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Jolly Old Saint Nicholas, Lean Your Ear This Way...
A boy tells Santa his Christmas wishes at the Cape Charles Christmas Parade held last weekend. More photos of holiday fun begin on page 29.

“Fiasco” Finally Finished As Classics Return to Schools

By Linda Cicaira

The Accomack School Board voted unanimously Tuesday to permanently return the classic books, “To Kill a Mocking Bird” by Harper Lee and “The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn” by Mark Twain, to school shelves. The board also voted to form a committee that will re-examine its policy for books when a complaint is made about content.

The action involved 40 volumes of each book that were taken out of all 11 schools. The school board met at Chincoteague Elementary School. The current policy calls for books to be removed immediately after a formal complaint is made.

The members agreed the books would be available to students Wednesday. The two titles had been withheld for a week started on Nov. 29 just after a parent filed the complaint. The white mother of a bi-racial student at Nandua High School first spoke out about repeated racial slurs in the books during a public participation portion of the school board’s Nov. 15 meeting.

Minutes from a “learning resource

discussion,” attended by various people listed by last name only, discussed the parent’s complaint form. The recommendations were to have a more diverse selection of novels and to form a committee with English teachers to select new novels.

Local folks and those around the world have voiced outrage over Holland’s actions. Just after the session, activist Connie Burford of Bloxom said, “Common sense should have prevailed over an antiquated policy.”

Chairman Ron Wolff, who has been an opponent of the school board, used a quote from Samuel Clemons, also known as Mark Twain, to express his displeasure. “In the first place, God made idiots. That was for practice. Then he made school boards.”

“The whole thing was a fiasco from the start to the finish,” said Wolff. “It could have been dealt with in a much better way ... it grew beyond a school board issue to a county issue. I read posts that were in Chinese, in Hebrew, in German, in Arabic, in Spanish ... once it hit the

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Miner Makes Major Announcement

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack County Administrator Steve Miner submitted his resignation late last week from a job he’s held for about a dozen years.

In a prepared statement released Monday by Chairman Ron Wolff of the Board of Supervisors, it was reported Miner will retire from public service effective Jan. 31, 2017. He plans

to work for a consulting and advisory firm. It was implied that Miner plans to move. He did not answer an email by press time Thursday.

“Although I will miss the board, as well as this special place and its people, I am happy that I (will) leave the county with a group of managers and staff in which I have deep confidence,”

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The Eastern Shore is a great place to celebrate Christmas, and the Post has your guide to (mostly) free family fun for the holidays. See Page 35 for details.

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Morgan Makes First Hire As Commonwealth's Attorney: Elizabeth Wolfe

By Linda Cicoira

Accomac lawyer Elizabeth Wolfe started work this week in the prosecutor's office, according to Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan.

Wolfe graduated with a bachelor of arts degree from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1997 and got a juris doctor (law) degree from Hofstra University in New York in 2008.

She was admitted to the Maryland Bar in 2009, the Washington, DC, bar in 2011 and both Virginia and Pennsylvania bars in 2013. Her experience includes being a law clerk for a New

York lawyer from 2005 to 2009, an intern for a Washington attorney in the summer of 2006 and being a contract attorney from 2010 to 2013.

She opened her office in Accomac in 2013, offering family law, civil litigation and guardian ad litem and she has served as interim town attorney for Accomac.

In her LinkedIn profile, Wolfe states, "Since opening my practice on the Eastern Shore, I have had the opportunity to work with many amazing people: clients, attorneys, and court support staff. I believe that representing a client



Wolfe

is not just about winning a case, but about listening to the client and discovering what it is they really want to accomplish when all is said and done."

"I approach the practice of law with a sense of compassion, a willingness to listen to the whole story, an understanding that as an attorney I am a 'counselor' in every sense of the word, and a determination to do the best I am able for each and every one of my clients," she wrote. On that site, Wolfe states her practice includes "matrimonial law, family law, general civil litigation,

wills and educational law."

For a year, she was the business manager for District of Columbia Public Schools handling an annual budget of more than \$1 million and overseeing all financial transactions for the school where she developed and implemented school operational policies, including safety, bullying and school uniforms.

"Established resources within the school for community organizations to provide academic support and social services to students and their families; wrote a grant proposal, which resulted in the school being awarded \$5,000 to start a parent literacy program; (and) provided daily mentoring to a group of sixth and seventh grade at-risk students."

Wolfe is a member of the Chincoteague Kiwanis; is a vestry and choir member at St. James Episcopal Church, and is a lead singer in "The Swing Project."

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Brenner Says His Resignation Was Requested

By Linda Cicaira

Former Commonwealth's Attorney Matthew Brenner, who lost the election last month to colleague Spencer Morgan, left his office for the last time Tuesday, about two weeks after Morgan took over and Brenner was asked to resign.

Morgan "told me that he did not feel that he could do the job how he

thinks it should be done with me looking over his shoulder," Brenner said. "He seemed to think that he and I had different philosophies about prosecution," Brenner added, Morgan did not tell him why he thought that.

"I heard Spencer supporters say prior to the election that he and I had an agreement that whoever won the

election ... that each of us would keep the other on. I can tell you that no such agreement was ever even talked about. He is obviously trying to orchestrate things to make it look like I quit over sour grapes. Not true, I would have happily stayed on, but he plainly does not value my experience."

"I gave him my two-week notice prior to Thanksgiving, so my last day in the office is Tuesday, Dec. 6," Brenner continued. He got paid for undisclosed amount of accumulated vacation days, he said.

Brenner said he wants to continue to live on the Eastern Shore since he loves it here. "I'm looking at some other possible opportunities," he said. "One opportunity, while the firm is not local, would allow me to stay local," he added. "I may open up a firm."

Morgan refused to comment. "It's a personnel decision that has been made," he said.

The case load will be managed. "We're going to paw through it as we always have."

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Miner said in the statement. "It has been a great pleasure and personal honor to have served the various boards, but also to have served with such a dedicated and great group of employees."

Miner has worked for county governments in Virginia for 32 years. He started as Lee County's attorney in 1984 and did that job for about four years, staying in his native area. For the following five years he was county attorney for Culpeper County. In 1993, he served as a county administrator in Culpeper, doing that job until 2001. He served as interim administrator in Orange County before becoming deputy administrator in King George for two years. He was hired as county administrator for Accomack in 2004.

The supervisors, with the assistance of their personnel committee, will appoint an acting county administrator later this month. The press release stated Miner will assist the county with the transition through the end of the current fiscal year while the board recruits and hires a new administrator.



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Touchy Chincoteague Town Council Meeting Sees Member Resignation

By Linda Cicaira

A standoff between some Chincoteague officials and the founder of the island's watermen memorial led to a tense settlement Monday and ended with Councilman Ben Ellis throwing in the towel.

"You have to stand up for principals that you believe in," Ellis told the panel and about 50 people in attendance. "I've kept my mouth shut tonight. What has happened is definitely not in the best interest of this town. It is morally wrong the way things have been handled. I'm not saying this in anger. I just can't be a party to it. So I am resigning from council," he said.

"I'm sorry folks. ... I've been thinking about this for two weeks," he added just before gathering his belongings and leaving as people in the audience cried out for him to reconsider and give more explanation.

His departure came soon after Barry Abell, the memorial founder,

told of his long battle to recognize local watermen and the 31 men who died when the SS Marine Electric sank in February 1983 off the coast of Chincoteague.

Abell started with the quest to build a bronze statute, but, he soon learned the cost would be hundreds of thousands of dollars, so he had to downsize his dream. Over time, he accepted many donations from islanders and had help building a boat to raffle. His son, a local Boy Scout, also attempted to get his Eagle status in connection with the memorial.

At some point, he said, officials stepped in and a sign was erected with a different name and a plug for a local business. Abell thought this was wrong. He also said a scout was instructed to use the name on a sign that he made.

When Abell said an agreement couldn't be reached with the town, he went ahead and put up memorial headstones on town property without

approval. "We have had the watermen's memorial up ... it is not recognized by the town ... no sign, it's not on the web site, no advertisement, no directions to the site."

"The innocence of a young man and the joy of an old man were sacrificed due to a privileged caste and leadership failure that embraced one man's self indulgence, one man's desire to use his public office to cover for his friends and one man's weak nature," Abell wrote in a letter that Ellis read to the council months ago. Abell was referring to his son and his son's grandfather, who died before he became an Eagle Scout.

"It's an ugly story," Abell said.

Abell said in the letter that in April he refused to sign the memorial over to the town. He was deployed overseas and had asked Ellis to read it. Sometime after that the town council, now with some new members, voted to give Abell until Monday to sign.

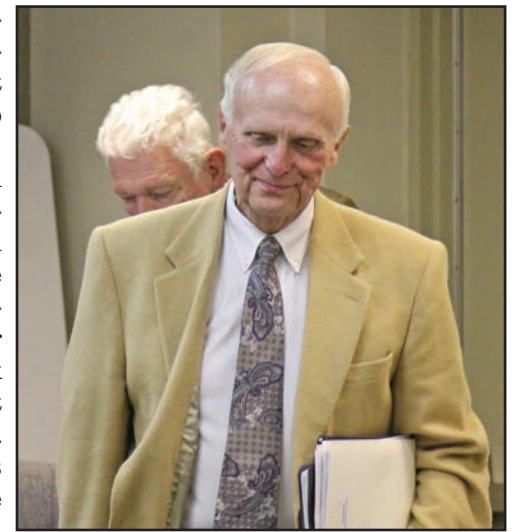


Photo by Linda Cicaira
Chincoteague Councilman Ben Ellis on his way out of council chambers following his impromptu resignation at Monday's council meeting

But at first, Abell would only do so with stipulations. He wanted the granite stones and bronze cast mark-

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ers to remain where they stand. The memorial also includes a wooden cross/ships mast, a concrete base with compass rose, four footstones with brass letters and a solar light bank.

Abell also insisted the town allow the purchase and installation of a sign that would not have advertising. He wanted that to be replaced with photos and information relating to those who were lost at sea. Abell also wanted a marker at the entrance to the site.

“You cannot put the stones on the town property and give us the terms,” Mayor Arthur Leonard told Abell. “You cannot put something on someone else’s property.” Leonard wanted the papers signed without the stipulations. “We cannot give someone the ability to stipulate to the town.”

Councilman Jim Frese asked for another day or two.

“That paperwork has been given to Mr. Abell before,” said Leonard. “He should have (had) that paperwork ... before he put them down there.

We are not here to decide the name of the park. The name was decided a long time ago. ... It is town property.”

By this time, Abell had left the meeting place.

Vice Mayor Dennis Bowden said, “We have an opportunity to work together to save the project and go by the rules. No reason why we can’t do that ... Why can’t we also have a sign that says waterman’s memorial? A lot of people, a lot of kids, have put a lot of work into it. Why can’t we have an additional sign? Why does it have to be either this or that? ... This issue is not who we are. We have our differences but we always find a way to mesh.”

Abell came back to the room and eventually signed. Bowden and Frese promised him the memorials would be treated properly.

More Chincoteague news on Page 19.



Photo by Linda Cicoira

Chincoteague resident Barry Abell signs agreement to give a watermen memorial he spear-headed to Chincoteague. Pictured, from left, Vice Mayor Denise Bowden and Mayor Arthur Leonard.

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ACCOMAC: Traditional 3500 sq. ft., 4BR/2BA Victorian on 1.4 in-town acres. Features include HW floors, formal living & dining rooms, central heat & air and open front porch. Close to all county offices, shopping and seaside boat ramp. MLS#41428 \$209,000 George Ferguson 757-710-4770



ONANCOCK: 1929 3BR Victorian w/modern 3BR/2BA home addition in the heart of town. Large, deep lot slopes to the water w/private 200' dock, open front porch & back deck. Stroll around town or drive your golf cart; close to all amenities. MLS#41245 \$299,000 John Morgan 757-787-1999



CAPE CHARLES: Partially renovated 3BR/2BA Victorian offers 2172 sq ft on 1 acre. Electrical upgrade, new heat pump, septic system & roof. Upstairs sleeping porch & other improvements. MLS#43643 \$125,000 Dave Griffith 757-647-2649/Randy Carlson 757-678-6395



CHERITON: Quaint 2BR/1BA Cottage in need of some rehab sited on 1/2 acre would make a great starter home or investment. Fireplace with windows on each side, nice size dining room & great front porch. MLS#43167 \$59,900 Trina Veber 757-442-0797



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CHINCOTEAGUE: Located in a quiet area and full of original details. 4BR/1.5BA Cape Cod w/original trim, wood floors and large kitchen adds to the vintage feel. New vinyl windows, vinyl fence, hot & cold shower, concrete driveway, 3 car detached garage. MLS#41188 \$225,000 Shawn Jennings 757-894-2249



CHINCOTEAGUE: Fully furnished & freshly painted 2BR/2.5BA Townhouse in Grand Bay. It is just the perfect island getaway. Walking distance to Memorial Park and dock. Could be full time residence or used as a rental. Take a look at this one today! MLS#42352 \$193,000 Judy Williamson 757-894-2488



CAPT. COVE: 3BR/2BA home features open floor plan w/vaulted ceiling. The master is tucked away at the back of the house with a large walk-in closet and an over-sized shower in the master bathroom. Very nice covered front porch, back deck and a detached shed. MLS#42796 \$149,999 Shawn Jennings 757-894-2249



TRAILS END: 2000 Coachman model w/ new addition. Perfect quiet location and enjoy all the amenities that Trail's End offers. New drain field put in 2013. Close to Capt. Cove, Wallops Island, NASA & Chincoteague. MLS#42593 \$34,995 Judy Williamson 757-894-2488



CHINCOTEAGUE: 2BR/2BA waterfront unit boasts 180 degree panoramic views of Chincoteague channel. Enjoy sunsets year round from glass paneled decks. Professional designer upgrades suite master BA w/separate shower and cherry HW floors. Amenities include pool, marina, elevators and storage area. MLS#43123 \$475,000 Shawn Jennings 757-894-2249

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Court Postings

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack Grand Jury

Tyquon "Otis" Demetrius Robins, who is accused of driving on Route 13 in Mappsville last summer while chasing and shooting at another vehicle, was indicted Monday by an Accomack Grand Jury of first-degree murder.

Robins, 24, of Deer Drive, in Nelsonia, is blamed for the death of Fardale (also known as Fairdale) Antonio Johnson, 39, of Mappsville. He was also indicted on counts of using a firearm in the premeditated crime and discharging a firearm from a vehicle "as to create the risk of injury or death to another person."

Evidence included in the court file show a forensic study of seven Winchester caliber 9 mm Luger cartridge cases identified as being fired from the same gun and found at the crime scene on June 24, 2016, just after the shooting occurred. A bullet was recovered from Johnson's body during an autopsy and three bullet fragments were also found at the scene.

Information about the case was presented to the grand jury by Sgt. Anthony Bright of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office (ACSO). Robins is being held without bond in Accomack Jail. Police searched for him for nearly three months. He was arrested Sept. 11.

His lawyer, Paul Watson, unsuccessfully argued at a preliminary hearing recently that there was nothing conclusive to show his client had committed the crimes.

"The defendant gets in the car in the driver's seat of his vehicle without a lapse of time, that car follows the other car onto the highway," former Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Matthew Brenner said at the hearing. "I believe it's pretty obvious from the testimony here." If there is an "absence of this defendant pulling the trigger, he is still driving this car and chasing this vehicle and gunshots were coming from the vehicle."

Later, 1st Sgt. Elliott Anderson of the state police, a street gang expert, said the testimony about waving a green bandana makes him suspect "a show of force by a street gang. In Bloods culture, a green bandana would be worn if you are selling narcotics," Anderson explained. "It could be a territorial thing."

According to testimony, four men were riding in the other vehicle when shots were fired at it. Johnson was sitting in the backseat when he was hit. The car with the shooter sped away. The victim died at a nearby trailer park where he was taken to wait for an ambulance. No one else was injured.

Ja'mes Nelson of Mappsville said he and Johnson, who was the grandfather of his children, were out for a night of celebrating because Johnson had just gotten out of jail.

They went to the Corner Mart in Nelsonia and Robins was inside. His hands were full of items to purchase, so, Nelson said he greeted Robins, who he worked with at Perdue Farms, but shook hands with another man who was also in the store.

Nelson said Robins became offended because he hadn't offered his hand to him and started arguing about it. Johnson came in and also got involved in the dispute. Nelson said outside, a woman was sitting in the passenger side of Robins' vehicle.

Johnson, Nelson and two other men were getting gas. Nelson said Robins got in his vehicle and was waving a green bandana. "He backed up as we're getting into a car. He pulls behind us. He's yelling ... waving a green flag."

Nelson said he followed them down the highway. "This guy, he was right on us and all the shots were aimed at the rear bumper." Nelson was in the front passenger seat and said he had ducked down but looked back between the front seats and saw the driver with the bandana/flag waving it out the car window. "He was driving the car ... when we pulled out he pulled out directly behind us," Nelson continued. "He was making all sorts of gestures with his green flag out the window." Nelson said he didn't know what the significance of the flag was.

Shaun Boyles of Greenbackville was driving on the same road between 9:30 and 10 p.m. that night. He testified that the two cars passed him running him into the shoulder of the highway. Boyles heard the gunshots after they passed but said he didn't see the flash of the gun because it was aimed away from him. "I didn't see any people. All I saw was the cars." He slowed to stay away from the incident.

In September 2010, Johnson was convicted of distribution of cocaine and given 20 years with 15 suspended. Three years

of probation was set to begin upon release. He had been released less than 24 hours when he was killed.

The grand jury did not find a true bill or indict Anthony Michael Niemczyk, 28 of N. Farm Road in Elliott City, Md. Niemczyk was accused of the Aug. 23, 2016 assault and battery of Cathy Repsher. The charge was a felony because she is an EMS responder. Information about the case was presented by Officer W. Winter of the Chincoteague Police Department (CPD).

