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## Board Baffled by Fund Balance Coupled with New Budget Request

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack supervisors were baffled Wednesday night that the school board wants to carryover \$5.7 million while requesting hundreds of thousands to help balance the next fiscal year plan.

A memo from Finance Director Beth Onley listed 15 categories totaling \$5,744,959.37 that was left over from the last budget in state revenues. Supervisors said the school system needs nearly \$500,000 to balance its upcoming 2017-18 plan.

Supervisor Donald Hart said he wanted a detailed report about the unspent monies. The categories were indistinguishable since they were referenced only by a series of numbers. Supervisor Grayson Chesser suggested that the total includes unspent funds for projects like for a new school gym at Kegotank Elementary that is forthcoming. He admitted however, that would not account for all the money.

Last year the school system was accused of hoarding \$6.2 million since 2010, scheming to buy the former

Shore Bank office building in Onley for its central office and building a Rainy Day Fund when the county's plan already includes emergency money for the school system.

Bonds were obtained for the Kegotank project and interest was accruing because the supervisors were unaware

the school had a surplus.

Thus the mistrust and lack of communication continues. In the past, supervisors complained that the school division deliberately spends local money first so the county can't take back leftovers.

Acting Administrator Mike Mason,

who also serves as the county's finance director, said while the schools need a small contingency fund to deal with emergencies, the county already has a Rainy Day Fund and another is not needed.

No one from the school system spoke at the session.

## AUDITORS: ACCOMACK FINANCE DEPARTMENT ONE OF STRONGEST IN VA

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack got the cleanest possible financial assessment for the last fiscal year, according to the accounting firm that audited county records recently.

"I do think you have one of the strongest finance departments in the state," the auditor from Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates told the board of supervisors.

The firm also had a few recommendations that pointed to county schools and the treasurer's office. "We noted certain matters involving the internal control structure and other operational matters that are presented for your consideration. This letter does not affect our

report ... on the financial statements. We've never seen any issues but we think it would enhance" the departments to make changes.

In the treasurer's office, it was noted "multiple employees ... have the authority to enter tax write-offs in the system. While there appears to be supporting documentation for the tax write-offs done, there are no procedures in place to review tax write-offs done in the system to ensure that no unauthorized tax write-offs occur. We recommend that the treasurer on a consistent basis (monthly) review a listing of tax write-offs ... to ensure that no unauthorized tax write-offs

were entered into the system and document the review that is done."

"During the course of our audit we noted the school board did not file the June reimbursement request for Title VI-B on a timely basis. Title VI-B reimbursement request for the period of June 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$237,655.96 was not requested as of October 4, 2016. We recommend the school board establish reimbursement procedures on a monthly basis if expenditures exceed \$10,000 during the current month and that reimbursement requests are filed on a timely basis after the expen-

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## Northampton Supervisors Consider Unusual Investment

By Ron West

Northampton supervisors are considering investing in a film being planned for Cape Charles under the direction of television star Corbin Bernsen.

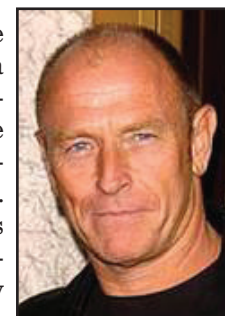
Real estate agent Bill Parr gave an update on a film this week. The entire production would take place in Cape Charles. Bernsen, who is best known as attorney

Arnold Becker from the television series L. A. Law, will also act in the movie.

Parr said Bernsen is seeking local investors to assist with production costs. The realtor asked the supervisors to consider investing \$12,500 in the project. He noted that Cape Charles is considering a similar investment. Parr noted he would be asking for funds from the Tourism Infrastructure Committee and the Industri-

al Development Authority for a total local outlay of \$50,000.

Parr said the county would see a return on their investment with the potential for aiding tourism efforts. The supervisors agreed to the concept and said they would study the possibilities.



Corbin Bernsen

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# Murder Suspect's Charges Would Not Allow Suspended Time if Convicted

By Linda Cicoira

Two violent crimes previously committed by murder suspect Winston (PeeWee) Leroy Burton will likely haunt and follow him when he goes to trial for the November 2016 stabbing death of his former girlfriend.

Burton was initially charged with first-degree murder of Shelli Lou Crockett, 42, of Keller, a hospital worker, who was attacked just outside the walls of the now shutdown Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

She died a short time later in the emergency room around the time that Burton confessed to the crimes when he showed up at the sheriff's office that day.

This week, a Northampton Grand Jury indicted the 58-year-old Cheriton man on two charges, first-degree murder and abduction. Both counts are under third-strike provisions that carry mandatory life sentences as opposed to 20 years to life for murder and 10 years for abduction. The statute does not allow the circuit court judge to suspend any of the sentences.

So while Commonwealth's Attorney

Bruce Jones will try to get in as much evidence about prior convictions as he can, defense lawyer Carl Bundick will try to get any reference to Burton's criminal record kept away from a jury.

Sealed were evaluations made in February regarding Burton's sanity. The results of competency to stand trial were not discussed at his preliminary hearing, but the hearing proceeded as scheduled, with indictments being handed down Monday. The finding of his sanity at the time of the offense has also not been disclosed.

Bundick might use the evaluations "to assist in the development of an insanity defense," according to court documents. The evaluations would include whether Burton "had a significant mental disease or defect, which rendered him insane at the time of the offense."

Crockett worked at the hospital for about 10 years. A member of the environmental services team, she arrived at the facility on Nov. 28, 2016, like she did most mornings. Before she could get inside, she was stopped by a man she apparently didn't want to see anymore.

Crockett was in the parking lot behind the hospital when she was stabbed multiple times. She tried to fend off the blows. The assailant fled. Crockett died a short time later. Burton was later brought back to the hos-

pital for treatment of wounds he sustained in the attack. He had an injured and bleeding hand and admitted to officers at the jail that he had stabbed Crockett. He said he had been hearing voices.

## CHINCOTEAGUE GRABS \$1.5 MILLION GRANT

By Linda Cicoira

Main thoroughfares for bicycles and pedestrians on Chincoteague Island that lead to the National Wildlife Refuge will get safety boosts with \$1.5 million that was transferred to the town recently by the agency, according to an announcement made by the refuge.

Since 2008, the refuge, town and Accomack County have joined together on several projects including the paving of refuge bike trails, the installation of an elevated bike path and the addition of bike lanes along Maddox Boulevard.

As partners, refuge officials said they recognize the importance of providing safe access for tourists, who

help generate an estimated \$50 million annually in tourism for Chincoteague and \$200 million for Virginia's Eastern Shore.

Tourism is the main economic generator on the island. The refuge is a popular destination, with over a million tourists a year, who visit for beach recreation, wildlife viewing and photography opportunities.

The funds were obtained by the refuge from the Federal Transit Administration through the Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in the Parks Program. Funds from Sarbanes Program are used to conserve resources, reduce congestion, enhance the visitor experience and ensure access for all in and around public lands.



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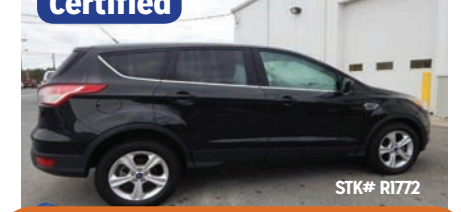


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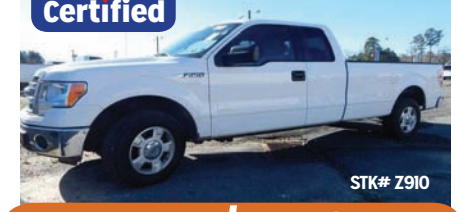


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# Board Blesses Boundary Adjustment and Grant Request for Eastville

**By Ron West**

Northampton Supervisors voted Tuesday to support Eastern Shore Rural Health's quest for a \$700,000 community development block grant that could provide additional funding for a new medical center south of the Eastville traffic signal.

Attorney Denise Bland, who represents Rural Health, said the facility is needed to replace two aging centers in Franktown and Bayview.

Chairman Spencer Murray said he was hopeful the new center would encourage additional growth in Eastville. Town leaders also asked that the municipality's boundary be adjusted to encourage commercial and residential growth.

Mayor Jim Sturgis said some residents who received the benefit of town water are not actually living in the town limits. He read letters from many of the same residents who want to become official residents of the town.

Those areas extend to the south

along Business Route 13 to a point just north of Stumptown Road. To the north, the new boundary would extend to a point near Old Town Neck Road and to the east to an area near Seaside Road.

Resident Denise Drayton stated she saw it as a plus for residents who have to pay for their own streetlights and do not benefit from the town's police department nor have sidewalks.

The supervisors briefly discussed the plan and then voted unanimously to endorse Eastville's request, which can now go to the circuit court for final approval.

The board also approved a special use permit for Thomas and Lauren Gardner that would allow them to operate a bakery from their home at 26223 Lankford Hwy. near Capeville. Lauren Gardner explained she would bake the goods in her kitchen and sell them off-site. She added she would comply with USDA regulations.

The supervisors also gave a minor

special use permit to Christopher Evans for an accessory single-family detached dwelling, a single-wide mobile home, on his property at 6350 Cheri Ln. in Machipongo. Evans said he intends to construct a 50-foot by 70-foot home but needed to live in the mobile home until the project is finished.

The supervisors also approved emergency spending for Northampton High School due to repair the HVAC system. When the system failed, it resulted in substantial flooding in the office area and damage to the facility. Superintendent Eddie Lawrence advised the county's insurance policy would cover the cost, minus a \$1,000 deductible, and that once the insurance check was received, the county would be reimbursed.

The board reviewed its delinquent tax policy and fielded a concern by Birdsnest resident Jeff Walker. Walker wanted the county to identify delinquent business owners, who in some cases are listed as limited liability companies. The board sent



*Photo by Ron West*  
Eastville Mayor Jim Sturgis and Northampton County Board of Supervisor Chairman Spencer Murray sign off on a boundary line adjustment for the Town of Eastville.

the issue to the county's legal staff for review.



