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NASA Official Pleads Guilty to Theft and Kickbacks

Contractor payoffs included use of a vacation home on the Eastern Shore of Virginia

By Linda Cicaira

Steve Eric Kremer was chief of the Range and Mission Management Office at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility (WFF) where he oversaw \$191 million worth of contracts. From 2008 to 2015 he also stole government funds and received kickbacks while being paid a six-figure salary for the Suborbital and Special Orbital Projects Directorate.

The 53-year-old Berlin, Md., man admitted his crimes Tuesday in U.S. District Court, in Norfolk, Va. He pleaded guilty in an agreement with prosecutors and is free on his own recognizance. Senior Judge Henry Coke Morgan Jr. accepted the plea.

Supervision was not ordered while Kremer is on bond. He is free to travel in Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and West Virginia. The engineer had to turn in his passport and was cautioned about bail jumping. Sentencing was set for March.

No promises for sentencing were made. Prosecutors agreed there would be no other charges filed against Kremer "in the Eastern District of Virginia for the specific conduct described in the information or statement of facts." Kremer also agreed to waive indictment.

The maximum penalty for receipt of gratuities by a public official is two years in prison and a fine of \$250,000. The maximum sentence for theft of government funds is 10 years; a \$250,000 fine; restitution, which is \$19,469 in this case; forfeiture of assets, which is \$37,289; and three years of supervised release.

Kremer paid a \$200 special assessment and promised to "testify truthfully

and completely at any grand juries, trials, or other proceedings." No one else has been publicly named in connection with the crimes.

According to court records, Kremer and his family annually spent a week

at a woman's vacation home in Cape Charles in return for his helping her company secure work at NASA. The woman also obtained art for Kremer using government funds totaling \$17,820.

She and her business were referred

to as SC and Firm 2, respectively. The company is "a privately-held small business located in Annapolis, Md., that provides commercial furniture and interior design services to local, state, and federal government agencies."

Text messages between Kremer and SC helped make the case. One message directed her "to bill this piece of art" to the government contract "but to conceal the true nature of the purchase." On Oct. 21, 2011, Kremer sent an email to SC directing: "Don't state that on the quote, please. We need to call it something else." SC responded, "Listed it as a whiteboard. Not my first time at the rodeo!"

"The next day, Kremer sent SC an email noting that it would 'look suspicious' to deliver the piece of art at the same time as legitimately-purchased goods. He then joked, 'We can work that out in a dark alley in D.C. Haha.'"

Court records stated, "In or about mid-December 2011, SC delivered the personalized artwork to Kremer, along with other interior design supplies for Kremer's personal use." She then submitted an invoice for \$1,000 for two whiteboards.

Court records also stated Kremer bought himself gift cards under the guise that he and staff needed reference books for the job. Instead, the cards were used to purchase beauty and skincare products, luggage, apparel, footwear, sporting equipment, cell phone accessories, and kitchen appliances.

The engineer awarded contracts for launch range operations support such as radar, telemetry, logistics, tracking,

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Photo by Linda Cicaira

Only on the Shore, It's Front Door Decor
Photographer Linda Cicaira captured this quintessentially Eastern Shore front porch decoration at the Hopkins Bros. Store in Onancock perfectly blending Shore and Christmas themes.

Northampton's Murray Uses Forum To Clear Up 'Misinformation' About County Issues

By Stefanie Jackson

The chairman of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors, Spencer Murray, took an unconventional approach to his speech at the semi-annual Eggs & Issues breakfast and political forum sponsored by the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce at the Accomac Elks Lodge Dec. 5.

Murray briefly mentioned recent accomplishments in Northampton before confronting the audience with his personal conclusions on three topics of debate in the county, saying he needed to "correct some misinformation."

He referred to members of Northampton's school board, board of supervisors, and staff of both organizations, who formed a committee to decide if the aging Northampton High School should be renovated or reconstructed.

One structural engineering firm, Speight, Marshall, and Francis, reported nearly 12 years ago that the original 1954 building was in "poor" condition and the cost of repairs would exceed 60 percent of the cost to rebuild.

Under Murray's leadership, the board

of supervisors recommended Northampton schools hire another engineer to get a second opinion on the high school's structural condition.

In September, the committee advertised for an engineering firm to conduct "structural investigations" and "studies to determine extent of repairs necessary," among other tasks.

Murray said at the Dec. 5 forum that the committee "recently had a meeting ... of five architectural and structural engineers, and they met and they went through their review. Four of the five indicated that Northampton High School is certainly old ... and it needs repairs, but ... there's nothing critically structurally bad."

Northampton schools Superintendent Eddie Lawrence later clarified Murray's statement, indicating the school is in "no imminent danger" of collapse.

But Lawrence has not disputed the poor condition of the 1954 school building. An April letter from Speight, Marshall, and Francis stated the auditorium walls "are in danger of experiencing localized partial collapse." Auditorium repairs are expected to begin

during Christmas break when no students or staff are present.

The architectural and structural engineers Murray referred to were taken on a walkthrough of the high school at a mandatory pre-bid meeting Sept. 26.

Five engineering firms were interviewed on Nov. 27 and 28, but none has been hired and no formal structural investigation has begun.

The committee originally planned to select a firm by Dec. 11, but it has only narrowed down the pool to three choices and is considering another round of interviews. Phase 1 of the engineering project may be expanded. A final decision on which firm will conduct the structural investigation is expected in late January or early February.

Murray also said that recent reports about Eastern Shore Communications (ESC), a wireless internet service provider based in Cape Charles, were inaccurate.

A press release issued Nov. 14 by the offices of U.S. Senators Tim Kaine and Mark Warner stated, "Eastern Shore Communications LLC will receive

\$1,799,911 to construct a broadband fiber fixed-wireless high-speed network capable of servicing residents of Chincoteague, Wallops Island, Accomac, Exmore, Cape Charles," and several areas across the Chesapeake Bay.

The nearly \$1.8 million was awarded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development office as a Community Connect grant.

Murray said none of the funds will benefit the Eastern Shore. Instead, the money will be spent in Camden County, N.C., "for implementing a hybrid fiber optic and fixed wireless broadband service," according to an Eastern Shore Communications press release issued by company president Ronald van Geijn.

ESC has established an office in Elizabeth City, N.C., headed by Don Imhoff, the company's vice president of business development.

The project announcement released by USDA stated ESC "will be expanding their system to this new community," which appears to be Elizabeth City, N.C.

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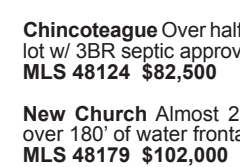
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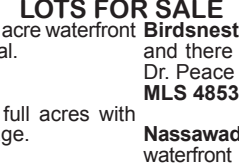
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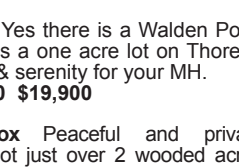
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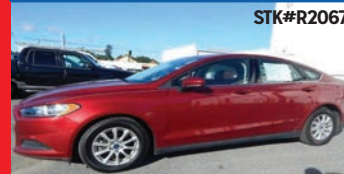


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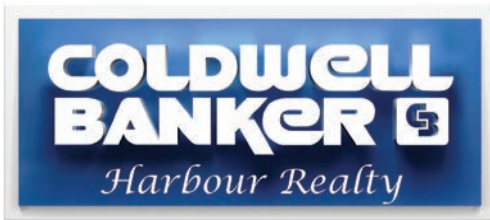
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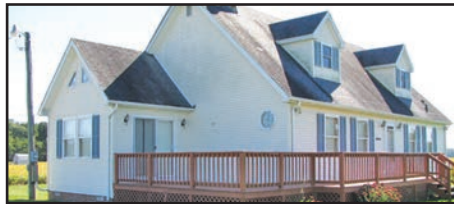
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dressed to U.S. senators and congressmen of both North Carolina and Virginia, and Warner's press secretary, Nelly Decker, asserted that the grant was intended to benefit counties in both states.

USDA stated that grant funds must be used in the Proposed Funded Service Area (PFSA) indicated on the grant application.

Without reviewing the application, USDA concluded that "Eastern Shore Communications is obliged to use funding in Virginia and North Carolina."

But Van Geijn said he designated only Camden County, N.C., as the PFSA on the USDA grant application.

The Eastern Shore Post submitted a Freedom of Information Act request to USDA Rural Development to confirm Van Geijn's claim.

Murray also discussed the Eastern Shore's shortline railroad, jointly owned by the public authority, the Accomack-Northampton Transportation District Commission (ANTDC), and private company Canonie Atlantic.

Murray is one of eight board members (four supervisors each from Accomack and Northampton) shared by the two entities.

A recent Eastern Shore Post article reported Murray had declined to disclose how much money was received for selling the Nandua, the barge formerly used by the railroad, despite the \$1 million in state and local funds used to repair the barge prior to its sale.

"We're not acting in secret," but, "there are private elements that I won't talk

about," Murray said on Dec. 5

He also discussed how the owner of the former Bay Coast Railroad in Cape Charles had 18 years left on its lease, but ANTDC and Canonie Atlantic were able to secure "a long-term lease arrangement" with Delmarva Central Railroad (DCR), a branch of Carload Express Inc. DCR will operate on near-

ly 15 miles of track between Hallwood and Pocomoke City, Md.

Another long-term lease was obtained with Buckingham Branch Railroad in central Virginia, Murray said.

