



LVG - October Newsletter

Literacy Volunteers of Gloucester, Inc.



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LVG Spotlight

Literacy Volunteers of Gloucester has been working with the Woodville Rosenwald School Foundation to form a supportive partnership between our organizations. We share the common goal to provide education to members of our community. We agree that partnering non-profit organizations is a way to share resources and reach a greater population. On October 6, 2020, LVG board member Terri Byrne spoke to the Board of Supervisors in support of granting a tax-exempt status for the Woodville Rosenwald School Foundation, as did several other organizations in the county. The Board of Supervisors granted the waiver by a 4-2 margin.

Woodville School, located on Route 17 near Ordinary, was built in 1923 during a time when public education was difficult for all and extremely difficult for African

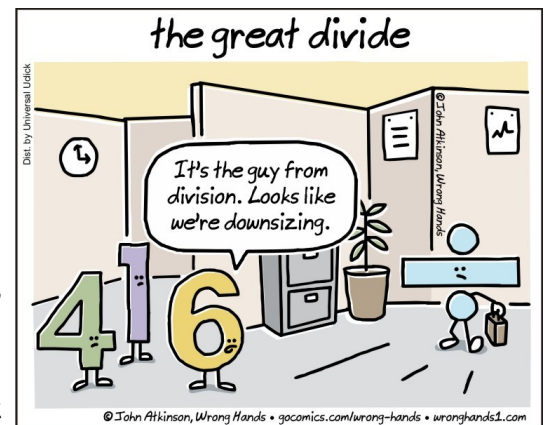
Americans in particular. The construction of the school was made possible through the efforts of

the local African American Community, as well as Thomas Calhoun Walker, a major local leader, and Mr. Julius Rosenwald, one time chairman of Sears and Roebuck Company. In a cooperative effort with Dr. Booker T. Washington, Mr. Rosenwald pledged to assist in the building of schools throughout the South to provide improved conditions for the education of southern African Americans. After

the communities raised funds, Rosenwald would contribute. By 1928, one-third of the South's rural African American school-children and teachers were served by Rosenwald Schools. Between 1917 and 1932, more than 5000 were built across the South, including 382 schools and auxiliary buildings built in Virginia. Only 10-12% are estimated to survive today. In 2002, the National Trust for Historic Preservation placed Rosenwald Schools on its "11 most endangered historic places" list. Woodville School is the only building remaining of the seven built in Gloucester.



Joke of the Month



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This month's 'So you think you can GED?'

Subject: Science! (from GEDPracticeQuestions.com)

The tilt of Earth's rotational axis toward or away from the sun causes:

- A. global warming
- B. daylight savings time
- C. 24-hour days
- D. seasons

Answer will be revealed on Facebook on 11/2!