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Photo By Linda Cicoira

Accomack residents were in good spirits Tuesday despite waiting in line – in some instances for more than an hour – to either pay their taxes, buy their county vehicle decals or both. Despite Tuesday's wait, treasurer Dana Bundick says lines have moved more smoothly this year thanks to a new computer system. Next year should be even better since county officials have announced their intention to eliminate the decals in FY 09-10.

Budget Approved; No. 2 County Position Eliminated

By Candy Farlow and Linda Cicoira

Accomack supervisors adopted the more than \$80 million fiscal 2008-09 budget without raising real taxes Monday night.

They promised that the adjusted rates would reflect a balance of recent increases in assessments. The supervisors also left personal property and machinery and tool rates unchanged.

Supervisors met Saturday for five hours to hash out the spending package that one supervisor complained was decided by some supervisors prior to the session. No actual votes were permitted in the work meeting.

In one final swoop Monday, the panel managed to keep health benefits for themselves and their families and give the school system \$1.3 million more in local monies than last year.

However, they sacrificed the assistant county administrator's job in the process.

The last day of work for Linda Martin Warner will be June 30.

Five years ago, "at the time I was hired, they created this position, primarily for human resources," she said following the meeting. "I came to the Shore from Orange County because they offered a pay increase. I liked the area. It seemed like a beautiful place to live."

"My attorney (Carl Bundick) has advised me not to make a public comment," Warner continued, adding that County Administrator "Steve Miner had no discussion with me prior to the meeting on Saturday."

Miner said he couldn't comment because the issue deals with personnel. $\$

By eliminating Warner's job, the county will save her \$73,000 salary. But it is unclear who will take over her duties.

The overall action came in a 6-3 vote. Chairman Ron S. Wolff, Vice Chairman Steve Mallette and Supervisors Grayson Chesser, Sandra Hart Mears,

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James Taylor To Sing for the Shore May 22

By Linda Cicoira

It's no secret that musician James Taylor has a rapport with songbirds.

He's been belting out the lyrics since the 1960s with hits that have gained him 40 gold, platinum and multi-platinum awards and five grammies.

But in more recent times, when he sings, "You've Got A Friend," he literally is describing millions of the migratory travelers that stop on the Eastern Shore of Virginia before continuing their trip to Central and South America.

At a benefit concert set for 8 p.m. May 22 at the Verizon Wireless Virginia Beach Amphitheater, Taylor will raise money to assist five bird-loving agencies known as the "Southern Tip Partners."

The goal is to add acreage to the rest area and sanctuary near Cape Charles.

"With increasing population on the coast, it's even more important that we save some room for the birds," said Laura McKay of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program. "We're very lucky to have him (James Taylor) helping out."

McKay's group, along with the U.S. Fish &

Wildlife Service, the state departments of Conservation & Recreation and Game & Inland Fisheries and the Nature Conservancy, were responsible for the land purchases that now make up the 540-acre Kiptopeke State Park.

That initial facility was doubled when another nearby parcel, known as the Parson land, was added to the park. Later, the Dixon property on the bay-side and the Bull land on the seaside were also acquired, said McKay.

In the latter two instances the Conservancy, a private interest that works through donations, obtained the land, she said. Then when the government agencies raised the funds through grants, they were able to buy the property.

"James happens to be a friend of mine," too, she added. "He is a dear, kind man who cares very much about environmental issues."

McKay was raised in upstate New York with Taylor's wife, Kim. "She was my oldest sister's best friend," said McKay. "We all went to Smith College together."

Last year, Taylor gave \$30,000 for the birds. The year before, he donated \$15,000.

Proceeds expected from the concert are undeter-

mined. But, McKay said, the "money will be made available for additional land. ... The property is so expensive."

"The birds will have to come there," she continued. "It's in their genes. We do know that Cape May and Cape Charles are critical. Birders have noticed the congregations." McKay added that regardless of one's affection for the feathered animals, they improve the area.

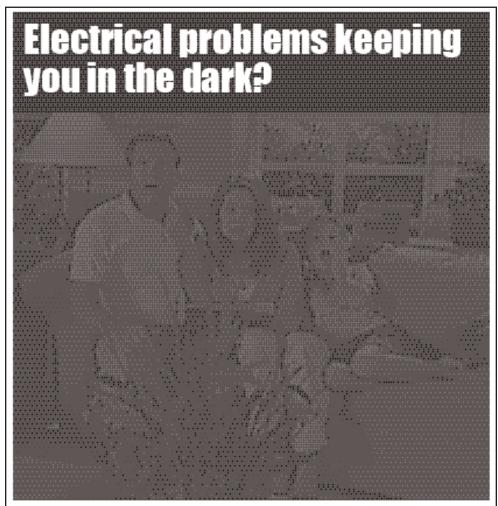
"They bring ecotourists and provide insect control, which is vital to the health of forests and agriculture," she said, estimating that the number of birds "coming through are in the millions."

McKay is hoping that local residents attend the concert. Tickets for covered seating are \$47. General admission outside on the lawn is \$20. To purchase tickets, go to www.ticketmaster.com

The Tourism Commission is in the process of lining up a sponsor for a bus trip to take a Shore contingency over to support the concert. They're calling it the "You'll Love Our Nature!" road trip.

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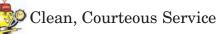
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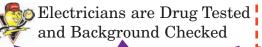
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Public Hearings Are the Order of the Evening in Northampton

By Ron West

Public hearings topped the agenda of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors' meeting last Tuesday.

A public hearing was held at the request of the Northampton County Joint Local Planning Commission to propose a clarification of an existing policy that applies to a non-conforming residence that has been damaged and needs repair. Under the proposed change, the owner would be allowed to rebuild on the current footprint of the structure, with the understanding that the replaced structure could not increase the amount of non-conformity. Should the owner not be able to comply with the new policy, he or she would be allowed to apply for a variance from the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Speaking against the issue was Robert C. Richardson, who expressed concern over an owner not being allowed to rebuild his (non-conforming) home if it had been damaged.

Planning Director Sandra Benson clarified the issue by noting that an applicant has up to two years to begin repairs on a damaged property as long as it meets the other requirements in the provision. The board voted 5-0 to approve the change. (Supervisor Spencer Murray was absent.)

Following another public hearing, the board voted 5-0 to support Accomack County in the creation of a Broadband Authority.

Following yet another public hearing, the supervisors voted 5-0 to connect the separated sections of the Enterprise Zone along Lankford Highway, thereby expanding the zone.

In other matters before them, the supervisors voted 5-0 to support a grant application that would provide a new fire training structure referred to as a "burn building" The current training facility is located near the Accomack County Airport in Melfa.

Chief Magistrate William Walman asked the board to consider providing a supplement for the county's two magistrates. He pointed out that the magistrates are on call 24/7 and are often called out 15-20 times a week. Under the current funding of the program, which is operated by the Virginia Supreme Court, the magistrates use their own vehicles but do not receive funding for mileage. Walman asked the board if the county could provide supplemental money to help offset the high cost of fuel. The board agreed to discuss the matter at its May meeting.

Clerk of the Works Jim Chapman reported on the excessive manganese that has been found in the wells that provide water to the regional jail and courthouse complex. Chapman noted with regards to state certification but not with regards to the health of inmates or those working in the courthouse complex. Stewart Morris, an engineer who has worked on the regional jail and courthouse complex project, noted that an excess of manganese in the water might cause some discoloration and taste issues, but is not a health risk. Morris suggested that the board set up a remediation plan, which they agreed to do.

The supervisors voted to increase the compensation for the Board of Equalization from \$50 to \$100 per day. The BOE is charged with meeting with county residents who challenge their 2008 property re-assessments.

The board voted to support a request by Sheriff Jack Robbins for lease/purchase of four new vehicles at a cost of \$105,984.

Supervisor Richard Tankard recommended a review of the median crossings in the county and urged the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to fund several median closures in 2008 if possible. Several median crossings were closed in both Shore counties in 2007.

During the public comment period, Granville Hogg and Vickie Agner addressed speed limits for the area near Cherrystone Road. Hogg stated that VDOT had placed 45 mph speed limit signs on the road, but they were removed the same day. Hogg stressed that the speed limit signs need to be in place prior to the camping season.

With respect to taxes, Hogg stated, "Based on the local population trend we have more government telling less people how to live and I don't believe I am getting my dime's worth. Is there a plan to review government to determine if existing programs are still wanted or needed?"

Bob Bisker urged the board to support funding for the school system to ensure that all children receive a proper education. He suggested that the supervisors insure that the school buildings are structurally safe, classrooms are not overcrowded, and quality curriculum is in place. He also urged the board to reconsider the closing of the middle school.

In final actions, Tankard proposed that a committee look into the boundary adjustment requests by various towns. The board agreed to take up the issue at its May meeting.

Tankard also suggested that the board request that County Treasurer Ilva James provide it with her policies regarding the handling of delinquent taxes and their payment.

Court & Police Postings

Northampton County Sheriff's Office Arrests

Northampton County Sheriff Jack Robbins reports the arrest of Christopher Ghent, 37, of Exmore on a charge of shooting into an occupied vehicle. Ghent was released on bond.

Ann Lewis Wood, 40, of Exmore was arrested on charges of grand larceny, possession of a controlled substance and stealing prescription drugs. Wood is being held in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail on a \$5,000 secured bond.

In addition, Robbins reports his officers recently served two misdemeanor warrants for assault and battery, and two for use of obscene language. One misdemeanor warrant was served for petty larceny, and one for driving under the influence. Three emergency protective orders were served as were two summonses for dogs running at large and two for unlicensed dogs. Three emergency protective orders were served as were five capiases for failure to appear in court.

During March, Northampton deputies responded to 272 calls — including 28 alarms — made 81 arrests and served 643 process papers.

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Accomack County Circuit Court Criminal Cases

According to Commonwealth's Attorney Gary Agar, judgement was withheld in Accomack Circuit Court last week in the case of Gregory Lewis, 35, of Accomac, who was given First Offender Status on a charge of cocaine possession.

Arkiece Davis, 23, of Exmore also had been charged with possession of cocaine, but the case against Davis was dismissed.

Brian Bouie, 30, of Belle Haven was found guilty of possession of cocaine and sentenced to 12 months, with all but 30 days suspended.

Mark Harrison, 26, of Bloxom was sentenced on a previous conviction of grand larceny to 12 months, with all time, except 100 hours of community service, suspended.