Sonny James Kelly Sr., 46, of Savannah Road, in Hallwood, a self-employed contractor, was indicted on a count of making a threat to Edith Leisner about burning a building on Sept. 26, 2016. Officer T.J. Adams of the CPD gave information about the case to the grand jury.

Donnice Williams, age and address unavailable, was indicted on four counts of embezzling money or personal property belonging to Barbara Luchning, for whom she worked. Each of the charges spanned over six-month periods beginning Jan. 1, 2014 and ending Dec. 30, 2015.

Special Agent M. Phillips of state police investigated.

Steven Kindle Morton, 33, of Dewald Circle, in Newport News, was indicted on a count of stealing property belonging to Walmart, in Onley, on Aug. 26, 2016. Deputy David Gladding of ACSO investigated.

Eliezer Nunex Rosado, no age or address available, was indicted on counts of stealing property from Walmart on Sept. 18 and 25, 2016. Deputy Eric Nottingham of ACSO investigated.

Roshun K. Austin, 35, of Ellihu Wallop Lane, in Horntown, was indicted on a count of felony shoplifting on Aug. 23, 2016, from Royal Farms, in Parksley. Deputy M.R. McCready of the ACSO investigated.

Edith Lou Boles, 19, of Wayne Drive, in Bloxom, was indicted on a counts of burglarizing a house on Turkey Run Road in Mears belonging to Nancy Lux and stealing a TV on Aug. 24.

Deputy Julian Sharp of ACSO investigated.

Thomas Roosevelt Bunting, 33, of Daugherty Road, in Accomac, a hotel worker, was indicted on a count of possessing or transporting a firearm by a felon on Sept. 16, 2016. Agent Josh Marsh of the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force

investigated.

Thomasaena Margie Capers, 45, of Carey Lane, in Atlantic, was indicted on a count of hit and run involving a traffic crash with property damage of more than \$1,000 on Aug. 7, 2016. Trooper L.W. Milyko investigated.

Brian Alexander Didomenico Lentz, 27, of Evergreen Drive in New Church was indicted on a count of embezzling money from Dollar General on Chincoteague between July 5 and 24, 2016, where he worked. Court records stated he stole about \$1,800. Lentz "admitted to taking the money for personal reasons and wrote a signed and dated statement," the file noted. Sgt. T.L. Greenley of CPD investigated.

Raven Lee Mason, 18, of Main Street, on Chincoteague, was indicted on a count of grand larceny of a firearm that belonged to Mark Giovanni between Sept. 22 and 29, 2016. Sgt. T.B. Hickman of CPD investigated.

Tenisha Chinyere Small, 30, of Main Street, in Melfa, was indicted on a count of embezzling money from Follett Higher Education Group between June 1 and Sept. 27, 2016. Records stated she took a total of \$9,900. Small initially stated to police that she was "robbed in the store at gunpoint. After I interviewed Ms. Small, she admitted the mismanagement of the money entrusted to her by her employer." Sgt. David Smullin of ACSO wrote in the file.

Northampton General District

Four men were charged recently with drug or firearm crimes in Northampton, according to records filed in the county general district court.

Tyquan F. Jackson, 21, of Keller was charged with possession of a firearm by a felon on Nov. 8, 2016. He was arrested Nov. 22 and papers were filed with the court on Nov. 30. Sgt. A.T. Zieger of the Exmore Police Department investigated. A January preliminary hearing was set. Jackson was released of his own recognizance.

Deandre Michael Rutherford, 19, of Newport News; Dylan Connor Carpenter, 19, of Yorktown; and Christopher Subond Catchings, 23, of Dover, Del.; were accused of possessing marijuana with intent to distribute. All three were charged and arrested in connection with the crimes on Nov. 15. Papers were filed in the court on Nov. 30. February hearings were scheduled. Deputy Justin Smith of the Northampton County Sheriff's Office investigated the incidents.

OBITUARIES

Presidential Award Honoree Dies

Mr. John Michael Carey was born in Woodbury, N.J. on March 31, 1935, son of Dorothy and John Carey. He was raised in Pittman, N.J. where he was active in the Boy Scouts and graduated high school. He then served in the Navy for four years, followed by four years in the Coast Guard both on the buoy tender Sweetgum and as Court Liaison Officer in New London, Conn. He graduated from Glastonbury College in New Jersey and taught middle school mathematics and science both in New Jersey and in Cape Cod, Mass. He was president and manager of Murray's Fuel Oil in Dennis Port, Mass. and served on the Board of Directors of the Better Home Heat Council. He was Director of Education for the New England Fuel Institute, from which he retired in 1998.

Upon retirement, Mr. Carey and his wife sojourned in Venice, Italy before moving to the Eastern Shore in 1999. For 15 years, he thoroughly relished his service in the Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12-02, serving as Operations Director, Commander and Vice Commander. Just prior to his death, President Obama honored him with a Lifetime Achievement Award for his "lifelong commitment to building a stronger nation through volunteer service."

During his long and active life he enjoyed white water canoeing, many summers in Vermont where he built an elegant 16' x 24' cabin in the deep woods with a chainsaw, and frequent travels to Italy. Throughout his life, Mr. Carey worked in wood, creating corner cupboards, credenzas, hutches, tables and other family heirlooms. One of the most satisfying adventures of his life was taking his family on safari in Kenya in 1984.

Mr. Carey is sorely mourned by his family, friends and mates in the Auxiliary. He is survived by his wife, Marcia Carey; his daughter, Carlyn Carey (Brian Lowry) and their daughter Phebe; his stepson, David Carey; his grandson, Corey Baker; his brother and sister-in-law, Harry and Peg Carey; and his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, David and Betty Nelson. He is predeceased by his first

wife, Phebe Murray Carey, and his son, Owen Jay Carey.

A memorial service will be arranged by the family at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the Coast Guard Mutual Assistance at 1005 N. Glebe Road, Suite 220, Arlington, VA 22201 or the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

Arrangements were by Holland Funeral Home in Nassawadox.

Services Held For Hampton Woman

Mrs. Naomi Joyce Driggers, 74, a resident of Hampton, passed away Monday, Nov. 28, 2016, at Sentara Hospice House in Virginia Beach. A native of Morgantown, W. Va., she was the daughter of the late Paul E. Stiles and the late Charlotta Lough Stiles.

She is survived by four daughters, Paula Vandegrift (Robert) of Seaford, Va., Roberta Channell (Timothy) of Chesapeake, Rhonda Smith (Dion) of Gloucester, and Lydia Conner (Gregory) of Huntersville, N.C.; a sister, Lydia Teets (Ted), of Richmond; a brother, Glenn (Nonie) of Cheyenne, Wyo.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, at Belle Haven Cemetery with Rev. Dr. John M. Robertson officiating.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Painter Man Dies in Florida

Mr. Jerry W. LeCato, 75, of Painter passed away Dec. 2, 2016, at Florida Hospital Heartland in Sebring, Fla.

Born July 5, 1941, he was the son of the late Albert and Beulah Bell LeCato. He spent his career in the Coast Guard and retired in 1985. He has since enjoyed playing golf and spending winters in Florida with his wife, Rieta, and all their golfing family. He attended the United Methodist Church in Craddockville when in Virginia.

Other than his wife, survivors include his brother, Albert LeCato Jr.; son, Jerry Jr. (Tammy) and daughter, Angela Pruitt, of Wilmington, N.C.; son-in-law, Daniel Pruitt, of Painter; four grandchildren, Taylor LeCato of Long Island, Amber LeCato of Wilmington, N.C., Jacob Pruitt and Skylar Pruitt of Painter; nephews,

Bert and C.R.; and nieces, Kimberly and Dawn. He was predeceased by his brothers, John and Charles LeCato.

Per the deceased's request, there will be a private memorial scheduled for family members at a later date at the Virginia home.

Onancock Woman Laid to Rest

Mrs. Eileen Shelton Thomas, 66, a resident of Onancock, passed away Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, surrounded by her loving family.

Born Dec. 4, 1949, in Nassawadox, she was a daughter of Harry Lee Shelton, of Onancock, and Virginia Lee Smith Taylor, and stepdaughter of the late William Oliver Taylor. Mrs. Thomas had the purest of hearts, the kind of heart that loved



Mrs. Thomas

everyone unconditionally and completely and without judgment. There was nothing more important to her than family, and she happily devoted her life to being there for those she loved. As she is reunited with her beloved mother, she will forever be remembered for her unwavering grace, compassion, and calmness that brought so much joy to her family over the years.

Mrs. Thomas is survived by her three children, Vonnie Bundick Parks (fiancé Kenny Thornton), of Chincoteague, Barbara Jean Bundick, of Onancock, and her special friends, Tommy and Wendy Small, of Temperanceville, and Norman Bundick (Victoria) of Exmore; three sisters, Barbara Shelton Lilliston (Turk) and Doshia Taylor Nethery, all of Onancock, and Anna Rose Heslep (Neal) of Crimora, Va.; two brothers, Gene Paige Shelton (Kathy) of Pungoteague and Cecil Max Taylor (Rhonda) of Parksley; three grandchildren, Alexander Paul Pruitt, Madison Nicole Parks, and Taylor Elizabeth Bundick (companion Brent Mears); great-grandson, Jackson Allen Mears; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and stepfather, she was predeceased by two brothers, Brian Dale Shelton and William Oliver Taylor Jr.; brother-in-law, Earl Netherly; nephew, Gene Paige Shelton Jr.; and great-

niece, Haley Nicole Greer.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Dec. 6, 2016, with Pastor Paul Nolz officiating. Interment was in the Parksley Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

Condolences may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Machipongo Man Dies at Home

Mr. George S. Whitman Sr., 79, husband of Charlotte Lafferty Whitman and a resident of Machipongo, passed away Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016,

at his residence. A native of Bayford, he was the son of the late Edward Z. Whitman and the late Lillian Spady Core. He was a graduate of Northampton High School in Eastville and received an Associate Degree from Goldey Beacom College in Wilmington, Del. Mr. Whitman worked for Dupont for 40 years and after his retirement was employed in the finance department for Northampton County Public Schools.

He had a kind, soft-spoken way that made him incredibly enjoyable to be around. He loved to cook and have Sunday dinner together with his family all around. He enjoyed the outdoors, beach and playing piano in church, but he most especially loved his flowers.

In addition to his loving wife of 61 years, he is survived by five children, George S. Whitman, Jr. of Machipongo, Steven C. Whitman of Americus, Ga., Wanda W. Miller (Danny), Teresa W. Miller (Mark), and David F. Whitman, all of Dover; five grandchildren, Andrew Miller (Belle) and Andrea Miller (special friend Bennett), all of Felton, Chelli Miller and David Whitman Jr. (special friend, Carley) and Dale Miller, all of Dover; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by two brothers, Tommy Whitman and Gilmer Whitman; a sister, Jean Whitman Krejc, and a daughter-in-law, Susie Whitman.

A Celebration of Life service was conducted Thursday, Dec. 8, 2016, at John-



Mr. Whitman

Johnson's United Methodist Church with Rev. Clarence Bowen officiating. Memorials may be made to Lewy Body Dementia Research, 115 Mill St., Blemont, MA 02478 or Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 615, Onley, VA 23418 or Johnson's United Methodist Church, 11175 Bayside Rd., Machipongo, VA 23405.

Condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Services Tomorrow for Townsend Woman

Mrs. Nellie Skidmore Outten Kubic passed away at her home on the evening of Dec. 4, 2016. She was the youngest of five daughters born to Mable Mister and Jake Skidmore. In addition to her parents, her sisters, Emma S. Pusey (Kenny), Isabel S. Hummel (Leonard), Leone S. Salyer (Bill), Nina S. Smith (Troy); her cousin, Daisy H. Sanderson and her former husband, Russell Outten, all preceded her in death. She was the widow of Leon Kubic and is survived by her son, J.R. Outten.

Mrs. Kubic was a kind, caring, compas-

sionate and sympathetic soul who will be greatly missed by those she leaves behind. Her love of family, friends and countless abandoned, abused and homeless animals, especially dogs, is a testimony to her character and a tribute to her life.



Mrs. Kubic

A Celebration of Life service will be held Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016, from 3 to 5 p.m. at her late residence, 5123 Magotha Rd., Townsend. Interment will be private in Capeville Masonic Cemetery. Family will join friends at Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home this evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made to The Humane Society of the United States, 1255 23rd Street, NW, Suite 450, Washington, DC 20037; Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia, Eastern Shore Branch, P.O. Box 518, Tasley, VA 23441-0518 or Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 615, Onley, VA 23418.

Condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements made by Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home in Cape Charles.

Deep Creek Woman To Be Laid To Rest

Mrs. Audrey Pearl Chesser Zember, 88, wife of the late Richard Byrd Zember and a resident of Deep Creek passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2016, at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

Born Sept. 20, 1928, in Hopeton, she was the daughter of the late Sewell Benny Chesser and Pearl Catherine Hart Chesser. Mrs. Zember was reared in Cattail by her aunt and uncle, Lovie and John Bill Hart.



Mrs. Zember

She was a homemaker and, in earlier years, attended Leatherbury United Methodist Church. Great joy came from her love of animals and feeding the birds around her home. Mrs. Zember also en-

joyed collecting antiques and attending estate sales.

Survivors include a daughter, Bonnie Godwin Lewis (Phil) of Melfa; son, Richard Todd Zember of Deep Creek; grandchildren, Jennifer Lewis McIntyre (Mac) of Onley and Phillip Michael Lewis of Newport News; great-grandchildren, Connor Quinton McIntyre and Aiden Lewis McIntyre; sister-in-law, Hope Johnson Zember and her family; and several cousins, nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, parents, and aunt and uncle, Mrs. Zember was predeceased by her first husband, William Lee "Bill" Godwin; a brother and his wife, Garland R. and Louise E. Chesser; brother-in-law, Woodlyn Zember; and nephew, Donald Ray Chesser.

A graveside service will be conducted at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock on Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016, at 2 p.m., with Rev. JoLynn Hart officiating.

Flowers will be accepted, or memorial donations may be made to the SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

University of Maryland-Eastern Shore Men's Basketball Featured Two Local Names During Wednesday Night Matchup at Virginia Tech

By *Krystle Bono*

Virginia Tech hosted the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore (UMES) men's basketball team on Wednesday night in Blacksburg, at Cassell Coliseum. Among those in attendance were two Eastern Shore locals, sophomore, Isaac Taylor, and assistant coach, Adrian "Ace" Custis.

Taylor, from Wachapreague, played two seasons with the Nandua Warriors before completing his secondary education with Montrose Christian Academy in Rockville, Md.

During Taylor's three-season high school varsity stint, the forward collected a list of accolades that included Male Christian Athlete of the Year. He also finished in the top 40 across the country in his senior year and averaged a double-double during his two seasons with the Warriors.

The Eastern Shore native also was a member of the Pocomoke Knights, where he was the top scorer, and the ESVA Heat, in which he was the top rebounder. While with the Knights, Taylor helped the team finish second in the Ocean City Tournament and he helped aid the Heat to the top at the Salvation Army Tournament.

During his freshmen year with UMES, Taylor played 31 of 32 games and posted career highs during their March 3 matchup against Morgan State, posting 10 points, six rebounds, five field goals and 13 minutes played. He also tallied five rebounds during the team's overtime victory over Coppin State on Jan. 20.

Now in his second season with the Hawks and wearing number 35, Taylor is the largest player on the team, standing at 6-foot-9 and weighing in at 235 pounds. So far, he has seen 95 minutes of play, posting 15 points, 12 rebounds, two blocks and four assists.

He is a business management major.

Another familiar name rooted to the Eastern Shore is Northampton High School graduate and UMES Assistant Coach Ace Custis. The Wednesday night game in Blacksburg would be somewhat of a homecoming for Custis, who, as a 1997 graduate of Virginia Tech, is considered one of the most popular athletes to don a Hokie uniform.

The first year for Custis at Virginia Tech was a tough one, as he suffered a torn ACL and was red-shirted due to his injury before the start of the season. In his remaining three years of his collegiate career, Custis was the third player—and the fourth overall in Virginia Tech men's basketball history—to surpass the 1,000 mark in points and rebounds. He is also the third of only four players in Hokie history to have his number 20 jersey retired. The team also won the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) Championship in 1995.

Custis is the only player to average more than 10 rebounds per game (rpg) for an entire season in 40 years, after he tallied 10.5 rpg in 1995.

The former Yellow Jacket was named to the All-Freshman Team in the Metro Conference, as well as First Team All-Metro Conference in 1994. The Eastville native also led the Metro Conference in rebounds in 1995. He made All-Metro Conference as a sophomore and earned a place on the All-Atlantic 10 team as a junior in 1996, and again as a senior in 1997.

During his senior year, Custis was named a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) All-American and was also a finalist during his senior year for the Boost/Naismith Award for National Player of the Year. According to TechHoops, the 1997 marketing graduate was considered one of the top-10 greatest players in the history



Adrian "Ace" Custis (20), graduate of Northampton High School and Virginia Tech, is one of only four Hokies to have had their jersey retired in the program's history. Custis, now retired, is on the coaching staff at the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore.

of the Virginia Tech men's basketball program. In 2007, ten years after retiring his Tech jersey, Custis was inducted into the Virginia Tech Sports Hall of Fame.

Following his graduation from Virginia Tech, Custis went on to play 15 seasons at the professional level after signing as a free agent with the Dallas Mavericks. The 6-foot-8 forward went on to sign with the Grand Rapids Hoops of the Central Basketball Association (CBA) in 1999 for one season before joining the Tampa Bay ThunderDawgs of the United States Basketball League (USBL). During his time with the ThunderDawgs, Custis led the team to the USBL Championship and was named co-MVP of the entire league in 2001.

Custis also spent time with the OSG Phoenix of the Japanese Basketball League. In his three-season tilt with the team, he was second in the league in both scoring and rebounding.

