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Homicide Suspected in Death of Smith Beach Man

By Linda Cicaira

A man described by former co-workers as a family-oriented guy was found dead under suspicious circumstances at his home near Eastville earlier this week.

Northampton Sheriff David L. Doughty Jr. said a report of an unresponsive man was made to his office at about 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 3. When officers arrived at 16201 Smith Beach Rd., they found the body of 51-year-old Delyn Martin.

"The Sheriff's Office is investigating the incident as a homicide," Doughty said.

Doughty would not comment about the cause of death. A spokesperson for the Norfolk Medical Examiner's Office also declined to disclose the cause or manner of death and referred questions to the sheriff or an investigator.

Doughty later said that Martin was a former cook at Kelly's Gingernut Pub in Cape Charles and that he "was a resident but was not from the Shore."

A manager at the pub said Tuesday night that Martin hadn't worked there for about a year.

Workers at Capt'n Pete, a restaurant on Lankford Highway near Cape Charles, said Martin stopped working there in September.

"He was a very nice fellow," an employee who answered the phone there said. "I didn't know anything about his personal life." She also said

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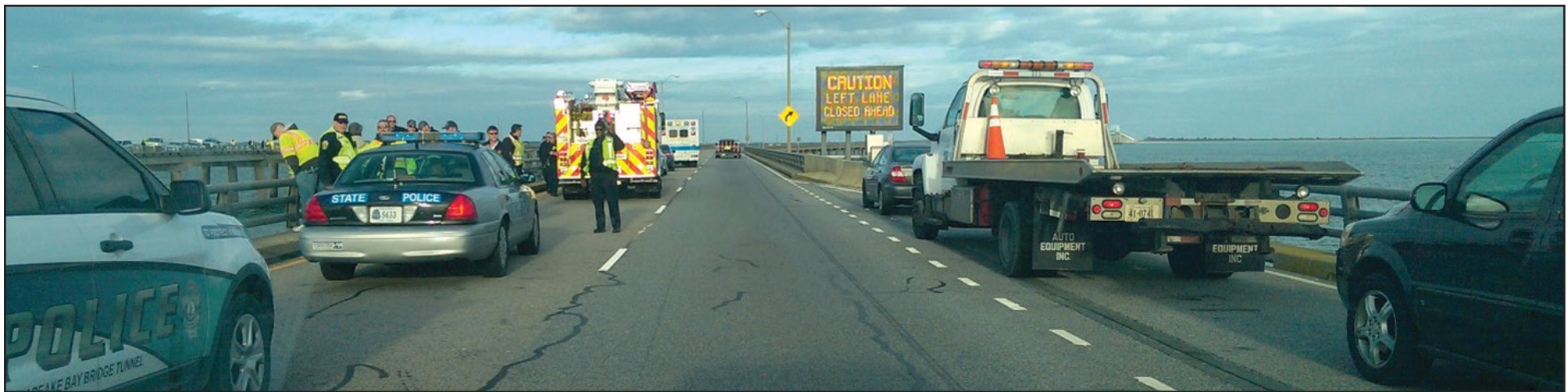


Photo by Lennie Core

Emergency personnel were prominent and traffic was diverted Wednesday following the crash of a tractor-trailer over the left guardrail.

Tractor-Trailer Plunges Off CBBT into Bay; Driver Survives

By Cheryl Nowak

The driver of a tractor-trailer truck that plunged into off the Chesapeake Bay-Bridge Tunnel (CBBT) into the bay Wednesday afternoon was recovering in Sentara Norfolk General Hospital as of presstime the following day.

According to CBBT Executive Director Jeff Holland, the truck, driven by Matthew Killmon, 33, of Wachapreague, was southbound near mile-

post 14 at 3:15 p.m. when it swerved left to avoid a slow-moving tractor-trailer in front of it and crashed into the guard rail on the left, plunging into the bay.

Holland said Killmon immediately surfaced and was carried east by the tide. He was able to grab on to a life ring thrown by CBBT personnel until he was pulled from the 49-degree water at 3:53 by Virginia Beach Police

Department Marine Patrol, which took him to Wise Point at Eastern Shore of Virginia Wildlife Refuge. From there, Killmon was transported by ambulance to the north plaza of the CBBT, from which he was airlifted by Nightingale Air Ambulance to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital.

According to Holland, Killmon was conscious and talking throughout the ordeal.

Noted Holland, "CBBT operations emergency crew worker Tommy Moore and Police Officer Will Jones, under the supervision of Lt. Robert Jones, worked well together with district operations and maintenance personnel to commence a recovery effort that is a miracle given the accident impact, elongated exposure to 49-degree wa-

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Photo by Linda Cicaira

Crime tape and law-enforcement officers were evident at the Silver Beach home where a man was found dead Sunday.

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she “didn’t know why he left the job. I heard nothing bad about him. He was very family oriented — had parents in Connecticut and grandchildren

in Maine. He had a granddaughter he doted on.”

Another worker could be heard in the background saying, “He was a

wonderful person while he was here, a pleasure to work with.”

Doughty said no arrest has been made in connection with the case

which is being investigated.

The sheriff asked anyone with information about what happened to call his office at 678-0458.

Supervisors Wolff, Crockett Elected To Lead Board in 2016

Story and Photo by Linda Cicaira

On a panel that is predominantly white and male, two fitting that description were elected by their peers Wednesday to lead Accomack Board of Supervisors for 2016.

Supervisor Robert Crockett nominated Supervisor Ron Wolff for chairman. The nomination was seconded by Supervisor Grayson Chesser. With no one else put forward, County Administrator Steve Miner, who opened the session, declared Wolff the winner by acclamation.

Wolff then took over the session. “I want to remind all of us this is something we choose to do,” he said. “Right now we are nine of the people that represent the county of Accomack. It is of great importance that we exercise our duties to the citizens. ... I know all of us will take this duty very seriously.”

Wolff then opened the floor for nominations for vice chairperson. Supervisor Laura Belle Gordy nominated Crockett. Two others quickly seconded the motion and Crockett was unanimously elected.

“I contacted all the board members

to tell them of my interest in the position,” said Crockett.

“Almost everyone” recommended that he “realize when you fill in for the chair and if you become chair, your opportunity to speak will be a lot less.” Crockett smiled and said he promised to cut back. “I pledge to do that.”

Both of the new officers thanked the others for their support.

The supervisors also voted unanimously to continue to meet at 5 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month in their chambers in Accomack. In addition, they agreed to try to stick to holding work sessions at the same time and place on the first Wednesday of the month. The board also adopted its usual code of ethics and rules and procedures.

Getting down to business, the supervisors voted to extend the year-long conditional-use permit issued on Jan. 21, 2015, to Eastern Shore Solar LLC until April 26, 2016. The request was made to give the solar-panel project “adequate time to satisfy the substantial use requirement,” according to a memo. Additional permits, including for building and stormwater, are being

pursued. The 984-acre project is expected to see construction begin later this month in Withams.

The supervisors recessed until 5 p.m. next Wednesday when they will gather at the former Shore Bank build-

ing in Onley to discuss proposed poultry house restrictions. The public is invited, but will not be permitted to speak until a public hearing is held. That session could be set during the next meeting.



Supervisor Robert Crockett (left) was elected vice chairman of the Accomack Board of Supervisors and Supervisor Ron Wolff (right) was chosen chairman.



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Thornton Announces Candidacy for Mayor

By Linda Cicoira

Former Accomack Supervisor Wanda Thornton said Tuesday she wants to continue to represent Chincoteague and will seek the mayor's job in the upcoming May election to do so.

Her platform is to do what she can to protect the island from the "dramatic changes in the Chincoteague Inlet" and the impact of storms and to fight any aquaculture and fishing prohibitions in Tom's Cove.

"The inlet is approximately two miles wide, which will allow the storm surge to enter Chincoteague rapidly with huge waves and force," she said. "Tom's Cove Hook has dramatically changed; we have no dunes or sand fence to provide Chincoteague protection. ... We are experiencing severe flooding at the foot of the bridge which is the only exit we have to evacuate if a storm hits. A strong storm surge will flood this area much more rapidly. This needs to be corrected immediately."

Thornton, who represented Chincoteague for 20 years on the county

board, announced a year ago that she was retiring from public office at the end of her term last month. Before that, she was on town council for 7½ years.

She thought she could rest, but now with "the health, safety and welfare of the island" in jeopardy, Thornton said she feels it is her calling to continue serving.

"It outweighs everything. This is about the community. And you know how I feel about Chincoteague," she said. "I have learned a great deal about government and how it works and how to get things accomplished."

Her announcement came just hours after Mayor Jack Tarr and town council voted unanimously to recognize Thornton for her "excellent" efforts of "exemplary dedication to the best interests of Chincoteague and Accomack County."

She received a standing ovation at Monday's town council meeting.

Just before the session, Tarr said he has not decided if he will seek re-election. "Competition is good," he added when asked about others who were rumored to be planning their campaigns.

Tarr was first elected in May 2008. He was unopposed in 2012.

"I respect the current mayor and council and appreciate the work they do for the community," said Thornton. But she also noted, "I'd been trying to convince the mayor that we need to take additional action. ... We need to change our strategy. He doesn't want to take on a fight. ... If you don't, they will run right over you."

"I don't think the inlet (issue) is a natural phenomenon," she continued. "At least a study would tell us why" this is occurring.

She has asked state and federal officials to study "the impact of the dredging at Wallops, the dredging to our north and the F&W (Fish and Wildlife Service) policy of not maintaining dunes or permitting beach replenishment. Chincoteague is at great risk and someone needs to think about our residents instead of the birds."

"I have been appointed by two governors to positions to serve the commonwealth and served on many boards



Thornton

and commissions for Accomack County, as well as bi-county," Thornton said.

To name a few, she served as vice chairwoman of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District and Delmarva Water Transport, and on the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board. Thornton is currently on the state Eastern Groundwater Advisory Committee and Chesapeake Bay Advisory Committee.

"I have demonstrated that I can succeed in solving difficult issues for Chincoteague," Thornton said, adding that with constituents' "help and my experience and knowledge of how to find solutions, I believe we can make a difference in solving these difficult challenges." She appealed to voters to "give me the opportunity to work with all of you to make a difference."

Thornton urged residents to visit website <http://world.time.com/timelapse2/?iid=redirect-timelapse2> and insert the zip code 23336 to watch the changes in the last several years.

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Planners Support New Health Center Near Eastville

By Ron West

The Northampton County Planning Commission conducted a public hearing Tuesday for a special-use permit (SUP) requested by Eastern Shore Rural Health (ESRH) to construct a new facility in Eastville.

Speaking for the SUP request, ESRH CEO Nancy Stern said the proposed facility would replace the current clinics in Bayview and Franktown, both of which are aging rapidly and in the case of the Franktown center, has little room left for expansion. According to Stern, the new facility would offer the same services available

at the two older centers and would employ additional staff.

The proposed facility would be located on the east side of Lankford Highway, just south of the Eastville traffic signal.