Brian Clayton, 23, of Accomac was sentenced for grand larceny to 12 months, with all but 30 days suspended. Clayton also must perform community service.

Calvin Matthews, 48, of Onley was sentenced for assault and battery of a police officer to five years in prison plus three years' probation.

Hugo Hernandez, 30, of Parksley was given a three-year suspended sen-

tence for welfare fraud.

Keith Parker, 39, of Pungoteague was sentenced for burglary and grand larceny to five years, all suspended except time spent in a detention center. Parker also will serve two years' probation.

Judgement was withheld for Ashley Roundtree, 21, of Pittsville, Md., who was given First Offender Status on a charge of possession of cocaine.

Richard Christian, 55, of Exmore was sentenced for possession with the

intent to distribute cocaine to 10 years, with all but five years suspended.

Probation was revoked for Angela Bennett, 34, of Townsend, who will serve out the three years left of a five-year sentence for a third offense of petty larceny.

Probation also was revoked for Raoul Dorleans, 49, of Melfa, who has three months of a 12-month sentence to serve for possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana and resisting arrest.

Suspects In Home Invasion Sought

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office is searching for three men wanted in connection with a home invasion which occurred near Parksley early Sunday.

According to Sheriff Larry Giddens, his office received a report of the incident at 2:09 a.m. He said three suspects armed with firearms entered a residence on Greenbush Road and robbed the owners of an undisclosed amount of money. Giddens noted the residence was occupied by an infant as well as 10 adults who were ordered on the floor at gunpoint at the time of the robbery. The suspects fled the scene prior to the arrival of deputies and no one was injured during the crime.

The sheriff said the suspects are three black males, one approximately six feet in height and of thin build, one approximately five feet, eight inches in height and of a thin build and the third approximately six feet, two inches in height, also with a thin build.

Anyone with information concerning the crime is asked to contact the sheriff's office at 787-1131 or 824-5666.

Launch Set for Friday

A U.S. Air Force Academy Falcon IV rocket is scheduled for launch from NASA's Wallops Flight Facility on Friday between 6 and 9 a.m.

The backup dates for the launch are Saturday and Sunday.

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Laura Belle Gordy and Phil McCaleb favored the plan. Supervisors Wanda Thornton, Jack Gray and Donald Hart voted against it.

Thornton called it a "terrible way to do something. ... To suggest we get rid of a position without even mentioning it to a person is wrong."

McCaleb, who put the suggestion on the table Saturday, defended the unexpected move. "We are having to make difficult cuts ... whether it is the humanly way to do it or not," he said.

Gray was opposed to the budget plan because it didn't include the salary increase for teachers that was requested.

"It certainly will not give them the funding they deserve ... or need," said Finance Director Reed Ennis of the School Board's budget. He said while local funds were increased for schools, the state was expected to cut about \$80,000. Still, he added, "You have adjusted to a significant change in the Composite Index without raising taxes by reducing all departments ... that's amazing ... it's going to be tough on us," he said. But, "we're more than meeting" what's required for schools.

Miner noted that the schools' allocated funds "won't make up ground for

those teachers."

The budget also includes an indefinite "hiring freeze on board-funded positions," with the exception of Public Safety and the Sheriff's Department.

On Saturday, Thornton objected to Wolff's suggestion that only topics agreed to by consensus could be discussed in the work session.

"I know the five of you have been discussing what you're going to do and you've got things lined up," Thornton said. However, she warned, "Never have five members tried to shut down the rest of the board ... it has to be an open and free discussion or we don't have a democracy at all."

Thornton and Gordy wanted to fund only single-subscriber health benefits for supervisors and stop paying for their family members. Thornton said the board should receive "no more than what the average employee of this county gets."

Chesser said he puts in about 20 hours a week for the board. Since gross sales of his decoy carvings are down, he needs the total insurance package. He estimated that benefit and his \$7,000 a year supervisor salary at about \$36,000, a figure he said is reasonable.

McCaleb agreed, saying the job of supervisor is taking him away from his business about two days a week. As far as the benefit is concerned, "I'm

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worth it," he added.

Hart said that when seeking office, he saw the insurance package as a benefit. If the board were to decide to eliminate spouse and family coverage, it should not be done until the next election, he said.

Ironically, Warner is the one who handles the insurance and benefit plans and filed any claims.

In addition to that task and handling human resources, Warner also is the risk manager for safety issues. She also was given other assignments and took over responsibilities of the administrator when he was sick during the past year.

The final approximately \$20,000 left in the air Saturday afternoon was found by staff as additional anticipated interest and penalties.

The board also cut \$9,000 from the Tourism Commission's funding and made an across-the-board slash of 5 percent in county departments for non-personnel areas.

Director of Public Safety Jason Loftus was granted three additional staff members to serve in supervisory positions. Initially, the supervisors were ready to eliminate the request since the county's advisory panel — the Fire and Rescue Commission — had voted against the proposal.

Loftus, who oversees 28 staff members in nine locations, told the board,

"We've got to look after our people. We're not doing that." He cited a recent incident in which a medic was assaulted.

"It's important to realize these are your employees ... if we don't have some supervision of your people in the street, I've got to back them up to (working from) 8 to 5. I'm coming to the end of my rope here," Loftus said.

Hart warned that the additional positions will require a 2-cent increase in the Emergency Medical Services levy next year. However, the consensus of the board was that the positions should be filled.

Returned to the budget was \$11,000 for the county's Johnson Grass and Gypsy Moth programs. A report from that committee is expected in three months.

Mallette complained about \$500,000 in delinquent taxes. He wants to see Ennis and Treasurer Dana Bundick work together in reporting back to the supervisors as money comes in.

Clarification

A previous Accomack County budget story in the Post mentioned a \$20,000 increase in the salary for the director of the Tourism Commission. The hike is actually \$18,000, half of which is to come from Accomack. The increase was recommended by an independent study commission.



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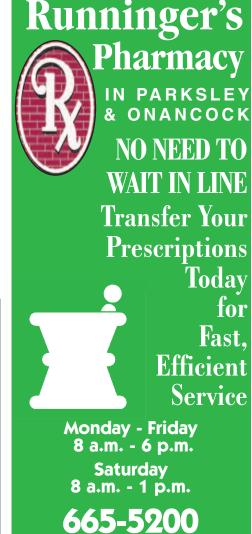




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IRONICALLY, SELF-HELP TAKES LOTS OF COOPERATION

By Angie Crutchley

Charity and good will abound in the humble white building across the street from Pungoteague General Store. The Self Help Center, sponsored by Pungoteague Community Church (PCC), was created to help local needy citizens. It offers a variety of services, from a food pantry and Meals-on-Wheels, to donations of clothing and houseware items.

Raydean Turlington, director, runs the center nearly every day, except Sundays. She's modestly quick to point out that this is no one-woman show. There are four main volunteers from Shiloh Baptist Church, right down the road in Boston: Mary Custis, Sally Bailey, Betty Bailey, and Eric Moore.

"There are many volunteers from PCC as well as donations from churches up and down the Eastern Shore," Turlington said. "It's amazing to see God's work in progress, from all denominations and every race, come together to really give of themselves and help people who really, truly have nothing."

Turlington knows what it's like to be on the other side of the coin, "I remember growing up in Wachapreague and people came and gave us clothes, shoes, and food. It was hard, especially at Christmas, but the Bank of Cheer would come and give us presents to open on Christmas morning. That's why I do this. I want to give back to all those who helped me. It's hard out there, but if everyone just helped out a little we could take a big chunk out of the problem."

Many of the volunteers help for similar reasons. The building is owned by Frank Drummond, who wanted to help so he only charges half of the rent he usually collects. His son, Roy, had a dream one night

during which he was told to help out. So he insulated the building, put up shelves, dry-walled, painted and repaired anything else you can think of — on his own dime.

Roy and his wife, Jean, also manage the Meals-on-Wheels services. They home-cook meals, with donated fresh local greens when available, every Friday for hours. They then get up early Saturday and finish what needs to be done, such as loading the truck and warming the meals. They currently serve 17 shut-ins.

"We get a lot of enjoyment spending time with the people," said Roy Drummond. "Most of them don't have many visitors, so they look forward to seeing us every Saturday."

The center offers a delivery service for those who don't have vehicles or a means to get around. Custis said she knows elderly folks in her neighborhood who live on less than \$25 a month in food stamps. "By the time they pay someone gas to get to the grocery store, they don't have hardly a thing left to live on," she said.

All ages are helped by the Self-Help Center, which offers a limited amount of diapers and formula for the babies and food for the rest of the family.

The center was started by PCC Rev. Bobby Carroll Huether and his congregation. It was originally in the old school building beside the church, but Rev. Huether said they soon outgrew that. They began with just a couple of cans of green beans and one or two volunteers. Huether cooked all the chicken for the chicken dinners they sold at the center's April 5 grand opening. "He truly is the backbone of this whole operation," said Turlington. "It's amazing what a little dream can turn into."



Photo by Angie Crutchley Director Raydean Turlington stocks shelves at the Self-Help Center

It's been 40 years this month since another man with a big, big dream was shot in cold blood on a motel balcony. But Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream of men and women of all colors and creeds coming together for a common good is one tiny step closer in Pungoteague.

Anyone interested in donating their time, housewares, clothing, or money can call 442-3861 or 442-5350. Everyone is also welcome to stop by the Self Help Center and check out the reasonably priced items there. All proceeds help pay for rent, utilities, and food for the food pantry.



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Cape Charles Town Candidates to Debate

Charles are sponsoring a debate for candidatates in the May 6 Cape Charles town elections.

The debate will be held on Thursday, May 1 at 7 p.m. at the Cape Charles Fire House.

In commenting on the event, Bob

The Concerned Citizens of Cape Panek said, "All citizens and interested parties are welcome. We highly encourage questions so come and be

> "Whoever is elected will be guiding the town throught he next four crucial years of growth and com-

Black Drum Tournament Set For May 16-18

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce invites anglers to join in on the second annual Black Drum World Championship Fishing Tournament on May 16-18, 2008. The tournament will again be based at Bay Creek Marina located on Kings Creek in Cape Charles, Va.