Continuing his overseas career, Custis joined the Trians, also of the Japanese Basketball League, in 2006. His time on the court as a professional was stretched across numerous countries including Qatar, the Philippines, Lebanon, Syria and Indonesia before finally making the decision to retire from playing in 2012 after spending nine years in Japan.

Following his playing career, Custis served as assistant coach for Virginia State before joining the staff at UMES and returning home to the Eastern Shore.

The most recent matchup in Blacksburg against the Hokies resulted in a 75-59 loss for the Hawks. Taylor saw 12 minutes of court time and threw six points with four rebounds, one block and one assist.

UMES, who are 1-8 for the season, will take a road trip to Orlando, Fl. to face the University of Central Florida Knights (6-1) on Saturday at 5 p.m. The game will be broadcasted on ESP3 and www.SFMSports.net Radio.

Arcadia Student Signs National Letter of Intent for Swimming



Mackenzie Lucy (sitting) signed her letter of intent to swim with Chowan University, Nov. 14. Pictured (L-R) : Parents Kevin and Tasha Lucy; Head Coach Chad Buist.

Story and Photo Submitted by Katie O'Shea

Arcadia High School student MacKenzie Lucy signed her national letter of intent on Nov. 14, to swim for Division II Chowan University in Murfreesboro, N.C.

MacKenzie started swimming at the early age of 6 for a swim club in Pennsylvania. Upon moving to the Shore in 2009, she had a difficult time finding a team that provided year-round training. She swam for the Onley Skimmers summer club since 2009 and also swam for the YMCA in Salisbury for two years.

In 2012 the Eastern Shore Family YMCA, at the request of many in the community, expanded their programs by starting a competitive swim program where MacKenzie has trained since the inception of the program. In 2014 and 2016 MacKenzie was the

top breaststroker at the Delmarva Swim Association Championship.

She also competed throughout Virginia at USA Swimming sanctioned events where she qualified for her age group championship each year from 2010 to 2013. In 2014, MacKenzie suffered a shoulder injury requiring surgery and caused her to miss that swim season, but she managed to recuperate through 2015 and qualified for YMCA Regional event held in South Carolina in 2016.

Her tenacity and her times in the 100 breaststroke event got the attention of several universities, but MacKenzie chose Chowan because of the class size, the head swim coach's training philosophy, the location of the campus, and the family like environment. She plans on majoring in accounting and minor in business management.



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VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

By Krystle Bono

Last Friday night, the Northampton Yellow Jackets kicked off the 2016-17 season in Eastville as they hosted the Essex Trojans. After a tough battle on the court, the Yellow Jackets ultimately fell, 86-65, to their visiting opponent.

Northampton jumped on the board first when Tamaze Brisco sunk a three-pointer. The Yellow Jackets pushed full-steam ahead, but the Trojans trailed steadily behind before finally inching ahead by one, leaving the score, 38-37 by halftime.

The third quarter was a close one, as Essex managed to shoot a total of 16 points to Northampton's 14. By the fourth, however, the Yellow Jackets seemed to have lost their momentum and were only able to tally another 14, while Essex dominated the net with 35 additional points, ultimately claiming a

solid 85-65 victory.

Yellow Jacket leaders were Jawaun Bell and Tamaze Brisco, who each posted a total of 15 points; Antonio Robinson netted 12 points and Reginald Wiggins accumulated 10 points.

Northampton grabbed their first win of the season Tuesday night in Norfolk after a close, but well-fought 76-74 victory over the Norfolk Christian Ambassadors. The Yellow Jackets now own a 1-1 record.

The Nandua Warriors faced the Middlesex Chargers last Friday night, where they claimed their second straight win this season, 68-62, in Saluda.

The Warriors trailed the Chargers through the majority of the game, but once the fourth quarter hit, they fired back with an astounding 35 points to Middlesex's 15 after some of the Char-

gers' players were thrown out of the game, causing the host team to play short-manned. This gave Nandua just the push they needed to inch their way in front to their 68-62 victory. Scoring leaders during the duel were Christian Scarborough with 19 points; Jaylen Smith with 15; Jordan West with 12 and Jashawn Wharton netted 9 total points.

Monday night, the Warriors dropped their first loss of the season, 66-53, to the Greenbrier Christian Academy Gators in Chesapeake.

Nandua was behind, 30-16, by the halfway mark, but took the court in the third quarter to net a total of 21 points and only allowing the Gators 12 on the board, closing the gap, 42-37. However, the Warriors were unable to push past their hosts and the final score settled to 66-53, leaving Nandua with a 2-1 record for the season.

Tonight, the Warriors and the Northampton Yellow Jackets will face one another for the first time this season at 7 in Eastville.

The Chincoteague Ponies also earned two straight wins last week, redeeming themselves after suffering a loss against the Salisbury School in overtime, 54-48, in their first game of the season.

Chincoteague came out on top last Thursday night when they hosted Holly Grove Christian School and posted a 66-48 victory. The Ponies moved on to visit King and Queen Central High School last Saturday, where they claimed a second straight win, 54-49, pushing their season record to 2-1.

Scoring leaders for the Ponies' 66 points against Holly Grove were Voshawn Davis with 26; Trevor Bailey with 19 and Drevon Johnson with five. Top contributors during Chincoteague's battle against King and Queen High School were Trevor Bailey with 16 points; Collin Derrickson and Voshawn Davis each totaled 10 points in the win.

Chincoteague battled the Salisbury School for the second time this season Wednesday night in Salisbury and fell in overtime, 44-37.

Next week, the Ponies, now 2-2, will meet the Nandua Warriors in Onley at 7 p.m. Tuesday night before moving on to battle the Northampton Yellow Jack-



Photo by Jacque Derrickson
Collin Derrickson shoots for the Ponies during Saturday's win over King and Queen Central.



Photo by Krystle Bono
Northampton's Tamaze Brisco (20) netted a three-pointer to start the game last Friday night in Eastville against Essex.

ets in Eastville Thursday at 7 p.m.

The Broadwater Vikings had a busy week, earning one win and two losses on their home court.

Denbigh Baptist Christian visited the Vikings last Thursday and Broadwater sent them back to Newport News with a runaway, 71-13 loss. Nathan Crumb led the Vikings, tallying 18 points in the squad's first victory of the season. Following his lead was Jordan Yarrell with 13 points and Jackson Rose with 11 points.

The Vikings' next matchup was against Alliance Christian last Friday night. This time, the away team claimed the victory, 57-54, giving Broadwater a record of 1-2 going into their Tuesday night game against the Hampton Christian Warriors.

Playing host again, the Vikings were unable to fend off the Warriors and dropped their second in a row, 66-43. Now holding a 1-3 season record, Broadwater will head to Portsmouth to face the Portsmouth Christian Patriots tonight at 7 p.m.

Warriors Own Three-Game Win Streak; Vikings Earn Two-In-A-Row

By Krystle Bono

The Nandua Warriors girls' varsity team came out on top against the Middlesex Chargers last Friday night in Onley, 57-27. They went on to earn a third-straight win Monday night in Chesapeake against the Greenbrier Christian Academy Gators.

The Warriors, now on a three-game win streak, will look to extend it to four when they host the Northampton Yellow Jackets tonight at 7. The squad will host the King William Cavaliers at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Next week, the Warriors will head to Chincoteague on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., to go head-to-head against the Chincoteague Ponies before moving on to Arcadia to take the court against the Firebirds on Thursday, at 5:30 p.m.

Broadwater claimed a victory, 57-25, over their visitors, the Denbigh Baptist Minutemen, last Thursday in Exmore. Anna Sexauer led the Vikings in scoring with a total of 20 points; Palmer Smith followed with 13 and Taylor Terry netted six total points in the win.

Sexauer also led the Vikings in rebounds, grabbing 10; Smith had five rebounds and Kerry Ford and Courtney Floyd both had four. Greta Bunce totaled the most assists for Broadwater with four.

During their tilt against Alliance Christian on Friday, the Vikings logged another "W" to their record when they defeated the home team by a mark of 52-12. Leaders contributing to Broadwater's second straight victory were Sexauer with 10 points and seven rebounds. Terry rebounded nine and Carly Wardius posted six rebounds.

The Vikings will take a trip to Portsmouth tonight to play the Portsmouth Christian Patriots at 5:30 p.m., who are 0-1 for the season. They will go on to host the Stonebridge Cavaliers, also 0-1, on Thursday night at 7 p.m.

The Ponies welcomed Holly Grove Christian last Thursday night in Chincoteague and earned win number two for the season, 25-12. The Ponies took a trip to King and Queen Central on Saturday and defeated the Royal Tigers, 38-10, putting the girls on a three-game win streak as they entered their fourth game of the season, and second meeting this year, against the Salisbury School. In a tight race, Chincoteague dropped their first game to the Dragons, 32-31, giving the team an overall record of 3-1.

The Ponies will see Eastern Shore district rivals, the Warriors and the Yellow Jackets, next Tuesday and Thursday.



Photo by Jacque Derrickson
The Chincoteague Ponies, now 3-1 for the season, defeated the Royal Tigers on Saturday, 38-10, at King and Queen High School.

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Yellow Jackets' Season Opens at Cape Henry Duels

By Krystle Bono

The Northampton Yellow Jackets kicked off their season Saturday at Cape Henry, where they went 2-3 in the Cape Henry Duels.

Northampton defeated Pope John Paul the Great Catholic High School (PJPT), 33-21. Yellow Jacket Logan Farlow came out on top in the 145 weight class by a major decision of 12-2 over Joseph Jameson. Sean Marsh, Northampton's 150 wrestler, also claimed a major decision, 17-7, over James Ball.

Gary Peart III earned Northampton another four points after a 25-12 major decision over Christopher Loren and Yellow Jacket Jaquan Johnson pinned Sebastian Collazo in 38 seconds to win the 170 weight class. The 182 winner was PJPT's James Hartzell, who topped Durell Robinson, 5-4.

Marvielon Holt of Northampton won his 190 match over Morgan Gallagher, 13-7. Richie O'Connell (PJPT) defeated Yellow Jacket Masen Ingram, 11-7; 285 was a forfeit to PJPT's Kiernan McNulty. Myles Lewis claimed victory for Northampton in the 106 weight class by a fall time of 1:15 over Justin Faught.

A double forfeit was the result for 113; Devon Johnson of Northampton grabbed the win in the 120 weight by pinning Daniel Rivas with a time of 1:17. Rounding out the match was a double forfeit at 126; a forfeit by Northampton in the 132 weight class and a loss, 10-4, for Yellow Jacket Cody Goller in the 138 matchup against Robert Michael Hocter.

Northampton faced four more teams in the Cape Henry duels; Indian River, Green Run, First Colonel and Cape Henry Collegiate.

Individual results for the remaining matches are as follows:

Indian River (INRI) 43, Northampton (NORT) 21

138: Isaiah Cornwell (INRI) over Cody Goller (NORT) (Fall 1:46)

145: Bryan Olsen (INRI) over Logan Farlow (NORT) (Fall 0:52)

152: Tyrion Smith (INRI) over Sean Marsh (NORT) (MD 12-3)

160: Gary Peart III (NORT) over Kareem Awad (INRI) (Dec 9-2)

170: Malik Smith (INRI) over Jaquan Johnson (NORT) (Dec 5-4)



Photo by Jennifer Ingram

Northampton's Jaquan Johnson pins Cape Henry's Jackson Kassir during the Cape Henry Duels Saturday at Cape Henry Collegiate.

182: Cameron Hunter (INRI) over Durell Robinson (NORT) (Fall 2:31)

195: Marvielon Holt (NORT) over Daren Sampson (INRI) (Fall 1:29)

220: Kyllar Holcombe (INRI) over Masen Ingram (NORT) (Fall 1:48)

285: Kani Crite (INRI) over (NORT) (For.)

106: Myles Lewis (NORT) over Diante Jackson (INRI) (Fall 0:45)

113: Double Forfeit

120: Denard Stephenson (INRI) over (NORT) (For.)

126: Devon Johnson (NORT) over Regan Smelkinson (INRI) (Fall 2:40)

132: Double Forfeit

Northampton (NORT) 40, Green Run (GRRU) 33

152: Sean Marsh (NORT) over Dylan Hausmann (GRRU) (MD 14-6)

160: Tanner Hughes (GRRU) over Gary Peart III (NORT) (Dec 7-4)

170: Jaquan Johnson (NORT) over Bryan Randle (GRRU) (Fall 0:15)

182: Durell Robinson (NORT) over Zachie Miran (GRRU) (Fall 1:28)

195: Marvielon Holt (NORT) over (GRRU) (For.)

220: Jonathan Parker (GRRU) over Masen Ingram (NORT) (Fall 0:33)

285: Peter Cortapasso (GRRU) over (NORT) (For.)

106: Double Forfeit

113: Myles Lewis (NORT) over Thomas Kelly (GRRU) (Fall 1:02)

120: Devon Johnson (NORT) over

Christopher Motley (GRRU) (Fall 2:14)

126: Logan Livas (GRRU) over (NORT) (For.)

132: Hunter Hughes (GRRU) over (NORT) (For.)

138: Kivahzi Bell (GRRU) over Cody Goller (NORT) (Fall 1:46)

145: Logan Farlow (NORT) over Sauleto West (GRRU) (Fall 0:35)

First Colonial (FICO) 78, Northampton (NORT) 0

106: Riley Parker (FICO) over Myles Lewis (NORT) (Fall 0:43)

113: Sam Lederman (FICO) over (NORT) (For.)

120: Preston Meyer (FICO) over Devon Johnson (NORT) (Fall 2:37)

126: George Miroulis (FICO) over (NORT) (For.)

132: Michael Cunningham (FICO) over (NORT) (For.)

138: Christshon Harris (FICO) over Cody Goller (NORT) (Fall 1:22)

145: Avery Byrum (FICO) over Logan Farlow (NORT) (Fall 0:57)

152: Edward Goenner (FICO) over Sean Marsh (NORT) (Fall 3:15)

160: Josh Kessler (FICO) over Gary Peart III (NORT) (Dec 5-0)

170: Seth Halman (FICO) over Jaquan Johnson (NORT) (Fall 1:46)

182: William McKeever (FICO) over Durell Robinson (NORT) (Dec 5-4)

195: Alek Schuyler (FICO) over Marvielon Holt (NORT) (Fall 0:45)

220: Reese Dean (FICO) over Masen

Ingram (NORT) (Fall 1:28)

285: Braeden Garrett (FICO) over (NORT) (For.)

Cape Henry Collegiate (CHC) 48, Northampton (NORT) 30

126: Tucker Bruner (CHC) over (NORT) (For.)

132: Colby Kassir (CHC) over (NORT) (For.)

138: Reece Fowler (CHC) over Cody Goller (NORT) (Fall 4:37)

145: Logan Farlow (NORT) over Stock Watson (CHC) (Fall 0:34)

152: Jordan Scott (CHC) over Sean Marsh (NORT) (Fall 1:33)

160: Gary Peart III (NORT) over Frank Zhu (CHC) (Fall 3:30)

170: Jaquan Johnson (NORT) over Jackson Kassir (CHC) (Fall 1:14)

182: Tommy Christianson (CHC) over Durell Robinson (NORT) (Fall 3:45)

195: Marvielon Holt (NORT) over Evan Gordon (CHC) (Fall 2:20)

220: Hunter Christianson (CHC) over Masen Ingram (NORT) (Fall 2:29)

285: Double Forfeit

106: Myles Lewis (NORT) over (CHC) (For.)

113: Brendan Hawley (CHC) over (NORT) (For.)

120: Luke Harvich (CHC) over Devon Johnson (NORT) (Fall 0:57)

Team leaders for the Yellow Jackets were Myles Lewis, who finished with a 4-1 record; Logan Farlow, Gary Peart III and Jaquan Johnson all went 3-2, as well as Devon Johnson, who made his wrestling tournament debut. This was also Marvielon Holt's first tournament; he finished the day with a 4-1 record and also earned the Pete McCoy's Coach's Award.

The team finished with 15 total pins; Jaquan Johnson had the fastest pin of the tournament at 15 seconds. Peart III finished second overall in individual points with 43 and Sean Marsh was third with 37 points.

Northampton traveled to Mathews High School Wednesday night to split a pair of matches, 1-1. The team topped Lancaster, 45-27 but fell to Mathews, 40-35.

The Yellow Jackets will host the Arcadia Firebirds and the Nandua Warriors for Grapple on the Gridiron on Saturday, at 1 p.m. in Eastville.

Eastern Shore Street Hockey League (ESSHL)

Senior League Game Results

Article Submitted by Michael Garbacz

Game 1: Penguins 0, Capitals 6

The day's games started off with a lopsided affair as the Penguins laid an egg and the Capitals cruised to an easy win. Caps goalie Dylan Harrington stopped all 11 shots he faced en route to the shutout victory. Captain Pat Trick and Preston Shover each had two goals and an assist in the game. Matt Yetter and Cliff Windsor picked up the other goals; Clara Schreffler chipped in an assist.

Game 2: Red Wings 1, Bruins 5

The trend of routs continued as the Bruins controlled play over the Wings, more than doubling their opponents' shots on goal and sailing to victory. The Smooth Criminal, Donnie Williams, had an uncharacteristically quiet game, putting up a single assist. Instead, it was T.R. Hoyt who led the way this game, scoring two goals and an assist for the three-point effort. Dustin Aigner added two goals; Zach Webb scored the remainder. Jason Johnson and Matt Ayres each picked up a helper. The Huntsman scored the lone goal for the Wings, assisted by Robby Parker.

Game 3: Predators 3, Capitals 2

Arguably the best game of the day,

this tilt featured two of this year's powerhouse teams going down to the wire. The shots were dead even at 17 apiece. It was an edge-of-your-seat game fit for the playoffs. In the end, the difference maker was an unbelievable no-look pass through traffic from El Presidente to an open Guy Shover in the dying minutes of the third period to seal the win for the Preds. Shover finished the game with two goals; Randy Stapleton scored a goal and the aforementioned assist. Keith Hagler and Dalton McDaniel added assists for the Preds. Preston Shover, not to be outdone by his old man, scored both of the Caps' goals. James Haley and the Pat Trick had the helpers.