"It seems to me that there's no story that's so successful that someone cannot turn it into a negative and wrap it into a conspiracy theory," Murray commented.

Accomack Boasts of Progress on Jobs, Rec, and Safety Fronts

By Stefanie Jackson

Accomack Supervisor Reneta Major discussed the county's latest accomplishments and upcoming projects at the Eggs & Issues breakfast and political forum recently.

Wallops Flight Facility will be home to the first U.S.-based launch pad for Rocket Lab, a private company. Rocket Lab will be the first tenant in the Wallops research park and will create 30 jobs, Major said.

Saw Mill Park, located in Accomack, the county seat, has been open since June and features a playground, walking trail, ball park, and a concession stand powered by solar energy to offset parks costs. The park also will be lighted soon, she added.

The Accomack County Airport, in Melfa, will be getting new runway

lighting at a cost of \$4 million, funded primarily by the Federal Aviation Administration, Major said.

Accomack Emergency Medical Services has expanded by adding paid EMS staff in Melfa, Saxis, and Greenbackville to decrease EMS response times in those areas. This was accomplished without raising property taxes, she said.

In cooperation with Accomack schools Superintendent Chris Holland, there will be emergency shelter available for pets in at least one of the six schools the county uses for emergency shelter, Major continued.

She commended Accomack County staff for getting a new access road to the Hillsborough community after the road was washed out by heavy rains in September.

Major encouraged all Accomack res-

idents to visit the county website and register for CodeRed, a free emergency notification service.

(CodeRed registration information can be found by visiting www.co.accomack.va.us/ and hovering over the Departments tab, then clicking through the following links: Emergency Management – listed under Public Safety, Citizens & Visitors, and Emergency Notification by CodeRed.)

Major announced that Accomack will open a new, "tech savvy" emergency operations center in the spring, complete with shower facilities.

Accomack also is preparing to implement new e-permitting software on its website that will allow citizens to cut down on trips to the planning and zoning office, she said.

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and communications services. The contracts were for services at test facilities and launch control centers. He did this job in 2014 when an Antares rocket exploded on the launchpad.

Keith Koehler, news chief at WFF, wrote in an email Wednesday morning, "NASA can confirm that Mr. Kremer is a former NASA employee who resigned from NASA's WFF in May 2018." Records show Kremer holds a bachelor's degree in electrical and electronics engineering from the University of Maryland's A. James Clark School of Engineering.

"From approximately December 2013 through March 2015, Kremer directed the purchase of various promotional items to be given to extracurricular organizations involving a member of Kremer's family and an associate of Kremer's at WFF," court records state. "Most, if not all, these promotional items were charged to Project 100 ... the funds for these materials (\$11,500) came directly from the range operation contracts." Government monies were not approved to be used in that manner.

From December 2013 to April 2016,

Kremer sought funds from two contractors, who were referred to in court records at Firm 1 and 3, for the extracurricular organizations.

Firm 1 "is an aerospace engineering services company located in Columbia, Md., that delivers space and ground range services and base facility services to the Department of Defense, NASA, and civil customers." It "holds several contracts for operation and maintenance efforts at the WFF, and was the prime contractor" hired by Kremer.

A total of \$32,000 in donations was received from Firm 3, a subcontractor of Firm 1. SC's company provided services through contracts held by the Columbia business.

"The defendant acknowledges that the foregoing statement of facts does not describe all of the defendant's conduct relating to the offense charged in this case nor does it identify all of the persons with whom the defendant may have engaged in illegal activities," the plea bargain stated.

"Kremer sent an e-mail to certain employees of Firm 1 ... requesting Amazon gift cards be purchased on his behalf which he would purportedly use to purchase electronic reference books ... for himself and other ... government employees ... In total, \$7,000 in ... cards were procured for Kremer."

Records state Kremer used the cards

for personal use and had the items shipped to his residence. "None of the items ... purchased by Kremer ... related to work efforts conducted at the WFF."

On Dec. 7, LJT & Associates, of Columbia, announced on its website that it was awarded a \$200 million contract to provide launch range operations support at WFF. The "indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity contract includes cost-plus-fixed-fee and firm-fixed-price ordering capability over a five-year period."

Robert Conrad, the company's president and CEO, stated, "We are excited and honored to continue our support of the

WFF Launch Range Operations Contract that provides the East Coast with responsive and critical access to space in support of NASA, commercial and Department of Defense missions ... As part of the contract, the company will provide Wallops Range operations and maintenance; support services; training; command, control, communications, information and computer systems services; testing, modifying and installing communications and electronic systems at launch facilities, launch control centers and test facilities; range sustaining engineering services, and space vehicle ground operations support."

ESCC Begins Search for New President

By Linda Cicaira

The process of hiring the Eastern Shore Community College's (ESCC) next permanent president has begun, according to a letter that was emailed to school workers Wednesday.

"Next week, our national search will launch formally with advertisements and other recruitment activities," wrote Glenn DuBois, Chancellor of Virginia's Community Colleges. "I expect the process to conclude by the end of the spring semester."

"With the strong support of your local college board chair and co-chair, we are us-

ing the information gathered during visits of the Virginia Community College System assessment team, the town hall meeting I conducted at the end of November, and the subsequent community surveys to shape the job description and articulate the leadership traits needed to advance ESCC."

Dubois said the college "needs a president who will lead and appropriately respond to the challenges and opportunities that will define the next chapters of the college's story."

The chancellor also extended his "appreciation for the contributions Dr. Billy Greer has made as ESCC's interim president."

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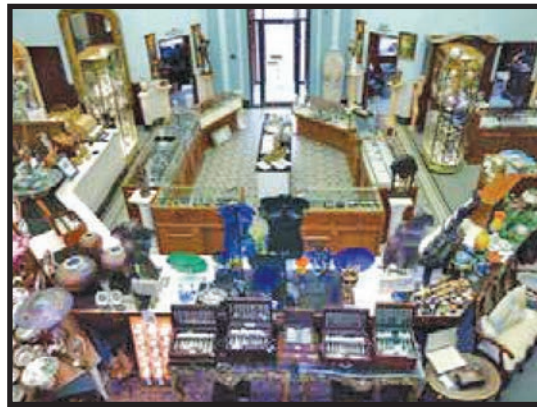
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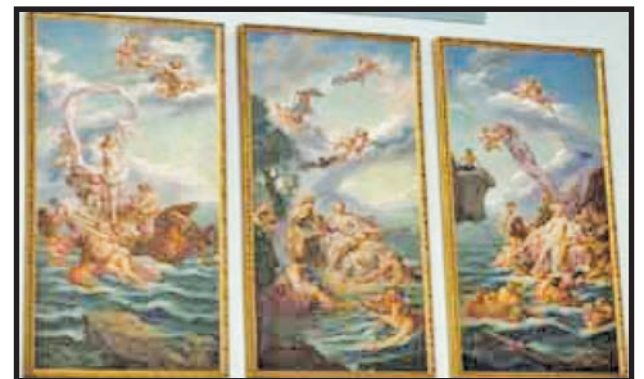


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126 Sunset Blvd., Lot 44, Bay Creek Marina
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- Parcel 3, 10 acres, Northampton County
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24036 Bennett St., Parksley
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For \$1,500
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For \$141,000
- From Cynthia Kane
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To Paul and Susan Pullen
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- From Robin Peterson
To Mary Tyler and Louis Didomenico
Lot 318, Unit 1, Trails End
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- From Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.
To Benjamin Gutierrez
36127 North Wainhouse Rd., Belle Haven
For \$39,500
- From Patrick and Kathryn Musso
To Jesus Suarez
15086 Shields Bridge Rd., Belle Haven

- For \$136,000
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16514 Poplar Cove Rd., Onancock
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To Edwin Abbott
22370 Jersey St., Greenbush
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For \$15,000
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To Thomas and Laura Fitzpatrick
3201 Amidship Dr., Greenbackville
For \$185,000
- From Tyler Ames
To Catherine and Jeffrey Scott
36191 Mason St., Belle Haven
For \$150,000
- From Debra and Ronald Hallstrom, trustees, Linda and Parris Frantz, and James Blow
To Lisa and Mark Martin
Lot 116, Bay Creek, Cape Charles
For \$16,000
- From Joseph and Helen Asir
To Charles and Rachel Hugo
Lot 17, near Kiptopeke Beach, Butler's Bluff, Section II
For \$330,000
- From Sylvia Brooks
To Orris Cypress
Lot at Shadyside
For \$20,000
- From John and Lara Hubbard
To N.P. Dodge Jr. and Leslie Delperdang, trustees
Lot 47, near Cape Charles
For \$311,500
- From Tawanna Sunkins, heir
To James Hobson
Lot 5, Cheriton
For \$180,000
- From Cape Charles LLC
To Peacock Cottage LLC
Lot 115, Bay Creek, Cape Charles
For \$17,000
- From Bay Creek South LLC
To James and Nancy Turner
Lot 20, Bayside Village, Section V, Cape Charles
For \$225,000
- From Project Age Incorporated
To Sunnyside GC LLC
Lot in Cheriton
For \$85,000
- From Dana Properties LLC
To Cheriton Holdings LLC and Judith Adams, Sondra Block, and Paul Harans, personal representatives
Lot in Cheriton, Wise Building
For \$50,000
- From Wilson Clarke and Mariah and Benjamin Mears III
To Cedar Key Farm LLC
Tracts A&B, 144 acres and 134.73 acres, near Shadyside/Wilsonia Neck
For \$2,250,000
- From Franco and Catherine Nocera
To RA Family LLC
2 parcels in Nassawadox
For \$250,000
- From Janet and Eleanor Bruce
To David and Katherine Meyers
Unit C, 117 Mason Condominium
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To Edward Kates Jr. and Mary Goodwyn
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Court Postings

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Tasley Man Pleads Guilty to Painter Store Robbery

A Tasley man could be fined up to \$602,500 and sentenced to two life terms plus 23 years in prison for robbery and other crimes that occurred in March at a Painter convenience store.

