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The wreck of the Esk has surfaced on the beaches of Parramore Island.

Wreck of the *Esk* Exposed on Parramore Island

Story & Photo by Ron West

Well into the 20th century, vessels transporting goods and passengers along the Atlantic Coast were powered by wind rather than coal or oil. Small cargo schooners, crewed by only a handful of men, were the workhorses of coastal trade for over two centuries. The entire coast, from Maine to Florida, is littered with the remains of hundreds of vessels that ended their voyages, not in a safe harbor but on the beaches and islands that dot the coastline.

Along the Eastern Shore, shifting sands made entrance under sail into the numerous inlets between the islands hazardous at best. For many vessels and their unlucky passengers and crews, a watery grave with only whitecaps to serve as markers became their final resting place. The lucky few who managed to drag themselves through the surf often died of exposure and injuries long before the men of the U.S. Life Saving Service (USLS) could find them.

Such was the fate of the three-masted schooner *Esk*. Built in 1887 at Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, by Thomas A. Wilson and homeported in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, the *Esk* was 98 feet long, had a beam of 24

feet and drew 9.8 feet of water. The *Esk* headed north from Maracaibo, Venezuela, en route to Providence, R.I., with a cargo of dyewood. Dyewood or Brazilwood as it is also known, is a reddish brown wood

prized for making violins. The cargo of dyewood, valued at \$3,500, would never create the sweet sounds of a lullaby. Rather, its final sounds were groans as it was turned into splinters by the break-

ing surf on the isolated beach of Parramore Island.

The *Esk*, a 148-ton vessel, along with her seven-man crew, came to rest two miles south of

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Two Die in Separate Crashes

By Linda Ciccoira

Two passengers died in separate traffic accidents in Accomack County over the past two days.

Sgt. Michelle Cotten of the Virginia State Police identified the victims as Hakeem Bowen, 18, unknown address, and Dynell Taran Downing, 21, of John Cane Road in Greenbush.

Cotten said that at about 1:30 a.m. Sunday the first accident occurred on Route 614 or Shell Bridge Road, 2/10 of a mile west of Route 609 in Painter. A 2004 Crown Victoria driven by Jarod-Scott Kirsten-Phillip Lee, 22, of Boston Road in Painter, hit a pole, causing power lines to go down, Cotten added.

Bowen, who was a passenger, died at the scene of that accident. Lee and another passenger, whose name and address was not available, were taken to Shore Memorial Hospital. Cotten said it was unknown if alcohol was a factor or if seatbelts were worn. Trooper Williams investigated.

The second fatal crash occurred at 12:56 Monday morning on Lankford Highway 4/10 of a mile south of Hallwood Road. Cotton said a 2003 Chevrolet Mal-

ibu ran off the right side of the road and struck a utility pole on the passenger's side. The sergeant said speed is believed to have been a factor. Downing died at the scene.

The driver, Arthur Jones III, 22, of Nelsonia Road in Bloxom, was charged with leaving the scene of an accident involving an injury or death, obstruction of justice and reckless driving. He was taken to Accomack County Jail.



A young man died in this accident on Shell Bridge Road.

VDOT Offers Bleak Future for Road Upgrades

By Ron West

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) representative Bobby Isdell updated the Northampton County Board of Supervisors Tuesday on budget reductions by the state.

Isdell noted that due to the reductions in state funding, localities would be receiving very little funding for secondary road repairs and upgrades. He advised the supervisors that funding for most of the six-year road projects is being reduced to zero and that this would likely continue for the foreseeable future. The reduction will affect projects such as the proposed extension of Route 618 near Exmore as well as the Belle Haven Cemetery Road upgrade. The total VDOT cut for Virginia is \$2 billion, with Northampton County's share being reduced by \$647,000.

On a brighter note, Board Chairman Jeff Walker introduced newly promoted Eagle Scouts Nicholas Schaffer and Coady Paglia. Walker, himself an Eagle, noted the extensive work required to achieve Eagle status.

Joe Zager, president and CEO of Shore Health Services, fielded questions by the supervisors regarding the impending merger of the local hospital with Riverside Health Services in Hampton. Zager indicated that the plan calls for Riverside to infuse between \$35 million and \$70 million in services and facilities on the Shore and for a new hospital to be built at some point in the future. Zager said Riverside hopes to be able to provide employment for all current Shore Memorial Hospital employees.

County Administrator Katie

Nunez provided the supervisors an updated list of projects submitted for Federal Stimulus Package funding. The list focuses on upgrading county buildings and school improvements.

During the public information period, Shelia Thomas questioned the use of block grant funds for projects other than housing. She said there are numerous substandard homes in the county that are

still without indoor plumbing which the funding could provide. Supervisor Richard Tankard noted that under the provisions of the block grant, the county can use the funds to provide for other county projects. The supervisors voted to apply for a grant to help renovate the former middle school in Machipongo for use by other agencies.

The supervisors agreed to allow Eastern Shore Community College

to use a portion of the former Northampton Middle School as a satellite facility for classes.

In other action, the supervisors voted to support a request to allow a zoning amendment for industrial sites with roads that do not meet the 50-foot right-of-way requirement. Under the change, the zoning administrator may use her discretion to allow up to a 10-foot variance.

Rate Hike Discussed in Accomack

Story & Photo By Linda Cicoira

Accomack supervisors proposed a "worst case scenario" budget at meetings Monday and Wednesday nights that includes real-estate and personal property-tax rate hikes and forced furloughs for county employees.

A public hearing on the more than \$60 million draft was set for 7:30 p.m. March 25 at Metompkin Elementary School.

The officials said their goal is to use the proposed budget for advertising purposes. In the weeks until the hearing, they plan to cut spending to reduce the amount of tax revenue needed to balance the budget.

The proposed adjustments would take the mainland real-estate rate from 35 to 44 cents per \$100 valuation and the personal-property tax rate from \$3.27 to \$3.72 per \$100 valuation. On Chincoteague, the rate is proposed to go up 7 cents for the real estate rate and 42 cents for personal property.

On Monday, about a dozen protesters from the citizens' group "Hear Our Voices" marched outside the county office building to show their dissatisfaction with the government. On Wednesday, Bob Gresham of Accomac was alone in protesting against the county.

Picketers mostly complained that too much money is being spent on a Legal Department and that the Planning and Zoning Department budgets are excessive.

Vice Chairwoman Laura Belle Gordy was absent from the first session. Of the others, all but Supervisor Wanda Thornton favored continuing to fund the position of County Attorney Mark Taylor, who is the highest paid county employee, at \$120,822 a year.



Mark Breuer of Parksley pickets in front of the administration office in Accomac Monday. "It's absurd that they want to increase the budget when everyone else is cutting back," he said.

The citizens' group complained that the cost of legal services has risen since 2005 from about \$40,000 to \$250,000.

The majority of the supervisors contended that a full-time attorney provides speedy answers to their legal questions and actually costs less. They say that

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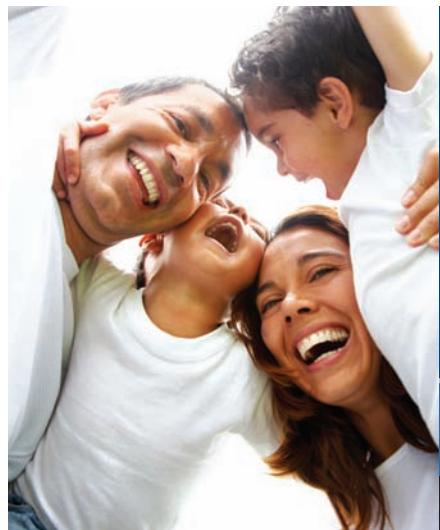


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Our County Seal?

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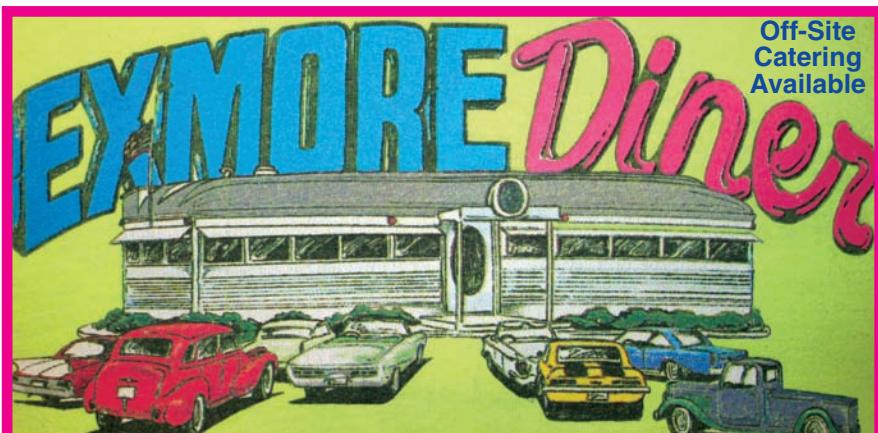
This creature was spotted on the banks of a Metompkin Island this week. So we turned to animal behaviorist Kathy Sdao who has broad experience working with marine mammals. From her current base in Tacoma, Wash., Sdao identified it as a harbor seal and added, "Harbor seals aren't sexually dimorphic, so you can't tell if it's a he or a she. And because I have no size reference in that photo, I can't tell how ... old — s/he may be. The fact that s/he has no external ear flaps makes it a seal, not a sea lion." Sdao offered further details by way of a 1985 book, "The Marine Mammals of Virginia," by Robert A. Blaylock of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science, which notes, "The harbor seal is medium-sized growing to a maximum length of 5.9 feet. ... This is the only seal species which might be encountered in Virginia. ... The harbor seal appears to prefer gently sloping beaches on which to haul out. ... Infrequently, small groups of harbor seals may be found near the islands of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel in spring and summer."

Federal Funding for Shore Projects

U.S. Sen. Jim Webb has announced funding for a number of projects on the Eastern Shore, including \$2 million for the installation of high-speed Internet in Accomack and Northampton counties, \$10 million in disaster assistance for Chesapeake Bay watermen facing economic hardships due to fishing restrictions, \$476,000 to design and construct a new Onley Commu-

nity Health Center, \$500,000 for upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant in Onancock, and \$19 million to NASA Wallops Island Flight Facility for launch pad improvements, small satellites and unmanned aerial systems.

