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Review of EMS Attack Yields Recommendations

By Candy Farlow

Accomack County Public Safety Director Jason Loftus has issued a report calling for numerous changes in the way some emergency calls are handled. The report was sparked by the Feb. 4 incident during which a county-employed fire medic was assaulted while responding to a call.

At approximately 5:30 p.m. that day, Oak Hall Rescue was paged out to a psychiatric call. Two Accomack County fire medics responded in an ambulance and were told by the 911 Center that the Sheriff's Office had been notified.

According to the report, when the medics arrived on the scene, the patient was outside his residence and walking toward them. After the rescue crew got out of the ambulance, the patient rushed forward and struck one of the medics on the left side of the head with a closed fist, causing a laceration above his left eye. The other medic ran to an adjacent residence and called the 911 Center, indicating an immediate need for law enforcement to respond.

According to Loftus' report, the injured medic was dazed from the first impact and unable to defend himself and subsequently received several more blows to his head from the patient. The medic attempted to back away from the assailant and

move toward his vehicle. During his retreat, however, he tripped over a rope that had been strung between two posts and fell to the ground on his back as the patient continued to strike him about the head. The medic was eventually able to free himself and sought refuge in the ambulance.

The second medic received a call from a friend who is also a Virginia State Police trooper who, in turn, notified VSP dispatch to send any available trooper to the scene. Fire units from NASA Wallops Flight Facility responded after monitoring the request for assistance.

Loftus' report also includes a transcript of the communication between the 911 Center, the patient and the medics, as well as between the center and the Accomack County Sheriff's Office.

In light of the entire situation and subsequent investigation, the report recommends that the Department of Public Safety (DPS):

- make it mandatory that DPS employees carry their assigned portable radio while on duty;
- develop a policy for response to mental/behavioral/psychological emergency calls;
- provide an in-service for staff and other Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel with regard to providing proper communications during intense situations;

- always have a DPS supervisor on duty to address and respond to staff needs;

- develop a policy for notification of administrative staff.

As the incident related to the 911 Center, the report recommends that:

- calls to the 911 Center without an underlying medical emergency be transferred to the Sheriff's Office;

- a policy be developed providing specific direction for dispatchers as to when and how to request a response from the Sheriff's Office;

- the possibility of an "Emergency All-Call" policy for law enforcement be evaluated;

- policy addressing responsiveness to field providers be modified and/or adhered to;

- dispatch supervisors be held accountable for the actions of subordinates;

- one channel be reserved for dispatch communications and announcements;

- adoption of standardized language when checking for the need of assistance from the Sheriff's Office be considered;

- a policy be adopted for clearing a channel for EMS personnel to declare an emergency or "May

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Breaking Up Is Hard To Do

Yesterday, brave welders from Iseler Demolition of Missouri took apart the old Onancock water tower, piece by piece, and carted off the steel. Onlookers watched the workers' mid-air ballet as they balanced on half-inch beams.

Photo by
Angie Crutchley



School Board Votes to Close Northampton Middle School

By Ron West

The Northampton County School Board voted last Wednesday to officially close Northampton Middle School at the end of the term in June.

Citing a major budget crunch and unexpected repairs that would need to be done at the school, Superintendent Dr. Richard Bowmaster asked the School Board to vote for a budget package proposed by the Central Office staff. As a result of the board's action, students in grades pre-K through 7 will attend both Occohannock and Kiptopeke elementary schools and Grades 8 through 12 will attend Northampton High School.

Bowmaster pointed out that the declining student enrollment and changes in the composite index, which is used to calculate state funding, have resulted in a decrease in state funding.

Supervisor Spencer Murray, who until December 2007 had served on

the School Board, told the standing-room-only crowd that the funding changes would reduce state money by \$1.9 million, about a 17.3 percent. "We have to make some drastic changes," Murray said. "The middle school is not a new issue. We were planning to use QZAB (Qualified Zone Academic Bond) funds to repair the restrooms and locker rooms, but now that funding will be shifted to help pay for repairs at the high school. If changes are not made in the budget, the Board of Supervisors will need to raise taxes drastically."

Jeff Walker, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, concurred

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Correction

A Front-Page caption in last week's Eastern Shore Post incorrectly identified Chincoteague Mayor Jack Tarr as Mayor Jack Tull. The Post regrets the error.

More Income Intel

The Eastern Shore Post recently published the salaries of Central Office personnel in the Northampton County Public School System because the figures had been a matter of some discussion with respect to recent news events. In response to the resulting requests we have received from readers for similar information concerning other county officials, the Post is offering the following salary figures which we have received under the Freedom of Information Act.

While the precise job titles do not always match between Accomack and Northampton counties, these are the management positions which were presented by county officials.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>COUNTY ADMINISTRATION</u>		
<u>- ACCOMACK</u>		
County Administrator	Steven Miner	\$110,647
Assistant County Administrator	Linda Martin-Warner	\$72,972
County Attorney	Mark Taylor	\$117,875
Director of Finance	Reed Ennis	\$89,666
Director of Public Works	Stewart Hall	\$72,867
Director of Building and Zoning	David Fluhart	\$72,823
Director of Parks & Recreation	William Allen	\$72,552
Director of Public Safety	Jason Loftus	\$66,384
Director of Planning	James McGowan	\$69,953
Real Estate Assessor	Brent Hurdle	\$72,444
Economic Development Coordinator	Larry Forbes	\$59,466
Airport Manager	Barbara Hoffman-Haxter	\$39,091
<u>COUNTY ADMINISTRATION</u>		
<u>- NORTHAMPTON</u>		
County Administrator	Katie Nunez	\$100,293
Finance Director	Glenda Miller	\$88,216
Building Inspector	Mark Cline	\$69,995
Clerk of Works	Jim Chapman	\$74,948
Code Compliance Officer	Gwen Cummings-Thompson	\$47,740
EMS Director	Hollye Carpenter	\$55,219
Information Technology Director	Mark Heneghan	\$64,136
Planning & Zoning Director	Sandra Benson	\$71,637
Public Works Director	Michael Thornes	\$70,324
Solid Waste Director	Ronald Rowe	\$48,010
<u>SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION</u>		
<u>- ACCOMACK</u>		
Superintendent	W. Richard Bull Jr.	\$120,629
Assistant Supt. for Administration and Human Resources	Dr. Rhonda Hall	\$96,722
Assistant Supt. for Instruction	Alice G. Koziol	\$96,722
Elementary School Coordinator	Dr. Maribeth L. Haines	\$76,175
Middle School Coordinator	Jason H. Baldwin	\$56,397
High School Coordinator/Career and Technical Education	Mark E. Nowak	\$77,420 + \$7,742 CTE Supplement
Director of Student Services/ Administrative Assistant	Leander S. Roberts Jr.	\$86,456
Director of Finance	Beth O. Charnock	\$84,616
Technology Coordinator/Textbooks	James B. Carey	\$83,338 + \$3,000 Textbook Supp.
Transportation Supervisor	Frank P. Hurst	\$64,076
Coordinator of Special Education	Jessie Duncil	\$80,787
Assessment & Accountability Coordinator	Sandra A. Drummond	\$70,288
School Health Coordinator	Kathy M. Lewis	\$53,057
Coordinator of Federal Programs	Marianne R. Elebash	\$80,763
Food Service Supervisor	William E. Hall Jr.	\$66,831
Facilities Coordinator	Michael T. Tolbert	\$70,965

Size of County Budget Dismays Citizen

By Linda Cicaira

A real-estate agent from Hallwood gave the Accomack County Board of Supervisors some financial advice last Wednesday.

"I am stunned by the size of Accomack County's budget," said Toni Trepanier. "In my opinion, it is totally disproportionate to our population and the average income of our taxpayers.

"I can only hope this budget will be reviewed again and where possible, be reduced, particularly as it pertains to capital improvements and job creation," she continued.

"It appears our county staff has grown faster than our population," she said. "These are difficult economic times and belt tightening is necessary."

Trepanier spoke during the public participation portion of the supervisor's monthly meeting. She said that rather than fund "new luxury green box facilities," that money should be spent on increased fire/rescue/ambulance services.

"It is my understanding that the cost of one new trash facility is approximately \$680,000," she said, not disputing how nice the facilities are. "I suggest that part of that money would go a long way towards paying a living wage and retirement benefits to those who risk life and limb routinely for us, and part could be allocated for equipment to help them help us."

Trepanier said she sent out an e-mail survey asking how people prefer their money be spent and "only one person voted for additional green box facilities and one abstained" from making an opinion. She did not disclose how many people participated.

Regarding health insurance, Trepanier said, "Elected county officials are not employees and are often employed elsewhere or are self-employed or retired, with benefits provided from other sources. So I suggest that elected county officials with health insurance available from other sources, voluntarily remove themselves from the county insurance plan."

Trepanier also said that the "basic principles of appraisal do not appear to have been utilized in this recent re-assessment. I have performed considerable research and found very little consistency or justification for some of the huge increases and, in some cases, insufficient increases, particularly on waterfront estates."

The budget proposal includes approximately \$65,000 for a new in-house real-estate assessor. The total package is more than \$50 million. About \$27 million of that is local money.

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No Movement From Accomack Board on Sewage Ordinance

By **Linda Cicaira**

The majority of Accomack supervisors voted last Wednesday to postpone changing the county's sewage disposal ordinance, a move that could prohibit the use of lagoons for septic waste.

"I was pretty disappointed," said Supervisor Grayson Chesser following the meeting. Chesser was the only supervisor who had announced he was "ready to vote right now."

"All they are is big privies. We haven't made any progress in the 400 years since we've got here," he said.

"It's something that has to be done as quickly as possible," Chesser continued. He added that viewing the lagoons is what convinced him the action is necessary.

"I would like the board to go there and look at these lagoons," Chesser said. "I'm not saying close it tomorrow or close it next week. But we've got to close it. The time for dilly dallying is over."

Officials have said that there are three unlined lagoons in the county and that two of those have been closed by the sewage hauling companies that own them.