The only speaker at the hearing, Bob Meyers, opposes the project. Among other queries, Meyers asked why there would be only one facility and why it would have access from the highway. Stern said that she would provide answers to Meyers' questions as soon as possible.

Commissioner Dave Fauber likewise questioned the location, noting safety concerns over an access from Lankford Highway and the high traffic volume

that the facility would generate. Additionally, Fauber noted that the county Comprehensive Plan discourages commercial development along Lankford Highway. He suggested that there are other more suitable sites that would not use land suitable for farming for commercial purposes.

Commissioner Kay Downing also noted that the Comprehensive Plan recommends that development be in or near existing towns. She said she does not see the amount of water that the facility would use as a big issue.

Asked if the facility would be able to handle emergency cases, Stern indicated that regulations regarding patient care prevent the site from having an emergency room.

Following additional discussion, the commissioners, voted 5-1 (Fauber against and Commissioner Jacqueline Chatmon absent) to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that it grant the SUP. The supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the SUP at their session Jan. 12.

The only speaker to address the commissioners during the public comment session was Wardtown resident Ken Dufty, who spoke on the issue of the recently approved changes to the county's Zoning Ordinance. He said the supervisors, as well as the Planning Commission, were wrong to have approved the changes. Dufty called for an apology to the citizens of the county by both groups.

Prior to concluding the session, long-range planner Peter Stith announced that Hecate Energy is working on an SUP request to locate a solar energy facility east of Eastville, anticipating a public hearing for next month.



First Baby of the Year

Noah Dean-Taylor Thornton, the son of Artima Taylor and Marcus Allen Thornton of Accomac, was born at 10:16 a.m. Monday, Jan. 4, making him the first baby born this year at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital. His birth weight was 6 pounds, 12 ounces, and he was 20.25 inches long. Noah will be welcomed home by his 10-year-old brother, Zy'shon Wise. Dr. David Scott was the delivering obstetrician.

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Police & Court Postings

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack Sheriff's Office

The Oceanway Convenience Store in Tasley was robbed Tuesday afternoon, according Accomack Sheriff Todd Godwin.

When deputies arrived at the scene, "it was determined that two armed subjects entered the store and robbed the clerk of an undisclosed amount of money," the sheriff said. "The subjects fled the store on foot in an unknown direction."

The incident occurred at about 4:50 p.m. Both suspects are described as thin black males, one 5'8"-5'9", the other 5'10"-6'0".

Accomack County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) was assisted by State Police.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to call ACSO at 787-1131 or 824-5666. Tips also may be submitted through the sheriff's website, www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org

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Northampton Circuit Court

The Virginia Beach man who sexually assaulted an Accomack woman taking a bus home from Norfolk last year was sentenced Monday in Northampton Circuit Court to 10 years in prison.

All but three years of the term given for aggravated sexual battery was suspended for 32-year-old Taurino Duran Gonzalez. He was ordered to be on supervised probation for five years. Gonzalez must register as a sex offender.

The bus was traveling through Northampton on the way to New York on Sept. 29, 2014. At the trial, the victim testified that because the bus was full, she sat next to a man she didn't know. The two talked briefly and she fell asleep, waking once to find him holding her hand. He told her it had fallen on him while she slept. A short time later, she awoke to find the man had his hand in her pants. When she opened her eyes, he violated her, she told the court. She jumped up and ran to the bus driver and asked for the police to be called.

Gonzalez denied molesting the woman.

In another case, Jeremie Maleek Carpenter, 20, of Birdsnest was sentenced to five years each for assault and battery of a police officer and two counts of obstruction of justice, to run consecutively, with all but six months on each suspended, for a total of 18 months to serve. On Oct. 20, 2014, Carpenter was in the courtroom when his brother was convicted of beating an Exmore resident with a baseball bat. He started yelling and a fight ensued.

William Thomas Reid, 59, of Painter was sentenced for driving after being declared an habitual offender to five years, with all but three years and three months suspended, and given a 30-day suspended sentence for DUI and. His license was suspended for 12 months.

Susan Storck, 57, of Madison Avenue in Cape Charles pleaded guilty to two counts of assault and battery of Cape Charles Police Officers Tom Potts and Chelsea Pfeiffer, disorderly conduct, and being drunk in public. The incidents occurred April 18, 2015. The case was continued pending completion of a presentence report.

Grenda Laverne Mears, 60, of Boston Road in Painter was sentenced to five years on each of four counts of Medicaid fraud and four counts of making false statements to get Medicare payments. The terms were set to run concurrently, with all but 90 days suspended. The incidents occurred between April and September of 2013.

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Northampton District Court

A Northampton man was charged with robbery last month in connection with an incident at Nassawadox Shore Stop early on the morning of Dec. 30, according to records filed in Northampton County General District Court.

Gavin S. Sample, 34, of Exmore was arrested that day. He is being held in Eastern Shore Regional Jail without bond. The robbery occurred at 3:10 a.m. An undisclosed amount of money was taken from the store.

Riverside + HPCES = Shore Hospice

Effective Jan. 1, Riverside Health System (RHS) and Hospice & Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore (HPCES) have combined resources to deliver hospice care on the Shore.

Riverside employs a team approach to hospice care — with doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, and home health aides working with patients and their families to enhance each person's quality of life.

"Medicare defines hospice care as having a prognosis of six months or less," said Dr. James McDaniel, medical director for Shore Hospice. "Riverside defines hospice care by asking the question: How do we give you the best life today? Our philosophy is based on honoring patients' choices for care, dignity, and comfort in a place of their choosing."

This arrangement will provide all of the programs and services RHS has to offer, such as home health and the compassionate care network.

"The board, staff and volunteers of Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore are proud of the excellent standard of care provided to thousands

of patients and family members over many years," said Sandra Fox, president of HPCES. "This included medical services, caregiver and bereavement care and services. We are certain that this high standard of comprehensive care will continue under the leadership of Riverside and we would like to thank the community for their support."

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Supervisors Incensed by Closing of Oak Hall DMV Office

By Linda Cicoira

They envisioned a trail of tractor-trailer trucks circling the streets of Onancock as drivers tried to find a parking place so they could visit the county's only Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office.

The state's move to close the privately-contracted DMV facility in Oak Hall on Dec. 31 outraged the Accomack Board of Supervisors Wednesday. They made it clear that they will fight to get the office reopened.

The supervisors complained the action was taken without adequate notice and will greatly inconvenience residents from Chincoteague to Exmore. County staff was directed to write to the governor and every other state official to protest the move on behalf of the board. The supervisors also are urging citizens to call state officials and the agency to complain.

Supervisor Harris Phillips asked that the matter be put on the agenda of Wednesday's organizational meeting so action could be taken. "Maybe we could have staff draft a letter asking for them to reconsider," he said.

Earlier in the day, a DMV spokesperson said the agency declined to renew the Oak Hall facility's contract when it expired "because the office was not meeting our service expectations. Customers can take advantage of more than 40 transactions available online at dmvNOW.com, or visit the Onancock Customer Service Center. Customers can also visit the DMV Select office in Cheriton," said Brandy Bru-

baker of the Richmond-based office.

Supervisor Billy Joe Tarr said that wasn't good enough. "Chincoteague is buzzing over this. Older people don't have computers to do it online. They can get to Oak Hall ... it's just terrible for the elderly on Chincoteague Island who don't own computers and don't usually travel so far," he said.

Brubaker said in an email, "We are adding a new position at the Onancock Customer Service Center to accommodate additional customers and will monitor customer flow to ensure we continue to provide efficient service in the area."

"I didn't realize this happened until basically it was a done deal," said Supervisor Grayson Chesser, who represents the area where the office was located. "For the life of me, I can't see why they did this. It is going to be so inconvenient. I always received excellent service" there, he added.

Chesser said 40 to 70 people went to the office per day. And because citizens could get the help they needed there fast, "people from much farther down the road come up there because it's quicker. This is really just wrong. I don't believe people of Accomack County were treated right by this."

Supervisor Paul Muhly printed out flyers to distribute to the board and audience. "This office has served the Accomack residents from Chincoteague, Atlantic, Oak Hall, Temperanceville, Mappsville, Hallwood,

Sanford, Saxis, Captain's Cove, Nelsonia and Modest Town for over eight years," his paper states. "It is a convenient site for out-of-state persons and dealers from Maryland and Delaware who wish to register vehicles, trailers and out-of-state dealer titles in ... Virginia."

"Being close to the truck scales in New Church, this location provides a service seldom seen at the Onancock DMV," he continued. "Commercial trailer overweight stickers for a \$250 fee that allows a slight increase in trailer capacity, are routinely sold here," the paper states. "Can you imagine the traffic back-up in downtown Onancock by a dozen or so rigs parked waiting to be processed at that DMV?"

"I don't understand why we would close one and not the other," said Supervisor Reneta Major, referring to the Cheriton office. "I don't understand the reasoning. It's crazy to close that branch."

"The way they did this was a bad way no matter how you look at it," said Supervisor Robert Crockett.

Supervisor Donald Hart was also upset. "That's a slap in Accomack's face," he said, trying to figure the reasoning behind having one office in Northampton County for 12,000 people and one in Accomack for 35,000.

"I was in the Onancock office yesterday," said Supervisor Laura Belle Gordy. "There were 22 people in the office. The sign on the wall said capacity is 27. ... Can you imagine those big rigs coming into Onancock? Especially during potato time?" she asked.

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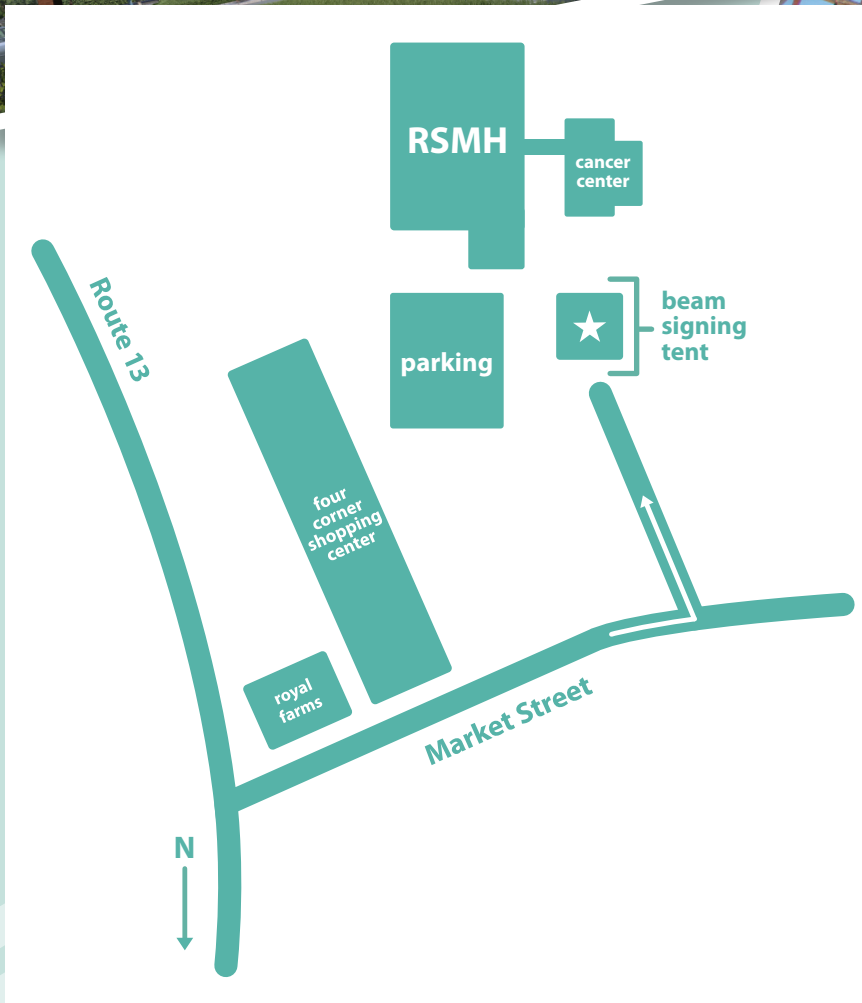
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COMMUNITY NOTES



The Oak Hall Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Select office on Lankford Highway closed when its contract with the Virginia DMV expired Dec. 31.