Game 4: Penguins 1, Blues 2

In another close, well-fought game, the hard luck Penguins couldn't muster enough firepower to best goalie Mark Stapleton. On the other end, Pens goalie Guy Parks stopped 19 of 21 shots against to keep his team in it until the final buzzer. Julian Dedicatara and Danny Miller scored the goals for the Blues; Jennie Rice and Matt Sullivan picked up assists. Derek Hail spoiled the shutout bid for Mark Stapleton; Dead Dedicatara and Michael Garbacz had the helpers on the play.

Game 5: Red Wings 4, Avalanche 5

While still a close game, this tilt was

a real barnstormer compared to the previous two with eight total goals and a whopping 55 total shots between the teams. In fact, the Wings and Avs couldn't settle the contest in regulation and took the affair to a shootout, where Mr. Tease potted the only goal and took home all the marbles. In regulation play, Nate Metzger scored two goals, with Teasley and Garrett Baylis each scoring one for the Avs; Bryan Applegate and Dustin Palo each earned an assist. For the Wings, newcomer C.J. Jones scored a pair to say hello. Robby Parker also netted two; the Huntsman, Tayler Perks, Steve Sharo and Danny Tweedy collected the helpers.

Game 6: Predators 4, Bruins 2

In a very methodical, defensive-minded contest, it was the Preds who were able to break away from the Bruins with a two-goal third period and hold on for the win. The Preds' defense was able to stymie the Smooth Criminal and keep him off the board, no mean feat. Meanwhile, El Presidente enjoyed a three-point game with two goals and an assist for the Predators. Guy Shover scored the other two goals; Jesse West picked up an assist. Scott Millikin put up a goal and an assist for the Bruins; Dustin Aigner also scored a goal.

Game 7: Blues 2, Avalanche 8

The day's slate of games went out with a bang as the Avs unloaded on the Blues, peppering Mark Stapleton with 29 shots and circling the offensive zone like sharks. Mr. Tease netted himself a hat trick and was smiling like a butcher's dog. Seth Dize (three assists) and Nate Metzger (two goals, one assist) also helped themselves to a three-point game apiece. Garret Baylis scored two goals for the Avs; Dustin Palo had a goal and an assist; Zach Mills and Bryan Applegate each kicked in a pair of helpers. Joseph Cornwell and Danny Miller scored the Blues' goals; Cornwell also picked up an assist, as did Ray Johnson and Julian Dedicatara.

UPCOMING GAMES

Sunday, Dec. 18 -

Caps v. Red Wings @ 1 p.m.
Preds v. Avs @ 1:30 p.m.
Pens v. Red Wings @ 2 p.m.
Caps v. Bruins @ 2:30 p.m.
Preds v. Blues @ 3 p.m.
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~ Books ~ (Continued From Front Page)

internet, it went viral,” Wolff continued. “The worst thing that I can see ... we’ve been trying to do really positive things ... in one scoop the school board pulls our legs out from underneath.”

A statement was prepared before the vote was taken or the issue was discussed publicly. It was distributed to reporters, after the vote, outside the meeting place while the session continued. The statement was signed by Holland and Holden and distributed by Chief of Management and Operations Mike Tolbert, who referred questions to the other two.

“The parent, in the formal complaint, did not ask that the books be banned,” Holland said in the statement. “She asked that a larger selection of diverse reading materials be included in curricula.” Holland said he supports that.

So why were the books withheld if the parent was not asking for them to be removed?

Chairman Ronnie Holden defended both the board and Holland. He contended Holland did what the rules said he should

have done according to the policy. Of the board, he explained, members hadn’t met since a formal complaint was made.

“The process that we must follow does not move as fast as the news,” Holden said. “We appreciate the passions surrounding this issues.”

“The superintendent simply followed the existing policy when the materials were removed,” Holden said. “The school board chose to return the books at the first opportunity after the formal complaint was made.”

In the prepared statement, Holden said, “A new policy would give the superintendent discretion to keep challenged books on library shelves while they are reviewed.”

“These novels are treasures of American literature and inspirational, timeless stories of conscience and bravery,” Holden was quoted saying in the statement. “We agree that some the language used (in the two books) is offensive and hurtful. Fortunately, Accomack County’s excellent teachers and media center specialists

have a wonderful talent for conveying the bigger meanings and messages of literature, including these two seminal works.”

“Having a greater diversity of reading materials also was a recommendation of a committee, which included school leadership and the parent,” the statement continued. The committee met at Nandua High after the complaint was filed. “While the committee was formed to weigh the appropriateness of the novels and make a recommendation to the superintendent, the school board itself made the final decision to reinstate the books,” the prepared message stated.

On Nov. 15, the parent, Marie Rothstein-Williams, asked the board to consider choosing different literature for studies in an effort to be more sensitive to all races and cultures.

“I keep hearing ‘this is a classic,’ ‘this is a classic.’ I understand this,” she continued, saying from the start, “he has wonderful teachers ... But, at some point the children will not or do not get the literature part ... there are so many racial slurs in there.” She said, “There is other literature they can use.”

The N-word is used 48 times in Lee’s book. Twain used it 219 times.

“We’re validating that these words are acceptable,” the mother said. “I do have information how it psychologically and physically can affect children ... my son can walk outside and be called those names. We don’t need it in the classroom. I think we need to have more cultural sensitivity.”

“He is the best of both worlds,” she continued. “I do not want him to feel otherwise. It’s not even the black and white thing ... we are a nation divided ... I’m trying to give you a solution,” she said, later adding. “I would gladly be on the committee, donate books ... this is our future ... I am white. I don’t necessarily know what it is like to walk in my son’s shoes.”

Some school activists are linking this issue to a problem with students crossing division and school district lines to illegally attend school. They contend that Rothstein-Williams, who lives in Northampton, should not have a say in the Accomack curriculum. Others say a parent should have the right to complain without feeling they are the bad guy.



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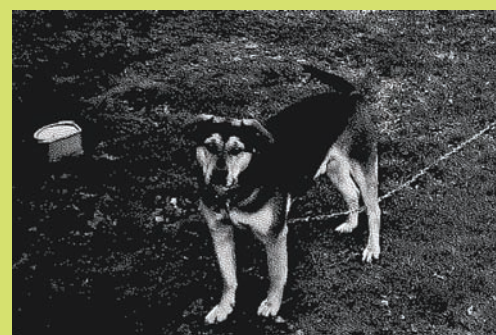


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A handsome, nice, kind, lovable dog named Tom passed away Sunday, December 4, 2016. Tom will be sadly missed by his responsible owners Sandra Wharton Williams and Jimmie Williams, his uncle Keith Wharton, his furry sisters and brothers, his best friends Preschelle Nelson, Dexter Dix and all of his other friends, Tom will be joining his friends and furry siblings, Spanky, Little Smokey, Ginger, Joe, Peppi, T-Bone and his favorite sister, Jerri, in heaven. It will be Tom and Jerri again.

Thank you his first vet, Barrett Betz, DVM, Russell K. Bailey, DVM, and staff of Greenbush Vet Clinic and Tyler Nickel, DVM, for being very kind to Tom.

Rest in Peace, Tom.

CHINCOTEAGUE PROVIDES INSPIRATION FOR NOVICE AND SEASONED AUTHORS

By Linda Cicaira

Two books featuring Chincoteague Island are being planned.

Veteran teacher Debra Lewis, a 5th grade instructor at Chincoteague Elementary School, told the Accomack School Board Tuesday that she is hoping to compile the written works of her students, who interviewed various local folks, finding the answers to historical questions about local communities.

Lewis reported that Supervisor Billy Joe Tarr was involved in the process as he has been a guest reader for the past three years. "I learned a lot from him," Lewis said.

The Chincoteague Island Museum also assisted. Eighteen of Lewis' students made videos about what they learned that will be shown soon at the museum. But she wants to do a written work to include all of the kids.

Evelyn Shotwell of the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce told the

town council about another endeavor. Author Bob Adamov of Ohio has been studying the area and gathering information for a mystery novel entitled, "Chincoteague Calm."

According to www.amazon.com, Adamov usually writes stories set at a Lake Erie resort and follows the adventures of Washington Post investigative reporter, Emerson Moore.

Adamov was the 2006 featured author at the Ernest Hemingway Days' Literary Festival in Florida and

named 2010 Writer of the Year by the University of Akron's Wayne College. His first novel, "Rainbow's End," was a finalist for the 2003 Great Lakes Book Award. He has won awards at the Hollywood Book Festival, London Book Festival, New York Book Festival, Great Midwest Book Festival and the Indie Awards.

Shotwell said the chamber has been helping Adamov work the NA-SA angle and she has been answering any questions he has about the area.

Chincoteague Clarifies Height Restrictions

By Linda Cicaira

Chincoteague's town council made adjustments to its building ordinance Monday in a 3-1 vote as members strived to clarify height limits.

Main structures cannot be any higher than 36 feet while accessory structures are limited to 25 feet.

Councilman Jim Frese, who voted against the move, was concerned that change would expand the ordinance. Vice Mayor Denise Bowden, Eddie

Lewis and Gene Wayne Taylor voted in favor of the clarification. Councilwoman Ellen Richardson was absent. Councilman Ben Ellis resigned just before the issue came up. (See story on Page 4)

Citizens were concerned about the height restrictions because of a proposed plan to build a water park at the former Maddox Campground. One couple went to Ocean City and took pictures of the facility there which is 45 feet tall.



Photo Linda Cicaira

Laura Flanningam and Paul Brzozowski, of Main Street on the island, speak out against the proposed water park comparing it to one in Ocean City owned by the same developer.



Photos by Linda Cicaira

Changing of the Guard

Chincoteague Mayor Arthur Leonard recognizes Harbormaster Wayne Merritt, an island native who lives in Parksley, who is retiring after working for the town for 11 years. In the lower two photos, new Harbormaster Vernon Merritt is pointed out to the audience at the session.

NO BOARDWALK, BUT EXMORE HAS ITS VERY OWN PARK PLACE

By Ron West

In the board game Monopoly, players seek to own Boardwalk and Park Place. While Exmore does not have a Boardwalk, it does have a Park Place of which to be proud.

The town continues adding amenities for those who visit Exmore. At a council session held this week, Town Manager Robert Duer noted that the new multi-purpose building at the park is nearly completed. A stage is being erected and will offer a variety of uses.

Park benches were funded by the Exmore Rotary. At the session, a check was presented for the cost by Club President Leah Fisher.

Duer noted the council needs to develop policies for park use by organizations. He also advised the panel to make a plan for a dedication and ribbon cutting event.

Jane Cabarrus has asked to use the park June 15 and 16 for the annual Juneteenth celebration. The event was begun after the War Between the States as a celebration to commemorate the end of

slavery. Duer added, it is a family oriented educational event and that would bring as many as 400 visitors to the area. The Council endorsed the celebration.

Public Utilities Director Taylor Dukes reported well and sewer projects continued to move forward. Both will likely go to bid in early 2017.

Affordable Housing Subject of Northampton Discussions

By Ron West

The shortage of affordable housing was discussed Tuesday by the Northampton Planning Commission.

Data from the county's comprehensive plan shows a deficiency in rentals, due in part, to houses being used as short-term rentals. The recent trend of owners listing their homes, rooms, or apartments with the Air B&B network resulted in a limited number of residential spaces for those who need long-term living arrangements.

Chairman Jacqueline Chatmon said the county is often short-changed be-

cause food and occupancy taxes are not always collected. The board of supervisors is seeking ways to address the issue.

Two public hearings for special use permits were held.

The first was a request by Shelton and Jennifer Alley to erect a communications tower in Seaview. Shelton

Alley said the tower was needed to improve wireless internet access and cell phone reception at his residence. The tower would also have a GPS antenna, which could be used by farmers who rent his land. The location of the proposed antenna would be on a 17-acre agricultural parcel and would not be used by commercial communications carriers. No one else spoke. The commission voted to forward it to the board of supervisors. Commissioner Kay Downing abstained because the applicant discussed the tower at her husband's business. Commissioners Dave Farber and Dixon Leatherbury were absent.

A second hearing was held regarding Wesley Freeman's request to put a single-wide mobile home on Sylvan Scene Drive near Machipongo. Freeman said he would move the unit there from Cheriton. No one from the public addressed the request. Downing said the site has 13 single-wide mobile homes nearby so issues should not arise.

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police vehicle. Councilman Chase Sturgis suggested waiting until the budget is approved in the spring. The others agreed.

Town offices will be closed for the holidays on Dec. 22, 23, 26 and 30 and Jan. 2. The next council meeting was slated for Jan. 9. A public hearing will be held that night at 6:30.

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Seaside	Assateague Beach	H 3:35 p.m. L 9:44 a.m.	H 4:33 p.m. L 10:47 a.m.	H 5:10 a.m. L 11:48 a.m.	H 6:04 a.m. L 12:45 p.m.	H 6:58 a.m. L 1:40 p.m.	H 7:51 a.m. L 2:32 p.m.	H 8:43 a.m. L 3:24 p.m.						
	Chinco Channel	H 3:39 p.m. L 9:43 a.m.	H 4:37 p.m. L 10:46 a.m.	H 5:14 a.m. L 11:47 a.m.	H 6:08 a.m. L 12:44 p.m.	H 7:02 a.m. L 1:39 p.m.	H 7:55 a.m. L 2:31 p.m.	H 8:47 a.m. L 3:23 p.m.						
	Gargathy Neck	H 4:31 p.m. L 10:23 a.m.	H 5:10 a.m. L 11:26 a.m.	H 6:06 a.m. L 12:27 p.m.	H 7:00 a.m. L 1:24 p.m.	H 7:54 a.m. L 2:19 p.m.	H 8:47 a.m. L 3:11 p.m.	H 9:39 a.m. L 4:03 p.m.						
	Folly Creek	H 4:24 p.m. L 10:08 a.m.	H 5:03 a.m. L 11:11 a.m.	H 5:59 a.m. L 12:12 p.m.	H 6:53 a.m. L 1:09 p.m.	H 7:47 a.m. L 2:04 p.m.	H 8:40 a.m. L 2:56 p.m.	H 9:32 a.m. L 3:48 p.m.						
	Wachapreague	H 4:10 p.m. L 9:52 a.m.	H 5:08 p.m. L 10:55 a.m.	H 5:45 a.m. L 11:56 a.m.	H 6:39 a.m. L 12:53 p.m.	H 7:33 a.m. L 1:48 p.m.	H 8:26 a.m. L 2:40 p.m.	H 9:18 a.m. L 3:32 p.m.						
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Bayside	Machipongo	H 4:05 p.m. L 9:52 a.m.	H 5:03 p.m. L 10:55 a.m.	H 5:40 a.m. L 11:56 a.m.	H 6:34 a.m. L 12:53 p.m.	H 7:28 a.m. L 1:48 p.m.	H 8:21 a.m. L 2:40 p.m.	H 9:13 a.m. L 3:32 p.m.						
	Tangier Sound Light	H 7:18 a.m. L 1:53 p.m.	H 8:20 a.m. L 2:57 p.m.	H 9:20 a.m. L 3:57 p.m.	H 10:16 a.m. L 4:53 p.m.	H 11:10 a.m. L 5:48 p.m.	H 12:03 p.m. L 5:48 a.m.	H 12:54 p.m. L 6:41 a.m.						
	Muddy Creek	H 7:34 a.m. L 2:28 p.m.	H 8:36 a.m. L 3:32 p.m.	H 9:36 a.m. L 4:32 p.m.	H 10:32 a.m. L 5:28 p.m.	H 11:26 a.m. L 5:30 a.m.	H 12:19 p.m. L 6:23 a.m.	H 1:10 p.m. L 7:16 a.m.						
	Guard Shore	H 7:26 a.m. L 2:24 p.m.	H 8:28 a.m. L 3:28 p.m.	H 9:28 a.m. L 4:28 p.m.	H 10:24 a.m. L 5:24 p.m.	H 11:18 a.m. L 6:19 p.m.	H 12:11 p.m. L 6:19 a.m.	H 1:02 p.m. L 7:12 a.m.						
	Chescon. Creek	H 7:01 a.m. L 1:36 p.m.	H 8:03 a.m. L 2:40 p.m.	H 9:03 a.m. L 3:40 p.m.	H 9:59 a.m. L 4:36 p.m.	H 10:53 a.m. L 5:31 p.m.	H 11:46 a.m. L 5:31 a.m.	H 12:37 p.m. L 6:24 a.m.						
	Onancock Creek	H 7:15 a.m. L 1:56 p.m.	H 8:17 a.m. L 3:00 p.m.	H 9:17 a.m. L 4:00 p.m.	H 10:13 a.m. L 4:56 p.m.	H 11:07 a.m. L 5:51 p.m.	H 12:00 p.m. L 5:51 a.m.	H 12:51 p.m. L 6:44 a.m.						
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by Linda Thistle

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Super Crossword

AS THE SAVING GOES ...

ACROSS

- 1 Capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 9 Super deals
- 15 Stage back-drop
- 20 Aired in installments
- 21 Martial arts instructor
- 22 City near Dallas
- 23 Focus applied when covering a surface with concrete?
- 25 Styx setting
- 26 Ill, to Italians
- 27 Jai —
- 28 Solo in sci-fi
- 29 Hanker for
- 30 Prefix for tax or charge
- 32 College between two hills?
- 36 Suggest
- 39 Puts forward as fact
- 40 Bakery decorator
- 41 Try to be like
- 43 "Pinball Wizard" band
- 46 Shrek is one
- 50 Great review from the wife of George Washington?