Funding for these projects was secured in the Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2009, signed into law Wednesday by President Obama.



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if legal expenses were tallied from all departments, the previous costs would exceed what the county spends to have its own Legal Department.

"I think it's the best money we've ever spent," said Supervisor Phil McCaleb.

Supervisor Grayson Chesser agreed. "Mr. Taylor is probably one of the biggest bargains we have."

"I shudder at the thought of not having representation," said Supervisor Donald Hart. "We don't want to go back the way we were."

Thornton argued that the average salary of an attorney in Virginia is about \$80,000. "I'm not criticizing Mr. Taylor," she said. "I don't think we can afford him."

Planning Director Jim McGowen defended his department's expenses. He announced that Walmart is moving forward with plans for its Onley store after recently having the property surveyed. In addition, he said 103 single-family homes are under construction in Accomack, 16 major land developments are underway and subdivisions with nearly 300 lots have been proposed since January.

The supervisors rejected abolishing the Parks and Recreation Department as suggested by McCaleb, who also said constructing a new county office building would provide a "significant savings" in gas and rental costs.

The proposed budget includes giving additional staff to the county assessor to help update property records.

Reducing annual health insurance benefits that total nearly \$90,000 for the supervisors was debated. But no action was taken. The supervisors expect to continue discussions at their March 18 meeting.

Supervisor Jack Gray gets dental insurance for his wife and himself at a cost of \$402 a year. Gordy and Thornton each get single-subscriber coverage that costs \$5,553 annually. Supervisors McCaleb, Chesser, Sandy Hart Mears and Ron Wolff get health and dental coverage for themselves and a spouse at a cost of \$11,594. Mallette and Hart have family plans that cost the county \$15,555 each.

Mallette said the health insurance benefit allows a more diverse group to serve on the Board of Supervisors. He contended that without it, only the wealthy could afford to hold office. Still, he suggested that the numbers of supervisors be cut from nine to five.

Regarding a proposed annexation of mainland properties by Chincoteague, Thornton said redistricting measures that would be needed before the board could be cut, could force the issue.

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Alternative Energy Will Be Topic of Session

Atlantic District Supervisor Ron Wolff will hold his monthly constituents' meeting at Wolff's Sandwich Shoppe in Atlantic Monday evening at 7.

The guest speaker will be Mack Shelor, a specialist in wind energy. Everyone is invited.

Court & Police Postings

Exmore Police

A Northampton county man was the victim of a shooting at the Trawler Restaurant and Lounge in Exmore early Sunday morning.

According to Exmore Police Chief Steve Elliott, Exmore and Northampton County law-enforcement officers responded to the incident at 1:15 a.m.

Purnell Mason, 19, of Exmore, had already been transported to Shore Memorial Hospital when officers were made aware of the shooting. Elliott said Mason was flown to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

No other details were available. Anyone with information regarding the incident is urged to contact Exmore Police at 442-5405.

Northampton County Grand Jury

A Northampton County Grand Jury handed down several indictments Monday.

Lafayette Devoul Ames, 25, of

Eastville was indicted on one count of possession of cocaine with the intent to distribute it and one count of possession of not more than 1/2 ounce of marijuana with the intent to distribute it.

Carroll L. Bull, 45, of Painter was indicted on one count of possession of cocaine.

Ivan Lee Bozeman, 44, of Blountstown, Fla., was indicted on one count of grand larceny and one count of embezzlement.

Kelly Elaine Bynum, 22, of Melfa was indicted on two counts of a third or subsequent offense of larceny, as well as forging a public document.

Robert Deondore Ferguson, 21, of Exmore was indicted on one count of possession of oxycodone and one count of possession of marijuana.

Tiffany Decarla Foeman, 34, of Parksley was indicted on one count each of credit-card theft, using a credit card without permission of the owner, and credit-card fraud.

Robert Lee Giddens, 31, of Exmore was indicted on one count of possession of cocaine with the intent to distribute it - second or subsequent offense, and obstruction.

Antonio Rayshawn Hines, 23, of Belle Haven was indicted on two counts of robbery and two counts of using a firearm during the commission of a robbery.

Brian Dwayne Johnson, 30, of Tasley was indicted on two counts of forgery and two counts of passing a bad check.

Linwood Jones Jr., 51, of Melfa was indicted on one count of driving after having been declared an habitual offender.

Damiean Laguan Knight, 32, of Virginia Beach was indicted on one count each of eluding, possession of cocaine with the intent to distribute it, transporting cocaine into the commonwealth, possession of marijuana and reckless driving.

Rodney Scott Spady, 42, of Cheriton was indicted on one count of possession of cocaine.

Jerry Leon Reese, 33, of Ellenwood, Ga., was indicted on one count each of contributing to the

delinquency of a minor and unlawfully electronically soliciting.

Herbert Dewayne Young, 38, of Cheriton was indicted on one count of possession of cocaine.

Robert Powell Young, 68, of Virginia Beach was indicted on one count each of robbery, brandishing a firearm and a third offense of larceny.

Northampton County Sheriff's Office Report

Northampton County Sheriff Jack Robbins has reported that since Feb. 18, his deputies have served several misdemeanor warrants, including three for assault and battery, and one each for violating a protective order, using obscene language, having a dangerous dog, and harassment. They also served three capias for failure to appear in court, two summonses for dogs at large, and one emergency protective order with respect to family abuse.

Sheriff Robbins also reports that during February, deputies answered 205 calls, made 47 arrests and processed 473 documents.

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Has Triskaidekaphobia Got You Down Today?

By Linda Cicoira

There's a line running down the middle of the beautiful Eastern Shore of Virginia. And while some may call it Lankford Highway, everyone knows that it is Route 13.

So how does one feel on Friday the 13th while driving down U.S. Highway 13 in one of the original 13 colonies?

"I walk under ladders and I step on cracks in the sidewalk," said Roberta Webb of Accomac. The reply was offered to an Eastern Shore Post survey.

"I have never had a problem with 13 or Friday the 13th especially March 13 since it is MY birthday!" she said. "Thirteen has always been good to me. I was BORN!"

Webb said when a black cat crosses her path, she will "sit down and play with it."

Well, why not?

Paul Gammell of Exmore noted, "The British consider black cats good luck."

But not everyone in Accomack and Northampton counties feels that way.

John Mann of Onley e-mailed to say that when a black cat crosses his path, "I just shiver all over. I'm highly afraid of cats, especially black ones. I will not cross the path of a black cat. A few years ago I was driving and saw one cross my path. The first thing that I did was lock up the brakes. I had two other cars hit me in the rear, but I didn't cross the path. When I had my day in court, I told the judge my story about the cat. The judge looked me dead in the eyes, and called me an idiot. Then the next day, another black cat starts to cross the road ahead of me. After thinking about what the judge said yesterday, I decided to go faster to cut the cat off. Well then I get pulled over for speeding. I explained to the officer about my phobia of black cats and he understood. He also was glad that I didn't lock my brakes up like some idiot did a few weeks ago."

Mann's good luck charm is the rubber chicken that is hanging underneath his truck.

A Silver Beach man said whenever he travels on Occohannock Neck Road "that MIZZABLE black cat who lives in the corner house leaps out of the grass and crosses in front of the car. On my way home, he or she often does the same. Can you believe it?!"

"Why would that pesky cat do that day after day — probably on a string or a wire and some-

one recognizes my car and pushes the button — and out it pops. It is uncanny!!! There is a sign that asks drivers to be careful of cats — but the whole thing is unnerving!" he said.

Diana M. Davis of Craddockville said when she sees a black cat, "I lick my finger and make a cross on the windshield or in the air."

She also reported that her great grandmother Elva (Dah) White of Wachapreague had a beautiful mantel clock. "She knew that when this clock stopped that someone in the family had died."

"She would get up in the night when it stopped and get dressed and ready and pretty

soon someone would knock on the front door to tell them who in the family had died," Davis said.

"It stopped when Dah died and also stopped when Pop (Bernie White) died and when my grandfather died."

Davis said her mother now has the clock, which was bought in a pawnshop in New York City. "She makes sure she winds it so it won't stop!"

"She also told me of another superstition of Dah's. The broom handle — if it slides down the wall and falls on the floor it means someone has died. This works too. So watch out for your broom handles!!"

John Shire of Scarboroughs Neck said he's never had any bad luck that could be legitimately blamed on Friday the 13th. Still, he's not without superstition.

"My mother always told me that if I didn't pick up a penny that I found, I would have some sort of bad luck."

So, he heeds her warning. "Whenever I see a penny on the ground, I always pick it up. She never told me, however, if denominations other than pennies afforded the same or even more protection. So just in case, I pick up any money that I find!"

Terry Bliss of the North Street Playhouse in Onancock said she won't be in a quandary over today's date. But, "there are several theatre traditions/superstitions that I do admit to following."

"Never, never, never say 'good luck' to someone before a performance. Always say, 'Break a leg,'" Bliss advised. "One must never mention the name of Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' in the theatre — it is always referred to as 'The Scottish play.'"

Bliss said, "It's also considered bad luck to

whistle in the theatre. ... We do believe a bad dress rehearsal portends a good opening night. ... And, we never create or rehearse a curtain call until the night before dress rehearsal."

"I don't believe in luck, I believe in the Lord," said Annette Mills of Pocomoke. Barbara Thackray of Chincoteague agreed. "If I take time to listen to God, that is not only enough but the best wisdom found on earth."

Ginny Mueller of Keller said that a lot of superstitions arose from things that could not at the time be explained. She referred to the old adage, "It is bad luck to put your shoes on the table."

She said that was true "because dirty shoes bring microorganisms to the eating surfaces that weren't cleaned well to begin with. When the organisms were ingested, people became sick and often died. While they tied it to the shoes on the table, they didn't have the ability to carry it one step farther."

Vicki Allgeier of Cape Charles won't soon forget what happened at 4:30 p.m. Friday, July 13th of 2007. "Our children and neighbors watched helplessly, as 'Rocky,' the world's greatest family dog, was hit and killed by an unknown driver outside of our home on Townfield Drive."