Dinner Menu for this week

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**Fried Calamari:** Lightly breaded and deep fried squid \$8

**Reuben Skins:** Potato skins stuffed with corned beef, sauerkraut, Swiss and thousand island \$9

**Blackened Chicken Quesadilla:** Blackened chicken, cream cheese, cheddar, roasted red peppers in a crispy flour tortilla served with salsa and sour cream \$8

Main Course

**Pot Roast:** Tender pot roast slow cooked in gravy served with homemade mashed potatoes & carrots \$13

**Apple-Fire Pork Chops:** Two pork chops fried or broiled with our house made Fireball Whisky apples served with our starch & vegetable of the day \$14

**Italian Sausage with Penne:** Penne pasta tossed in our house made vodka sauce with Italian sausage, parmesan & fresh parsley served with a side salad & garlic bread \$11

**Lump Crab Cakes:** Two house made mostly all crab meat (no claw) garnished with bistro aioli served with rice & vegetable of the day \$20

**Surf & Turf:** Filet Mignon and lobster tail served with rice pilaf and grilled asparagus \$26

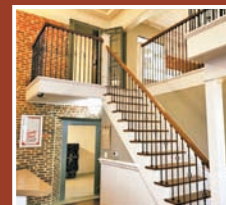
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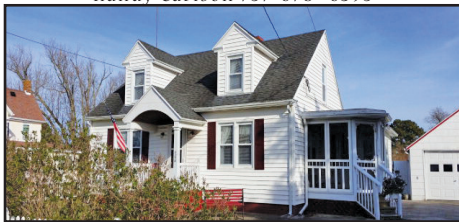
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# TASLEY FIRE CO. GIVING AWAY “FREE” WHISPERING PINES HOUSE

## Story and Photo by Linda Cicaira

The best things in life are free. That statement includes a house that is being offered up right now by the Tasley Volunteer Fire Company.

A bungalow that was once part of the town's historic Whispering Pines Motel is being given away by the firefighters. They want it moved so the land and an adjoining parcel can be cleared to make way for a new fire house and storage building between Tasley Road and Lankford Highway at the traffic light near Accomac.

“If we cannot find someone to take the house,” company President Don Amadeo said Tuesday, “we will have to tear it down. We would really rather someone have it than to destroy it. It's a nice little house with ties to a Shore landmark.”

The circa 1930s two-bedroom wood-frame structure was once a manager's house where people who ran the motel lived. The cozy entryway has a view of French doors that open to the living room. There's a dining room, kitchen, laundry and utility room. It would be perfect for a first-time owner or retired couple. In addition, the attic is floored and could easily be turned into more living space, Amadeo said. “So make a commitment to move it and it's yours.”

The cost of taking it away has been estimated at about \$30,000. The height

will cause the roof to be moved separately. According to county records, the house and lot was sold in 2016 for \$50,000. The house was valued at \$34,000.

Chief Jeff Beall said the house was first offered to nonprofits, which either didn't have the funds to move or store it or didn't have the property to put it on. Others have shown interest but haven't committed.

That lot and an adjoining parcel are going to be cleared so the 10,400 square-foot fire house can be erected. A 1,600-square foot storage facility will also be installed along with a new septic system and parking lot. The project is estimated at \$650,000.

The tall pines on the lot will be cleared as well. “It's going to be landscaped,” said Amadeo. Eastern red cedars will line the highway side and azaleas, which were a trademark of the motel, will be added. “We just want to start fresh and not build around other trees.”

The project is slated to begin this summer. Another house on the site burned down in the 1990s but the foundation remains and will also have to be removed.

Anyone who is interested in the house, should email the company at [tasleyfireco@gmail.com](mailto:tasleyfireco@gmail.com) or call the station at 757-787-7870 and leave a

message. “We're going to ask that you sign a letter of commitment, that the house would be removed in 45 days,” Amadeo said.

There are 27 active members in

the fire company, which has answered about 50 fire calls in 2017 and around 200 last year.

The firefighters hope to occupy their new station next spring.

## SWEETBRIAR 2-DAY COMPUTER CAMP FOR GIRLS

In the tradition of Sweet Briar College's Explore Engineering and Explore Environmental Science weekend camps for high school girls, the college will start an Explore Computer Science session this spring. Open to sophomore, junior and senior girls from high schools, the event will take place April 7-8, 2017.

The focus will be the intersection of computer science and biology — computational biology. Computer science is essential for analyzing and understanding information about life. Computer science plays a role in everything from the analysis of protein shapes to the study of gene networks to predicting the behavior of biological systems.

Working in teams, participants will

work with programs written in popular programming languages Python and NetLogo to explore biological applications and simulations. All activities will provide practical experience. At the end of the weekend session, students will showcase their projects to family and friends.

No prior programming background is required.

Students will stay in Sweet Briar's historic residence halls with engineering student mentors. The \$35 cost includes room and board, meals, snacks, supplies and a T-shirt.

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## ~Audit~

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ditures are incurred.”

“The School Board’s budget had not been entered into the accounting system,” a letter to the board continued. “We recommend the school board enter the budget amounts into the accounting system near the start of the fiscal year. This provides a mechanism ... to track budget to actual results as well as timely track budget amendments made throughout the year ... Not having the budget infor-

mation entered into the accounting system prior to the start of the audit fieldwork could lead to delays in the completion of the audit and could potentially lead to a return trip for fieldwork and higher audit fees.”

The letter also stated, “One of the internal control procedures the county has in place is to reconcile state and federal revenues recorded in the general ledger to the quarterly disbursement reports ... to ensure the completeness and accuracy” of state and federal revenues.

The county finance department performs quarterly reconciliation for both boards. However, the county’s finance department has limited information related to the School Board’s state and federal revenues, leading the auditor recommend the School Board perform its portion of the reconciliation.

“Statements of Economic Interest forms are required to be filed semiannually by the board of supervisors, school board members and constitutional officers. These forms are to be filed by June 15 and Dec. 15 each year. We noted several instances in which these forms were filed after the due dates. Late filing of these forms can lead to penalties being assessed,” the letter warned.

## Library Has Raised \$1 Million of \$3 Million Needed

By Linda Cicoira

With 100 volunteers and about \$3 million in monies and pledges, a new Eastern Shore Public Library is anticipated to become reality in 2019, Library Director Cara Burton told the Accomack Board of Supervisors Wednesday.

However, the money gatherers are still going strong as another \$2 million has to be found.

“You should be very proud of these volunteers that have raised such a large amount of money in a short time,” Burton said. Adding that she holds them in high esteem.

The total shows that about \$1 million was raised and added to the \$2 million the county has promised to provide. Northampton officials have yet to make any promises regarding the facility, which will be built in a former grocery store building in Parksley.

Officials have mentioned that the current library could serve as office space, possibly for the school division.

Burton said a new position at the library has allowed for more programs including outreach and educating staff for youth activities, a winter reading program aimed at preschoolers, a project called “1,000 Books Before Kindergarten,” STEM programs, parent awareness, a summer food program and a Facebook page.

We can take “advantage of Library of Virginia,” Burton said. “We haven’t really been taking full advantage of because we didn’t have the staff person.”

The latest step is to retain architectural services for the project. Burton said they are unsure at this point if the library will be built in phases. There is a potential that Parksley will receive a \$700,000 grant, she also stated.

The town already got a \$5,000 downtown revitalization grant. In addition, a festival is being planned for 1 to 4 p.m., April 30, at the library site, for the hispanic celebration of Day of the Children.

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# Court Postings

By Linda Cicaira

## Felony Indictments Include Battery of Deputy

A Capeville man whose son is being held for attempting to kill him was indicted by a Northampton Grand Jury on several felony and misdemeanor charges.

Alexander Cleveland Sr., 58, of Arlington Road in Capeville, was indicted on counts of assault and battery of a family member, disorderly conduct, drunk in public, assault and battery of Deputy Barry Randall and resisting arrest in connection with incidents that occurred last Christmas.

Randall was dispatched to Pat Town Road near Cheriton, where Cleveland was uncooperative with police and he was twice zapped with a taser before running into the woods.

Cleveland is free on \$3,000 secured bond with the condition that he avoid contact with his wife, Yvonne Picott, and Randall.

Alexander Hunter Picott-Cleveland, 22, was living with his father when he was charged with attempting to kill him and murder of his first cousin, Ronald Graves, 30, of Portsmouth. The younger man pleaded guilty to three charges of malicious wounding and related gun offenses that occurred in Exmore. Graves was shot to death the same day outside the Cleveland home. The guilty pleas were made in a bargain with the state that would keep those crimes from being considered at his murder trials.

In other action, Melvin Andrew Benton Jr., 55, of Culls Drive in Cheriton, was indicted on five counts of uttering counterfeit bills and possession of a controlled substance on Jan. 2, 2017. Investigator Tara Leckel of Northampton County Sheriff's Office (NCSO) handled the case.

Daniel Hopkins Parkerson Sr., 64, of Eastville, was indicted on counts of assault and battery of a police officer and assault and battery of an emergency medical technician on Christmas Eve 2016. He was also indicted on a misdemeanor count of obstruction of justice on the same date. Deputy R.W. Stubbs of NCSO investigated.

Daniel Hopkins Parkerson Jr., 37, also of Eastville, was indicted on a count of

grand larceny in connection with a Jan. 23, 2017, incident. Chief Angelo DiMartino of Exmore Police Department (EPD) investigated.

Tyquan Felix Jackson, 21, of Keller, was indicted on a count of possession of firearm by a felon on Nov. 18, 2016. Sgt. A.T. Zieger of EPD investigated.

Lorenzo Jermelle Stith Jr., 33, of Cape Charles, was indicted on counts of stealing a credit card and credit card fraud in November 2016. Deputy D.R. Bell of NCSO investigated.

William Lee Tatum, 61, of Trower Road in Wachapreague, was indicted on counts of passing bad checks on Jan. 5, 2017. Officer Keith Brady of EPD handled the case.

Darrell Jones, 26, of Virginia Beach, was indicted on a count of possession with the intent to distribute more than a half-ounce, but less than five pounds, of marijuana on Nov. 4, 2016. Officer P. Spreder of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Police investigated.

Loronnice Weathers Jr., 24, of Virginia Beach, was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute more than a half-ounce, but less than five pounds, of marijuana on Nov. 4, 2016. Spreder investigated.

Kevin Kentral Wilson, 22, of Onancock, was indicted on a count of possession of a controlled substance on Nov. 4, 2016. Deputy Steve Lewis of NCSO handled the case.

Kenneth Jackson Bowen Jr., 58, of Exmore, was indicted on a third offense of larceny, which is a felony, in connection with a December 2016 incident. DiMartino investigated.

Ebony Rena Baines, 26, of Washington Street in Exmore, was indicted on a count of possession of a controlled substance on Oct. 27, 2016. Officer G. J. Rippon of EPD handled the case.

## Shooter Arrested With Gun

A man responsible for the 2009 shooting death of a local college student is out of prison and was recently charged with two felonies.

Kendrick Di'ke Duffy, 25, of Parksley Road in Parksley, was arrested last week and accused of disregarding a police officer's command (eluding) and possession of a firearm by a violent felon. He is being held in Accomack Jail on the alleged March 8, 2017, offenses.

Deputy Eric Nottingham of Accomack County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) investigated the incidents. The cases were continued

in Accomack General District Court until May.

Duffy was initially charged with murdering Bobby Oneal Ballard, 20, of Saxis Road in Temperanceville, in August 2009. Ballard, a college junior, was at the Royal Farms at Fisher's Corner when he was shot in the head and died a short time later.