Registration forms are available at the Chamber building in Melfa, Va., or online at www.esvachamber.org/festivals/drumfish. Early-bird registration, which lasts until April 24, will save a team \$40, putting the cost at \$160 per boat for as many as six anglers. Each angler beyond that up to 8 anglers is \$40 per angler. Between April 25 and May 9, registration costs \$200 per boat for as many as six anglers. No registrations will be accepted after May 9.

Cash prizes totaling \$6,000 and trophies will be presented to the top three teams of the tournament.

Friday night will include a mandatory captains meeting at 6 p.m. and banquet with entertainment by The CalypsoNuts, a steel-drum duo, at 7 p.m. Fishing will be Saturday and Sunday. Weigh-in times vary each day. See the rules and regulations on the back of the registration form for more details.

Last year's tournament attracted more than 70 boats with nearly 350 anglers, and the winning drum weighed in at 81.13 pounds.

Please visit the before-mentioned Web site for more information, or call (757) 787-2460 with any questions.

Chincoteague Leaders to Hold Quarterly Meeting

Island Supervisor Wanda Thornton and Mayor Jack Tarr will hold their quarterly meeting on Monday, April 21 at 7 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers. County and town issues will be discussed and the public will be encouraged to ask questions.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate.

Democratic Caucus Cancelled

According to a statement from Accomack County Democratic Committee Chairman Frank Moore, filings from a total of 12 individuals, the exact number of delegate and alternate positions allocted to Accomack County for the democratic convention, have been received. Therefore, the caucus scheduled for April 19 has been cancelled. The three Acccomck delegates and one alternate supporting Hillary Clinton are: Rose Moore, Jan Siglin, B. Thackary and alternate M. Dooley. Barack Obama has five delegates and three alternates pledged from the county. They include Clint Rogers, Frank Moore, Bob Halligan, Bill Paige and Alice Rogers a n d alternates Tysheka Finney, P. Dooley and Dan Bilicki

Open Burning Penalty Clarified

By Linda Cicoira

Accomack supervisors approved an emergency resolution last week aimed at resolving a conflict in the penalty clause of the county's Open Burning Ordinance.

The action provides "the greatest possible latitude to the court in punishing" violators, County Attorney Mark Taylor said. "Years ago, two different penalty provisions crept into the Open Burning Ordinance."

The supervisors repealed a provision stating that violators could be convicted of a Class 4 misdemeanor and left in the clause that made the violations Class I misdemeanors. The latter "carries significantly higher maximum penalty," Taylor said. "But, the court has discretion to impose less-

er penalties up to the maximum indicated."

The supervisors also voted to designate a central absentee voting precinct that will be in place for the June primary.

"State law requires precincts to be designated not less than 60 days prior to election," said Taylor.

"We could not make the central absentee voting precinct designation in time to meet that requirement in relation to the May town elections," the attorney said. "The electoral board is executing a different solution worked out with the state Board of Elections for the town elections."

"The designation made opens it up for use in all future elections in Accomack County," Taylor added.

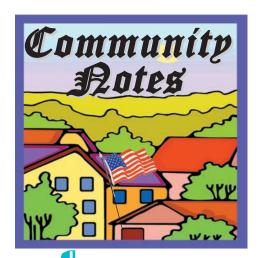


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Cobbs Station Rd.

Northampton Alliance Against Trash will conduct a community clean-up of Cobbs Station Road Saturday, April 19, beginning at 8 a.m.

Only bagged trash will be accepted. Refrigerators, stoves, old tires, etc., will be picked up. Junk cars will be towed with the owner's signed permission. Volunteers and pick-up trucks are needed. To help, call 442-7464.

Onancock Planning Commission, which normally meets the Onancock third Tuesday of the month, has rescheduled this month's meeting to Tuesday, April 29, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Town Meeting This Week Wednesday, April 16

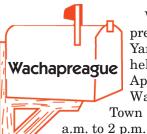
• Cheriton Town Council -7 p.m., Firehouse

Concerned Citizens of Exmore will sponsor 🧖 a chicken & dumplings dinner Sunday, April 27, at Jeff's Kitchen on Main Street.



Diners can eat in or take out from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Concerned Citizens of Exmore will meet Tuesday, April 29, at 7 p.m. at Exmore Community Firehouse. There will be an open forum with town candidates in the upcoming town election.



Wachapreague's Spring Yard Sale will be held Saturday, April 26, at Wachapreague Town Park from 8

Spaces measuring 10'x10' are available for \$5. Contact Town Hall at 787-7117 for reservations.

Proceeds will be donated to the Playground Equipment Fund.

Cape Charles OKs Bayshore Concrete Conditional-Use Permit

By Ron West

At its meeting Thursday, Cape Charles Town Council voted 6-0 to approve a conditional-use permit for Bayshore Concrete to replace its 72foot-tall concrete batch facility with an 86-foot structure.

In addition, there will be silos to hold materials used in the production of concrete products.

Bayshore President John Dobbs noted that the new facility will cost approximately \$3 million. Under the conditions of the permit, Bayshore must remove the existing batch plant structure within two years of the opening of the new plant, and lighting at Bayshore must be dark-skies compliant.

A request to approve a resolution regarding construction at Cape Charles Central Park met with some opposition Thursday. Under the plan, the town would provide four townowned lots on Madison Avenue adjacent to the park. Councilman John Burdiss expressed concern that the four lots might be more valuable to the town. The proposal passed, 5-1.

Following a discussion concerning the development of an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for the town, the council voted 4-2 to investigate the possible use of the current municipal build-

ing for that purpose. Building Official Doug Smith stated that the municipal building and fire station would meet the needs of an EOC if some modifications were made. Smith noted that the building would need hurricane shutters as well as a generator and some upgrades, which would cost approximately \$150,000. Because the building belongs to both the town and the fire department, the town would need to negotiate with the fire department to get approval for the changes. The changes would not affect the present fire department's use of the building.

Speaking in favor of the proposal, Town Manager Joe Vaccaro stressed the need to have a place to provide services to the residents of the town in the event of an emergency. "We need to be ahead of the curve," he said.

Councilman Gerald Elliott stated that it is needed now and cannot wait until a disaster strikes.

Prior to adjourning the meeting, Mayor Dora Sullivan announced that there will be a debate for candidates for town council on May 1 at 7 p.m. at Cape Charles Fire Station. Joan Natali, Scott Walker, Steven Bennett, Bruce Evans, and Larry Veber are vying for the three seats available in the May town election.

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Onancock Accommodations 'Go Green'

Onancock, already a Tree City and Cardinal Sanctuary, can now boast another "green" feather in its cap. All of the town's six inns and bed & breakfasts are successfully enrolled in Virginia's Green Lodging Program, a step that signals their commitment to recycling and conserving water and energy.

According to Linda Nicola, chairwoman of the Green Onancock Task Force, Onancock is the first municipality in Virginia to have every lodging certified "green."

"Every one of our inns, bed &

breakfasts and hotels have made the commitment to institute core activities" of the state Green Lodging program, Nicola said. Core activities include optional linen service, recycling, water and energy conservation, and green event packages.

In recognition of this milestone, Tom Griffin, director of outreach programs for the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, visited Onancock to award "Green Lodging" plaques to each owner.

"I am truly impressed with the actions of Onancock's six lodgings and I hope that more localities and business owners throughout our commonwealth follow your fine example," wrote State Sen. Ralph Northam in a letter delivered by Tom Anstrom, legislative assistant. "When I return to Richmond for the next session, I intend to introduce a commending resolution to honor the businesses and the town for their leadership in this issue."

The Green Onancock Task Force is an initiative of the Onancock Business & Civic Association.

The state DEQ states that the tourism industry consumes more raw materials and generates more waste than any other industrial sector.





Kristina Peoples Awarded Nursing Scholarship

Kristina Peoples of Melfa has been selected as this year's winner of the Margaret Johnson Elmore Nursing Scholarship for the upcoming academic year. Peoples will graduate from Nandua High School, where she has maintained a cumulative grade point



•a son, born to Tiffany Williams of Nassawadox April 6

•a daughter, born to Scheri Spady of Cheriton April 7

average of 3.63.

Peoples was chosen for this award based on her aptitude and potential for an outstanding career in nursing.

"This award should greatly assist her in achieving her goal of becoming a competent professional nurse," said Dr. Mary DiBartolo, Nursing Department scholarship coordinator.

This scholarship was established by Page Elmore in memory of his mother and has been in existence since 1993. It is awarded to an incoming freshman who meets the academic and residential criteria, with first priority given to applicants from the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

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Eastern Shore Post

at 789-7681 or e-mailed to editor@easternshorepost.com

Chincoteague House Trailer Destroyed in Blaze

By Angie H. Crutchley

Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company responded to a house fire on Merritt Lane Thursday at 4:02 a.m. when, according to Fire Chief David Lewis, a neighbor awoke to the sound of cracking and popping and called in the fire. When firefighters arrived on the scene, the unoccupied trailer was fully involved in flames.

"There was a power line loose on the ground popping and snapping," said Lewis. "It was almost like it was chasing us. I was very concerned about the safety of our men and the local residents." The power line was disconnected so firefighters could continue to put out the fire.

A Chincoteague firefighter lived in the doublewide to the west of the trailer and heard the fire report over the scanner, according to Lewis. He told his wife that there was a fire on their street and when he looked out the window, he realized it was right beside him. In what played out in the worst kind of irony, the firefighter lost his home to the flames, but thankfully, no one was injured. The house on the east side of the trailer was salvaged, but the

siding melted off the side of the house due to the intense heat from the fire.

Atlantic and Wallops fire departments also responded to the fire. "All three of us worked very well together to put the fire out in a prompt and timely manner," said Lewis. "All of our firefighters are to be commended for doing the very best that they could, especially with the live wire power line on the scene." Lewis also wanted to thank the Chincoteague police dispatcher and workers of the Public Works Department who helped tear down the remains with a backhoe.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation by state Fire Marshal Robert Wessells. Lewis said it can take up to a couple of weeks before results are available.

In the meantime, the fire department is taking care of one of its own who is now homeless. The firefighter and his family were put up in the Lighthouse Motel until they can get settled with relatives. Donations for the family will be accepted at the firehouse or can be mailed to Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, Attn: Doug Marshall, P.O. Box 691, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

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OBITUARIES

Retired Auto Body Mechanic Dies

Mr. William Henry Williams, 74, of Onancock passed away Sunday, April 6, 2008, at his residence.

