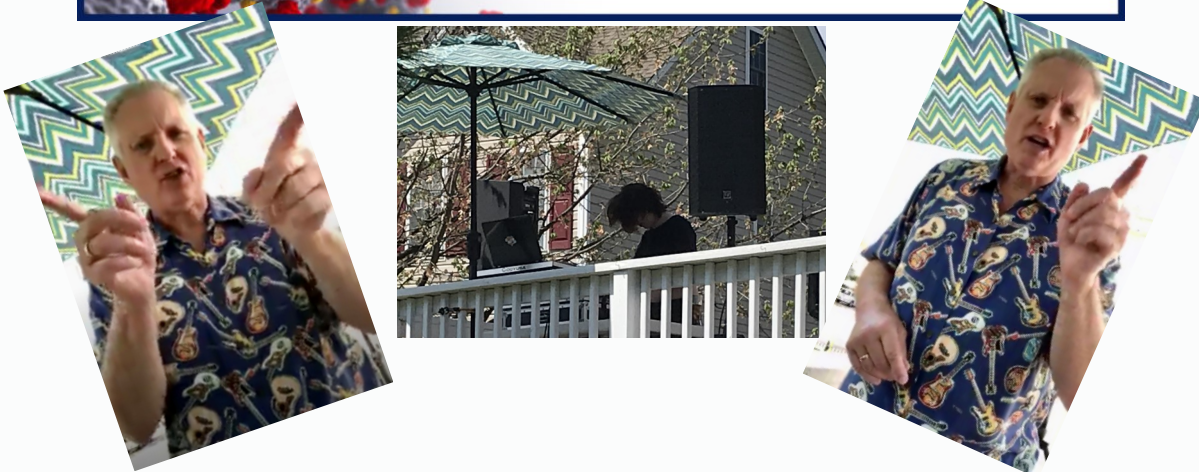


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Lew Wright never disappoints, he live streamed a music concert in celebration of Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week. COVID can't stop him! A special thanks to Ty for helping out his Dad and spinning some tunes for us, too.

What is VJJA?

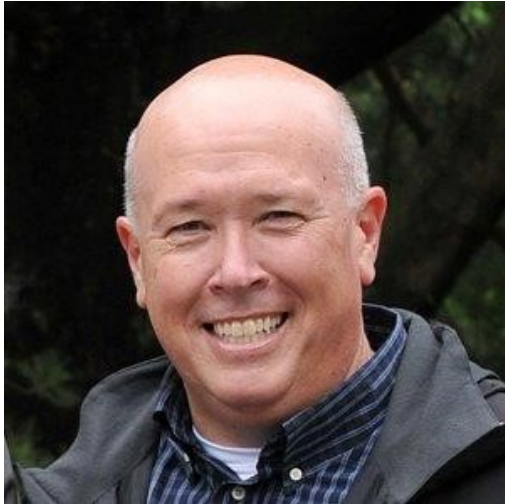
I had a birthday recently. My oldest son asked me "Who are all of those people posting pictures with you on Facebook?" I realized he was talking about my friends from VJJA. That got me thinking about what VJJA really is.

Thanks to my membership in VJJA, and in particular the Fall Conferences, I know people from all around the Commonwealth who work in this field. If I need assistance in Northern Virginia, Tidewater, Central Virginia, the Shenandoah Valley, or far Southwest, I know to whom to reach out. Many are employed by DJJ, but many are also private providers who can assist with a service or a placement. Sometimes I need advice, but just as often it is just to talk to someone who understands the job and can lend a sympathetic ear. We also get to know each other personally and learn about our families and share those special moments, like birthdays. Oh yeah, and we laugh. We laugh a lot!

The members of VJJA do not all look the same. They have different accents. They have different philosophies about the job and life in general. Yes, they even have different political opinions. But none of that matters when it comes to doing what is best for the kids and families they serve and to supporting each other.

So that is what VJJA is to me. What is it to you?

Doug Poe, Supervisor, 27th District CSU, The Great Southwest



After 30 years and 10 months of state service

Mr. Doug Garvey

has decided to retire. We wish Doug the very best as he rides off into the glorious sunset of free time, travel, family, & just doing whatever you want to do!

Thank you Doug for your many years of valuable service to the communities of the 27th Judicial District, to the staff of our Court Service Unit, and the families we serve!

Best wishes to you and your family, and here's to many more wonderful years ahead!

Quarterly Board Meetings

Our board meetings look a lot different, but we are still meeting and planning some great things for our members.



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