In a bargaining agreement with former Commonwealth's Attorney Gary Agar, Duffy pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to 10 years in prison with four years and four months suspended.

Evidence showed that the men in a car with Ballard assaulted those in another vehicle with Duffy and attempted to take the car keys to keep them from leaving the scene. Ballard was not involved in the altercation.

Three seconds after the car with Duffy drove away from the fight, Duffy sat on the car window ledge and shot at the group of adversaries. The victim, who was sitting in the back seat of the other car, was hit with a 32-caliber bullet.

## Case of 100 Marijuana Plants

A charge of illegal drug distribution that was made against a Hallwood man who was caught last summer with 100 marijuana plants valued at \$300,000 will not be prosecuted, according to records filed Monday in Accomack General District Court.

A judge found probable cause to certify a count of distributing less than five pounds of the drug against Donald Wyanne Rice, 59, of Marshall Street. The grand jury will decide whether to indict Rice on that charge next month.

In addition to the plants, which were in various stages of growth, hydroponic tubes, lights, ventilation systems and electric converters were found at Rice's home last July. The value was based on a high-quality plant having the potential to yield a pound of high-quality marijuana valued at an average of \$3,500.

Kiarra S. Coston, 20, of Bayside Road in Exmore, was charged with hit and run and a third DWI. Records show the offenses occurred Feb. 28, 2017. She was charged the same day. Trooper Ryan Dougherty investigated. An April preliminary hearing was scheduled.

Travis Ross Marshall, 26, of Hog

Ridge Road on Tangier, was charged with felony unauthorized use of a vehicle. The incident occurred March 1. Marshall was arrested the same day. John Crockett of the ACSO investigated.

William Jose Perez, 22, of Bradford Neck Road in Quinby, was charged with two felony counts of passing a bad check valued at more than \$200 on Oct. 14 and 15, 2016. He was arrested March 1. Officer George Bennett of Onley Police Department investigated.

## Two Accused of Credit Card Larceny

Tyrhee Carter Henderson, 20, of Exmore, and Rontari Malik Warren, 23, of Birdsnest, were each accused recently of two counts of credit card larceny, two counts of credit card fraud and a count of petty larceny, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court.

The offenses occurred on Feb. 22. Henderson and Warren were arrested Feb. 28. Leckel of NCSO investigated. April preliminary hearings were scheduled. Both are in custody.





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# OBITUARIES

## Shore Native Enjoyed Travel, Needlework

**Mrs. Stella Crockett Scott Bosworth**, 94, widow of Elam Withrow "Tom" Bosworth, M.D., departed this life on March 9, 2017. She was born to the late David Ewell Scott and Miriam Belote Scott on Oct. 2, 1922, on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

She grew up on that peninsula in the town of Onancock and was May Queen in her year of graduation from Onancock High School. She graduated from Farmville State Teachers' College, now Longwood University. There she had met her future husband, Tom Bosworth, who was attending nearby Hampden-Sydney College. Tom joined the war effort in the Pacific as a Naval officer, returning home during the war to be married on Dec. 19, 1944, in Onancock, where she was then teaching. They spent time together in San Francisco before Tom's redeployment.

Mrs. Bosworth raised two boys during her husband's years in medical school and internship, with a daughter arriving after he entered his private practice in Lexington, Va. They lived, worked, and raised a family in Lexington, Farmville and Onancock, making many lasting friends. After Tom's retirement, they moved to Richmond. They had been married for 63 years at the time of Tom's death in January 2008.

Mrs. Bosworth was highly intelligent. She read voraciously and enjoyed acrostic puzzles and played mahjong. She was also a lifelong bridge player. She enjoyed traveling both with her family and her friends visiting many places in Britain and Europe. She especially enjoyed roads less traveled or less cluttered with tourists such as the Canary Islands, and she more than once visited Great Britain's Channel Islands. She was most fond of the Bailiwick of Guernsey and especially the Island of Sark. She was artistic and her deepest and longest interest was in needlepoint and other needlework. She made needlework Christmas stockings for all of her nine grandchildren and two of her great grandchildren. Her canvases became more and more intricate and truly works of art.

She is survived by her three children, David Christopher Bosworth, M.D. (Elizabeth "Kirkie"), of Newport News, James Elam Bosworth, M.D. (Bonnie), of Richmond, and Richmond artist Eliza B. Askin (Mark); nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at New Providence Presbyterian Church Cemetery, 1208 New Providence Rd., Raphine, Va., at 2:30 p.m., March 12, 2017, with Rev. Sarah Hill officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 397, Onancock, VA, 23417.

## Parksley Man Remembered

**Mr. Robert "Bob" Edward Randall**, 69, of Parksley, passed away on Monday, March 13, 2017, at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

Born Aug. 27, 1947, in Washington, D.C., he was a son of the late Claude Edward Randall and Gladease Elizabeth Duncan Randall.

Survivors include a sister, Robin K. Randall of San Jose, Calif.; and two brothers, Charles E. Randall, and Wayne C. Randall and his wife Andrea, all of Temperanceville.

Services will be private.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at [www.williamsfuneral-homes.com](http://www.williamsfuneral-homes.com)

Arrangements by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

## Saturday Service for Melfa Woman

A memorial service for **Mrs. Judith Anne Gingell** will be held at Ocean View United Methodist Church in Wachapreague on Saturday, March 25, at 1 p.m.

She was born Sept. 16, 1938, in Washington, D.C., and passed away Feb. 6, 2017, in Fort Myers, Fla. Mrs. Gingell retired in 1990 from a career as a hotel manager, and was much loved and will be greatly missed as a resident of Melfa.

She is survived by William T. Gingell Jr., her beloved husband of 60 years; a son and daughter-in-law of Wachapreague; stepmother, three sisters, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

## Franktown Man Was Heart of The Community

**Mr. William Kirk Neal II**, 83, of Franktown, died on March 10. He was born on April 20, 1933, in West Point, Va., to Phyllis Hughes Neal and William Guy Neal. He was preceded in death by his wife Elizabeth (Libba) Tankard Neal, with whom he shared a wonderful home and family for more than 50 years. "Big Bill" is survived by his children, William "Bill" Neal III and his wife, Laura, of Franktown; Elizabeth "Betsy" Neal McCray and husband, Arthur, of Richmond; and Susan Neal Price and husband, Jeff, of Franktown. He is survived by four grandchildren, Charlie and Stephen McCray, and Benjamin and Elizabeth Price. Mr. Neal is also survived by his sister, Camilla Neal Williamson and husband, Tommy, of Richmond.

Mr. Neal loved his family and their many seasonal traditions and homecomings. He opened his heart, loving Laura, Arthur and Jeff as his own and he took great delight in his relationships with all of his nieces and nephews. A graduate of the College of William & Mary, he also received an MSc and PhD from Rutgers University. Mr. and Mrs. Neal made lifelong friends everywhere they lived: Princeton, N.J., Newport News, Richmond, and, finally, the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

While in Richmond, Mr. Neal was a research scientist at Phillip Morris, an active member of First Presbyterian Church and enjoyed singing with CAFUR under the direction of Jim Erb. Ultimately, his career choice as a nurseryman brought the family back to Libba's hometown on the Eastern Shore of Virginia in 1979.

Upon the retirement of his father-in-law, Samuel D. Tankard Jr., he became partner at Tankard Nurseries at the age of 47. He was a compassionate employer and mentor who made a positive difference in the lives of many who worked for him. In 1994, he started Hermitage Farms Nurseries with his son, "Little Bill" and Stuart Burnley, from which he never fully retired.

He was a member of Franktown Methodist Church for more than 40 years, faithfully participating in its ministries through his presence, gifts and service. There is not one aspect of this church, from interior buildings to grounds, which he has not touched. Mr. Neal was instrumental in the rebirth

of Camp Occohannock on the Bay and, with Libba, fanned the fires of the early Emmaus movement. He was passionate about preserving the beauty of the Shore and he was a founding member of CBES. He actively supported the William & Mary Alumni Choir, where he also served on the Swem Library Board of Directors.

His many hobbies included bird hunting, sailing, pontooning, golfing, landscape design, wood working, auto restoration, architecture, and ice cream fabrication. Stature aside, he was larger than life. Big Bill was the original most interesting man in the world. A depression-era child who lived by "necessity is the mother of invention," there was nothing he could not do or repair. He was the original recycler, seeing the potential in every piece of wood, metal or old printer. He was the "go to" guy for anyone with any project, giving generously of his time and talent. Mr. Neal was the eternal student, always reading with a perpetual quest for knowledge, and, although he never mastered time, we later realized that he had invented his own clock and we, his children, never adjusted.

There will be a memorial service held at Franktown United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 25, at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Franktown United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 130, Franktown, VA 23354; Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 882, Eastville, VA 23347; or OOTB, 9403 Camp Ln., Belle Haven, VA 23306.

Family and friends may sign the guest book at [www.hollandfuneralhome.net](http://www.hollandfuneralhome.net)

Arrangements were made by the Holland Funeral Home at Nassawadox.

## Chincoteague Woman Remembered

**Mrs. Irene Victoria Pirher**, 90, of Chincoteague Island, formerly of South River, N.J., passed away on March 12, 2017, at Aurora Senior Living of Manokin in Princess Anne.

She was born in Sayreville, N.J., on June 1, 1926, to the late Victor and Beatrice Loniewski.

She was a member of St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church of Chincoteague, and St. Stephen's Catholic Church of South River, where she was active in St. Monica's Women's Club. She worked in a laboratory for Squibb and then lat-

retired from Johnson & Johnson as an administrator in the sales department. She was very active in the South River School Systems PTA. She was a fine seamstress, an excellent cook and a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.



**Mrs. Pirher**

Mrs. Pirher is survived by her loving spouse of 69 years, Edward Pirher, of Chincoteague; a son, Edward V. Pirher and his wife, Patricia, of Leland, N.C.; two daughters, Nancy I. Evano and her husband, Alfred, of Medford, N.J., and Peggy Ann Furslew and her husband, Rae, of Englishtown, N.J.; a sister, Joan Hatala and her husband, Arthur, of N.J.; sister-in-law, Grace Callahan and her husband, Frank, of Vt.; six grandchildren, Kristin, Richard, Victoria, Raymond, Gwen, and Colleen; two great-grandchildren, Logan and Ava; and several nieces and nephews.

Mass will be said on Monday, March 20,

2017, 11 a.m., at the St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, Chincoteague Island, with Father Michael Imperial officiating.

