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Northampton Supervisors Select 2011 Leadership

By Ron West

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors selected Supervisor Willie Randall as its new chairman and Supervisor Sam Long Jr. as vice chairman for 2011. Randall, who served as vice chairman in 2010, was opposed by Supervisors Richard Tankard and Spencer Murray.

School Board Chairman Dr. Richard Drury asked the supervisors to release funds from federal jobs funding for a cost of living (COLA) increase for school employees. Previous discussions among the supervisors about the release of the funds ended in a 3-3 stalemate. Dr. Drury reminded the Supervisors that school employees had not received a raise in three years. The \$241,158 would provide a 2.3 percent one-time COLA.

According to Dr. Drury, bus drives would receive \$205, new teachers would see a one-time check for \$747 and 30-year teachers would receive \$1,230 before taxes.

Tankard and Murray pressed to retain the money in the county's General Fund until the FY2012 budget has been ironed out.

Following further discussion, the board voted 3-3 not to endorse the release of the funds. (Tankard, Murray and Long voted no on the matter.)

Assistant County Administrator Janice Williams, reporting for County Administrator Katie Nunez who was absent, updated the board on the regional wastewater project and indicated that many residents of Nassawadox have expressed opposition to mandatory hookups to the wastewater system if it becomes a reality. The board agreed to request from the Town of Cheriton its decision on mandatory hookups.

The board conducted a public hearing on a request by Shore Christian Academy to seek tax-exempt status. The school currently pays \$490 in local taxes, but, according to Tim Holloway, who represented the school, plans call for a new facility that may be valued at just over \$1 million.

Murray said he supports the school's concept, but opposes the use of public funds in the form of tax relief for private

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Cheriton Man Indicted on Murder Charge

A Northampton Grand Jury indicted Trawn Lavon Stratton of Cheriton Tuesday on a charge of first-degree murder and related counts in connection with the shooting death of another county man on Aug. 28, 2010.

Stratton, 31, is being held without bond in Eastern Shore Regional Jail in Eastville. He is accused of killing Harold Moses, 48, of Cheriton. The Grand Jury also indicted Stratton on counts of displaying a firearm in a threatening manner while committing murder and entering a dwelling house while armed.

At a preliminary hearing in

Northampton General District Court in December, Quadrina Ellis testified that she and Moses were about to leave her home when Stratton arrived holding a gun. Ellis said after a long-term relationship ended with Stratton, she had become involved with Moses. She said Stratton entered her home and confronted Moses. She heard two shots and went back to find both the defendant and victim on the floor, Ellis told the court.

Police found Moses shot to death at the residence.

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Former Sheriff Named to County Board

By Linda Ciccoira

Former Accomack Sheriff Robert D. Crockett was appointed Wednesday to represent Election District 6 on the Accomack County Board of Supervisors. He was sworn in Thursday morning.

Crockett will fill the term left vacant by Supervisor Steve Mallette who resigned last week. The term runs to Dec. 31, 2011. Crockett was the only person to seek the position.

The supervisors unanimously made the appointment at a session conducted especially for the task. Supervisor Grayson Chesser was absent due to a prior commitment, but sent his support for Crockett through County Administrator Steve Miner.

"I just enjoy public service," Crockett told the board. He also volunteers at Light House Ministries in Keller, which his wife manages. "I'm her budget person," he said. "I enjoy budgets."

In a letter to the supervisors, Crockett said that as sheriff, he managed 80 employees, created and maintained a budget of \$4.2 million and worked with the public and numerous agencies. "I considered my willingness to listen ... one of my greatest assets," Crockett wrote. "I traveled the county on a daily basis so that I could learn the concerns of the public first-hand and should I have the privilege to represent Election District 6, I would do the same."

"I feel my experience with county government would allow me to more quickly come up to speed with issues facing the board, especially the county budget," he said. "I have tried to keep abreast of the current issues ... and will diligently devote time and effort in becoming fully apprised of all matters before the board."

Crockett served as president of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association in 1996. "This experience afforded me the opportunity to learn to work with a group of elected officials ... to achieve the common good," he wrote.

~ Grand Jury ~

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Also indicted were:

• Scott Joseph Abraham, 28, of Cheriton, on 35 counts of forgery and passing a bad check and three counts of petty larceny;

• T'Andre S. Brickhouse, 26, of Cape Charles, charged with a second offense of possession with intent to distribute cocaine;

• Leonard Tromell Brooks, 27, of Cape Charles, on counts of possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance, possession with intent to distribute between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana, possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance on school property, driving on a suspended license and trespassing;

• Eban R. Hodge, aka Jihad Teron Covin and Jihad Teron Anderson, 19, of Irvington, N.J., on a count of forging a public document;

• Estella Quintai Love, 29, of Weirwood, on a count of grand larceny;

• Terry M. Parker, 52, of Selbyville, Del., on a count of possession of a firearm by a felon;

• William Jerome Reid Jr., 31, of Nassawadox, on second or subsequent charges of possession with intent to distribute cocaine and possession of marijuana;

• Antonio Lee Robinson, 22, of Cheriton, on counts of burglary and attempted rape;

• Amy Gladden Sturgis, 29, of Onancock, on 12 counts of passing a bad check;

• Aaron McNeil Taylor, 28, of Cheriton, on a count of possessing cocaine with the intent to distribute it;

• Christopher Lee Tazewell, 28, of Eastville, charged with a third offense of assault and battery of a family member.

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2010 Chincoteague Crime Statistics Released

By Linda Cicaira

Overall crime on Chincoteague Island was down slightly in 2010 compared to the previous year, according to Chief Eddie Lewis of the town's Police Department. Domestic problems and illegal drug offenses increased.

There were 80 domestic cases for officers to investigate last year compared to 68 in 2009, an increase of about 15 percent. He said threats and harassment, which are mostly domestic, went from 35 in 2009 to 47 in 2010. A robbery took place on the island last year and there were none in the previous 12 months.

Theft also was up slightly from 104 cases in 2009 to 106 in 2010. Shoplifting was down from nine cases to eight. Drug cases increased by one, from 10 in 2009 to 11 in 2010, the chief said. There were 19 assault-and-battery cases last year, compared to 21 in 2009. Lewis said 20 burglaries were investigated in 2010. There were 30 breaking-and-entering cases in the previous year. Forty-eight cases of property destruction were probed in 2010, compared to 58 in 2009.

Fraud cases appeared to double from seven to 14 in the log, but Lewis said the figures were deceptive because several of the cases involved the same suspect.

Sexual abuse was down from three cases in 2009 to two in 2010.

There were 19 drunk-in-public cases in 2010, compared to 23 in 2009. Driving-under-the-influence cases dropped to 23 in 2010 from 31 the previous year.

The police also logged 117 acci-

dents, seven alcohol violations, 59 animal complaints, one hit and run, 14 lost or missing persons, 67 noise complaints, 69 public service calls, 27 road hazards, 716 security checks, 40 trespassings, 15 fights, 10 gunshots, 64 juvenile problems, and 482 traffic stops in 2010.