Born in Eastville, Mr. Williams was the son of the late Leslie Howard Williams and Hattie Hinman Williams and served in the U.S. Army. He was retired from Midway and Eastern Shore Auto Body, having worked in the Auto Body Repair Department. He attended Onley Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Janet Davis Williams; daughter, Lisa Williams Smith (and husband, Ernest Smith Jr.) of Pungoteague; son, Kevin Williams (and wife, Dottie L.) of Melfa; sisters, Ruth W. Lewis, Marie McCahon, and Page Lewis, all of Cape Charles, and Barbara Reynolds of Atlantic; grandchildren, Wyatt and Ella Smith and Kathyrn and Jonathan Williams; aunts, Hattie W. Smith of Silver Beach and Lillian Evans of Belle Haven; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Graveside services were conducted at Edgehill Cemetery in Accomac on Wednesday, April 9, by Rev. John Burr.

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 <u>www.williamsfuneral</u> homes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Former Sheriff's Dept. Dispatcher Dies

Mrs. Sharon A. Singleton, 58, of Belle Haven passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2008, at her residence.

A native of Long Island, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Paul W. and Minetta Albro Minke. Mrs. Singleton was a retired police officer for the Metro Washington D.C. Police and worked for the Northampton County Sheriff's Department as a dispatcher. She was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Mrs. Singleton is survived by her husband, Dennis R. Singleton Sr.; children, Shannon E. Clarke (and husband, Michael) of Dale City, Va., Lee W. Singleton (and wife, Lisa) of Woodbridge, Va., Christopher M. Timm (and wife, Anne) of Long Island, Dennis R. Singleton Jr. (and wife, Jennifer) of Woodbridge and Patrick R. Singleton (and wife, Tiffany) of Seattle, Wash.; and grandchildren, Sarah Randolph, Stephanie Clarke, Lilly and Chloe Singleton, and Anna Timm. She was predeceased by a grandson, Ryan Randolph.

A Mass of Resurrection was conducted Saturday, April 12, from St. Peter's Catholic Church by Father Paschal

Kneip. Interment was in Belle Haven Cemetery. A Christian wake service was conducted April 11 at 7 p.m. from Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore by Father Rodrigo Mingollo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 27 West Queens Way, Suite 301, Hampton, VA 23669; or Hospice of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 316, Parksley, VA 23421.

Painter Artist Passes Away at SMH

Mr. Joseph Domenic Adams, 76, of Painter passed away Tuesday, April



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8, 2008, at Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., he was the son of the late Domenic and Francesca Ferraro Adamo. He was coowner and resident artist, Adamo, of the Painter Gallery and a member of the Eastern Shore Art League.

Mr. Adams is survived by his wife. Donna Robinson-Adams; daughters, Lea Tryvette Adams of Hagerstown, Md., and Valerie Sherts (and husband, Kenneth) of Conestoga, Pa.; step-son, Bobby



Robinson (and wife, Rebecca) of Benicia, Cal.; sister, Adeline Wijnen of Teaneck, N.J.; grandchildren, Rachel, Manny, and Chris Sherts, and Trevor Adams; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews in Italy and the United States. He was predeceased by two sisters, Tomosina Adams and Beatrice Perri from Italy.

A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, April 26, at 2 **E** p.m. from Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore, with Rev. Patricia Kellam officiating. There will be an open house/reception at the Painter Gallery, 33412 Lankford Hwy., Painter, following the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Eastern Shore Art League, P.O. Box 15, Locustville, VA 23404.

Saxis Resident Dies at His Home

Mr. Jack Barry McCready Sr., 80, of Saxis passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2008, at his residence.

Born at Saxis, he was the son of the late Elonzo and Carletta Mister Mc-Cready.

Mr. McCready is survived by his wife, Menzetta L. McCready; son, Jack Barry McCready Jr. (and wife, Cheryl) of Wallops Island; and grandchildren, Colby Jason McCready and Shaun Patrick McCready (and wife, Leigh).

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 10, from Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley by Pastor Freddie Ward. Interment was in John W. Taylor Cemetery in Temperanceville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saxis Volunteer Fire Company or Hospice of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 316, Parksley, VA 23421. To express your condolences or sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net



Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home, Parksley.

Pocomoke Resident Dies at PRMC

Mrs. Katherine Lee Williams, 73, of Pocomoke, Md., passed away Thursday, April 10, 2008, at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Md.

Born in New Church, the daughter of the late John and Bessie Watkinson Hopkins, she was a homemaker.

Mrs. Williams was predeceased by her husband, Charles Williams; a sister, Audrey Cagley; and two brothers, Robert and Milton Hopkins. She is survived by her sisters, Ruth White of Saxis and Faye Hopkins of Parsonsburg, Md.; brothers, John Lee Hopkins of Laurel, Del., and Lawrence Hopkins of Minnesota; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were conducted at Edgehill Cemetery in Accomac Sunday, April 13.



Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Cape Charles Resident Dies

Mr. James Magreeda Colonna, 68, of Cape Charles passed away Thursday, April 10, 2008.

A native of Hadlock, he was the son of the late John R. and Mary Emma Custis Colonna. He was a retired staff sergeant in the U.S. Army, with 20 years of service, and was a retired director of Environmental Services for Colorado Springs Memorial Hospital. Mr. Colonna was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church, Cheriton American Legion Post 56, and Msgr. Edward Mickle Council 14263, where he also was a trustee.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Maurer Colonna; son, Brian J. Colonna of Denver, Colo.; daughters, Amy C. Parisi (and husband, Daniel) of Chicago, Ill., and Chris Travis (and husband, Roger) of San Antonio, Texas; brother, Richard C. Colonna (and wife, Barbara) of Exmore; niece, Mindy; and nephews, Donnie, Dwayne, and Michael. He was predeceased by a brother, Wayne Colonna.

A Mass of Resurrection was conducted Monday. April 14. at St. Charles Catholic Church in Cape Charles by Father Michael Breslin. Interment was in Belle Haven Cemetery with Military Honors. A christian wake service was held Sunday, April 13. at St. Charles Catholic Church.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Charles Catholic Church, 545 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310; or

Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 17, Nassawadox, VA 23413. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

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



Mary Matthews Named Accomack Teacher of the Year

Kegotank Elementary School, has been named Accomack County Public Schools'

2008 Teacher of the Year.

After completing Eastern Shore Community College, Matthews graduated summa cum laude from Salisbury University. She began teaching in the Accomack school system in 1998 as an ESL teacher and is currently pursing a master's degree in education from the University of Virginia.

Matthews is a member of the Accomack Community Band Assawoman United and Methodist Church. As a bilingual volunteer, she hels parents and community members with Spanish translations.

Matthews said she is constantly analyzing what her stu-

dents need to know in order to succeed. She individualizes instruction and teaches each student on his or her "wavelength of understanding," molding teaching methods, strategies, and techniques. She is the first to highlight grade-level team collaborations, disaggregation of data, and implementation of technology as key factors that are reflected in her students' progress. Matthews said she continually

ary Matthews, a fifth-grade teacher at reflects on her own experiences and classroom performances and utilizes those insights to strengthen her classroom teaching.

> Technology has become an integral part of Matthews' daily instruction. She utilizes her newly acquired skills to help her students as well as her colleagues. She was the first elementary teacher in Accomack County to become TSIP II (Technology Standards for Instructional Personnel) certified for showing proficiency in the integration of technology into classroom curriculum. She created and maintains her school's Web site.

> Matthews has been highly trained in the collection and analysis of data and the implementation of individualized

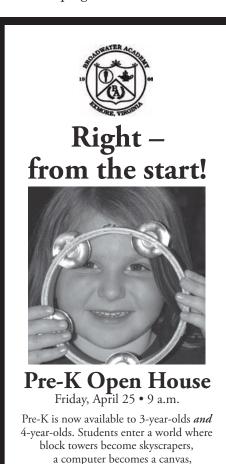
student action plans. Through data analysis, Matthews targets skills that need to be re-taught and then implements a differentiated method for each student. Matthews believes, "In order to become a master at one's craft, one must always be open to evolving and trying new methods. The most distressing thing a teacher can say is that he or she knows everything they need to know." Matthews believes that there will always be more to know, and room for improvement.

When Matthews was asked to give some advice to new teachers, she responded, "I would stress becoming adept in technology, opening up to team collaboration, getting to know your students, and continuing your education. My advice to a future teacher is to never stop learning. The more you learn, the easier teaching becomes. As educators, we cannot become lulled into a false sense of comfort with our teaching methods. We must always seek out innovative practices, not for our sake, but for that of our students. Education can be a greatly rewarding endeavor. You may never find another career where you are so championed and appreciated as in teaching. No two days are alike, and that's what makes it so wonderful."

As Accomack County Public Schools' 2008 Teacher of the Year, Matthews will compete at the state level later this year.

The other outstanding teacher nominees were: Katie Farrell, Accawmacke Elementary School; Francine Matthews, Arcadia High School; Tanya Grimes, Arcadia Middle School; Colleen Kean, Chincoteague Elementary School; Barbara Witt, Chin coteague High School; Karla Parks, Metompkin Elementary School; George Boggs, Nandua High School; Cheryl Warren, Nandua Middle School; George Tucker, Pungoteague Elementary School; and Jean Crockett, Tangier Combined School.





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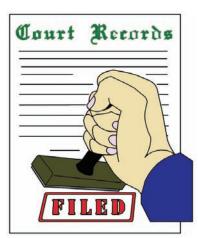
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To Donald and Renate Powers Lot 35, Subdivision B, of Oyster Bay, Chincoteague For \$540,000

•From Alfonso Smith & Cherry Jones To Maria Castillo Parksley property For \$169,900

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•From Mary Blue To Patricia and William Dupuy Chincoteague property For \$20,000

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April Garden Tip from Master Gardeners

By Sharon Wills, Master Gardener peat the application after the bulbs

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PERENNIALS, ANNUALS, BULBS

Observe your daffodil and other spring bulbs while in bloom this spring to be sure they have not been shaded by the new growth of other tree or shrub plantings. If they have, you may need to move your bulbs to a new, sunny location or prune back the plantings.

Fertilize bulbs upon emergence of foliage with a 10-10-10 fertilizer. Re-

The cool weather of April is perfect for pansies. Brighten up your front door with pots of transplanted pansies or place them in outdoor beds as soon as the soil can be worked. Purchase large plants that will give a good show before hot weather arrives.