She follows superstitions as well. "I avoid black cats, and will not walk under a ladder. I like to think of my husband as my good luck charm, he is always there when I need him."

Allgeier also said, "I will not place a hat on my bed, it's bad luck. If I drop a fork, I think to myself, 'Someone is coming to visit!' I was also told, while living in England, that growing ivy in the house is bad luck; I will not have any in my house now."

Public Forums

Eastern Shore Community College is in the process of selecting a new president. As part of the process, the College will be holding public forums for each candidate.

- **March 16—Dr. Susan Karr** of Ouachita Technical College in Malvern, Arkansas.
- **March 17—Dr. Frederico J. Talley** of the College of Southern Maryland in Leonardtown, Maryland.
- **March 18—Dr. Linda K. Thomas-Glover** of Elizabethtown Community and Technical College in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

All public forums will be held from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM in the Lecture Hall at ESCC. The public is invited and encouraged to attend and give feedback on each candidate.



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Hare Valley
The Northampton Alliance Against Trash will conduct a community clean-up of Hare Valley Saturday, March 21, beginning at 8 a.m.

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Cape Charles Harbor Master Smitty Dize reports that the annual and seasonal slip rental agreements are being sent out.

Between 5:30 and 6 p.m. on Friday, April 3, there will be a loud cannon salute for the Blessing of the Fleet at the west end of the west dock. The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will be patrolling the waters of the harbor entrance and asks that all boaters stay clear during that time.

A meeting to review proposed changes in the Kiptopeke State Park Master Plan, which directs proposed development over the next 20 years, will be held at Kiptopeke Elementary School Thursday, March 19, at 7 p.m.

Planners from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation will conduct the meeting. Proposals include changes in the cabin complex design, additional staff housing, upgrades to campgrounds, improvements to the beach and boat launch areas and a redesigned park entrance to ensure a safe connection from the park to the Northampton Bike Trail.



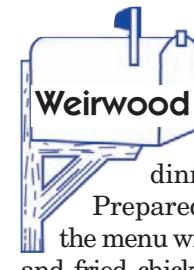
Refuge Manager Lou Hinds has announced plans for controlling a recent outbreak of the southern pine beetle, which is impacting the maritime forests on Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge. In response to the threat, direct control tactics other than in-

secticides will be used.

In early October 2008, refuge staff first discovered warning signs of southern pine beetle activity along both sides of the trails to Assateague Lighthouse. That same month, a representative from the Virginia Department of Forestry visited, verified their presence, and recommended monitoring. The perimeter of the infestation was marked with yellow flagging and weekly checks, conducted by staff and volunteers, continued through December. The residual impact of the pine beetles, combined with the effects of high winds during winter storms, made it clear that action would be necessary.

Recently, the refuge hired a contractor to implement direct control tactics. According to Hinds, the Lighthouse Trail may be temporarily closed while corrective action is being taken. The contractor will cut and remove infested trees along with an appropriate buffer of un-infested trees.

Said Hinds, "These measures will affect about one acre of forest habitat where a high volume of tree mortality has occurred along or near public access trails. Upon completion, approximately 100 pine trees will be removed to minimize risk to public safety."



Weirwood will host its first fundraiser Saturday, March 21, selling dinners starting at \$6. Prepared by Lucille Thomas, the menu will include baked, BBQ and fried chicken; hamburger steak; pigs' feet; meatloaf; macaroni and cheese; stewed tomatoes; cabbage; candied yams; potato salad; mashed potatoes; string beans; and rolls.

To place an order, call 442-6037

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*By order of the Town Council
Paula Mills, Clerk*

Town Meetings

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

- Melfa Town Council - 7 p.m., Town Hall
- Onancock Planning Commission - 7 p.m., Council Chambers

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

- Cheriton Town Council - 7 p.m., Firehouse

or 757-350-1939. Dinners will be served from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.



Exmore Town Council received a presentation by Webtide for a non-binding memorandum of understanding (MOU) regarding a regional wastewater system being planned in the county. Council voted to sign off on the MOU request.

Interim Town Manager Arthur Miles reported that the town had received 37 applications for town manager. Council agreed to form a selection committee to narrow the list and then conduct interviews.

Police Chief Steve Elliott reported on recent criminal incidents in the town, including several recent acts of vandalism involving broken windows at local businesses. Elliott noted that surveillance cameras might help serve as a deterrent.

Councilman Dave Scanlan provided a list of possible suggestions for the town to submit for Federal Stimulus Package projects. The list included a number of building improvements, as well as items for the Police Department, including surveillance cameras and new vehicles.

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Christina Lindquist & Parker Ward



Parker Ward To Wed Christina Lindquist

Clark and Teresa Gladden of Melfa and Kurt and Debbie Lindquist of Williamsburg, Va., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Christina Lindquist, to Parker Ward, son of Mike and Debbie Ward of Machipongo.

The wedding will take place at the home of Woody and Carol Gaskins Saturday, May 16, 2009, at 5 p.m.

Invitations will be sent.

- a son, born to Tanya Collins and Jonathan Smith of Nassawadox Feb. 27

- a son, born to Natalia Cruz of Nassawadox March 1
- a daughter, born to Stephanie and Timothy Clougherty Sr. of Hallwood March 5

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Lost Gatos, Calif.

In the past months, Bradshaw has been doing radio interviews to promote his music and is receiving airplay on Internet radio stations around the world.

He attended the Experience Paul Reed Guitars 2008 event in Stevensville, Md., and his name appears in the book, "All Known Metal Bands" by Dan Nelson.

Bradshaw, who will be recording his fourth CD release this summer, has been invited by the Norfolk rock band Force to play with the band as the opening act for national recording artist Y&T on April 19 in Virginia Beach.

Milepost items can be faxed to the **Eastern Shore Post** at 789-7681 or e-mailed to editor@easternshorepost.com

Pettit-Bailey Wedding May 23

Tremeka Pettit of Accomac will wed La'Quan Bailey of Painter May 23, 2009, at 2 p.m. at St. Luke AME Church. Invitations will be sent.

Bradshaw's Music Career on the Move

Local Acacia Entertainment recording artist JD Bradshaw is now being promoted by Diamond Castle Promotions based out of

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Saturday, March 14th

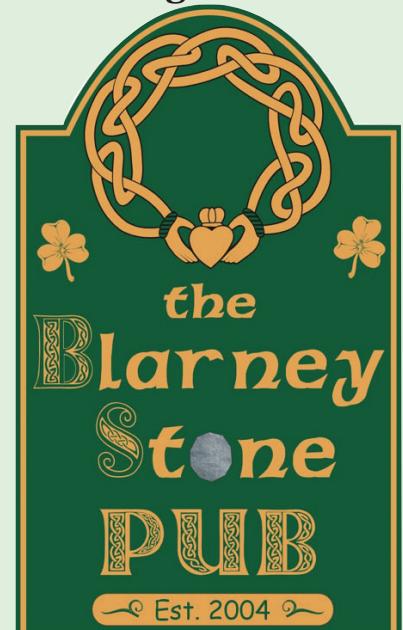
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Tuesday, March 17th

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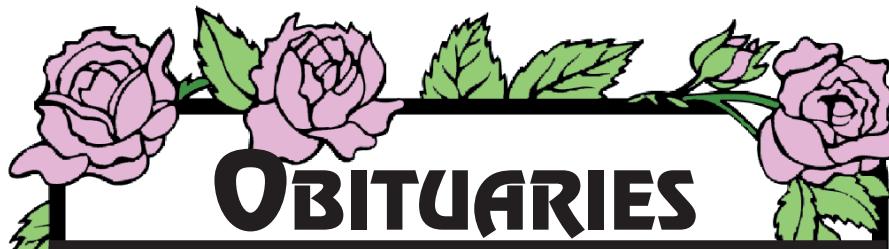
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OBITUARIES

Accomac Resident Passes Away

Mrs. Margaret Milliner Lewis, 80, of Accomac passed away Thursday, March 5, 2009, at the residence of her son in Onancock.

Born in Greenbush, Mrs. Lewis was the daughter of the late Smith Hampton Milliner and Minnie Sherwood Milliner. She was a homemaker and a member of Greenbush United Methodist Church. She and her husband, the late Melvin L. Lewis, enjoyed their membership in the Virginia Yacht Club and their Republican Party involvement, including attending two national conventions.

Survivors include a son, Melvin C. (Sonny) Lewis (and wife, Leslie) of Onancock; daughter, Ruth L. Houser of Spartanburg, S.C.; grandchildren, Lynn LaPalm,

Shana Blunt, Henry (Hank) W. Houser, Jessica Lewis Houser, and Walker, Tyler, Kenley, Seth and Ian Lewis; and several great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted at Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock Sunday, March 8, by Rev. Christy Spurlock.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Clam Native Dies in South Boston

Mrs. Esther Sue Justis Ligon, 86, died Friday, March 6, 2009, at Halifax Regional Hospital in South Boston, Va.

The daughter of Samuel Jackson and Mattie Wessells Justis, she was born and reared in Clam and was a 1939 graduate of Park-sley High School. Mrs. Ligon was a member of Jamieson Memorial United Methodist Church and a former clerk for Winn Dixie Stores. She participated in the ministries of "Care For" and the Society of St. Andrews.

Mrs. Ligon was predeceased by

her husband, John Archer Ligon III. She is survived by her daughter, Betty Jack Ligon of Machipongo; and son, Archer Ligon of Clarksville.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 10, at Jamieson Memorial United Methodist Church by Rev. Walt Westbrook. Interment was in Oakhurst Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.wclfh.com. Memorial donations may be made to the Society of St. Andrews, 3383 Sweet Hollow Rd., Big Island, VA 24526 or www.endhunger.org (1-800-333-4595).

Charles Cemetery by Rev. Russell Goodrich.

Memorial contributions may be made to the SPCA Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418. Online condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home, Cape Charles.

Melfa Resident Dies at Homes

Mrs. Eunice Roxie Budd Fitchett, 84, of Melfa passed away at her residence Saturday, March 7, 2009.