Chairman Ron S. Wolff commended Boggs Water & Sewage and Bundick's Well and Pump Co. for "solving two-thirds of the problem" when they stopped using two of the lagoons.

The issue came to light in November when County Administrator Steve Miner reported that the haulers "are being required to hire third-party consultants and develop operation and maintenance manuals for their lagoons. ... The state may force these businesses into expensive solutions. ... Helping them benefits all the county since we rely on them to help keep our ground-water clean and our house sanitary."

"We have done everything asked of us," one of the haulers, Jimmy Bundick, told the board. In 1976 when a lagoon near Painter was opened, it met all restrictions, he added. Since then, he said he has always obtained permits to keep it in operation.

Recently, Bundick said, he had to pay \$10,000 for test samples. In addition, he learned that to replace the lagoon would cost \$1.2 million and then would be given only a one-year permit.

"A year-to-year permit would not be acceptable," he said, adding that it is a big decision for each resident who "has a bathroom."

Bundick said he charges \$250 to pump a septic tank even though it costs him \$284 to do so. He complained that his fuel bill for January totaled \$24,700 and that he is hauling some of the sewage to Pocomoke, Md.

Bundick also reported that the state is considering requiring those houses in areas that now pump their systems every five years to do so annually.

"I don't want us in a bind that we won't have a place to dump," said Supervisor Wanda Thornton. She wants to wait to amend the ordinance until after the northern landfill septic system is expanded.

Supervisor Donald Hart agreed. "I think we have to be very careful," he said. "We have to have somewhere before we close them down ... before we do something rash; we need to do something careful. I don't want to get caught with our pants down if all of a sudden, 39,000 people would not pump their septic tanks."

Public Works Director Stewart Hall originally had estimated that expanding the landfill's system would take about a year. More recent inquiries have led him to believe it could take 21 months. He said that once operational, the system could handle "maybe half of what's being pumped."

Hart said he is concerned that total dependence on one system could leave the county in dire straits in heavy rains or storms and that if the system failed, untreated waste would be discharged into Assawoman Creek.

"It is always a possibility with any system," said Hall.

"That's the same possibility now" with the lagoons, said Supervisor Steve D. Mallette, who wants the

haulers to work on getting long-term contracts with the Pocomoke plant.

"I think we need to look into recycling (waste) water, possibly by land applying," Chesser said later. "I seriously think you shouldn't (even) allow lined lagoons. I want to know a lot more."

Chesser said he also is concerned about the creek. "Millions of dollars of seafood is at risk in a storm event." Still, he said he doubted it would be as bad as what could happen with an unlined lagoon.

He wants everyone involved in the process to meet. "If you're going to discuss this, you need to have all the people available."

The proposed ordinance was advertised for public hearing with the strictest rules, as recommended by County Attorney Mark Taylor, so that the document could be adjusted without the need for further postings.

No one spoke at the hearing.

At last week's meeting, the supervisors also voted to:

- change the start of the public session of the monthly meeting from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m.;
- change the name of the county's Industrial Development Authority to Economic Development Authority;
- abandon Route 9641, the access road

at the former Parksley Middle School, and Route 840 (Cutler Lane), from the secondary state highway system;

•approve spending \$2,000 in Election District 1 funds for lights on the North Accomack Little League ballfield;

•approve spending about \$300 in Election District 2 funds to cover landfill tipping fees and other costs associated with the Bayside Community clean-up;

•approve spending an undisclosed amount of Election District 3 funds to buy plants and landscaping materials for Horntown Convenience Center;

•pass a resolution that asks the Virginia Association of Counties to initiate and support a "grass-roots" effort toward citizen petitions to initiate amendments to the state constitution allowing the financing of capital improvements for Virginia's public schools at the state level and to provide citizens with advance notification of "the local costs of legislation considered by the General Assembly";

•request a state variance for an emergency medical technician (EMT) class taught at Parksley Volunteer Fire Company so that instruction could continue for the 41 participants. This would allow the course to be taught by one instructor while a certification issue with the second instructor is handled.

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Daughter of Murder Victim Pleads With Others to Contact Parole Board

By Candy Farlow

It was July 16, 1990, when one of the most horrendous crime scenes ever found on the Shore was discovered. That was the day the bodies of Camellia Ann Nasif Moon and Scott Stone were found in the Parksley area gun shop Moon owned with her husband. Stone was a young man the couple had hired to help out at the store.

It would be four long months before the murderer was arrested and more than a year after that before Jarvis Enos Holland, aka Shaft, was sentenced to life in prison for the crimes.

However, as is often the case, life in prison doesn't necessarily mean life in prison, and this spring, Holland could be granted parole.

One person who hopes to see that Holland is never set free is Moon's daughter, Nicki.

"It is imperative to keep this man in prison," she said recently. "While keeping him in prison will not help me or my family, I am certain he would destroy another family if put back into society."

Moon has good cause to believe that. In the 17 years since her mother was taken from her, she has compiled her own history of the man who took so much from her. According to her research, Holland was a member of the Thunder Guard Motorcycle Club in Philadelphia, but had spent some time on the Delmarva Peninsula prior to that fateful day.

Moon said serious criminal charges against Holland in various states (excluding his juvenile record, if any) date back to 1977 and continue through the month before her mother was murdered.

It is this extensive history that has Moon convinced that Holland should never be returned to society and that's why she is asking that anyone who is willing — especially those

whose lives were touched by her mother, a teacher in the Accomack County School System — write a letter to the state Parole Board.

"What would be helpful," Moon said, "is a reflection on the impact my mother or Scott Stone had on the writer's life and a request to deny parole to their murderer."

Moon stressed that it is important to put Holland's Department of Corrections number (193655) on the statement which should then be mailed to the Virginia Parole Board, 6900 Atmore Dr., Richmond, VA 23225, or directly to Moon through e-mail at nm1234@comcast.net or by postal service at P.O. Box 1497 in Parksley.

Moon said she would appreciate having copies of any letters sent directly to the Parole Board, since officials have indicated they may not keep them for future reference, even though Holland will be eligible for a parole hearing on an annual basis for the remainder of his incarceration. Moon also noted that the letters must be received by the Parole Board no later than May 20 to be considered. That is the day Nicki and other members of Camellia Moon's family will have an opportunity to present their case to the Parole Board in person.

Following the killings, Nicki felt compelled to return to school, and earned a graduate degree which allows her to work with Richmond area police as a counselor, often charged with helping diffuse hostage or suicide situations and other crises.

Perhaps the greatest tribute to her late mother, however, is keeping her memory alive through her own children. Cameron, 4, and Camellia, 15 months, are both named in honor of the grandmother they never knew, but whom one broken-hearted family — and hundreds of friends — will never forget.

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Day,” using the “man down” button, and for reviewing non-routine events.

With regard to the part played by the Accomack County Sheriff's Office during the incident, the report states, “In review of the incident, narratives and communications tapes from both the 911 Center and the Accomack County Sheriff's Office, it was apparent that communication ambiguity between the 911 Center and Sheriff's Office exists with regard to response.”

Loftus noted that issues brought forth in the document “are not intended to assign blame nor should the contents be construed as accusatory toward any one person, organization or entity. ... The vast majority of calls is routine and therein is the danger that we become complacent. It is only during non-routine events, such as the incident described above, that we recognize the need to review all decisions, actions, omissions, errors, and positive contribu-

tions that were part of the event in question. This very serious event has provided an opportunity for service agencies to come together and gain new insights. The end result is the development of new and more relevant policies, procedures and actions designed to increase employee/responder safety.”

According to the report, “A review of the (911) communication tape revealed several apparent breaches of policy, procedural errors and omissions during this incident. These errors did not occur as an isolated event, but continued for the duration of the incident. If supervisory staff were present, these errors should have been corrected immediately. If intervention does not occur, then supervisory and dispatch staff have failed to do the task to which they are assigned and responsible for.”

Also with regard to the role the 911 system played in the incident, the report notes, “There are communication issues in the northern end of Accomack County resulting in either poor or no reception of the 911 signal. ... Although in this situation the portable radio transmissions from (one of the

medics) were received by the 911 Center, some were of low volume and many went unacknowledged.”

The report further states, “In this incident, the assailant was in close proximity to the portable radio when the 911 Center dispatchers called and asked, ‘Do you need the Sheriff's Office?’ It is unclear if this statement triggered the assailant to strike, but it must be considered as a possibility given the next radio transmission came from (the medic), stating, ‘Need help,’ followed by several radio breaks. These radio breaks indicate someone was trying to key the transmit button but was unable to hold the button long enough, definitely a ‘Red Flag.’

“The 911 Center dispatchers made no effort to hail the provider making the communication, ‘Need help,’ even though a radio identifier would have been available to them on the console.

“This incident clearly demonstrates the need for immediate and uninterrupted communication. ... Once (the other medic) called the 911 Center and reported the ambulance crew had been assaulted, this should have been another ‘red flag’ for clearing the radio traffic and attempts made to reach Fire Medic 1. This was not acted upon. The dispatcher did not attempt to determine the extent of injuries Fire Medic 1 sustained.”

Court Postings

Northampton Circuit Court Criminal Cases

According to Commonwealth's Attorney Bruce Jones, Kamal Yamani Cuffee, 20, of Birdsnest pleaded guilty Monday in Northampton County Circuit Court to grand larceny and Kengi Elkerson, 38, of Cape Charles pleaded guilty to distribution of a controlled substance.

Both Cuffee and Elkerson will be sentenced after presentence reports have been prepared.

Criminal Justice Scholarships

Northampton County Sheriff Jack Robbins reports that his office is now accepting scholarship applications for the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute Scholarship for the fall of 2008. The applicant must be majoring in criminal justice in a Virginia college. There is one scholarship for full-time students and one for part-time students.

Applications are available at Northampton High School and Broadwater Academy, but students also can get them from the Sheriff's Office in Eastville.

The deadline for the scholarships to be received by the office of the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute is May 1.