Private burial will take place in the Holy Cross Cemetery in Jamesburg, N.J.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Alzheimer's Association Research ([ALZ.org/donate](http://ALZ.org/donate)) 225 North Michigan Ave., FL17, Chicago, IL 60601. Condolences may be made online at [www.salyerfh.com](http://www.salyerfh.com)

## Memorial Service Scheduled

**Eleanor Linn Crawford:** A memorial service will be held on Sunday, March 26, 2017, at 2 p.m., at the Mt. Holly Cemetery in Onancock, for the late Eleanor Linn Crawford, who passed on March 25, 2016. She was a former resident of the East Point area, and a dedicated staff member of many years at the Eastern Shore Area Agency On Aging.

Friends will be encouraged to share memories and stories of her loving deeds and wonderful sense of humor.

## VDACS ADVISES POULTRY FARMERS TO PROTECT AGAINST AVIAN FLU

### Submitted Article

The United States Department of Agriculture has confirmed the presence of highly pathogenic H7 avian influenza (HPAI) of North American wild bird lineage in a commercial chicken breeder flock in Lincoln County, Tenn. This strain is not a concern for human health. The flock of 73,500 is located within the Mississippi flyway. State officials quarantined the affected premises and birds on the property were killed to prevent the spread of the disease. Birds from the flock will not enter the food system.

Dr. Charles Broaddus, State Veterinarian with the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS), advises bird owners to protect their flocks by the following:

- Practice biosecurity every day – diseases are often spread by animals, equipment or clothing, so focusing on these areas can reduce the chance of infection. This is the time to take all measures possible to prevent the spread of disease.

- Prevent poultry from accessing areas where waterfowl may be present and minimize the chance of spreading disease

from tracking infectious waterfowl droppings into poultry housing areas.

- Wear separate, clean footwear and clothing used just in the poultry area when working with your birds.

- Don't share any equipment between flocks.

- Don't move birds between flocks. For backyard poultry owners who obtain new birds, isolate them for two weeks and monitor them for disease signs before adding to your flock.

- Report any signs of sickness in birds or increased deaths in your flock to VDACS.

For more information about biosecurity measures and plans, or to report increased poultry mortality, flock owners should contact the VDACS State Veterinarian's Office at 804.692.0601 or their local Office of Veterinary Services at one of the Regional Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratories. Go to [vdacs.virginia.gov](http://vdacs.virginia.gov) and click on the biosecurity button on the rotating slide show – slides change every five seconds - or type "biosecurity" in the search bar. To review biosecurity actions, go to [uspoultry.org/animal\\_husbandry/intro.cfm](http://uspoultry.org/animal_husbandry/intro.cfm)

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# Schools Fair Well in Junior Beta



*Photos by Jay Diem*

Members of the Kegotank Elementary Junior Beta Club won first place in songfest, first place in T-shirt, first place in banner, first place for color photography, first place for recyclable art, first place for living literature, first place for pencil sketch, first place for tower of power, second place for scrapbook, third place for wreath, third place for visual arts sweepstakes, third place for charcoal and third place for quiz bowl.



Accawmacke Elementary Junior Beta members won first place in book battle, first place in group talent, first place in visual design, first place in scrapbook, second place in songfest, third place in tower of power and third place in science.

## Junior Beta Winners



*Photos by Jay Diem*

Broadwater Academy Junior Beta members won second place in robotics, second place in essay, second place in recyclable art, second place in pencil drawing, third place for advertising design, third place for campaign skit and third place in charcoals.



Kegotank Elementary School's Gloria Collins was elected as the state sponsor elect for Virginia.

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# EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

## Firebirds' Cheerleading Aims to Fly to New Heights Next Season

**Story and Photos by Krystle Bono**

In the midst of afterschool cancellations on a wet and dreary Tuesday afternoon, the coaching staff of the Arcadia High School cheer squad held their second session in what would be a three-day try-out process for the 2017-18 team.

The echoes of "A-H-S" bounced off the walls in the gym, as the potential cheerleaders – 33 to be exact – learned a cheer they would have to inevitably perform for the formal try-out on Thursday.

Newly appointed Head Coach TJ Smith and Assistant Coach Aja Meadows led the crowd of hopefuls, stopping to assist when needed and to remind the 27 girls and six boys that they should be happy, always smiling and most importantly, they need to embody and project school spirit at all times. From the moment they walk into the gym, people will always be watching.

Smith, who will start his first run as head coach next season, has been the assistant coach for the last 12 years under the direction of Melissa Matthews. Matthews passed the spirit stick down to Smith after 12 years of leading the team; 11 of those ending in district championship titles, with a second place finish in regionals – just .5 points behind the regional championship team – and a fourth place state competition finish. Smith took on the role of second-in-

command after graduating from Arcadia in 2005 and a member of the Firebirds cheer squad.

Next season will mark Meadows' first experience coaching. She cheered alongside Smith at Arcadia, graduating in 2006. She will also take the lead over the junior varsity team. Adding JV, in Smith's opinion, will help their program tremendously, considering they can only have 20 members on the mat during their annual competition. They have seen a lot of talent – young talent at that – and want to give everyone an opportunity.

"It's not always about what you can do, it's how you use what you have," Smith tells the group.

In order to find the right people for the upcoming season, they are using a point-system scoring process for the try-outs, with two days of practice beforehand to properly teach, help and prepare the aspiring cheerleaders. Each part is worth up to ten points, with every person eligible to score a maximum of 90 points; for anyone who is able to tumble, they have the opportunity to earn up to 10 additional points.

The team will lose two guys and five girls of their 16-person roster. Next year, he hopes to take 18.

"It's definitely a rebuilding year," notes Smith.

During his senior year, Smith, who

was a captain, states they broke Nandua's 11-year district championship win-streak. He and Matthews went on to claim 10 more titles, dropping the 2010 championship to Nandua, but coincidentally, earned their best finishes to date at regionals and states, second and fourth, respectively.

Smith was also the only male on the team until 2006, when he reflects that a group of guys came in, joking about trying out. They could tumble; something the team was lacking at the time. Since, the Firebirds have over half of their squad with tumbling skills.

With rebuilding on the horizon, Smith wants to make sure the team is as prepared as possible to succeed, but also, he wants to make some unique, exciting changes.

"This year, basically what we want to do is get out of the box. Do things that are different and not-so-normal. Just like having the JV and varsity teams. Shake things up a bit," explained Smith, "But, the main thing is team building. Making sure we are one. Our motto last year was, 'You are my teammate and I can't win without you.' We said that before every competition; before every practice. It will continue to be our motto, but for this year [our new motto] will be, 'Chasing states.'"

Smith also feels that the key to find-

ing a place at states is to work hard and aim high.

"I feel like if I prepare them to try and make it to states, they should do well at the other competitions. Aim high. We expect a lot, so they already know we are going to push them to their limits. I am excited," says Smith.



**Coach Smith helps lift Madison Bishop in a stunt Tuesday afternoon at Arcadia.**



**(Front L-R) Assistant Coach Aja Meadows and Head Coach TJ Smith teach the group a crowd cheer during day two of the three-day try-outs.**



**Sophomore Inayah Mason, who cheered on the team this past season, helps potential members master the cheer they will perform for try outs.**

# Junior Anglers Honored



*Submitted Photo*

Youngsters took home some hardware at the recent annual banquet and awards presentation of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club. Shown from left: Ethan Abell, Isabelle Abell, Sam Abell and Ethan Willett. Isabelle Allen was the Female Junior Angler of the Year, while Ethan Willett was the Male Junior Angler of the Year and the Junior Outings Champion.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Saturday, March 18

9 a.m. – Arcadia varsity softball @ Snow Hill

10 a.m. – Northampton varsity softball vs. Monticello @ Richmond Tournament

11 a.m., 1 p.m. – Northumberland @ Nandua varsity baseball

12 p.m. – Northampton varsity softball vs. Rappahannock @ Richmond Tournament

### Monday, March 20

4:30 p.m. – Holly Grove @ Northampton varsity baseball

Holly Grove @ Northampton varsity softball

Franklin @ Northampton girls' varsity tennis

### Tuesday, March 21

4 p.m. – Salisbury Christian @ Arcadia varsity baseball & softball

5 p.m. – Greenbrier Christian @ Nandua girls' varsity soccer

5:15 p.m. – Arcadia boys' varsity soccer @ Ocean Lakes

### Wednesday, March 22

4 p.m. – Nandua varsity baseball & softball @ Mathews High School

Chincoteague boys' varsity soccer @ Nandua High School

4:30 p.m. – Washington @ Northampton girl's varsity tennis

### Thursday, March 23

3:30 p.m. – Northampton girls' varsity soccer @ Nansemond Suffolk Academy

4 p.m. – Arcadia varsity baseball & softball @ Delmar

Arcadia boys' varsity track meet @ Northumberland

4:30 p.m. – Northampton varsity baseball & softball @ Holly Grove

Windsor vs. Nandua JV baseball @ Nandua

5 p.m. – Northampton girls' JV soccer @ Nansemond Suffolk Academy

Arcadia boys' JV soccer @ Northampton

6 p.m. – Arcadia boys' varsity soccer @ Northampton



# No POSTED SPEED

*By Troy and JJ Justis*

With the new racing format still growing on the drivers, Martin Truex Jr. decided to record the first sweep of all three stages of a race this past Sunday at Las Vegas. The Toyota Camry driver had some issues on long runs, but strong tires along with some misfortune of Brad Keselowski allowed the No. 78 to hold on for the win. And if some of you thought the race was not overly exciting, the post-race pit road was full of entertainment. On the last lap, Joey Logano slid up into the Toyota of Kyle Busch, who was vying for the third position. Kyle Busch spun hard and collided with the inside wall, finishing in 22nd place; he made his feeling known immediately post-race when he exited his car and walked briskly to the No. 22 Ford pit stall. He threw a punch at Logano and was immediately taken down hard by Logano's pit crew. Kyle Busch was removed from pit road by NASCAR officials sporting a fresh wound on his forehead. NASCAR is reviewing the on-track incident, but word is there was no evidence of intent during the collision, thus no penalties will be levied.

**His View:** Chase got a little help with his third-place finish with Keselowski's mechanical issues and the last lap spin that led to a bloody brawl at the end of the race. Maybe he will get the checkered flag soon. In the meantime, I will be watching Duke go for another championship! It will be hard in the Justis household with Duke and UVA in the same bracket. Back to racing—go to the desert and get me one, Chase! GO—24—GO!

**Her View:** Both Kyle Larson and Chase Elliott seem to be very consistent in the early races this season. They currently hold the No. 2 and No. 3 spots in the driver standings. But

there is a glimmer of hope with a top 10 for Denny! This must be the start of some better fortune. Let's hope Hamlin has "the luck of the Irish" with him this Paddy's Day weekend in Phoenix. By the time you read this, March Madness will be in full-swing. I will be cheering on my beloved Wahoos. I hope they will be hanging around sunny Orlando for a bit preparing for a second-round matchup!