Customers still can visit the Onancock DMV Customer Service Center or the Cheriton DMV Select office for service. In addition, many DMV transactions can be conducted by mail or online at dmvNOW.com

Arts Enter is returning the Historic Palace Theatre to its original movie

roots with Movies@The Palace.

Over the past 20 years, Arts Enter has restored the 1942 vintage theatre in Cape Charles and provided arts education and entertainment. Starting Jan. 15, Friday will be movie night. Beginning at 7 p.m., Movies@The Palace will feature "Minions." The cost is \$5.

Donations for this program are always welcome. Beer, wine, soda, water, cookies and candy will be available for purchase.

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Lewis Predicts GA Issues at Town Hall Meeting

By Ron West

On Monday in Cape Charles, State Sen. Lynwood Lewis conducted the first in a series of local town hall meetings.

Lewis outlined the issues that he expected to occupy the bulk of the time of the General Assembly that will meet in Richmond for the next two months. Foremost will be the budget, according to Lewis, in addition to K-12 education, Standards of Learning (SOLs), Medicaid and health care, sea-level rise and menhaden fishing.

Lewis noted that Gov. Terry McAuliffe will be seeking support for additional funding for K-12 education, including additional teachers.

He also said there would be efforts to revise the state SOLs and provide universal pre-K education for 4-year-olds.

With regards to Medicaid expansion — a hot topic among members of the General Assembly — Lewis suggested that despite the large amount of money flowing from Richmond to Washington, it would be an uphill battle to obtain support for meaningful changes to the program. Proposed changes would expand the number of individuals who benefit from the program.

With respect to menhaden fishing in the Chesapeake Bay, Lewis said there would be a move to shift control of the industry from the General Assembly to the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC), which has authority over other saltwater fish in the state. Menhaden are harvested for use in a number of products but are not generally consumed by humans. As filter feeders, menhaden consume plankton

and algae, playing a key role in cleaning the bay.

Lewis discussed the possibility of additional funding for the Virginia Port Authority, noting the need to support dredging in the waters leading to Hampton Roads from 50 feet, to 55 feet over the Thimble Shoals portion of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel.

The question of support for alternative energy was raised, to which Lewis responded that solar energy seems to have gotten a foothold in both counties. He said there is less support for offshore wind turbines, as there is opposition from various groups, including the military.

There was a brief discussion regarding how to fund rural medical centers, such as a stand-alone emergency facility for Northampton County. Lewis noted that it is very difficult for rural medical facilities to be economically sustainable. Despite the move of the Shore's only hospital from Nassawadox to Onley, efforts to locate an emergency care facility in Northampton County have met with little support outside of the county.

Asked about funding for State Police body cameras, Lewis said he is not aware of any such provision in the proposed budget. Currently, some local police departments, including Cape Charles and Exmore, already use body cameras.

A final topic mentioned at the session was the Virginia Retirement System. Lewis noted that Speaker of the House William Howell has suggested a number of changes to the system, but they have yet to be detailed.

Businesses Welcome in Exmore

By Ron West

Exmore Town Council and Town Manager Robert Duer discussed efforts Monday to encourage new and existing businesses in the town.

Duer cited businesses that continue to investigate relocating to Exmore. He suggested that council review its business tax to see if it might be modified to assist local businesses.

Duer proposed a change in the procurement practices for equipment for the police department, purchasing one police vehicle each year with a useful life of six years. He said that doing so would enable council to better budget town funds. Council agreed to the concept and expects to use the new plan for the FY 2017 budget.

Utilities Director Taylor Duke reported that the town used just over 3 million gallons of water in December and about 32 million for the year. Work continues on plans for a new well and following a brief discussion, it was agreed to purchase a small parcel of land adjacent to it.

Duer raised the possibility of discontinuing the pick-up of household appliances and furniture. He noted that with more homes being rented, there has been an increase in the number of heavy household items being dumped

in yards with the assumption that the public works employees will pick them up and dispose of them at the town's expense. Duer said it is not unusual to see 15 or 20 mattresses, as well as refrigerators and other heavy appliances, dumped in various yards each month. Duer spoke of the potential for injuries to the town employees who remove the heavy items. One suggestion was to require the landlord and/or tenant to remove the items themselves in a timely manner.

Police Chief Angelo DeMartino reported that calls were up a bit at the end of the year, noting an increase in domestic disturbance calls as well as the number of DUI cases. He suggested that council investigate the possibility of adding a strobe light to the traffic signal at Belle Haven Road and Lankford Highway because there are so many serious accidents there and such a light would be more likely to draw the attention of vehicles. DeMartino was asked to investigate the options and provide council with the cost of the light.

A brief discussion was raised concerning the charred remains of the former Sage Restaurant. Duer said the owners have opened a restaurant in Maryland and the property is currently in litigation.



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Obituaries

Bloxom Man Passes Away at RSMH

Mr. Thomas H. "Buddy" Lewis Sr., 80, of Bloxom, husband of Eunice Lewis, passed away Sunday, Jan. 3, 2016, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Grimesland, N.C., he was the son of the late Shelly Glenn Lewis and Rena Belle Hodges Lewis. Mr. Lewis was an iron worker and retired from Excel Erection.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his sons, Thomas H. Lewis Jr. of Mears, Andrew G. Lewis of Newport News, Va., Robert A. Lewis of Bloxom and Michael W. Lewis of Elizabeth City, N.C.; daughter, Brenda Faye of Williamsburg, Va.; sisters, Barbara Bright and Jackie Asby, both of North Carolina; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Gilda Woolard and Robin Vaught; and a brother, Bill Lewis.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday, Jan. 9, at 11 a.m. from Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley by Pastor Jack Pruitt. Interment will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riverside Hospice, P.O. Box 615, Onley, VA 23418; or Bloxom Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 132, Bloxom, VA 23308.

Retired Bookkeeper Dies at Shore LifeCare

Mrs. Margaret Burroughs Kellam, 87, of Cape Charles, wife of the late W. Russell Kellam, died peacefully at Shore LifeCare at Parksley Monday,

Jan. 4, 2016.

Born in Eastville, Mrs. Kellam was the daughter of the late John William Burroughs Sr. and Gladys Moore Burroughs. She was a homemaker and retired bookkeeper for Oak n' Dale Farms. Mrs. Kellam was a member of Lower Northampton Baptist Church. She loved her family and her church.

A graveside service was held at Capeville Masonic Cemetery Thursday, Jan. 7, with Rev. Jeff Conrow officiating.

Mrs. Kellam is survived by her daughter, Joan E. Kellam (and husband, Chris Wilson) of Smith's Beach; granddaughter, Jessica Hope Murphy (and husband, Jon); great-grandson, Jacob Kellam Benjamins; great-granddaughter, Savannah Hope Irwin; special sister-in-law, Margaret Fox Kellam; nieces, Peggy Rogers, Martha Kellam, Denise Lewis, Terry Lynn Moore and Natasha McConnaughy; nephew, Jay Burroughs; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers, John "Jack" William Burroughs and James Lewis Burroughs.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lower Northampton Baptist Church, c/o Anne Gray, P.O. Box 907, Eastville, VA 23347; or the Alzheimer's Association, Southeastern Virginia Chapter, 6350 Center Dr., Suite 102, Norfolk, VA 23502. Online condolences may be offered at foxandjamesfh.com

Arrangements were made by Fox & James Funeral Home, Eastville.

Cape Charles AF Base Retiree Passes Away

Mr. Maurice Taft Blake Sr., 90, of Cheriton passed away Monday, Jan. 4, 2016, at Heritage Hall Virginia Beach Nursing Facility, where he had been a

resident since April 2015.

Mr. Blake attended Northampton County Public Schools. He served two years in the U.S. Navy during World War II on the *USS Windham Bay*. Mr. Blake worked for Webster Canning Factory and Cape May-Lewes Ferry, and retired after 20 years of civil service from Cape Charles Air Force Base. He also worked for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Reserve.

Mr. Blake was a long-standing and dedicated member of African Baptist Church, where he was superintendent of Sunday School from 1976-99, treasurer for 37 years, a member of the Men's Choir, chairperson of the Trustee Ministry for 38 years, custodian from 1989-2004, and named "Man of the Year" in June 2007. He received a certificate of outstanding Layman Leadership on June 26, 1990.

The task Mr. Blake enjoyed the most was driving the church bus on trips and outings. He always wanted to "be there" for the children and was always willing to help others. Mr. Blake was a man of honesty, integrity and hard work.

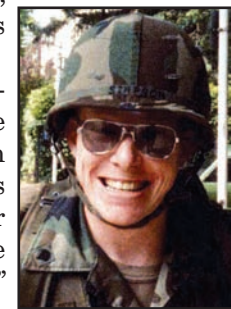
He was predeceased by his parents, Robert and Nannie Blake from Cheriton, and his loving wife of 67 years, Kate Lee Blake, as well as five brothers and one sister. Mr. Blake leaves to cherish many wonderful memories his children Veronica Church (Warren, deceased), Maureen Faison (William Jr.), Maurice T. Blake Jr. (Gail), Debra Barner (Kenneth) and Morgan T. Blake Sr. (Gloria); grandchildren, Melodie Oten, Warren E. Church Jr., Marlan Church, Michael Waldo, Marcus Waldo, Ramon Colton Dancey, Nichelle Parker, Kendra Barner, Bryan Barner, Ryan Barner and Morgan T. Blake Jr., the grandson who fondly remembers "Pop" as his second Dad; 17 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews great-nieces and great-nephews. For all of the grandchildren, there was nothing that topped a visit to "Nana and Pop's" house.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, at African Baptist Church in Cheriton, with Rev. Robert Garris officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held this evening, Jan. 8, from 6 to 8 at the church.

Arrangements were made by Gray's Funeral Home, Cape Charles.