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Some Dredging Projects May Get Done After All

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack supervisors hope they will be awarded a \$500,000 federal grant for use in dredging local waterways where the buildup has gotten so high that channel markers and other navigational aids have been removed.

Last week, the board directed Public Works Director Stewart Hall to meet with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and local Coast Guard to determine where the dredging is most needed.

Hall reported that he was able to apply for the grant at the 11th hour, but did not have time to determine what area has the most need. The grant, which requires a 45 percent match, is expected to be awarded in the fall.

"It would be nice to have a specific channel involved," Hall said.

"We have a very dire situation," said Supervisor Donald L. Hart. "Soon we won't be able to get out of our harbors."

"Over the last several years, very few projects have been dredged by the Corps of Engineers, due to limitations on funding," the application states. "This has created a large backlog of projects and that backlog is growing. ... Of the 48 federal navigation projects in Accomack County, only eight are considered restricted, one is considered severely restricted and two are completely blocked."

Metompkin Bay and Wire Passage were identified as most in need.

The supervisors also voted to ask Northampton County to join them in applying for a grant to build a new burn building at the regional Fire/Rescue Training Center. The cost of the structure is estimated at \$430,000.

Public Safety Director Jason Loftus said it would cost about \$106,000 to update the existing structure, but he only expects those repairs to last about three years.

"It's like any other building we have in the county," Loftus said. "It's a safety

issue." He warned about liability if injuries occurred because of needed repairs.

C. Ray Pruitt, captain of the Public Safety Department, said he is against demolishing the existing burn building. He contended that while actual burns should not be permitted there, the structure could safely be used for other training.

Pruitt also suggested that more grant money could be raised if the facility were offered for use by law enforcement.

The supervisors also amended an ordinance to allow the county to collect fines for convictions of loitering, shooting or hunting with a firearm or of trav-

eling in an area while in possession of a loaded firearm within 100 yards of public school property. County Attorney Mark Taylor said these restrictions are already law in Virginia and the change is needed to direct fees to the county.

In addition, the board passed a resolution allowing 36.5 acres in Quinby to be part of the Enterprise Zone. Larry Forbes, director of economic development, said the purpose is to expand aquaculture projects at Mid Atlantic Aquaculture Tech. "It will indeed be a great asset to our county in the future," Forbes said.

Board Wants To Extend Bay Preservation Act

By Linda Cicaira

In an 8-1 vote last Wednesday, Accomack supervisors gave the nod for County Attorney Mark Taylor and Planning Director Jim McGowan to draft an amendment to the county's Zoning Ordinance and Map that would extend the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Overlay District to the Atlantic Ocean.

Only Supervisor Wanda Thornton opposed the action.

Supervisor Phil McCaleb proposed the resolution which noted that the district "is a useful environmental protection mechanism that has benefited the public health, safety and welfare of all citizens of Accomack County and particularly those residing within its area of applicability."

Taylor said the wording needs to be amended to include areas between the two major bodies of water. The next step would be to let the Planning Commission review the draft


and advise the board about it.

Thornton complained that implementing such a plan could be detrimental to farmers. She inquired how many houses would be affected.

"I'm very anxious to see after all these years" how the board will act regarding the issue, said Supervisor Donald L. Hart. He recalled when Supervisors Julia Major and Warren Nock were still living, the three were the only ones to favor such an amendment.

The bay act was established in 1988 to protect water quality from "significant degradation as a result of the use and development of land."

The act created buffers and land disturbance regulations and requires all septic systems in the designated areas to be pumped every five years.

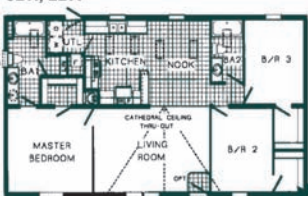


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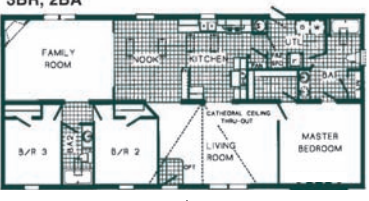
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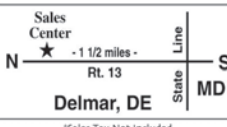


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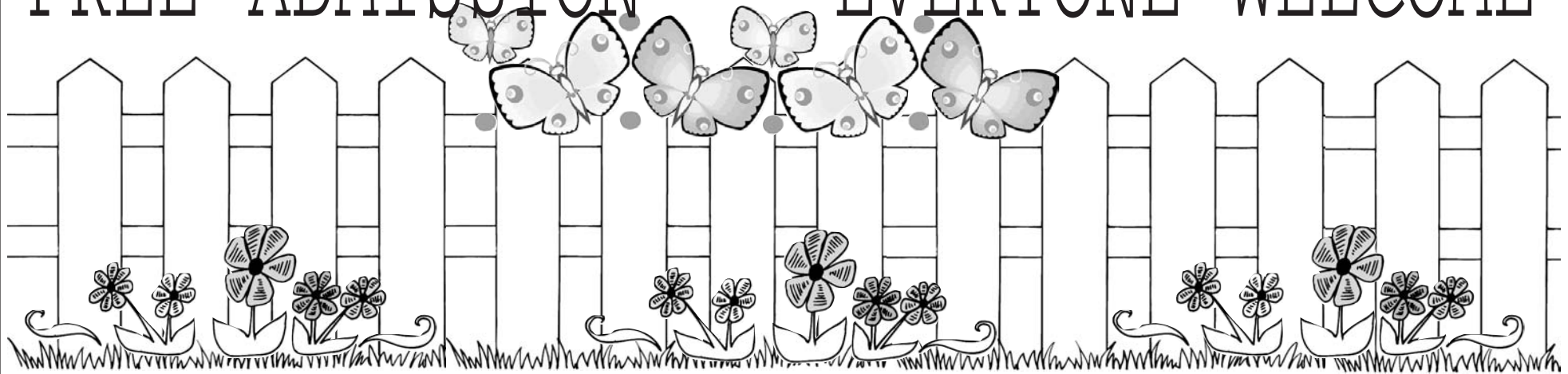


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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26
 •Accomac Town Council - 7:30 p.m., Bd. of Sup. Chambers

THURSDAY, MARCH 27
 •Bloxom Town Council - 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 1
 •Belle Haven Town Council - 7 p.m., ESO Bldg.
 •Cape Charles Planning Commission - 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers
 •Wachapreague Town Council - 7:30 p.m., Town Office



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and demonstrating your art or craft, or in performing, you are invited to join the organization's roster.

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On Chincoteague, stop in and see Jon or Jane Richstein at Sundial Books on Main Street (336-5825) or Megan McCook at Egret Moon Artworks on Main Street (336-5775).

School Children Being Counted in Accomack County

By Linda Cicaira

A census of school-age youth in Accomack will be taken in a door-to-door canvass conducted by county school workers beginning April 1.

Dr. Rhonda Hall, assistant superintendent of Administration and Human Resources, said the count would be made of those between 5 and 19 years old, in accordance with Virginia law.

She wants to alert the public about the census so residents are not afraid to answer when the worker comes knocking on their doors. "A lot of people don't understand," Hall said. The effort involves counting "all children, regardless of where they go to school" or if they are home-taught. It also will include those who are incarcerated or live in juvenile homes.

The results are then used in the state's funding formula, which determines the distribution of a portion of Virginia's sales tax revenue that is returned to the locality for public education.

"We're putting a lot of effort into it because we know how important the money is to Accomack County," said Hall. "It helps the county, not just the school division. ... If the county gets

more, maybe they will give the school division more."

The counters will include school bus drivers, teachers and other staff. They will present photo identification badges during the surveys.

According to the school system's news release, "The funds which the school division receives from the census are dedicated to facility maintenance, operations, capital projects and debt service. This funding is the school board's third largest source of revenue."

"The assistance of county residents with providing information to the census takers will be greatly appreciated," Hall said.

"The payback is very substantial," said Superintendent W. Richard Bull. "We try to use bus drivers because they know all the routes."

Hall said that there will be about 45 workers making the survey, compared to 15 employees when the poll was taken three years ago. Four of the census takers will be bi-lingual. "We will be monitoring every two weeks from Jan. 1 to July 15," Hall said.

For more information, residents can call Dr. Hall, at 787-5754 or 824-5601.

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Robert Johnson and Linda Hyslop

Robert Johnson and Linda Hyslop To Wed

Faye Shawn Claudette Hyslop of Fairfax County, Va., and Lovietta Chauvon Hyslop of Exmore have announced the upcoming wedding of their mother, Linda Michele Hyslop, to Robert Edward Johnson.

The prospective groom is the son of the late Thomas and Alberta Johnson from Bridgetown and the grandson of the late Thomas and Sudie Johnson from Bridgetown and the late John and Amanda Rowley and the late William Thomas, all from Treherneville. A native of the Eastern Shore, he attended Northampton County public schools and has been employed by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in Accomac since 1976.

The bride-elect is the daughter of the late Florence Ellen Hyslop from Machipongo and the late Claude Joseph (Jackie) Nottingham from Birdsnest and the granddaughter of the late James and Madgia Hyslop and Severn and Quint Nottingham, all from Machipongo. A native of the Eastern Shore, she is a graduate of Northampton High School, where she has been employed since 2000.

Pastor Palmer Bunting will preside over the ceremony at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Wardtown on June 28, 2008, at 4 p.m. and is by invitation only. The reception will be held at the firehouse in Nassawadox immediately following the ceremony.

Ann Preston To Wed Chuck Elder April 12

Ann Preston and Charles R. "Chuck" Elder, both of Melfa, will be married, April 12, 2007.

Preston holds a bachelor of science degree and master's degree in education from Salisbury University and is employed at the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency in Belle Haven as the director of Employment Programs.

Elder is retired from the U.S. Army and the federal Civil Service. He is a former resident of Hurt, Va.

The wedding will take place, Saturday, April 12, 2008, at 2 p.m., at Melfa United Methodist Church, followed immediately by a reception.

All family and friends are invited. No invitations will be sent. No gifts, please, except the honor of your presence.