Born on the Pierce Taylor Farm on Assawoman Creek near Mappsville, Mrs. Fitchett was the daughter of the late Ralph T. and Beatrice Hinman Budd. She was a former employee of Harriett Shirt Factory in Exmore, a homemaker, and a member of Oak Grove United Methodist Church where she had been active.

Mrs. Fitchett was predeceased by her husband, Edward Fitchett; a daughter, Barbara Fitchett Ross; a brother, Ralph W. Budd; an infant sister, Louise M. Budd; and three brothers-in-law, Richard Smack, Ernest Hart and Woody Taylor. Survivors include her sons, Wayne Fitchett (and wife, Sharon) of Onancock and Donnie Fitchett (and wife, Joan) of Melfa; sisters, Virginia B. Hart of Leemont, Ruth B. Taylor of Parksley and Annie B. Smack of Daugherty; brother, Carroll T. Budd (and wife, Brenda) of Greenbush; grandchildren, Mark, P.G., Marty, Lorie, Steven, Kathy, William "Buster" and Elaine; sister-in-law, Eunice H. Budd of Dingley's Mill, Onancock; and several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were conducted at Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock Tuesday, March 10, by Rev. Sandra Benson.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite #3, Onancock, VA 23417 or to the Foodbank of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 518, Onley, VA 23418.

Memory tributes may be sent to www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

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(Obituaries Cont'd on Next Pg.)

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7:30 am Miracle Breakthrough Deliverance

8:00 am First Born Church Minister Cleveland Baines

8:30 am Miracle Temple of Faith Apostle Lenwood Wright

9:00 am Gospel Request Time

10:00 am Foundation of Faith Bishop David Sabatino

10:15 am Refuge Temple Apostle Leon Williams

10:30 am St. John UMC Reverend Gary Miller

11:00 am Grace Extended Ministries Rev. Andrew Taylor

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Michael O. Kellam
Family Coordinator

~Obituaries~

(Cont'd. From Previous Page)

Retired Train Conductor Dies

Mr. Thomas Clayton "Nookie" Widgeon Sr., 80, of Oyster died Sunday, March 8, 2009, in Nassawadox.

Born in Cheriton, he was the son of the late William and Katherine Eder Widgeon. Mr. Widgeon was a retired conductor with Eastern Shore Railroad. He was a member of Full Gospel Church in Bayview.

Mr. Widgeon is survived by his wife, Audree Lee Widgeon; daughter, Vivian Faye Abbott of Virginia Beach; son, Thomas C. Widgeon Jr. (and wife, Libby) of Eastville; sisters, Fannie Belote of Quinby and Pauline Lewis (and husband, Vernon) of Cheriton; brothers, Randolph Widgeon (and wife, Yvonne) of Willis

Wharf and Wallace Widgeon Sr. of Marionville; grandchildren, Gerald Dwayne Abbott, Randy Fluhart, Sherrie Faye Pamp, Roy Widgeon; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were conducted Wednesday, March 11, at Cape Charles Cemetery by Rev. Randy Lewis and Rev. Steve Edwards.

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

Former Exercise Studio Owner Dies

Mrs. Mary Ellen Sherman Mears, 83, of Onley passed away Sunday, March 8, 2009.

Born in Strasburg, Va., she was the daughter of the late Robert Oliver Sherman and Freddie Irene Edmonson Sherman. Mrs. Mears was a homemaker, former owner of the Body Shop Exercise Studio in Onley, former beautician, and a

former employee of Onley Preschool. She was a member of Onley United Methodist Church and a former member of the Home Demonstration Club and the Tuesday Morning Coffee League at Pocomoke Lanes.

Mrs. Mears was predeceased by her husband, Donald Mears, and seven brothers and sisters. Survivors include her daughters, Susan M. O'Brien (and husband, David) of Onley and Melanie L. Gravenor (and husband, Steve) of Salisbury, Md.; sister, Doris Bauch of Oregon; grandchildren, Roy Fowler and Mary of Rehoboth, Del., Michael O'Brien (and wife, Jennifer) of Hallwood, Laura Bingler (and husband, Billy) of Germany, and Sarah and Christopher Littleton, both of Salisbury; step-grandson, Kevin Gravenor of Salisbury; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Monday, March 16, at 3 p.m. with Rev. John Burr and Rev. Charles W. Parks III officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Onley United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 98, Onley, VA 23418; or Onley Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 8, Onley, VA 23418. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

~ Wreck of the Esk ~

(Continued From Front Page)

Wachapreague Inlet, on the evening of Sept. 7, 1888, and soon began to break up on the beach. The vessel, valued at \$7,500, and its cargo were a total loss. William F. Watt, master marine, and his crew of six seamen, were rescued by the men of the USLSS on Parramore Island.

According to reports of the USLSS, two patrolmen from Parramore Beach Life Saving Station reported seeing a schooner stranded off the beach to station keeper Newell B. Rich. As a gale was blowing, Rich had his crew tow the beach apparatus cart for two miles through soft sand and ankle-deep water to reach the schooner, which had turned beam on to the beach and rolled onto her side while still 250 yards out in the breakers. The rescuers set up and repeatedly fired a rescue line from a Lyle gun (small cannon). By this time, the surf was overwashing the ship and its crew. Eventually, the rescuers were able to make a line fast to the *Esk* and haul the men, one at a time, back to the beach via a Breeches Buoy.

Keeper Rich and his crew took the stranded crewmembers back to the lifesaving station where they cared for them for the next 28 days until passage was secured for

them back to Nova Scotia.

After 120 years of exposure to the elements, the remains of the vessel jut out of the sands of Parramore Island like the pieces of an overturned jigsaw puzzle. Unlike many of the small vessels that plied the coast, the *Esk* was built to last. Three-inch by four-inch iron ribs spaced six feet apart formed a skeleton which was fitted with a double-planked hull of 13-inch thick oak beams held together by a mix of metal rods and wooden pins over one inch in diameter. "Trunnels," or tree nails, were large wooden pins driven through the hull planks, with a small wedge used to hold them tight in the beams. The iron ribs were attached to a 15-inch square keel that ran the length of the vessel.

Over time, the vessel has broken apart and has been buried and unearthed time and again by storms, wind and the ocean. The heavy oak planks that once embraced those who served in her, bleached by the sun, have begun to break apart and lie scattered in the sand. Despite numerous souvenir hunters who have stripped her of metal fittings, the *Esk* continues to keep her vigil, warning others who ply the coasts to stand clear lest they meet their fate as she did over a century ago.

Born in Capeville, she was the daughter of the late Essie Rayfield Griffith and Burleigh Jacob Griffith. Mrs. Carlson and her husband of 59 years, the late Charles Carlson, owned and operated Charmar's Antiques for 39 years. She was a member of Cape Charles Baptist Church where she was a Sunday School teacher for many years and assistant organist. She also was a member of the Woman's Club of Cape Charles, where she served as past president and chaplain; and Cape Charles Historical Society. She founded the Cape Charles Chamber of Commerce, where she served as treasurer for many years; and the Cape Charles Teen Club.

Mrs. Carlson is survived by her daughters, Peggy Carlson Tabor of Great Bridge, Va., and Karen Therkelsen Muhle of Silver Beach; son, Charles Randolph Carlson of Cheriton; sister, Virginia Lee Griffith Kellam of Homestead, Fla.; and grandchildren, Zachery David Tabor, Charles Louis Carlson and Jacob Levi Carlson. She was predeceased by her brother, Burleigh Norman Griffith.

Graveside services will be conducted today, March 13, at 2 p.m. at Cape Charles Cemetery by Rev. Russell Goodrich.

Memorial donations may be made to Cape Charles Baptist Church Fellowship Fund, 501 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310; or Cape Charles Rescue Service, P.O. Box 3009, Cheriton, VA 23316.

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

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- * **Reduce your insurance costs by doing your homework.**

One of the simplest ways to reduce insurance cost is simply to shop around. Prices vary from company to company, so it pays to do your homework. Get at least three price quotes. You can call companies directly or access information on the Internet. The state's insurance regulator may also provide price comparisons. Other ways to reduce insurance costs can be found by visiting the U.S. Insurance Information Institute's Web site.

- * **Mind the air to save money on fuel.**

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Secondly, a clogged air filter can increase fuel consumption by as much as 10 percent. Air filters keep impurities from damaging the interior of the engine, so replacing dirty filters will save gas and protect your engine. More tips to save money on fuel are available at www.fueleconomy.gov

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- Brian Michael Popp, 42, and Ellen Maria Lints, 46, both of Princess Anne, Md.
- Jerome Curtis Rainey, 55, and Clayshia Ethel Hinmon, 53, both of Wattsville
- Teondre Denell Burton, 25, of Exmore and Danielle Nichole Strand, 23, of Parksley
- Armando Suarez, 70, and Kimberlee Sue Kondrat, 51, both of Onancock
- Anthony William McGee, 39, of Chincoteague and Christy Nicole Johnson, 28, of Pocomoke, Md.
- Walter Peters Sweetman, 3rd, 43, and Stephanie Jean Magargal, 44, both of Townsend
- Brian Lee Daley, 37, and Melissa Ann Siegel, 40, both of Onancock
- Thomas Lee Davis, 25, and Ka-

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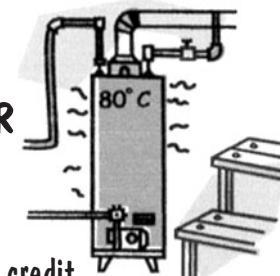
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By Troy Justis

The second year in a row, the Busch brothers have won back-to-back races! Kurt thanked Carl Edwards, who finished third, and Jeff Gordon, who finished second, for racing him clean at the end of the race. Gordon said, "We were fast and kept having little issues that keep popping up that we had to overcome. We're going to win races. We're getting close."

The teams are looking forward to this week's break to repair some damage and start new. A lot of the field was trapped a lap down when #47 Toyota's gas man, Jimmy Watts, chased a runaway tire into the grass. Caution was called for safety reasons. He was suspended for the remainder of the race and the next four.

Next race Sunday, March 22, at Bristol on FOX @ 1:30 p.m.