Morning glories must be grown in a well-drained soil in a warm, sunny location. Rich soil and excessive fertilization yields vigorous vines with few flowers. Start seeds indoors in 4-inch pots for transplanting outdoors two or three weeks after the average last frost date. Soaking seeds in water overnigt will speed germination.

Plan to attract hummingbirds to your garden this year by planting red or orange flowers. Monarda (beebalm) is a good perennial to provide nectar.

Scatter annual poppy seeds in flower borders. The fine seeds need no covering. The plants grow rapidly and provide colorful flowers in early summer.

Plant nasturtiums for a colorful show In a sunny location with poor soil. They require warm soil to sprout and start blooming in about 50 days. Too much water and fertilizer produce excess leaves and few flowers.

April is a good time to clean up plants and flower beds. Pick out dead leaves and twigs and prune dead limbs.

Make a plot layout of your flower borders. This is an essential, but easily neglected, chore. With an accurate plot plan, you will know where to locate the spring flowering bulbs you plant next fall. Also, it will make your spring and summer gardening easier. You will be able to correctly identify the plants in your border and plan for continuous blooming by setting young annuals between bulbs and early flowering perennials.

Cut flower stalks back to the ground on daffodils, hyacinths and other spring flowering bulbs as the flowers fade. Do not cut the foliage until it dies naturally. The leaves are necessary to produce strong bulbs capable of reflowering.



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TREES, SHRUBS & GROUNDCOVER

Trees help counteract air and water pollution. Plant a tree anytime you think of it! The last Friday in April is National Arbor Day – plant a tree or support an organization that does!

Fertilize trees now with 8-8-8 or 10-10-10. Pick off any tent caterpillars or bagworms and destroy them.

Woody plants can also be added to the yard to provide nectar for our smallest native birds.

Don't add organic matter to the soil when planting trees. It does not help the tree become established and may create conditions that encourage the roots to stay inside the planting hole instead of spreading into the surrounding soil. Do dig a large planting hole, but fill it with the original soil that was removed from it.

For more-compact, pyracantha bushes without the risk of losing the crop of berries, pinch back new growth now.

Prune spring-blooming shrubs, such as forsythia, weigela and early spirea, after they have completed flowering.

Once new growth begins on trees and shrubs, cut back to green wood any twigs affected by winter kill.

Do not fertilize azaleas and camellias until they have finished blooming. They also should be pruned after blooming.

LAWNS AND LANDSCAPING

Bay and river-front home-owners: please be aware that chemical fertizilers on your lawns run off into the water and affect water quality and thus all that lives there. Consider replacing portions of lawn with other ground covers or flower beds.

Lawn grasses do best if mowed at the correct height:

Kentucky Bluegrass 1 1/2 to 2 1/2" Tall Fescue 1 1/2 to 3"

Creeping Red Fescue 2 to 3" Perennial Rye Grass 1 1/2 to 2 1/2"

Bermudagrass 1/2 to 1"

Zoysia Grass 3/4 to 1" $\,$

The first grass clippings of the season are rich in nutrients and contain fewer weed seeds than those collected later. Put them in the compost pile or mow frequently and leave them on the ground.

A tall, evergreen hedge north of your home can cut heating bills by 34 percent in windswept regions or by 10 % in sheltered areas. If your house is exposed to winter winds, this spring, consider establishing an evergreen planting for a windbreak.

VEGETABLES

If your garden space is limited, grow vegetables that are especially delicious and nutritious when home grown, such as tomatoes and green, leafy vegetables. Also select those that bear for a long time, such as broccoli. Cucumbers and melons do well on a fence, if the fruit is supported by slings. And don't grow it if your family won't eat it! A 4'x4' vegetable garden erected in full sun is a great start.

The date of the last killing frost in our area is April 21. This date should be

used to calculate the approximate earliest and latest planting date for spring crops.

Harden transplants of flowers and vegetables by decreasing water, fertilizer and growing temperatures. Transplant on a shady day in late afternoon or in early evening to reduce transplant shock. Water with a half-strength fertilizer solution. For a few days after transplanting, protect the plants from wind and sun by placing a piece of newspaper or cardboard on their south sides or by covering with jugs, baskets or flower pots. Water the plants once or twice during the next week.

When transplanting seedlings in peat pots to your garden, be careful not to allow the rim of the peat pot to protrude above the soil level. If the rim is above the soil level, it will act as a wick and draw moisture away from the transplant. To prevent this from happening, break away the uppermost rim of the pot before planting and make sure the pot is completely covered with soil.

HERBS

Plant herbs outside after the last spring frost date.

If you harvest mint frequently, growth will be more vigorous. Be sure to grow it in a container to keep it from taking over your garden.

Start herb seeds indoors in moist medium. Place in bright, indirect light and move to a sunny window when germination begins. When the seedlings are two to three inches tall, transplant into peat pots for the garden or into clay pots for use on your terrace or balcony. Some herbs easily grown for transplanting include chives, sage, sweet marjoram, basil, summer savory and parsley.

FRUITS AND NUTS

Fresh raspberries are tender and perishable, so they are expensive to buy. To have fresh berries, raise them in your own backyard. Fifteen or twenty plants, spaced three feet apart, in rows six feet apart, will produce a good supply of fruit for home use. Try 'Heritage' variety.

Existing raspberry canes can be pruned and thinned now. Removal of excessive canes at ground level will improve air circulation and light penetration for heavier fruiting. All dead tips of the canes should be cut off.

When apple trees are in full bloom, make a note on your calendar 150 days later to check for ripeness.

Thin young fruits of apples, pears and peaches to insure larger, healthier fruit. Thin within 25 days of the peak bloom, leaving 4 to 6 inches between fruit.

Plant strawberries, if you haven't already. Place straw around established plants as a mulch after weeding and fertilizing the bed.

Improve the fruiting of your blueberries by removing unproductive wood that is diseased, dead and broken. Also remove old canes (five to six years old) that have begun to lose their vigor. Select six to eight of the most vigorous, upright-growing canes for fruiting wood and remove rest.

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By J.J. and Troy Justis

ell, defending champion Jimmie Johnson was able to play the fuel mileage game and come out ahead Saturday night in Phoenix. It was a gamble that paid off. Although he couldn't run too fast on the last few laps to conserve fuel, the cars following were far enough back that Johnson was able to slow down as needed. Junior, who had the lead earlier, finished in the top 10 and most of the points' leaders had decent finishes.

Backseat Drivers

Her View: Third place for Hamlin is great! It keeps him in the points' chase and things sure are looking good for him. Looks like Hendrick teams have some momentum from this week, so we'll see what happens at Talladega!

His View: What a year in NASCAR! Yeah, I guess if you have a brand new

driver because yours was way too old and could not cross the finish line unless 10 or more laps down, but it seems here lately, I can't do much bragging. I am happy and excited now if Gordon is in the top 10. I hope things change soon and this is not the beginning of the end.

Next Race

Sunday, April 27 - Aaron's 499 at Talladega Superspeedway - Fox, 1:30 p.m. MRN/WESR AM 1330, 2 p.m.

	RACE RESULTS	DRIVER STANDINGS
1. #48	Jimmie Johnson	1. Jeff Burton - Leader
2. #07	Clint Bowyer	2. Kyle Busch - 80
3. #11	Denny Hamlin	3. Dale Earnhardt Jr 86
4. #99	Carl Edwards	4. Jimmie Johnson - 99
5. #8	Mark Martin	5. Kevin Harvick - 100
6. #31	Jeff Burton	6. Denny Hamlin - 137
7. #88	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	7. Tony Stewart - 158
8. #1	Martin Truex Jr.	8. Clint Bowyer - 171
9. #16	Greg Biffle	9. Carl Edwards - 174
10. #18	Kyle Busch	10. Greg Biffle - 176

Upcoming Yard Sale, Flea Market To Benefit Good Causes

March of Dimes Team Aspen, named for last year's ambassador who will be on hand, will hold a benefit yard sale Saturday, April 19, from 7 to 11 a.m. at 19352 Lee St. in Melfa (at Melfa light, go across the railroad tracks and follow the signs). The sale will feature baby items, clothes for all ages, books, furniture, toys, baked goods and raffle tickets for a Turner sculpture and a Willie Crockett print.

There also will be a penny and dime drop-off to help Aspen reach her goal of one million pennies and one mile of dimes.

On Saturday, May 3, Northampton High School will hold a flea market from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. to raise money for the prom.

To rent a table for \$10 or to donate items to be sold at the event, with proceeds going to the prom fund, call Annette Campbell at 678-5151, ext. 4109.

Books, plants, crafts, home-baked goodies, toys, children's clothing, bikes, furniture, and many other items will be available for sale at the flea market.



WED., **APR.** 16

★7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Redwood Gables, Onley

★9 a.m.-noon - Farmers' Market - Downtown

Park, Main St., Chincoteague

★9 a.m.-3 p.m. - Blood Drives - Arcadia High School & Broadwater Academy

★9:30-11:30 a.m. - GED class - Head Start Center, Front St., Accomac - 787-1760

★10-11 a.m. - Mothers of Preschoolers playgroup -Union Baptist Church, Chincoteague

★10 a.m.-noon - Accomack AARP mtg. - Redwood Gables

★10:30 a.m.-noon - Hospice Grief Support Program -Swain Memorial Sunday School Bldg., Tangier

★11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - **Debedeavon Toastmasters**

mtg. - Navy/MWR Cropper Center, Wallops - 824-2126

★noon - TOPS mtg. - 5432-A Bayside Rd., Exmore (Old Hare Valley School) - 414-0731, ext. 225

★noon - AA mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock

★noon-6 p.m. - **Blood Drive** - SMH

★12:30-1:30 p.m. - Caregiver Connection - Swain Memorial Sunday School Bldg., Tangier

★1:30-4:30 p.m. - "Living with Grief" teleconference -ESCC - free

★2 p.m. - E.S. Brain Injury Survivors Support Group **mtg.** - Belle Haven - 442-9334

★4:30-7:30 p.m. - **Spaghetti Dinner** - Atlantic UMC - to benefit Boy Scout Troop 311 of Atlantic

★5-9 p.m. - Celebrity Wait Staff - Stella's Restaurant, Onancock - to benefit Nandua High After-Prom Party

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

★7 p.m. - **Bingo** - Nelsonia Moose Lodge

★7 p.m. - Man to Man Prostate Cancer Support Group mtg. - Onley UMC

★8 p.m. - **AA beginners' mtg.** - Downing UMC, Oak Hall

Post TIMES APRIL 16-22

APR. 17

THURS., ★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. - Kiwanis of Chincoteague mtg. - St. Andrew's Catholic Church

★6:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - St. Charles Catholic Church

★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

★7-8 p.m. - **Bible Study** - Foundation of Faith Worship Center, Cheriton - 331-4648

★7:30 p.m. - **AA beginners' mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock ★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Fellowship

House, 6263 Church St., Chincoteague

★8 a.m.-1 p.m. - Free Clothes Giveaway -APR. 18 4067 Morris Ct., Cheriton - sponsored by the Ministry of SARAH, Inc.