Chincoteague police issued 671 citations in 2010. A breakdown shows: two for possession of alcohol under age 21, two for a defective headlight, four for a defective taillight, 32 for not having an operator's license in possession, two for failure to display a decal, 92 for failure to wear a seatbelt, three for persons younger than 16 years old in the bed of a vehicle, 22 for having no state inspection, 25 for having no valid operator's license, nine for driving on a suspended or revoked license, seven for driving more than 60 days without a Virginia license, five for failure to update their address, two for having no registration, 17 for having an improper registration, seven for failure to obey lane markings, six for following too close, 21 for failure to stop for a stop sign, nine for failure to obey a traffic light, three for passing a vehicle on the right, two for making an illegal u-turn, two for making an improper turn, nine for reckless driving, 10 for failure to maintain control, 326 for speeding, two for failure to yield the right of way, three for playing on the highway, 23 for having no or expired tags, and two unspecified.

One citation was issued for each of the following: possession of marijuana, drinking while driving, noise, defective equipment, defective trailer lights, no brake lights, failure to dim headlights, use of a radar detector, learner's permit violations, allowing an unlicensed person to drive, failure to obtain a registration, expired registration, non-resident operating a vehicle for more than six months without Virginia tags, operating a vehicle without a Virginia registration for more than 30 days, no insurance certificate, failure to display tags, driving the wrong way on a one-way street, failure to stop when exiting a private road, making a right on red without stopping, hit and run felony, operating a mo-ped under age 16 and operating an ATV on-road.

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Godwin Throws Hat in Race for Accomack Sheriff

Todd E. Godwin, a longtime deputy with the Accomack County Sheriff's Office, has formally announced his candidacy for sheriff in the November 2011 election.

Godwin has more than 25 years' experience in law enforcement and is a 20-year veteran of the sheriff's office.

He will run as an independent for the post, which has been held by Sheriff Larry Giddens since 2008. Giddens is retiring.

Godwin has been chief deputy, second in command with the rank of major, since January 2008.

He began his law-enforcement career in 1985 as an officer with Parksley Police Department, followed by employment with Virginia State Police as a weight-enforcement officer in 1987.

Godwin joined the Sheriff's Office in 1990 as a patrol deputy and became the county's first certified K-9 officer in 1994 with his k-9 partner, Nitro.

He was promoted to corporal in 1995 and patrol lieutenant in 1999. As lieutenant, Godwin was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the uniform patrol division, including the SWAT team, K-9 units, dive teams and dispatch.

In 2002, Godwin also assumed responsibility for supervising animal control and began supervising the newly constructed Eastern Shore

Regional Animal Control Facility in 2005.

In addition to his training at Peninsula Tidewater Academy of Criminal Justice and the Virginia State Police Academy, Godwin has received training, including lawful employment practices for law enforcement, freedom of information training, managing jail risk and liability, budgeting for criminal justice executives, FBI first line supervisor school, liability issues for K-9 handlers, raid liability and planning, FEMA national incident management system ICS-100, 200, 700, 300 and 400, breath alcohol operator course, vehicle inspection course, uniform drug interdiction training, SWAT training, basic and advance patrol and narcotic K-9 schools, street survival and tactical use of police K-9, basic radar operator, domestic violence training, community policing in small-town and rural areas, basic animal control school, and gang training.

As chief deputy, Godwin is responsible for the management of all departmental divisions, including law enforcement, corrections, courtroom security/civil process, communications, animal control and the animal control facility.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office consists of 75 personnel.

Godwin is a member of the Eastern Shore of Virginia 911 Commission, the Chesapeake Bay



ASAP Policy Board and the Eastern Shore Regional Jail Board.

Godwin, 46, resides in Parksley with his wife, Shelia, and their two sons, Johnnie and Logan.

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Citizens Weigh In on Eastern Shore Life

By Linda Cicora

People who live in Accomack and Northampton counties are glad they do.

A survey conducted by the Eastern Shore Post showed 88 percent of participants plan to live here for the rest of their lives. About 25 percent of those residents love their community so much they couldn't find a thing wrong with the area.

Six percent can't wait to leave. Three percent are unsure if they'll always live here and another 3 percent didn't answer that portion of the questionnaire.

Those who found fault praised the Eastern Shore for its quiet, easy-going lifestyle and natural beauty. But they also said they are concerned about the lack of jobs and funding for education and transportation, as well as the abundance of litter and drug abuse. They also questioned how well elected officials do their jobs.

Kimberly Ferguson of Cradockville "moved here after college to teach. I swore after my first year ... I was moving. Here I am 20 years later. Once I gave the Shore a chance, it grew on me and yes, I have no plans to leave."

"The activities on the water, knowing so many people around me, the food ... and the way people on the Shore join in to help their neighbors" are what has kept her here. "We have a Walmart now, so I am totally happy." She wishes residents here would get a discount on the bridge-tunnel toll.

As a guidance counselor, Ferguson sees students going to a variety of colleges. "College reps tell me that they know they are getting excellent students" from Nantux High School, she wrote. "Affordable recreational facilities and activities for our kids" are big problems.

George W. Bryan of Silver Beach moved here 34 years ago. "This is heaven." Still he wrote, "The local politicians of communities don't work in unison for (the) future. Each appears to have a personal agenda."

A joint answer came from Mr. and Mrs. Andrew E. Bolster of Accomack who have lived in the area for five years. They like "the sense of community, the bountiful nature and being surrounded by water,"

but dislike "the lack of funding for the school systems and trash on the side of the roads. Hire a lobbyist to campaign for more funding for our schools ... so both counties will benefit."

Janice York of Cashville came here six years ago to get away from Delaware development. She dislikes the annual personal property tax and complained there is "not enough police protection" and "too many illegal aliens."

She suggested some lottery money be used "for more police. Not sure how to protect against illegal aliens. I don't mind people coming into the area or country. I don't even mind people who need it getting government benefits. But the word illegal should say it all."

Joann Cantamessa of Wachapreague became a full-time resident in 2000 after vacationing for eight years. "God willing," she plans to live here for the rest of her life. "Love it." She said mosquitoes are the only tradeoff.

Marita Patterson moved to Cape Charles 19 months ago for the "rural, small town, friendly, quality of life, affordable top-of-the-line housing." The biggest problem here is "controlling development to maintain the rural feel without stifling economic growth."

Forest Drummond of Onley, a lifetime resident, likes that "most people know most people" and "most people are friendly." He said the area "needs more things for locals, not just tourists," especially "teenagers."

Nicole Landon of Painter, a bookkeeper/administrative assistant at Accomack Elementary, was born here and plans to stay. She likes being close to family and lifelong friends. But she said, "Incomes are too low for the cost of living compared to other areas of Virginia/Maryland."

Dennis Schirmer of Onley is a seven-year resident who plans to stay. He came for "the beauty of the Shore, the realistic property taxes, and mostly the 'niceness' of the people." He "loves it all."

"I do my part in keeping the Shore looking good and friendly," he said. "I also try to do my little part of keeping the local economy going."

Jo Ellen Ellis of Bloxom was

born in Maryland. She's lived here on and off for 31 of her 38 years. "I plan to move to Pocomoke," she wrote. She complained about "too much violence and bullying" in local schools. "The kids are begging to be taught at home. And there are not enough jobs here that pay a livable wage."

In Ellis' opinion, the Shore's biggest problem is "we're too complacent ... I'm not saying people should get crazy. But get educated. Pay attention to everything and let your opinion be heard. You do count and if we stand together for a better way of life, it will happen. Change isn't always a bad thing. But we have to pay attention so we know what is and what isn't."

Amy Nottingham lives in Chertonton and cherishes the "QUIET." She said the biggest problem is "county officials stopping people from trying to work."

