

PittCo Weekly



April 12, 2024

A Best Day for Mother, Baby and Dispatcher



Heart attacks, fires, accidents – or worse. As a 911 dispatcher for nearly 17 years, Holly Edmonds is used to getting calls on a person's worst day.

But the call that came in at 5:40 a.m. on the morning of February 20 was different.

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Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office Recognizes Employees



The Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office has implemented an employee recognition program to recognize the dedication and hard work of the employees of the Office. The following employees were recognized for their exceptional performance during the first quarter of 2024.

From left to right: First Sergeant Margaret Hamilton from the Bureau of Jail Operations, Investigator Rick Baxtor from the Bureau of Criminal Investigations, Sheriff Mike Taylor, Deputy Larry Crews from the Bureau of Patrol Operations and Deputy Jacob Sparks from the School Resource Officer Program.

April is Child Abuse

Prevention Month



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and this is when we acknowledge the efforts of our communities to end child abuse and neglect while remaining hopeful about the bright future we see for the children of

Virginia. On Friday, April 5, our staff participated in Wear Blue Day and planted two pinwheel gardens to display our collective unity and commitment to Child Abuse Prevention. Danville-Pittsylvania County Community Services made this possible by donating the pinwheels and signage. During 2023, Pittsylvania County Child Protective Services investigated referrals on behalf of 964 children.

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Pittsylvania County Social Services Presents:



Barry Mayo

Recruiter:

**TARE, CAPE & SCALE-UP
Danville Community College**

**April 25,
1-3:30 p.m.**

**Department of Social Services
220 HG McGhee Dr.
Chatham**

The TARE, CAPE & SCALE UP 2 programs are designed to help eligible students by eliminating barriers to education. The program provides paid incentives for completing milestones within their field of study and earning workforce credentials. Supportive services are also available for eligible students. The programs covers all expenses and necessities for the student to successfully complete their program of study.

To learn more, go to danville.edu

[Learn More Here](#)

Hargrave Cadets Help Chatham Library





All the books are back in the Chatham Library thanks to these hard-working Hargrave Military Academy cadets! As the last of the new carpeting is being installed, staff and volunteers are busy restocking and organizing the shelves to get the library back in top shape to reopen. The library is scheduled to reopen Monday, April 15.

Meet the Challenge, Win Prizes

Chatham Blairs Supervisor
Kenneth Bowman and
County Administrator
Stuart Turille
challenge **you** to fill a
bag for Earth Day, April 27.

To learn how you can
participate, go to
ow.ly/sUbW50QQ8CF



Prizes
include
this
vintage
style
trashcan!



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Earth Day Litter Pickup April 27
Meet the Challenge!



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**Be Informed About
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CITIZENS ACADEMY

Government 101

LEARN HOW GOVERNMENT WORKS

The Citizens Academy is a unique way for residents to engage directly with County staff, ask questions and gain knowledge through interactive activities. The Academy will be held the second Thursday, May through November, 6-8:30 p.m. at the Community Center in Chatham.



Meet County Staff
in informal setting



Tour County
Facilities



Fun Activities



The Citizens Academy is free and limited to 25 Pittsylvania County residents. Deadline to register is April 30. To learn more, scan the QR code or visit www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov. Under "Residents," click on Citizens Academy 2024. For more information contact Public Relations Manager Diana McFarland at 434-432-3575 or diana.mcfarland@pittgov.org



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Pittsylvania County Attends Procurement Fair



Pittsylvania County Purchasing Manager Connie Gibson, right, and Malorie Taylor, Accounting Specialist, are participating in the Southern Virginia Regional Procurement Fair today at the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research in Danville. Pittsylvania County was one of roughly 15 organizations on hand to provide vendors information on how to do business with them. According to Gibson, Pittsylvania County is interested in having eligible vendors obtain the Small, Women-owned and Minority-owned Business (SWaM) certification through the Virginia Department of Small Business & Supplier Diversity. Gibson said the fair was also an opportunity for vendors to learn how to receive notices of Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and Invitations for Bids (IFB) from the County. Other organizations at the fair included the City of Danville, Sovah Health, Caesars, Danville Public Schools and the Virginia Museum of Natural History, among others. The fair was sponsored by the City of Danville, Caesars Virginia, Black Businesses of the Dan River Region and the Danville Pittsylvania County Chamber of Commerce.