Another second! I know the wins are coming soon! The 24 team has things going good, just a few small problems have cost a couple of wins.

RACE RESULTS

- 18 Kyle Busch
- 33 Clint Bowyer
- 31 Jeff Burton
- 00 David Reutimann
- 96 Bobby Labonte
- 24 Jeff Gordon
- 16 Greg Biffle
- 83 Brian Vickers
- 26 Jamie McMurray
- 88 Dale Earnhardt Jr.

STANDINGS

- Jeff Gordon Leader
- Clint Bowyer 14
- Matt Kenseth 40
- Greg Biffle 40
- David Reutimann 51
- Kyle Busch 54
- Kurt Busch 66
- Tony Stewart 80
- Carl Edwards 82
- Bobby Labonte 99

Past Times

MAGIC MAZE • RE-WORDS

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W U R P N O L J H F D N B E Z
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R C N D S B E S R Z T E V B Y
W E T I V T L T T S R L X A Q
O N L A H L O A E K O E I L I
H F D I M T S R C S A R M E Z
X W V U V E E T E N I L E R S
N E K A T E R R R Q O N R M K

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Rededicate	Relive	Resolved	Restore
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Relearn	Rematch	Restart	Rethink
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

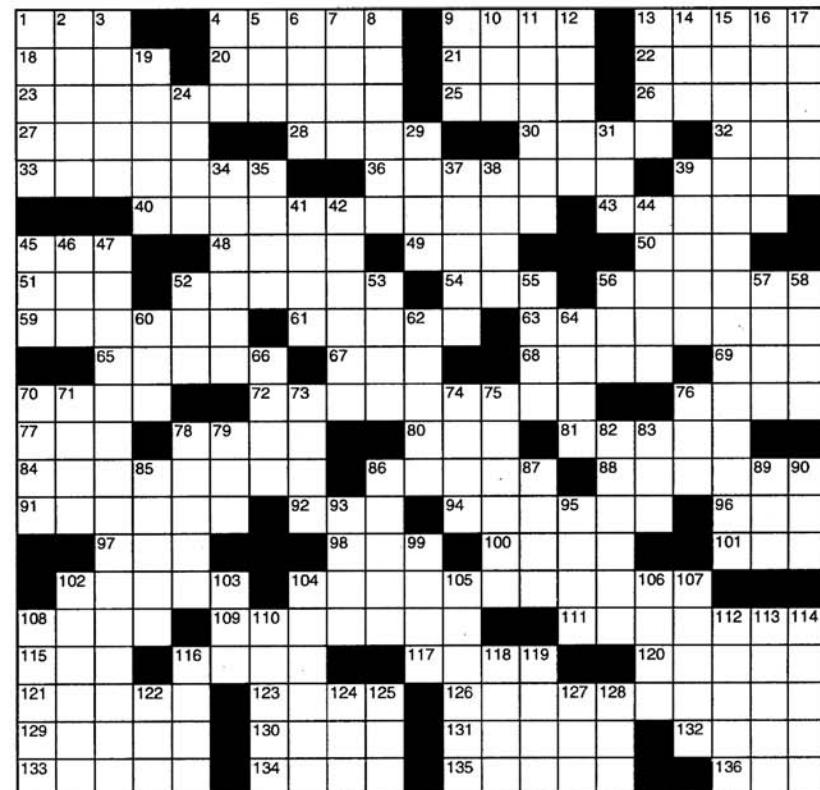
★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

HOOFERS

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| ACROSS | 52 "The Twelve —" ('70 film) | 102 Hunt or Hayes | 5 Word form for "environment" | 42 Jeanne of "Jules and Jim" | 85 Dickens title start |
| 1 Martin Sheen, to Emilio Estevez | 54 At once | 104 Dancing boxer? | 6 It may be bitter | 44 Mrs. Kramden | 86 Peel off |
| 4 Photo tint | 55 Freezin' season | 108 Kid at court | 7 — Dinka Doo" ('33 song) | 45 Bandleader Severinsen | 87 Move like mad |
| 9 Pipe part | 59 Finger food | 109 Hailing from Hunan | 8 '92 Wimbledon winner | 46 ". . . man — mouse?" | 89 Self-esteem |
| 13 TV's "The — of Life" | 61 Trickles | 111 Mention briefly | 9 Health resort | 47 Dancing statesman? | 90 Make a muumuu |
| 18 Baal or Elvis | 63 Short story | 115 Aussie walker | 10 Aviv | 52 Numbers pro | 93 Psychologist Pavlov |
| 20 Bonus | 65 Cognizant | 116 Space | 11 Draw forth | 53 Push a product | 95 Obligation |
| 21 Soccer superstar | 67 In the manner of | 117 Assistance | 12 Copper or cobalt | 55 Trick stick | 99 TV host John |
| 22 Cold sound | 68 Bare | 120 Spanish guitarist | 13 "Green Acres" setting | 56 Tie the knot | 102 Village |
| 23 Dancing president? | 69 Start to snooze | 121 "Crazy" singer | 14 "Stroker —" ('83 film) | 57 Thames town | 103 Sgt. or cpl. |
| 25 Landed | 70 Viva — | 123 Widespread cartoonist? | 15 Dancing body-builder? | 58 Funnyman Foxx | 104 Disney cricket |
| 26 Range rope | 72 Dancing comic? | 126 Sour fruit | 16 Wrecks the Rolls | 60 Veneration | 105 Margin |
| 27 — a customer | 77 Gray matter? | 130 Singer Phoebe | 17 Italian wine | 62 Less vivid | 106 Mallard or teal |
| 28 Whip | 78 Northwestern st. | 131 Entertain Danielle | 19 Abate | 64 Van —, CA | 107 Suffers |
| 30 Tranquil | 80 Philips of "UHF" | 132 Sour fruit | 24 Seafood selection | 66 Piece of fencing? | 108 Acts like a chicken |
| 32 — (Toyota model) | 81 Tonto's horse | 133 Novelist | 29 Coop crowd | 70 Enormous | 110 Neighsayer? |
| 33 Little lumps | 84 More disreputable | 134 Bronte heroine | 31 Pantyhose part | 71 European capital | 112 Actress Berry |
| 36 Fawning | 86 Director Lang | 135 Aden's locale | 34 Rembrandt or Whistler | 73 Akbar's city | 113 Synthetic textile |
| 39 Parisian pronoun | 88 Flusters | 136 Minnesota twins? | 35 Ward of "Sisters" | 74 — the Mood for Love" ('35 song) | 114 "The Highway-man" poet |
| 40 Dancing colonist? | 91 Percussion instrument | 192 Feel awful | 37 Wreckage | 75 — bet!" | 116 Genuine |
| 43 Go Fish and golf | 92 Muse with a scroll | 94 Bean | 38 Reject | 76 Sprout | 118 Fancy fabric |
| 45 Comic DeLuise | 96 Make cheddar better | 98 Wine vessel | 39 Touch up the text | 78 It's up in the air | 119 Horner's fruit |
| 48 Muse with a scroll | 97 Prohibit | 100 Yuletide Huguenots" | 41 Journalist Jacob | 79 Volcano | 122 Carrie or Louis |
| 49 Command to a corgi | 98 Wine vessel | 101 Piglet's prize | | 82 Peruvian port | 124 On behalf of |
| 50 Meyerbeer's — | 102 Mustard type | | | 83 Keats composition | 125 Ovine female |
| | 103 Hersey setting | | | | 127 Poetic monogram |
| | 104 Like the Taj Mahal | | | | 128 — Buddhism |
| | 105 Use a straw | | | | |



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Last Week's Answers

BOOSTS	FLO	JAM	PIPER
ARTURO	OIL	ALI	CAMERA
NATIONAL	VELVET	ALBANY	
GLO	PINK	ZAPURIS	
CHAT	GEE	EYE	
PEPPY	MARNIE	ROAD	
ARIA	STIRLING	MOSS	CST
LIL	URGES	ABET	OHO
MELD	SOUS	ADELE	OSTEO
ORNATE	SEA	UNTIL	
HOWIE	SLUSH	FUND	NOOKS
ANTES	STET	GORDON	
LEAST	ARSON	AURA	TWIT
VAL	ERLE	TRYIT	ODE
ELK	GOLDEN	FLEECE	JOEL
AGEE	TOUCAN	PEDAL	
HERA	GEORG	SCOT	
EMOTED	FEATH	WEIGHTS	
RAMONA	ILL	ICU	STRATA
STALE	NIK	NOM	SERGER

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This Weekend

Idle Hour Theater
Belle Haven
"Grand Torino"

- R

Roseland Theater
Onancock
"Pink Panther 2"
- PG

FRI., MAR. 13

★11:30 a.m.
- Science &
Philosophy

Seminar- ESCC Lecture Hall, Melfa
★5:30 p.m. - **Spring Equinox**
Celebration - Potluck dinner & a movie- World Healing Institute, Cobb Island Station - 331-1925
★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery group mtg.** - Family Life Center of Onancock Baptist Church, Market St. - includes a simple meal - \$6/person or \$10/family.
★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Adventist Comm. Center, Exmore
★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Downing UMC, Oak Hall
★7:30 p.m. - **Texas Hold'em Tournament** - Parksley VFC

Post TIMES

MARCH 13 ~ 19

SUN., MAR. 15

- ★2 p.m. - **Bingo**- VFW Post 2296, Tasley
- ★2 p.m. - **The Land of Pleasant Living Parrot Head Club mtg.** home of Nancy Matthews, Nelsonia
- ★3 p.m. - **Special Ministry**- St. Stephens AME Church, 511 Jefferson Ave., CC
- ★3 p.m. - **Hallelujah Gospel Singers**- Bethel AME, Onancock
- ★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville

SAT., MAR. 14

- ★8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.- **Childbirth Education Class**- Shore Memorial Hospital, 6th floor - \$40 for 2 classes - 414-8763
- ★9 a.m. - noon- **Farmer's Market**- Main St., Chincoteague
- ★5-7 p.m.- **Spaghetti Dinner** - Evergreen Pavilion, Hacksneck Rd. - Adults/\$7, Children/\$5
- ★6 p.m.- "Night of Elegance and Endowment" - Macedonia Baptist Church, Bloxom
- ★6 p.m.- **Zionaires 55th Anniversary** - Bethel Baptist Church, Franktown
- ★6 p.m.- **Reverse Auction** - Snead's UMC, Keller - 442-5851
- ★6 p.m.- **Fashion Show** - Arcadia High School - Sponsored by First Baptist Church of Mappsville
- ★7:30 p.m.- **Bingo (Early Bird @ 6p.m.)** - Atlantic Vol. Fire & Rescue Co.