### **Race Results:**

Martin Truex Jr.  
Kyle Larson  
Chase Elliott  
Joey Logano  
Brad Keselowski  
Denny Hamlin  
Ryan Blaney  
Jamie McMurray  
Matt Kenseth  
Clint Bowyer

### **Driver Standings:**

Brad Keselowski, 132 points,  
5 playoff points  
Kyle Larson, 131 points  
Chase Elliott, 129 points  
Martin Truex Jr., 127 points,  
7 playoff points  
Joey Logano, 119 points  
Ryan Blaney, 106 points  
Kurt Busch, 93 points,  
5 playoff points  
Kevin Harvick, 91 points,  
3 playoff points  
Kasey Kahne, 88 points  
Jamie McMurray, 86 points

### **Next Race:**

Monster Energy Nascar Cup Series  
– Sunday, March 19, 3:30 p.m. at Phoenix International Raceway, broadcast on Fox.

**Do you know a Shore athlete who deserves special recognition? If so, please contact us at [sports@easternshorepost.com](mailto:sports@easternshorepost.com) so they can be featured in one of our future issues.**

## Two-Day Basketball Clinic at Nandua High School

A weekend basketball clinic will be held at Nandua High School Saturday, March 25, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, March 26, from 9 a.m. to noon. The camp is facilitated by Keith McLawhorn, coach of John Paul II Prep in Greensboro, N.C., and founder of Outwork Performance. McLawhorn is a renowned skill-trainer for many high school, college and professional basketball players.

The camp, intended for boys and girls grades 8 - 11, will help young players learn offensive and defensive skills and they will be evaluated by the coaches in order to help with individual development.

Lunch will be provided on Saturday only. Cost is \$20 per person and must be paid in advance. Only cash or money orders will be accepted. A waiver form will be provided and is required for all participants. Athletes are asked to bring a good pair of shoes.

For more information, contact Coach Philip Smith by email, [philiphartleysmith@gmail.com](mailto:philiphartleysmith@gmail.com) or Coach Gary Yarrell at 302-494-2758, or by email [garycarolina@yahoo.com](mailto:garycarolina@yahoo.com).

## North Accomack Little League Registration

North Accomack Little League (NALL) registration is now ongoing. You may register using the following link, <https://active.leagueone.com/Olr/Pages/Welcome.aspx?ClubId=13299> or in person in the Chincoteague High School gymnasium during Youth Rec basketball games on Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon.

We have divisions for boys and girls from ages 4-16. NALL boundary is from Groton Town Road, north to the state line, and from Saxis to Chincoteague. You must live or attend school within the boundaries to

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be eligible to play.

For more information, contact Craig McComb at 757-694-7074 or Tony Montross at 757-990-0502.

## ACPR Youth Basketball Games

The Tyson Foods and Perdue Farms games that were previously scheduled for Saturday, March 11, beginning at 2 p.m. at Arcadia, have been rescheduled for Saturday, March 25.

## All-Girls Soccer Team at the Y

Are you a middle school aged girl and interested in playing on an all-girl soccer team? The Eastern Shore Family YMCA is hoping to offer an all-girl soccer league this spring. Call the Y to add your name to the interest list. For questions or more information call the Y at 757-787-5601 or email [kbeaty@ymcashr.org](mailto:kbeaty@ymcashr.org).

## Spring Training for Eastern Shore Junior Rifle Team

It is time to get geared up for our 2017 season with the Eastern Shore's only Junior Service Rifle Team. This exacting sport builds self control, attention to detail and self confidence. Girls and women are fully represented in this sport and on our team.

For prospective members age 14 or older, the first requirement is to report to Spring Training Day sessions; the second Spring Training Day will be March 18.

Bring the following items to Spring Training: long pants, sturdy shoes or boots, long-sleeved shirt, and a regular jacket or coat, a billed hat, glasses

if required for everyday activities or for reading, pen and notebook.

We will provide cookies, soft drinks, ear protection, eye protection, rifles, ammo, training, new friends and fun. If you have friends ages 13-16 who would like to come along please bring them; they are welcome to attend Spring Training. Adults are welcome too, but must pay for their own ammo and cookies.

Any questions, call 757-442-3013.

## Run for the Animals

The 6th Annual Run For The Animals is set for Sunday, April 2, at the Historic Onancock School. This is a charity event and all net proceeds support the animal organizations who serve the Eastern Shore.

Registration is open for the 2017 Run For The Animals. Early entry fee is \$40 (\$50 after March 31). Student fee (must be full-time) is \$20 and \$25 after March 31.

Choose either the Half Marathon (13.1 miles), the 10K (6.2 miles) or the 5K (3.1 miles - non-competitive walk). All distances with or without your leashed canine companion. Baby joggers/strollers welcome.

Commemorative event T-shirt, finishing medal, unique trophies by division, and awards for top fundraisers.

Top raffle prizes this year include a hang gliding session and a scenic plane flight by VA Hang Gliding. Tickets available locally at The Book Bin, Janet's Cafe, Atlantic Animal Hospital, Greenbush Veterinary Clinic, The Law Office of Anita Johnson, or at [www.RunForTheAnimals.com](http://www.RunForTheAnimals.com)

Registration/Check-In - 6:45-7:45 a.m.

Pre-Race Meeting - 8 a.m.

Gun Time - 8:30 a.m.

Awards - 11:30 a.m.

Luncheon - Noon

This event is rain or shine. For more info on registering, volunteering, fundraising or sponsoring, please call 757-999-4999 or go to [www.RunForTheAnimals.com](http://www.RunForTheAnimals.com)

## NCPR Spring Soccer

Northampton County Parks and Recreation is now accepting spring soccer registration for ages 5 through 18. All games will be held at Indiantown Park on Saturdays, beginning April 15 and practices will begin March 20.

Registration fees are currently \$35 per player; after Friday, March 31, the registration fee will go up to \$40 per player. We are looking for volunteer coaches; anyone interested in becoming a volunteer coach will receive one free scholarship to give to a player of their choice.

For more information about this program, call our office at 757-678-0468. We look forward to seeing you on the field.

## Shore Little League Registration

Registration for Shore Little League is now open. Late registration is \$70 per child and \$100 per family. Visit <http://shorelittleleague.org> to register.

## Spring Sports at the Y

Have you ever thought about playing soccer? Registration for the YMCA's Spring Soccer League is now open. This league is for all levels of soccer players ages 6 and up. Improve on skills like dribbling, passing, and everyone's favorite....scoring. The season begins April 11, and will end June 16. Call the Y for more information at 787-5601.

Little Kickers soccer starts March 27, at the Eastern Shore Family YMCA. This league is for kids ages 3-5 and is sure to be a lot of fun. Participants will learn about sportsmanship and playing as a team. Practices are held on Mondays, at 5:15 p.m., at the Y. The cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for prospective members. Call the Y for more information at 787-5601.

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	Chinco Channel	H L	12:13 p.m. 6:20 a.m.	H L	12:56 p.m. 7:07 a.m.	H L	1:43 p.m. 7:57 a.m.	H L	2:37 p.m. 8:50 a.m.	H L	3:34 p.m. 9:41 a.m.	H L	4:34 p.m. 10:41 a.m.	H L	5:29 p.m. 11:36 a.m.
	Gargatha Neck	H L	1:05 p.m. 7:00 a.m.	H L	1:48 p.m. 7:47 a.m.	H L	2:35 p.m. 8:37 a.m.	H L	3:29 p.m. 9:30 a.m.	H L	4:28 p.m. 10:25 a.m.	H L	5:26 p.m. 11:21 a.m.	H L	6:21 p.m. 12:16 p.m.
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	Muddy Creek	H L	4:27 p.m. 11:03 a.m.	H L	5:08 p.m. 11:45 a.m.	H L	5:53 p.m. 12:33 p.m.	H L	6:24 a.m. 1:26 p.m.	H L	7:21 a.m. 2:24 p.m.	H L	8:23 a.m. 3:22 p.m.	H L	9:24 a.m. 4:17 a.m.
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## St. Patrick's Day



*Photos by Jay Diem*

Lou Hinds portrays Saint Patrick as he waves to parade attendees during the 4th Annual O'Nancock St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday.

## O'Nancock's Irish March



Kally Rasinski and other members of the Arcadia High School color guard work on their routine before participating in the parade.



Parade watchers line Market Street in Onancock during the St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday.



Noah Gardner smiles from under his green hat as he waits for the start of the St. Patrick's parade in Onancock.



The O'Nancock St. Patrick's Parade was held on Sunday.



Lexi Mae Scott leads the Eastern Shore Animal Hospital and Pet Spa group as they participate in the parade on Sunday.



A small dog is decorated in a St. Patrick's Day theme as it participates in the parade.



Members of the Tidewater Pipes and Drums perform during the parade.



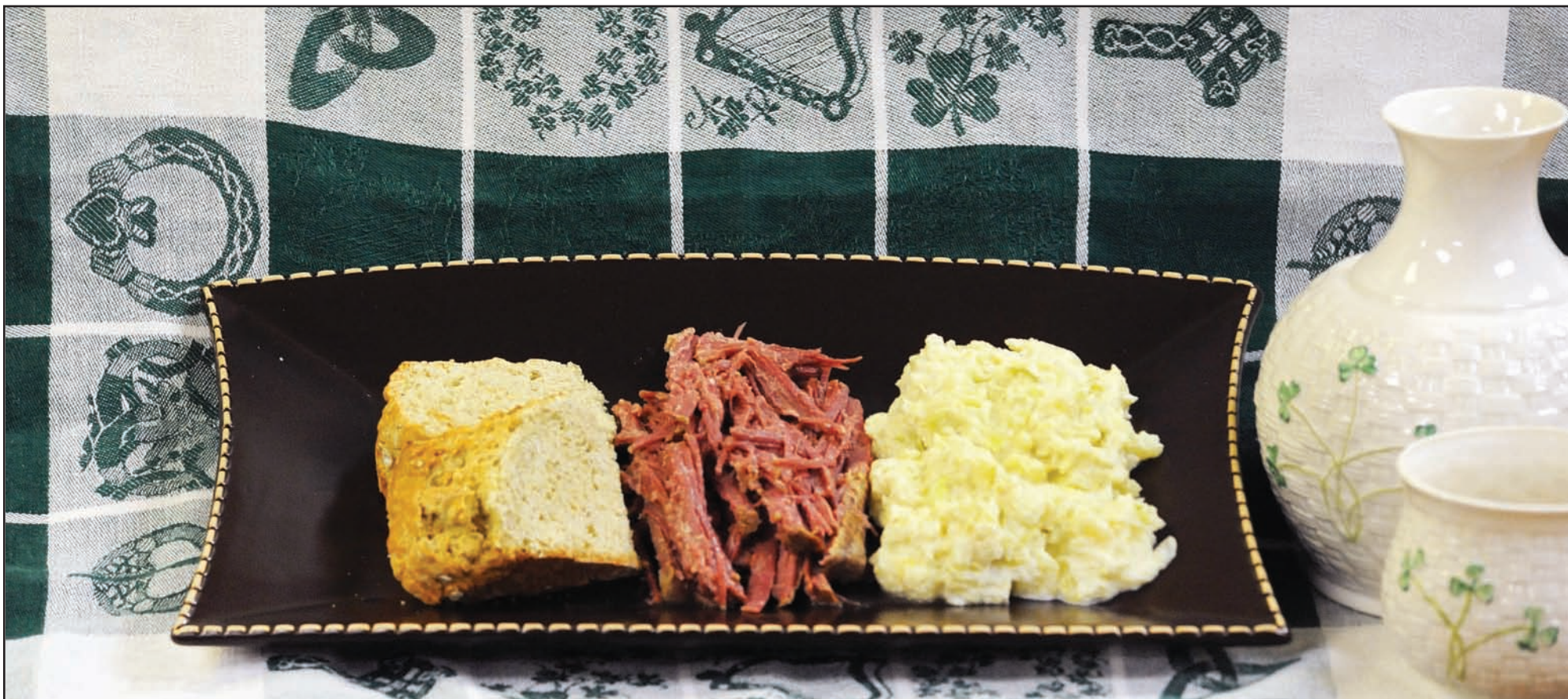
Winter Ford tosses candy to people along the parade route from the Virginia Eastern Shore-keeper float.