- 53 Scandianavian king's lubricant?
- 56 Certain iPad
- 57 German coin
- 58 Harvest yield
- 60 Crooner Vic
- 61 Tailor, e.g.
- 63 Cut, as a 58-Across
- 65 Hitter Gehrig
- 66 Cause trouble to
- 67 Question to an animal doc at an amusement park?
- 71 Star, e.g.
- 73 "Illmatic" rapper
- 74 Drop-leaf table
- 75 Chief city of the Ruhr
- 78 Butlers
- 80 Ruby and scarlet
- 81 See 31-Down
- 83 Crooner Perry
- 84 Caesar's hail to a mariner?
- 86 Buck that's toiling away?
- 88 Enumeration
- 89 Loafer liner
- 92 Grand Slam tennis events

- 93 Completely engrossed
- 96 President before Bush
- 99 — lance (pit viper variety)
- 100 Seamstress who was Adam's mate?
- 105 Downed
- 106 Italian cry at a dinner table
- 107 Canon — (camera line)
- 108 Caspian Sea feeder
- 110 "Attack, mutt!"
- 113 Not as young
- 114 Tennis great Rod who keeps every-one safe?
- 119 Pixar figures
- 120 "In this way"
- 121 1970s-90s carrier to Lima
- 122 Collagist Max
- 123 Positive responses
- 124 Eased up on

- 4 "— already said ..."
- 5 Actor Voight
- 6 First name of Poe
- 7 Perfumery bottle
- 8 6x9-inch book size
- 9 One-eighty from NNW
- 10 "X" amount
- 11 Psych up
- 12 Like a Thai
- 13 Téa on TV
- 14 Moral error
- 15 Ball
- 16 School unit
- 17 Arm bones
- 18 Nonreactive
- 19 Amble along
- 24 Aunts, in Baja
- 29 Month after Nov.
- 30 More briny
- 31 With 81-Across, Beehive State NCAA team
- 33 Lo-fat
- 34 Suffix of ordinals
- 35 Cello forerunner
- 36 "Byzantium" actress
- 37 AOL letter
- 38 Hip-hop DJ's equipment
- 39 Scrutinizes

- 42 — kwon do (martial art)
- 44 Carpenter's adhesive
- 45 Clued in
- 47 Is a little too proud of
- 48 Queen in a sari
- 49 Stunt master Knievel
- 51 Boot part
- 52 Sailors, say
- 54 Take too much of, for short
- 55 Member of an early-1900s art movement
- 58 Debt memos
- 59 Director Clair
- 62 "— Cop" (1988 film)
- 64 Commercial on the tube
- 65 Olympic sled course
- 68 "How — to know?"
- 69 Celebration
- 70 Jailbreaker
- 71 Indy path
- 72 Shankar on the sitar
- 76 Edit, as text
- 77 Scandianavian
- 79 Hormones in some replacement therapies

- 80 Harry Potter pal Weasley
- 82 Draft inits.
- 85 Its cap. is Vilnius
- 86 Kaput
- 87 Toss high up
- 90 Brother of Iphigenia
- 91 Director Ang
- 94 Something novel
- 95 Sch. org.
- 97 Supply that's too abundant
- 98 Operating skyward
- 100 Theatricalize
- 101 Courage
- 102 Finish with
- 103 Weird
- 104 Out-of-the-way corners
- 105 Bygone Olds
- 109 Bygone Chevy
- 110 Swedish film shooter
- 111 French noun suffix
- 112 Gunky stuff
- 114 Use skillfully
- 115 Ending for Brooklyn
- 116 Abbr. in trig
- 117 Part of L.A.
- 118 Lemur cousin

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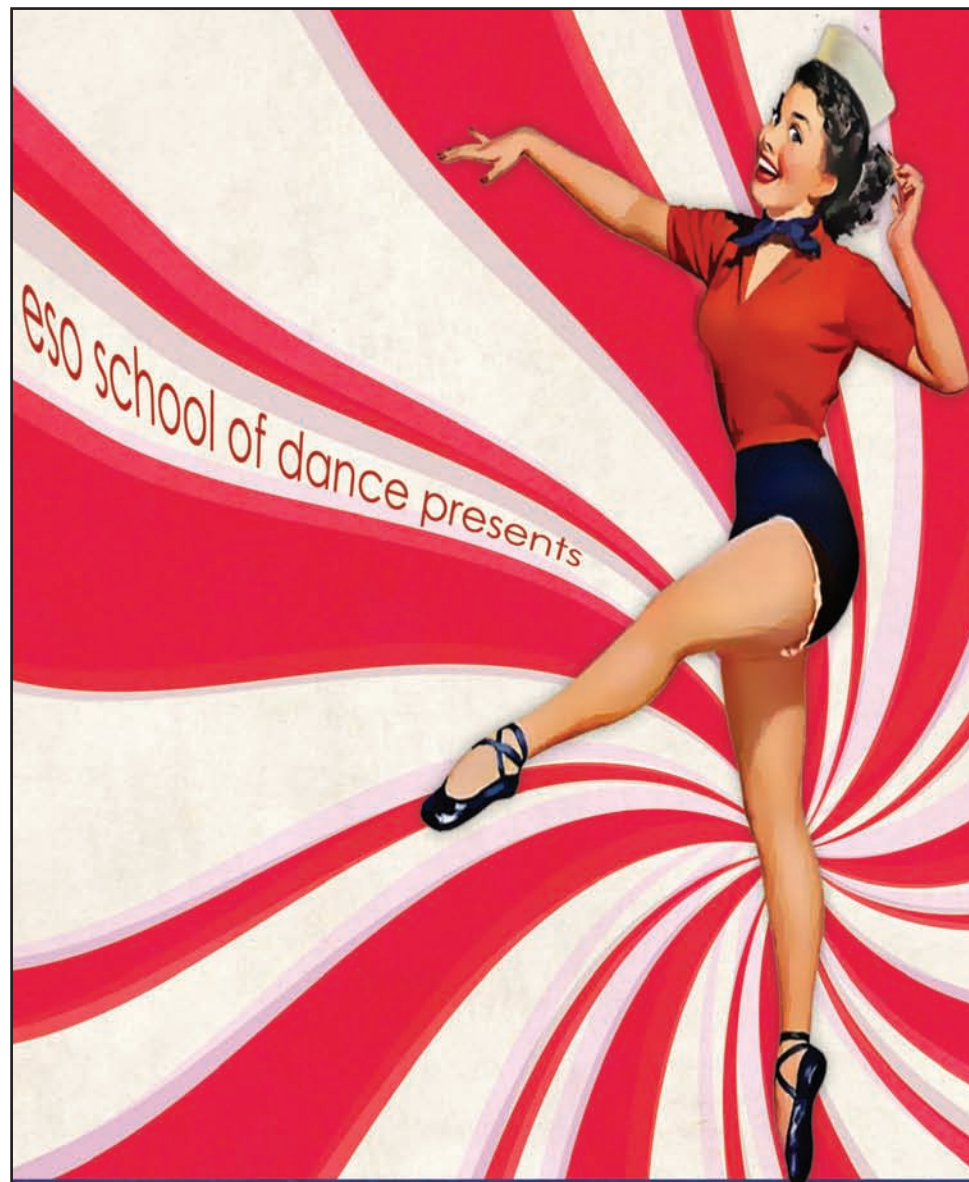
Broadwater BETA Students are Alpha Volunteers



Submitted Photos

Broadwater Academy Junior Beta Club members from grades 6 and 7 helped out Nov. 16 at the Exmore Soup Kitchen. The club organized a canned food drive and held a bake sale to raise \$245.50 that provided enough funds and food to serve 291 meals for a special Thanksgiving lunch for the community.

In the top photo James Thomas Applegate, Jillian Spence, Elizabeth Price help serve lunch. Below, Laura Flournoy, Program leader Jerry West, students Ronnie Guinan, Sylvie Leshen, James Thomas Applegate, Jillian Spence, Michelle Eno and Elizabeth Price, community volunteer Megan Rose-Jensen, and two other unidentified individuals.



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Lions in the Garden

The Cape Charles Lions Club donated four rocking chairs on Nov. 23 to Heritage Hall for use in its new room Eden Gardens. Pictured below with two of the four chairs are Lions Terry Kolet, Claudia Conroy, Vince Conroy and Karen Kolet. Lion Ron Crumb donated the chairs to the Club in honor of his mother.

Mystery Relic from History on The Eastern Shore

Terry Swain Harrison of Onancock gave this item to Fitz Godwin who then brought it to the Post. It is very old and is made of bent wood with a metal latch that holds when tension pulls the loop end. An adult large foot can easily slide in and out without being caught. We are hoping someone can tell us what this is. If anyone knows or would like to try to guess what this is and what it was used for, send your answer or guess to editor@easternshorepost.com. Use the subject line "Mystery Relic." The mystery, if solved, will be printed in a later edition.



6 inches from latch to inside of the curve and 3.5 inches inside width of curve.

Community Fire Company, Inc. (Station 13) 2016

"Santa on the Exmore Fire-Engine"

Santa will be escorted by the fire department for several nights before Christmas visiting streets in the Town of Exmore (and some areas just outside of Exmore). Santa Claus will walk in front of the fire-engine with kids/families coming to see Santa Claus. Kids (with their parents) are asked to come out to visit with Santa as he is visiting your neighborhood; each night starts at 6PM.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE SCHEDULE FOR EACH NIGHT - ONLY PRIMARY STREETS IN EACH AREA ARE LISTED TO PROVIDE A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF AREAS BEING COVERED EACH NIGHT.

Monday, December 12th - North of Occohannock Road, including - Madison Street - Jefferson Street - Washington Street and East of Main Street, including - Lincoln Avenue - Crown Avenue - Grayson Ave - Houston Street - Tower Road - Belle Haven Road - Main Street

Tuesday, December 13th - South of Occohannock Road and West of Main Street, including, Jackson Avenue - Roosevelt Avenue - Popular Avenue - Adron Street -Main Street

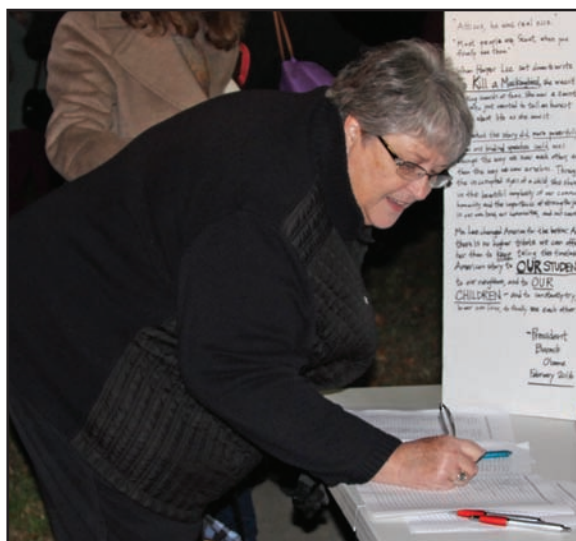
Wednesday, December 14th - Virginia Street - Myrtle Street - Willis Wharf Road (to Seaside Road) - Rue Court - Thurgood Marshall Road - Harriet Tubman Drive - Madame C J Walker Lane - Occohannock Neck Road (near town limits) - Broadwater Road

Thursday, December 15th - Willis Warf Community, Seaside Road, Ballard Road, Hog Island Lane, Oakland Drive

Friday, December 16th is a make-up night (if needed for weather and/or fire incidents occurring during other nights)

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Photos by Linda Cicaira

Rally for Reading the Classics

A the Dec. 2 rally against removing “To Kill a Mockingbird” and “The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn” from Accomack County Public School classrooms and libraries drew about 60 people to the courthouse green on a chilly Friday night.

Photos: the group listens to speakers Kentoya Downing-Garcia and Connie Burford (top); Nandua High School student Sadye Saunders with the petition she started to get the books put back in schools (right). She said she was kept from continuing to get signatures at her school by Principal George Parker under orders from Superintendent Chris Holland, but she had no trouble garnering additional signatures at the rally; (bottom left) Laura Mackie and her daughter, Noelle, voice their disapproval for book banning by signing a petition; (bottom middle) Accomack Treasurer Dana Bundick was among those signing the student’s petition.

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Photo by Jim Granger



Photo by Jim Holloway



Photos above by Linda Cicoira

Cape Charles Christmas Parade

The Cape Charles lighted golf cart parade drew participants and on-lookers to downtown Cape Charles Dec. 3

Photos, beginning above left and moving clockwise: The decorated nautical-themed cart of parade organizers Jenny Jackson and her husband Bobby Laird; Mrs. Claus hands Santa a candy cane for Cape Charles Police Chief Jim Pruitt; some of the parade participants; and the winning cart belonging to Austin, Megan, and family (last names not available at press time).



Photo by Laura Davis

Chincoteague held their tree lighting and parade last Saturday ... by the sea.



Photo by Jonny Stevenson

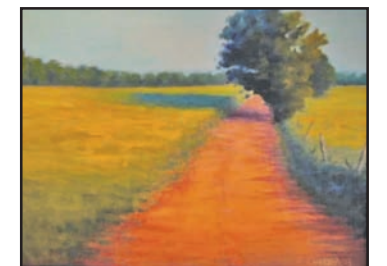
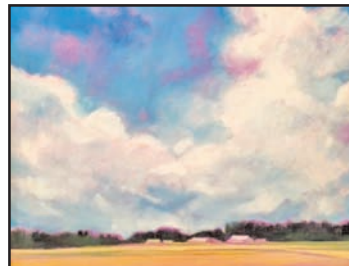
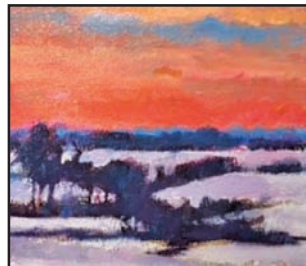
Eastville is a little brighter after the lighting of the town tree, and his smaller 6-ft. cousin.



**Winter Season Christmas Sale -
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TOWN OF MELFA NOTICE OF MEETINGS AND JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Va. Code §15.2-2204, notice is hereby given that the Town of Melfa Town Council, during its December monthly meeting which has been rescheduled as provided below, and the Town of Painter Planning Commission, during a special meeting of such Commission, will hold a joint public hearing on the matters specified below on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at the Melfa Town Hall, at 19539 Main Street, Melfa, VA 23410.

For purposes of this notice, the meetings announced herein, and the joint public hearings, the terms “Owners” or “Applicants” will be deemed to refer to “Richard B. Bradford and Carla J. Bradford.” For similar purposes, the term “Affected Parcels” will be deemed to refer to Accomack County Tax Map Parcels “102B01300000100 (Lot 1), 102B01300000200 (Lot 2), 102B01300000900 (Lot 9), 102B01300001000 (Lot 10), 102B01300001100 (Lot 11), and 102B01300001200 (Lot 12).”

The matters to be considered at the public hearing are:

(1) The town bodies will receive public comment regarding a proposal from John P. Custis, Attorney, as Agent for Owners, for town approval, pursuant to the Melfa Subdivision Ordinance and a deed and plat to be recorded pursuant to Va. Code §15.2-2275, to, contingent upon approval of certain other proposals described herein, consolidate the Affected Parcels, with the new consolidated parcel containing the former Affected Parcels to be designated as “Lot 1A,” containing a total of 1.858 acres. If approved, this proposal would vacate the separate interior lot lines separating the former Affected Parcels on plats recorded in the Clerk’s Office for the Circuit Court of Accomack County in Plat Book 3, Page 42, in Plat Book 6, Page 84, and would further vacate such interior lot lines as were also previously shown for the Affected Parcels on a certain plat attached to the deed recorded by the Owners in the afore said Clerk’s Office as Instrument #201403724.

(2a.) The town bodies will receive public comment regarding a proposal from the aforesaid Agent for Owners, contingent upon approval of certain other proposals described herein, to amend the future use map of the Melfa Town Plan to change the future use of current Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12 from “Residential” to “Commercial.” In the current Town Plan, the future use of current Lots 1 and 2 is already “Commercial.” If Proposals (1) and (2a) are approved, the amended Town Plan would designate the future use of all of the consolidated Lot 1A as “Commercial.”

(2b.) The town bodies will receive public comment regarding the following possible alternative to the Owners’ proposal (2a.). In its Resolution of Referral of these matters to the Planning Commission, the Town Council, without, at that time, expressing any predetermination by Town Council as to whether the proposals by the Owners should be approved, modified, or disapproved, asked the Planning Commission to study, the possibility of amending the future use map of the Melfa Town Plan to change the future use of current Lots 1 and 2 to “Residential” from “Commercial.” If Proposals (1) and (2b) are approved, the amended Town Plan would designate the future use of all of the consolidated Lot 1A as “Residential.”

(3a.) The town bodies will receive public comment regarding a proposal from the aforesaid Agent for Owners, contingent upon approval of Proposals (1) and (2a.) to amend the zoning ordinance to rezone current Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12 from “Residential, Mixed(R-2)” to “Commercial, Highway (C-H).” In the current zoning ordinance, Lots 1 and 2 are already in the C-H district. If Proposals (1), (2a), and (3a) are approved, all of the consolidated Lot 1A would be in the C-H district for purposes of the zoning ordinance.

(3b.) The town bodies will receive public comment regarding the following possible alternative to the Owners’ proposal (3a.). In its Resolution of Referral of these matters to the Planning Commission, the Town Council, without, at that time, expressing any predetermination by Town Council as to whether the proposals by the Owners should be approved, modified, or disapproved, asked the Planning Commission to study, the possibility of amending the zoning ordinance to rezone current Lots 1 and 2 from the C-H district to the R-2 district. If Proposals (1), (2b), and (3b) are approved, all of the consolidated Lot 1A would be in the R-2 district for purposes of the zoning ordinance.

The Owners have recorded an initial conceptual plan for Lot 1A, which is available for public inspection in the aforesaid Circuit Court Clerk’s Office as the plat attached to the deed recorded there as Instrument # 201403724. In their proposals to the Town, the Owners have amended their initial conceptual plan by adding Lot 9 to the consolidated Lot 1A. In their proposals, the Owners have indicated an intent, if their proposals or alternatives acceptable to them are approved by the town, to apply to the zoning administrator for a permit to initiate use of the consolidated Lot 1A as a church facility. The zoning administrator is enabled by the current zoning ordinance, following the approvals by Town Council which are the subject of the current proceedings, to issue such a permit, upon payment of the fee required by law, for new use of church facilities in either the C-H district or the R-2 district, provided that all requirements of the zoning ordinance (including setbacks, sideyard requirements, adequate off-street parking, etc.), the subdivision ordinance, and other applicable laws have been met.