★noon - AA mtg. - Market Street UMC, Onancock

★5-7 p.m. - Chicken & Dumplings Dinner - Onley UMC adults \$8, children \$5

★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

★8 a.m.-1 p.m. - Free Clothes Giveaway -SAT., 4067 Morris Ct., Cheriton - sponsored by the **APR. 19** Ministry of SARAH, Inc.

★8 a.m.-2 p.m. - "Praise Through Movement" seminar Nandua HS - sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta - \$6 - 442-2553 **★**10 a.m. - United Methodist Women District Mission

Team mtg. - Hermitage, Onancock ★4 p.m. - Pastor's Pre-Anniversary (4/20, same time, An**niversary Celebration**) - New Mission UMC, Treherneville ★4:30 p.m. - Youth Standing for Christ - Jerusalem Bap-

tist Church, Temperanceville ★6 p.m. - Youth Praise Party - Living Word Church of Deliverance - 665-5284, 894-3959, 824-6362

★6 p.m. - Bingo - American Legion Post 159, Chincoteague **★**7 p.m.-? - Southbound & Coast to Coast Performing -Shuckers Roadhouse, Onancock - to benefit CALL

★2 p.m. - Bingo - VFW Post 2296, Tasley APR. 20 *2 p.m. - Pastor's Appreciation Service -St. Stephen's AME Church, Cape Charles

★2 p.m. - Ushers' Day celebration - New Allen Memorial AME Church, Franktown

★4 p.m. - Jay Caldwell & the Gospel Ambassadors of Wilmington, Del., in concert - Mt. Zion Independent Methodist Church, Withams - \$8

★9 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock - 787-4718

★9 a.m. - Chincoteague Al-Anon mtg. - UMC

Fellowship House

Church, Eastville

★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED class** - Head Start, Accomac - 787-1760

★noon - AA mtg. - St. Peter's, Onley

★4 p.m. - Fellowship Service - St. Stephen's AME Church, Cape Charles

★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

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

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★9:30 a.m. - Mothers of Preschoolers mtg. - Zion Baptist Church, Parksley

★10 a.m. - Bingo - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock ★noon - AA Women's mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock

★11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. - Chicken Salad Carry-Out Lunch & Dinner - Grace UMC, Parksley - \$8 - 665-5273 or 665-4783

★1:30-3 p.m. - Grief Support Program - Chin. Hospice Resource Center, 6309 Church St. ★5:15-6 p.m. - **TOPS weigh-in** (**program @ 6**) - Belle Haven Presbyterian Church - 442-9776

★5:30-7 p.m. - Grief Support Program - Parksley Hospice Bldg.

★6 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - St. Charles Church

★6 p.m. - Onancock Lions Club mtg. - Sunrise Restaurant, Onley - 787-4278

★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

Library Dinner Tonight

The Friends of the Northampton Free Library will hold their annual meeting and dinner tonight, April 16, at the Eastville Inn.

In addition to the meeting, there will be a special presentation by former Friends President Lenore Hart, who will read from her new book, "Becky." Cash bar opens at 6 p.m., dinner is at 6:30 p.m., and the annual meeting and presentation will follow. Call 442-2617 for tickets.

Trucks Up Close and Personal Touch-A-Truck 2008 will be held

Saturday, April 19, from noon to 4 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person. Concessions will be available.

Area companies will have various trucks and equipment on display. The event is designed to allow kids, as well as adults, to get up close and touch some of the big trucks they normally see only from a distance.

Revival Services Begin Sunday

Central Baptist Church in Onley will conduct Revival Services with Evangelist Daniel Hawtree Jr. beginning Sunday, April 20, at 11 a.m. and continuing nightly at 7 through Wednesday, April 23. A special youth night will be held Monday, April 21. For additional information, call Pastor Dan Smith at 787-7148.

Driver Safety Class Scheduled

The AARP Driver Safety Program Class will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon April 21 and 22 at Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Those who complete the \$10 course will be eligible for an auto insurance discount for three years.

Contact Brooks Wallace at 442-7211 for information on how to sign up for the class.

Foster Parent Training Tuesday

The Accomack County Department of Social Services' Foster Parent Program is looking for caring singles and couples to be foster parents for children of all ages and races.

Training for families interested in foster parenting will be held on Tuesday, April 22, at the Accomack County Department of Social Services building in the Accawmacke Office Park.

To obtain more information about becoming a foster parent, call Sylvia Stanley at 787-5369 or 824-5439 ext. 5369.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

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Answer to Last Week's Sudoku Puzzle

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Announcements

Birthday In Heaven Margaret White Johnson "Babysis" 4-18-38 ~ 12-16-07



Happy Birthday, Mom. I wonder what it's like celebrating your birthday in heaven. Ít must be a sight with angels to sing to you, Happy Birthday, Mom, and family and friends around you. How happy you're sure to be. Happy birthday, dear Mom, from down here below. Wé all miss you badly and we love you so.

If love could have save you, Mom, you never would have died. Happy 70th Birthday.

Your family,

Daughter, Robin White-Nedab & sons; Brad, Claude, Kevin, Michael &

Thank You

Matthew 5:4 says Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Truly the family was blessed during her illness and death by the outpouring of love and caring of friends and fam-ily. Your calls, visits and sent flowers brought joy to her during the final days of her illness. The beautiful memories each of you helped crate of "Babysis" gives us strength for the

days to come.

With love, the family of
the late Margaret White Johnson.

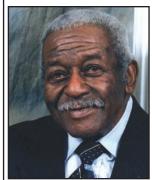
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In Loving Memory of My Father, Earlie Harmon



who passed away April, 2007 Born Feb. 2, 1913

God saw you were getting tired and a cure was not to be, so he put his arm around you, Dad, and whispered Come to me." hard working hands at rest. It's lonely here without you, Dad, we miss you more and more each day. Each time I look at your picture, Dad, you seem to smile and say "I am in God's hands. No more lonely nites to share."
Your loving daughter,

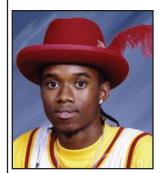
Sarah Windley and sisters I miss you so much.

Happy Birthday Azriah Mapp

from Mom, Dad, Rory, Ashley & Azarelle Love you lots!



Happy B-Day Michael McKyer "Man"



On April 17, 1987, God created a beautiful gaby boy, we called him "Man". On Aug. 8, 2007, god called you home to rest because He only wanted the best.

You were taken from us suddenly and we couldn't say good-bye. Ever since that day our

lives have truly changed. There are no words to express how we really feel. We really love and miss

Forever in our hearts, Mom, Dad, Family and True Friends

Happy B-Day Michael McKyer "Little Brother"

Day by day I think of you, and wonder how can this be

I can't accept the fact that you're really gone. it's so hard for me to try and carry on.

Everyday it hurts and

Memories of our times together, the good and the

the many arguments we've had.

sound of your voice, I would take your place if

I had the choice.

I will always miss you no matter what, Always love

will meet again, you are in my heart until the end.

because I realize, He only takes the best and today that's the reason I cry.

So many times I've asked God why?

every night I still cry.

The laughter we've shard,

I will never forget the

you, no ifs, ands, or buts.
So until the day that we

Now I ask God why not,

From my heart to yours, Your big sis, Shaka

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Requires a valid Va. Drivers license, bachelor's degree or training equivalent in recreation administration, public administration, business management or a closely relat-

Salary range: \$34,352 - \$51,527

Please refer to Northampton County's website at www.co.northampton.va.us\jobs.html for further job description, requirements and county's application form. Completed application form, resume and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, Post Office Box 66, Eastville, Virginia 23347, not later than April 25, 2008.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Northampton, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Thursday, April 17, 2008, at the Northampton County Circuit Courthouse, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347 at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

PARCEL A: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ELIZABETH BAINES AMES CASE NO. 07-179
MAP NO. 00020-0A-BLK-00-081

All that parcel of land near Weirwood, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.50 acre, more or less, bounded Northeast by the State Highway; Southwest by the Trower property; Northwest and Southeast by Genevieve Lankford.

Less and Except a conveyance as recorded in Northampton Deed Book 196, at page 310.

PARCEL B: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS PETE AMES CASE NO. 07-118
MAP NO. 00112-0A-BLK-00-034

All that parcel of land near Townsend, Northampton County, Virginia, being 1.00 acre, more or less, bounded North by Ruric Nottingham; East by Linda Trower; South by Frank Whitehead and West by Mathilda Wilson.

PARCEL C: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ELECTRA RENA BAILEY CASE NO. 07-19
MAP NO. 0077B-02-BLK-00-004

All that parcel of land near Chesapeake in Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 4, of the property of Clifford A. Nottingham's heirs.

PARCEL D: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ALFRED BLUNT CASE NO. 07-120 MAP NO. 084C2-0A-BLK-00-146

All that parcel of land near Cheriton, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded on the North by Marie Mitchell; East by Ernest Wood; South by John Thomas Bartee and West by Catherine White.

PARCEL E: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS LEOLEIA BRADFORD CASE NO. 07-75 MAP NO. 00013-0A-BLK-00-020

All that parcel of land near Jamesville in Occohannock Neck, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded North by Walter and Leoleia Bradford; East by E. Graham Stewart; West by the road leading to Salt Works, fronting 50 ft. on Salt Works Road.

PARCEL F: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS JOSEPH E. BRICKHOUSE CASE NO. 07-52 MAP NO. 00040B-10-BLK-00-074

All that parcel of land in the Village of Trehernville, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.25 acre, more or less, being Lot 74, Northampton County Land Development Company.