Energy Assistance for

Qualified Applicants



Do You Need Help Paying Your Electric Bill?

» The Percentage of Income Payment Program (PIPP) May Be Able to Help!

PIPP helps Dominion Energy customers with household income less than 150% of the federal poverty guidelines to maintain their Dominion Energy electric service by making payments based on their household income instead of their utility bill amount. PIPP makes monthly payments more affordable on a year-round basis.

A PIPP participant's monthly electric service payment is the greater of:

- » **10% of gross monthly household income** when the household has electricity as their primary heat source or
- » **6% of gross monthly household income** when the household does not have electricity as their primary heat source.

Note: PIPP participants must make a minimum payment of \$10 on their monthly electric service.

Each time a customer makes the required PIPP monthly installment on time and in full, the customer:

- » Avoids new utility debt **and**
- » Reduces old utility debt.

Dominion Energy Customer Service staff can discuss your account and any existing payment plans to help you determine if you should apply for PIPP.

You may apply for PIPP by:

- » Completing an online application at commonhelp.virginia.gov/access.
- » Submitting a paper application to your local department of social services.

CommonHelp Steps For Application

1. Click Get Started.
2. Click Apply for All Benefit Programs.
3. Click New to CommonHelp? Click here to create an account.
4. Fill out fields to create an account and click Submit.
5. Log in.
6. Click Start New Application.



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Please join us in remembrance of our fallen heroes and loved ones.

THE PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

will hold its annual

Law Enforcement Memorial Service

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 • 6:00 p.m.

Chatham Baptist Church • 12 Court Place • Chatham, Virginia

GUEST SPEAKER: Secretary of Public Safety & Homeland Security Terrance C. Cole

Weather permitting, the service will conclude at the Law Enforcement Memorial located within the Pittsylvania County Courthouse Complex.



Early Voting Available



PUBLIC NOTICE

*for the
June 18, 2024, Primary
in
Pittsylvania County, Virginia*

In-person, early voting for Pittsylvania County voters will be available at the location, dates, and hours listed below beginning Friday, May 3, and ending Saturday, June 15:

18 Depot Street
Chatham, Virginia

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and
Saturdays, June 8, and June 15, from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Ballot dropboxes will be available on the same dates, times, and location listed above.

In addition, dropboxes will be available:

- Monday, June 17, from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and
- Tuesday, June 18 (Primary Day), from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Dropboxes will also be available at all regular polling places on Primary Day, Tuesday, June 18, from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

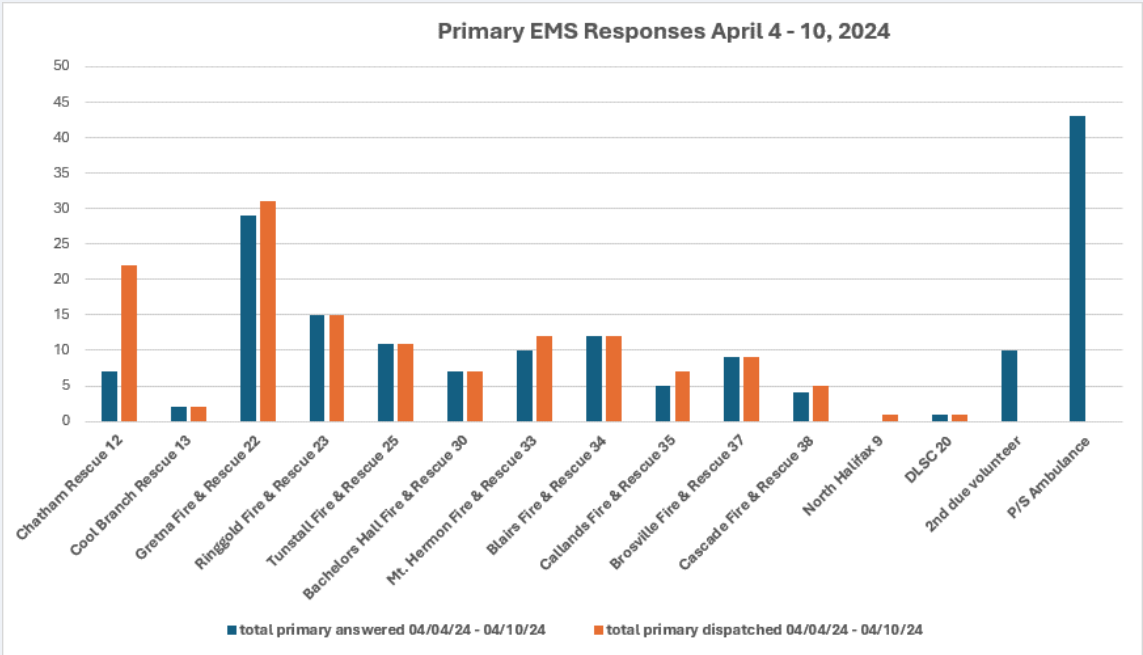
SHANI SHORTER
General Registrar / Director of Elections
Posted: April 11, 2024

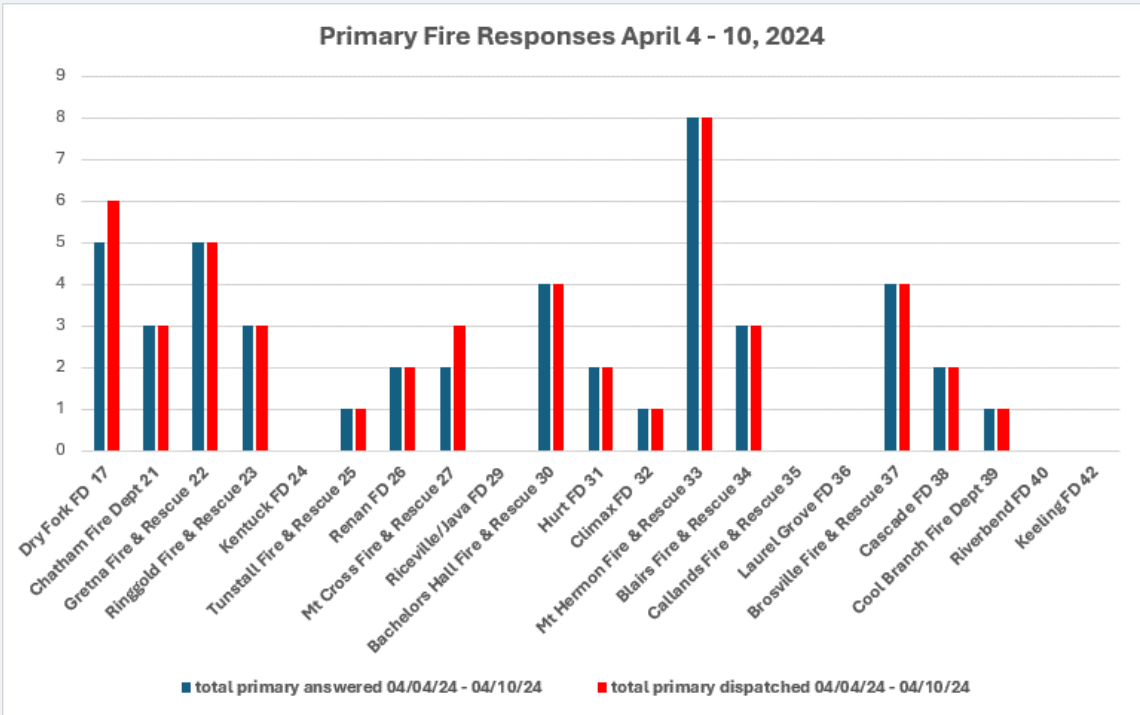
Va. Code §§ 24.2-701.2(E), -707.1(C)



Pittsylvania County’s first responders answered the call to service this week, saving the lives and property of the County’s citizens. EMS responders answered 165 primary calls for service between April 4-10. Of those, volunteers responded to 122 of those calls – or 74%. Pittsylvania County Public Safety were the primary responders on 43 of those calls, or 26%, and outside agencies took five.

The County’s fire departments responded to 46 fire calls during that same period.





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