The public may inspect the Owners’ proposals and the alternatives suggested for study by Town Council at the Town Hall prior to the public hearing.

Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission may provide its recommendations to the Town Council, and the Town Council may act upon the proposals and recommendations without further notice.

Apparent Fire Trap Yields Fire Treasures From Long Ago

Story and Photos by Ron West

Attics are amazing places to visit.

Newer homes may not have one, or if they do, they might not have had time to collect household castoffs. Older commercial and industrial buildings, especially in rural areas like the Eastern Shore, can be packed with valuables.

In Cheriton, a building being repurposed by a local business in early November had an attic full of forgotten castoffs. Tucked away behind the post office, the original structure that housed Cheriton Volunteer Fire Department was what many considered just another deteriorating building of little value.

Neighboring businessman, Barry Downing, a long time member of Cheriton Fire Department, needed space to expand his business and began to disassemble the old structure in an effort to make use of as much of it as possible.

In the process of removing the interior of the structure, Downing discovered what are now considered hidden treasures. Among the items were musical instruments that had once been used by Cheriton and Cape Charles fire departments when each had a marching band.

A set of drums and symbols, and an ancient leather fireman's helmet saw daylight for the first time in 50 years. When or how the items made it to the attic is a mystery.

An attempt to solve the mystery led to an interview with one of the three remaining original members of Cheriton Fire Department, Lawrence West (no relation to this reporter).

West said the department was organized in 1949. Rudy Costin donated an unheated building to Cheriton Fire Department to provide a place to store the department's truck. That truck was a 1928 open cab unit had been obtained from Eastville Fire Department for the whopping \$500. By today's standards, the truck, with its 250-gallon-per-minute pump and small 465-gallon tank would likely be considered of little use, but to the fledging department



West

and its two-dozen members, it was a frontline piece of equipment. Like most of the members, West, who was only 18 at the time, worked at one of the local businesses in the town.

Half a century ago, there was no 911 system. When someone called for help, the phone operator in Cape Charles would alert the mem-

bers, who would then respond to the call for assistance. When the call came in, the members would drop what they were doing, don their turnout gear, and become first responders until the emergency was over, much like the minutemen of colonial America.

West related a tale of one of the earliest fires the department went to on a cold winter day. When the truck

arrived, the water had frozen in the pump and it could not provide water for the fire. Unbeknown to the members on the call, a bit of horse trading was underway in town, whereby a coal burning stove was obtained, and was in place in the firehouse so that when the truck returned to town, there was a way to thaw it out.

According to West, some of the more industrious members "paid a visit" to a few neighbors' homes and "appropriated" a supply of coal for the department.

In the early 1950s, West took a leave of absence from firefighting (at least in Cheriton) to serve his country in the US Coast Guard. He was assigned to the fire department at the Cape May training center. Following his discharge, West returned to Cheriton where he eventually took over his father's grocery store and trucking business. A job he held until he retired, and was able to devote more time (if that were possible) to Cheriton Fire Department.

By the late 1950s, the small department had obtained additional equipment and was in need of a more suitable structure. At that point, the old building was



Recently found attic treasures related to the Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company's early history. At left, drums dating from when the company had a marching band, and right, a company photo from the mid 20th century.

sold to Hopkins Chevrolet, which operated across the street from the old fire-house. A new building was found in town, and with an addition, was able to house up to four pieces of equipment. It was at this point that the musical equipment appears to have been left to gather dust in the attic of the old building.

The second building would serve the department until early in the twenty-first century when the present fire station was built on what had been the site of the old Cheriton High School (and later elementary school).

While West provided a plausible story, the mystery of just how and when the old items were hidden in the attic remains just that — but their futures will be a bit brighter. The instruments will be returned to Cape Charles Fire Department and the old leather helmet will be displayed in the Cheriton Fire Station. As for West, who lives a stone's throw from the new fire station, he will continue to keep a watchful eye on the department of which he has been a member of for 69 years.

Those of us with attics might be going up the stairs soon, to see what could be hidden there, just waiting to be discovered.

LITERACY COUNCIL CELEBRATES NEW DIRECTOR, 30TH YEAR

The Eastern Shore Literacy Council, which has provided free tutoring to adult residents of the Shore for 30 years, is pleased to announce the appointment of Carletha Ayres as its new Executive Director.

Ayres is an Eastern Shore native, and the daughter of Carolyn and Leo Ayres Sr. of Painter. She is a 2000 graduate of Nandua High School and obtained a Certificate as an administrative assistant from the Eastern Shore Community College, an Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice from ECPI University, in Virginia Beach, and a Bachelor's Degree in Business from Regent University, also in Virginia Beach.

Ayres is the proud mother of three sons, all of whom attend Nandua Middle School, and she is the co-owner of the Colonsville Art Gallery located in Melfa.

She has worked in many public service offices on the Eastern Shore including the Accomack County Public Schools, the Accomack and Northampton County courts, and most recently as the supervisor and case manager for the satellite office of the Chesapeake Bay Alcohol Safety Action Program and Court Community

Corrections Program.

"What I love most about public service, is it's an amazing way to give back to your community," Ayres commented. "We all have greatness inside but sometimes just need a little help seeing the greater and better version of ourselves," she said. "The Eastern Shore Literacy Council has amazing tutors, teachers, and child care attendants that volunteer and give of their time. ... (making) it possible for adult learners of all nationalities to have the ability to learn to read, write and speak English for the past 30 years on the Eastern Shore."

"I am honored and excited to be chosen for this position and look forward to help-

ing to enhance, set, and execute the goals and objectives of this organization."

Betty Mariner, president of the board, stated, "We are very fortunate to have Carletha join us. She has a unique spirit and has many new ideas for helping us make our 31st year one to remember."



Submitted Photo
Carletha Ayres, new executive director of the Eastern Shore Literacy Council, pictured with her sons (l) Leo Ayres III, Dahleal Harmon, and Derrick Harmon Jr.

"Satisfaction" Will Reign at CIAO New Year's

The Chincoteague Island Arts Organization (CIAO) will present the holiday event that has become an island tradition. The annual New Year's Eve concert at the Island Theatre will kick off at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 31, 2016. Say farewell to 2016 with music and dancing then head across the street to welcome in 2017 with Chincoteague's

own Horseshoe Drop at midnight.

This year's concert features Satisfaction: The International Rolling Stones Show. Performing up to 150 shows a year, this highly acclaimed production showcases the most authentic cast and costuming of its kind. The band brings a colorful performance to more than 50 years of classic hits. They have been featured in Rolling Stone Magazine, Showbiz Magazine, Las Vegas Today, CBS Sunday Morning, hundreds of national newspapers and magazines as well as television and radio shows as the world's greatest show honoring the Rolling Stones and their legacy. The cast now has three successful projects including "A Symphony For The Devil" and their latest project "Gimme Abbey."

Tickets are \$30 each. Credit card purchases may be made online at www.ciarts.org or in person (cash or checks only) at H&H Pharmacy and Sundial Books.

The Island Theatre is located at 4074 Main St., in historic downtown Chincoteague.



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A Symbol of Safety Illuminates and Honors the Past

By Ron West

Lighthouses have guided mariners home from the sea for thousands of years, dating to the period when the early Greek and Roman seamen ventured seaward. Their beacons, casting their rays of light, marked the end of their voyage and knowledge that they were safely home.

On Dec. 2, a reminder of the importance of this symbol of safety was erected in place as part of a Waterman's Memorial. While not a lighthouse in the truest since of the definition, it is a reminder of the importance that these structures play to those who ply the waters of the Eastern Shore.

The structure is the centerpiece of a memorial to those who have ventured out to sea to make a living, but failed to safely return. Likewise, it will honor the brave men and women of the U.S. Life Saving Service stations along the Eastern Shore's barrier islands (the predecessor of the U.S. Coast Guard) who died while trying to save others

imperiled at sea.

For the past 13 years, Rita Hutton has campaigned to create a fitting memorial to honor lost working watermen. Her son, Michael failed to return when his boat, the May Dory, sank off of Cape May, N.J. His name is engraved on a similar memorial in Cape May, but she believed that the watermen of the Eastern Shore deserved nothing less. In 2001 a foundation was formally chartered with a goal of creating just such a memorial.

After initial property in Oyster was secured – and then vandalized – permission was obtained to locate the memorial at Cape Charles town harbor.

With a safe home for the memorial and funds to move forward with the project, local companies were commissioned to begin construction. The memorial lighthouse is based on the Cape Charles Light, which began operating in 1895. The replica lighthouse was built, it was transported across the Bay to be painted, then returned to Cheriton. Much of the money raised for the memorial went to the

\$8,000 bill for painting it.

A crane lifted the lighthouse and placed it on its pedestal, adjacent to The Shanty restaurant. The electrical was then connected to provide the light with power. With the lighthouse securely in place, Cape Charles Fire Department personnel arrived and assisted with decorating the lighthouse for the holidays.

The replica lighthouse is now in place along with a memorial bench. Yet to be added are pavers and a bronze statue, which will take additional time and money. The statue, that of a young child looking seaward and standing next to a pair of empty work boots, will be added once the pavers are in place.

Ed Lewis, President of the Virginia Waterman's Memorial, encourages the public to visit the site and urged to help fund the remainder of the project. The foundation is seeking the names of any working waterman who failed to return home after sailing from the Eastern Shore. To find out how you can help, contact Lewis, at 757-705-6128 or by e-mail at chesdive@aol.com.



Top: Lifting the lighthouse onto its base. (Photo by Ron West) Middle: Ed Lewis stands in front of the completed replica lighthouse. (Photo by Bill Neville). Bench honoring Rita Hutton, the founder of the Virginia Waterman's Memorial. (Photo by Ron West)

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The Eastern Shore of Virginia Master Gardeners is seeking new members to join the 2017 trainee class, which will begin Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, at 8:45 a.m., at the Virginia Tech Agricultural and Research Center, 33446 Research Dr. The cost to attend this program is \$100, and includes the Master Gardener Handbook, which is used throughout the course and as a reference book in the future.

All members of the 2017 Master Gardener Trainee Class will receive over 50 hours of intensive classroom training and must pass a final examination before being certified as Master Gardener Interns.

Upon completion of the classroom training, all interns will then be required to volunteer a minimum of 50 hours during the first year on any Master Gardener projects located on the Eastern Shore to become a Master Gardener.

For more information, email esmgva@gmail.com, visit www.easternshoremastergardeners.com, or call 757-678-7946, ext. 29.

Wallops Island

The NASA Visitor Center and its partner the Delmarva Space Sciences Foundation will host the first installment of the STEM in the Sky Astronomy Series on Friday, Dec. 9, from 7 to 9 p.m. This series will kick off with an exploration of the Earth's Moon and will also feature a new constellation tour of the night sky.


The event begins with an astronomy presentation at the Visitor Center's auditorium, at 7 p.m., followed by night sky observations through telescopes and binoculars on the grounds of the Visitor Center, from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. A new constellation tour of the night sky will be offered at 8:30 p.m. The constellation tour is limited to 25 people and will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Astronomy-themed movies, hands-on activities and crafts also will be available throughout the event.

For more information about the history lecture, the astronomy series or the Visitor Center, call 757-824-1344.



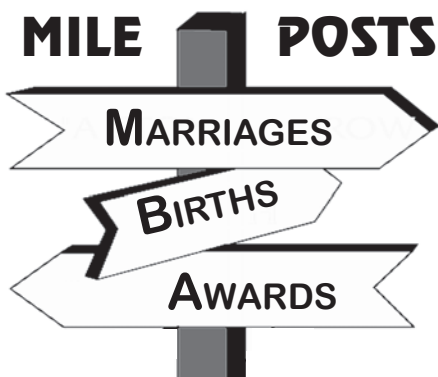
Holiday Events Calendar

- Dec. 9: 5 to 8 p.m.—Festive Fridays Santa House Event for Kids—Cape Charles Christian School, 237 Tazewell Ave.—Photos, Crafts & Cookies (\$5/Family Donation)
- Dec. 9: 5 to 8 p.m.—Festive Fridays Local Music: Sunshine State Band—Stage at Strawberry Street & Mason Avenue, Cape Charles
- Dec. 9: 6:30 p.m.—ESVA Historical Society Holiday Dinner—Ker Place, Onancock
- Dec. 9 & 10: 7 p.m., Dec. 11—2 p.m.—LIVE Babes in Toyland—Marva Theater, Pocomoke
- Dec. 9: 8 p.m.—Festive Fridays Movie Night: Elf—Historic Palace Theater, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles (free admission)
- Dec. 10: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Photos with Santa: noon-3 p.m.)—Holiday Open House—Ker Place, Onancock—cookies & cider
- Dec. 10: 11 a.m.—Kayaking Reindeer Greet Santa—Onancock Wharf
- Dec. 10: 10 a.m.—Holiday Cookie Sale—Chincoteague Cultural Alliance Headquarters
- Dec. 10: 2 to 6 p.m.—Christmas Musical Festival—Historic Cokesbury Church, Onancock
- Dec. 10: 6 p.m. (Downtown Open House: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.)—Exmore Christmas Parade—Downtown Exmore
- Dec. 11: 9 a.m.—Accomack Community Band to Perform Christmas Music—Oak Grove UMC, 30053 Seaside Rd., Melfa
- Dec. 11: 5 p.m.—Santa Comes by Helicopter—Pocomoke Firehouse
- Dec. 11: 5 to 8 p.m.—Onancock Christmas Parade—Market Street
- Dec. 12: 3 p.m.—A Hog Island Christmas and Afternoon Tea—Cape Charles Civic Center—\$22/Ticket—757-695-4192
- Dec. 17: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Greens, Gifts and Goodies Holiday Sale—Woman's Club of Accomack County Clubhouse, Onley—Breakfast with Santa Beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- Dec. 17: 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Santa Rides the Fire Truck From Bloxom to Hallwood Then Back to Bloxom—Food Served at Bloxom Firehouse at 11:30 a.m.—Santa meets kids at 11:45 a.m.
- Dec. 17: 10 a.m. to noon—Santa Comes to Library—E.S. Public Library, Accomack—Each child gets a book in English or Spanish, a candy cane, and bookmark
- Dec. 20: 5 p.m.—Santa Tours North End of Island By Chincoteague Vol. Fire Truck—Chincoteague
- Dec. 21: 5 p.m.—Santa Tours South End of Island By Chincoteague Vol. Fire Truck—Chincoteague
- Dec. 23: 5 to 6 p.m.—Once Upon A Holiday: The Snow Queen's Battle of the Books Children's Storytime—LemonTree Gallery, Cape Charles



Accomack County Public Schools will be closed for Winter Vacation from Monday, Dec. 19, through Friday, Dec. 30. Classes will resume a regular schedule on Monday, Jan. 2, 2017.

Northampton County Public Schools will have an early dismissal on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 1 p.m., for Winter Vacation. Schools will be out from Dec. 20 through Jan. 2. Classes will resume a regular schedule on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017.



Send your community, church,
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- John Ellis Pickard, 26, and Erica Melissa Nash, 24, both of Clearwater, Fla.
- Marcellus Anthony Javier Cole, 25, and Syedah Shurronda Fitchett, 35, both of Cape Charles
- James De'Shaun Hunter, 43, and La-Toya Sharnett Palmer, 39, both of Snow Hill, Md.
- Mario Terrell Watson, 43, of Painter, and Cheneka Delria Davis, 39, of Bloxom
- Sarah Elizabeth Sharpley, 24, and Kyle Thomas Derrickson, 25, both of Chincoteague
- Tony Leon Phillips, 42, of Temperanceville, and Kay Christine Metcalf, 49, of Atlantic
- Margaret Robinson Jackson, 65, of Nassawadox, and Charles Edward Chandler, 65, of Painter
- Jeremy Macrobbie Carpenter, 35, and Crystal Jade Moore, 38, both of Chincoteague
- Joshua Donald Vaughn, 23, and Erica Fay Holland, 21, both of Greenbackville
- Ruben Ayala, 44, and Yaritza Ayala, 40, both of Chincoteague



From One Dog To Another: Brown Dog Ice Cream Donates to SPCA

Miriam Elton and Sharon Gladden, of Brown Dog Ice Cream in Cape Charles, recently presented the Eastern Shore SPCA with a check for \$1,000. The donation represented proceeds from the past summer's sales of Tailwaggers, the ice cream shop's specialty ice cream just for dogs, and BowWowMeow organic treats, made in Virginia Beach and sold at Brown Dog. Miriam Elton and Sharon Gladden of Brown Dog came to the shelter not only with the check, but also with a large supply of ice cream for the shelter dogs to enjoy. Pictured above with the ceremonial check are (from left) Gladden, Elton, and Shelter Manager Sheila Crockett.

Send your news tips to Linda Cicoira at
shoredog@verizon.net

ADA Selects Pruitt's Art for 2017 Calender

Karen C. Pruitt, of Nassawadox, has been selected by the American Diabetes Association (ADA) to have her art included in the 2017 Gift of Hope calendar. Her painting, "Hiding in the Tulips," will be the featured art for the month of April. Every year the ADA holds an art search. This is the fifth year that a painting by Pruitt has been chosen by the ADA to be used in its calendar. Twice her paintings have also been selected to be reproduced as Christmas cards in the Gift of Hope catalog.

The Gift of Hope Program was founded in 1971 with the purpose of raising money to help find a cure for diabetes. Since that time the number of Americans living with diabetes has skyrocketed to nearly 30 million. There is still no cure. Millions of catalogs are distributed each year across the country. Proceeds of every purchase from the Gift of Hope catalog help the ADA fund diabetes research, education, and advocacy efforts.