Retired Army Ranger Dies in Melfa

Mr. Roger "Neal" Simpson, 56, of Phenix City, Ala., passed away Monday, Jan. 4, 2016, at the home of his mother in Melfa.



Mr. Simpson

Born in Newport News, Va., he was a son of Jo Ann Simmons Nobles of Melfa and her husband, the late Walter "Raymond" Nobles, and Gene Franklin Simpson and his wife, Betty

Jane, of Exmore. In 1977, he joined the U.S. Coast Guard, serving four years before entering the U.S. Army to become an Army Ranger Airborne. He loved the military and was a highly decorated serviceman who dedicated his life to his country for 23 years, including a tour in the Persian Gulf War. Mr. Simpson embodied the rugged, tough Army ranger, never boasting about his accomplishments and often hiding his gentle, artistic side. Following his retirement from the military in 2000, he attained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and Psychology. Most recently, he had worked in hospital administration and was pursuing a Master's Degree in Psychology. Mr. Simpson was very proud of his education, particularly the fact that he had pursued his degree with ambition and independence.

In addition to his mother, survivors include his brothers, Frank Simpson (and wife, Laura) of Edgewood, Md., and Barry Kevin Simpson (and wife, Connie) of Exmore; step-brothers, Mark Alan Nobles (and fiancée, Paula) of Fort Worth, Texas, and Darrin Lee and Henry Dean Carter of Portland, Ore.; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Onancock Baptist Church Saturday, Jan. 9, at 11 a.m., with Pastor Andy Cobb officiating. Private interment will be held in Edgehill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

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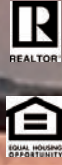
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CAPE CHARLES: Open and inviting 4BR/3.5BA Contemporary w/2800 sq ft on more than 1/2 ac awaits you. Master suite, gas logs in living room, 10' ceilings, breakfast nook & bonus room over garage, plus large patio in back. MLS#40644 \$345,000 Dave Griffith 757-647-2649/Randy Carlson 757-678-6395



CAPE CHARLES: Beautiful newly constructed 4BR/3.5BA Colonial with 2346 sq ft. Two master bedrooms w/en-suite, awesome cook's kitchen, 9 ft ceilings, French doors & oversized windows. Own dock space for the boat. MLS#41667 \$265,000 Trina Veber 757-442-0797



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CHINCOTEAGUE: Beautiful marsh views w/this 3BR/2BA home in the front and pond in the back. Spacious kitchen with dining area, living room with great view, den with woodstove and large back screened in porch. MLS#41806 \$210,000 Anita Merritt 757-894-0108/Gladys Baczek 757-894-0098



CHINCOTEAGUE: 2BR/2.5BA Beach house built in 2008. Walking distance to town. Hardwood floors, stainless steel appliances, marble counter tops and ceramic tiles. Wonderful deck and front porch that add more living space for you to enjoy. MLS#39580 \$243,000 Cindy Gillett 757-990-2526

Outdoor Classroom Planned for Kegotank Elementary

By Linda Cicoira

Fresh air is conducive to learning. And Kegotank Elementary School is hoping to be a leader in both for Accomack County.

The facility was given \$40,000 in federal money to build an outdoor classroom with vegetable and pollinator gardens, including a butterfly area, a greenhouse, reading and exercise stations, a place for “messy materials,” nature art and more.

It’s a grand alternative to the seemingly never-ending battery of tests and lectures. The site is a courtyard surrounded by conventional classrooms.

“Instead of us having to go out to the island to do all the nature things, they can bring it to us now,” said Clara Schreffler, an enthusiastic 20-something-year-old third-grade Kegotank teacher, who presented the plan to the School Board Tuesday night.

“We’re going to break ground hopefully in March and it’s going to be wonderful,” Schreffler explained. “The nice thing is the upkeep of it. Well, we are working with the Master Gardeners of the Eastern Shore, Navy and Coast Guard volunteers, the education coordinator of the Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District and people from F&W’s Bayfield Station.”

Schreffler sees the venture as a stride in the development of social skills such as verbal communication, compromise, negotiating and leadership. “It encourages the imagination, which ... teaches children to see items as a potential ... which at times can seem frivolous to adults.” In addition, she noted “the development of basic English language skills such as comparing and contrasting, predicting and drawing conclusions through exposure to nature.”

“When we force it down their throats, they don’t want it,” she concluded describing the teaching alternative.

The project is possible because of the father of two girls who attend the school. John Fitzroy, a visitor services specialist at Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), was named 2015 Visitor Services Professional of the Year. The award came with a \$10,000 prize to spend on a visitor services project of his choosing. His vision

was the outdoor classroom. But more money was needed for the venture. So he went back and asked for additional funds and was given the rest.

“John has united and inspired visitors and employees at Chincoteague NWR in several ways,” the refuge’s website states. “Some of his accomplishments include working with others to create a visitor services messaging plan for the refuge, rigorously training and mentoring interns, implementing a Freedom Hunt for Wounded Warriors, offering bilingual programming for underserved audiences, and using cultural resources programming to foster positive partnerships in the local community. As one of his colleagues wrote, ‘I am proud to be on a team with a tremendous leader like John Fitzroy, who brings pride and confidence to all employees rather than just himself.’”

“This is a place where students can let their creative juices flow,” said Schreffler. “They can work on larger and possibly messier projects.”

Elizabeth Taylor, a parent representative at the School Board meeting, praised the school. “I cannot say how impressed I have been,” she said. “I’ve worked with a lot of different grades. I wish more parents would come out here to see how great things are, how staff goes beyond the call of duty. ... I’m hoping in 2016 more people come out and say what we need.”

Also discussed was the upcoming budget process. Finance Director Beth Onley reported that \$2 million in additional state revenue is anticipated in the upcoming year. However, she warned that rising costs could offset the funds.

Dog Bites Girl at School Bus Stop

By Linda Cicoira

A sixth grade Nandua Middle student was bitten by a dog while waiting for the bus to take her to school Monday morning.

“The young lady is in our thoughts and prayers right now,” Superintendent Chris Holland of Accomack County Public Schools said Wednesday. “We’re upset.”

Holland said the incident occurred

Onley said there will be an increase in retirement costs of \$200,000. The state also will offer \$209,000 to add 17 new positions to local schools. However, it would cost another \$200,000 to actually hire them. “It’s not as rosy as it appears,” but it is all positive, she said.

Reprimanded Member Responds

The meeting was the first since School Board member Janet Turner was reprimanded in her absence last month. This time, Chairwoman Margaret Miles, who had read from a letter in which she scolded Turner, was not in attendance.

Turner said she had not received the letter.

“I did not get that letter that you all talked about me,” she said to the others during the public session. “I really do not feel that there was a thorough investigation and only reviewing one camera does not make a thorough investigation.”

Turner, the newest member of the board, was not at the session in December due to a family health emergency.

“Mrs. Turner, I find your actions to be extremely inappropriate and counter-productive to our role as a School Board,” Miles read. “At this time please let the minutes show that you are being officially reprimanded for your actions at the Nov. 17 School Board meeting.”

At that session, Turner announced that she had been told by a reliable source that board members Paul Bull, Ronnie Holden and Travis Thornton met at Chincoteague High School with a candidate for the superintendent’s job without inviting the other

members or informing them of the session.

The three members denied holding or attending such a session.

Miles was in charge of an investigation and found no wrongdoing by the others. She reviewed four recordings of regular surveillance at the Chincoteague school that were taken by a camera outside the principal’s office from 3 to 11 p.m. Nov. 10, 11, 12 and 13. The school has five exterior and 18 interior cameras.

None of the other members or staff replied to Turner when she said she had not received the letter Tuesday.

Following a two-hour closed session Tuesday, the School Board voted to accept a personnel list that included the appointment of Christina Schmitt of Ashbury as assistant principal at Arcadia Middle School beginning Jan. 29 with a salary of \$63,000; and Harold Holmes of Craddockville as acting assistant principal of Chincoteague High School, beginning Jan. 7. He will be paid \$325 a day.



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Barton Named Library Director

The Board of Trustees of Eastern Shore Public Library has appointed Cara Jane Burton as the library's new director.



Burton

A native of Nassawadox, Burton was educated at the College of William and Mary and Syracuse University, where she received a master's degree in library and information science. For 13 years, she served as director of the Solvay Public Library in up-state New York. Most recently, she was executive director of the Danville Museum of Fine Arts & History in Danville, Va.

"Cara Burton has extensive experience in library administration, fund raising, and fostering partnerships," said Colette Nelson, chairwoman of the Eastern Shore Public Library Board of Trustees. "We are excited by her appointment as director and by the prospect of a new library in Parksley. We feel as if a new era in the library's history is beginning."

Burton will assume the directorship on Jan. 19.

Ranger Awarded Two Degrees

On Dec. 18, 2015, the University of Maryland Eastern Shore awarded 339 degrees to 338 graduates. Elizabeth Page Ranger of Greenbackville had the rare distinction of earning two baccalaureate degrees with summa cum laude honors — one in English and one in History — and in only 3.5 years.



Ranger

According to a press release from the UMES Office of Public Relations, "Long-time university officials cannot recall the last time a UMES student earned two undergraduate degrees simultaneously."

A 2012 graduate of Arcadia High School and the daughter of Dawn Mills, also of Greenbackville, Ranger is now working on applications to law schools she hopes to attend next fall.

- NEW ARRIVALS**
- a daughter, born to Jakoriah Wise and Devante Mason of Onancock Dec. 19
 - a son, born to Malista Ness and Thomas Annis of Mears Dec. 22
 - a son, born to TyShekia Sample of Nassawadox Dec. 20
 - a daughter, born to Shawonna Hall of Cheriton Dec. 20
 - a son, born to Allyson Orsinger of Eastville Dec. 21
 - a daughter, born to Imelda Ramirez-Ramirez of Drummondtown Dec. 21

Holden Earns Ph.D

Brenda Ames Holden of Onley graduated with a Ph.D. in Organizational Leadership from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore on Dec. 18, 2015.

Holden conducted a qualitative research study to explore the challenges and opportunities facing minority leaders in rural communities on the Lower Delmarva Peninsula and to gain an understanding of their journey.

Holden is the daughter of Elizabeth Ames of Hare Valley and the late Milton E. Ames and the wife of Dr. Ronnie E. Holden.

Denny To Head Historical Society

The Cape Charles Historical Society has hired Kimb Leake Denny as its new executive director, the first paid professional director in its history.

Denny brings many years of non-profit, museum, and educational experience, most recently at the New Richmond Heritage Center in New Richmond, Wis., where she performed a variety of functions, including educational program design and implementation, event planning, volunteer coordination, artifact care and restoration, display design, cataloguing, grant writing, and historical garden design and installation. She is also an internationally trained fine artist, a new Eastern Shore Master Naturalist, and a small-scale organic grower for Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds and Comstock Ferre Seed Company.

Denny and her family moved to Eastville from Wisconsin last spring. Citing "a deep sense of shared local history" on the Shore, Denny said, "I am amazed at my great good fortune. I may have initially moved here for my husband's job, but what I have found is our home."