The couple will drive across the United States for their honeymoon and live in Melfa upon their return.

Honor Students Announced

Eastern Shore Community College recognizes the following students for their academic achievement during the fall 2007 semester.

President's List (grade point average of 3.80 or higher) – Hilda Andrews, Kathleen Bacchi, Vincent Bardinelli, Mary Barnes, Jessica Bradford, Joshua Brown, Gavin Bruno, Keith Canales, Patricia Chandler, Victor Chesnoski, LaKea Crippen, Jamie Crockett, Edna Dennis, Heather Diem, Ruth Dize, Dawn Duckett, Katheryn Etheridge, Annette Evans, David Fazekas, Edward Fisher, Sandra Gwaltney, Daniel Hall, Keiosha Harmanson, Tyjuana Harmon, Rebecca Hemphill, John Hickman, Nikia Howard, Rosemarie Hrusth, Margaret Jeffries, Dana Jester, Kishima Johnson, Lloyd Johnston, Lakisha Jordan, Nicole Justis, Heather Katrobos, Jason Kellam, Jordan Kellam, Natisha Kellam, Nicole Kellam, Lisa Land, William Lawrence, Hannah LeMoyné, Dara Lewis, Tamyra Mills, Wendie Misuna, Maria Moyano, Joshua Parker, Jessica Pruitt, Cheryl Randall, Jessica Reed, John Riley, Kristen Ruchalski, Lori Savage, Ashley Smullin, Rosemary Stapleton, David Stone, Tina Taylor, Ronald Thorne, Willette Triggs, Rachel Turner, Jessica Underhill, Angela Walston, Malissa Watterson, Courtney Williams, Frances Williams, Terry Williams, and Sharon Wilson

Dean's List (grade point average of 3.50 to 3.799) – Kristina Albrecht, Esther Allshouse-Stahl, Tiauna Ames, Camesha Anderson, Lisa Ashby, Daniel Bowers, Karen Bundick, Naomi Campbell, LaTasha Chandler, Sheree Chisum, Mark Cline, Passion Collins, Wendy Colmon, Lashea Conquest, Latasha Corbin, Kevin Cornwell, Umeca Cotto, Edward Cowling, Shaneka Davis, Brittany Delosier, Harold Deuter, Regina Dickerson, Donna Dorsey, Jeremiah Dorsey, Tiffany Douglas, Latoya Drummond, Leslie Escalante, Charlene Finney, Hector Galvan, Kelsey Gaskins, Dorothy Giddens, Bobbie Graham, Ahkeia Harmon, Carolyn Henderson, Shareeta Johnson, Stephen Kaminski, Sheena Knitter, Rahsaan Knox, Jacob Loescher, Joanna Lord, Paul Mahoney, Latonya Marshall, Samone McCaskill, Maria Mickey, Christophe Miller, Elizabeth Miller, Matthew Moore, Amanda Nelson,

• a boy, born to Latanya and Kevin Cropper of Oak Hall March 17

• a daughter, born to Jacqueline and Preston Walters of Belle Haven March 17

• a son, born to Marlo Walker of New Church March 18

• a son, born to Dawn Chesnoski and Rick Saunders of Horntown March 18

• a daughter, born to Tyquinta Custis and Brian Abbott of Parksley March 18

• a daughter, born to Tysheena Creekmore and Markice Harmon of Mappsville March 18

Sarah Nelson, Bryce Nordstrom, Antionette Nottingham, Jasmine Parker, Tana Parker, Meredith Parlett, Heidi Pick, Jeremiah Pleitez, Wesley Price, Hope Pruitt, Leah Randall, Arline Riley, Tonya Sample, Angel Simpkins, Kelli Skaggs, Ronshende Smith, Rosetta Smith, Danielle Strand, Gladys Strand, Sara Sumner, Zacchues Toppin, Tyvonne Townsend, Nina Tull, Joan Tyree, Rachael Vasquez, Brennan Waldorf, Lauketta Walker, Melissa Waterfield, Albertine Wessells, Tori Wheatley, Dessie White, Tinishia White, Jessica Windsor, and Elizabeth Yontz.

Merit List (grade point average of 3.20 to 3.499) — Tynisha Anderson, Stephanie Baker, Michael Barnes, Irish Beckett, Sara Blankenship, Lakesha Brickhouse, Shamara Bundick, Leah Canales, Keely Chandler, David Chew, Geetoo Chhibber, Melissa Cornelious, Karen Crockett, Lisa Cypress, Walter Dawson, Rhonda Duncan, Shaunta Evans, Terry Finney, Melissa Fox, Justine Frankau, Tessa Godbold, Jessica Greenley, Natasha Hatney, Lauren Holden, Melanie Justis, Shevon Kellam, Karen Killmon, HarleyRose Kolinsky, Shawna Lewis, Ashley Mapp, Jared Marsh, Kanitra Miller, Denitra Morris, Alyssa Muenner, John Patterson, Cynthia Peed, Trenesa Perkins, Eloisa Rea, Sonia Riggins, Jason Schavel, Sarah Scott, Tiffany Sharbor, Mervin Smith, Ryan Spencer, Bessie Stratton, Darlene Taylor, Candice Turner, Tracina Upshur, Pamela VanSickels, Kamesha Watson, and Laytora Weatherly.



Laura Terry and Zachary Annon

Laura Terry To Wed Zachary Annon

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sturgis Terry of Willis Wharf have announced the engagement of their youngest daughter, Laura Grace, to Zachary Tate Annon, son of George and Rhonda Annon of Wilsonia Neck.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Nat and Lela Terry of Willis Wharf and Janet S. Ebersole of Bellport, Long Island, N.Y., and the late Walter King Ebersole Jr. A 2003 graduate of Northampton High School, she attends Ferrum College and has been a pitcher for the Ferrum girls' softball team for four years. She will graduate with a degree in fine art.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Betty M. Allums of Cape Charles and the late Gene C. Allums, the late Martha J. Nash from Cape May, N.J., and the late George Ansel Annon from Phillippi, W.Va. A graduate of Northampton High School and James Madison University, he played four years for the JMU football team. He is vice president of Annon Construction Company in Machipongo.

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OBITUARIES

Retired Funeral Director Dies

Mrs. Madelyn Lilliston, 89, of Accomac died Wednesday, March 19, 2008, at her home.

Born in Parksley, she was the daughter of the late James Edward Ayers and Otelia Hart Ayers. Mrs. Lilliston was a retired funeral director and a member of Drummondtown Baptist Church in Accomac. She was a member and past matron of Onancock Chapter 82 Order of the Eastern Star.

She was predeceased by her husband, Herbert Dalton Lilliston. Survivors include her daughters, Lynn Repinski (and husband, Adam) of Accomac and Elizabeth Ann Lilliston of Norfolk; grandson, Z. Tyler Lilliston-Courtright of Norfolk; and brother, Winfred E. Ayers of Hopeton.

Graveside services were conducted Tuesday, March 25, at Edgehill Cemetery in Accomac by Rev. Charles Benton.

Arrangements were made by B.D. Holland Funeral Service in Nassawadox.

Ex-Plumbing Firm Owner Dies

Mr. Ira Curtis Hudson, better known as **Glorybound**, 77, of Chincoteague, went home to be with Jesus Wednesday, March 19, 2008, surrounded by his beloved wife and family, at Peninsula Regional Medical Center, Salisbury, Md.

Born in Chincoteague, he was the son of the late Lloyd J. and Elsie Bloxom Hudson. For many years he was the owner and operator of Hudson's Heating and Plumbing in Chincoteague. He retired as custodian for Chincoteague Elementary School after 14 years of service. A third-generation carver and grandson of the late Ira D. Hudson, a well-known duck carver from Chincoteague, Mr. Hudson will be remembered for his decoy carvings. He was a past councilman

and vice mayor for Chincoteague and a member of Union Baptist Church in Chincoteague, Accomac Lodge 243 AF&AM, Island Commandary 34, Accomack Chapter 62 Order of Eastern Star, Chincoteague Royal Arch Chapter 75, Eastern Shore of Virginia Shrine Club Khedive Temple AAO NMS.

Mr. Hudson is survived by his wife of 55 years, Alice Frances Pittman Hudson; sons, Ira T. Hudson of Chincoteague and Randy W. Hudson of Staunton, Va.; daughters Ruth Shrieves (and husband, Wade) of Bloxom and Sue Davis (and husband, Rick) of Chincoteague; brothers, Robert Hudson of Carlisle, Pa., and William E. Hudson of Atlantic; sister, Florence Merrit of Pocomoke, Md.; grandchildren, Weston and Lanae Shrieves, Ira, Christopher, and William Hudson, Rachel Tate, Becky Birch, and Sarah and James Grey; and six great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, Daniel Joel; a brother, Jimmy Hudson; and four sisters, Ruth Hudson, Lula Singer, Pat Walker, and Betty Singer.

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, March 22, at Island Baptist Church by Pastor Rick Foster. Interment was in Downing's Cemetery, Oak Hall.

Memorial donations may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Funeral arrangements were made by Salyer Funeral Home, Inc., Chincoteague.

William C. Daley

Mr. William Cornelius Daley, 87, of Onancock passed away Thursday, March 20, 2008, at Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Allendale, N.J., he was the son of the late Cornelius F. and Frances Weaver Daley.

A member of "The Greatest Generation," Mr. Daley began his military career in his early 20s, joining the Army

Air Corps in 1941. His first duty station was in Alaska, followed by the Allutians and then England in 1944. He was one of the famed "56th Fighter Group" and was awarded the Air Medal with eight oak leaf clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross. This World War II Ace retired with a rank of major in 1954.

Following his military service, Maj. Daley owned and operated a nursery, "Broadleaf Gardens," specializing in azaleas, located just outside of Onancock. Not satisfied to sit back and retire, he was instrumental in founding the local flotilla of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in Painter, where he served for the next 20 years. An avid sailor, Maj. Daley taught navigation, sailing and other boating skills to a multitude of boaters on the Eastern Shore.