To order a catalog or view online go to shopdiabetes.org/giftofhope or call 1-855-575-0565.

Taylor Bank Donates to Library Foundation

Calvin B. Taylor Bank presented a \$25,000 check, on Tuesday, Nov. 29, to the Worcester County Library Foundation, which will be used to fund the development and construction of the new Berlin Library. In recognition of the bank's donation, the bank will receive the naming opportunity for the conference room and local history collection, which will be in the new library.



Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce Announces Winners of 2016 Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade

The 2016 Winners are:

COMMERCIAL

- 1st Place - Lowes of Pocomoke
- 2nd Place - ChincoteagueChristmas.com

NON-COMMERCIAL

- 1st Place - Chincoteague Island Boy Scouts Troop #323
- 2nd Place - National Park Service - Assateague Island National Seashore

JUNIOR MARCHING UNIT

- 1st Place - CVFC Saltwater Pony Club
- 2nd Place - Arcadia Firebird Colorguard

SENIOR MARCHING UNIT

- 1st Place - Somerset County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard

DECORATED BOAT

- 1st Place: Coast Guard Station Chincoteague

EQUESTRIAN

- 1st Place - Chincoteague Pony Drill Team
- 2nd Place - Hope and Joy

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1st Place - Blue Knights
- 2nd Place - American Legion Riders Post 159

JUDGES' AWARD - BEST IN SHOW - Chincoteague Island Boy Scouts Troop #323 (Entry that best displayed the parade's theme 'O Little Town of Chincoteague')

FIRE COMPANY AWARDS:

MOST MEN IN LINE

- 1st Place - Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company
- 2nd Place - New Church Fire & Rescue

MOST EQUIPMENT - Parksley Volunteer Fire Company

OLDEST EQUIPMENT (MOTORIZED) - Atlantic Volunteer Fire & Rescue

OLDEST EQUIPMENT (NON-MOTORIZED) - Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company

LONGEST DISTANCE TRAVELED - Wheaton Volunteer Rescue Squad

BEST COMPANY OVERALL - Powellville Volunteer Fire Company



VCCS Chancellor Visits ESCC

Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC) welcomed Virginia Community College System (VCCS) Chancellor Glenn DuBois in November, as part of his statewide listening tour. ESCC administration, faculty, and staff joined the chancellor and members of his staff, for a presentation on ESCC's "TAKE 13" initiative, offering full-time college enrollment with a one-day-a-week commitment. The program will be entered in a statewide award competition of "best practices for improving student success" that will be awarded at the VCCS's "New Horizon" Event in 2017.



Robotics Team Competes at State Level

(from left) Benjamin Price, Ture Gustafson, Thomas Oliver, Clay Wardius, Caleb Pruitt, Suzanna Long. Not pictured: Mahika Patel

At the First Lego League competition at James Madison University, Broadwater Academy's Middle School Robotics Team finished thirteenth out of 40 teams. Team members, ranging in age from 9 to 14 years old, were challenged to build Lego robots to complete a variety of complex tasks. They also had to develop a creative solution to a challenge problem and present that solution to judges.

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	<u>Sunday</u>	
Lunch: 3PC Fried Chicken		\$9 ⁹⁹
Dinner: Pot Roast: Potatoes, Carrots, & Onions		\$10 ⁹⁹
	<u>Monday</u>	
Wings \$.60 Each		
4 Wings & 2 Sides		\$7 ⁹⁹
	<u>Tuesday</u>	
Hot Turkey Sandwich		\$10 ⁹⁹
	<u>Wednesday</u>	
Meatloaf & 2 Sides		\$9 ⁹⁹
	<u>Thursday</u>	
Chicken & Dumplings w/ 1 Side		\$9 ⁹⁹
	<u>Friday</u>	
Marinated Grilled Chicken Breast		\$9 ⁹⁹

**FRIDAY
DEC. 9**

★noon & 5:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - United Methodist Church, 75 Market St., Onancock

★12:30 p.m. - **Science & Philosophy Seminar: Osteoporosis- When You Need Treatment & When You Don't** - ESCC, lecture hall, Melfa

★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Church

★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

**SATURDAY
DEC. 10**

★9 a.m. - **Zumba Class** - YMCA, Chincoteague
★9 a.m. - **Practice for the Christmas Prgm.**

- Craddockville UMC

★9:30 a.m.-noon - **Mary N. Smith RISE Mentor Prgm.** - Mary N. Smith Cultural Ctr., Accomac - boys ages 9 to 15 - lunch provided - wear sweats & sneakers - 709-3267

★10 a.m.-noon - **Drop-In Art Show** - Ward Museum, Salisbury, Md.

★5 p.m. - **Christmas Play: "A Christmas Hope"** - First Baptist Church, Mappsville

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

**POST TIMES
Dec. 9-15**

**SUNDAY
DEC. 11**

★9:30 a.m. - **Christmas Prgm.** - Craddockville UMC

★11 a.m. - **Special Interim Speaker Ken Clark** - Hall's Chapel, Sanford

★12:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Vietnam Veterans' Bldg., Onley

★2:30 p.m. - **Fellowship Service w/Guest Min. Norman Pitt** - New Hope Community Church, Makemie Park

★3 p.m. - **Ushers' Day** - Bethel AME Church, 40 Boundary Ave., Onancock

★4 p.m. - **Pre-Pastoral Anniversary Service** - Refuge Temple Outreach Ministry, Pocomoke, Md.

★4 p.m. - **First Lady's Day Service** - Living Word Church of Deliverance, Parksley

**MONDAY
DEC. 12**

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

★noon - **AA mtg.** - St. Peter's Catholic Church, Onley

★4-5 p.m. - **Alzheimer's Caregivers' Support Group** - RSMH, 6th flr., Nassawadox - 414-8000 (Melissa Glennon)

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

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

★5:30 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Belle Haven UMC - 442-3984

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

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

★7 p.m. - **Northampton Cty. Parks & Recreation Dept.**

Line-Dancing Class - Indiantown Park, Eastville - 678-0468

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

★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville



**TUESDAY
DEC. 13**

★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

★5-6:30 p.m. - **Fathers and Sons mtg.** - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore - 757-656-3460

★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

★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa

★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Atlantic Methodist Church

★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

**WEDNESDAY
DEC. 14**

★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack County 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

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

★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen** - Corner Stone Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore

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

★5-7 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen & Clothes Closet** - Grace and Truth Ministries, 19 Boundary Ave., Onancock - Donations: 789-5369

★5:30-6:30 p.m. - **Free Meals for the Hungry** - Epworth UMC, 4158 Seaside Rd., 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

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

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

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

**THURSDAY
DEC. 15**

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

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

★3:45-5:15 p.m. - **The Good News Club mtg.** - Hollies Baptist Church, Keller - transportation from Pungoteague

Elementary School provided

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

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

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

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

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

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

★7 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Chincoteague Church of God

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

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Eastern Shore Trading POST

Announcements

THE FAMILY OF SHELLI L. CROCKETT WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING:

RIVERSIDE SHORE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SMITH'S CHAPEL UM CHURCH, DOUGHTY'S FUNERAL HOME, HOLLIES BAPTIST CHURCH AND PASTOR HORNE, ACCOMACK AND NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS, SHORE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY, EXMORE DINER, PASTORS JOHNATHAN CARPENTER AND WANDA NICHOLS, AND OUR MANY FRIENDS AND FAMILY FOR THE GIFTS OF FOOD, CARDS, FLOWERS, VISITS AND PRAYERS, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY THE LOVE AND KINDNESS THE EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY HAS SHOWN US AND SHELLI. HER MEMORY AND SMILE AND EVERYONES' OUTPOURING OF LOVE AND SUPPORT WILL SHINE AND LIVE IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER.



Sending big birthday wishes to our mother, Marguerite Parks, on December 15th!

We love you dearly.

*Love,
Emanuel, Wendell,
Wayne and Randall
Parks*



Marguerite Parks

Help Wanted

PART-TIME CHURCH SECRETARY - First Baptist - Pocomoke, Md. Seeking applicant with computer skills. For Job Description/Application. Check: www.fbcpcc.org or stop by church @ 204 4th St. **DUCK HUNTER HELPER** Male or female, 5 a.m. to 2 p.m., helping duck hunters. No exp. necessary, will train. Must live on or very close to Chincoteague. 757-894-8148: Capt. Pete

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Apply in person @ Belle Haven office. 757-442-2444.

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Position # 80042
Hiring Range-\$27,366 (May be higher depending on qualifications)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov>. Accepts only online applications; job close date is 12/19/2016.
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BROADWATER ACADEMY

Broadwater Academy is seeking applications for the Director of Development. Position will create and oversee the implementation of a strategic approach to fundraising which may include major gifts, corporate donations, annual giving, targeted fundraising, grant solicitation, and in-kind resources. Qualifications must include: A Bachelor's degree; a minimum of 3-5 years' experience with proven success in fundraising, including: Annual Giving program implementation, including new donor development, renewals, stewardship; major gift programs, including prospect research, cultivation, personal solicitation, acknowledgment, and recognition; and a successful track record of motivating fundraising volunteers. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter and resumé with three references to jspagnolo@broadwateracademy.org. Deadline to apply for this position is January 2, 2017.

Counselors

Agape Counseling and Therapeutic Services, Inc. is seeking qualified mental health professionals for the position of intensive in-home counselor. Must have a Bachelor's or Master's degree in the Human Services field from an accredited school with at least one year experience providing direct behavioral health services to individuals with mental illness, intellectual disability, or special education services. Or, be a Licensed Mental Health Professional licensed in the state of Virginia. Candidates must have reliable transportation. Part-time and full-time positions are available. Please forward all resumes to shavonneruffin@agapecounselingva.com or alonzosparrow@agapecounselingva.com.

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

Clinician
Intellectual Disability Aide
MH Skill Building Specialist (new pay scale)
Part-time Driver
Substance Abuse Outpatient Clinician (CSAC required)
Psychosocial Rehabilitation Counselor-Clubhouse (must be QMHP)

For more information or to apply, please visit the ESCSB's website at www.escsb.org
ESCSB is an EOE



HVAC Technician

Looking for an experienced full-time HVAC technician. Must have a clean driving record and able to pass a drug test. Includes vacation, holiday & sick pay. Email resume to harrisgasservice@yahoo.com or stop in our office at 34446 Lankford Hwy., Painter, VA for an application. Available immediately.

Cape Charles Town Harbor Position - Full Time
The Town of Cape Charles is seeking applications for a full-time Assistant Harbor Master. Applicants must have a High School Diploma, a minimum boater's safety course and must be able to lift 50 lbs. Candidates must have a flexible schedule and be able to work early mornings, late evenings, weekends, and holidays. Must possess good computer skills and great people skills. Starting salary range \$14-\$16 per hour DOQ. Please go to www.capecharles.org under Employment Opportunities for complete job description and to download the Cape Charles Town Employment Application. Applications can also be picked up at the Town Clerk's office. Submit complete application package to Town Clerk, 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310 no later than December 21, 2016. Resumes submitted without a complete Town Employment application will not be considered.

Boats, Etc.

16-FT. CAROLINA SKIFF - Yamaha 25 h.p., 4-cycle, low hours, trailer. \$3,500. 757-787-2583.

'02 CATAMARAN - 18', 75 h.p. Mercury eng. & trailer. Bought new in 2002. Low engine hours & exc. cond. \$8,000 OBO. 331-1319

'11 20-FOOT CAROLINA SKIFF - 115 4-stroke Yamaha (100+ hrs.), T-top, fully loaded, \$14,500. Call 757-589-8901.

'90 22-FT. SEAPRO CUTTY CABIN - Rebuilt OMC 225. 160-gal. fuel tank, 22-ft. aluminum trailer w/brakes (Grady White clone). \$10,300 REDUCED: \$7,300. Pat-757-442-4635.

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(2) 18-FT. BOATS AND (1) TRAILER - One boat is an Imperial. \$700 OBO. Call 709-9456.



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1994 GRADY WHITE GULFSTREAM - Two 175-Johnson Outboards, hard-top, full elec., trailer, w/elec. winch, \$7,500 OBO. 757-894-8988.



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'73 GRADY WHITE - Good cond. Boat & Trailer included. No rigging, no engine, unsinkable. \$1,500 OBO. Call 442-7511 after 5 p.m.

'01 18' TROPHY - Very good cond. + extras. Can be seen at K & E Marine, across from Perdue plant. \$11K. 757-678-3622.

'77 22' CATALINA SAIL-BOAT - Swing keel, new fiberglass, clean cabin, good sails, 6 h.p. Yamaha long shaft, Load-rite trailer. **REDUCED: \$2,800. 442-1132**

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Misc. - For Sale

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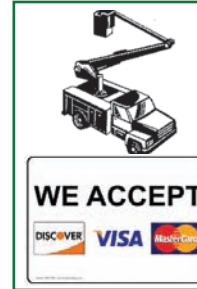
Vehicles - Cars, Trucks, SUVs, RVs

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

**COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS,
Petitioner,
v.**

At Law No.: CL16-219-00

Crosby H. Johnson
Edith E. Johnson
130 Churchill Downs
Cape Charles, VA 23310
and
Wilhelmina Bosse
432 McGuire's Wharf Road
Montross, VA 22520

and
The Heirs and /or Devisees of Thora Scott Ronalds McElroy,
or unknown heirs and devisees, as their interests may appear
SERVE: By Order of Publication

and
Parcel 015 – consisting of 92,961 square feet in fee (total acquisition), located at Old Cape Charles Road and SR 642, Cape Charles, VA 23310 (Tax Map and GPIN N/A)
Respondents.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In this proceeding, the PETITIONER seeks to acquire by condemnation the fee simple interest to certain pieces or parcels located at Old Cape Charles Road and State Route 642, Cape Charles, Virginia, and situated in Northampton County, Virginia, for the use and purposes of the Petitioner as are necessary for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, maintenance or repair of a highway system known as Route 642, State Secondary System, State Highway Project 0642-065- 577, RW201 in the County of Northampton, Virginia, all of which are described more particularly in the petition and exhibits attached thereto on file in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, to which reference is hereby made for a full and accurate description thereof; and for the appointment of commissioners or the empanelment of a jury to ascertain just compensation to the owners of any estate or interest in the property to be taken or affected as a result of the taking and the use thereof by the petitioner.

For such purposes, the Petitioner will apply to the Court, sitting at 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347, on the **10th day of February 2017, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as Petitioner may be heard, or for the empanelment of a jury to ascertain just compensation as aforesaid.**

It appearing by Affidavit filed according to law the following owners are not residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia, or their names and addresses are not known and that due diligence has been used by and on behalf of the PETITIONER to ascertain such names and addresses without effect: Heirs, Devisees, Assigns or Successors in Title of Thora Scott Ronalds McElroy,

The source being property acquired by the Landowner from Sally Tazewell and Ella W. Tazewell to William L. Scott by Deed dated May 12, 1883 and recorded September 13, 1883 in Deed Book 41, Page 213, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Northampton. The said William L. Scott, also known as William Lawrence Scott, died testate between October 3, 1889 and March 11, 1892 and by his Last Will & Testament duly authenticated and recorded in the aforementioned Clerk's Office on March 14, 1892 in Will Book 39, at Page 309, on April 20, 1957 devised the subject property in Article Sixth to the Trustees of his testamentary

trust for the benefit of his daughters, Mary Scott Townsend and Annie Wainwright Strong, and his lineal descendants. There was no instrument of record conveying the subject property to any party other than the said William L. Scott. By Order of Court entered on April 17, 1957 in the Orphan's Court of Erie County of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, an exemplified copy of which was duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia on April 20, 1957 in Deed Book 135, at Page 209, the real estate remaining held by the trust was distributed to Thora Scott Ronalds McElroy, as residuary beneficiary. Hermina R. Robbrecht died on October 6, 1998 and in Article II of her Last Will & Testament recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Westmoreland County, Virginia in Deed Book 510, at Page 624 and Will File No. 99-55, devised the subject property to her daughter, Wilhelmina Bosse.

It being the land taken by Certificate of Take No. C-516006 recorded in the Northampton Circuit Court as Instrument No. 160000366 on March 7, 2016.

For a more particular description of the land herein conveyed, reference is made to a photocopy of Sheets No. 4, 4A, 4(1) RW, 5, 5A, 5RW, 6, 6A and 6RW of the plans for Route 642, State Highway Project 0642-065-577, RW201, which photocopy is hereto attached as a part of this conveyance and recorded in the Clerk's Office of Northampton County, Virginia the State Highway Plat Book 9, Pages 131-139.

It is ORDERED that the aforesaid owners do appear within ten (10) days after due publication of this Order in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County and do what is necessary to protect their interests; and it is further ORDERED that if any of the above named owners desire to assert to any objection or defense to the taking or damage of this property or to the jurisdiction of the Court to hear the Court, and to proceed with the empanelment of a jury he shall file his answer and grounds of defense designating the property in which he claims to be interested, the grounds of any objection or defense to the taking or damage to his property or to the jurisdiction of the Court to hear the case and to proceed with the empanelment of a jury for the determination of just compensation. Should any such owner fail to file their answer and grounds of defense as hereinabove provided, such failure shall not preclude the owner from appearing on the date set for the empanelment of jury nor from presenting evidence as to the valuation and damage nor from sharing in the award of just compensation according to their interests thereon or otherwise protecting his rights, but such failure shall preclude such owner from any other defense by way of pleas in bar, abatement or otherwise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in **The Eastern Shore Post**, the publication having general circulation in Northampton County and that a copy of this Order be posted at the front door of the courthouse in the Circuit Court of the County of Northampton, Virginia.

Lauren M. Brown, Clerk
Dated: December 5, 2016

I ASK FOR THIS:
Jonathan L. Stone, Esquire (VSB #75483)
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Virginia Beach, Virginia 23452-6715
Telephone: (757) 498-7700
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Legal Ads & Auctions (Cont'd)

Public Auction
Nandua Mini Storage
 Sat., December 10, 2016
 Tasley, Va. 10 a.m.