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February Meeting in Painter Will Address Pollinator Protection Plan

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) will hold seven meetings around the commonwealth — including one in Painter — to give stakeholders an opportunity to provide input on the development of the agency's State Managed Pollinator Protection Plan.

Retired Professionals Sought To Help Students

All retired professionals of Northampton County are invited to join with fellow retirees to make a difference in a student's life.

Northampton High School is launching a Career Mentor program. Participants can volunteer as a guest lecturer to develop an awareness of business and career opportunities.

The program outline is available at www.ncpsk12.com

Those interested can follow the prompts to sign up and help develop responsible future employees.

The Painter session will be held Wednesday, Feb. 24, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Painter Agricultural Research and Extension Center (AREC).

VDACS' development of a pollinator protection plan is part of a national effort to reverse pollinator losses and help restore pollinator populations.

Virginia's Pollinator Protection Plan is a voluntary, proactive approach which focuses on enhanced communication and coordination

among agricultural producers, landowners, pesticide applicators and beekeepers as a means to further protect pollinators. The Virginia plan will be intended to reduce the potential for pesticide exposure to managed bees that are adjacent to, or near a pesticide treatment site. It will not be intended to prohibit, eliminate, or further restrict the legal application of pesticides.

The final plan will be developed based upon the input from stakehold-

ers and taking into consideration the feasibility and cost effectiveness of each component of the plan.

VDACS invites all interested stakeholders to participate in these listening sessions and provide comments related to the Virginia State Managed Pollinator Protection Plan.

Written comments also may be emailed to PollinatorProtection@vdacs.virginia.gov or mailed to VDACS — Office of Pesticide Services, P.O. Box 1163, Richmond VA 23218.

Astronomy Series Begins Next Friday at Wallops

NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center will host an Astronomy and Night Sky Winter Series beginning Friday, Jan. 15, from 7 to 10 p.m.

During each event, participants will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities that include an Astronomy 101 presentation, astronomy-themed movies, and hands-on activities and crafts. The Delmarva Space Sciences Foundation will be on-site to provide expertise and high-powered telescope views of objects in the winter night sky.

Kim Check, Visitor Center manager, said, "We are excit-

ed to launch another year of engaging programming and events. The Winter Astronomy Series, which is both fun and educational, will provide an opportunity to learn about our solar system and beyond, as well as helping beat the winter blues."

The events will occur on the third Friday of each month: Jan. 15, Feb. 19, and March 18. The event, which is free and open to the public, will occur regardless of weather. However, telescope viewing is subject to cancellation due to inclement weather.



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~ B-T Crash ~

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ter temps, and an always challenging water rescue that was made possible in the end by Virginia Beach Marine Patrol.”

Coast Guard Station Cape Charles also responded to the scene.

The collision wiped out about 200 feet of railing and damaged nearby concrete, according to Holland. He said repairs are expected to take up to four weeks, during which traffic in the area will be restricted to one lane.

Holland could not say whether speed was a factor in the crash, noting that CBBT personnel will reconstruct the accident to ascertain the details.

CBBT Police Chief Eddie Spencer said southbound traffic was held up for about 15 to 20 minutes following the crash. He noted that the weather was clear and there were no unusual conditions on the bridge at the time the tractor-trailer left the pavement.

According to Holland, the tractor-trailer, which is owned by Coastal Ag of Eastville and Belle Haven, was carrying soybeans. He said its location between the two CBBT spans has been marked by a buoy until it can be raised onto a barge and removed by an outside company. “Removal of the tractor-trailer will be coordinated through the owner and their insurance company ... as conditions allow,” he said.

Spencer said the truck is registered to T&F Grain of Painter.

Updating the situation Wednesday evening, Holland added, “Coastal Ag just confirmed that the driver has no life-threatening injuries. He is being treated at Norfolk General; he has a broken arm as well as chest, head and neck injuries. He is also being treated for hypothermia and water inhalation.”


Concluded Holland, “I commend all district operations and maintenance personnel, Virginia Beach Marine Patrol, Virginia Beach Fire and Rescue, Virginia State Police, Virginia Beach Police Department and Nightingale for working well together to save the driver’s life.”



Property Transactions

- From Darlene Hiller, Debbie Friel, and Diane and Edward Needham To David Collins & Judith Drake-Collins 11480 Pintail Ct. in Vacluse Shores For \$240,000
- From Margaret Eure To Heather and Michael Frost Lot 58, Marina Village, Cape Charles For \$5,900
- From Christopher and Henry Corbin, Thomas Coyne, and Leah Fisher To Chase Sturgis 11523 Westfield Ave. in Exmore For \$77,000
- From Shirley Toney To Susan Griffin and William Scalley Property near Cheriton For \$65,000
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- From Julie Culbertson, Tracy Dunn, Margaret Smith & Darlene Tilghman To Arrin Walthers 3056 Monroe St. in Exmore For \$75,000
- From 117 Mason Cape Charles, LLC To Nora Baldwin Unit B at 117 Mason Condominium in Cape Charles For \$185,000
- From Ozzy Reynolds To Earl Elder and Burley Williams Property in Exmore For \$5,500

- From Barbara and Stanley Crisco, and Louise and Stanley Kulhaney To Deborah Merritt 5285 Lucas Trail in Machipongo For \$219,000
- From Randall and Alice Nelson To George and Jo Ann Duer 36066 Belle Haven Rd., Belle Haven For \$63,600
- From Shore Bank To Tucker and Caitlyn Terry Harborton parcel For \$55,000
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- From Kay Metcalf To Tony Phillips 31410 Temperanceville Rd., Temperanceville For \$210,000
- From Alan and June Swan, trustees To Robin Branche 17135 Assawoman Dr., Bloxom For \$345,000
- From Nicolas Dematteo To ESVA Quinby Properties, Inc. Quinby parcel For \$200,000
- From Patricia Bellanca and Toni Gavin To Sterling Homes Custom Builders, Inc. Greenbackville parcel For \$800
- From Marian Edwards To Mark Mentzer 18168 Robbins Ln., Onancock For \$265,000
- From Daniel and Renee Whealton To Howard and Carol Runge 4047 Sunnywood Manor, Chincoteague For \$339,000
- From Hannah Sterling To Daniel and Aliona Youmans 3 Riley St., Onancock For \$92,000
- From Frederick and Rae Hellmig To Clayton Nichols Lot 68, Section 5, Captain’s Cove For \$1
- From Benny and Karen Hall Sr. To Vision Quest Enterprises, LLC Nearly 63.5 acres, Lankford Highway, Parksley For \$300,000
- From Betty Scott To Mark Feather Property at Crystal Beach, Onancock For \$10
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Marriage Licenses Issued

- John Harry Kiks, 57, and Tracey Azile Smith, 50, both of Townsend
- Donald Andrew Burwell, 63, of Jacksonville, N.C., and Gloria Jean Smith, 64, of Cape Charles

- To Jack and Marie Metcalf 31318 Nocks Landing Rd., Atlantic For \$134,000
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- From William Hickman To Sashiell and Joyce Shannahan 25560 Pennsylvania Ave., Onley For \$60,000
- From Robert and Kathleen Del Signore To Jacqueline Albanese 8285 Seagull Dr., Chincoteague For \$45,000
- From John Turlington To Accomack County Property on Front St., Onancock For \$225,000
- From Paul George To Jason and Lindsay Lang 12.731 acres near Modest Town For \$575,000
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Nathan Bradford Lands 1,569 Fish in 2015



Nathan Bradford set out at the beginning of 2015 to catch 800 fish. His parents, Dan and Wendy Bradford of Belle Haven, did not want to discourage their 13-year-old son, but they asked him if he wanted to reconsider that lofty goal and aim a bit lower.

Turns out he passed the 800 mark sometime in early September and was just warming up. When midnight struck last Thursday night, Nathan had amassed a total of 1,569 fish in a calendar year, virtually all of them caught from his kayak.

When I interviewed him at his home in Hillsborough last Wednesday morning, the total stood at 1,542 fish, meaning he added another 17 in the final two days of the year. Early that morning, before I arrived, he landed a 21.5-inch rockfish that he would later clean and have served as dinner fare for his family, which also includes his 11-year-old sister, Hannah.

"I release most of my fish," said Nathan, who is home schooled by his mother. "I might keep one a week, but I clean everything I keep and eat it."

His father, an insurance inspector, said, "We are pleased that Nathan not only loves to fish, he respects wildlife and abides by all the regulations."

The almost 1600 fish caught by Nathan last year are all recorded on his Palm Pilot. He scrolled through the list and showed me an assortment of largemouth bass, rockfish, speckled trout and other species. Nathan photographs each fish he catches and records the length, weight, the date it was caught and what lure or bait he used.

His father recalls one particularly hectic day. "I don't fish much and didn't know a thing about it until Nathan started fishing. But one day we got into a school of rockfish. Nathan

caught about 40. He could have caught more, but before he released them he took a photograph of every fish."

Nathan said his total last year was about evenly divided between salt and freshwater species. He fishes mostly from a 12-foot yellow kayak he purchased with money he saved from cutting lawns in the neighborhood. It's light enough that he can pick it up and carry it from the Hillsborough pond to Occohannock Creek.

Motorists who regularly cross Shields Bridge often see the teenager fishing in his brightly colored kayak.

In the pond, he catches mostly largemouth bass — including one lunker that weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces — crappie and bluegill. His saltwater catches included more than 400 rockfish, approximately 350 speckled trout and an assortment of croaker, spot and flounder.

His largest rockfish was just short of 25 inches, with his top speckled trout coming in at 17.5 inches.

In addition to having the fish recorded on his Palm Pilot, Nathan keeps a journal and said he caught about 20 different species in 2015.

His mother said, "Nathan knows he has to be at the kitchen table each morning at 8 a.m. to start his schoolwork. But he is often up early in the morning fishing before getting back to



the house with just minutes to spare. As soon as he finishes school in early afternoon, he's usually out the door. On Saturdays, he will spend eight hours a day fishing. We feel it's better than sitting in the house and playing video games."

Fishing on Sunday mornings is out since the family is always at church services at His Way Fellowship, an Assembly of God church now worshipping in Accomac under the direction of Nathan's grandfather, Pastor Richard Bradford.

Nathan has about 20 rods and reels; his favorite combo is a Penn Fierce 4000 on an Ariel Star rod. He has a favorite lure with which he said he catches almost all his stripers but, like any good fisherman, he's not giving away all his secrets.

"Nathan and his fishing buddy buy the store out every time they get that lure in stock," said Wendy. Nathan often fishes with Jacob Cuff, a good friend.

Asked if he spends all his money on fishing tackle, Nathan smiled ruefully and said, "I have to put half of what I earn into my savings, but everything else goes to fishing."

Nathan amassed his 1,569 fish despite being limited by the range he can paddle his kayak, fishing mostly in the nearby pond or not far beyond Shields Bridge, always wearing a PFD. His mother said, "He fishes standing up, but has never capsized his kayak,



although some days he's in it all day."