Antonio Lamar Harmon, 37, of Mini Road, pleaded guilty last week in Accomack Circuit Court to malicious maiming, robbery, use of a sawed-off shotgun, and brandishing a firearm. He was remanded to the Accomack Jail to await sentencing.

A police report stated an armed man went to Corner Mart on Lankford Highway and demanded money from the clerk around 11:30 p.m., March 28. Harmon assaulted a customer as he fled the scene on foot with an undisclosed amount of money.

In another case, Larry Dynell Jus-

tice, 54, of John Cane Road in Greenbush, was convicted of being an accessory before the fact of grand larceny. The crime occurred March 16 at Advantage Lawn Care. Justice was initially charged with grand larceny. A short form presentence report was ordered. The defendant was remanded to jail.

Jenna Nicole Holmes, 19, of Accomac Road in Accomac, pleaded guilty to assaulting a police officer on May 16. The case was continued until March. Court records show Holmes was walking in traffic and shouting obscenities at passing drivers when Deputy John Rose of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office was called to the scene.

Calvin Nathaniel Nock Jr., 40, of Horntown Circle in Horntown, pleaded guilty to possessing cocaine on Dec. 26, 2017. A charge of obstruction of justice was not prosecuted. The case was continued to Jan. 17.

Norman Thomas, 50, of Seaside Lane in Painter, pleaded guilty to grand lar-

cy of property from Royal Farms in Parksley on July 18. A presentence report was ordered.

Thomas Ulric Dennis, 61, of Withams Road in Withams, was convicted of two counts of possession of cocaine. He was given a total of six years in prison with all but three months suspended. The first offense was in October 2016. Dennis was initially treated as a first offender and judgment was withheld. But when he was caught a second time, in April 2018, the first charge was reinstated.

3 Charged With Felonies In Northampton

Felony charges were made against three people in Northampton County, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court.

Keiuonda Q. Graves, 35, of Exmore, was charged with embezzlement from Food Lion in Exmore. She was arrested in connection with the Aug. 9 offense on Nov. 30. Papers were filed with the court Dec. 3. Graves was released on her own recognizance.

James Beasley Jr., 41 of Creedmoor, N.C., was arrested Nov. 15 for grand larceny that occurred Sept. 19. Court documents about the case were filed Nov. 27.

Yakima Taylor, 27, of Painter, was charged with counts of forgery and uttering in connection with incidents on Sept. 28. She was arrested and released Nov. 27. A January preliminary hearing was scheduled.

Hallwood Councilman Charged

A Hallwood councilman was convicted of a misdemeanor offense Wednesday in Accomack General District Court.

John Wilson Smith Jr., 70, of Hallwood, was fined \$30 for misuse of an antique registration on a 1980 Toyota wagon. Records state Smith was pulling a trailer with the vehicle on Sept. 23, which is not legal.

The incident occurred on Lankford Highway in front of Perdue Farms. He was charged with inoperative brake lights but was found to have complied with the law.



Submitted Photo

Candy House To Be Given Away

Ellie Cackowski, of Blue Crow Antique Mall, has made her 40th candy creation, to be given away in a Dec. 19 drawing. There is no cost to enter; just stop by Blue Crow and fill out an entry form. Cackowski and her husband, Len, has owned the Blue Crow for 16 years. She said three adults and three children attached about \$200 worth of wrapped candy to the cardboard structure using confectioners icing.

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OBITUARIES

Daniel Jay Arris

Mr. Daniel Jay Arris peacefully passed on to eternal glory on Dec. 3, 2018, surrounded by his family.

Mr. Arris is survived by his four children and nine grandchildren; Kimberly Arris-Potter and Walter Potter (Alex and Mad-die), David Arris (Daniel and Mary Katelynn), Todd Arris and Allyson Willoughby (Carter and Lane), and Katy Arris-Wilson and Kevin Wilson



Mr. Arris

(William, Sophie, and Kayla). He is also survived by his sister, Peggy Shipley, and a niece, Pam Putman and her husband, Rick. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Mary; dear daughter-in-law, Jolene; brother-in-law, E.B. Shipley; and two infant siblings.

Mr. Arris was born Feb. 1, 1932, in Frederick, Md., to Alexander and Etal Arris. He graduated from the University of Maryland in 1954 with a degree in business administration and was a member of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity. He went to Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I., where he received his commission in the U.S. Navy and retired as a commander in the Naval Reserve. He married the love of his life and his "rock", Mary Siu Mei Wu, in 1958. After moving to the Tidewater area, Mr. Arris began his career in insurance as president of both Arris Malbon Etheridge, Inc., and Brown Arris Langhorne, Inc. He served on the Travelers Insurance Company National Advisory Council and as president of both the Independent Agents of Virginia Beach and of Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Arris raised four children in Virginia Beach, and Mr. Arris played an active role in their lives and in the community at large. His goal was to raise good citizens, and he led by example. He was an active member of Thalia United Methodist Church where he served as board chairman, taught Sunday School, and volunteered in the food pantry. He coached Little League Baseball for eight years. His civic activities included serving

as president of several organizations - the Oceana Lions Club, Thalia Civic League, Sertoma Club, Thalia Elementary PTA, and board of directors at Old Dominion Aquatic Club. He also served on both the school board for Virginia Beach City Public Schools and the board of trustees at Virginia Wesleyan College. Mr. Arris served as chairman of the Virginia Beach Planning Commission, chairman of the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce, and director emeritus of the Neptune Festival. Most recently, he served on the finance committee and was chairman of the resident council at Atlantic Shores Retirement Community. He enjoyed friendship with members of the Oceana Coffee Club for over 55 years. He was a lifetime hunter. He enjoyed pheasant hunting in Kansas, duck hunting in North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland, and turkey hunting in Henry County and on the Eastern Shore. He was a sports fanatic and a devoted fan of the New York Yankees.

There will be a visitation at Atlantic Shores Retirement Community, open to the public, on Monday, Dec. 17, 2018, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. A Celebration of Life is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018, at 3 p.m., at Thalia United Methodist Church with a reception to follow in the Large Social Hall. The Rev. Joe Varner will officiate the service. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Mr. Arris' life. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Thalia United Methodist Church. The family would like to thank the medical staff at Sentara Virginia Beach, Sentara Heart Hospital, Cardiovascular Associates, and Lake Taylor Transitional Care Hospital for their exceptional and compassionate care.

William Jeffrey Boole

Mr. William Jeffrey Boole, 60, a resident of Exmore, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018, at his residence. A native of Exmore, he was the son of JoAnn Scott, of New Mexico, and the late Ralph P. Boole. Mr. Boole was a retired carpenter.

In addition to his mother he is survived by



Mr. Boole

brother, Richard, of Idaho; aunt, Louise Gorman, of Kensington, Md.; four cousins, Gloria Hudson and her husband, Tommy, of Exmore, Michael Boole and his wife, Mary Vick, of Lake Ariel, Pa., Marianne Westrich and her husband, Ronald, of Virginia Beach, Va., and Mark Gorman, of Maryland; numerous nieces and nephews; and a dear and devoted friend, David F. Richardson and his wife, Michele, of Jamesville.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018, at Belle Haven Cemetery with the Rev. Jonathan Carpenter officiating. Memorials may be made to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Cardiopulmonary Research, 20480 Market Street, Onancock, VA 23417.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Ralph Randolph Miller III

Mr. Ralph Randolph "Little Randy" Miller III, 45, of Parksley, passed away Dec. 9, 2018, at his residence.

Born April 30, 1973, in Nassawadox, he was the son of Randy Miller Jr. and the late Mary Ellen Miller. Randy worked for many years as a mechanic and was an assistant mechanical supervisor for Tyson. Little Randy will be missed for his big, warm hugs and a smile that would light up any room.



Mr. Miller

Little Randy is survived by his father, Randy Miller Jr. and wife, Dawn, of Parksley; a sister, Mary Jo Miller, of Parksley; a brother, Brandon Miller and wife, Allison, of Leemont; numerous aunts and uncles, Evelyn and James Barefoot, Joe and Paula Miller, Shirley and Herbert Mears, Bernard and Linda Beasley, Thomas and Libby Beasley and Bobby and Peggy Beasley; and several cousins.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, Dec. 13, 2018, from Zion Baptist Church in Parksley with the Revs. Andrew Matthews and Wayne Asbury officiating. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 14, Parksley, VA 23421 or the SPCA of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

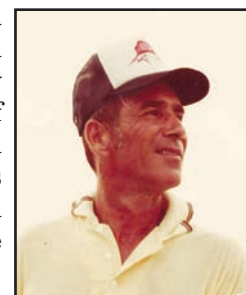
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G. Keith Pusey

Mr. G. Keith Pusey, 80, of Onancock, husband of Esther Pusey, passed away on Dec. 8, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born on Feb. 23, 1938, in Newport News, he was the son of the late Wendell

Alva Pusey and Sadie Lambertson Pusey. Mr. Pusey was the owner of Western Auto in Onancock and was the transportation director for the ESAAA.