He was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church in Onley, for 66 years, the U.S. Power Squadron and the American Nurserymen's Association. He and his loving wife traveled extensively for 30 years after their retirement, boating and RVing, visiting all 50 states and several foreign countries.

He was preceded in death by his three brothers, Robert, James and Eugene Daley; and his grandson, Lee Wallace. Survivors include his wife of 62 years, Frances LaMock Daley; his children, William M. Daley (and wife, Rosalie), Kevin L. Daley (and wife, Teri), all of Onancock, Kathleen Messmer (and husband, Richard) of Ft. Myers, Fla., Deborah Robbins (and husband, Jack), Andrea Scott (and husband, Dr. David Scott), all of Eastville, Stephen Daley of Onancock, and Dr. Colleen Daley of Cashville; grandchildren, Lowell Wallace, Shawn Wallace, William Christopher Daley, Brian Daley, Christopher Brennan Daley, Craig Stevens, Thomas Scott, Jennifer Scott, Charlotte Scott, Katherine Scott, Amanda Robbins, Elizabeth Daley and Gabrielle Messmer; and eight great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was conducted at St. Peter's Catholic Church on Sunday, March 23. Interment was in Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock with Military Honors.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 316, Parksley, VA 23421. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

New Church Resident Dies

Mrs. Patricia W. Parsons, 51, of New Church died Thursday, March 20, 2008.

A memorial service was conducted Monday, March 24, at Fox & Holston Funeral Home on Chincoteague by Rev. Thorns.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 316, Parksley, VA 23421.

Cafeteria Coordinator Dies

Mrs. Debra Burns Bell, 50, of Cape Charles passed away Friday, March 21, 2008, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital.

A native of Highland Park, Mich., she is the daughter of Rev. Ottis P. and Joyce Carpenter Burns of Birdsnest. Mrs. Bell was the cafeteria coordinator for Northampton Public Schools.

Other than her parents, Mrs. Bell is survived by her husband, Norman C. "Jay" Bell Jr.; son, Jay Bell III (and wife, Trish) of Cheriton; daughters, Stacey and Cathy Bell, both of Cape Charles; sister, Martha Burns of Birdsnest; and grandson, Masen Bell of Cheriton. Mrs. Bell was preceded in death by a brother, W.C. "Tip" Burns.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday, March 25, in Cape Charles Fire Station, with Rev. Ottis P. Burns officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Debra Burns Bell Fund, c/o Shore Bank, P.O. Box 536, Cheriton, VA 23316. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com



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

Retired Waterman Dies

Mr. James Wilson Curtis, 70, of Parksley passed away Friday, March 21, 2008, at Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born at Guilford, he was the son of the late Archie Washington Curtis and Addie Annis Curtis. He was a retired waterman.

Mr. Curtis is survived by his wife of 50 years, Elizabeth "Nippy" Curtis; daughter, Mary Anne Curtis Taylor (and husband, Elwood) of Parksley; sister, Helen Tyndall of Greenbush; brothers, Bobby Curtis of Clayton, Del., and Clifton Curtis of South Chesconnessex; and grandson, Joshua James Taylor.

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, March 25, by Pastor Freddie Ward. Interment was in Parksley Cemetery.

To express your condolences or sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home, Parksley.

Former Meatland Owner Dies

Mr. Nick Styke, 83, of Largo, Fla., formerly of Belle Haven, was called home to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 22, 2008.

The son of the late William and Pauline Styke from Toronto, Ont., Canada, he was born in Ukraine and immigrated to Canada in 1930 and the United States in 1965. Mr. Styke

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Monthly Church Bulletin

Saturday, March 29

† The Willing Workers of **Ebenezer Baptist Church** in Wardtown will sponsor the Singing Disciples in concert at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 30

† A hymn sing will be held at **First Church of the Nazarene** in Cheriton at 3 p.m. The singers for the afternoon will be The Believers, Randolph Widgeon, Buddy Brady, Sandra Carmine, Lynette LeCato, Rosabel Miller, Ernest Ray Mears, and Barry Doughty. Refreshment will be served. For more information, call Pastor Eddie Mears at 757-787-8985 or 757-387-0575.

† The Hallelujah Gospel Singers will be in concert at **Herbert Baptist Church** in Wachapreague at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 2

† A Clam Fritter Dinner will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at **Cheriton United Methodist Church**. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

Friday, April 4

† A Clam Fritter Dinner will be held at **First Church of the Nazarene** in Cheriton from 5 to 7 p.m. Eat in or carry out. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3.50 for children. For more information, call Pastor Eddie Mears at 757-787-8985 or 757-387-0575.

Friday, April 4 & Saturday, April 5

† **St. Paul on the Shore Lutheran Church** in Hallwood will hold an indoor yard sale to benefit St. Paul on the Shore Lutheran Preschool April 4 from noon to 6 p.m. and April 5 from 8 a.m. to noon. Lunch items will be available to purchase both days. Proceeds will be matched by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, through its Care in Congregations program.

Saturday, April 5

† Nina Frost Close will lead a women's discussion, "Easter Is Not Just a One-Day Event," at **Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church** in Onancock from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For information, please call 787-7600.

† **Grace United Methodist Church** in Parksley will hold an all-you-can-

eat Ham Dinner (eat-in only) from 5 to 7 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12. Proceeds will benefit the church Building & Grounds Fund.

Sunday, April 6

† An afternoon of music and singing with some of the Shore's most talented singers will begin at 4 p.m. at **Smith's Chapel United Methodist Church** in Quinby. Soup, sandwiches, dessert and fellowship will follow. An offering will be taken to benefit the handicap-access ramp fund.

Friday, April 11

† A Spaghetti Dinner will be held at **Trinity United Methodist Church** in Cape Charles from 5 to 7 p.m. The menu will include spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased from any church member. Proceeds will benefit this year's Vacation Bible School.

Saturday, April 12

† The Eastern Shore Baptist Ministers' Conference will meet at 9 a.m. at **Mt. Olive Baptist Church** in Jenkins Bridge. For more information, contact Rev. Severn Carpenter at 678-0955.

Friday, April 18

† The women of **Onley Baptist Church** are sponsoring A Women's Seminar at Nandua High School beginning at 7 p.m. Registration will begin at 5 p.m., free dinner and prizes at 6 p.m. There will be praise and worship music. The guest speaker will be Lynn Brooks. For dinner reservations, call Dawn at 787-7024 or Lisa at 787-7914 by Friday, April 11. Child care will be provided. More information can be found at Web site www.onleybaptistchurch.org

Sunday, April 20

† **Emmanuel Episcopal Church** in Jenkins Bridge will host an all-you-can-eat Pancake Supper from 4 to 7 p.m. Take-outs will be available after

5 p.m. Ticket costs are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. They can be purchased from any church member or by calling Eddie Kelley at 824-5043. Only a limited number will be available at the door. In conjunction with the supper, the women of the church will host their spring bazaar.

Spring Training for Church Members Offered by UMC

The United Methodist Church's "Spring Training" will be offered Saturday, April 5, at Nandua Middle School.

Twenty two-hour workshops are being offered. Angie Williams, director of Youth, Young Adult, and Single Adult Ministries in the Virginia Conference of the UMC, is one of the 10 instructors for this event. Williams' morning workshop, "Reaching Kids on the Fringe," will address the special needs of victimized and high-risk youth. Williams will present "Missing in Action: Improving our Ministries to Young Adults" in the afternoon.

Other workshops being offered are: "Nuts and Bolts of the Financial Ministry in Your Church," "Grow Your Church from the Outside: Understanding the Unchurched and How to Reach Them," "Responding to God's

Gifts," "Supervising and Encouraging Your Pastor and Church Leadership," "Child's Faith Development," "The How and Why of Mission," "So I'm the Lay Leader, Now What?" "Diversify God's Dream," "Endowments, Planned Giving, and Investments," "Financial Ministry of the Church," "If You Invite Them, They Will Come," "Extravagant Generosity," and "Home-Grown Faith: Children and Families."

Sign-in will be at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$5 for lunch. Register for a morning or afternoon workshop, or both. There will not be another similar training event until 2010. Go to www.eastern-shoredistrictumc.org and click on "Online Registration for Spring Training" to the right of the home page. Or call the Eastern Shore District UMC Office at 665-6295.

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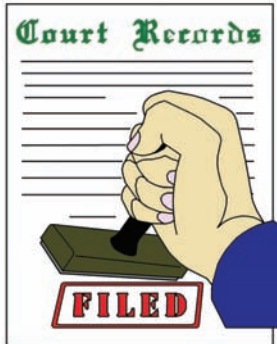
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was the developer and owner of Meatland/Food City supermarket chain on the Delmarva Peninsula from 1973-89. He was an active member of Northside Baptist Church of St. Petersburg, Fla., serving as deacon and on the Finance Committee.

Mr. Styke is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Laurna Alice Styke; son, Rodger W. Styke (and wife, Sheila); grandson, Ronnie (Wayne) Marshall Jr. of Parksley; sisters, Mary Semkiw and Stephanie Lowe of Oakville, Ontario, and Vera Vinnick of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada; nephews, Dennis Semkiw (and wife, Norlee, and children, Johnathon and Marilee) of Mississauga, Ontario, Brian Semkiw (and wife, Colleen, and children, Ashleigh, Katie, Marrison, and Kelly) of Oakville, Ontario, and Randy Lowe (and wife, Joceyl, and children, Kristin and Jessica); and niece, Patricia Lowe (and daughter, Leanne) of Oakville.

A memorial service was held Friday, March 28, at Northside Baptist Church.

Memorial donations can be made to the American Cancer Society. Condolences can be offered at memorial-parkfuneralhome.com



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~Middle School~

(Continued From Front Page)

with Murray.

Bowmaster noted that the elementary and high schools are not filled to capacity and that by moving students between them, they can be better utilized.