Chris Chandler of Norfolk is a native who left "to find employment that was secure and carried benefits such as health insurance and life insurance." After being gone for many years, he feels a distance, but admits, "It is possible that I may move back when I have retired." He dislikes that "so many places are gone; fallen in and in disrepair."

Chandler said the biggest problem for the Shore is "lack of cohesion among the different cultures whether they are come-heres or locals, blacks or whites or rich or poor ... tourism and restaurants will only carry a handful of workers full-time. Even then most of that is seasonal." His solution is better planning. "Plan for growth and that plan should be not only for sustained but controlled growth. ... People should become more vocal with their local and state leaders to express what they feel needs attention and fixes."

Nathan Metzger of Cradockville moved here three years ago to teach at a local school. He doesn't plan to stay. "But I like it enough here that I wouldn't rule it out as a possibility," he noted. "I enjoy the pace ... where I come from, it takes 20 minutes to get five miles down the road there is so much traffic. I enjoy the openness."

"I also enjoy the people here,"

Metzger wrote. "At any point ... I could walk into a store and strike up a conversation with a complete stranger. It's great!" He also likes being close to major cities but dislikes "the lack of things to do. The best shopping centers are at best an hour away. You have to travel 45 minutes to go bowling and an hour to find a big movie theater."

The Shore's biggest issue is "poverty," he said. "This is a problem that mankind has been trying to solve for a very long time."

John Hilton of Accomack has lived here for 13 years. His wife's family is from the Shore. The couple lives in her grandmother's house. He likes the area because it's "quiet" and "friendly. The biggest problem is "people who came here ... want to change it to what they left."

Glenn Muhle Jr. of Silver Beach said, "It is getting harder to afford to stay. People are not getting raises, many are out of work ... I like the rural way of living, being able to go to the store and run into someone you know, having a lot of family here, giving a wave of the hand to a passing car on the back roads, and clean air." He dislikes fast driving on Lankford Highway and litter. He said the biggest problems are "greed and residential growth."

Jeff Fitchett of Chincoteague moved here at 17, left at 23, returned at 27, left at 31 and returned at 47 for good. "My parents were from here and my father completed his military career and returned here," he explained. Fitchett likes the "friendly, familiar faces and the slow pace of life." He dislikes tourist season but knows it's necessary.

Terry Ewell of Youngs Creek, a native who is here to stay, loves "the music of the Shore — the wind in the pines, the breeze fluttering across the creek, the rhythm of tractors, the chugging of a crabber's diesel engine, the frothing and bubbling of a basket of Jimmies, the cry of gulls, the gurgling of the tide and chuckling of the mud, the honking of geese, the clanking of railroad cars, the shouting of curlews, the chattering of marsh hens."

She dislikes "an abundance of lazy people with no morals and val-

ues, too many strip malls and too much development that is making the Shore look like every other place on the coast. ... We should be focused on staying unique and capitalizing on tourism." She suggests that the people put "discipline back in the schools and teach kids citizenship, ethics, and morals. Support Board of Supervisor candidates who understand and support the uniqueness of the area."

Marion and Dennis Ahearn of Eastville were born in Queens, N.Y. They moved to the Shore in December 2001 when they were both 50, but they're not sure if they'll stay. "Food prices are higher" than across the bay as is gasoline. "The Shore is losing us as consumers because of the markups."

Amy Riggin Lang of Exmore, a native, never plans to move away. She likes the ease of getting to places, the beaches, and the people. She abhors that "everyone is into everyone else's business!!!" They "need more things to do." She said the biggest problem is "ignorance." The solution is "quality education."

"I may retire here, but currently live in Germantown, Md.," said native Bob Justis. His likes "the woods and the shorelines" and dislikes "poor Internet access and cell phone coverage." The area's biggest problem is "a persistent attitude that we are destined to remain mediocre and that somehow you have to come from the city to succeed in life. I was taught in school that I would not do well in college because I was competing with kids from the Fairfax school system. My teachers should have taught me that, like Abraham Lincoln, my success was up to me."

Linda Michele Craig of Parksley cited unemployment and litter as big problems. She's also concerned about "buildings that are just crumbling to the ground ... they are unlivable and the people that own them should at least clean it up or sell the property to someone who can take care of it. All the junk in people's yards ... make it look like a junkyard. This is not very attractive for the tourists we do have or the people that live here."

Marge Bradach of Gargatha said the area reminds her of farmland in New Jersey "before it became a crowded bedroom community. I cherish the serene, beautiful environment. All the people are

friendly and helpful." But "elected officials seemed mired in petty activities and do not have a long-range goal for the area. ... I see Accomack County failing to be prepared for reasonable growth."

Sarah Groshong of Eastville is a native of Newport News who came here in 1977. "Given my age and aversion to packing, I'd say the Shore is stuck with me for as long as I last." Groshong moved here to complete a master's degree internship program. "I loved it and instead of going back to The Peninsula to continue my career as a school psychologist, I stayed here. ... I have always felt that the best thing taxpayers get for their money here on the Shore is their public school."

Theresa Adams of Belle Haven is a lifetime resident. She favors the "close community and the relationships that bond the born-heres and also give warm welcomes to come-heres." She dislikes "that we let Walmart invade our quaint community" and said the biggest problem is a "lack of work ethics ... there are no opportunities here. Walmart has made that problem worse." Adams further complained about illegal immigrants taking away jobs, and local hospital work being done in the main office in Newport News.

She suggested that authorities "deport illegals" and "teach work ethics. Teach our young people to count change without a cash register. Stop supporting the lazy and help those that are willing to help themselves. Stop the jobless and government-supported people from purchasing lottery tickets they can't afford. ... If you receive state and federal assistance, make it mandatory to do something to earn that money."

Brenda Laws of New Church is a native who said for singles the Shore holds "few prospects, no good shopping and a lack of adult entertainment," whether it be "cultural, Christian or clean fun. We need vision and businesses with tasteful interests." The biggest concern is "low economics so big things can't happen here." Laws said there isn't a solution "that won't raise taxes."

Mary Gray of Eastville is a native and will stay "unless a better opportunity for my family arises. I wish that there were more ... for my daughter and her friends to socialize and have fun, maybe a skating rink, bowling alley, parks,

movie theaters and places to safely hang out." The biggest problem is the "lack of industry." She said the solution is to "replace our county supervisors."

Candy Williams of Exmore said drugs are the worst problem. The answer lies with "stricter punishment for such crimes and to try to get people off welfare."

Bryan Brown, 51, of Atlantic moved here 47 years ago. "Unfortunately," he said he would not live here forever. He said he's being "taxed to death." The biggest problem is "county officials."

Charlie Ross of Belle Haven met an Eastern Shore couple in Iceland while in the Air Force in 1958. "In the early '90s, we bought land and in 1996 built our house and have been here ever since." He said lack of jobs is the largest issue. His answer is "a more aggressive effort by county government."

Natalie McAllen of Craddockville grew up in Machipongo. She loves "the beautiful scenery and friendly nature of our residents. You can find a quiet, peaceful place to escape from the chaos and craziness." McAllen said her good education was not all achieved in school. "My family helped provide me with a strong educational and experience background." A teacher, McAllen said, "I am educating the citizens of tomorrow's Eastern Shore."

"Our biggest problem ... is that people don't have confidence in the Shore. ... We need to build our confidence up about our own backyard somehow."

Eveline Cropper of Horntown is a native who returned to the area. "I love the ... rural living, slow pace, close-knit communities, easy access to Ocean City and Assateague beaches, best seafood on the planet, good schools." She said, "Route 13 is a problem with so much through traffic." The former School Board member and supervisor said the biggest problem is "not wanting to accept change and not addressing problems in a proactive way."

Willie Holland of Parksley has lived on the Shore for 51 years after his company transferred him here. He likes the people and the rural character. The biggest problem he sees is "not enough meaningful employment opportunities." He doesn't have an answer. "I wish I did."

Karen Simpson of Quinby has lived "here a glorious 35 years. De-

spite any drawbacks, I can't imagine living anywhere else now." She moved here "to escape from the Northeast — the traffic, the having to live up to the Joneses, the hustle bustle and rat race."

She likes "the natives, the slower pace of life, the isolation, lower taxes. If I feel the need to socialize, shop get some culture — New York City, D.C., Raleigh, Philadelphia and even Norfolk/Virginia Beach are not terribly far away by car."

She dislikes "the come-heres who do nothing but complain and want to change the Shore to be like where they came from."

Kara Perry of Painter was born and raised in the area. "All my family is here! I like small-town living!" She dislikes "having to travel to Salisbury or across the bay to buy certain things." The biggest problem "is affordable housing (and) no competition on certain items, such as building materials. I also don't think there are enough attractive and well-paying jobs to keep college graduates here."

Debra Howard Sorenson moved to Tangier in August to become the artist-in-residence at the Tangier museum. She loves "the beauty and the people. I'm saddened by the demise of ... shore towns." She said the solution is to "roll back some of the government regulations destroying the crabbing, fishing and oystering industries."

Vicki Weiskopf of Chincoteague moved here with her husband in 2003 to retire. "The Eastern Shore ... may one day become like the environs of Washington, D.C., but when it does Bill and I will not be alive. And if we are, we will not live here anymore!" she said. "We love the slower pace we find here, but at times it is nice to visit a cultural hub, too."

The biggest problem is "the sluggish, ancient, agriculture-chicken based economy. The federal government should not let NASA continue to under-utilize the Wallops facility ... what is happening with the Wallops Research Park? The Shore needs an advocate in places like the Pentagon, where programs and budgets are born."

Patrick Belote of Onancock "can't praise ESCC enough." The biggest problem he sees is "economic despair. We need more decent jobs in the area. This could be discussed for hours!"

\$60,000 Grant Focuses on Health of Shore's Children

The Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth has awarded Eastern Virginia Medical School (EVMS) a \$60,000 grant to support the efforts of the Eastern Shore Child Health Coalition (ESCHC). The grant will support three initiatives: a media-driven fitness challenge, a worksite wellness policy initiative and coalition strengthening.

The Shore has the highest rate of overweight adults in Virginia, and while child body mass index (BMI) measurements specific to the Shore are not available, behavior change in youth has the greatest potential to provide lifelong protection from chronic and early disease, according to Patti Kiger, M.Ed., an instructor of pediatrics at EVMS, who founded the ESCHC in July 2009 and serves as its executive director. EVMS serves as lead agency for the ESCHC.

Over the summer, ESCHC conducted a Community Health Assessment and Group Evaluation on the Shore and has a strategic plan to address shortcomings un-

covered in the evaluation. Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth will aid in the achievement of strategic initiatives called for in the plan.

The strategic plan includes 12 initiatives, chief of which is to implement "livable communities" on

the Shore. "Livable communities" are economically competitive; have a range of housing types; offer transportation options, including sidewalks, bicycle trails, and public transit; and centrally locate community facilities such as parks, schools,

libraries, and health facilities to encourage walking and active living.

ESCHC, comprised of 90 members representing 25 organizations, meets monthly on the second Thursday at Eastern Shore Community College.

Property Still Wanted for Research Park Trade

By Linda Ciccoira

The hunt for recreational property to be swapped for Wallops Research Park land in Wattsville is continuing, according to members of the Wallops Park Replacement Committee.

"We're still looking, that's the main thing we're trying to say," member Wesley Edwards said at a meeting Tuesday. He referred to a "short list" of possibilities that includes land donations and possible purchases. He would say only that the properties being considered so far are between Parksley and the county line near Exmore.

Edwards said gifts would be tax-deductible and could mean a memorial to a loved one. "Any kind of deal is open for discussion," he added.

Accomack must replace the existing 32.56-acre park in order to develop the research park. That land was obtained through the federal government. Offi-

cials said more than one tract of land could be acquired for the exchange.

The committee has used the county's geographic information system (GIS) to review county-owned sites, including offices, boat landings, solid-waste facilities, and schools. The three-member panel reviewed other suitable lands, including a 10-acre parcel offered as a donation. No other details about that property were disclosed.

Anyone interested in donating is asked to contact County Attorney Mark Taylor at 787-5799 or at countyattorney@co.accomack.va.us

Board of Supervisors Vice Chairwoman Laura Belle Gordy on Tuesday assumed the committee seat left vacant when Steve Mallette recently resigned as supervisor. The other member is Supervisor Wanda Thornton.

The committee will next meet at 9 a.m. Jan. 25 in the supervisors' chambers in Accomack.



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Northampton Receives Grant for PDR Program

Gov. Bob McDonnell has announced the distribution of \$100,000 in grants from the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) to eight Virginia localities, including Northampton County.

Localities must use the grant to preserve farmland through local purchase of development rights (PDR) programs, which compensate landowners who voluntarily place a perpetual conservation easement on their land.

"Even in these difficult economic times, I am committed to setting aside funds for preserving farmlands, lands that are producing goods, providing jobs, and generating tax revenue for localities," said McDonnell. "One of my top environmental priorities is to permanently preserve 400,000 acres of land during my administration.

The budget proposal I submitted to the General Assembly in December includes an amendment to provide \$400,000 more for PDR programs in the next fiscal year, for a total of \$500,000 in grant funding."

For the FY 2011 allocation round, eight localities, including Northampton County, received \$12,500. Grant applicants had to report how much funding was available for their local PDR programs as of Oct. 22, 2010, and the state funds matched that amount, up to \$12,500 per locality.

Superintendent Search

The Accomack School Board will hold a special meeting at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, in the board chambers in Accomack to meet with a representative from the Virginia School Boards Association regarding the search for a new superintendent.

The current superintendent, W. Richard Bull Jr. has announced that he will retire at the end of this school year.

Wallops Packs Economic Wallop


A new study says the aerospace industry, including Wallops Island Flight Facility in Accomack County, contributes \$7.6 billion to Virginia's economy each year.

The study just released by Gov. Bob McDonnell's office also says the industry supported more than 28,000 workers in 2009.

The study, sponsored by the Virginia Department of Aviation, and conducted by the Performance

Management Group at Virginia Commonwealth University in partnership with Chmura Economics & Analytics, is the first comprehensive economic study of the industry in Virginia.

Virginia's Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport is one of four spaceports in the nation. It is scheduled to begin commercial operations to the International Space Station from Wallops Island Flight Facility this year.




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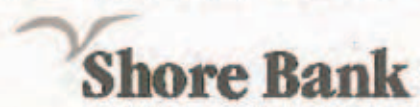
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Community Notes



The Cape Charles Historical Society has received \$10,000 from the Gwathmey Memorial Trust of

Richmond toward the cost of ceiling repairs and a new roof at the Cape Charles Museum. The society applied for the grant as part of an ongoing effort to raise \$40,000 for these critical repairs, without which the museum cannot remain open. More funding is needed.

In addition to the Gwathmey grant, applications for funds have been sent to the Eastern Shore Community Foundation and the Morgan Foundation of Richmond. The latter is for a challenge grant, which would require the society to match the amount granted, with new contributions specifically targeted to the project.

The society is grateful to Elizabeth Gwathmey, who established the Gwathmey Memorial Trust in part to help organizations such as the Cape Charles Historical Society preserve their local history.

Cheriton Needs Residents' Opinions of Plan

By Ron West

Cheriton Councilman Larry LeMond recently provided his colleagues on Town Council an update on the status of the regional wastewater system.

LeMond noted that lack of support by area residents is a stumbling block. While the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has approved a \$10 million loan to help cover the infrastructure costs, there is still a need for residents to submit a survey form indicating their support or non-support of the wastewater system. LeMond said Council would soon reach the go or no-go deadline for the project.

Area resident Vincent Conroy expressed concern over the monthly cost for connection to the system. Conroy stated that with mandatory pump-out every five years and fees running at approximately \$250 compared to monthly fees of \$40, it would be far more cost-effective for residents to retain their current septic systems.

Councilman Henry Heneghan

Jr indicated that monthly fees of \$32-\$35 would be more in line with what the people of the community can afford.

LeMond read a proposed resolution that would allow for a monthly usage fee of no more than \$35; no connection fees for those signing on when the system becomes operational; and voluntary hookups, if at least 80 percent of the residents agree to connect to the system.

Councilman Lawrence West complained that the monthly fees would be a financial problem for a number of residents.

Council voted 5-1 (West opposed) to support the resolution.

Council discussed the status of

the proposed boundary adjustment with the county. LeMond read a letter that he suggested be sent to area residents, explaining the need for the boundary adjustment and asking them to indicate their support or opposition. Mayor Robert Lewis Jr was asked to review the letter prior to it being sent to residents.

Upcoming Town Meetings

TUESDAY, JAN. 18

•Melfa Town Council -
7 p.m., Town Hall

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19

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

~ Supervisors ~ (Continued From Front Page)



New Board
Chairman
Willie Randall
(right) and
Vice Chairman
Sam Long Jr.

Photo by
Ron West

institutions.

Long stated that parents of students at the school would be paying additional fees for their children attending the school if the request

is not granted. He pointed out that the parents already pay county taxes, which help support the public schools, while also paying tuition to the private school.

The board voted 5-1 (Murray voting no) to grant the school tax-exempt status.

Following the vote on Shore Christian Academy, Murray urged the board to have the county review all entities which have tax-exempt status. Currently, property valued at \$353,222,200 (4,873 acres) is tax-exempt, equating to \$1.7 million in tax relief. The board agreed to the request.

In a final action of the evening, the board voted to support a request by Supervisor Oliver Bennett to have the commissioner of revenue identify some questionable properties being sold at tax auctions. Bennett said that on at least one occasion, a property had been sold at auction but could not be physically located by the tax office.

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Russell Moore and his family would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who participated in the planning of the chicken dinner fundraiser that was held Dec. 18th at the Little Neck Café. An extra special thanks goes to Tim Abraham and his family who organized the event. There was a good turnout and we are so thankful to all who bought a dinner or made a donation. We have received many cards of support and donations from people in the community who want to help. These donations will go a long way to help with the cost of medical expenses.

Russell was diagnosed with leukemia in September 2010 and has been receiving treatments at MCV Hospital in Richmond. Sting-Ray's owner, John Tann, has been graciously providing transportation to MCV as well as friends and relatives. He has now completed what we hope will be his last round of treatments that will put him into remission. The doctors are hopeful and so are we!

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George W. Chandler Jr. Named to Dean's List

University Maryland Eastern Shore student George W. Chandler, Jr. of Birdsnest, Va. has been named to the Dean's List for the 2010 fall quarter. To receive Dean's List commendation, students must earn a grade point average of 3.50 or above.

W. Thomas Mears Is New Bank CEO

Shore Bank has named W. Thomas Mears president and chief executive officer.

Mears brings over 20 years of banking experience in markets on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and surrounding areas. He joins Shore Bank from Wilmington Trust, where he was market manager — Lower Delaware and Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Mears succeeds Steven M. Belote, who will assist with the transition and then assume another position with the company, to be determined following the transition.

Prior to Wilmington Trust, Mears worked at Peninsula Bank, an affiliate of Mercantile Bankshares Corp., from 1989 to 2006, then served as regional president/market executive for PNC after its acquisition of Mercantile Bankshares Corp.

Mears graduated from Broadwater Academy in 1984 and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He also graduated from the University of Maryland Banking School and the University of Oklahoma Commercial Banking School.

Mears currently resides in Berlin, Md., with his wife, Laura, and two sons, Davis and Will.

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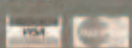
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OBITUARIES

Guilford Waterman Dies

Mr. Larry Stuart Annis, 64, of Guilford passed away Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital.

Born in Nassawadox, he was the son of Marjorie Pryor Annis of Guilford, and the late Stuart Annis. Mr. Annis was a former waterman and had worked at Saxis Clam House and for Campbell's Soup in Pocomoke, Md. He attended Independent Pilgrim Church in Parksley.

Other than his mother, survivors include his son, William Rodney Annis (and wife, Carol) of Clam; granddaughter, Renae Jean Williams (and husband, Chris) of Salisbury, Md.; step-grandson, Justin Davenport of Clam; great-grandchildren, Maria Nicole, Christopher Jr., Aubrey Ann and Emily Elizabeth; uncle, Richard Annis (and wife, Judy) of Guilford; aunt, Betty Satchell (and husband, Morris) of Hebron, Md.; and cousins, Faye Johnson of Hebron, Becky Justis (and husband, Lewis) of North Carolina, and Todd Satchell of Indian Head, Md.

Funeral services were conducted from Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Saturday, Jan. 8, by Pastor Wayne Asbury. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery in Parksley.

Memorial donations may be made to Independent Pilgrim Church Building Fund, c/o Michael Barnes Sr., 19422 Greenbush Rd., Greenbush, VA 23357. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

50-Year Parksley VFC Member Dies

Mr. Henry Trader Nicholson Sr., 69, of Hopeton passed away Thursday, Jan. 6, 2011, at Riverside Shore Memorial in Nassawadox.

Born in Justisville, he was the son of the late Joshua Lee Nicholson and Sarah (Sadie) Davis Nicholson.



Mr. Nicholson

Mr. Nicholson was a retired EMT working for Accomack County Department of Public Safety. He served as a past president, chief and treasurer for Parksley Volunteer Fire Company

during his 50 years as a member. He was also a past president of Delmarva Fireman's Association and served as leader for Parksley Junior Fire Company. He was a Boy Scout leader for former Troop 300 and also served as a clerk for Countryside Auctions for over 30 years and as a Parkley police officer.

Mr. Nicholson is survived by his wife, Ruby Louise Nicholson; sons, Henry T. Nicholson Jr. and Adam L. Nicholson; daughter, April Lynn Gray (and husband, Eddie); sister, Evelyn Taylor; and sister-in-law, Peggy Nicholson, all of Parksley; grandchildren, Chelsea and Sara Nicholson; special nephew, Chester Jackson (and wife, Linda); several close friends; and his Parksley Fire Company family — past and present. Mr. Nicholson was predeceased by a son, Roy L. Nicholson; three brothers, Frances, Joshua and George Nicholson; and a sister, Mabel Linton.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Jan. 9, at Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, with Pastor Dennis Taylor officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, 18431 Dunne Ave., Parksley, VA 23421. To express condolences or sign the guestbook, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home, Parksley.

Parksley Resident Dies

Mrs. Virginia Lee Budd Hart, 77, of Parksley passed away at home on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2011.

Born at home on White's Neck Road, Mrs. Hart was the daughter of the late Ralph T. and Beatrice Hinman Budd. She worked many jobs with the public over the years, was a homemaker and a member of Parksley Baptist Church.

Mrs. Hart was predeceased by her husband, Ernest E. Hart Jr.; an infant son, Daniel Thomas Hart; a grandchild, Christopher Kerr Hart; a brother, Ralph W. Budd; an infant sister, Louise M. Budd; and two sisters, Annie B. Smack and Eunice B. Fitchett. Survivors include her sons, Gregory Ernest Hart (and wife, Anita) of Greenbush and Michael Elmore Hart (and wife, Janice and step-son, Trae Revelle) of Parksley; daughter, Sandra Leigh Hart Mears (and husband, Larry M.) of Parksley; sister, Ruth B. Taylor of Parksley; brother, Carroll T. Budd (and wife, Brenda) of

Greenbush; grandchildren, Jason Carl Hart, Allison Leigh Hart, John Ernest Hart and Katharine Marie Hart; great-grandchild, Jackson Kelly Hart; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Graveside services were conducted Tuesday, Jan. 11, at Parksley Cemetery, with Rev. Bob Boyce and Pastor Sam Welch officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, 18431 Dunne Ave., Parksley, VA 23421; Parksley Baptist Church, 24359 Adelaide St., Parksley, VA 23421; or Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Express condolences or sign the guest book online at www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home, Parksley.

Bloxom Resident Dies

Mr. John Gates, 68, of Bloxom, husband of Ruth Ann Gates, died Sunday, Jan. 9, 2011, at his home.

Born in Washington, D.C., he was the son of the late Culver and Viola Young Gates. Mr. Gates was a retired firefighter for Fairfax County.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in Northern Virginia.

To express condolences or sign the guestbook, please visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home, Parksley.

Church Activist Dies

Mr. Paul Leonard Snead, 85, of Chincoteague Island died Sunday, Jan. 9, 2011, at his residence.

Born in Chincoteague, he was the son of the late Charles E. and Fannie R. (Jester) Snead. Mr. Snead was a member of Union Baptist Church on Chincoteague, Pals Sunday School Class, and Gideons International. He was a part of the Chincoteague Jail Ministry for over 20 years and enjoyed playing his trumpet and harmonica in churches. After retirement, Mr. Snead also enjoyed making oyster shells out of wood with Scripture; he distributed these while witnessing for his Lord. He also led the Chincoteague Carnival Bible distribution for the Gid-



Mrs. Hart

eons for several years. He retired from NASA as a facility management specialist at Wallops Island.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Charlotte Snead of Chincoteague; number one buddy of over 80 years, Robert Birch of Greenbackville; sons David and Tim; daughter, Marian; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins. Mr. Snead was predeceased by his brothers Newman E. and Paul O. Snead; and two nieces, Nina Loy Matthews and Crystal Kelley.

Funeral services were conducted at Union Baptist Church on Chincoteague Island Thursday, Jan. 13, by Rev. Kevin Eley. Interment was at Downing Cemetery, Oak Hall.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Onancock, VA 23417; or Gideons International, P.O. Box 546, Parksley, VA 23421. Condolences may be offered online at www.salyerfh.com

Arrangements were made by Salyer Funeral Home, Chincoteague.

Melfa Resident Dies

Mrs. Iris Williamson Guy Taylor, 90, of Melfa passed away Monday, Jan. 10, 2011, at her home.

A native of Campbell County, Va., she was the daughter of the late Samuel H. and Alice Pentecost Williamson. Mrs. Taylor was a member of Exmore Baptist Church and Mildred Stephenson Chapter 117 Order of the Eastern Star.

She was predeceased by her husband, James Henry Taylor. Survivors include her nieces and nephews, Donald Blanton (and wife, Beverly) of Severn, Md., Darice Zeigler (and husband, Tom) of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, Mary Alice Formo (and husband, Lee) of Monroe, Va., Stacy Williamson (and wife, Ruth) of Pamplin, Va., and Ingrid Johannsen of Arizona.

Funeral services will be conducted today, Jan. 14, at 11 a.m. at Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore by Pastor Jonathan Carpenter. Interment will be in Onancock Cemetery. Family will join friends one hour prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Online condolences may be shared at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

(Obituaries Cont'd on Next Pg.)

E.D. Supply Retiree Dies

Mr. James Richard Wheatley, 77, of Wachapreague passed away Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2011, at his residence.

A native of Middletown, Del., he was the son of the late Frank and Blanche Hastings Wheatley. A U.S. Navy veteran, Mr. Wheatley was a retired sales clerk for E.D. Supply, and a past member of Central Shore Lions Club and American Legion Post 56.

Survivors include his wife, Diane Guthrie Wheatley; children, Jamie Wheatley (and wife, Nicole) of Onancock and Tori Wheatley of Wachapreague; step-son, Derek Hurdle (and wife, Nikki) of Wattsville; grandson, Connor Hurdle of Wattsville; and sister, Ruth Walker of Middletown.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, Jan. 15, at 11 a.m. at Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore by Pastor Joe McKnight. Interment will follow in Wachapreague Cemetery. Family will join friends one hour prior to the service.

Memorials may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite #, Onancock, VA 23417. Online condolences may be offered at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Chincoteague Ponies Relocated Due to High Water

Story & Photo by Windy Mason

Visitors to Assateague Island will find fewer Chincoteague wild ponies in the meadow to the right of Beach Road. Some of the southern herd, usually totaling about 50 ponies, has been moved to the larger northern range until spring.

Denise Bowden, who took over public relations duties this past October, said they were moved due to the accumulation of water on the range where the ponies normally live. "To get them through the winter, we moved them up on the northern end. In the spring, they will be moved back," said Bowden.

"The decision to move them came out of the flooding of the grazing area, for them to have grass to graze on and higher ground to get to," Bowden explained. "The Pony Committee chairman (Harry Thornton), along with his group, makes the decisions."

"This is the first time that I can remember them being moved due to weather," Bowden said. "It wasn't so much the snow. It was because of the pounding nor'easters that flooded the area."

The Chincoteague ponies live in two herds on the Virginia end of Assateague Island. The estimated



High water from recent storms covers much of the grazing area for the southern herd of the wild ponies on Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge.

50 ponies in the southern herd can often be seen by visitors driving to the beach or by hikers who go to the Woodland Trail overlook. The northern herd numbers about 100 ponies, but they are not seen by the general public until they are brought into the Beach Road corral for the July auction.

Referring to the impact winter weather can have on the ponies, Bowden said, "This past storm they made out great. They're smart animals. They know where to get food and to seek higher ground if it's too wet. In this past storm, we had people go over that Monday. They took 35 bales of hay. The ponies had water in their troughs that they were drinking."

As to their behavior in rough weather situations and their reaction to snow, Bowden said, "I think they're just like any other animal. They're used to it. They're used to the cold weather. I would think that some of the younger ponies probably like to frolic in the snow and play. I don't see where it affects them much."

Bowden said she believes their least favorite weather is rain. "If it's a hard rain, they'll relocate themselves. They will seek higher ground. It's just a natural instinct to them. They're not dumb animals whatsoever. If it gets to be where they are actually flooded out, that's when we decide to move them up to the northern end where there is more of a highland area."

Although it has not been an is-

sue so far this winter, the biggest concern for the ponies during the cold months is a hard freeze. "Definitely during a hard freeze when we have to break water," said Bowden. "This happens when there are a cold couple of days with temperatures below 32 degrees."

While the majority of the ponies remain on Assateague, a few can be seen at the Chincoteague carnival grounds. This year's buyback ponies — those purchased at the auction that will be put back into the herd — are being kept at the carnival grounds until spring.

Bowden said the ponies do not require much care. "We throw out hay a couple of times a week. The Pony Committee checks on them every day. There is still grass for grazing at the carnival grounds and we don't keep hay there all the time, because too much hay is not good for their diet." The ponies have the luxury of automatic water lines on the carnival premises.

"Every day someone from that Pony Committee goes out to the beach to make sure everything is OK," said Bowden. "Everyone pretty much knows what to do, but if something does arise that needs to be addressed, the chairman will select a couple of people and ask them to go out and correct it. And, they'll correct it."

Windy Mason is a staff writer for www.wildponytales.info which is an online publication that covers Chincoteague and Assateague islands.

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"Many New Year's resolutions go by the wayside pretty quickly," said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. "Regular car care is a resolution that will pay off all year, every year. It's relatively simple

to implement and the results are demonstrated in a better performing vehicle and fewer unexpected repairs and breakdowns that can result from vehicle neglect."

The council recommends the following service interval schedule to use when making regular vehicle maintenance part of your New Year's resolutions:

- Perform monthly checks of tire pressure and the condition of tires, lights and windshield-washer fluid. The vehicle

should also be cleaned monthly.

- Every three months or per the owner's manual, check the engine oil and filter; the levels of other fluids, including automatic transmission, power steering and brake; and battery, cables, belts and hoses. The exhaust and fuel filter also should be checked at this interval.

- Every six months or 6,000 miles, the chassis lubrication should be checked and windshield wipers should be replaced.

- Every 12 months or 12,000 miles, the brakes, spark plugs, coolant and steering and suspension should be checked.

If the "check engine" light comes on, vehicles should be immediately taken in for service to identify the problem.

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JAN. 14** ★9 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - **Safe Exercise Guidelines** - Shore Cardio, Nassawadox - 414-0178

★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Sage Restaurant, Onley - 442-2474

★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Family Life Center, Onancock - Simple Meal: \$6/person or \$10/family

★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/ Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486

★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Adventist Community Center, Exmore

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

★7:30 p.m. - **Texas Hold'em Tournament** - Parksley VFC - 665-6977

**SATURDAY
JAN. 15** ★8 a.m.-noon - **Farmer's Market** - Downtown Park, Main St., Chincoteague

★9 a.m. - **Zumba Class** - sponsored by Chincoteague YMCA - Senior Center, Chincoteague - \$5

★10 a.m.-noon - **Waste Watchers Road Clean-Up** - Meet in Walmart parking lot - 787-7468

★2 p.m. - **Chincoteague Natural History Assn. Talk (Lieutenant Marc Merriman)** - Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge

★4 p.m. - **VA Tech Alumni Oyster Roast** - JII West Seafood, 4150 Townsend Drive - 442-5522

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

★7:30 p.m. - **ESO Cabaret Featuring Johnny Mo** - ESO, Belle Haven - \$10/ticket - 442-3226

**Post
Times
Jan. 14 - 20**

**SUNDAY
JAN. 16** ★2 p.m. - **The Zionaires** - Bethel AME, Onancock

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

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

**MONDAY
JAN. 17** ★8:30 a.m. - **Community Unity Breakfast** - Northampton High School, Eastville - \$5 for adults; free for students - Unity Walk to follow

★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - UMC Fellowship House, Chincoteague

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

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

★10:30-11:30 a.m. - **Moms In Touch Int'l Prayer Group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church

★5-6 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock

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

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

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

**TUESDAY
JAN. 18** ★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock - 787-3900

★noon - **Church Women United mtg.** - Naomi Makomie Presbyterian Church, Onancock - bring sandwich and bring a friend

★1-2:30 p.m. - **Hospice Grief Support Prgm.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church, 501 Randolph Ave. - 787-3310

★1:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock

★4:15 p.m. - **TOPS weigh-in (prgm. @ 5)** - Belle Haven Presbyterian - 442-3984

★6 p.m. - **Multiple Sclerosis Support Group**

★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486

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

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

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

★7 p.m. - **Northampton County Democratic Committee mtg.** - American Legion Post 400, Eastville

★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Jerusalem Baptist, Temperanceville

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

★7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon meeting** - Atlantic UMC - 824-5386

**WEDNESDAY
JAN. 19** ★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Restaurant, Onley

★8 a.m.-noon - **Farmer's Market** - Downtown Park, Chincoteague

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

★10 a.m.-noon - **Accomack AARP mtg.** - Sunrise Restaurant, Onley

★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Sage Diner, Exmore - 442-2474

★10:30 a.m.-noon - **Hospice Grief Support Prgm.** - Swain Memorial Sunday School Bldg., Tangier Island - 787-3310

★11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - **Debedeavon Toastmasters mtg.** - NASA/Wallops Base - Call Terry at 757-824-1133 for base access

★noon - **AA mtg.** - United Methodist Church, Onancock

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

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

★4 p.m. - **Arts & Crafts Time** - Cape Charles Memorial Library

★5:30 p.m. - **SPCA Annual mtg.** - Hermitage, Onancock

★6:30 p.m. - **E.S. Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 62 mtg.** - Yellow Duck, Exmore - 442-5916

★7 p.m. - **Man to Man Prostate Cancer Support Group mtg.** - Riverside Shore Cancer Center, Nassawadox

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

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

**THURSDAY
JAN. 20** ★10 a.m. - **E.S. Community Services Board mtg.** - E.S. Behavioral Healthcare Center, 19056 Greenbush Rd., Parksley

★11 a.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - Public Library, Accomac

★2 p.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - North Library, Nassawadox

★5 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Baptist Bible Church, Accomac

★6 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Cape Charles Rescue Squad bldg., Cheriton

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

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

★6:30 p.m. - **Shore Lifesavers 50/50 Bingo Night** - Parksley VFC

★6:30-7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles

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

★7 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous mtg.** - Painter Garrisons UMC

CERT Training Begins

A Community Response Team (CERT) training program is available to Eastern Shore residents beginning Tuesday, January 25th. Citizens will learn how to provide help for their family and neighbors in emergency situations. The 20 hour program consists of both lecture

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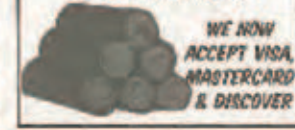
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 Plaintiff
 CIVIL CASE NO. 10-203

vs.

AMBROSE CUFFEE
 HENRY LEE CUFFEE, JR.
 DORICE KELLY JENKINS
 SHORE HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
 DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT
 COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
 Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land near Hare Valley, Northampton County, Virginia, being 1.00 acre, more or less, on Route 618 and designated as parcel no. 00015-0A-BLK-00-054A.

standing in the names of Ambrose Cuffee, Henry Lee Cuffee, Jr. and Dorice Kelly Jenkins, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

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

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before January 28, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 30th day of December, 2010
Traci L. Johnson, Clerk

I ask for this:
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ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Accomack County Circuit Court
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301

Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re*
Malista Ness-Hopkins v. "Martinez", further name
and residence unknown

The object of this suit is to:
Change the name of Texena Anne Martinez

It is ORDERED that "Martinez" appear at the
above-named court and protect his interests on or
before March 3, 2011.

The Accomack-Northampton Housing Authority (A-NRHA) is soliciting proposals from owners/developers of multi-family housing interested in receiving an award of Section 8 Project Based Vouchers for developments in Accomack or Northampton Counties.

The A-NRHA will make up to 60 vouchers available for project bidding. Successful proposals will further the A-NRHA's goal of deconcentrating poverty, expanding housing and economic opportunities and/or meeting needs identified in a local plan or revitalization effort. In order for a proposal to be considered, the owner must submit the proposal to the A-NRHA by the published deadline date and the proposal must respond to all requirements as outlined in the RFP. Late or incomplete proposals will not be reviewed.

Proposals must be received at the offices of the Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority, 23372 Front Street, PO Box 417, Accomac, Virginia 23301, on February 21, 2011 by 5 p.m. For additional information or to receive an RFP package, please contact Kat Edwards at (757)787-2800 ext. 120.

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The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission will hold public meetings to review the 2004 Eastern Shore of Virginia Bicycle Plan and priorities, and to solicit suggestions for new plan segments.

Two meetings will be held:
 • Monday, January 10, 2011 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Conference Room #2 at the former Northampton County Middle School, 7247 Young Street, Machipongo, Virginia and
 • Monday, January 31, 2011 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Accomack-Northampton PDC, 23372 Front Street, Accomack, Virginia.

THE BICYCLE PLAN AND MAP CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.A-NPDC.ORG/TRANSPORTATION.HTML

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also is associated with paper money and is used to describe plants and I love those things.

Green can characterize someone who is inexperienced, jealous or sick as in "green around the gills" and "green with envy." I usually visualize a different green when thinking of the various items. An online encyclopedia says there are 63 shades of this color. Are you imagining pea soup, asparagus, broccoli or pears?

For first the time in the history of Eastern Shore garbage, green soon will be linked to the Town of Painter for recycling. Yippee! As of Jan. 17, there will be a place for those who live in southern Accomack to take plastic, glass, tin, aluminum, paper and other salvageable stuff

My favorite hue is considered an additive primary color. Green comes from the Old English verb *growan*, meaning, "to grow." Of course, green

(without driving all the way to Tasley).

Not everyone is happy about the shift away from the old "green boxes." But, hopefully, someday we will all be able to eliminate the picture of those filthy stairs and handrails from our minds. I have another hope and prayer: that those who can't or won't get to the dumpsters, don't throw their trash on the side of the roads.

Maybe they wouldn't do that if they thought of their trash as oil. A Japanese man has built a machine that melts the plastics (which are petroleum products) and converts them back into oil. If these machines were widely produced, that plastic bottle or grocery store bag could be worth money, or at least not something people would throw out the car window.

There are those who don't like the location of the newest convenience center. I know it is farther from my house than the Craddockville site.

But can anyone really complain about the new convenience center's ability to keep trash out of our landfill? While tons of garbage may make money, in the long run socking the stuff under our soil cannot be good. But sending it far away to a recycling company sure can.

I say let's ship out all the trash or recycle it

in our own homes.

A friend recently told me that one of her favorite things at Christmastime was ironing paper. Her family saved all the wrappings. The next year they ironed them crisp and reused. They packed the folded and wrinkled stuff along with the rest of the ornaments and decorations and used them again and again. She loves the smell of warm paper. I imagine after time the paper wore out. But it took awhile.

In my family, after opening presents we would throw all the paper in a pile and our dog would run through and play. The paper wasn't worth saving after that. Still, we probably wouldn't have. Only people who were adults during the Great Depression did stuff like that in my youth.

If you don't take your recyclables to Painter or your closest convenience center, you might want to start stockpiling them. If the economy gets any worse, you could use the glass jars to can vegetables. Tin foil might be too expensive to buy. And those plastic containers we so easily throw out might be needed when we can't get oil from other countries. Is all that gloom and doom realistic? I'm not sure. Do landfills get full? That's a definite.

Post Office Mail

Ms. Kirkwood Deserves Better Treatment

Dear Editor:

With respect to last week's Letters to the Editor, OK, first off, I don't know who is running the SPCA now, nor do I care.

I can remember when the SPCA building was an old, small trailer and most of the dogs were outside, and those who ran it were very grateful for anything they received from the community. They never turned away anything.

I also remember when the building they have now was opened.

Now it seems they want only cash contributions, period! This is wrong.

Then again, could it have been who was supplying the beds?

I feel if the beds were not coming from Ms. Kirkwood, they would have been accepted. Yes, I know and remember how the folks of Accomack and Northampton counties had, and just still might be, treating this woman.

*James Smith, North Carolina
(Born and raised on the Shore)*

Toy Fund Supporters Earn Gratitude

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Accomack County Department of Social Services, I would like to thank the community, Eastern Shore businesses, and organizations for their generous donations to our annual Toy Drive Fund-raising Campaign.

Through their donations and purchases of our "Taste of Accomack County" cookbooks, our 2010 Toy Closet, held on Dec. 15 and 16, was a success. The lives of 781 children were touched, thanks to the overwhelming support we received.

Thank you for sharing the Christmas spirit with these children by providing them with a wonderful Christmas, one they otherwise may not have received.

We look forward to your continued support in 2011.

Dawn Parks

Accomack Department of Social Services

Cancer Victim's Family Says 'Thanks'

Dear Editor:

I am the father of Melissa Forrest Coffin, grandfather of Reese Coffin, the 5-year-old diagnosed with brain and spinal cancer on Oct. 4, 2010.

I am writing to thank everyone who has prayed, walked, raised funds and sponsored events; and the friends and families who have poured out their hearts and money. We deeply appreciate the kindness in your eyes, that hug on a hard day, the hard-earned money you gave, the timeless hours and energetic spirits.

The outpouring, which has shown me what great friends and people you are, has helped make this difficult road a little easier and a lot brighter. Our logo now should read, "You will love our nature — Can I help?"

We leave for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., on Jan. 15. We are scared and happy both, thankful mostly that Reese was accepted for treatment.

Charles R. Forrest

Hospital Care Was Great

Dear Editor:

I was recently in our local hospital, Riverside Shore Memorial, for 12 days. While I was there, I got the best care. The nurses, assistant nurses, food service people, custodial workers, X-ray technicians — all employees involved with my care — were friendly and caring.

I read accounts of dissatisfied people and I wonder why. My level of care could not have been better.

In my opinion, we are very lucky to have them. It is the people who make our hospital great. My doctors, physical therapy and nursing care made it possible for me to stand and walk again. To the administrator, I say you can be proud of the job your people do. None of you have to do your job so well; you choose to. I thank all of you; I owe you a lot. Oh yeah, the food was wonderful ... Thank all of you.

Dennis Guy, Craddockville

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