Mr. Pusey

Other than his wife, Mr. Pusey is survived by two daughters, Gayle Crutchley, of Melfa and Stacy Pedrozo (Pete), of Hawaii; a son, Trent Pusey (Amy), of Salisbury; a stepdaughter, Leigh Valentine (Tim), of Parksley; a stepson, Jeff Ward (Lisa), of Onancock; two sisters, Donna Park (Bob), of West Virginia, and Wendy Hall (Chip), of Melfa; eight grandchildren, Kyle (Karen) and Jake Crutchley, Peyton and Logan Pedrozo, Caroline, Nicholas and Nathan Pusey; two step-grandchildren, Nicole DeCarlo (Brian) and Ricky Bailey; three great-grandchildren, Kyleigh, Karson and Kahne Crutchley; and two stepgrandchildren, Jordan Atkinson and Caleb DeCarlo.

Other than his parents, Mr. Pusey was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Bobby Crutchley.

A graveside service was held on Wednesday, Dec. 12 from the Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock with the Revs. David Boothe and Jonathan Carpenter officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 6 Herndon Ave., Annapolis, MD 21403.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

To sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

John Philip Schoolfield

Mr. John Philip "Jack" Schoolfield, 68, was born in Nassawadox and passed away Sept. 26, 2018, in the Blue Ridge Mountains that he loved and lived in for the last 30 years. Jack grew

up in Guilford, Conn., and Albany, N.Y., but spent every summer of his childhood on the Eastern Shore of Virginia on his grandparents' and parents' estate known as Wellington, in Franktown.

Jack had a deep passion for hiking in the mountains and kayaking and canoeing on the Chesapeake Bay and its many creeks and seaside marshes and loved paddling on the James River. He was almost always accompanied by his beloved dogs on every adventure.

Jack's passion for the wilderness is reflected in several volumes of his beautiful poetry, a gift he left to his family and friends. His poems also spoke of his two tours in Vietnam as a combat medic where he served with his comrades in the 11th Armored Cavalry of the Black Horse Battalion. He was also an adviser to the South Vietnamese Army where he held clinics and delivered babies, tended to the sick and wounded and fell in love with those young Vietnamese children who were his patients. Jack received several coveted Silver and Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts for his service.

After the war, Jack moved to the Blue Ridge Mountains near Charlottesville and worked at the Stone School as a counselor for troubled boys and helped them better their lives through the wilderness therapy program. He also worked at a veteran's organization known as COVER, counseling veterans and traveling to speak about the war and PTSD.

Jack was predeceased by his proud and loving parents, John Blaine Schoolfield and Kaatje Hurlbut Schoolfield. He was deeply loved and will be missed by his brother, George Mallory Schoolfield (Mary Deem), of Franktown, and Mary Schoolfield Dufty (Ken), of Exmore.

He was adored by two nephews, John Mallory Schoolfield (Joy), of Charleston, S.C., and Peter Baxter (Sasha) of Watervliet, N.Y. Jack was also smitten by his two nieces, Catherine Baxter Malylil (Jason), of Bronx, N.Y., and Blaine Schoolfield, of Newport, Ore., and will also be deeply missed by his numerous loving cousins and friends.

Jack kept us all in stitches with his incredible sense of humor, especially on his legendary canoe trips with his nieces, nephews, and cousins on the Eastern Shore creeks and the Chesapeake Bay. Everyone who knew him has a favorite story of his exploits and jokes, and he leaves as his legacy a smile and side-splitting laughter.

As a tribute to Jack, we want to share one of the hundreds of poems he wrote and one that particularly captures his spirit and sense of adventure in the later chapter of his life:

"No balding Zen man
ever labored more
up slope and down
slipping in the red mud.
no ragged monk
loved whiskey more
laughing and drinking
on the top of Wyatt's Mountain.
no mountain hermit
ever walked so crooked
puffing and sweating
leaning on a stick
down the mountain
over the old road home.

Services were private and facilitated by the Doughty Funeral home to which we owe deep gratitude. Donations to any veteran's organization of your choice in Jack's name would be appreciated.

Effie Marie Giddens Spady

Ms. Effie Marie Giddens Spady, daughter of the late Lloyd Henry Giddens and Annie Maude Baines, boarded an evening flight and entered into eternal bliss on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital surrounded by family and friends.

She was born on March 14, 1941, in Franktown. Ms. Spady received her education in the Northampton County School System and furthered her education through the Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital. She was baptized at Bethel Baptist Church under the administration of Dr. L. L. Ford and was a faithful and dedicated member of Bethel where she served in many capacities for more than 60 years. Specifically, she was a member of the Willie Frank Tanner Jr. Gospel Chorus and co-founder of the Rosebud Choir and Ushers. She also served in various other ministries such as Scholarship, Hospitality, Culinary and Nurses Guild.

Ms. Spady was employed for 33



Ms. Spady

years at the Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital. It was there she made many dear and lasting friends. She was involved in community activism as she carried out the mandate of the prophet, Micah, Chapter 6, Verse 8, "What does the Lord require of thee, but to do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with thy God." Ms. Spady could always be seen with her best friend and sister, Jane, at the hospital, riding around the Shore, taking trips to Richmond and just about everywhere else! She assisted with the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebrations, numerous voter registration drives, NAACP events and other community banquets. She was an advocate for social justice and a lifetime member of the NAACP. Ms. Spady was a proud recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award. She served as treasurer for the Virginia-Maryland Baptist Association District II Sunday School Convention for over 20 years and was known as "Aunt Effie" to the students of the Boston College Volunteer Program.

Ms. Spady absolutely adored her family, which was obvious through the great pride she and her sister took in running the family business, Giddens' Do Drop Inn, the oldest ongoing African-American business in Northampton County. Ms. Spady kept the legacy of her parents alive as she and her sister prepared the facility for many community events. Her pride and joy were her children, Deborah and Stacy. She loved and constantly kept them dear to her heart and was without a doubt the woman they spoke of in Proverbs 31:28, "Her children will rise up and call her blessed." To know Ms. Spady was to encounter one of God's greatest jewels who left nuggets of love in the hearts and spirits of all she met.

Ms. Spady was predeceased by her parents; her brother, Lloyd Henry Giddens Jr.; and a godson, Tobias Webb. Those who remain to celebrate her life and carry on her legacy are her daughter and son, Deborah Griffin (Bruce) and Stacy Giddens (Cheryl); three grandchildren, Glen Parker Jr. (Brandy), Bruce Griffin Jr. (Joyvan), Brandon Griffin (Kristianna); four sisters, Annie Mae Fisher, Margaret Washington, ML Giddens and Jane Giddens Cabarrus; one brother, Wilmor Giddens (Dorothy); one aunt, Margaret Sarah Webb;

a sister-in-law, Mary H. Giddens; ten great-grandchildren; two goddaughters, TaShica White and Tiffany Smith; a son she called her own, Pastor Kelvin F. Jones; an extended son, Kendrick Hope; three extended sisters, Judy Anderson, Audrey C. Brickhouse and Judy Jones; an extended brother, Dr. Robert M. Paschall, family friend and supporter, Dr. L. D. Britt; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends in the communities of Northampton and Accomack counties.

Most importantly, Ms. Spady continues to give. Many years ago, she chose to be an organ donor. Her wishes were carried out, and now she will continue to give life to others. "To God be the Glory for the Great Things He has Done."

Lou Ann Ashby Steffey

Mrs. Lou Ann Ashby Steffey, 84, devoted wife of the late Richard Gerald "Jerry" Steffey Sr., passed away Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018, at Hermitage on the Eastern Shore in Onancock. A native of Exmore, she was the daughter of the late Samuel C. Ashby and the late Genevieve Startt Ashby. She was a graduate of Mary Washington College.



Mrs. Steffey

Mr. and Mrs. Steffey were steadfast in wanting the best for their children in every phase of life. Mrs. Steffey is survived by four children, Pamela Dawn Bush and her husband, Tom, of Maryville, Tenn.; Beverly Ashby Steffey, of Durham, N.C.; Richard Gerald Steffey Jr. and his wife, Sibhaluck, of Spearfish, S.D.; and Brian James Steffey and his wife, Shelly, of Gastonia, N.C. She is also survived by six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Mrs. Steffey was predeceased by two brothers, Samuel C. Ashby Jr. and Owen Startt Ashby.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Dec. 15, 2018, at 11 a.m. at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Fletcher officiating. Interment will follow in the Belle Haven Cemetery. Family will join friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

Memorials may be made to The Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan

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Granville Lee Taylor

Mr. Granville Lee Taylor, 80, of
Mears, husband of the late Lola Taylor,
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his residence.

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Taylor and Allene
Godwin Taylor.
Mr. Taylor was an
engineering technician for NASA.



Mr. Taylor

Mr. Taylor is survived by four step-
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several cousins; and special friends,
Brian, Melanie, and Cole Chapin.

A funeral service will be held Saturday,
Dec. 15, 2018, at 2 p.m. from the Thornton
Funeral Home in Parksley with the Rev.
John Maddox officiating. Interment will
follow in the Groton's Cemetery.