In the proposed budget, a module of mobile classrooms would be placed at all three schools. Bowmaster said some staff members will lose their jobs and some Central Office positions will be cut. He added that the double bus run that had been proposed is no longer being considered. Bowmaster also pointed out that students in Grades 6-8 will be able to take part in a sports program and use the existing athletic fields in Machipongo. He said restrooms for those involved in the sports program are available in the Central Office and the Technology Building behind the middle school.

Following the meeting, Bowmaster said he wants to dispel the rumor that the middle school had been condemned.

Although the vote to close the school was taken early in the meeting, several members of the public spoke during the public input session at the end, urging the School Board to keep the school open. Several of those present criticized the board for not having the meeting in a more accessible location. While the room used by the School Board in the School Administration Building can handle an audience of approximately 20, it overflowed into the hallway last Wednesday. In addition to over 50 who crowded into the meeting room, a group of approximately 50 was forced to stand in the hallway or outdoors next to the windows in order to hear the proceedings.

Parents Sean and Jennifer Ingram questioned the board as to how long the problems with the middle-school building had been going on. Stated Sean Ingram, "There needs to be a plan for a middle school. Success is a plan, failure just happens. This is a failure!" Jennifer Ingram remarked, "This is a county issue, not just a school board issue."

Larry McAllen remarked that the public seemed to be the last to find out about the proposed closing of the middle school. "You need to come up with a plan on who stays and who loses their jobs," he said. "Some employees may leave out of fear of the possibility of losing their jobs." McAllen noted that the Central Office budget is 65 percent of that of Kiptopeke's, 62 percent of Occohan-nock's, 74 percent of the middle school's, and 60 percent of the high school's.

Taking a more direct approach, parent Robert Kern asked if Central Office staff would be taking a pay cut to help with the budget. "You don't need

\$95,000 to \$100,000 to live in this county," he said. "You should be willing to take a pay cut to keep your jobs." Kern also suggested that pay cuts be imposed on other county officials.

School nurse Melissa Blair urged the board to keep the nursing assistants who work in the school clinics. She cited the high number of students seen by the school nurses on a daily basis.

Under the current plan, two nursing assistants will be dropped.

Referring to the need for repairs at the middle school, William Denny questioned why this was suddenly an issue. He noted that when students graduate, they leave the county in search of jobs, thus contributing to a decline in enrollment. He suggested that the schools offer more vocational education and argued that moving the middle-school children to the two elementary schools will feed the ongoing "up-the-road/down the road" gangs.

Rev. Eugene Spady stated that the county can get a new jail but is closing a school. Placing pre-K through Grade 7 at one school is a bad mismatch, he said.

Jane Cabarrus told the board that the middle school is not just a building. It was built in 1954 for African-American students. "Has anyone thought about the psychological effect this change will have on our children?" she asked. "We have depressed parents, depressed kids, and a depressed county." Referring to the vote taken earlier in the meeting, Cabarrus added, "What has been done can be undone."

Speaking to the board through an open window, Granville Hogg noted that people are unhappy with the way decisions are being made in the county.

Melissa Glennon reminded the board that kids need the middle-school experience, and under this plan, they will not get it.

Parent Bob Bisker questioned why the current problem with the middle-school floors and restrooms was not discovered last year when several hundred thousand dollars was spent on the rear wall of the building.

Teacher Heather Marsh thanked the board for not splitting the elementary students into two groups, with pre-K through Grade 3 at Occohan-nock and Grades 4 through 7 at Kiptopeke. (This alternative had been discussed by school administrators.)

Sandy Taylor urged the board to let the public in on major decisions. "The public generally did not know about this proposed change until a day or two ago," Taylor said. "Don't keep us in the dark."

A public hearing on the budget will be held at the middle school on March 31 at 7 p.m. The next School Board work session is scheduled for April 2 at the School Administration Building in Machipongo.

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Progress is evident as the waterway bustles with activity during completion of the new bridge which will connect Chincoteague with the causeway to the mainland of the Eastern Shore.

Chincoteague Bridge Reaches Milestone

By Angie H. Crutchley

The Chincoteague bridge project has recently made some visible headway. Pilings are being driven into the ground and huge cranes tower the left side of the causeway going toward Chincoteague.

“We have reached another milestone,” said Tom Rakowski, construction manager with the Virginia Department of Transportation.

American Bridge, the construction company building the \$68 million mega-structure, has recently completed all of the pile-driving for the drawbridge, or bascule span, said Rakowski.

The new drawbridge is located in Lewis Creek Channel, which will be 60 feet wide, and near the entrance onto the island— on Main Street near Maddox Boulevard, explained Bruce Garber, construction manager for Jacobs Civil Engineering.

“We recently had a large concrete pour. We poured over 1200 yards of concrete, around the clock, for 21 hours. It took over 200 truck-loads,” said Garber. He also said that beginning April 1, there will not be any activity near Black Narrows Marsh where colonial nesting birds must be protected.

However, there will be plenty to do for the estimated 30 American Bridge workers to meet the estimated completion date of November 2009. Garber said that the construction will continue west as the crew continues placing piers, or caps (they have already laid 8 of the 47 in the mainline bridge) so that they can lay the beams, or girders, followed by the riding surface, or deck. “We hope to have the mainline bridge driveable by spring 2009,” said Garber.

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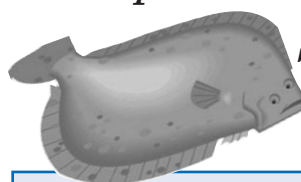
Lighthouse Opens to Public Friday

This Friday, March 31, Assateague Lighthouse on Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge will open its season for tours. Chincoteague Natural History Association, in cooperation with CNWR, conducts tours on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The last climb is at 2:30 p.m. Admission for climbing is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children ages 2-12. All proceeds go toward restoration of the lighthouse.

An art show is conducted in the oil shed adjacent to the lighthouse when it is open for tours. The featured artist for this weekend is Robert E. “Bob” Wilson.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

Sudoku grid with numbers 7, 5, 3, 4, 8, 6, 3, 9, 1, 2, 1, 4, 8, 3, 2, 5, 8, 3, 7, 6, 6, 5, 9, 3, 9, 1, 6, 2, 6, 7

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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Answer to Last Week's Sudoku Puzzle

8 7 5 2 4 3 9 1 6
6 4 3 9 1 8 5 2 7
1 2 9 5 7 6 4 3 8
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Answer to Last Week's Super Crossword Puzzle

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1 Stromboli spew
5 "Waterloo" rockers
9 Envelops
14 Gaiters
19 Mideastern muck-a-muck
20 Spooky Stoker
21 Disprove
22 Let
23 General Bradley
24 Rustic tower
25 Start of a remark by 126 Across
27 Athenian sage
29 Indian sectarian
31 Airport abbr.
32 Good-sized
33 Author Jessamyn
35 With 81 Down, '44 chemist Nobel
39 Hatch's home
41 Part 2 of remark
47 TV's "The Love —"
50 Santa —, CA
51 "Oh, woe!"
52 TV exec Arledge
53 Citified
55 Like a dachshund
58 Cozy cloth
60 Marten
61 — bear
62 Asian holiday
63 Skilled
66 Scottsboro's st.
67 Rubberneck
70 Morlocks' prey
73 Mexican Mrs.
74 Point
75 Part 3 of remark
81 Crone
82 R-V hookup
83 Head for the clouds
84 Actress Purviance
85 Khan opener?
86 ER exclamation
87 Minify a midi, maybe?
89 Top-drawer
93 Feeling
95 Like a gymnast
99 5 Across' home
100 Michael of "Dynasty"
101 Schell or Shriver
102 European capital
104 Foster's "— Dog Tray"
105 Half-baked?
106 End of remark
110 McGregor of "Train-spotting"
112 Creme —
113 Bathday cake?
114 — League
117 Fond du —, WI
119 Metric measure
122 Pulsate
126 Speaker of remark
131 Writer Rendell
133 Autumn implement
134 Boredom
135 Draw forth
136 Exercise aftermath
137 Brute
138 Prepares cherries
139 Hazardous gas
140 — tetra
141 Tide type
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1 Composer Janacek
2 Bullets, briefly
3 Lab vessel
4 Cupid's missiles
5 Pecs' partners
6 "The — Stomp" ('61 hit)
7 Part of Indonesia
8 Out of control
9 Twisted
10 Rock's — Speed-wagon
11 — Dhabi
12 Purple hue
13 Lawyer's concern
14 Bando of baseball
15 Excess
16 Jai —
17 Haynes or Rundgren
18 Fluctuate
26 "Unforgettable" name
28 Born
30 Torrid
34 Corset part
36 Aquatic bird
37 '82 Jeff Bridges film
38 Hautboy
40 Liplash?
41 Door hardware
42 In the know
43 Julia of "Havana"
44 Float
45 In the arms of Morpheus
46 Loosen the ropes
48 Conductor Claudio
49 Fat stuff
54 Shipshape
56 Unfashionable eyewear?
57 Wild child
59 Reference volume
64 Soft cheese
65 Arrive at Kennedy
68 "Yo!" at the library
69 Singer James
71 Lennon's lady
72 "My Own Private —" ('91 film)
75 Endangered feline
76 Kampala's country
77 Sheriff's quarry
78 Aftershock
79 Had no doubts
80 Patriot Nathan
81 See
83 35 Across
86 Creature for taming?
88 Kid's creation?
90 Matinee —
91 Reveal
92 They may be split
94 It's all in your head
96 Angered
97 Location
98 Comic Mort
99 Mediocre
101 Superintendable
103 Basutoland, today
107 Acorn, eventually
108 Welcome item?
109 "Silkwood" screenwriter
111 Flagon filler
114 Very long time
115 Flat rate
116 Excellent
118 Musical finale
120 Where to speak Farsi
121 Last name in publishing
124 Creole veggie
125 Freeway sound
127 "Platoon" extras
128 "Father Knows Best" kid
129 Author Umberto
130 Actor Cariou
132 Lady lobster

15x15 crossword grid with numbers 1-141 indicating starting points for clues.