His father added, "I tell him, 'Just get to shore if you capsize. I will buy you a new kayak.' I am always afraid he will try to recover all his fishing equipment."

Nathan said he's a good swimmer.

Occasionally, he gets to go fishing on a boat. Monte Penney, a neighbor, carried him several times, with one trip resulting in one of his best catches of the year, a 40-inch, 27-pound, 14-ounce red drum he released after a photograph. Penney and Nathan both took second place while fishing together in the Chesapeake Challenge with Nathan earning his runner-up trophy with a flounder. Nathan also fishes sometimes with his uncle, Tom Bradford.

"Nathan is a fine sportsman and outdoorsman," said Penney. "He has an unbelievable dedication to fishing."

Nathan, who has only been fishing a little more than two years, caught 420 fish in 2014.

He already has set his mind on another goal. "I want to be a professional fisherman. Fishing is something I love to do."



Nathan Bradford, who caught 1,569 fish in 2015, is shown (from left) with a 40-inch red drum, a largemouth bass and a rockfish he netted from his 12-foot kayak, where he catches most of his fish.

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Northampton Wrestling Club To Meet

The Northampton Wrestling Club will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Jan. 12, 2016.

Grades 1 to 3 will meet from 6 to 7 p.m.; grades 4 and up will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. Registration and payment can be made at northamptonwrestlingva.com

Each participant must go online and purchase an USA wrestling card. Contact Coach Matt Evans for questions at 757-710-9433. The cost of the club is \$30 per participant.

Wrestling at YMCA

The YMCA Youth Wrestling Club will start Jan. 11.

Practices will be held at Nandua High School on Mondays at 6 p.m. The cost is \$30/participant.

No wrestling experience is needed as emphasis will be on techniques, offensive and defensive tactics, rules of the game and fun. Call the Y for more information at 787-5601.

Youth Tumbling

The Eastern Shore Family YMCA will offer tumbling for kids ages 3 and up and of varying skill levels beginning the week of Jan. 18.

Preschool, beginner, and intermediate classes will be held Saturdays at 9 a.m.; teen classes will be held Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Focus will be on technique, flexibility, building confidence, coordination, and sportsmanship.

The cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for prospective members. Call the Y for more information at 787-5601.

Anglers' Club to Meet

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers' Club (www.esanglersclub.org) will meet Jan. 11 in the conference room of the Sage Restaurant in Onley at 7:30 p.m. The session will feature a presentation by writer Bill Sterling.

A native of the Eastern Shore, Sterling has been with local newspapers for over 40 years, starting as the sports editor of the Eastern Shore News in 1974 before rising to general manager/

editor of the paper. In 2012, he joined the Eastern Shore Post as a sports writer. An avid angler and hunter, he recently released a book, "Still Brown-in'", containing columns and stories from his years as a newspaper writer, many of them about the outdoors.

The public is invited and new or prospective members are welcome.

Nandua Alumni Game

Nandua girls' and boys' basketball games will be held Friday, Jan. 22, at 6 and 8 p.m. All alumni who have played basketball at Nandua are invited. Contact Gary Reese at 710-0924 to reserve a spot on the team. Admission is \$5. The event is sponsored by the Nandua Booster Club.

Run for the Animals

Registration has opened for the 2016 Run for the Animals, which is set for Sunday, April 10, at the Historic Onancock School.

Choose either the half marathon (13.1 miles), 10K (6.2 miles) or the 5K (3.1 miles) noncompetitive walk. All distances can be completed with or without your leashed canine companion. Baby joggers/strollers are welcome.

Registration and check-in will be from 6:45-7:45 a.m. The pre-race meeting is at 8 a.m. with the race to start at 8:30 a.m.

Awards will be presented at 11:30 a.m., with lunch at noon.

The early entry fee is \$40 (\$50 after March 31). The student fee is \$20 (\$25 after March 31).

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James Braxton shared team-high honors with 11 points in Northampton's 60-36 win Tuesday.

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JACKETS' SECOND-HALF SURGE NETS WIN OVER NC

Story and Photos by Bill Sterling

Whatever Northampton coach Wayne Bell said to his team at halftime, it worked wonders as his Jackets stung Norfolk Christian 60-36 Tuesday night at home after leading by only 2 points at intermission.

"At half-time I told the guys that we need to increase our defensive intensity, and they answered the call in the second half. We will continue to focus on defensive execution," said Bell.

Northampton led 23-21 at half over visiting Norfolk Christian, but blew the game open with an 18-8 margin in the third quarter and a 19-7 spread in the final quarter.

James Braxton and Tony Robinson led the Jackets with 11 points each. Tamaze Brisco had a team-high nine rebounds and 6 points. Jawaun Bell had 7 points and led the team in assists with six.

Wayne Bell III, back from an injury, had 7 points on 3-of-5 shooting. Reginald Wiggins had 6 points, while Rickiece Poulson and Stephen Baker had 5 each.

The Northampton girls fell to Norfolk Christian on the road 62-24.

The Lady Jackets hosted King and Queen last night while the boys traveled to King and Queen in contests completed after press time.

Nandua Beaten by Norfolk Collegiate

Nandua ran into a buzz saw Tuesday night on the road as Norfolk Collegiate steam-rolled the Warriors for a 93-46 win.

Qyheem Kellam had a team-high 16

points and nine rebounds for the Warriors. Nandua coach Chad McGregor said, "Qyheem played a strong game down low. Even with the lopsided score, he continued to work hard."

McGregor added, "Norfolk Collegiate outplayed us from the start. We had a bad shooting night from the field. I knew it was going to be a tough game and being cold from the field did not help our cause of trying to keep pace with the Oaks. They are a solid team. This game gives us an idea of where we are as a team and what we would like

to have for a program."

Daigwain Walker scored 13 points, including a trio of 3-pointers.

Teddy Tazewell collected six rebounds, while Jhamir Poulson, Robert Bailey and James Keshawn had five rebounds each.

Nandua committed 23 turnovers against a tough defense by Norfolk Collegiate, now 8-2 on the season.

Nandua traveled to Arcadia last night in a game completed after Post deadlines. Arcadia will be seeking revenge for a 83-79 loss earlier in the season.

Vikes Victimized by Atlantic Shores

Broadwater was down a key player with Major Morgan sitting out due to a sprained ankle and could not match Atlantic Shores' firepower after an evenly played first quarter in falling 77-42 Tuesday night at home.

The Vikings trailed only 20-17 after the first quarter, but with the Seahawks bringing in five players off the bench, as good and even taller than the starters, a 16-4 run in the second quarter by Atlantic Shores salted away the win.

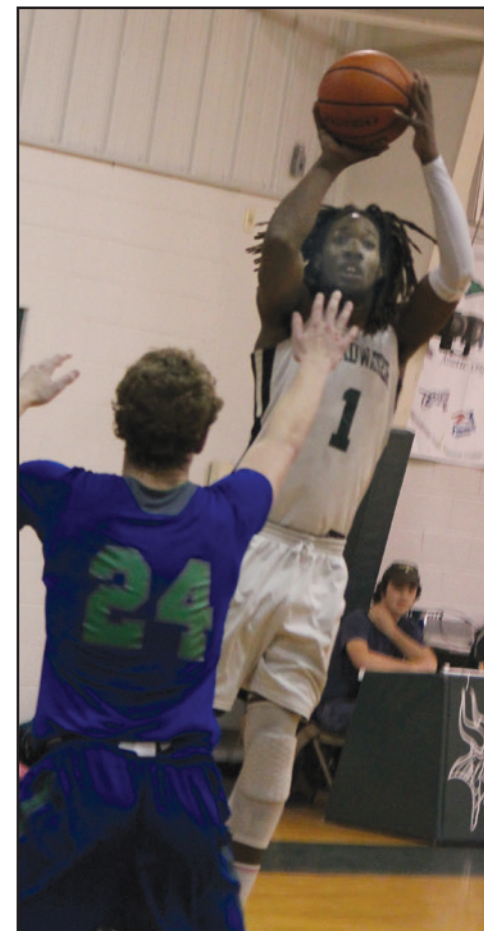
Broadwater was outscored 22-11 in the third quarter and 19-10 in the final stanza.

"They are taller at every position than us. I believe they have six players 6',4" or taller. They are just loaded with talent, and with us missing Morgan, we had a tough matchup," said Viking coach Eddie Spencer.

Taylor Morgan, leading the Metro Conference with a 26.8-point-per-game average entering the contest, scored 11

as the Seahawks often double-teamed him when he had the ball.

Austin Murphy, who joined the team just prior to Christmas, led the Vikings with 13 points, including 3 of 3 from the 3-point line. Freshman Chris Locklear added 7 points, and John Gordon had 5. Taylor Major led the Vikes in rebounds with eight. Tyler Major had four caroms.



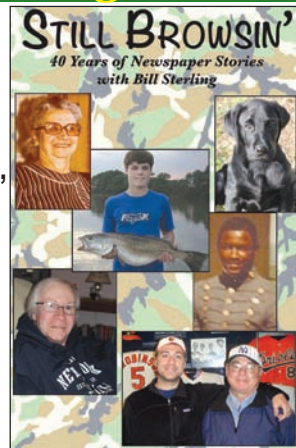
Taylor Major, the leading scorer in the Metro Conference, led the Vikings Tuesday with 11 points.

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Shore Girls' Hoop Action

Nandua Nipped by NC

The Nandua girls battled Norfolk Collegiate Tuesday night on the road, but eventually dropped a 55-50 decision to the hosts.

Kyteia Smaw led the Lady Warriors with 21 points and six steals. Jada Locklear added 12 points and grabbed five rebounds. Angel Taylor had 9 points and five assists. Derrica Toppin had 9 points and four rebounds.

Shahrazad Madison and Allison Casper had 11 points each for Norfolk Collegiate, with Princess Kayla Dawson adding 10.

Norfolk Collegiate raised its record to 4-1 with the win, while Nandua fell to 3-2.

BA Girls Fall to Shores

The youthful Broadwater girls fell to Atlantic Shores 52-33 Tuesday night at home.

The Lady Vikings got all their scoring from four sophomores and a freshman, with Courtney Floyd scoring a team-high 10 points and Anna Sexauer, leading the Metro Conference with a 21-per-game average entering the game, adding 9 points. Carly Wardius,

a freshman, added 7 points.

Sexauer led Broadwater with 10 rebounds, with Floyd grabbing eight.

The loss dropped the Vikings to 2-2, while Atlantic Shores is now 10-4.

Chaniqwa Gilliam recorded a game-high 20 points for the Seahawks and also had 10 steals, nine assists and eight rebounds. Sarah Fitzgerald added 15 rebounds and six blocks, while Angel Clark had 18 points and five steals for the victors.

Firebirds Fall to Crisfield

Arcadia's Kaylah Wharton had 19 points in a 60-47 loss to Crisfield in a holiday tournament on Dec. 29. The Lady Firebirds led 23-22 at half before the Crabbers pulled away in the second half.

