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Census 2010 — It's in Our Hands!

The 2010 Census is a count of everyone living in the United States and is mandated by the U.S. Constitution. Census data are used to distribute Congressional seats to states, to distribute more than \$400 billion in federal funds to local, state and tribal governments each year and to make decisions about what community services to provide.

The 2010 Census questionnaire will be one of the shortest in history and consists of 10 questions, taking approximately 10 minutes to complete. Strict confidentiality laws protect the privacy of respondents and the information they provide.

Census questionnaires will be delivered or mailed to households via U.S. mail in March 2010; many households will receive a replacement questionnaire in early April. Although Census Day isn't until April 1, 2010, it will define who we are as a nation, affect political representation and direct the allocation of billions of dollars of government funding.

Achieving a complete and accurate 2010 Census is in our citizens' hands. As census time approaches, be ready Campbell County, but more importantly, be counted!



Take the Pledge... Join the Energy Star Campaign!



The Campbell County Infrastructure Team invites you to join the Energy Star Campaign sponsored by the National Association of Counties (NACo).

Please log onto the website: www.greencounties.org/changetheworld and pledge to replace at least one light in your home to an Energy Star qualified one (a CFL bulb). You only give your first name, e-mail address and zip code. If you like, there are other pledges you can take for more energy savings. Already changed your bulbs? No problem, just enter the number of bulbs you have already changed.

When you pledge, you are making a commitment to save energy and money by taking small steps at home. If every American household took part in the Energy Star Pledge, we would save more than \$18 billion in annual energy costs, and prevent green house gas emissions equivalent to those from 18 million cars!

Encourage your friends and neighbors to also take the pledge. Prizes are awarded for the counties receiving the most pledges. Should we win, the Infrastructure Team plans to partner with the Department of Social Services to help our Campbell County families take more steps to save energy at home.

Please hurry! The contest is for a limited time only. Take the pledge and start conserving energy today!

From the Board of Supervisors...

Over the last several months the Board of Supervisors took action on the following items. Detailed information can be found in the Board's minutes at our web-site:

<http://www.campbellcountyva.gov>.

- Waste Hauling Contract awarded to BSW (04-06-09)
- Approved electronic poll books for Registrar (04-20-09)
- Central VA Community Services celebrated 40th anniversary (04-20-09)
- Week of April 26 – May 2 named Victims Rights Week (04-20-09)
- County received regional grant of nearly \$800,000 from Virginia Wireless E-911 Board to link GIS databases (04-20-09)
- Approved Day Care Center at Faith Assembly Christian Church (05-04-09)
- FY 2010 Budget adopted, includes no tax increases (05-18-09)
- Lowest bid to renovate Health Department accepted(05-18-09)
- VACo President, Donald Hart, visited Campbell County (06-15-09)
- Approved hiring six additional EMS responders (06-15-09)
- Adopted 2010 Legislative Agenda (06-15-09)
- Adopted the Buy American Resolution (06-15-09)
- Special use permit for indoor shooting range approved (07-20-09)
- Broadband Assessment Study Final Report (07-20-09)
- Approved purchase of Altavista Armory (08-03-09)
- Approved preliminary engineering report for Leesville Road Waterline Extension (08-17-09)
- Approved new lease with Health Department (08-17-09)

Campbell County Community Development Supports James River Associations' Extreme Stream Makeover

It all starts upstream! Campbell County Community Development has partnered with the James River Association for the Extreme Stream Makeover (ESM), a project designed to improve the health, sustainability and natural beauty of the Blackwater Creek Watershed in Lynchburg. The week-long project will increase personal awareness about the importance of stream health and contribute to the overall water quality of the James River.

From Monday, October 19 through Thursday, October 22, volunteers can take part in a series of projects designed to reduce stormwater runoff, improve water quality and increase habitat along Rock Castle, Ivy and Blackwater Creeks. Projects include building a rain garden and planting trees at Peaks View Park, creating a BayScape and educational garden at Jefferson Forest High School, stabilizing a section of stream bank, creating a wetland and trash pick-up along Wards Road. Volunteers are needed!