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This Weekend

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 ★8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. - **Blood Drive** - Bayshore Concrete
 ★9 a.m.-noon - **Farmers' Market** - Downtown Park, Main St., Chincoteague
 ★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED class** - Head Start Center, Front St., Accomac - 787-1760
 ★noon - **TOPS mtg.** - 5432-A Bay-side Rd., Exmore (Old Hare Valley School) - 414-0731, ext. 225
 ★noon - **AA mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock
 ★2 p.m. - **E.S. Brain Injury Survivors Support Group mtg.** - Belle Haven - 442-9334
 ★7 p.m. - **AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** - SMH
 ★7 p.m. - **Bingo** - Nelsonia Moose Lodge
 ★8 p.m. - **AA beginners' mtg.** - Downing UMC, Oak Hall

THURS., MAR. 27 ★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Veterans' Employment Representative available** - Chincoteague Town Office
 ★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **Mothers of Preschoolers mtg.** - Union Baptist Church, Chincoteague
 ★10:30 a.m. - **Preschool/Toddler Reading Program** - Northampton Memorial Library in Cape Charles
 ★5 p.m. - **TOPS weigh-in, 6:30 p.m. mtg.** - Vietnam Vets' Bldg., Onley
 ★6 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Cape Charles Rescue Bldg., Cheriton
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Texas Hold 'em Tournament** - Little Italy Restaurant, Nassawadox - dinner & tourney - \$25 - to benefit Habitat
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Kiwanis of Chincoteague mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church
 ★6:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - St. Charles Catholic Church
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Northampton County Anglers' Club mtg.** - American Legion Post 56, 21210 S. Bayside Rd., Cheriton
 ★6:30-7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
 ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Rm. A-51
 ★7 p.m. - **Moms in Touch International prayer group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church
 ★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Painter-Garrisons UMC
 ★7 p.m. - **Compassionate Friends mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Family Life Center - for families who have lost children - 787-7245
 ★7:30 p.m. - **AA beginners' mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
 ★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Fellowship House, 6263 Church St., Chincoteague

PostTIMES

MAR. 26 - APR. 1

FRI., MAR. 28 ★11:30 a.m. - **Global Warming seminar** - ESCC Lecture Hall
 ★noon - **AA mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock
 ★5-7 p.m. - **Spaghetti Supper** - Parksley Firehouse - to benefit E.S. Railway Museum
 ★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery** - Onancock Family Life Center - w/meal - \$6
 ★7 p.m. - **Life Teach series** - Rachel/ Leah Covenant Center - 787-2486
 ★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
 ★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Downing UMC

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

MON., MAR. 31 ★9 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock - 665-4849
 ★9 a.m. - **Chincoteague Al-Anon mtg.** - UMC Fellowship House
 ★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED class** - Head Start, Accomac - 787-1760
 ★noon - **AA mtg.** - St. Peter's, Onley
 ★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

TUE., APR. 1 ★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock
 ★noon - **AA Women's mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock
 ★2:30-4 p.m. - **Caregiver Connection** - Cape Charles Resource Center - 109 Mason Ave.
 ★5:15-6 p.m. - **TOPS weigh-in (program at 6)** - Belle Haven Presbyterian Church - 442-9776
 ★5:30-7 p.m. - **Lyme Connection** - Hospice Bldg., Parksley
 ★6 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - St. Charles Church
 ★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Pocomoke Elks, Rt. 113
 ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Classroom A-51, ESCC
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Cheriton VFC
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Atlantic UMC

HERE'S WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING ON THE SHORE

Concert Saturday on Chincoteague
 Multi-instrumentalist and historian Ken Bloom will give a concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 29, in the Chincoteague Center on Church Street.

Tickets are \$18 at the door, \$15 in advance. Student tickets are \$5. Advance tickets are available online at www.ChincoteagueCulturalAlliance.org or at Egret Moon, H&H Pharmacy, Island Cottage Collection, Psychotronic Music and Movies, and Sundial Books on Chincoteague. Season tickets for all three Chincoteague Cultural Alliance spring concerts are \$40.

Free Dental Care This Weekend

Free dental services will be offered March 29-30 at Nandua High School, thanks to the volunteer efforts of dentists, dental hygienists and others coming from across Virginia.

Doors will open at 7 both Saturday and Sunday morning. All services are free and provided on a first-come, first-served basis, through 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday. Spanish interpretation will be provided.

For more information, contact East-

ern Shore Rural Health System at 414-0400.

Art Tour This Weekend

A group of working artists on the Eastern Shore of Virginia will open their studios free to the public from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 30, to offer an opportunity to view and select from the works the artists have been creating over the winter for their upcoming exhibition season.

This year's Sneak Peek event will feature the works of 12 artists in five studios. In alphabetical order, the artists are Adamo (oil paint), Brenda Clark (acrylics, pastels), Mary Ann Clarke (watercolors), Diana M. Davis (watercolors), Ryan Dockiewicz (wood sculpture), Albert "Buck" Doughty (metal sculpture), Danny Doughty (folk paintings), Margaret Holmes (silk paintings), Karin S. Lees (clay creations), Carole Böggemann Peirson (oil paintings), Maurice Spector (sculptures, paintings), and Et-tore Zuccarino (wood sculpture).

The artists will display their works in five studios: one in Townsend, two

in Cape Charles, and two in Painter. Red studio tour signs will direct visitors to each exhibit site. Visitors will have the opportunity to visit with two or three artists at each of the studios. They also will have the opportunity to enter to win a special, limited-edition giclée by Carole Böggemann Peirson.

An informative brochure and downloadable map with driving directions to each of the studio sites are available at Sneak Peek Studio Tour Web site www.sneakpeekstudiotour.com. Further information may be obtained by e-mail (painter@esva.net or cpeirson@earthlink.net) or by telephone: 442-9537.

Renovator's Ball Saturday

The Citizens for Central Park will hold the eighth annual Renovator's Ball on March 29, starting at 6 p.m. at the STIP in Cape Charles.

The Renovator's Ball will feature food by Eastville Inn, a cash bar, dancing to live music by Sumptin' Special & Dirt Road B..., and a silent and a live auction. This year's theme is "Denim and Rhinestones," so wear your "finest" Ren-

ovation clothes. If you are not going to dress up in renovating clothes, be sure to dress casual.

Tickets are \$40 per person. Proceeds from this event will benefit Cape Charles Central Park. For more information, e-mail CCCentralPark@aol.com

Hospice Fund-Raiser April 12

"Corks and Forks," the first annual gala fundraising event to benefit Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, will be held Saturday, April 12, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Chatham Winery in Machipongo.

The event will feature wine tasting, culinary delights paired with each wine selection, a tour of Chatham Winery, a silent auction, and professionally performed background music.

All proceeds from the Corks and Forks fundraiser will support Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore.

Tickets for Hospice's Corks and Forks fundraiser are now available for \$75 each. To purchase tickets, or for more information, contact Marge Paone at Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 665-4895.

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**Dorothy Spurley
Sturgis**
of Concord Wharf
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March 10, 2008



This picture was taken 9 days before her 92nd birthday in January. She was predeceased by her brother, A.W. Spurley of Lee Mont and her sister, Rubie Myers of Concord Wharf. She will be missed especially by her sister-in-law, Dorothy Spurley.

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Thank you to the pastors, churches, family and friends who prayed for me. The support of your prayers lifted me and continues to strengthen me. To those who drove me to appointments you cannot begin to know the depth of appreciation in my heart.

Those involved in my treatments have taught me a life lesson, I hope to share often. When cancer knocks, answer with laughter, smiles, and faith in God. He gave these medical people the ability to use medicine to destroy the disease and the courage to share the facts as they see them.

Beginning and ending are my thanks to each of you who in anyway reached out during my crisis.

Forever Grateful,
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Legal Notices & Auctions

Public Notice

The Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Chincoteague will hold a public hearing on April 10, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following zoning matters:

Appeal 08-04-1 A request from Dean Orsino agent for Laurie Walton, 4211 Main Street, for a variance from Article 4, section 4.6.5 (2) of the Town of Chincoteague's Zoning Ordinance. The petitioner wishes to relocate a 20'x24' shed on property located at the above address. The new location of the shed will be placed 0' from the right-of-way located on the south side of the property. Current zoning requires the structure be 15' from said lot line. This property is zoned Commercial District C-2.

Kenny L. Lewis
zoning Administrator

Public Notice

The Town of Chincoteague Mayor and Council will hold a public hearing on April 7, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following matter:

Appeal CU-01-07 A request from Ms. Christine Schreiberstein, 6225 Clark Street, for a conditional use permit as required by Article 9, Section 9.3 of the Town of Chincoteague's Zoning Ordinance. The applicant wishes to operate a home occupation at the above location. Some services that would be provided per the application are Crystal Therapy, Feng Shui, and Energy Healing Treatments. The property is zoned Residential District R-2.

For additional information please visit the Town Office or call (757) 336-6519.

Jared Anderson
Director of Planning

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 07-331

vs.

WILLIAM N. SUNKINS, SR.
ANNA SUNKINS
JOHN W. WESCOAT, TRUSTEE
EDITH SUNKINS

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land near "The Forks", near Eastville, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 14 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 99, page 295 and designated as parcel no. 0058B-01-BLK-00-014.

standing in the names of William N. Sunkins, Sr. and Anna Sunkins, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of William N. Sunkins, Sr. and Anna Sunkins; 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 William N. Sunkins, Sr. and Anna Sunkins.

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 18, 2008 at 9:00 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 20th day of March, 2008.

Emily F. Purvis
Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

JAMES W. ELLIOTT
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
(757) 898-7000

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. CL08000059-00

vs.

LUCILLE W. STURGIS
RUTH E. RYALL
ELLA L. GODWIN
BERTIE R. WATERS
MARGARET L. KEEGAN

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land near Cheriton Station, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 67, Village of Cheriton and designated as parcel no. 084C3-02-BLK-00-067.

standing in the names of Lucille W. Sturgis, Ruth E. Ryall, Ella L. Godwin, Bertie R. Waters and Margaret L. Keegan, 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 Lucille W. Sturgis, Ruth E. Ryall, Ella L. Godwin, Bertie R. Waters and Margaret L. Keegan are living, or if deceased, to ascertain the names and location of all of their 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 known post office addresses are unknown, namely the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Lucille W. Sturgis, Ruth E. Ryall, Ella L. Godwin, Bertie R. Waters and Margaret L. Keegan.