JaQuagia Tull had 9 points, Norma Harris had 8 points, Aleah Russell scored 6 points, Normeia Harris contributed 3 points, and Deshell Johnson added 2 points.

Firebird coach Claudia Collins said her team needed to improve its rebounding and not force as many shots.



Broadwater freshman Carly Wardius scored 9 points in Tuesday's loss to Atlantic Shores.



Nandua's Kyteia Smaw scored 21 points against Norfolk Collegiate Tuesday night.

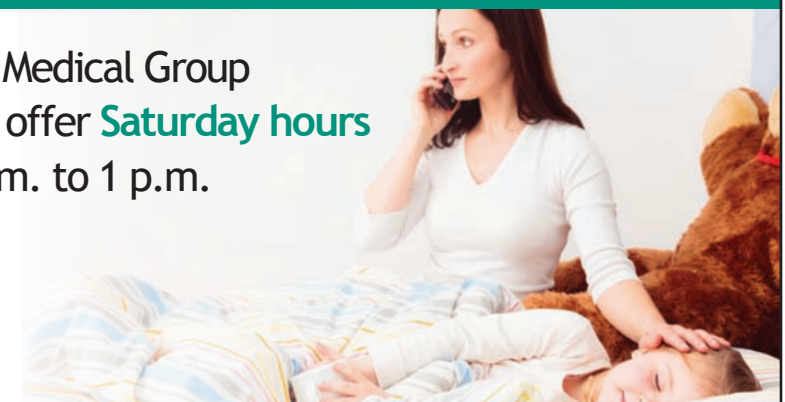


Wrestling Tourney Starts Today

Photo by Jen Ingram

Northampton hosts the Fred Diem/Scott Miles Memorial Wrestling Tournament beginning this afternoon at 3:30 and starting again at 10 a.m. Saturday until late afternoon. Ten schools will be competing, including Arcadia and Nandua, as well as major wrestling programs from Tidewater. Pictured is Northampton wrestler Aden McNeal from a Northampton JV match at Grassfield last month.

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Seaside	Assateague Beach	H 6:32a.m. L 1:10 p.m.	H	7:17 a.m. L 1:54 p.m.	H	8:02 a.m. L 2:38 p.m.	H	8:48 a.m. L 3:22 p.m.	H	9:33 a.m. L 4:08 p.m.	H	10:20 a.m. L 4:56 p.m.	H	11:08 a.m. L 5:07 a.m.
	Chinco Channel	H 6:36 a.m. L 1:09 p.m.	H	7:21 a.m. L 1:53 p.m.	H	8:06 a.m. L 2:37 p.m.	H	8:52 a.m. L 3:21 p.m.	H	9:37 a.m. L 4:07 p.m.	H	10:24 a.m. L 4:55 p.m.	H	11:12 a.m. L 5:06 a.m.
	Gargathy Neck	H 7:28 a.m. L 1:49 p.m.	H	8:13 a.m. L 2:33 p.m.	H	8:58 a.m. L 3:17 p.m.	H	9:44 a.m. L 4:01 p.m.	H	10:29a.m. L 4:47 p.m.	H	11:16 a.m. L 5:35 p.m.	H	12:04 p.m. L 5:46 a.m.
	Folly Creek	H 7:21 a.m. L 1:34 p.m.	H	8:06 a.m. L 2:18 p.m.	H	8:51 a.m. L 3:02 p.m.	H	9:37 a.m. L 3:46 p.m.	H	10:22 a.m. L 4:32 p.m.	H	11:09 a.m. L 5:20 p.m.	H	11:57 a.m. L 5:31 a.m.
	Wachapreague Inlet	H 7:07 a.m. L 1:18 p.m.	H	7:52 a.m. L 2:02 p.m.	H	8:37a.m. L 2:46 p.m.	H	9:23 a.m. L 3:30 p.m.	H	10:08 a.m. L 4:16 p.m.	H	10:55 a.m. L 5:04 p.m.	H	11:43 a.m. L 5:15 a.m.
	Quinby Inlet	H 7:06 a.m. L 1:36 p.m.	H	7:51 a.m. L 2:20 p.m.	H	8:36 a.m. L 3:04 p.m.	H	9:22 a.m. L 3:48 p.m.	H	10:07 a.m. L 4:34 p.m.	H	10:54 a.m. L 5:22 p.m.	H	11:42 a.m. L 5:33 a.m.
	Machipongo	H 7:02 a.m. L 1:18 p.m.	H	7:47 a.m. L 2:02 p.m.	H	8:32a.m. L 2:46 p.m.	H	9:18 a.m. L 3:30 p.m.	H	10:03a.m. L 4:16 p.m.	H	10:50 a.m. L 5:04 p.m.	H	11:38 a.m. L 5:15 a.m.
Bayside	Tangier Sound Light	H 10:42 a.m. L 5:14 p.m.	H	11:25 a.m. L 5:09 a.m.	H	12:07 p.m. L 5:54 a.m.	H	12:50 p.m. L 6:40 a.m.	H	1:34 p.m. L 7:28 a.m.	H	2:19 p.m. L 8:18 a.m.	H	3:08 p.m. L 9:11 a.m.
	Muddy Creek	H 10:58 a.m. L 5:49 p.m.	H	11:41 a.m. L 5:44 a.m.	H	12:23 p.m. L 6:29 a.m.	H	1:06 p.m. L 7:15 a.m.	H	1:50 p.m. L 8:03 a.m.	H	2:35 p.m. L 8:53 a.m.	H	3:24 p.m. L 9:46 a.m.
	Guard Shore	H 10:50 a.m. L 5:45 a.m.	H	11:33 a.m. L 5:40 a.m.	H	12:15 p.m. L 6:25 a.m.	H	12:58 p.m. L 7:11 a.m.	H	1:42 p.m. L 7:59 a.m.	H	2:27 p.m. L 8:49 a.m.	H	3:16 p.m. L 9:42 a.m.
	Chescon. Creek	H 10:25 a.m. L 4:57 p.m.	H	11:08 a.m. L 5:40 p.m.	H	11:50 a.m. L 5:37 a.m.	H	12:33 p.m. L 6:23 a.m.	H	1:17 p.m. L 7:11 a.m.	H	2:02 p.m. L 8:01 a.m.	H	2:51 p.m. L 8:54 a.m.
	Onancock Creek	H 10:39 a.m. L 5:17 p.m.	H	11:22 a.m. L 5:12 a.m.	H	12:04 p.m. L 5:57 a.m.	H	12:47 p.m. L 6:43 a.m.	H	1:31 p.m. L 7:31 a.m.	H	2:16 p.m. L 8:21 a.m.	H	3:05 p.m. L 9:14 a.m.
	Pungoteague Creek	H 9:55 a.m. L 4:31 p.m.	H	10:38 a.m. L 5:14 p.m.	H	11:20 a.m. L 5:56 p.m.	H	12:03 p.m. L 5:57 a.m.	H	12:47p.m. L 6:45 a.m.	H	1:32 p.m. L 7:35 a.m.	H	2:21 p.m. L 8:28 a.m.
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	Nassawadox	H 8:40 a.m. L 2:53 p.m.	H	9:23 a.m. L 3:36 p.m.	H	10:05 a.m. L 4:18 p.m.	H	10:48 a.m. L 5:02 p.m.	H	11:32 a.m. L 5:07 a.m.	H	12:17 p.m. L 5:57 a.m.	H	1:06 p.m. L 6:50 a.m.
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★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Family Life Center, Onancock - Meal: \$6/single or \$10/family

★6-7 p.m. - **Domestic Violence Prevention Prgm.** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 709-5113

★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486

★7:30 p.m. - **Texas Hold'em Tournament** - Parksley VFC

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)** - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven

**MONDAY
JAN. 11**

★11 a.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - library, Nassawadox

★5-6 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal, Onancock

★5:15 p.m. - **Friends of Northampton Memorial Library mtg.** - library, Cape Charles

★5:30 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Belle Haven UMC - 442-7050

★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley

★6-7:30 p.m. - **Choice-Based Anger Control Class** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 709-5113

★6-9 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall

★6:30 p.m. - **Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley

★7 p.m. - **Multiple Sclerosis Support Group** - Hampton Inn & Suites, 4129 Lankford Hwy., Exmore - 442-7722

**WEDNESDAY
JAN. 13**

★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Veterans' Employment Representative Avail.** - Northampton Cty. Dept. of Social Services

- no appt. needed

★10 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718

★10-11 a.m. - **Women's Support Group** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 709-5113

★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Waste Watchers' mtg.** - Chamber of Commerce, Melfa

★2 p.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - E.S. Public Library, Accomac

★4-5 p.m. - **Girl's Support Group** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 709-5113

★5 p.m. - **E.S. Soil & Water Conservation District Board mtg.** - USDA Service Center, 22545 Center Pkwy., Accomac

★5-7 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen & Clothes Closet** - Grace and Truth Ministries, Onancock - Donations: 789-5369

★5:30-6:30 p.m. - **Free Meals for the Hungry** - Epworth UMC, Exmore - 442-6391

★6-7 p.m. - **Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew's Church, Onley)** - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests

★6-9 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall

★7 p.m. - **Drinking Liberally mtg.** - Charlotte Hotel, Onancock

★7 p.m. - **AA & Al-Anon. mtgs.** - RSMH, Nassawadox

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

**SATURDAY
JAN. 9**

★9 a.m. - **Zumba Class** - Chincoteague YMCA - \$5 - 336-3535

★10 a.m. - **Overeaters Anon. mtg.** - Christ UMC, Chincoteague

★noon & 7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock

★5 p.m. - **Super Bowl Football Prgm.** - St. Luke AME Church, Daugherty - 757-439-2472

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville VFC

**SUNDAY
JAN. 10**

★9:30 a.m. - **AA mtg.** - Cokesbury Church, 13 Market St., Onancock

★2 p.m. - **Bingo** - VFW

Post 2296, Tasley

★2:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Vietnam Veterans' Bldg., Main St., Onley

★3 p.m. - **Ushers' Anniversary Prgm.** - St. Luke AME Church, Daugherty

★4 p.m. - **Pastoral Anniversary** - Refuge Temple, 513 Ocean Hwy., Pocomoke

★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Grace UMC, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley

**POST TIMES
Jan. 8-14**

**TUESDAY
JAN. 12**

★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague

★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock

★10 a.m. - **E.S. Community Services Board mtg.** -

E.S. Behavioral Healthcare Center, 19056 Greenbush Rd., Parksley

★11 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Sage Diner, Onley - 442-2474

★noon - **AA mtg.** - United Methodist Church, 75 Market St., Onancock

★5 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - St. James Episcopal Church, Accomac

★5-6:30 p.m. - **Fathers' and Sons' Group** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 709-5113

★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486

★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA

★6 p.m. - **Onancock Lions Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley - 787-2059

★6:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Trinity UMC, 109 Plum St., Cape Charles

★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **English As a Second Language Class** - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall

★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Melfa

★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Jerusalem Baptist Church, Temperanceville

★7 p.m. - **Disabled American Veterans' mtg.** - Chapter Bldg., 25534 Main St., Onley

★7-8 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Grace UMC, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley

★7:30 p.m. - **E.S. Bird Club mtg.** - Hermitage, Onancock

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - smoke free - Cheriton VFC

★7:30 p.m. - **Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg.** - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague

**THURSDAY
JAN. 14**

★10:30 a.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - library, Accomac

★10:30 a.m. - **Story Time** - Cape Charles Library

★4 p.m. - **Chess Club** - Cape Charles Memorial Library - all ages, levels welcome

★5:30 p.m. - **Shore Losers mtg.** - Drummondtown Baptist, Accomac - \$1/wk

★5:30 p.m. - **TOPS VA-550 mtg.** - Zion Baptist, Parksley - 787-7099

★6-7:30 p.m. - **Substance Abuse Recovery Group** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 709-5113

★6:30 - **Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church

★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **English As a Second Language Class** - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall

★6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Melfa

★7 p.m. - **E.S. Tea Party mtg.** - Market St. Grill, Onancock

★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Painter Garrison UMC

★7 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Atlantic UMC

★8 p.m. - **Onancock International Films Presents "My Old Lady"** - Roseland Theater, Onancock

Girl Scouts Cookie Drive

The Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council will start their 2016 Cookie Program tomorrow. Area Girl Scouts will be taking orders for 7 varieties: The Classic Thin Mint, Samoas, Trefoil, Tagalong, Do-Si-Do, Savannah Smiles and RahRah Raisin. The cost of each box is \$4.

