because some Native American artifacts that were found were not

accounted for in the report. These artifacts provided evidence of cooking and stone tool production. Mai added that while Circa claimed it used specified methods to analyze artifacts, he did not believe the company had actually done so. The person in charge of processing the artifacts was not qualified for the work, he said.

After DHR sent the water authority a letter indicating the agency will no longer accept Tyrer as the lead archeologist for the project,

the authority hired a different firm, GAI Consultants. to review her work. The authority also sent a notice to Jule Langan, DHR director, appealing her denial of a burial permit because of Tyrer's lack of qualifications. Langan has said her agency did not actually deny the

The appeal would be filed in Fluvanna Circuit Court, but Curtis said the authority has until next week to decide whether to do so.

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# Cup with a pup

Breanna Burkhead (at left) and Jessica Buckley with their dog Lucy at the Cup with a Pup event at Frosties Rail Stop on Oct. 19. The open adoption event was organized with Louisa **County Animal Shelter.** 

Photo by Andrew Hollins

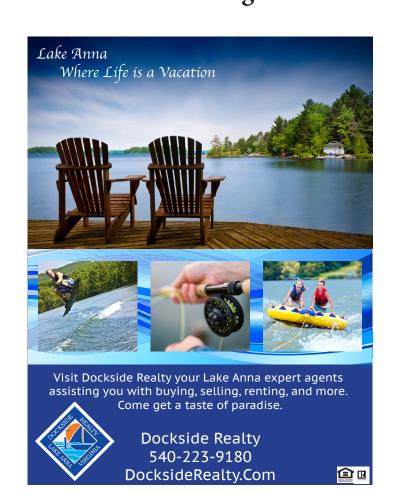




# Downtown Louisa Walking Tour

Join the Louisa County Historical Society for a Downtown Louisa Walking Tour on Wednesday, Oct. 30. The guided tour will last between one hour and one and a half hours and will meet in front of Floozies on West Main Street at 10:30 a.m. The tour will include information on the historical significance of the courthouse, churches, businesses and residences near Main Street. Suggested donation is \$5-15 per person, please bring exact cash or check. Registration is required. Please call (540) 967-5975 to register. If a minimum of four people do not register for the tour, it will be canceled.

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Broadband Towers for Jackson District (Dec. 18, 2017)	×	
Broadband Towers for Jackson District (Jan. 16, 2018)	×	

(Source: Meeting Minutes for Board of Supervisors)



#### Vote: Bernie Hill for Supervisor

Toni Williams voted NO for broadband in the Jackson District three times. However, he voted YES for a grant of \$550,000 to CVEC to provide broadband in the western part of Louisa County. (Source: Meeting Minutes for Board of Supervisors on 12-3-2018) Quote: "We will

I've worked on the Broadband Authority for 5 years trying to build the wireless broadband infrastructure throughout Louisa County. Success has been difficult to achieve when confronted by Toni Williams' opposition.

[Please refer to my website - www.BernieHill4Supervisor.com for details.]

#### **Bernie's Commitments as Supervisor:**

- Obtain necessary agreement from other Board
- members to fund a new broadband tower for the Jackson District.
- Actively seek a suitable location for a new tower in the Jackson District and negotiate with the landowner.
- Serve as the Board of Supervisors liaison to the Broadband Authority to facilitate rapid construction of the tower.







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Source: Outraged Voter (🔾

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