The family will receive friends one
hour prior to the service, at 1 p.m., at
the funeral home.

Arrangements were made by the
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Ethel Ada Thornes

Mrs. Ethel Ada Parker Thornes,
87, wife of the late Dennis Franklin
Thornes Jr. and a resident of Birdsnest,
passed away Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018, at
Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in
Onancock. A native of Oyster, she
was the daughter of the late Willie
H. Parker and the late Martha M.
Marshall Parker.



Mrs. Thornes

She is survived
by four children,
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ty, of Birdsnest, Jeff Thornes and his
wife, Pam, of Eastville, Dennis Thornes
and his wife, Tammy, of Cape Charles,
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vid Sloan, of Cape Charles; three sisters,
Sylvia Nash, of Scranton, Pa., Norma
Hoffpauir, of Orange, Texas, and Martha
Gladden, of Cape Charles; five grandchil-
dren, Toni Thornes, Jarrod Sayers, Dani-
elle Labreck, Jake Thornes, and Quinton
Thornes; and two great-grandchil-
dren, Caleb Sayers and Liam Sayers. She
was predeceased by a daughter, Denise
Thornes Sayers; a brother, Allan Parker;
and a sister, Phyllis Etz.

Funeral services were conducted Sun-
day, Dec. 9, 2018, at Wilkins-Doughty Fu-
neral Home with the Rev. Jonathan Car-
penter officiating. Interment followed in
Cape Charles Cemetery. Memorials may
be made to SPCA Eastern Shore, Inc.,
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Man Pleads Guilty to Animal Cruelty in Chicken House

By Linda Cicoira

A man associated with Atlantic Farm LLC, which has nine chicken houses near Wallops Island, pleaded guilty in Accomack Circuit Court last week to two counts of misdemeanor animal cruelty in connection with incidents captured on video by a Washington, D.C., animal welfare group last year.

The graphic video, filmed by a hidden camera, showed chicks being hit with pipes and young larger chickens being left in buckets to die with birds that had already succumbed, some deformed from rapid-growth hormones, according to the group Compassion Over Killing, which released the video in early December 2017.

Talib Cheema, 56, pleaded guilty to two charges that he "did torture, ill-treat, or willfully inflict inhumane injury or pain not connected with bona fide scientific or medical experimentation, on an animal belonging to himself or another." The incidents occurred Nov. 7, 2017.

The farm had been sold by Steve and Fred Darby to the limited liability company several years ago.

Cheema, who has addresses of Hope-ton Road near Parksley and in Brooklyn, N.Y., is one of three men associated with the farm as he uses the same mailing address on Bethel Church Road in Mears.

The other two who are associated

with the farm are Mohammad Iqbal of Worcester County, Md., and Ali Tazwan, who also owns Shore Livestock LLC. They were not charged with the crimes. Cheema was arrested on Aug. 29, 2018. The case was continued until next year.

No Injuries in Exmore Hampton Inn Fire

By Stefanie Jackson

A fire at the Hampton Inn in Exmore early Monday morning caused the hotel to be evacuated but resulted in no injuries.

The Eastern Shore Virginia 9-1-1 Communication Center received the call reporting the fire at 7:03 a.m.

The fire was started in an air conditioning unit in Room 214.

The hotel was evacuated, and the Painter firefighters arrived at 7:13 a.m., said Painter Fire Chief Jimmy Sturgis, who was in command at the scene.

When fire personnel arrived, the flames had already been put out by the hotel's sprinkler system. Firefighters shut off the water and cleaned up

the scene.

No one was staying in Room 214 and no injuries were reported, Sturgis said.

Fire damage was limited to a burned curtain and scorched wall in the room where the fire started. There was water damage on the ceiling and in the hallway, caused by the sprinkler system.

The Painter fire department left at 9:33 a.m.

Exmore, Wachapreague, Eastville, and Onancock fire departments also responded.

Sharon Davis, the general manager of the Exmore Hampton Inn, could not be reached for comment Tuesday or Wednesday.

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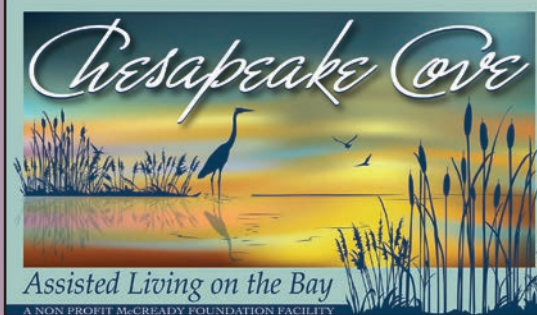
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Could Court Order Mean New Life for Whispering Pines?

By Linda Cicaira

The Whispering Pines in Tasley was once a booming motel and restaurant, where the Glen Miller Band played, Walter Cronkite dined, and in later years — about three decades ago — Diana Ross lunched on Asian fare, while she considered purchasing property on Cedar Island.

Those days are long gone. Now the site includes charred ruins of an infamous arson spree, abandoned and deteriorating buildings with collapsing roofs, rotting mattresses, scattered insulation, mold growth, peeling paint, and piles of trash.

The site is dangerous, has become a place where vagrants congregate, is a local blight, and it is the topic of scorn in www.youtube.com videos.

But all that could change in the upcoming months.

Accomack County auctioned the property in 2012 for \$28,000 in an attempt to collect around \$35,000 in back real estate taxes. The sale fell through when it was realized that the owners of Whispering Pine Inc., and president Dusan Bratic, of Dillsburg, Pa., had filed for bankruptcy.

Years passed, nothing changed, and the condition of the buildings worsened. The corporation had not put the property up for sale. It had not remedied the situation either.

But recent days have brought a brighter outlook. Accomack County Attorney Cela Burge and Treasurer Dana Bundick asked the U.S. District Court in Middle Pennsylvania (through another attorney) to allow them to “exercise any rights ... under real estate collection laws.” Chief Bankruptcy Judge Robert N. Opel II signed an order allowing the action earlier this month despite the bankruptcy status.

“There was an opportunity for comments until Nov. 27,” Burge said Tuesday. “None were received.” Burge said Bundick will have to determine whether to proceed directly with a tax sale or to get the property cleaned up before selling.

Bundick said she would not be in charge of a cleanup. That would be up to the county. “The sale would hopefully be held in the next couple of months,” she added.

According to the court request, the



Photos by Linda Cicaira

The Whispering Pines motel after the 2013 arson that gutted the abandoned motel, formerly a well-known resort, restaurant, and stopover for coastal travelers.

property is valued at \$232,500. The county’s current claim against the corporation is \$49,976.32. Business Loan Center’s claim is \$182,939.

David Elliott, of Bloxom, was the winning bidder at the previous auction. He planned to demolish the old buildings. He was not available for comment at press time Thursday.

The Whispering Pines was built in 1932 by Charles F. Russell and was run by the Russell family for more than 40 years. The Russells reportedly sold it in 1972.

The motel is listed as the 66th arson in a spree on nearly 80 arsons reported in Accomack during a 144-day period between late 2012 and early 2013.

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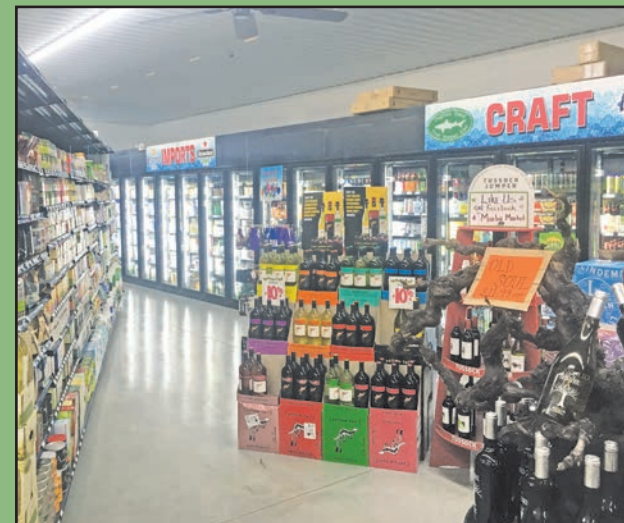
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Northampton Supervisors Reject Comprehensive Plan Re-Write

By Stefanie Jackson

In a unanimous decision Tuesday night, Northampton supervisors rejected the planning commission's update of the county comprehensive plan that has been in the works for six years.

"We think the county needs to go back to the start and begin the process again ... with extensive outreach to the community," said Spencer Murray, chairman of the board of supervisors.

He read a memo listing five "fundamental faults" with the draft comprehensive plan that caused its rejection.

The tone of the comprehensive plan's introduction is too negative, indicating "current conditions which are not necessarily accurate," Murray said. The plan also undervalues the tourism and aquaculture industries. "Northampton County faces many challenging issues, but we also have many positive factors working for us," he added.

The draft plan relies on outdated information that "may not accurately reflect current conditions." For example, housing values are discussed in the current plan draft using 2014 data, and farming statistics reported in the plan date back to 2012.

Likewise, public input sessions about the updated plan date back

to 2012 and "may not accurately reflect current sentiments and positions." Supervisors want the plan redrafted using recent public input, starting with comments gathered in 2018, which may include public discussion at town hall meetings held in Exmore, Nassawadox, and Cape Charles this November.