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 14, 2008 at 9:00 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 11th day of March, 2008.

Emily F. Purvis
Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

JAMES W. ELLIOTT
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P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
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4. 1998 Ford Crown Victoria

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Contact Dave Fauber at (757) 331-3259 ext. 17 or Smitty Dize (757) 331-2357 if you have any questions. All vehicles are AS-IS, all sales are final, and payment by certified check.

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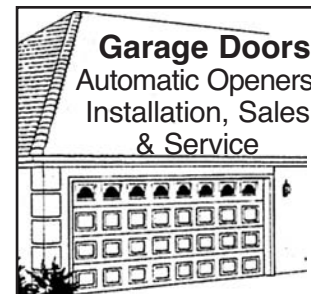
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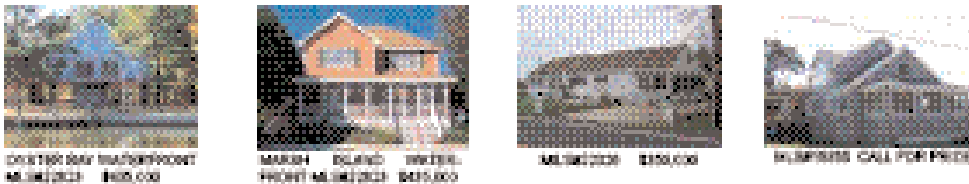


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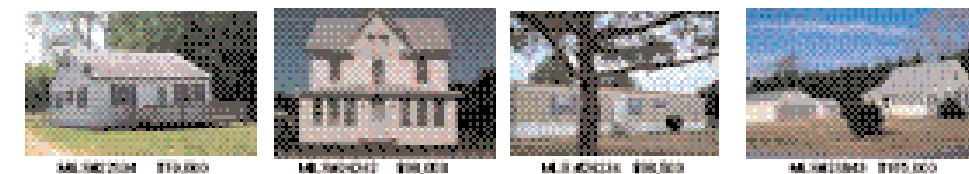
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Chincoteague Channel	H 11:54 a.m. L 6:08 a.m.	H 12:35 p.m. L 6:53 a.m.	H 1:21 p.m. L 7:44 a.m.	H 2:15 p.m. L 8:38 a.m.	H 3:17 p.m. L 9:35 a.m.	H 4:20 p.m. L 10:31 a.m.	H 5:17 p.m. L 11:25 a.m.
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From the OutPost

By Candy Farlow

Times are getting tight.

The price of gas is through the roof and the cost of milk has me longing for a cow in my backyard.

But not to worry. I can apparently afford anything I want.

Why, this week alone, I've received two "pre-approved" credit cards with astronomical limits — not to mention all those "convenience checks."

I guess I should be pleased my credit is so good.

Instead, I find myself wishing that the credit companies would stop

tempting me — and save a few trees in the process.

I really don't need any more credit cards. I mean, the last one I got I applied for while in Disney World simply to get the freebies they were dispensing. I haven't even peeled the activation strip off that one and already I'm getting offers to upgrade my Tinker Bell VISA.

I am going to hold onto it though, since I'm afraid it might eventually take a little Disney Magic to keep the old wolf from the door.

I don't mean to complain, for I realize that I am indeed blessed. I and mine have everything we need — and most of what we want. Still, with

today's prices, one must carefully watch one's budget — something that is much easier said than done.

For example, I'd just left home the other morning when I realized I had left some lights on. I quickly tried to figure what the cost of the day's electric usage would be when compared to the cost of the extra gas I would burn if I were to go back home to turn them off. About the time I realized I couldn't come close to figuring that out without at least paper and pencil, I realized I also had left my cell phone home, so I burned the gas.

And then there is the issue of the grocery bill — and milk is only a part of that equation. The formula I have to use in determining my food budget includes a factor of one teenage boy in residence, with an exponent of four more on weekends, divided into cases of sodas and mountains of chips. Add

in a couple of family dinners per week and you have a grocery store tab approaching the national debt.

I can take some comfort in the fact that I've saved well over \$1,000 since I quit smoking over a year ago. Now if I can give up chocolate, there should be another \$2,000 or so in the savings column, but I won't allocate those funds just yet.

Right now, I'm trying to decide what to do with the check I'll be getting from the IRS as part of President Bush's "economic stimulus package."

From what I understand, the feds are hoping we all spend that money on new goods or services in order to jump-start the economy.

Guess I'll go shopping since it would be downright unpatriotic to do anything else.

Anybody know where I can shop for a good milk cow?

Post Office Mail

New Effort Targets Nicotine Addiction

Dear Editor:

Dr. David Jones, Shore Memorial Hospital's new vice president for Medical Affairs, is starting an anti-smoking protocol. It is a welcome effort to address, in a substantial way, a major problem linked to addiction. In this case, the addiction is nicotine. The list of addictions is a long one, from drugs, alcohol, and gambling, to shopping, food and video games, etc. In the future, perhaps our age will be known as the age of addiction.

While people are engaged in any addictive behavior, their emotions are blocked out; their emotions are obscure, at best. Without access to or with reduced access to feelings, we lose essential elements of mental function. Emotional awareness has the potential to guide us in decision making as to what is good for us and what is not. Without this emotional awareness, we can do self-destructive things. Smoking is an amazingly self-destructive behavior.

Hopefully, Shore Memorial Hospital's anti-smoking effort will start lots of smokers on the road to recovery. In the future, it would be useful to expand the program to include all addictions.

John L. Bulette, M.D., Nassawadox

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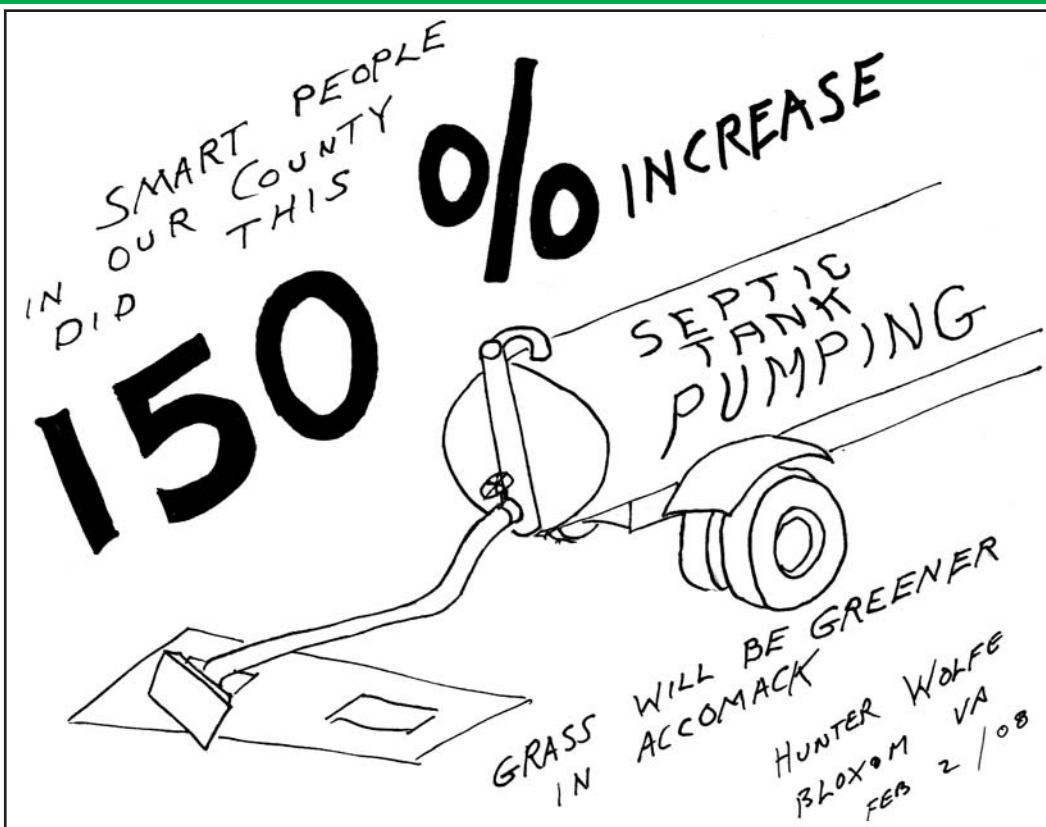
Dear Editor:

Dick Cheney, Thelma Drake and George W. Bush: three peas in a pod. Thelma Drake has supported the Cheney/Bush agenda almost 100 percent of the time. Thelma Drake voted for the continuation of Dick Cheney and George W. Bush's illegal, immoral and unnecessary occupation of Iraq. Thelma Drake sustains the Cheney-Bush massive deficits, passing this debt on to our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Thelma Drake has supported phenomenal tax credits given to Dick Cheney and George W. Bush's oil industry buddies. Thelma Drake is responsible for the Cheney-Bush unbelievable increase in fuel prices. Thelma Drake supports Dick Cheney and George W. Bush's friends, the insurance companies, which has caused the steepest rise in health-care costs in world history.

Oh, but you might say that she got money to dredge a few Shore channels and performed constituent service. What nonsense! Any representative, Democrat or Republican, if he or she intended to be re-elected, would have done the same.

If you want a continuation of the same policies: more war, tax breaks for the super wealthy, \$5 to \$10 per gallon fuel prices, passing your debt to the grandchildren, higher healthcare prices, more uninsured Americans, having the insurance companies and stock brokers control your Social Security check, having the government listen in on your phone calls, then vote for Thelma Drake. But folks, "Yes We Can," have better government; a bright new day is dawning. Vote Glenn Nye for the Eastern Shore.

Martin Freed, Quinby



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