For more information about the Extreme Stream Makeover and how you can be involved, please visit: www.extremestreammakeover.org or contact Michelle Kokolis, Watershed Scientist, at the James River Association at (804) 788-8811, extension 204.



Campbell County Economic Development Adds New Layers to Web-Site

The Campbell County Economic Development web-site has just undergone a major upgrade and revision. The home page now provides information into three distinct areas of Campbell County; "Visiting Campbell County," "Living in Campbell County," and finally, "Doing Business in Campbell County".

"Visiting Campbell County" is the newest addition to the site and is our tourism page. Attractions, lodging, dining, shopping, and outdoor recreation opportunities in Campbell County are listed there, as well as links to regional attractions. While we have captured many of the amenities in Campbell County, we are still working to include additional sites and points of interest. If you are aware of sites not yet listed, please contact us to make suggestions. If they meet our basic criteria, we'll incorporate them into our web-site.

The other sections of our web-site have been updated also. "Living in Campbell County" provides information regarding quality of life, demographics, and additional data on the two towns in Campbell County. "Doing Business in Campbell County" offers pertinent information on our business climate, how to start a business in Campbell County, and also a listing of available sites and buildings.

We welcome your feedback. Please visit us online at: www.campbellvirginia.com, and let us know what you think.

Domestic Violence and the Elderly

By: Susan Rosser Jones, Campbell Co. Social Services



October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Statistics show this crime as vastly unreported and prevalent in all echelons of our society. In the lives of the elderly,

especially older women, this phenomenon is often more deeply ingrained and hidden. Many older adults were socialized to believe that the man had a right, as head of the household, to rule as he saw fit, including becoming physical with others to enforce his will. Abuse often "came with the territory", and generational issues in this context are difficult to overcome.

Adult Protective Services reaches a number of older victims of domestic violence for whom these beliefs complicate our response and our ability to treat the problem. When abuses go on for years unmitigated they become normalized- not just for those directly involved but frequently for close family members. Often we see women continue to subject themselves to abuse, and their reasons for not getting out of the situation are manifold and complicated. A sense of duty, fear of the unknown, emotional and economic dependence and the responsibility of caring for the abuser can impact one's choice to stay or to go. And it is not only women who are victimized. Men are also victims of domestic violence; it can be even harder for males to take action to stop the abuse because of the same societal view of what it means to "be a man".

During the month of October and beyond, take the opportunity to do what you can to stop abuse and domestic violence. If you suspect that an elderly or disabled person is being abused, report it to the local social services agency (Campbell Co. 434-592-9585) or the 24 hour/day adult protective services hotline 1-888-83ADULT.

If possible, become involved with someone who needs your help and encouragement to get out of an abusive situation. Offer your support to organizations that provide assistance to victims of domestic violence. Frannie's Friends is a local non-profit organization that is developing a shelter in the Altavista community and information is available about this and other such programs at the YWCA Family Violence Prevention Center, (434) 528-1041. The 24th District Coalition Against Domestic Violence can provide information at www.cadv-24.org and the Campbell County Office of the Victim-Witness Advocate, (434) 332-9520, can help those taking steps to stop the cycle of violence. The National Domestic Violence hotline, 800-799-7233, is a resource for additional information, as is Virginia 211 (simply dial "211" on your phone for free Information Referral Services anytime). Campbell County Social Services also has information on its web page at <http://www.campbellcountyva.gov>.

Remember, one abused adult is one too many. Each of us can make a difference to break the silence of abuse.

Innovations At Your Local Library

This fall brings many innovations to the public at all Campbell County Public Libraries!

- Free wireless internet access at the libraries in Rustburg, Altavista, and Timbrook
- Newer, more improved website at: www.campbellcountylibraries.org
- A new logo that represents our agricultural heritage and embraces our technological future
- Keychain library cards (free for new and renewing patrons, \$1 for replacements)
- Facebook page—fan us!
- Books, Etc. Blog by public services librarian, Shelley Oakley. You can access this via our website.
- Adult book groups at all libraries
- Exciting programming for patrons of all ages, toddlers to Seniors!
- Many new volunteer opportunities at each library—stop by your favorite to inquire.

There have also been some changes at the library in response to the economic downturn:

- Interlibrary loans will now require a \$1 postage contribution (which still only covers ¼ of our cost to offer this service.)
- Patron accounts that are 60 days overdue and total over \$25 will be turned over for collections. Any account turned over will incur an additional \$10 fee.

As always, our main goal is to serve Campbell County citizens and help them achieve their recreational, cultural and informational needs. We look forward to seeing you in a library soon!



Campbell County
Public Library System

PRIVATE EYES

By: Mark Yudowitch, Campbell Co. Social Services

As a parent it is likely that you have carefully instilled the respect of space and boundaries between all family members. After all, we each have the right to our individual privacy. And while we know that most children are not engaged in illegal or dangerous activities, there remain some negative outside influences in this world, not the least of which involves drugs. You also know a thing or two about peer pressure. Could your child now be hiding something?

Will you be going against these values by searching through your child's room and looking through his or her stuff? If you have a legitimate suspicion, then as head of household you not only have the right, but also the responsibility to monitor the situation. Hopefully you'll discover there is not a problem, but if there is, early intervention is the key to a solution.

Perhaps friends of the opposite sex are visiting and the bedroom door stays closed. Maybe you overhear some inappropriate gossip about other kids. There may be a close and influential friend of your child who dresses in a way that concerns you. You're not sure who is supervising the 'big party.' You have an uneasy feeling about certain video games or computer use. An active and immediate response to such symptoms could be that 'ounce of prevention' that eliminates the ultimate 'pound of cure'.

Remember, parents are signed up for a 24/7 job. Ignorance is NOT bliss! Keep your eyes wide open and listen to your instincts, it could make the difference in your child's future.



Voter Information For Campbell County Residents

General Election for Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, House of Delegates (22nd District), Members of the Campbell County Board of Supervisors and School Board for Timberlake, Rustburg, and Brookneal Districts.

The next General Election is *Tues., Nov. 3, 2009*, and in order to be eligible to vote on this date, you must register no later than *Mon., Oct. 5, 2009* by 5:00 p.m. You may register at any DMV or miscellaneous agencies in the Commonwealth, or at our office, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For the convenience of registered voters who need to vote by absentee ballot, our office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 24 and Sat., Oct. 31, 2009.

Karen T. Danos, Campbell County Registrar
Historic Court House, Ground Floor
774 Village Highway
P.O. Box 103
Rustburg, VA 24588
(434) 332-9579

3 STEPS TO PREVENT THE FLU

Controlling the spread of flu is everyone's responsibility. The Virginia Department of Health urges you to take these steps to protect yourself, your family and the community against the spread of the flu virus.



1. CLEAN

Wash your hands often. Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand cleaner/sanitizer.



2. COVER

Cover your cough. Use a tissue to cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze.



3. CONTAIN

Contain germs by steering clear of others who are sick. If you do get sick, stay at home until you're well again so you don't spread more germs.

Information provided by:
Virginia Department of Health



Construction Near Completion for Citizen Services Building; County Readies for Department Relocation

In mid-November, Campbell County Community Development will be the first department to relocate to the newly developed Citizen Services Building. This move comes after twelve years of space studies and long term growth planning, and will provide easier access to the most frequented service areas, alleviating the traffic and parking issues citizens currently experience.

The Citizen Services Building will house several of the County's most frequented services, including the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office, the Treasurer's Office, which will be located on the first floor, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Real Estate and Mapping, Reassessment Services, Building Inspections, Zoning and finally, the Fire Marshal on the second floor.

"These departments provide services for the majority of our 'walk-in' traffic," said Clif Tweedy, Deputy County Administrator. He adds, "With the level of growth in Campbell County, the expansion of the county complex was necessary to provide convenient access to vital citizen services."

The Public Works Department plans to begin the relocation of the second floor departments on November 11, an observed County holiday, followed by the Commissioner of the Revenue and Treasurer's offices.

"On Thursday, the second floor departments will be accessible by the public, followed by the first floor offices on November 16," said Tweedy. "By using the Veteran's Day holiday as our initial move-in day, essential services will remain uninterrupted, so citizens will not be inconvenienced."

CAMPBELL COUNTY TAXPAYER

Is December 5th an inconvenient time of year to pay taxes? The Campbell County Board of Supervisors and the County Treasurer are pleased to offer you the option of paying your Personal Property and Real Estate taxes in advance, and on a schedule of your choice. Payments in the amount you choose may be made on next year's taxes throughout the year.

Name _____

Address _____

Daytime telephone _____

Please accept my pre-payment amount of \$ _____ to be credited to

Real Estate Account No. _____ Personal Property Account No. _____

Please make payments to Campbell County Treasurer, PO Box 37, Rustburg, VA 24588



Campbell County Recreation Department Programs, Trips & Events

For more information, please call (434) 332-9570, 283-9570, or 592-9570.

Upcoming Special Events



Spine Tingling Tales

Thursday, October 29
6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Rustburg's Historic
Courthouse Square

Christmas In Courthouse Square



Friday, December 4
6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Rustburg's Historic
Courthouse Square

For more information, please
contact the Recreation
Department at (434)
332-9570, 283-9570, or
592-9570.

Youth & Adult Classes

Line Dancing for Fun & Fitness
Mondays, September 28-October 19
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Rustburg Area
Fee: \$30.00 per individual
\$55.00 per couple

Sign Language for ages 10 and up
Mondays, October 5 - 26
Beginner: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Intermediate: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Rustburg Area
Fee: \$35.00 Beginner Class
\$35.00 Intermediate Class

Hand-built Pottery with Jenna
Saturday, October 17
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Concord Area
Fee: \$40.00 (call for details)

**Painting with Christine Smith
"God's Covenant"**
Saturday, September 26
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Rustburg Area
Fee: \$62.00 (call for supply list)

**Bob Ross Painting with Ed
"Hanging Flowerpot"**
Saturday, October 10
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Rustburg Area
Fee: \$62.00 (please call for supply list)

**Principles of Direct Painting
Weekend Workshop with Ed Gowen**
Sat., November 14 & Sun., November 15
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Rustburg Area
Fee: \$85.00 (please call for supply list)

Youth Athletics

Youth Basketball for ages 5-17
Fee: \$45.00 for the first child
\$40.00 for the second child
\$35.00 for 5-6 year old league

The site where you sign-up, is the site to which
you will be assigned.

In-office Registration begins October 12.

After Hours Registration Dates & Sites:

Concord Elementary School
Oct. 22 & Nov. 5 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Brookneal Elementary School
Oct. 22 & Nov. 3 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Parks & Recreation Office
Oct. 30 & Nov. 5 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

REMINDER
Spring Soccer Registration Begins
January 4, 2010

Adult Athletics

Ladies Fitness Class for ages 18-up
Mon. and Weds., Sept. 21 - Dec. 2*
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Fray Educational Center
Fee: \$40.00 per person

New Leagues Now Forming For
▪ **Adult League Touch Football**
▪ **Adult Plastic Bat & Ball**
▪ **Men's Basketball**

Please call Jay Ratcliffe at (434) 332-9570,
283-9570, or 592-9570 for details.

Trips & Excursions

**Williamsburg Shopping Trip
Yankee Candle & Prime Outlets**
November 20, 2009
Fee: \$40.00 per person

Campbell County
Sheriff's Office
Deputy Jason Saunders
Memorial Car Show &
Swap Meet

October 10, 2009
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Yellow Branch Elem. School
(Rain Date: October 11; 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.)

Food and drinks available with
activities for the whole family!

Proceeds benefit: DARE; PROJECT
LIFE SAVER; & the Deputy Jason
Saunders Memorial.

Please contact Rhonda Mason
at (434) 332-9580 for additional
details or to pre-register.



We value
your input.

If you have a suggestion or questions
regarding County services,
please mail written comments to:

Office of the County Administrator
P.O. Box 100
Rustburg, VA 24588

or email us at:
Administration@campbellcountyva.gov
Your comments are greatly appreciated.

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