Northampton's comprehensive plan also lacks components required by state law – for example, consideration for the sustainability of "surface and groundwater sources in the county for future development."

Finally, the plan "does not adequately address the need and the manner for providing for affordable housing in the county," Murray said.

Supervisor David Fauber, formerly of the planning commission, said, "I just wanted to recognize the hard work that the planning commission put in on this, and I know it's been a long, arduous task. Unfortunately, the result hasn't been really what we had wanted."

The planning commission requested hiring a professional consultant to assist in redrafting the comprehensive plan, and supervisors support the idea.

Murray appointed Fauber and Supervisor John Coker for future collaborations with the planning commission on the comprehensive plan.

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Photo by Linda Cicaira

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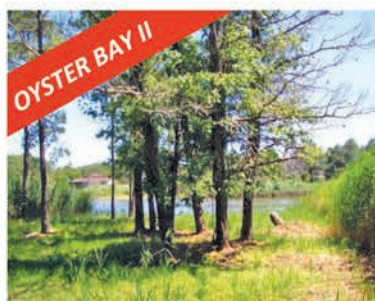
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Three Chincoteague Ponies Donated to Herd

By Linda Cicoira

Three Chincoteague ponies were grazing at the carnival grounds on the island this week after being donated to the fire company to help replenish the famous herd, according to Denise Bowden, a company spokesperson.

"We accepted a donation of three beautiful, mature mares to help us with herd numbers," she said. "This past year has been one of the most difficult years we have experienced in terms of herd loss so these new mares should help us greatly."

"The ponies that are still dealing with the swamp cancer continue to hold their own," Bowden continued. Every other day a vet has visited to check the wounds of those ponies. "So far, things are looking good. But be cautious, things can change easily. Not trying to be negative but trying to be realistic."

Last week another pony died from the swamp cancer or pythiosis, a fungal infection. The illness occurs in a wound or cut when the animals stand in water that has pathogens. Areas that don't have harsh winters are more likely to see problems because the water there doesn't freeze. Five other ponies are continuing to recover.

In a Facebook message, Bowden thanked the public. "You all have been so giving, so gracious, and so kind with your donations to the herd and we appreciate from the bottom of our hearts ... The love, the support, (and) the outpouring of respect you have shown to us and our community speaks volumes and each and every one of us appreciates each one of you from the bottom of our hearts!"

Bowden went on to tell about another way to donate before the end of the year for those interested in getting tax deductions. "We are selling bricks at the new firehouse that can be engraved like the ones at the Robert Reed Park in town. They are \$100 each."

Bowden directed interested parties to the fire company's website at www.cvfc3.com. Donations will also be accepted by regular mail. "For corporations, large groups, or even families, and individuals we have kicked off a capital campaign for the new station. We would like to personally thank the Refuge Inn for being the first local business to sponsor a Named Gift Opportunity."

Bowden did not identify the pony donors.



Photo by Stefanie Jackson

Space Flight Academy Recognized for 20 Years

At the Eggs & Issues breakfast and political forum sponsored by the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce at the Accomac Elk's Lodge Dec. 5, state legislators Sen. Lynwood Lewis and Del. Rob Bloxom presented the Virginia Space Flight Academy board with a copy of the resolution commemorating the academy's 20th anniversary.

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When a routine mammogram at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital led to a breast cancer diagnosis for avid runner Sarah Trachy, she was grateful that the condition was detected early. She was also glad that she could count on local leading edge radiation treatment with radiation oncologist Dr. Moulds at the Riverside Shore Cancer Center. Dr. Moulds encouraged her to keep her long-standing commitment to exercise during treatment, and she was happy to comply ... because the hours she saved getting care close to home meant even more time for running.

“He provided treatment close to home. He also provided encouragement.”



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EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

YOUNG HONORED AS NORTHAMPTON'S FIRST HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE



George Young was honored Tuesday night in Eastville as the first inductee into the Northampton Hall of Fame. Pictured from L-R: Young, his wife, Rosalie, and principal Michael Myers.

Story and Photos by Krystle Bono

Long-time Northampton educator, coach, and principal, George Young, was inducted into the Northampton Hall of Fame Tuesday night in Eastville during halftime of the girls varsity basketball game, in a gym packed with family and the Yellow Jacket community.

Young worked at Northampton High as a coach of football, baseball, basketball, and track and field, teacher, assistant principal and principal from 1954 to 1969, and he served as the division superintendent from 1969 to 1989. Young was said to have embodied what the Hall of Fame committee was looking for in a candidate, and Young was honored in front of the Jacket Nation as the first inductee to Northampton's Hall of Fame, presented with his plaque by Northampton principal Michael Myers, with the committee members, consisting of Devin Allen, Wayne Bell, Vivian Dent, Cathy Doughty, Brian Harmon, Reverend Charles Kellam, Dr. Charles King, Robert Travis, Leo Owens, Kenny Webb, and Dr. Richard Wilfong, overseeing.

As a young teacher and coach, Young was instrumental in the development of the physical education program, as well as

various sports programs. In 1950, Young drove to William & Mary in Williamsburg to pick up much-needed, unused equipment properly equip the football team.

Young has served in the U.S. Army, and has held positions in the Virginia Department of Education and as an adjunct faculty member for Salisbury State University. He has also held memberships and has had the opportunity to present at multiple local, state, and national conferences over his long, distinguished educational career.

Young and his wife Rosalie have three daughters, Sally Richardson, Suzanne Conrow, and Karen Foley, three grandchildren, Whitney Turner, Tye Burns, and Elizabeth Richardson, and two great-grandchildren, Finley Turner and Sutherlyn Burns. Most were in attendance to give witness to the history-making event for both Young, and the Northampton community.

The second Hall of Fame class will be selected in May 2019 and will be honored during the 2019 fall sports season. Candidates may be nominated at any time, and a nomination form can be obtained from the Northampton front office or on the Northampton High School website.



Young sits with family during the Hall of Fame halftime presentation during Tuesday night's girls varsity basketball game.



The Northampton Hall of Fame committee members were in attendance during Young's induction.

Varsity Basketball Action

Story and Photos by Krystle Bono

Caroline Thornton's 31-point game helped lift the Chincoteague Ponies to a 51-41 win over the Arcadia Firebirds last Thursday in Oak Hall.

Emma Jackson contributed eight points in the win and had the team high in rebounds and blocks with 12 and 11, respectively.

Kaylah Wharton led the Firebirds at the net, potting 18 points. Maleiah Dickerson put up eight points in Arcadia's loss.

The Ponies trotted their way to another victory last Friday, one-upping Windsor 64-55. Thornton once again led the girls on the scoreboard, tossing 26 points. Jackson threw 13 points and Alanna Hall and Caroline Shelley posted 11 points apiece. Shelley and Jackson also led the Ponies in rebounds each grabbing 15.

Chincoteague extended their winnings once more Tuesday night, topping the Nandua Warriors 51-27 on their home court.

Thornton and Jackson led the Ponies' on the board, with Thornton throwing in 18 and Jackson putting in 12 points, and they each stole 10 apiece. Jackson rebounded the top number, grabbing 12 for Chincoteague.

Treniqua Bailey led the Warriors with 13 points and Jessica Middleton notched seven.

The Warriors fell to the Northampton Yellow Jackets last Friday in Onley, 62-45. The Nandua girls are scheduled to hit the road to Warsaw to face Rappahannock tonight (Friday) at 7 p.m.

Chincoteague will travel to Wicomico Monday night, for a 4:30 p.m. court battle.

The Yellow Jackets fell to the Great Bridge Wildcats Saturday afternoon 68-48, but came back to defend their home court against Arcadia, edging the Firebirds out of a 49-46 win.

Jada Giddens helped lift the Yellow Jackets to their victory, hooping 21 points. Maeyanna Delk put up 12 and Brianna Bochman netted eight.

Wharton led the Firebirds on the books, posting 22 points. Dickerson tallied 10.

The Firebirds are back at it against Snow Hill Monday night, in Oak Hall at 5:30 p.m.

The Yellow Jackets are set for a road tilt against Lancaster Tuesday night at 5:30 p.m.

Broadwater's girls varsity team topped

Gateway Christian last Friday night, 37-35, but fell to the Isle of Wight Chargers, 44-19, Tuesday night on the road. The Vikings play again Jan. 8, at Portsmouth Christian.

The Vikings boys varsity club fell to Gateway Christian last Friday night, 53-42.

Marvin Johnson and Travis Northan combined to lead Broadwater with 12 points apiece at the hoop.

Monday night, the Vikings fell in a close 53-51 matchup at home to Hampton Christian Academy.

Clay Wardius put up 21 points in the Vikings' effort; Ahmah Scarborough notched 12 and Brant Bloxom posted seven.

The boys fell to the Isle of Wight Chargers Tuesday night, 69-38. They will be back in action tonight for the Nansemond-Suffolk Academy Holiday Classic this

weekend in Suffolk.

Arcadia's boys team defeated the Chincoteague Ponies last Thursday, 69-47.

Trent Clark led the Ponies at the net with 21 points and Keevin Collins potted 15. Braden Watson had the team high in rebounds with 10.

The Ponies outdid the Windsor Dukes 51-37 last Friday night on the road.

Clark stepped up to lead Chincoteague again, putting 23 points in the pot. Ayden Leonard tallied 10 and Collins contributed nine.

