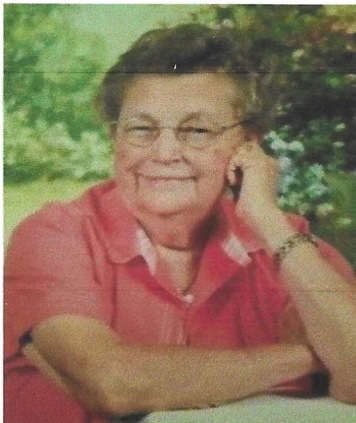


Exhibit Hall/Classroom Addition

We are pleased and excited to announce that construction of our addition to the Museum began in October 2021. Plans started about 5 years ago with a start-up contribution from the Wiley Foundation, and then more generous donations from individuals and businesses from the Northern Neck and beyond. The addition will include a classroom designed for youth programs, bathrooms, gift shop, storage area and an open pavilion for special events. Pole and Home Construction of Warsaw is our contractor. We could use continued help from our supporters to finish the project and have it ready for the 2022 season. We are probably \$20,000 shy of a turn-key job. After limited activities for the last 2 years due to covid, we are excited to get back to school programs and more extensive special events this year. Please help us do it in style. -Sam Johnson

MARGARET P. WELCH



Mrs. Margaret P. Welch, age 89, of Kilmarnock, passed away on Wednesday, December 22, 2021. Mrs. Welch was the widow of Luther Everette Welch, a member of Moratico Baptist Church and Chairman of the Women's Committee of Northumberland-Lancaster Farm Bureau. She was a homemaker and part-time Enumerator for NAMSDA. Survivors are her two daughters, Marie W. Goode and her husband, Ned, of Heathsville and Sylvia W. Saunders and her husband, Tom, of Kilmarnock; and her son, Alan Luther Welch and his wife, Dana, of Kilmarnock; six grandchildren, Heather Gagnon and Michelle Gordon, Holly Conaty and Lincoln Saunders and Ashly Hudson and Justin Welch; and nine great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Northern Neck Farm Museum, P.O. Box 365, Heathsville, Va. 22473.



VALOR GROUP VISITS FARM MUSEUM

-By Megan Seibel, VALOR Director

In September of 2021, the Virginia Agriculture Leaders Obtaining Results (VALOR) Program visited the Northern Neck Farm Museum as part of their biennial seminar in the Northern Neck, Middle Peninsula, and Tangier Island. A two-year long fellowship for adults, the VALOR program is the premier leadership program for Virginia's largest industry of agriculture. Experiential seminars take place every other month and include sessions around Virginia, state and national capitals, another state in the US, and an international destination where social, political, and economic issues facing agriculture are explored. Progressional development is also a big part of the program for these leaders from different geographic and professional backgrounds. During this year's session to the Northern Neck, learning experiences took place at 3 Rivers Seafood, Montague Farms, Healthy Harvest Food Bank, Northern Neck Technical Center, Kellum's Seafood, Tangier Island, Northern Neck Farm Museum, and Haynie Farms. At the Farm Museum, Colonial Farm Credit hosted the group and Chief Lending Officer Ronnie Gill prepared his famous steaks for dinner. Colonial CEO Paul Franklin made remarks in addition to speakers from Virginia Cooperative Extension and Virginia Crop Improvement. Visiting the museum has been a part of every VALOR class to-date and we look forward to visits with future classes. Applications for VALOR Class VI will open in March and the new class will start in September 2022. For more information, contact Megan Seibel, director, at mseibel@vt.edu or 540.231.2375 and visit www.valor.alce.vt.edu.



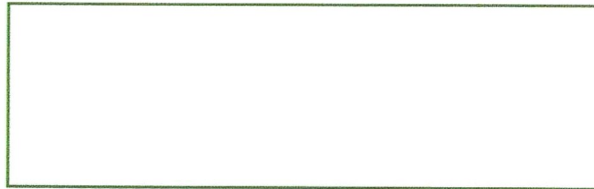
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June 4th: Farm to Fork Dinner
July 9th: Threshing Day