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Management-level experience with a minimum of a bachelor's degree in human resources, public administration, or related field with current SPHR and/or SHRM-SCP is preferred. Hiring salary range: \$69,706 - \$85,390, annually, depending on qualifications and experience.

Interested individuals should visit the County of Accomack's website at www.co.accomack.va.us for job and benefits details. A thoroughly completed county application with a copy of current certification(s) is required. Resumes may accompany the application but will not be considered alone.

Review of applications will begin on Monday, January 25, 2016.

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In execution of a certain deed of trust dated 09/26/02, in the original principal amount of \$63,918.59 recorded in the County of Accomack, Virginia, as Instrument No. 020005918, as amended by an instrument appointing the undersigned as Substitute Trustee, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the building housing the Circuit Court of the COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VA located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia, 23301 on **February 9, 2016**, at **11:20 am**, the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address, with improvements thereon and more particularly described as follows: LOT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN INSTRUMENT NO. 020005918, RECORDED IN ACCOMACK COUNTY. TERMS OF SALE: Neither the Substitute Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust will deliver possession of the property to the successful bidder. The purchaser at the sale will be required to pay all closing costs. Real estate taxes, water/sewer fees and other public charges will be prorated as of the date of sale. The risk of loss or damage to the property passes to the purchaser immediately upon the conclusion of the Substitute Trustee's sale. Terms: A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent price (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject deed of trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within 20 days at the office of the Substitute Trustee. Time is of the essence as to the closing date and the payment of the purchase price. If payment of the balance does not occur within fifteen days of the sale date, the deposit will be forfeited. Seller shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by the purchaser in connection with their purchase or settlement, including, without limitation, state and local recording fees, title insurance or research, or any other costs of purchaser's acquisition. Trustee shall have no duty to obtain possession for purchaser. All risks of casualty pass to successful bidder at conclusion of bidding. The property and the improvements thereon will be sold "AS IS" and without representation or warranties of any kind. The sale is subject to all liens, encumbrances, conditions, easements and restrictions, if any, superior to the mentioned deed of trust and lawfully affecting the property. Sale is subject to post-sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower(s) entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of the Purchaser's deposit without interest. Additional terms to be announced at the sale. For more information contact: Abby Moynihan, member of Surety Trustees, at 301-490-3361 or www.mwc-law.com.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 15-296

vs.

BERNICE D. CROPPER, if living
The heirs and devisees of JANE M. DAVIS
MARGO DAVIS

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent taxes against certain real estate described as follows:

All that parcel of land on the southeastern side of County Highway No. 769, one-half mile South of the Village of Mappsville, Metompkin District, Accomack County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, and designated as parcel no. 055A0A000004400.

standing in the name of Bernice D. Cropper, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Jane M. Davis, but without effect; that due diligence has been used to determine whether Bernice D. Cropper is living, or if deceased, to ascertain the names and location of all of her heirs, devisees and successors in title, but without effect; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Jane M. Davis and Bernice D. Cropper; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Margo Davis, but without effect; and that the last known post office address of Margo Davis is 3810 Sugar Creek Circle, Portsmouth, VA 23703.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before February 3, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 4th day of January, 2016
Nancy-Jo Revell, Deputy Clerk

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TOWN OF BLOXOM PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Virginia Code §§24.2-308 that the Town Council of the Town of Bloxom will consider at the meeting described below an "Ordinance Providing for the Change of Polling Place for the Bloxom Town Precinct for Town Elections from the Town Hall to the Bloxom Fire Hall." Whereas the Town Council of the Town of Bloxom has, by separate ordinance adopted December 2, 2015 pursuant to Va. Code §24.2 222.1. Moving of town elections from May to November beginning in 2016, and Va. Code §24.2-310 A requires the town to use the polling place established by Accomack County for county elections when town general elections are held in November to coincide with the Nation and Virginia State elections. - The proposed ordinance will be considered at the regularly scheduled January 28, 2016 meeting of the Town Council at 7:00 pm in the Town Annex building. Copies of this proposed ordinance can be inspected at the town office prior to the meeting and will be posted in the window.

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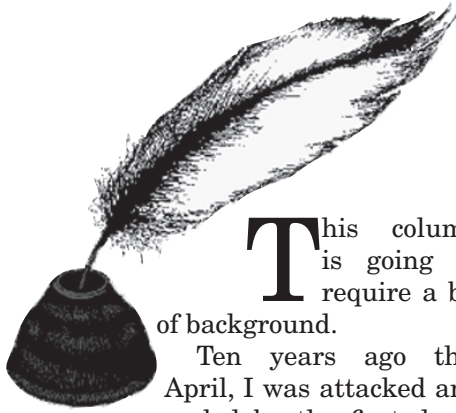
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POST Script

By Cheryl Nowak



This column is going to require a bit of background.

Ten years ago this April, I was attacked and mauled by the first dog I ever owned, and I had him only six weeks.

As I lay on the concrete and he chewed steadily up my legs, I was sure that I was going to die. The resulting wounds required more than 50 stitches and years of recovery.

(People ask me what kind of dog it was and all I can respond is “mean.”)

A few years later, on Christmas Eve no less, I was preparing a holiday meal when I sliced my thumb just a bit with my new mandoline (not the instrument, obviously, but the one with the “e” at the end, which makes it a kitch-

en gadget.)

Not to be deterred, I continued my slicing and promptly cut off the tip of the other thumb.

My daughter-in-law came to the rescue, dressing the wound, which required a couple of months — but no doctor — to heal.

Now, which of these two episodes do you suppose left the greater psychic scar on me?

Though it would be so much more dramatic and conjure up so much more sympathy to say that I have lived in fear of dogs ever since my canine attack, the fact is that instead, I have developed a bona fide phobia of mandolines. I cannot even look at one, though I do realize that just using the guard that comes with it (which I had neglected to do that day) would eliminate the risk of a repeat slice-off.

Actually, the weekend after my dog Luke attacked me, and as I was still swathed in bandages from knee to toe, my son, at my insistence, brought his dog for a planned visit and I had no problem whatsoever.

In subsequent years, I dated a man with a dog and he and I, now married, have the most marvelous black Lab ever. In fact, he is cuddling with me on the couch right now — the dog, not the husband.

And after living with this beautiful creature — again, the dog — for more than a year and observing his innate behavior, I have learned some life lessons which truly have served me well.

•Dogs bear pain quietly, stoically. They may pant or whine softly, but there is no continual complaining as humans are wont to do. And there most definitely is no competing among dogs as to who is in the most pain — as humans ALWAYS do.

•Dogs don’t care what others think of their appearance. If a 95-pound manly dog wants to walk for two miles in pub-

lic with a plastic squeaky toy clutched between his teeth, he will do so, without a thought wasted on what other dogs or even lesser people will think.

•Dogs don’t over-react to a crisis. A brief yip when his leash is caught or he has entangled his tether in a bush is all he offers. True, he is accustomed to having his slightest discomfort attended to immediately, but nonetheless, he doesn’t take advantage.

•Dogs live exclusively in the moment. They don’t worry about the future nor regret the past.

These are traits I consciously try to emulate, though I have yet to learn to yip. I believe the people around me could do with considerably less jabber from me and a bit more spontaneity.

Now, I wish I could say that my dog doesn’t hold a grudge, and thanks to my animal behaviorist sister, I know he really doesn’t, but I am convinced that this dog pouts when he doesn’t get his way.

Maybe that’s a trait he picked up from me.

Post Office Mail

Wanda Thornton Did Great Job

Dear Editor:

We want to thank Wanda Thornton for serving Accomack County and the people of Chincoteague on the Board of Supervisors since 1996.

She has done an outstanding job and has represented us well. She went into each meeting always prepared, topics researched, and well-informed on the issues.

She is to be commended for all the traveling, long hours and numerous boards and commissions she has served on, especially for her unwavering advocacy for Chincoteague.

We wish her good luck in her future endeavors.

Darlene and Chris Floyd, Chincoteague

Predictions for Northampton for '16

Dear Editor:

- 1) Population continues to decline
- 2) Fishing in Chesapeake disappears
- 3) Seniors continue to die prematurely due to medical high cost and no hospital
- 4) Taxes rise for the low wage earner, but decline for agriculture.
- 5) Planning Board continue its “no growth policy”
- 6) Fiber optics cable to homes to run a business

does not happen

- 7) Lack of middle class will force home prices to decline
- 8) Food Lion closes
- 9) Eastville government is forced to do something.
- 10) Religion disappears

Anthony Sacco, Capeville

School Board Did Right Thing

Dear Editor:

This is in response to last week’s letter from Marty Sutton concerning the Accomack County School Board.

While I am in favor of an elected school board (with term limits), I must say I disagree with him on most of his statements. He said the school board would rather experiment with temporary fixes than select an individual who is experienced. Experienced? Why, this time the School Board FINALLY got it right!!

Warren Christian Holland has all the experience this county needs. He started out as a teacher, worked his way up to administration, and has been a teacher and administrator in more than one county school. While he isn’t originally from the area, he has been here long enough (over 25 years) to know the schools, the teachers, the administrators, the parents, the general personnel and most importantly, the students.

Yes, the School Board finally did get it right. They

didn’t go outside the area to bring someone here who isn’t used to the ways and life of the Eastern Shore; they picked a good man with good morals, a good background with a good family. They made a good choice.

There is no way that this was biased decision. I feel this was a decision based on what the public wants, contrary to what Mr. Sutton says.

Kudos to the Accomack County School Board for finally opening their eyes and making the right choice.

Denise Bowden, Chincoteague Island

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