The Warriors outshot the Ponies Tuesday night, defending their home net and coming out on top, 62-43.

Chincoteague is set to face Wicomico Monday night at 5:30 p.m. The Warriors are scheduled to host Rappahannock tonight in Onley.

The Yellow Jackets finished off the Warriors in a 66-53 endgame last Friday night in Eastville.

Vonte Coston and Jawaun Bell

posted 26 and 22 points, respectively, to help lead Northampton in the win. Bell also led the rebound count with seven.

The Northampton boys battle Peninsula Catholic into overtime Saturday, ultimately tipping the score in their favor to end it by a count of 77-76.

Coston led the Yellow Jackets again, putting up 27 points. Bell notched 22 with seven rebounds and Kasai Clark netted 19 with five rebounds.

Bell's 31-point game Tuesday night in Eastville propelled the Yellow Jackets to a win over the Firebirds, 68-57.

Clark played a 16-point game this go-round, and Coston planted 12 points in the Yellow Jackets' net.

Jaquan Dorsey led at the basket for the Firebirds, tossing 16. Lethan Williams tossed 12 points and William Scarborough and Tiarr Bibbins each put up eight.

The Yellow Jackets are set to play Saturday afternoon at Sussex Central. The Firebirds will travel to Snow Hill Monday.



Arcadia's Denijah Woolford (12) goes for a basket as Northampton's Brianna Bochman (5) waits to grab a rebound Tuesday night.



Northampton's Jeremiah Major (45) and Arcadia's Jaquan Dorsey (24) go head-to-head Tuesday night during their game in Eastville.

NORTHAMPTON WRESTLING HOSTS JACKET INVITATIONAL

Story and Photos by Krystle Bono

The Northampton Yellow Jackets varsity wrestling club was back on the mats last Saturday to play host for the Jacket Invitational. Arcadia's and Broadwater's grapplers were also in attendance, as was Norfolk Academy, New Kent, Franklin, Salem, Mathews, Nanesmond River, Grafton, and Windsor. New Kent would take the cake overall, finishing with a team score of 244 points. The Yellow Jackets earned fifth place overall with 106 team points, the Firebirds were eighth with 80 points, and the Vikings placed 10th with 17 points.

Aizmani Joseph had the best individual showing for the Yellow Jackets going 4-0 for the day and earning the top spot in the 138-pound weight bracket. He defeated Salem's Diego New by fall with a time of 3:04 in the quarterfinals, then moved on to pin Nanesmond River's Kishawn Creque in one-minute and 37 seconds. Another pinned opponent, Grafton's Ariana Carrasquillo, in the semifinals by a time of 2:33 would propel Joseph to the finals match, where he faced Arca-

dia's Joshua Barnes and defeated his district rival by a fall time of 4:55 to secure a first-place finish, and default Barnes to second.

Barnes brought home the highest placed performance for the day for the Firebirds in his respective 138-pound weight bracket. He muscled Mathew's Dayvon Whiting to a pin in one minute, 32 seconds, to move on to the next round to face Patrick Purdy, who Barnes also retired by a fall time of 1:35. Another pin, this time over New Kent's Chris Wade by a time of 2:20 would put him in the finals match against Northampton's Joseph, and ultimately the 138-pound champion, earning Barnes the second-place spot on the podium.

Gary Peart earned a second-place finish in the 170-pound bracket. Peart topped New Kent's Nick Wiles by a pin of 1:58, then moved on to one-up Salem's Nathan Barttels by a fall time of 2:43. In the finals match, Peart was pinned by Seth Lucas by a time of 1:53 to settle into second place.

Myles Lewis and Josh Splawn placed third in the 126- and 220-pound

weight classes, respectively.

Lewis defeated Windsor's Naomi Bulls by pin in 52 seconds, and then Salem's Andy Solorzano by fall in one minute. Lewis fell to Michael Wakeham by a close decision of 5-4, but then fought back in the consolations to edge Arcadia's Marvin Gomez by a fall time of 3:39, and then Mathew's Justin Kidcade by fall in one minute, 48 seconds, to claim his third-place finish.

Splawn fell to Franklin's Joshua Johnson by fall of 1:15, but came back to top Salem's Shane Brakke by pin in 44 seconds, and then Nanesmond River's Dion Scott by pin in 59 seconds to earn third overall in the 220 class.

Brandon Odem earned fourth overall in the 132-pound weight bracket. He fell to New Kent's Tyler Williams by fall in 2:22, then defeated Mathew's Ashley Holloway-Rich by a fall time of 2:45. Odem went on to face Arcadia's Osberto Perez won by fall (3:09). He lost his third-place match to Ethan Thurmond.

Broadwater's William Wehner grabbed a fourth-place finish in the

106-pound bracket. Wehner topped Race Roy in the first round by a fall time of 4:30, but fell to Arcadia's Angel Vasquez in the second round by pin (1:01). In the consolations, he defeated Franklin's Jahiem Douglas by pin of 1:33, Salem's Adam Wese by pin of 2:59, and then Mathew's Joshua Rosadino, also by pin, with a time of 5:38, causing him to meet Vasquez again in the third-place match.

Arcadia's Vasquez clinched a third-place finish in the 106-pound weight class, defeating Wehner in the third-place match by fall of 3:36. After defeating Wehner, Vasquez fell to New Kent's Daniel Colgin by technical fall, 16-1. He then moved on to the consolations to defeat Grafton's Mason Zent by pin in 32 seconds before his second meeting with Wehner.

Ronaldo Lopez claimed a fourth-place individual showing in the 120-pound weight bracket for the Firebirds.

Larry Velasquez also claimed a fourth-place finish in the 195-pound weight bracket for Arcadia, and teammate Austin Studebaker finished in fourth in the 220-pound weight class.



Broadwater's William Wehner battles his opponent during one of his many matches Saturday afternoon at the Jacket Invitational.



Brandon Odem placed fourth overall in the invitational on Saturday at Northampton in the 132-pound weight bracket.

SHORE SWIM PLUNGES INTO THIRD SEASON

By Krystle Bono

Last Friday, Shore Swim traveled to Hamden Sydney College to open the 2018-19 season, and their third overall. The team's first competitive swim was a quad meet against Prince Edward, Goochland, and Appomatox.

Shore Swim, which consists of student athletes from Nandua, Arcadia, and Chincoteague High schools and is headed by third-year coach Bryan McElwain and newly added coach Chelsea Porter, is excited to get their season rolling and hopes to have some success this year along the way.

This season, the team is led by veteran swimmers and captains Carter Harmon and Lauren Johnston. Both swimmers have had success at the state level, and are hopeful for the opportunity to be able to return and represent their team, their school, and the Shore again this year.

"I'm excited that there is some good talent on the team this year with sol-

id newcomers/freshman, all the way through experienced/senior swimmers," said Coach McElwain.

"They are an excellent group of young student athletes. Swimming seems to be alive and well and thriving again on the shore in the area. More people are swimming and local teams are growing. This is good news for the county's high school swim team. It's a great sport. It's a great outlet for kids and it provides an organized activity for many kids who don't play contact sports like football or basketball, which is great."

Shore Swim will have nine meets total during the regular season, with the Eastern Shore YMCA in Onley, hosting the team's two home meets. The coaching staff and athletes of Shore Swim are thankful to the Accomack County School Board for making this sport possible in the county, and that they are able to continue through a third season, as well as for Tasha Lucy and the rest of the YMCA

their continued help and support.

The Shore Swim group had an impressive showing at their first meet of the year, with both the girls and boys teams finishing in a close second overall to a large Goochland club.

Individually, Lauren Johnston earned two first-place finishes in the girls 50-meter freestyle and in the girls 100-meter butterfly.

Patrick Lilliston swam to a first-place finish in the boys 200-meter freestyle with a time of 2:37.75.

Lacy Gouldin earned first in the girls 200-meter individual medley with a time of 3:04.30. She also earned second in the girls 100-meter backstroke.

Carter Harmon finished first in the boys 200-meter individual medley with his time of 2:48.32. He also earned second in the boys 100-meter breaststroke.

Luke Parks notched a second-place showing in the boys 50-meter freestyle. Madison Johnson earned second in

the girls 100-meter breaststroke.

Cade Williams finished first in the boys 100-meter backstroke.

Bennett Cossitt swam to a third-place finish with a time of 1:44.65.

The boys relay team of Grady Harmon, Williams, Carter Harmon, and Parks finished in third in the boys 200-meter medley relay. The girls relay team of Ann Windsor Davis, Johnson, Johnston, and Gouldin finished first. The girls team also earned second in the 200-meter freestyle relay.

The boys relay team also placed second in the 200-meter freestyle relay. Another boys relay team with members Tyrell Jones, Chad Saunders, Williams, and Cossitt grabbed third in the boys 200-meter freestyle relay.

Shore Swim is scheduled to host their first home meet of the season tonight (Friday) at the YMCA in Onley, against Stephen Decatur at 4 p.m. The team's next meet is set for Dec. 28, at Cambridge-South Dorchester.

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Central Accomack Little League is looking for boys and girls, ages four to 16, for spring ball.

Signups will be held at the CALL park concession building Saturdays, Feb. 2, 9, 16, and 23, from 9 a.m. to noon, and Tuesdays, Feb. 5, 12, 19, and 26, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Registration fee is \$65; T-ball is \$45. The fee includes five chances to win \$1,000 (you can sell the raffle tickets to get \$25 back). No registration taken after Feb. 26. Registration form, medical waiver, parent code of conduct, batting facility waiver, parent volunteer form and photo ID, along with registration fee, birth certificate, shirt size, and proof of residency are all required at the time of registration. If you live outside the CALL boundaries but attend school within, a completed school enrollment form is also required.

For more information or questions, contact Billy Justice at centralaccomacklittleleague@gmail.com

Central Accomack Little League Annual Dinner and Auction

CALL will be hosting their annual dinner and auction Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Parksley Fire Department. Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner is at 6 p.m., and the auction begins at 7 p.m.

Dinner will include pulled pork, baked beans, cole slaw, buns, and baked apples, with tea and/or water. Other adult beverages for purchase. There will be something for everyone at the auction.

Space is limited to 125; tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for ages 12 and under.

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Submitted Photo

Sharpe Inducted to Delaware State Hall of Fame

Anthony Sharpe, a 1978 graduate of Central High School and the son of Clarence Sharp and Tomashie Sharpe of Painter (pictured with Sharpe), was inducted in the Delaware State Hall of Fame in a ceremony in November on the school campus in Dover, Del. A defensive end, Sharpe still holds the school's career record for tackles with 350 and ranks fifth all time in sacks with 21.5. He received All-MEAC honors in 1980 and 1981, earning a degree in Business Administration. Sharpe resides in Austin Tex. with his wife of 35 years, the former Lorrie Mears, also a Central High School graduate. They have three children and a grandson. Sharpe, employed by AT&T, coaches youth sports and is a deacon at his church. Sharpe credits his parents for much of his success, saying they taught all five of their children "to treat people the way you want to be treated in love and truth."



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Anglers Club Funds Field Station Scholarships

The Eastern Shore Anglers Club presented representatives of Chincoteague Bay Field Station (CBFS) with a check for \$2,000 on Dec. 10 to fund scholarships for Accomac and Northampton County youth to attend environmental education/adventure/discovery camps this summer. Derived from proceeds of the club's annual Chesapeake Bay Challenge fishing tournament, club-sponsored scholarships enabled eight youth to attend the camps last year. A like number will be able to do so in 2019. Pictured from L-R: Sam Sellard, Anglers Club president; Emily Foy, summer camp coordinator for CBFS; Courtney Weatherby, community outreach coordinator for CBFS; and Don McGavock, Bay Challenge tournament chairman.

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	Onancock Creek	H 4:39 p.m. L 10:50 a.m.	H 5:29 p.m. L 11:47 a.m.	H 6:13 a.m. L 12:46 p.m.	H 7:09 a.m. L 1:45 p.m.	H 8:02 a.m. L 2:42 p.m.	H 8:54 a.m. L 3:35 p.m.	H 9:44 a.m. L 4:26 p.m.
	Pungoteague Creek	H 3:55 p.m. L 10:04 a.m.	H 4:45 p.m. L 11:01 a.m.	H 5:38 p.m. L 12:00 p.m.	H 6:25 a.m. L 12:59 p.m.	H 7:18 a.m. L 1:56 p.m.	H 8:10 a.m. L 2:49 p.m.	H 9:00 a.m. L 3:40 p.m.
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	Kiptopeke Beach	H 1:07 p.m. L 7:03 a.m.	H 1:57 p.m. L 8:00 a.m.	H 2:50 p.m. L 8:59 a.m.	H 3:46 p.m. L 9:58 a.m.	H 4:41 p.m. L 10:55 a.m.	H 5:36 p.m. L 11:48 a.m.	H 6:12 a.m. L 12:39 p.m.

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A Year After Catastrophic Fire, Country Club Breaks Ground on New Clubhouse

*Story and Photos by Bill Sterling
Special to the Eastern Shore Post*

Almost a year after a fire destroyed the clubhouse at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club three days before Christmas 2017, a groundbreaking was held Saturday, Dec. 1, to mark the beginning of construction of the new clubhouse and a sports shop. Approximately 100 club members and dignitaries participated in the groundbreaking and attended the ceremony at the site of one of two new buildings to be built.

Steve McClaskey, who assumed the presidency of the ESY&CC just weeks after the fire, told the crowd that plans include a clubhouse to be built on the site of the old clubhouse and a sports center that will include the pro shop, a fitness center, lockers, showers, and access to the swimming pool. It also will serve the tennis courts and will be located directly in front of where the swimming pool is now.

The new clubhouse will be approximately 7,000 square feet with the sports center adding another 2,000. The old clubhouse was 11,000 square feet.

McClaskey thanked the membership

for their support and patience during the past year, noting that although he has only 12 years' experience with the club, many members have lifelong memories associated with the clubhouse, including weddings, holiday events, and many other special occasions.

Peter Turlington, vice president of the ESY&CC board and chairman of the building committee for the new facilities, told the crowd that while the fire was a devastating setback to the membership, it also provided an opportunity to build a clubhouse that will include amenities not available before.

Turlington said the new clubhouse will include a members' lounge, a larger bar area with casual dining, a separate more formal dining area, a card room, a kids' zone where youngsters can play games and relax, and a covered porch and outside patio. It also will include a large catering kitchen near the pool to better serve that area. In addition, the Boathouse Grill was expanded following the fire to host small gatherings and include outdoor entertainment.

David Grebe, incoming ESY&CC president, also thanked the club mem-



Steve McClaskey has served as president of the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club for the past year.

bership for its dedication and support, noting the club membership is looking forward to more fun times at the club following a year of planning and hard work to arrive at the groundbreaking ceremony. Board members first met the day after Christmas in 2017 to start the planning process and gathered input from club members in finalizing plans.

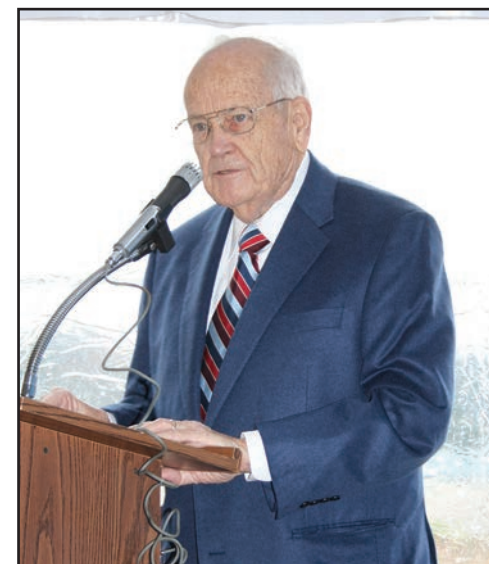
McClaskey introduced Jason Lumberton of Gateway Builders and Eric Catelliler of AWB Engineers, who will be involved in the building phase.

The sports center should be completed in the summer of 2019 with the clubhouse slated to be finished in the fall of 2019.

Other groundbreaking dignitaries included ESY&CC past president Eric Dodge, Sen. Lynwood Lewis, Del. Robert Bloxom, Accomack County Board of Supervisors Vice Chairman Donald Hart, Northampton Supervisor Spencer Murray, and ESY&CC staff Tricia Hare, Theresa Fahy, Vicki Baxter, and James Jones.

Founding ESY&CC President Talks of Early Years

George McMath, founding president of the club, spoke about its formation and noted similarities between then and now. In 1959, when he was only 26, McMath was selling advertisements for the Eastern Shore News, the paper he and Ben Byrd had recently purchased, when Saul Glick of Glick's and Son in Onancock, said to him, "If you want to do something for the Eastern Shore,



George McMath spoke about the early years of the Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club at the Dec. 1 groundbreaking.

build a golf course."

After publishing some newspaper articles to determine interest, McMath became the head of a committee to build a golf course that quickly expanded to a family facility that included a pool, tennis courts, a dock, and a clubhouse for social activities.

The pool at the new club opened in August of 1960 with interest so high that 236 out of 300 members used the pool in the first month with a total of 2,902 persons taking a swim in the first 29 days. However, two weeks later, Hurricane Donna hit the bayside and dumped salt water on the newly planted grass on the golf course, destroyed the dock, and deposited numerous crab pots and several boats, including a large sailboat, on the property.

McMath said there were considerable challenges facing the board members then, just as the current board has endured challenging times following the fire that destroyed the clubhouse a year ago.

McMath recalled a meeting in the early months during which it was suggested that a hat be passed around the room to start the funding. He knew that would not make a dent in the amount they needed to build a club, but he didn't want to suppress the enthusiasm and so an actual hat was circulated. With 65 men in the room, a little over \$64 was collected.

But if money was tight in those times,



Photo by Linda Cicaira

Fire guts the clubhouse of the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club last December.



Invited guests break ground for the new sports center and clubhouse at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club on Dec. 1.

prices were great bargains compared to today, noted McMath. The group was able to buy 125 acres on Pungoteague Creek for \$20,000, the cost of a golf membership was \$10 a month following a \$300 initiation fee, and when a formal opening of the club was held in September of 1961, a dinner that included lobster stuffed with crab meat and shrimp cost \$4.50 per person.

McMath was the first president of the club and, given his relatively young age at the time, the only member of the

first board still living.

But there are younger generations enjoying the fruits of the club. Bill Chandler, whose father and uncle were involved in the formation of the club, was among the Saturday's attendees who more than filled the seats in the tent erected for the occasion. