

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Thank you, PCEF

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the contributors and supporters of the Patrick County Education Foundation for giving me the opportunity to further my education. I would also like to thank Mary Scott at the Patrick County Adult Education Center. She has been very helpful and inspiring. Last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank my Savior Jesus Christ for without Him in my life nothing is possible.

My New Year's resolution for the year 2005 was to further my education. I knew one of the first things I needed to do was learn how to use the computer. I decided to take the free TekAdvantage I course. After successfully passing this I decided to take the Career Readiness Certificate course.

I purchased a computer that same year. In November I decided to take an online computer course of Real Estate Principals. I completed the course in June 2006 while working a full time job. In October 2006 I took the Virginia state licensing exam and passed it. Very hard exam, I might add. I also took the TekAdvantage II course in 2006.

The Career Readiness Certificate course gave me the courage to inquire about a job selling life insurance.

I was hired for this job in December 2006 after passing the Virginia state licensing exam. The company is American General Life and Accident, part of AIG, the American International Group, Inc. I will be servicing existing clients and potential future clients in Patrick County and surrounding areas. I also have my license in North Carolina. I also plan to get into real estate in the future.

Hopefully this letter will

encourage Patrick County citizens, like me, to take that one step toward their dream. You don't have to be young to learn. I'm surely not young. I have teenage grandchildren. My motto is "the more you know-the more you know." Just take that "free class." You'll be surprised how many doors will open for you.

With sincere gratitude,
Wanda S. Quesenberry