#4 Rochelle Sutton
 #20 Naomi Snyder

The Town Council of Nassawadox has changed its meeting date for the December meeting to December 14, 2016.

PUBLIC AUCTION
 of valuable
REAL ESTATE

6249 and 6253 Bluebill Drive, Trails End, Horntown, VA

The undersigned Trustee by virtue of authority contained in a certain deed of trust from Charles E. Carpenter and Brittany A. Carpenter, husband and wife, dated October 16, 2015, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack as Instrument Number 150004252, upon being requested to do so by the noteholder, will sell at public auction, subject to any and all terms and conditions contained in said deed of trust, to the highest bidder,

**IN FRONT OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 IN ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
 ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016
 AT 9:30 A.M.**

the following tract of valuable real estate, to-wit:

PARCEL ONE: LOT 193, Unit 3, Chincoteague Bay Trails End as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded among the deed records of Accomack County, Virginia, on a certain plat entitled Lot 362, Unit 1, as shown on a certain plat captioned "Chincoteague Bay Trails End", Unit 1, dated August 3, 1973, made by E. D'Appolonia, Consulting Engineers, recorded in Plat Book 19, at page 25C, to which reference is hereby had for a more particular description of said lot.

PARCEL TWO: LOT 194, Unit 3, Chincoteague Bay Trails End as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded among the deed records of Accomack County, Virginia, on a certain plat entitled Lot 362, Unit 1, as shown on a certain plat captioned "Chincoteague Bay Trails End", Unit 1, dated August 3, 1973, made by E. D'Appolonia, Consulting Engineers, recorded in Plat Book 19, at page 25C, to which reference is hereby had for a more particular description of said lot.

Together with all rights, easements, buildings, privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

Subject to valid recorded easements, covenants, reservations and restrictions in the chain of title to the property

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Case No. CL16000197-00
 Accomack County Circuit Court
 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301

MARIE G. VERGER
 v. IBRAHIMA PAYE
 The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

It is ORDERED that IBRAHIMA PAYE appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before JANUARY 18, 2017.

November 21, 2016
 Nancy-Jo Revell, Dep. Clerk

hereby conveyed, which have not expired or otherwise become ineffective.

Being the same lots or parcels of land conveyed to Charles E. Carpenter and Brittany A. Carpenter, husband and wife, by deed dated September 24, 2015, from Sheila S. Perini-Brooks, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office as Instrument Number 150004251 (Tax Map No. 029A10300019300 and 029A10300019400).

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT BY A DEBT COLLECTOR TO COLLECT A DEBT.

TERMS

Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price will be required in cash on the date of sale with liberty to the purchaser to pay as much more in cash on that day as he might desire. The balance not so paid in cash to be evidenced by the note of the purchaser, payable thirty days from date with interest at 9% from date of sale, and with personal security should the undersigned Trustee require it. Title to the premises to be retained as additional security until the full amount of the purchase price has been paid. Bidders may be required to offer proof of a satisfactory financial condition prior to Trustee's acceptance of their bid.

The property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the time bid off; possession to be given on the day of sale, and taxes for the year 2016 to be prorated as of the date of sale.

Upon payment in full of the purchase price the purchaser to be entitled to a deed for said property upon same properly prepared at his expense conveying said property with SPECIAL WARRANTY of title and tendered to the undersigned Trustee for execution.

For further information apply to the undersigned Trustee.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of November, 2016.

HENRY P. CUSTIS, JR.
 Trustee
 P.O. Box 577
 Accomack, VA 23301
 757-787-2770

NOTICE
JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE

On January 10, 2017, proceedings will be commenced under authority of Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia to sell the following parcels located in the Town of Onancock, Virginia for payment of delinquent taxes.

Anderson, Booker	085A30100000500
Anderson, Booker	085A2A000034700
Bronston, Sandra & McCartha, Lena	085A3A000003600
Chandler, Emma	085A3A000006900
Carter, Suzette & Jones, Jonella	085A3A000007700
Carter, Suzette & Jones, Jonella	085A3A000007800
Chandler, Doretha	085A30800001600
Chandler, Doretha	085A308000017A0
Chandler, Helen	085A30800000300
Chandler, Penny Lisa	085A30800002100
Chandler, Penny Lisa	085A308000022A0
Chandler, Mary Selby & Dora Mitchell	085A3A000005200
Davis, Clarence & Evelyn	085A30800001400
Davis, Clarence & Evelyn	085A308000015A0
Davis, William J.	085A2A000034800
Harmon, Ellen	085A308000001B0
Harmon, Ellen	085A30800000100
Locklear, Jeffrey & Vanessa	085A2A000034500
Miles, James, Jr. & Leatha	085A3A000004800
Poulson, James	085A3A0000026A0
Richardson, Bobby James & Bonnie Lynn	085A3A000004000
Summerville, Theodore	085A30300003400
Summerville, Theodore	085A30300003500
Savage, Patricia	085A3A000002100
Savage, Patricia	085A3A000002200
West, Teresa	085A3A000005000
White, Tony & Bowman, Anita	085A2A000034600
Williams, Nathaniel & Tonya	085A308000004A0
Williams, Nathaniel & Tonya	085A308000006A0
Williams, Nathaniel & Tonya	085A30800000700
Wise, John R.	085A102A0000600
Wise, John R.	085A102A00007A0

The owner of any property listed may redeem it at any time before the date of sale by paying accumulated taxes, penalties, interest and costs thereon at the law office listed below. The pro rata costs of publication hereunder shall become a part of the tax and together with all other costs, including reasonable attorney's fees set by the court, shall be collected when payment is made whether or not court proceedings have been initiated.

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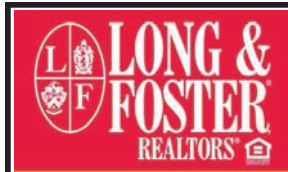
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EDITORIAL

Editor *Connie Morrison*

I spent a good part of the weekend reflecting on the debacle that was heard 'round the world last week. Yes, I'm referring to the school administration and it's mishandling of a parent complaint about the classic books "To Kill a Mockingbird," and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," which led to the books being temporarily pulled from classroom and library shelves.

Many have taken to task the mother who initialed the complaint for the fiasco that turned our county into a target of international ridicule. But it was more directly a lack of problem solving on the part of the board and administration, and their usual unwillingness to speak to the press. Only this time, the consequences were much greater.

Our office contacted school administration for details and the only information (FOIA) provided was that they would follow the policy and the committee had met. It was only under a freedom of information request that we learned when the committee met and the names — but only the last names — of those appointed to make this important decision for all Accomack schools.

Granted, none of that information would have been an antidote for the viral spread of the story, but open communication with the media might have stemmed some of

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the mania. Nature and people abhor a vacuum, and in an absence of information, folks will devise their own narratives. The longer the school district went without providing its own, the worse the situation became and the farther the story traveled.

If there is a saving grace, it is this: The episode ignited the community and people were engaged. Some examples follow.

Youth. Nandua Student Sadye Saunders began circulating a lunch-hour petition to keep the books in schools. The administration doubled-down on poor judgment, shutting it down under the guise of a "learning distraction." But students had a good showing for Friday evening's demonstration and the petition was back in circulation.

Adults. Adults showed up at the protest, signed the petition, commented to Facebook, and made it the topic of conversation everywhere. Many wrote thoughtful letters to the editor. Some of those letters are shared below and on page 47, and could inform the future policy modification.

Theater. The North Street Playhouse will reprise its production of "To Kill a Mockingbird," a play that had a three-week run there earlier this year. During intermission of the Dec. 29 show, The Book Bin will sell copies of "To Kill a Mockingbird" and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn."

Book Policy Untenable

Dear Editor:

Upon reading the story concerning the suspension of the use of "To Kill a Mockingbird" and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," I felt compelled to take time to address it.

To start, I should say I have read the latter but not the former. I only admit to that in the interest of full disclosure, as not having read it, I have no basis to judge its worthiness to be included in any curriculum. It is the policy for adjudicating the matter to which I have an objection, and the precedent it might set for other literary works, as it could be crippling to getting through a semester of teaching English, and an impediment, from the perspective of the student, of their coursework being a meaningful and thought-provoking experience.

If all it takes is a single complaint to suspend a novel's use in the classroom, when the next individual, in some purposeful or oblique agenda, files one written complaint against any of a number of highly regarded works? Examples might include "Moby Dick," which some find blasphemous; "The Republic," which expresses socialist viewpoints; "On the Road," for situations many would deem offensive; and "The Sun Also Rises," because of the uncomfortable nature of the narrator's war wound, combined with the use of a racial epithet. These works should certainly not be set aside out-of-hand or on a whim.

This policy and its process of implementation spelled out in the article don't fill me with confidence. It smacks of the "we'll see" method of just keeping these two books out at best, or at worst superintendent Holland just putting his finger up to the wind to make a decision.

Sometimes overly simplistic "policies" are used as a substitute for good judgment or as an excuse not to take re-

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sponsibility for outcomes that might be less than popular, but nevertheless need to be decided in the interests of educating the students of this county at the level they deserve.

As I write these words, I realize that my four chosen examples might be irrelevant, as I suspect none of these four works are used in this country. When I reflect on this it unnerves me even more. If I am mistaken about this, I would be glad to stand corrected if someone involved would comment in a forthcoming editorial letter.

I assume this policy applies to science texts, including astronomy and biology textbooks, as well as literature. A single letter takes out an unpopular history text, it seems to me, if this procedure is followed.

Superintendent Holland should sort this matter out with a great deal of intellectual honesty, clarity, and, above all, transparency, instead of plugging it into a bureaucratic process.

Timothy Scott, Accomack

Book Issue Festered

Dear Editor:

Thanks to our school division Accomack County has become known internationally, but not for a good thing; we are now known around the world for banning books.

Over the past three weeks more than 100 news outlets have reported on the backwards thinking of our school division. From local and regional news outlets to the National outlets - CBS News, Breitbart, Miami Herald, Huffington Post, The Guardian and the London Telegraph all reported in astonishment that a public school system would ban books.

The sad part is the situation could have been resolved much sooner but was allowed to fester for three weeks.

Library. Eastern Shore Public Library found a teachable moment and created a display of books on the list of those that had been challenged and/or banned (yes, there is a difference) as tracked by the American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom.

By Tuesday night's school board meeting, the board had reinstated the book, giving Holland cover by noting that he was simply following the policy, and the board acted at its first opportunity. I'm just putting this on the table should a similar occasion arise in the future: Other agencies are known to convene emergency meetings in times of crisis.

A couple of months ago, Holland bragged about the savings from cutting a public relations position. It seems a bad bargain: Bragging rights and thousand of dollars in savings likely cost the county exponentially more its ability to recruit and retain businesses, teachers, and medical professionals. A Google search of "Accomack County" returns hit after hit relating to this disappointing episode. An experienced public information officer would have known how to steer through the public relations storm.

Maybe Chincoteague will let us start calling them "the Accomack County ponies" so Google searches will turn up something more pleasant. Or NASA could be renamed "National and Accomack Space Administration." Neither is more absurd than what we've already witnessed.

The fault of this debacle lies solely at the feet of the leadership and the school board members with their outdated policy and for not addressing this issue much sooner. It is tempting for some to blame the parent who questioned the novels but the real problem is the school division's reaction to the question.

The fact that the superintendent let one parent have so much power to order the books confiscated and thus disrupting the learning for an entire class of English students is an example of poor management. Removing the books from the schools before the committee was formed or made a recommendation to the superintendent was a knee jerk reaction that fueled the media outlets.

With minimal effort (literally a few clicks of the mouse) it was easy to find resources for school systems to resolve this concern in a logical thoughtful manner. At each fork in the road Accomack County Schools took the wrong turn. Most school divisions notify the parents at the start of the school year of any learning materials that may be viewed as controversial. Parents or students can request an alternative to such material.

As the school system took on notoriety, a special board meeting could have been called to inform the school board members that our name was on the front page of the newspapers in many cities across the county, but no such meeting was called and more notable was that no one in the central office realized the need for a special meeting.

Was outside counsel or advice sought? Could one of the 'educational experts' in the central office have called the Virginia Department of Education for guidance and resolution? Why didn't the school board take action sooner?

All of this is just one more reason Accomack County needs an ELECTED SCHOOL BOARD.

Don Roberts, Onancock

Posted at Sea Level



By Linda Cicoirá

Most Eastern Shore folks are busy writing out their Christmas wish lists, making the dreams of their loved ones come true, listening to holiday music, baking cookies, decorating their

trees, visiting Santa or practicing to be the very best shepherds for their church program. And yes most are doing this while working full-time.

Is there anyone else in the two-county areas (besides me) who is thinking about next week's big holiday? That's right, it is almost "Chocolate Covered Anything Day."

This is not a column that we could've made more timely. I know our readers want some advance notice that Dec. 16 is coming up. This is a cultural and historical event. Yes, I'm talking history. Did you parents partake in chocolate? Oh, yes! Did your grandparents? You know they did!

According to the holiday website, "Chocolate begins in Mesoamerica," the complex of indigenous cultures

that developed in parts of Mexico and Central America prior to Spanish exploration and conquest in the sixteenth century.

"Fermented beverages made from chocolate date back to 1900 BC," the Chocolate Covered Anything Day website states. "The Aztecs believed that cacao seeds were the gift of Quetzalcoatl, the god of wisdom, and the seeds once had so much value that they were used as a form of currency."

Talk about eating the profits!

"After chocolate's arrival in Europe from oversea expeditions ... sugar was added to it and it became popular throughout all of Europe, first among the ruling classes of the European societies, and then among the common people," the site continued.

Of course I've thought about purchasing a chocolate fountain. Hasn't everyone?

But I simply have to step back because if that happened I'd never step away. I love chocolate!!! Yippee!

This holiday isn't just about eating the wondrous dark or milky stuff. It's about what to blend or pour it on. Oh yes, chocolate is very, very, good on fresh pineapple and oranges.

"To celebrate the day where we coat everything we can in chocolate, we go out and find an affordable mini chocolate fountain, and then we buy whatever we like to go with our chocolate, take it home and set it up, and then enjoy

the chocolate covered foods in the comfort of our own home, enjoying it any time we want! We can also celebrate by buying chocolate syrup, heating it up in a bowl and have a bowl of ice cream with a hot chocolate syrup topping."

This is definitely my holiday. And it is just close enough to Christmas to give everyone a little break from the stress of the season.

Still got shopping to do? Eat a candy bar. Missing those loved ones? Eat those chocolate covered ants my grandfather used to talk about. Need an energy boost to get you through that boring meeting? I prefer one of those hard to find caramel, nut and chocolate covered apples for that occasion. But a mini Twix bar will suffice.

People will tell you the dark chocolate is good for you. And maybe that is true. But if I eat it, my heart pounds from the caffeine. So I prefer the creamy milk chocolate.

Grandpa Joe loved his chocolate covered cherries. He ate them to celebrate pay day. They seemed to taste better back then if he would give me one. He was pretty generous. They were my mother's favorite too.

People around the office seem to choose chocolate covered strawberries or peanut butter. They are not so adventuresome. Chocolate on toast is quite good. Chocolate on popcorn is delicious. Cream cheese and chocolate sandwich is tasty.

So go out there and celebrate and make your world chocolate. I fully intend to do so. Yippee.

Classics Clash Misses Real Issue

Dear Editor:

I agree completely that we need to end the white-washing of education, so let's not remove this literature from the curriculum, rather, let's educate ourselves before throwing stones and make sure that subjects, including history and civics are taught comprehensively by individuals that have a handle on their own implicit biases and the racialization of all Americans. Remember the incident just last year involving a newly published McGraw Hill textbook and a public school? <http://abc13.com/education/mom-calls-out-textbook-publisher-for-interpreting-slavery-as-immigration/1014971/> (In a section labeled "Patterns of Immigration," the textbook reads: "The Atlantic slave trade between the 1500s and the 1800s brought millions of workers from Africa to the southern United States to work on agricultural plantations.") Unfortunately, to our collective detriment, this example is not exceptional.

How many of this country's schools are addressing the systemic racism that still permeates the overwhelming majority of our institutions? Black and brown children are disciplined and suspended more frequently, and harassed, punished, incarcerated and killed in much higher numbers, relatively speaking, than their white counterparts. And since the presidential election, there's been a seven-fold increase in hate crimes, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, the majority of which have occurred in grades K-12.

To dismiss a parents concerns as ignorant and Mr. Holland's decision as banning books and censorship

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has done little to contribute to the productive dialogue sorely needed wherever we have differences of opinion, knowledge, and experience. I want to express my gratitude to Ms. Rothstein-Williams for her courageous voice and Mr. Holland for his commitment to our families and our public school system. Let's all look at these deeper issues that exist as a community that cares. Together.

Karen Hatch, Machipongo

School Board Hasn't Kept Pace

Dear Editor:

As a member of the committee campaigning for the elected school board effort in Accomack County, I was eager to take part in the process to have the literary classic novels restored to use in our classrooms. With the help of most all of our citizens, those from neighboring counties and countries far and wide, our goal was achieved. I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to all who came out to support our worthy cause.

This experience has been eye-opening for most. While the world of social, print and broadcast media are at light-

ning speed, the actions of our school board are not. The times when that is acceptable are gone. We no longer live in an era of waiting on the postal system for communication. We have email, text messaging and IM. Our current superintendent needs to lead with the same technology that the rest of the world live by daily. If not, situations like this are bound to be repeated.

We are excited that the outdated policy will be replaced. However, there will be more. Our group will stand with our community members every time one needs to be challenged until they are all updated.

Thank you all again for your continued support.

Connie Burford, Bloxom



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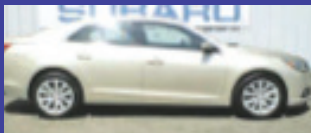
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