TUE., MAR. 17

- ★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock - 787-3900
- ★Noon - **Church Women United mtg.** - Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church, Onancock - bring sandwich
- ★1-2:30 p.m. - **Sharing the Journey** -Cape Charles Baptist Church - 787-3310
- ★5:15-6 p.m. - **TOPS weigh-in (prgm. @ 6)** -Belle Haven Presbyterian Church -442-9776
- ★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Pocomoke Elks, Rt. 11
- ★6 p.m. - **Multiple Sclerosis Support Group mtg.** - Captain's Deck Restaurant, Nassawadox
- ★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - Call 787-2486 for information
- ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Classroom A-51, ESCC
- ★7 p.m. - **Northampton Cty. Democratic Committee mtg.** - American Legion Post 400, Eastville
- ★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Jerusalem Baptist Church, Temperanceville
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Smoke Free - Cheriton Vol. Fire Co.
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Atlantic UMC

here's what else is happening on the shore...

3-session Workshop with Nancy Richards West

The Oyster & Maritime Museum, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague, is offering a series of workshops entitled "Drawing, the Foundation for Painting" on March 16, 23 & 30 from 10 a.m.. Noon. Nancy Richards West will be the instructor. The fee is \$125 & is first come, first serve. For details call 336-6117.

MON., MAR. 16

- ★8-8:20 a.m. & 3-4 p.m. - **Scholastic Book Fair** - Pungoteague Elementary School- through March 26
- ★9 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock - 787-4718
- ★9 a.m. - **Chincoteague Al-Anon mtg.** - UMC Fellowship House
- ★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED class** - Head Start, Accomac - 787-1760
- ★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley
- ★6:30 p.m. - **Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley
- ★7 p.m. - **Support Group for Separated or Divorced Men and Women** - Drummondtown UMC, Accomac - 789-3410
- ★7 p.m. - **AA Serenity beginners' mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
- ★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Franktown UM Church
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Accomack Cty. Taxpayers' Assn. mtg.** - Accomack Cty. Administration Bldg.

WED., MAR. 18

- ★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** -Sunrise Restaurant
- ★9 a.m.-noon - **Farmers' Market** - Downtown Park, Main St., Chincoteague
- ★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED Class** - Head Start Center, Accomac - 787-1760
- ★10 a.m. - **Overeaters Anonymous** - Eastern Shore Community College, Room A44
- ★10-11 a.m. - **MOPS playgroup** - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague- daycare provided
- ★10 a.m.-noon - **Accomack AARP mtg.** - Sunrise Restaurant - Guest Speaker, Connie Chandler- 824-0739
- ★10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Sharing the Journey** -Tangier Island's Swain Memorial Sunday School Bldg. - 787-3310
- ★11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - **Debedeavon Toastmasters mtg.** -Navy/MWR Cropper Ctr, Wallops - 824-2126
- ★2 p.m. - **E.S. Brain Injury Survivors Support Group mtg.** - Belle Haven- 442-9334
- ★6 p.m. - **Northampton High Donkey Basketball** - Eastville - for ticket info. call 678-5795
- ★6:30 pm.-**ES Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 62 mtg.** - Captain's Deck, Nassawadox -442-5916
- ★7 pm.-**Man to Man Prostate Cancer Support Group mtg.** -Onley UMC
- ★7 pm.-**AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** -Shore Memorial Hospital
- ★7 p.m.- **Bingo**- Nelsonia Moose Lodge
- ★7:30-8:30 p.m. - **Moms in Touch International Prayer Group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church
- ★8 p.m.- **AA beginners mtg.**- Downing UMC, Oak Hall

THURS., MAR. 19

- ★12:30-1:30 p.m. - **Caregiver Connection** - Tangier Island's Swain Memorial Sunday School Bldg.- 787-3310
- ★5 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Baptist Bible Church, Accomac
- ★6 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - CC Rescue Squad bldg., Cheriton
- ★6:30 p.m. - **Kiwanis of Chincoteague mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church
- ★6:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Classroom A-51, ESCC
- ★6:30-7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Trinity UMC, CC
- ★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Painter Garrisons UMC
- ★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Fellowship House, Chincoteague

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Shore Christian Academy admits students of any race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin to all the rights privileges, programs, and activities made available to the students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies and other school-administered programs.

Use Hypnosis to stop smoking, sleep better, improve study habits. Call Eastern Shore Hypnosis 757-710-7782 tfn



Happy Birthday, Major Harry Belafonte Kellam

We Miss You So Much
3/11/62 - 9/14/08

*On today we gave you roses
we gave you 47,
one red rose for every year,
as we placed them on your
grave
tears fell silently,
for someone we truly loved
is now only in our memories.
Though the roses
will slowly wither away,
our memories so precious
will always stay.
It will never ease the sadness
or the pain we've come to know,
for no matter how much time
goes by, we will always miss
you so.*

*Loving & missing you always
Virginia, Nakia & Nathan Kellam*

Help Wanted**FISHERIES INTERVIEWERS**

Part Time. Seasonal.

Macro (www.macriointernational.com), a survey research firm, seeks candidates to conduct interviews outdoors with saltwater anglers for a fisheries research project. \$9.00/hr to start. Ability to work weekends and ride headboats is required. You must: pass a saltwater fish ID test; be available 2/8 hour days/wk minimally; have flexible schedule and own transportation; and live in close proximity to saltwater fishing as travel is limited. Must attend 2 day training on 04/09 and 04/10. Call 1-800-639-0310, ext 4002 or email resume to fish@macriointernational.com EOE M/F/D/V Women, minorities and seniors are strongly encouraged to apply.

3.13

MANAGING BROKER

ESTABLISHED R.E. FIRM SEEKS BROKER FOR NORTH ACCOMACK OFFICE. INCENTIVES.

SEND CONTACT INFORMATION TO: BROKER, BOX 127, CHINCOTEAGUE, VA 23336.

CONFIDENTIALITY GUARANTEED.

Full-time salesperson needed - experienced OK or we will train the right person. Benefits, EOE. Call Ron 410-957-1414

3.13

LICENSED SALES PERSONS

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NORTH ACCOMACK
R.E. FIRM SEEKS
AGENTS FOR NEW
OFFICE.

SEND CONTACT
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BROKER, BOX 127,
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23336.

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GUARANTEED.

NEED BABYSITTER in our home in Nassawadox for 2 children, age 6 mos. & 3 yrs. Some days, some nights. 757-442-2834

3.13

CLERK OF COURT, ACCOMACK COUNTY JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT

The District Court Clerk is the chief administrative officer for the court and is responsible for the management and application of court resources to develop effective operational systems. Includes authority over service to the public, financial performance, staffing, budgets, and efficient case processing systems. Clerk monitors all procedures to provide high quality customer service, comply with law, and meet needs of court and criminal justice agencies. In addition to management responsibilities, clerk performs wide variety of office functions, including, but not limited to, customer service, data entry, and accepting payments. Most competitive applicants will have knowledge of court/criminal justice system and will demonstrate competence in areas of responsibility as well as automated financial and records management systems, personal computers and software applications (particularly Word and EXCEL), personnel management development and monitoring of performance skills for training and making presentations before various local bodies. Competence may be demonstrated with a bachelor's degree in public administration or related field and/or substantial experience in similar responsibilities.

State application must be returned to the Virginia Employment Commission, Chesapeake Square, Onley, Virginia 23418 by NOON, March 18, 2009.

E O E

PERDUE FARMS ACCOMAC, VA

Job Fair Saturday, March 14th 8:00 am to 12 pm
Virginia Employment Commission

Come join us at our job fair located in the Chesapeake Square Shopping Center in Onley, VA. We will be conducting on-site interviews to qualified applicants.

Perdue offers competitive pay, medical, dental and vision; life and disability insurance; 401(k) with company-paid match; convenient access to primary health care through our on-site Wellness Centers and paid vacation and holiday time.

For more information contact:
Aimee.Falcon@perdue.com

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Equal Opportunity Employer

Wright's Restaurant in Atlantic taking applications for servers and experienced kitchen help. Days, evenings & weekends. Call 757-824-4012. 3.20

Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. is currently recruiting a

Project Manager for the
new Onley Community Health Center Construction Project



Eastern Shore Rural Health is building a new, larger Onley Community Health Center on Badger Lane in Onley, Virginia. The new facility will be approximately 20,000 sq. ft. with a centralized nursing station and wings for internal medicine, family practice, pediatrics and corporate accounts. Groundbreaking is scheduled for May 2009 with project completion estimated Fall 2010.

Qualifications:

1. Individual or firm with necessary qualifications in various phases of commercial construction
2. Minimum of 5 years construction experience on commercial buildings
3. Previous experience or construction management on commercial building projects
4. Ability to communicate in written and verbal format
5. Computer literacy in Word, Excel and CAD
6. Ability to negotiate and advocate for Eastern Shore Rural Health

Job Goal

To work on the job site as a member of the construction team, as required by the construction conditions that exists at the time. Coordinate with the General Contractor, Sub Contractors, Architects, Engineers and Commission Services to make sure that the facility is constructed meeting specifications in a timely manner, with quality assurance.

Please fax or email salary requirements along with application and resume before Noon on March 30, 2009 to:

Jeannette R. Edwards (jeannette.edwards@esrh.org)
P.O. Box 1039, Nassawadox, VA 23413
Fax: (757) 414-0569

EOE.

Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. is currently recruiting a

Center Nurse for the
Atlantic Community Health Center

Work experience of a quality and scope sufficient to satisfactorily perform assigned clinical duties. Requires a person with emotional stability, strong clinical skills, assessment and communication skills. Must adhere to high standards of ethical behavior and maintain strict patient and center confidentiality.