See a larger collection of O'Nancock St. Patrick's Parade photographs on the Eastern Shore Post's Facebook page.



# The Feast of

Photos by Jay Diem



May your glass be  
ever full.  
May the roof over  
your head be  
always strong.  
And may you be in  
heaven half an hour  
before the devil  
knows you're dead.  
~Irish prayer

## Irish Soda Bread:

By *Connie Morrison*

Makes two small loaves.

\*\*The secret to tender bread is to use a light hand with the dough, as you would with biscuits.

### Ingredients

- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter
- 3 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- 1/2 cup old-fashioned or quick oats
- 2 tablespoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary or 2 drops rosemary essential oil
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 3/4 cups buttermilk
- 1 egg white, beaten to blend

### Preparation

Preheat to 375°F. Stir butter in heavy small saucepan over medium heat until melted and golden

brown, about 3 minutes. Remove from heat.

Stir flour, oats, sugar, rosemary, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in large bowl to blend. If using rosemary essential oil, add to buttermilk, then pour buttermilk and melted browned butter over flour mixture; stir with fork until flour mixture is moistened.

Turn dough out onto floured work surface. Knead gently until dough comes together. Divide in half. Shape each half into ball; flatten each into 6-inch round. Place rounds on ungreased baking sheet, spacing 5 inches apart. Brush tops with beaten egg white. Make an X in top of each dough round, cutting about 1/2" into the dough.

Bake breads until deep golden brown, 35- 45 minutes. Cool breads on rack at least 30 minutes. Serve warm or at room temperature.

(Recipe adapted from Bon Appetit)



# Saint Patrick



## Colcannon:

By Connie Morrison  
Makes four large servings:

### Ingredients

- 5 medium Yukon Gold potatoes (about 1 3/4 pounds)
- Kosher salt
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, divided
- 2 leeks, white and pale-green parts only, sliced in half lengthwise, thinly sliced crosswise
- 2 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 2 cups (packed) shredded cabbage (from about 1/4 large head), divided
- 1 3/4 cups half-and-half
- Freshly ground black pepper--

### Preparation

Boil potatoes over medium-high heat, then reduce heat and simmer until fork tender. Drain, let cool slightly, and peel.

Meanwhile, melt 4 Tbsp. butter in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add leeks and cook, stirring frequently, until soft, about 8 minutes. Add garlic and cook, stirring frequently, until garlic is fragrant and leeks are just beginning to brown around the edges, about another 2-3 minutes. Add 1 cup cabbage and cook, stirring constantly, until wilted. Add milk and cream and bring to a simmer.

Add remaining 1 cup cabbage, cook until wilted, then add potatoes, cut into quarters. Allow to warm slightly, then coarsely mash together with cabbage and leeks with a potato masher. Season with salt and pepper.

Transfer colcannon to a large serving bowl. Top with remaining 2 Tbsp. butter and sprinkle with scallion.

(Recipe adapted from Bon Appetit)



## GUINNESS GINGERBREAD

BY JAY DIEM  
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### INGREDIENTS:

- 10 TABLESPOONS (1 1/4 STICKS) BUTTER, PLUS SOME FOR GREASING
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- 1 CUP (PACKED) DARK BROWN SUGAR
- 1 CUP STOUT (SUCH AS GUINNESS)
- 2 TEASPOONS GROUND GINGER
- 2 TEASPOONS FRESH GRATED GINGER
- 2 TEASPOONS GROUND CINNAMON
- 1/4 TEASPOON GROUND CLOVES
- 2 CUPS ALL-PURPOSE FLOUR
- 2 TEASPOONS BAKING SODA
- 1 1/4 CUPS SOUR CREAM
- 2 EGGS
- POWDERED SUGAR FOR DUSTING (OPTIONAL)
- ~ 1 RECTANGULAR ALUMINUM FOIL PAN OR CAKE PAN, APPROXIMATELY 13 X 9
- ~ 2-INCH DEEP BAKING PAN

### DIRECTIONS:

- PREHEAT OVEN TO 325. GREASE 13 X 9 PAN.
- PUT THE BUTTER, SYRUP, DARK BROWN SUGAR, STOUT, GINGER, CINNAMON AND GROUND CLOVES INTO A SAUCE PAN AND MELT SLOWLY OVER A LOW HEAT.
- TAKE MIXTURE OFF HEAT AND WHISK IN THE FLOUR AND BAKING SODA. WHISK THOROUGHLY TO REMOVE ANY LUMPS.
- WHISK THE SOUR CREAM AND EGGS TOGETHER IN SEPARATE CONTAINER, THEN BEAT INTO THE GINGERBREAD MIXTURE, WHISK UNTIL BATTER IS SMOOTH.
- POUR BATTER INTO PAN, AND BAKE FOR ABOUT 45 MINUTES; WHEN IT'S READY IT WILL BE GLEAMINGLY RISEN AT THE CENTRE, AND COMING AWAY FROM THE PAN AT THE SIDES.
- LET THE GINGERBREAD COOL BEFORE CUTTING INTO SLICES OR SQUARES.
- DUST WITH POWDERED SUGAR (OPTIONAL) (RECIPE ADAPTED FROM FOOD NETWORK)



May your blessings outnumber  
The shamrocks that grow,  
And may trouble avoid you  
Wherever you go.  
~Irish blessing

## “50-SOMETHING” STUDENT: DREAM IT, DO IT

By William McCarter, ESCC Professor  
Special to the Post

Dreams can come true. But they take courage, hard work, support, and finally, a place for it all to begin.

Deborah Eder understands this elusive truth very well. She worked for 20 years as a cook and manager in a local business, but there was no real opportunity to grow or earn much more than minimum wage.

“I always wanted to work with kids,” she said. “I had an inkling that was something I was supposed to do with my life.

“But I was scared. It’s hard to step out of the box that you create for yourself over time, but a few people kept pushing me, encouraging me, my friends and family, but especially my sister, Robin, and my daughter, Melissa Jones. My daughter was my cheerleader, my everything, and she helped me believe in myself and believe I could make a change in my life. She finally talked me into going up to Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC), and she helped me with the application and all the other paperwork. She was right there the whole time. So I took the placement test and did pretty well, even though I was a little bumpy with the math.

“When I started classes I was so scared. Here I was, 50-something, going back to school. I was afraid I wouldn’t be able to do it. But everybody at the college was so helpful and kind. It was amazing.

“I had always wanted to work with kids. That was my dream. My original plan was to become an IA, which is an Instructional Assistant. That is why I enrolled in Professor Stephanie Zodun’s Early Childhood Education Program. And I have to tell you she was wonderful, awesome. She helped me so much. She has always been right there; always there no matter what I needed. I can’t tell you how grateful I am to her.

“So I was still working as a cook while I was taking classes, and I thought it would be a good idea to get started in the school system. So I went to the Northampton County Schools central office in Machipongo and put in my application to be a substitute teacher. Then in the summer of 2015, in July, I got a call from the central office about working as a BSA; that’s a behavior support aid. Even though I had applied to be a substitute, they knew I had a grandson who is non-verbal autistic and had experience working with him. So I started working that summer as a be-



Submitted Photo

Deborah Eder with 5th grade Kiptopeke Elementary student Xavier Reid.

havior support aid in a special education classroom that serves students with disabilities, including children with autism. I’ve been there ever since. I also work at the Migrant Head Start with kids 6 weeks to 4 years of age. I like that very much. You know, I look around now and realize I’m doing it: I’m making my dream come true.

“I only have one more class and I will complete my degree,” she says proudly.

But Deborah Eder is not finished. “Now it is my goal to continue my education and get a bachelor’s and even maybe a master’s degree. I want to become a

certified teacher, have my own classroom and work with special needs students.”

The tone in her voice is full of confidence, gratitude and even a little wonder.

“When I look back now,” she says, “I can’t believe how far I’ve come. I would encourage anyone with a dream, anyone who has some idea for a better life, to believe in themselves, to believe in their dreams. And I would especially encourage them to come up to the community college and get started. Make that first step, because it’s better than I ever imagined, and ESCC is just such a wonderful place to begin.”



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# Community Notes

## Cape Charles

The community band will perform a St. Patrick's Day concert at the Palace Theatre on Friday, March 17, at 6 p.m.  
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A St. Patrick's Day open mic will be held at Lemon Tree Gallery and Studio on Friday, March 17, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Lemon Tree will also host a discussion with Margaret Van Clief of The Nature Conservancy on Monday, March 20, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring a bag lunch.

## Capeville

A soup sale will be held at Capeville UMC on Friday, March 24, from 4 to 6 p.m. Orders must be placed by March 20 by calling Patty Bailey at 757-331-4732 or 757-630-3752. Chili, vegetable beef and clam chowder are available for \$10 per quart. Baked goods will be available for sale at the church on the night of pick up.

## Onancock

A port and medeira tasting will be held in the wine cellar at Ker Place on Saturday, March 24, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$25 per person. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society.

Tickets may be purchased online at [shorehistory.org](http://shorehistory.org) or by calling Ker Place at 757-787-8012.

## Onley

The Jabberwock Pageant will be held at Nandua High School on Saturday, March 18, at 5 p.m. The pageant is hosted by the Accomack-Northampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. This year eight girls from age 7 to 13 are competing for the crown. They will present a short play, display talent and answer judges' questions.

For more information, call Shenae Cooper-Drummond at 302-222-5290.  
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A clam and ham dinner will be held at Onley UMC on Friday, March 17, from 5 to 7 p.m. The menu consists of clam fritters, ham, potato salad, lime/pineapple gelatin salad, deviled egg, roll, dessert and beverage and costs \$12 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under.

Reservations are strongly recommended. Call 757-787-4155.

## Pungoteague

A chili cookoff will be held at the parish hall of St. George's Episcopal Church on Saturday, March 18, from noon to 2:30 p.m. The public may participate by helping to choose the best chili. Chili is available for purchase by the pint with a slice of cornbread for \$5 or an eat-in meal of chili, cornbread and drink is \$7.



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## Daisey Speaks to Christian Businessmen

Ray Daisey, assistant vice president for the Pocomoke branch of Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, recently spoke to the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association. Daisy, a 1982 graduate of Broadwater Academy, spoke on local business ethics in the information age. The ESCBA meets monthly to promote ethical practices and Christian principles in all business dealings. From left, Garnett Kellam, Daisey and John Konkel, president of the ESCBA.

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- Maggie Elizabeth Custis, 66, and George Junior Custis, 72, both of Machipongo
- George Hamilton Jamieson Jr., 76, and Mary Ann Bryant, 73, both of Exmore

## Salisbury University Dean's List

Ten Accomack County area students were named to the Dean's List at Salisbury University for the fall 2016 semester: Savannah Rachael Stubbs and Victoria Brooke Stubbs of Chincoteague; Cassie Bernard and Alexandra Mackenzie Burkhead of Parksley; Kinsley Hall of Bloxom; Ryan Wright of Craddockville; Chelsea Porter of Hallwood; Faizan Ahmad of Mears; Cari Parks of New Church; and Cole Fisher of Oak Hall.



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## ESAR Day on the Hill

Eastern Shore Association of Realtors (ESAR) members joined forces recently with real estate professionals from across the state for the 2017 Realtor Day on the Hill. Linda Buskey of Bay Creek Realty in Cape Charles, Tammy Mason and Andy Mason of Weichert Realtors, Mason-Davis in Onancock, and ESAR Executive Director Amy Higgins were among 600-plus Virginia Realtors members who came together Feb. 8 at Capitol Square in support of the state association's legislative package. Meeting with Sen. Lynwood W. Lewis Jr. in his office at the Virginia General Assembly are Tammy Mason, left, and Amy Higgins.



## Benavidas Wins T-Shirt Contest

Each year the Eastern Soil and Water Conservation District (ESSWCD) holds a Dominion Envirothon T-shirt design contest that rotates annually between the local high schools. The winning T-shirt design is then featured as the back of the Dominion Envirothon T-shirt. This year students in David Warren's art class at Northampton High School competed to have their design featured. The winning design was created by 10th-grader Francely Benavidas. ESSWCD Education Director Mary Melson presented Benavidas with a \$50 cash award and a T-shirt with her design.



## Garden Club Terrarium Program

Ye Accawmacke Garden Club member Beth Temple (above, left) presented a program about terrariums at the club's February meeting. Here she helps Wanda Custis create a new terrarium.

**FRIDAY  
MARCH 17**

★9:30-noon - **Workshop on Marketing Techniques for Produce**

- Northampton Cty. Extension Bldg., 7247 Young St., Machipongo

★noon - **AA mtg.** - UMC, Onancock

★12:30 p.m. - **Science & Philosophy Seminar: Song in the Civil Rights Movement** - 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. - **Bingo** (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven

**SATURDAY  
MARCH 18**

★8 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Free Clothing**

**Event** - Acts the Apostolic Church, 9431 Jerusalem Rd., Temperanceville - 757-894-8715

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

★1-4 p.m. - **One-on-One Computer Training** - Cape Charles Memorial Library - by appointment only: 695-4192

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.



**POST TIMES  
March 17-23**

**SUNDAY  
MARCH 19**

★2 p.m. - **Bingo** - VFW Post 2296, Tasley

★3 p.m. - **100 Men in Black & White** - Shiloh Baptist Church, Boston

★3 p.m. - **Spring Choir Fest** - First Baptist Church,

Mappsville - 410-713-9298

★3 p.m. - **Heavenly Wings Over Jordan's 14th Anniversary**

**Celebration** - Burton's Chapel, Wachapreague - dinners served for \$5

★7 p.m. - **Revival (March 19-21)** - Craddockville UMC

**MONDAY  
MARCH 20**



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

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

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

★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elk's Lodge, Tasley

★6 p.m. - **Central Shore Lions Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

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

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

★7:30 p.m. - **Accomack Cty. Taxpayers' Assn. mtg.** - Accomack County Administration Bldg.

**TUESDAY  
MARCH 21**

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

★9:30 a.m. - **MOMS mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Church, upstairs - 709-9351 - bring a snack & your kids

★10 a.m. - **Veterans' Workshop** - Virginia Employment Commission, Onley - 787-5862

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

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

★noon - **Church Women United mtg.** - Hermitage, Onancock

★1-2:30 p.m. - **Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church, Fidelis House, 509 Randolph Ave. - 789-5000

★5-6:30 p.m. - **Fathers' & Sons' mtg.** - ESTACI, Exmore

★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486 (call for location)

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

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

★7 p.m. - **March Madness** - Shiloh Baptist Church, Boston

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

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

**WEDNESDAY  
MARCH 22**

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

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

★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

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★7 p.m. - **AA & Al-Anon. mtgs.** - Franktown UMC

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

**THURSDAY  
MARCH 23**

★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Veterans' Employment Representative Avail.** - Chincoteague Town Office

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

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

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

★3:45-5:15 p.m. - **The Good News Club mtg.** - Hollies Baptist Church, 17691 Hollies Church Rd., 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. - **Kiwanis Club mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chincoteague

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

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

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

★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague

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This position is a part-time position for 2-3 days per week from April through September yearly. Duties include locating and identifying Johnsongrass and Gypsy Moth throughout the county, assisting landowners and/or operators in determining best control procedures, enforcement of the Johnsongrass Control Ordinance and gypsy moth banding, trapping, and conducting egg mass surveys. The employee will also assist the Agricultural Extension Agent with various agricultural education programs. Farm or farm-related background and/or previous work with regulations and enforcement helpful. The use of a personal vehicle for official travel will be required and reimbursed at 53 ½ cents per mile or current county rate.

To apply online: <http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities>

Paper copies of the application are available at the Virginia Cooperative Extension office, 23203 Front Street, Accomack, VA 23301.

Initial review of applications will begin on March 22, 2017, however position is open until filled. Applicants desiring special services or accommodations should contact the Accomack County Human Resources Director at least five days prior to the application review date.

**Information Technology Technician**

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time IT Technician in the Information Technology Department. The essential function of this position is to assist in the daily operations of the Department, including but not limited to: systems administration, website management, application administration, network administration and providing technical support for all county departments.

**Familiarity with the following systems will be advantageous:** Website development/management software, Cisco VoIP Systems, Cisco IOS, Microsoft SQL, Microsoft Server and Desktop Operating Systems, Microsoft Exchange Server, VMWare ESXi

**Successful candidates should possess the following traits:** Proven experience as IT Technician or relevant position. Excellent diagnostic and problem solving skills. In depth understanding of diverse computer systems and networks. Knowledge of internet security and data privacy principles. The ability to communicate technical concepts effectively to a varied audience. Strong sense of discretion and confidentiality. Strong organizational and time-management skills. Ability to meet deadlines and manage stress effectively in high-pressure situations. Experience with LAN/WAN networks. Experience with website development/management

Bachelor's degree in Systems Administration or closely related field is desired. Cisco Networking Certification(s) (CNET or CCNA), Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA) or closely related certifications are preferred. This position also requires valid Virginia Driver's License and five years of related work experience. Criminal background check required. Minimum salary for this position is \$36,451.00. Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job descriptions, requirements and county's application form [www.co.northampton.va.us/jobs.html](http://www.co.northampton.va.us/jobs.html). Please submit completed County application form with cover letter and copies of certifications to Human Resources, P. O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 by April 10, 2017. Northampton County is an EOE.

**POSITION VACANCY**

The County of Northampton is accepting applications for a County Administrator. A bachelor's degree in public administration or a related field is required, a master's degree highly desirable. A minimum of five years of public-management experience as chief administrative officer or in a responsible local-government position required. Past experience of the individual must demonstrate familiarity in areas that include planning, public administration, finance, human-resources management and public relations. Experience in successfully balancing commercial and residential growth in a rural area is an important consideration.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job descriptions and requirements [www.co.northampton.va.us/jobs.html](http://www.co.northampton.va.us/jobs.html). Please submit completed resume with cover letter to Human Resources, P. O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347, by March 31, 2017. Northampton County is an EOE.

**MAINTENANCE WORKER**

The County of Northampton is accepting applications for a (part-time) Maintenance Worker in its Public Works & Operations Department. The selected candidate will maintain all County facilities and the essential function of this position is to maintain grounds including mowing/trimming, weeding, planting shrubs and plants, picking up debris and trash and perform repairs and maintenance work as assigned. A valid Virginia drivers' license is required. The hourly rate for this position is \$11.86/ hour.

Job descriptions and applications are available online at [www.co.northampton.va.us](http://www.co.northampton.va.us) or at Northampton County Human Resources, 16404 Courthouse Road, P. O. Box 66, Eastville, Virginia 23347 (phone: 757/678-0440 x 551). Accepting applications until March 17, 2017. EOE.

**Immediate Opening:**

Franktown UMC has an immediate opening for a **Part-time accompanist**. Accompanist is responsible for choir rehearsals, choir accompaniment & providing music for all church services.

Please send resumes to:  
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Franktown, VA 23354

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**Boats, Etc.**

**2004 ANGLER 2100 W/ CUDDY CABIN** - 150 h.p. Mercury Optimax, live well, Bimini Top w/side curtains GPS, dual axle trailer, great cond. \$12,500. Call 757-678-6140.



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**'90 22-ft. BOSTON WHALER** - Orig. owner; w/150 h.p. 4-stroke Honda still under warrantee (less than 50 hrs.) Alum. trailer, T-top, 2-GPS/sonar units, \$22,000 firm. Will take older 15 to 17 ft. BW on trade. 434-821-9027 or 434-665-9260.



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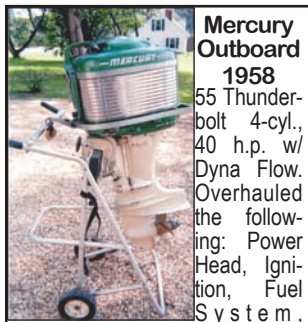
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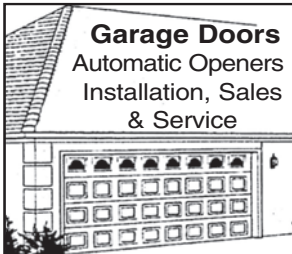
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### TRUSTEE SALE

Tax Map 91-A-15B and Tax Map 84-A-92,  
Cape Charles, VA 23310  
Northampton County

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$75,000.00, dated March 23, 2010 recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the Northampton County, Virginia, in Document No. 100000521, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Northampton County Courthouse, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, on April 3, 2017 at 11:45 AM the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

**Tract 1:** All that certain tract or parcel of land situate East of Cape Charles, Northampton County, Virginia and described as "Remaining Land of Tax Parcel 84-A-92" on a Plat attached to Deed and recorded in Deed Book 330, Page 233, and;

**Tract 2:** Beginning at a point in the center of a field road opposite the Cape Charles Cemetery just North of the woods along said field road, and the main country road leading to Capeville, Virginia; thence along the center of the field road in an easterly direction across said farm to the lands now or formerly of A. Banks; thence in a southerly direction to the center of Stratton Manor Branch; thence in a westerly direction along said branch across the Cape Charles Railroad to the main county road leading to Capeville; thence in an irregular westerly and northwesterly direction along said county road to the center of said field road to the point of beginning, containing 57 acres, more or less, bounded on the North, by the lands now or formerly of F. G. Belote; on the East, by the lands now or formerly of A. Banks; on the South, by Stratton Manor Branch and the country road; and on the West, by said county road and:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Capeville Magisterial District just East of the Cape Charles Cemetery, Northampton County, Virginia, beginning at a point on the south side of the main county road leading to Capeville and a point directly opposite the eastern fence enclosing the main on said farm; thence in an easterly direction along said county road to Stratton Manor Branch; thence in an irregular westerly course along said Stratton Manor Branch to a point directly opposite the point of beginning; and thence in a straight line northerly direction to the main county road and the point of

beginning, said piece or parcel of land containing 1/2 acre, more or less, and bounded on the North or East, by the main county road leading to Capeville, Virginia; on the South, by Stratton Manor Branch; and on the West, by the lands now or formerly A.M. Muller, with improvements thereon.

Less and except 9.43 acres conveyed by Deed recorded in Deed Book 122, Page 413.

Less and Except 1.83 acres conveyed by Deed recorded in Deed Book 118, Page 441.

Less and Except 3 acres conveyed by Deed recorded in Deed Book 136, Page 24.

Subject to Deed of Trust dated February 4, 2002 and recorded February 4, 2002 in Instrument #020000327, in Book 345, Page 458.

Subject to Deed of Trust Dated July 18, 2002 and recorded July 23, 2002 as Instrument #020001761.

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

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SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., Substitute Trustee

This is a communication from a debt collector.  
**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C. (51404)  
5040 Corporate Woods Drive, Suite 120  
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757-457-1460 - Call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or visit our website at [www.siwpc.net](http://www.siwpc.net)

### TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 27442 Locustville Road Onley, VA 23418

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$172,245.00, dated January 25, 2008, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for Accomack County on February 1, 2008, as Instrument Number 200800527, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction, at the main entrance of the courthouse for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave, Accomack, VA on April 14, 2017 at 11:30 AM, the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address and briefly described as: ALL THAT certain tract or parcel of land, situate between the Town of Onley and the Village of Locustville, Lee Magisterial District, Accomack County, Virginia, bounded in the Northeast by Virginia Route 789, the public road leading from the Town on Onley to the Village of Locustville, for a distance of Two Hundred Feet (200 ft.); on the Southeast, by the land formerly owned by B.F. McCready for a distance of Three Hundred feet (300 ft.); on the Southwest, by the land formerly owned by B.F. McCready for a distance of Two Hundred feet (200 ft.); and on the Northwest, by the land of Edward A. Ames, III, for a distance of Three Hundred feet (300 ft.); the said Northwestern boundary being the Southeastern boundary of Tract B on a plat entitled, "Survey of 'The Ames Farm' at the Reques of E. Almer Ames, Jr., Near Onley, Accomack County, Virginia," dated February 1972, made by R.L. Beebe, C.E., and recorded in November 1974, in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia. Tax ID: 10300A000007600.

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**Lot 3A, as shown on plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 173, Page 3, with improvements thereon.**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located in the County Administration Building at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct regular business and public hearings on the following matters.

**A. Zoning Text Amendment 2017-02 NHCO:** The Northampton County Board of Supervisors intends to amend the Northampton County Code, Chapter 154.2 Zoning Code, Section 154.2.042 as follows. **154.2.042 (B)(1)(b)(g)** Delete the word "plat" and replace it with "application"; **154.2.042 (B)(2)**Delete the sentence at the end of the paragraph: *If necessary to fully review the application for compliance with this chapter and/or the Comprehensive Plan, the Director of Planning and Zoning is authorized to ask for additional information from the applicant.*; and in **154.2.042 (B)(2)(b)** add the following sentence and delete the last sentence in the paragraph: **County staff shall post a notice of pending zoning action on the subject property that is visible from the public right of way. The notice shall be posted by the applicant or his/her agent(s) at reasonable intervals not to exceed 200 feet apart along every street abutting the subject property, or if there is no abutting street, then along the exterior boundary lines of the subject property.**

**B. Special Use Permit 2017-05:** Gary and Julie Wagner have applied to amend SUP 2016-05 to expand the existing Borrow Pit to 18+/- acres in order to accommodate approximately 700,000 cubic yards of fill material from the new Thimble Shoal tunnel project. The property is located on Simpkins Dr., near Eastville. The property, described as Tax Map 68, double circle A, parcel 75, is zoned A/RB, Agriculture/Rural Business and contains approximately 37.52 acres of land.

The Board of Supervisors shall also conduct public hearings on the above matters on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers. The application will be on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and in the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA.

Anyone wishing to comment on the above item is invited to attend the meetings and make their comments known. Written comments can be submitted to the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement/P.O. Box 538/Eastville, VA 23347.

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**Notice of Taking Proof of Debts and Demands of the Estate of Dickie P. Doremus**

At the request of Peggy D. Tilghman, Executor of the estate of Dickie P. Doremus, I have fixed Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at 2:00 P.M. as the time, and the office of Custis, Dix, Lewis & Custis, L.L.P., 23345 Counsel Drive, Accomack, VA 23301, as the place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the said decedent or his estate.

Given under my hand this 10th day of March, 2017.

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By Linda Cicoira

Do you ever feel like you are talking to yourself? Or knocking your head against a brick wall because no one seems to be listening?

I get that feeling frequently.

Accomack county leaders have the power to turn my frown upside down and provide a more pleasant experience for all local residents. But, they haven't taken any action to do so.

I've asked and asked. And now I am suggesting that Post readers do the same.

I'm talking about basics like foot room. The county meeting place has none. Well, at least not for the peons in the audience. That means you and me. These meeting sometimes last more than five hours. It's a struggle.

There is a simple solution. Stop using that closet for meetings and go somewhere else. I attend these sessions in order to pass the news on to the public. So when there is no room for me, there is no room for you.

Another fix would be to use a former school that is quite grand and is turning into an eyesore.

Uh oh! Politics just walked in.

The school system owns the former Accomack Primary School, which I've been told has a wonderful auditorium.

Recently, Superintendent Chris Holland told the Accomack Board of Supervisors that the former school would be repaired and he would offer space to the county for storage. On several occasions, the supervisors have said they want the building for office space. Nothing has ever been done. The problem started long before Holland became superintendent.

The School Board and the supervisors can't seem to work it out.

It's not much different from some of the great old houses that have gone to ruin on



Photo by Linda Cicoira

the Shore. Someone gets old. A house isn't maintained. The owner dies, the house sits and sits. A family member decides to fix it up. Renovations begin. Something else happens and the building is abandoned again. Perhaps it is left to several family members who can't decide what to do with their shares or there is a feud over the property. But, before you know it, the structure is not worth saving. Everybody loses. And we all watch it fall down.

It is not good when government meets in an unwelcoming place. The only thing it leaves room for is corruption.

But on to Northampton County where someone mentioned on Facebook that the schools are in very poor shape and perhaps a solution would be to move the kids into the recently abandoned hospital, which is in better condition. Imagine that.

So talk to your representatives and see if you can get some answers.

## High Praise for VDOT

Dear Editor:

I recently found myself wondering whether our local VDOT has a team of elves that perform good works during the middle of the night when no one can see them. I wondered this because I had placed a work ticket to fix a broken stop sign at around 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and when I went for a walk with my wife on Wednesday around 7:45 a.m., the sign had already been repaired. I didn't think that such things were even possible — they certainly are not normal. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and hard-working VDOT team to help us here on the Shore.

Charles Wilbur

## Time To Thank A Farmer

Dear Editor:

Agriculture is sort of a big word but a simple concept: at its heart, agriculture equals food. We all need to eat, so agriculture is a big deal. In fact as the state's No. 1 private industry, it's the biggest deal in Virginia. It's also a very good deal.

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ginia Agriculture Week and the ideal time to give some thought – and some thanks – to our farmers for all they do, all year round, for all of us.

No matter which food tops your list – barbecued chicken, juicy steaks, fluffy scrambled eggs, sweet strawberries, peanut butter sandwiches, steamed crabs, corn on the cob, ice-cold milk, thinly sliced country ham, local wine or beer, and more – you can thank a farmer for all the plowing, planting, growing, cultivating and harvesting it took to put it on your table.

Virginia farmers also deserve a pat on the back for agriculture's amazing diversity in the Commonwealth. Food is just the beginning. Also consider horses, lumber and wood products, wool and cotton fiber, bedding and garden plants, Christmas trees, tobacco, sod, foliage plants and cut flowers. For more than 400 years, farmers have provided Virginians with food, fiber and other essentials despite soaring temperatures, plummeting prices, daunting regulations and fluctuating market conditions.

Thank them, too, for constantly striving to improve agriculture over the last four centuries. By using innovative technology, the latest scientific information and a lot of hard work, farmers have increased agricultural efficiency. In the 1930s, one farmer supplied enough food for 9.8 people in the U.S. and abroad; by the 1960s, the number had grown to 25.8 people. In the 1990s, each farmer was feeding 129 people, and today a farmer is able to feed his or her own family plus 155

additional people around the world.

If you need another reason to thank a farmer, consider this: they are the people who provide you with green meadows, clear streams, beautiful vistas and a bunch of really cool equipment and adorable animals that they might let you ride, feed or pet if you stopped by. The least you could do during Virginia Agriculture Week is to thank them by buying Virginia grown or raised products wherever you shop.

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