PARCEL G: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS MATTHEW L. CORNISH, SR. CASE NO. 07-43

MAP NO. 084C2-0A-BLK-00-129

All that parcel of land near Cheriton, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded North by Louise Allen; East by a 10 ft. roadway; South by a 10 ft. roadway leading to Route #13 (Business) and West by the Mitchell property, the Northern side of said lot being 125.95 ft., the Southern side being 138.83 ft., the Eastern side being 100.95 ft. and the Western side being 101,86 ft.

PARCEL H: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ANNIE MAE MOORE COTTO CASE NO. 07-77

All that parcel of land near Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded North by Ethel Walker; East by J.E. Crowder; South by Howard Sneed and West by a public street, said lot fronting 69.35 feet on public street.

PARCEL I: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ROBERT E. COX CASE NO. 07-83 MAP NO. 010A2-0A-BLK-00-036

All that parcel of land near Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, beginning at a point in the center of a ditch 15 ft. West of a concrete monument being a corner stone locating the lands of J.W. Chandler and the N.Y.P. & N.R.R.Co., thence Easterly 150 ft.; thence Northerly 60 ft.; thence Southerly 131.75 ft. to the center line of the above-mentioned ditch, thence by several courses and distances in a Southerly direction to the point of beginning.

PARCEL J: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS JOHN S. ELLIOTT, III CASE NO. 07-26 MAP NO. 00099-0A-BLK-00-020

All that parcel of land near Capeville, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.67 acre, more or less, bounded North by Robertson Lee Sparrow, Jr., East by Edith Dorsh; South by H. Bruce Richardson and West by Seaside Road.

PARCEL K: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS EFFIE D. FITCHETT CASE NO. 07-33 MAP NO. 0040B-10-BLK-00-030

All those lots in Treherneville, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lots 30 and 31, Northampton Land Development Company

PARCEL L: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS SETH GIDDENS CASE NO. 07-62 MAP NO. 00077-0A-BLK-00-126C

All that parcel of land near Cheriton Station, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.52 acres as shown on a plat recorded in Northampton County Deed Book 158, at page 519.

PARCEL M: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ANNA P. HUNTER CASE NO. 07-69 MAP NO. 00013-0A-BLK-00-028

All that parcel of land near Jamesville, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded North by Sidney Harmon; East and South by James Pitt, Jr. and West by the State Highway leading to "Salt Woks".

PARCEL N: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ANDREW JACKSON CASE NO. 07-275 MAP NO. 00085-0A-BLK-00-040

All that lot of land situate at the "Culls" near Cheriton, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.50, more or less, bounded North by Clyde Kellam; East by Ben Spady; South by the State Highway leading to Bayview and West by a roadway separating said

lot from lands of Alfred Smaw.

PARCEL O: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS EMMA B. JAMES CASE NO. 07-243 MAP NO. 00068-02-BLK-00-000B

All that parcel of land in Northampton County, Virginia, being 4.43 acres, more or less, designated as Parcel B, Wesley Steven's Estate.

PARCEL P: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ESSIE H. JORDAN CASE NO. 07-54 MAP NO. 00068-0A-BLK-00-O79

All that parcel of land in Eastville District, Northampton County, Virginia, near Simpkins Siding, having a 55 ft. frontage and a depth of 147 ft. and beginning at the southwest corner of the land formerly conveyed to Louis and Macon Henderson, which is separated by an 8 ft. road; thence easterly 55 ft.; thence southerly 147 ft. along the Driscoll and Sacks farm; thence westerly 55 ft.; thence northerly 147 ft. to the point of beginning.

PARCEL Q: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS ERMA ALLEN JOYNES CASE NO. 07-99 MAP NO. 0105A-01-BLK-00-010

All that parcel of land near Cheapside, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot No. 10, Beulah Pierce's Lot Division, Cheapside, Virginia.

PARCEL R: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS CONNIE MOSES CASE NO. 07-37 MAP NO. 0091B-02-BLK-00-018

All that parcel of land near Fairview, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.14 acre, more or less, being Lot 18, Theresa E. Wood's Lot Division Fairview, Virginia.

PARCEL S: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY VS BENJAMIN NOTTINGHAM, JR. CASE NO. 07-123 MAP NO. 058A2-0A-BLK-00-053

All that parcel of land near Eastville Station, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.50 acre, more or less, bounded East by a road, South and West by Cora Church and North by Winton Whitehead.

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Folly Creek	H 6:51 a.m.	H 7:36 a.m.	H 8:16 a.m.	H 8:54 a.m.	H 9:32 a.m.	H 10:10 a.m.	H 10:49 a.m.
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Crisfield Harbor	H 11:16 a.m.	H 12:03 p.m.	H 12:44 p.m.	H 1:21 p.m.	H 1:56 p.m.	H 2:30 p.m.	H 3:04 p.m.
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Tangier Light	H 10:20 a.m.	H 11:07 a.m.	H 11:48 a.m.	H 12:04 p.m.	H 1:00 p.m.	H 1:34 p.m.	H 2:08 p.m.
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Hunting Creek	H 10:43 a.m.	H 11:30 a.m.	H 12:11 p.m.	H 12:48 p.m.	H 1:23 p.m.	H 1:57 p.m.	H 2:31 p.m.
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Onancock Creek	H 10:21 a.m.	H 11:08 a.m.	H 11:49 a.m.	H 12:26 p.m.	H 1:01 p.m.	H 1:35 p.m.	H 2:09 p.m.
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Occohannock Creek	H 9:01 a.m.	H 9:48 a.m.	H 10:29 a.m.	H 11:06 a.m.	H 11:41 a.m.	H 12:15 p.m.	H 12:49 p.m.
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By Linda Cicoira

I've been wondering if the hundreds of Eastern Shore seniors who will graduate from high school in a few months will be capable of washing their own clothes. The answer is yes. Maybe they won't be able to get the tomato sauce spills from the front of a new white shirt, but most people can master the art of using a washing machine.

My husband is excluded from that hypothesis. But, surely you don't want your children to throw all their designer clothes in the bathtub and stir the brew with a broom handle the way he used to do. It was not pretty.

The Eastern Shore Post had a customer who advertised in the classifieds for a roommate. She said a young man called her about sharing the rent. He thought that since his laundry and meals were supplied at his grandmother's house, it would be that way at her place as well. The man got what he needed, a rude awakening.

Some of the upcoming graduates may continue their education in a formal setting. Others will get right to work. Regardless, it will be a learning experience. Are they prepared for the world? Do they know how to start a lawn mower or boil water? Have they ever cleaned the toilet or used an electric mixer? Do they know what a Phillips screwdriver is?

"Those students who had the opportunity to take some CTE, formerly called vocational classes, will probably be able to do the items on your list," a retired teacher said. But the rest will say that someone else has always done his or her laundry.

"They will not know one end of a screwdriver from the other. Cleaning a toilet is beneath them. Cooking is putting something in the microwave or bringing in fast food. What is a garden?" the teacher mimicked. "They can put gas in a car." But, "machinery such as a lawn mower and mixer are foreign to most. Money is something they ask for and are given (a few have had a part-time job to earn money — mostly to buy gas for the car they were given). Many will not know how to 'count' change or balance the checkbook."

Some proud parents disagreed. One father e-mailed that all five of his children "survived daily baths, making beds, mowing, weeding, taking out the trash, shoveling snow, feeding dogs and cats, setting and clearing tables, homework, tests, church and Sunday school, piano lessons, horse riding lessons, karate lessons, sports ... how to strip, sand, stain, and finish wood furniture. ... I'm not saying they liked all the above stuff," he said. "But they did it. And it didn't hurt them a bit."

The mother of nine said, "Each of my kids had their own laundry basket labeled with their name. When they were as young as two or three, I would wash and dry the clothes and sort them into their baskets, then they would 'help' me fold ... by the time they were teenagers, they did their own clothes. I had a friend with a large family who would tape pictures of different types of clothes (shirts, pants, underwear) from catalogs in the bottom of the drawers so the younger kids would know where to put each stack. We did the same thing with other chores. ... We had a kid-sized broom that they could use to help sweep and kid-sized gardening tools. You have to start when they are young so that it is just part of their routine."

A local couple provided guidelines that they used for their kids who are now 32, 30 and 28. "We remember well the excitement and preparation for leaving home after high school," said Lisa and Kris LaMontagne. "We made our best efforts to prepare them, some were more successful than others. Here's what we made sure they knew how to do: 1. Basic car maintenance -Pump gas, add windshield washer fluid and change a tire, which came in handy when our daughter, on a forensics team road trip, changed the tire on the large van that the team was traveling in. None of the guys knew how - even the coach. 2. Make a bed with hospital corners. They still complain that their spouses don't make a

bed correctly and will often re-do it. 3. Laundry - separate white and dark clothing - a pink college rugby shirt (YIKES!) reinforced that rule. 4. Cooking - including baking - Daughter's college friends still claim our youngest son made the best chocolate chip cookies ever when at 13 he baked and mailed them to her. 5. Food shopping 6. Manage a monthly budget and balance a checkbook - 7. Basic set of tools and the knowledge to use them all 8. Clean - bathrooms included. 9. Iron."

I remember learning that last one. I started out ironing my grandfather's handkerchiefs. One parent said her son is 25 and hasn't gotten a full-time job yet. He's trying to figure out what to do with himself. She fears he's headed for jail because he has too much time on his hands.

Perhaps some of you can come up with jobs or suitable recreation for our youth. One woman had a solution: Make them clean the oven. Ha! I love it.

In the meantime, they could follow the guidelines set forth by my family: "As long as you live under my roof, you'll follow my rules. Do your own laundry. No phone calls after 9 p.m. One shower a day, no matter how dirty you get. Supper is at 6 p.m. sharp. No excuses. Be home or starve." Oh, yeah, and don't plan on sleeping past 7 a.m. because that's when the radio will start blaring.

I think the combination of a big bottle of detergent, some fabric softener and a laundry basket is the perfect graduation present. It's just a suggestion. I guess I won't be getting any invitations.

Post Office Mail

Accomack Supervisors' Action Was Sad, Humiliating

On Saturday, at the OPEN session of the Accomack County Board of Supervisors budget workshop, the position of assistant county administrator was ruthlessly eliminated.

Did they inform the employee prior to the meeting? No — they had her attend the meeting as usual and then blindsided her. Is this the right way to handle such matters? I think not.

At the very least, she should have been informed by the administrator, prior to the meeting, of the possibility her job would be cut due to budgetary concerns, perhaps offering her the opportunity to accept a different post within administration, but instead they elected to drop a bomb.

Boom ... you're gone!

It appeared obvious that this had been discussed in private by some suppervisors, because one lamented. "I didn't know it would be handled like this."

Only Supervisor, Wanda Thornton objected to the horrible mishandling of this matter and voted "no"; the others went along without pause.

After all was said and done, Supervisor/Chairman Ron Wolff offered his apology to Assistant Administrator Linda Martin Warner. It's a shame he didn't attempt to control the improper handling of such a sensitive matter.

This kind of public humiliation must stop. First it

was Treasurer Dana Bundick, a constitutional officer, who was raked over the coals regarding late check cashing, when in reality, the county knew of the computer problems and did nothing about them. Then came the ruthless treatment of James Davis of the Eastern Shore Health District's Environmental Health Department, who attended a public meeting at the request of the board to discuss issues and regulations regarding septic systems. He was bombarded by insulting, aggressive questions and given no time to respond.

Next, the county attorney took it upon himself to write a very aggressive letter about Jim Belote, agrigultural extension agent. The reason? Jim dared to express his deep concern, disappointment and dismay over the direction of this county.

Makes you wonder who's next...?

Many tears of compassion were shed Saturday by private citizens and various county employees as we all watched in shocked disbelief.

April 12, 2008, was a sad day for Accomack County, one that will not be easily forgotten.

Toni Trepanier, Hallwood

Supervisors' Behavior Shameful

At Saturday's meeting of the Accomack supervisors, I witnessed a degree of mean-spirited behavior in excess of anything I had come to expect from a group of elected officials. It began with an attempt to subvert open discussion of all issues pertaining to the proposed county budget. Chairman Ron Wolff sought to have only "consensus" items open for discussion. With the now very predictable voting blocs, did he really think people in attandance would be

foolish enough to think no previous discussion had taken place nor consensus reached?

Next, there was a failed attempt to diminish the responsibility given to Treasurer Dana Bundick, a duly elected constitutional officer.

Then we were subjected to a very unsatisfying justification of why the supervisors are entitled to a "Cadillac" health-insurance plan for not only themselves, but their spouses and families — something along the line of "if I had only known how much time this position would take!" Do I agree that the time required of a supervisor merits higher pay and personal medical coverage? Yes, certainly. Do I also believe that each of them should have been aware of their time and work obligations prior to running for office? Yes. It is arrogant to think that representing the people of Accomack County is a couple-of-hours-per-week obligation. And by the way, if some put in the time they claim to, the votes might better reflect the wishes of their constituents and needs of the county and less about power grabbing and clashing personalities.

And lastly, essentially to fire a hard-working, honest county employee without including her in any previous discussion was the height of planned nastiness. No business should ever be conducted in a manner to cause public humiliation. I have now witnessed this type of behavior from Mr. Phil Mc-Caleb at least three times, and the nastiness has escalated. There are ways to properly address people and issues. Apparently, running one's own business has allowed this man to circumvent common civility. I am also very disappointed in supervisors I thought I knew and from whom I expected better.

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I, as a taxpayer and voter in Accomack County, promise you that I will not forget such shameful actions when the next election rolls around. All right, so we may have averted a monetary tax increase, but at what cost? No one should feel proud

Maria Paccioretti, Atlantic

Ballet WasWonderful Cultural Experience

To the editor:

We would like to thank the Arts Council of the Eastern Shore (ACES) for bringing the Richmond Ballet to Nandua High School this past Sunday afternoon, April 13.

The performance mix of classical and modern dance was wonderful, including Mozartina, Other Places, Terra, and La Bella Danse. A dual treat was provided with Mozartiana, which is George Balanchine's musical homage to Mozart, performed to the music of Tchaikovsky.

Especially outstanding were the performances by company dancers Kirk Henning, Cecili Tuzii, Thomas Ragland, Anne Sidney Davenport, and Thomas Garrett. Their vibrant and youthful style seemed to captivate many, including us.

This performance attracted a host of parents and children, including many young ladies who may aspire to become dancers. We watched several of them dancing in the lobby during intermission.

The last ACES-sponsored performance of the current season will be Friday, May 16, at 8 p.m., when the Garth Newell Quartet will perform at Nandua High School.

We will attend this performance as well and encourage others to mark the date to attend and support ACES. We need this level of professiona performances to continue on the Eastern Shore for the enjoyment of young and old alike.

Dorothy Perrucci and Pat Morrison, Onley

A Few More Radical Ideas

I am a new reader and I enjoyed Cheryl Nowak's most recent column in the April 2 Post, but while I like most of your ideas and might actually vote for you for president, I think you could be more ... well ... aggressive.

For example, the schools being voluntary. That is too generous. Let's get rid of the so-called "free" bus service as a starter and then eliminate all the "free" schools altogether. People can pay what they can afford for their kids' education and people with no kids in a school pay zero.

Illegal immigrants should be sent to Iraq to either fight or provide services and then be considered for citizenship after, say, two years of duty. Actually, the illegal immigrants could work the Iraqi oil fields and provide the U.S. with free oil.

You mentioned credit cards in the same article and I have to tell you that I am proud to say that I have never used my credit except to hold a rental car against paying by cash. This use of a credit card is the only reason that I have one. I was shocked to discover, only recently, that a person does not have to have sufficient funds in the bank in order to cover a credit-card purchase since, of course, that is the law with writing a check. I assumed it was the same

for a credit-card purchase. No wonder so many people are in credit-card debt. That industry needs to be rigidly managed by the Treasury Department or put out of business.

As for your idea for "no states," I like it and personally suggested a "USA Drivers' License and USA Vehicle and Traffic Law" to replace 50 different licenses and 50 different books of traffic laws. That idea went absolulely no place and I received a typical political meaningless response.

Now you have some more radical views on how to save or improve the USA.

Philip Obenauer, via e-mail

Better Off Before Republicans

Dear Editor:

As usual, the Republicans twist, obscure and stretch the truth in an attempt to cover up the facts. Charles Wilbur tries to denigrate Martin Freed's letter, but totally fails.

Wilbur said he wants facts. Well here are just a few about the Drake/Cheney/Bush years:

- •Gasoline prices were about \$1.50 in 2000. Now because of Bush's policies, backed up by Thelma Drake, they are over \$3 and heading to \$4.
- •America was the beacon of freedom for most the world in 2000; now we are the world's pariah.
- •More than 4,000 of our bravest kids were still alive in 2000, looking forward to a productive and joyful life. Now they are dead in an unnecessary, illegal and immoral war because of Cheney/Drake/ Bush.
- •More than 65,000 troops have been wounded in the same war - lives ruined.
- •This war will cost over \$3 trillion before it is all paid for.
- •We had a significant budget surplus in 2000. Now because of Drake/Cheney/Bush, we have an unfathomable debt that will take decades to resolve.
- •Since 2000, the Republicans, the anti-government party, has grown the size of government by 35.7 percent, the largest rate in over 30 years.
- •The policies of the Party of Family Values, the Republicans, have caused hundreds of thousands of families to lose their homes. Millions more are on the verge of defaulting on their mortgages.

Folks, we are barreling down the tracks to an imminent train wreck. These are just a few of the reason we have to defeat every Republican next November.

Wilbur indicates that he is a great admirer of Ron Paul. So am I. Dr. Paul has said he will not support John McCain for president. So I assume that Mr. Wilbur will not vote for the Arizona senator.

Rachel Newman, Greenbackville



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Please Get My Politics Right Dear Editor:

Having attended the University of Virginia, I have long held in high regard Thomas Jefferson's mission statement, "For here we are not afraid to follow truth wherever it may lead, nor to tolerate any error so long as reason is left free to combat it," and have attempted to follow it in my own life. I experienced a lifechanging reality check though, when I read Van Harris' Letter to the Editor, "Help Dump Republicans."

Far from being the truth seeker I had envisioned myself to be, I found out that I am really only a "right wing ideologue" and the facts I had previously believed to be on the same order as "one plus one equals two" were, in fact, "mythology" that I had contorted my mind into believing.

All kidding aside, Mr. Harris does a stellar job of shedding insight into the strategy being used nationwide by the left to deal with anyone who stands in the way of promoting its agenda. Several tactics are inevitably employed. First, facts are never discussed. They are either ignored outright as if they never existed, or the offender is given a label that is intended to place him far outside the mainstream and discredit the validity of his argument. "Right Wing Ideologue" is a perfect example. Other good ones are "Denier" (the same term given to those who say the Holocaust did not occur) and "Flat Earth Believer" for those who are skeptical of the claim that humans, rather than natural phenomena such as an increase in solar activity, are causing global warming.

Second, a subtle brainwashing of the masses is attempted. Calling facts "mythology" is one such example. "Anti-Immigrant," leveled against those who object to giving millions of illegal aliens amnesty, is another. The word immigrant "implies long-term, LEGAL, permanent residence" according to the encyclopedia, so the mere use of "immigrant" for someone who is here illegally and in defiance of our laws and national sovereignty is itself a clever form of deception. This goes on all the time in the national media. For example, those accused of a crime are stated to be "completely unaware of the charges" (sounds innocent and the charges are trumped up) if the media likes them, while the person disliked by the media is said to have "denied the charges" (the person is guilty and is lying). Republicans typically deny while Democrats are usually unaware. The seriousness of the accusation is more important these days than whether it is true.

A third tactic is to use one statement out of context in order to divert the discussion to something unrelated. The mention of Ron Paul being against most of the Bush Administrations policies in order to brush aside a multitude of prior facts is a good example of this. Were the facts themselves disputed? No. Was it stated that I support the administration's policies? No. I just disputed the many tall claims made in a previous Letter to the Editor.

Believe it or not, Mr. Harris, we do actually think alike on one point. I would like to dump most of the Republicans, Ron Paul being a notable exception. However, I believe that replacing them with the current crop of Democrats would make a bad situation worse and lead us further down the path to socialism. My preference would be to clean out the whole lot on both sides of the aisle and replace them with a new party that is in favor of the Constitution, limited government, sound money and a return to individual responsibility rather than government dependence. These are the cornerstones that allowed our nation to become that "shining beacon on a hill," and the ongoing decrease thereof will surely cause our demise.

Charles Wilbur, Melfa

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