This is a 40 hour per week position with benefits.

If you are a mission driven person looking to make a difference, please fax or email an application before Noon on March 20, 2009 to:

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P.O. Box 1039, Nassawadox, VA 23413
Fax: (757) 414-0569

Resumes must be accompanied by an application. EOE.



Boats, Motors, Trailers

CAROLINA SKIFF - 17', 1997 boat & trailer, 40 HP Honda four stroke, center console, depth finder. \$4,000. 757-710-8670. ts

'88 14' TROLLER - boat & trailer, 6 HP Evinrude engine. Asking \$1,500. For more info, call 757-336-5112. ts

1977 20' PENNYAN Boat. Hard top. Tunnel drive. No trailer. Needs motor repair. Transmission OK. \$1,295 or trade. 787-4136 ts

1998 WELLCRAFT 21SL Excel. 4.3 190hp Volvo 1/0 engine. Low hours, good condition. VHF, DS, Stereo, Trailer. \$11,200 - 302-1108 ask for John. Boat can be seen at East Point. ts

1985 BENETEAU First - 26' fin keel Sloop - 2 sets of sails, Yanmar 8hp diesel inboard, auto pilot. Curtis Jones - 757-442-7734 or 442-7718 ts

10' x 30' Wood hall **PILE DRIVER** 25'. Leads w/ drop hammer. 3 drum air cooled wench, 6 cylinder 4" pump w/suction sleeve. \$6,500 OBO. 410-251-2446 ts

GREAT DEAL!! 2 - Yamaha **WAVERUNNERS** on Venture double trailer. '96 WaveVenture and '95 WaveRaider. Call now for details! \$3,600 OBO-757-894-1607 ts

453 DETROIT DIESEL. REBUILT MARCH 2007. \$2,000 OBO. 757-891-2411. ts

REDUCED!!! Bertram 33' - Flying Bridge. Twin 300 hp Cats. Low hrs. Cruise and fish ready. Full electronics. 710-1750. \$49,000. Call for more info. ts

1988 TROPHY HARD TOP - 24', 350 I/O & 2001 Galvanized trailer. good condition. \$5,000 OBO. For more info call 336-3528 or 894-1051. ts

2008 YAMAHA BOAT MOTOR - 90 hp. 4 stroke. 15 hours of use. Controls, tach, steel prop included. \$6,500. Call 757-331-3623 ts

1990 BOSTON WHALER 22' Guardian w/ 1998 Yamaha 225 Saltwater Series. 400 hrs. on motor, stainless prop, leaning post, heavy-duty rails, dual-axle trailer w/ elec. winch. stainless disc brakes. \$14,900 757-617-5824 ts



2001 Carman 27' Bay Boat with full cabin and v-berth. Volvo 5.0 liter duoprop, hardtop aft, cherry cabinets, dual steering stations. Great boat in very good condition. \$29,000. 710-0438 day. 787-1429 night. ts

ICE EATER - Rebuilt in 2003, not used since. \$250. Call 757-710-9824 tñ

1999 SEARAY 21' walk around. 200 hp. Johnson, Tandem trailer, new electronics. Pics available. \$12,000 OBO. Call 757-710-6942 or log on to uscgk9@verizon.net ts

REDUCED! '85 Grady White - 20' overnighter. 200 Mercury and galvanized trailer. \$9,000. 710-4501 ts

REDUCED - TOPAZ 28' - '76. Good winter project for next season. \$2,500 OBO. 757-787-8411 or 239-896-6925. ts

1991 SEARAY SUN-DANCER - 28', 10' Beam, Twin Mercruiser I/O 5.0LX Engines; A/C w/reverse cycle heat, nice galley, head w/shower, sleeps 6, 2 custom canvasses, much more. Please call 757-787-3454 ts

WORK BOAT w/cabin. Built by Ronnie Carmen. 453 Detroit Diesel along w/ VA Waterman's Card, peeler pot & scraping license. For more info call 757-891-2520 ts

30' FIBERGLASS WORK BOAT 3208 National Caterpillar engine. Charles Duse - 757-891-2223 ts

Collectibles

CHINA CLOSET w/3 doors. \$200 - 1900s **BLANKET CHEST** - Floral carved top made from old pump organ. \$500. ts

ANTIQUE FURNITURE - Chairs & Tables - for sale - also **GLASSWARE** & milk glass. 787-3635 ts

Daycare

SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDCARE - birth to age 4. Wattsville area. Monday - Friday, 7 to 5:30. Clean, safe environment. 757-894-8395. ts

Farm Equipment

LONG 2510 99-Z001 - w/bucket. 4WD, Diesel. 65 hp. \$10,000. 999-2606. ts

Farm Products

WHEAT STRAW - \$3/bale. **GRASS HAY** - \$4-\$5, depending on quality. 757-824-3930 or 757-894-1339 ts

Farms for Sale

3 ADJACENT FARMS - 150 acres, 96 acres, and 46 acres. Hare Valley. \$5,500 per acre OBO. Call 442-2131. tñ

Firewood

SEASONED HARDWOOD - 442-7540 tñ

Free

TWO INDOOR CATS - sisters needloving people who will continue to spoil them. 757-787-7389. 2.13

Homes for Sale

QUICK CASH - We buy houses. Any condition. Call 757-787-7052 3.6

PARKSLEY - 4BR, 1½ BA, Victorian home for sale @ \$209,000 or rent @ \$1,000/mo w. deposit. Sits on 4 town lots w. privacy fencing. Serious inquiries only. 665-5181 or 757-990-1929 3.13

Miscellaneous

ROCKOLA JUKEBOX - for sale. \$300. 665-1911. 3.20

FOR SALE - laptop computers - Gateway, Dell, HP, IBM. New wireless cards, new AC adapter chargers. Windows XP Pro w. or w/o carrying case. 757-710-3944 3.13

MAYTAG REFRIGERATOR - frost-free. 23.7 cubic feet, ice maker, top freezer. \$350. 787-7600 ts

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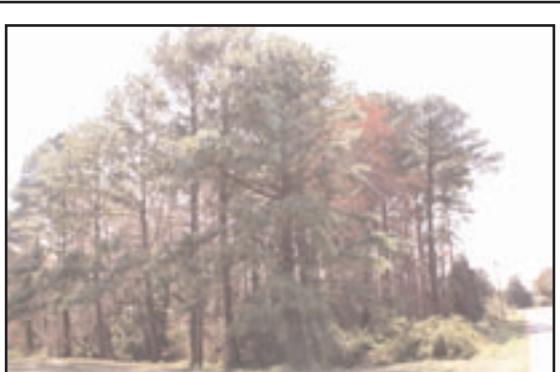
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PARCEL A: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ABC AIRCRAFT LEASING & MANAGEMENT
MAP NO. 005A80100000600

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 6, Section 14, Captain's Cove.

PARCEL B: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ABC AIRCRAFT LEASING & MANAGEMENT
MAP NO. 005A80200007300

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 73, Section 15, Captain's Cove.

PARCEL C: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ABC AIRCRAFT LEASING & MANAGEMENT
MAP NO. 005A90300016100

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 161, Section 16, Captain's Cove.

PARCEL D: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs MARY L. BECKETT
MAP NO. 09200A000008500

All that parcel of land near the Town of Onancock, Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, measuring 27 yds. long and 17 yds. on the sides and bounded South by Robert Edwards; North by James Norman Belote; East by Hezekiah Wise and West by Alfred Reid.

PARCEL E: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs SUSIE CONQUEST
MAP NO. 094A0A000000600

All that parcel of land in Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 6, Block 1, on a plat recorded in Plat Book 6, at page 48.

PARCEL F: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs JOHNNIE VERNON DOWNEY, JR.
MAP NO. 005A60100006700

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 67, Section 7, Captain's Cove.

PARCEL G: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs CHARLES B. DRAKE, III
MAP NO. 005A70100016100

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PARCEL H: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs WILLIE M. GEORGE
MAP NO. 029A10100014200

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being 142, Unit I, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL I: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs LIONEL A. HENRY
MAP NO. 029A10200002800

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 28, Unit 3, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL J: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs THURMAN RAY MORRIS
MAP NO. 005A60200001200

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 12, Section 10, Captain's Cove.

PARCEL K: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs DEAN SHORT
MAP NO. 029A10100041800

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 418, Unit 1, Sheet 1, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL L: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs HARRY SIEBERT
MAP NO. 109001100000600

All that parcel of land shown as Lot 6 on a plat of survey entitled "PLAT OF SURVEY, 'B & D GAR-DENS'", recorded in Plat Book 96, at pages 157 and 158.

PARCEL M: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ZELLA WEAKLEY
MAP NO. 005A70200011400

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 114, Section 12, Captain's Cove.

PARCEL N: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ZELLA WEAKLEY
MAP NO. 005A90200012200

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 122, Section 17, Captain's Cove.

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
vs.

CIVIL CASE NO. CL09000093-00

REBECCA ELDER

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land near Birds Nest, Northampton County, Virginia, being 100 ft. x 150 ft., and designated as parcel no. 00030 0A0BLK-00 060.

standing in the name of Rebecca Elder, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to determine whether Rebecca Elder is living, or if deceased, to ascertain the names and location of all of her heirs, devisees and successors in title; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Rebecca Elder.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 7, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER:
This 5th day of March, 2009
Traci Johnson
Clerk

I ask for this:
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Attorney at Law
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NOTICE

Please be advised that Accomack County's Coal Kiln and Savageville Solid Waste Greenbox Sites will be permanently closed on or about March 25, 2009. The public is invited to use the Tasley Convenience Center, the Southern Landfill, or the Belle Haven Greenbox Site. The Southern Landfill Greenbox Site will be expanded and staffed with an attendant. Hours of operation for that site will be:

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Wachapreague Inlet	H 10:22 a.m. L 4:27 p.m.	H 11:03 a.m. L 5:08 p.m.	H 11:45 a.m. L 5:51 p.m.	H 12:28 p.m. L 6:36 p.m.	H 1:15 p.m. L 7:31 a.m.	H 2:09 p.m. L 8:27 a.m.	H 3:10 p.m. L 9:25 a.m.
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Machipongo Inlet	H 10:49 a.m. L 4:47 p.m.	H 11:30 a.m. L 5:28 p.m.	H 12:12 p.m. L 6:11 p.m.	H 12:55 p.m. L 6:56 p.m.	H 1:42 p.m. L 7:51 a.m.	H 2:36 p.m. L 8:47 a.m.	H 3:37 p.m. L 9:48 a.m.
Bayside Tangier Light	H 2:30 p.m. L 8:24 a.m.	H 3:09 p.m. L 9:07 a.m.	H 3:47 p.m. L 9:51 a.m.	H 4:26 p.m. L 10:38 a.m.	H 5:09 p.m. L 11:31 a.m.	H 6:00 p.m. L 12:29 p.m.	H 6:51 a.m. L 1:29 p.m.
Saxis	H 2:42 p.m. L 9:13 a.m.	H 3:21 p.m. L 9:56 a.m.	H 3:59 p.m. L 10:40 a.m.	H 4:38 p.m. L 11:27 a.m.	H 5:21 p.m. L 12:20 p.m.	H 6:12 p.m. L 1:18 p.m.	H 7:03 a.m. L 2:18 p.m.
Hunting Creek	H 2:53 p.m. L 9:19 a.m.	H 3:32 p.m. L 10:02 a.m.	H 4:10 p.m. L 10:46 a.m.	H 4:49 p.m. L 11:33 a.m.	H 5:32 p.m. L 12:26 p.m.	H 6:23 p.m. L 1:24 p.m.	H 7:14 a.m. L 2:24 p.m.
Chesconnessex Creek	H 2:22 p.m. L 8:30 a.m.	H 3:01 p.m. L 9:13 a.m.	H 3:39 p.m. L 9:57 a.m.	H 4:18 p.m. L 10:44 a.m.	H 5:01 p.m. L 11:37 a.m.	H 5:52 p.m. L 12:35 p.m.	H 6:56 p.m. L 1:35 p.m.
Onancock Creek	H 2:31 p.m. L 8:44 a.m.	H 3:10 p.m. L 9:27 a.m.	H 3:48 p.m. L 10:11 a.m.	H 4:27 p.m. L 10:58 a.m.	H 5:10 p.m. L 11:51 a.m.	H 6:01 p.m. L 12:49 p.m.	H 7:05 p.m. L 1:49 p.m.
Pungoteague Creek	H 2:01 p.m. L 8:13 a.m.	H 2:40 p.m. L 8:56 a.m.	H 3:18 p.m. L 9:40 a.m.	H 3:57 p.m. L 10:27 a.m.	H 4:40 p.m. L 11:20 a.m.	H 5:31 p.m. L 12:18 p.m.	H 6:35 p.m. L 1:18 p.m.
Occohannock Creek	H 1:11 p.m. L 7:39 a.m.	H 1:50 p.m. L 8:22 a.m.	H 2:28 p.m. L 9:06 a.m.	H 3:07 p.m. L 9:53 a.m.	H 3:50 p.m. L 10:46 a.m.	H 4:41 p.m. L 11:44 a.m.	H 5:41 p.m. L 12:44 p.m.
Nassawadox Creek	H 12:35 p.m. L 6:24 p.m.	H 1:14 p.m. L 7:07 a.m.	H 1:52 p.m. L 7:51 a.m.	H 2:31 p.m. L 8:38 a.m.	H 3:14 p.m. L 9:31 a.m.	H 4:05 p.m. L 10:29 a.m.	H 5:09 p.m. L 11:29 a.m.
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Kiptopeke Park	H 11:02 a.m. L 5:08 p.m.	H 11:41 a.m. L 5:48 p.m.	H 12:19 p.m. L 6:29 p.m.	H 12:58 p.m. L 7:15 a.m.	H 1:41 p.m. L 8:08 a.m.	H 2:32 p.m. L 9:06 a.m.	H 3:36 p.m. L 10:06 a.m.



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In General ...

By Bill Massey

When you're the world's oldest paperboy on the Eastern Shore, like I am (I'll be 66 in May), you gotta have a reliable vehicle to haul around a thousand pounds of POSTS once a week. And I'm not talking about a humongous pick-up or a cavernous SUV because they'd be just too gas-guzzling, big and bulky the other six days of the week.

No, I just need a regular, reliable everyday vehicle, and for me it's my 2004 Olds Alero.

It's a great car, I think, because now — after 115,000 miles on the odometer — it runs as well as the day I bought it with 14,000 miles. All I do is get the oil and filter changed every 4,000 or so miles and replace a worn-out tire every now and then.

And, it's got a lot of other equipment on it, too, like power door locks and windows and air-conditioning

— the kind of stuff that when it goes bad makes you wonder why you needed it in the first place since you're already making payments on it and really can't afford to get extras fixed right away. However, on my Alero everything has worked — and still continues to work — fine, just like on a Honda or Toyota or any other kind of foreign nameplate which at first drove Oldsmobile crazy with competition (and better products at a comparable price) and then out of business in 2006.

Too bad, because to me, in the end, General Motors made a pretty good car in the Olds Alero.

And then, last Friday morning when I'm delivering my POSTS in the pitch-black, wee small hours, my Alero's radio is telling me that things are so bad for its parent company, General Motors, that even its own auditors think it may be headed for bankruptcy.

Poor GM, I thought, doesn't life suck sometimes?

Five years ago, General Motors

common stock was trading way over \$40 a share, paying a healthy dividend and GM was selling cars and trucks profitably. Even just a year ago, its stock was trading in the mid-20s. But now, on this Friday morning, its common stock was getting ready to break below \$2 a share on the downside as there was no such thing as profit or hope for profit. It seems all GM had been doing for the past five years or so was grabbing a decreasing share in a growing market.

That's not good, General Motors, and now when the world is experiencing a sharp recession and everybody is nurturing hard cash like it was a newborn, that's really bad, General Motors. You sort of got caught with your pants down, and don't look at me because I didn't do it to you. You did it to yourself, so maybe you should declare bankruptcy. Let someone else buy your assets and try to create value.

Sure, you'll probably only get something like a dime on the dollar, but the asset value of your

common stock is zero, so let someone else give it a try, come up with a better business plan and go from there. Maybe they'll make a profit and a profit is what an American business is in it for, be it a sole proprietorship or a major corporation.

Sure, there would be all kinds of immediate repercussions with GM's collapse (and Ford and Chrysler, too, if it were to happen). But Americans — if the costs are in line — would still build cars, salesmen and dealerships would still sell them and mechanics would still service and fix them. There's too much potential profit for them not to.

As for me, driving along all the roadways I must cover from Keller to the bridge-tunnel to deliver the Post, I tried to put into context my great-running Alero with its not-so-great-running parent corporation, General Motors, and I reached this conclusion: The day my great-running Alero costs me more to operate than the value and profit I receive from it, I'll get rid of it.

Post Office Mail

Susan Scott Deserved To Go

Dear Editor:

There are some who say Mr. Steven Key's allegations against Susan Scott, Mayor Bruce Paone, Town Council, and two town employees are baseless, the incident was only a playful spanking, and the suit is because of animus toward Mrs. Scott by two councilmen who wanted her terminated as town manager.

They call for resignation of these councilmen, reinstatement of Mrs. Scott, and for citizens to sign a petition charging council's firing of Mrs. Scott was "cowardly and inexcusable." Before anyone rushes to judgment, there are questions citizens need to have answered.

It is said \$22,000 of taxpayer money was spent on investigation by a team of attorneys from Richmond. Did they completely exonerate Mrs. Scott and conclude there was no cause for council to lose confidence in her? All checks require the signature of the town manager and mayor or vice mayor. All expenditures not in the budget require approval of Town Council. However, council was not aware of the payment made to Mr. Key until after the original suit was filed nearly a year later. By what authority was it made? Why was it not disclosed?

Irrespective of guilt or innocence of the allegations, there was sufficient cause to terminate employment. The County Utilities Cost Commission, the Special Task Force, and Mrs. Scott's own projections showed the \$14 million new water treatment facility was too big, cost

too much, and would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars in debt service payments above what council was led to believe.

The failure of Mrs. Scott to inform council of the allegations in the suit before it was filed, the considerable ongoing costs as a consequence, together with the financial mismanagement is, by any measure, sufficient cause to terminate any manager. It happens all the time and the decision was unanimous.

Charles Landis, Onancock
Accident Might Have Been Avoided
Dear Editor:

Let me start by extending my sincere gratitude to Atlantic Fire Company, Oak Hall ambulance service, Virginia State Police, and Barnes Towing Service, all of whom arrived on the scene of my wife's recent car accident and were

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extremely kind and professional.

The accident occurred Monday, March 2, at 7:40 on Atlantic Road, the evening following the ice and snow storm. A group of four-wheelers must have thought that doing doughnuts after dark in the middle of Atlantic Road would be fun. They didn't seem to concern themselves with cars, assuming the cars would avoid them. That is exactly what my wife did. When she avoided hitting the four-wheeler, the ice on Atlantic Road sent her into the ditch. She suffered facial injuries, including a broken nose, and required several stitches.

Driver of the four-wheeler: If you are supposed to be responsible enough to drive a four-wheeler, may I suggest you stay off roads. If an incident like this happens again, may I suggest you stop and make sure those in the car have not been injured, and be responsible enough to stay at the scene. Believe me, if my wife did not avoid hitting you, she would not have fled before authorities showed up — that would be leaving the scene of an accident, which is breaking the law.

I also would like to address the conditions of the road. It is my understanding that during inclement weather, VDOT focuses on primary, or "highly traveled" roads. It boggles my mind that Atlantic Road is not considered a "highly traveled" road, since the Navy and NASA employ hundreds of workers whose only route to work at Wallops is to travel Atlantic Road. For the record, my wife's was not the only accident on Atlantic Road that night; there were several. Let me also state that my wife was traveling so slowly that the airbag did not even deploy, so speed was not an issue.

Warren Ross, Atlantic



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