

13. MISCELLANEOUS**A. PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL 4-H WEEK**

Attached for your consideration, please find a proclamation proclaiming the week of October 5-11 as National 4-H Week in Southampton County. Southampton County's 4-H program has more than 275 members and 75 volunteers providing our youth with hands-on opportunities and experiences in the fields of science, engineering, technology, healthy living and citizenship.

ACTION REQUESTED While not required, it would be nice to have a motion authorizing Chairman to sign the attached proclamation on behalf of the full Board.

B. LEAD VIRGINIA

I was recently contacted by an alumnus of the LEAD VIRGINIA program asking if I may be interested in participating in the class of 2009. LEAD VIRGINIA connects diverse participants from across the Commonwealth to promote a statewide perspective about the quality of life in Virginia. Participants grapple with challenges, opportunities and major issues facing the Commonwealth. Technology, health, military, government, education, economic development, industry, immigration and transportation are among the topics participants explore.

LEAD VIRGINIA prepares participants to:

- identify statewide common problems, opportunities, priorities and solutions;
- understand each others' individual challenges, priorities and concerns;
- focus more on the greater good for all Virginians and less on regional and partisan priorities when acting on the state level;
- solve problems and seek wise public policy and visionary infrastructure that will take Virginia into the future.

LEAD VIRGINIA's program offers a sequence of seven monthly program sessions, each located in a different region of the state. The class of approximately 40 participants goes through the entire program together, beginning with an orientation session in April and concluding in November. Each class session begin on a Thursday and concludes on Saturday. The class is comprised of a diverse group of approximately 40 senior-level executives from large and small businesses, economic development agencies, elected and appointed local and state government positions, the professions, education and non-profit organizations across Virginia. Each class reflects a cross-section of the state, including diversity of geographic location, profession, ethnicity, gender and age. Participants are selected by a committee of the Board of Directors. The announcement of participants selected for the Class of 2009 will be made on February 15, 2009.

Selected participants are billed for the tuition of \$6,000, which covers all program expenses including meals, overnight accommodations, and program materials.

I don't know if I would be selected or not, but it is something I'd be interested in participating in. I am seeking your permission to apply for the program and your willingness to fund the tuition, if I were accepted.

Program information is attached.

MOTION REQUIRED: If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required authorizing the County Administrator to apply for admission in the LEAD VIRGINIA program and agreeing to cover the cost of tuition (\$6,000), if accepted.

C. RIVERKEEPER REPORT

Please find a copy of the latest newsletter from our Riverkeeper attached.

D. HERITAGE DAY

Attached herewith, please find a copy of the Southampton County Historical Society's press release announcing Heritage Day on **Saturday, September 20, 2008**, in Courtland from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A schedule of events is also included.

E. ENVIRONMENTAL NOTICES

Attached for your reference please find copies of the following public notices:

1. From the **Virginia Department of Environmental Quality**, notice of a groundwater withdrawal application from the Town of Ivor to withdraw an average of 54,041 gallons per day to support the town water supply;
2. From the **Virginia Department of Health, Office of Drinking Water**, follow-up correspondence to Harlan Heikens regarding a Notice of Violation issued for the Nottoway Shores subdivision in July;
3. From the **Virginia Department of Health, Office of Drinking Water**, a copy of a rescission of the Notice of Violation issued to the Department of Corrections for exceeding the primary maximum contaminant level for total coliform bacteria at the Southampton Correctional Complex in July.

F. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Please find copies of the following attached:

1. From **Steve Blythe, Easter Regional Director of the Department of Social Services**, a copy of the updated Board member schedule;
2. From **Prince George County**, copies of letters of transmittal to state and federal officials regarding their resolution opposing the Navy's plan to site an OLF in the region;
3. From **Crater Planning District Commission**, a copy of their invoice to Isle

- of Wight County for their share of the OLF defense;
4. From **SPSA**, correspondence regarding an unsolicited proposal received from ReEnergy Holdings, LLC to privatize all of its operations (not just waste-to-energy);
 5. From **ReEnergy Holdings, LLC**, copied correspondence to Chairman Jones regarding the proposal described above.

F. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Please find various articles of outgoing correspondence attached for your reference.

G. ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Please find various newspaper articles attached for your reference.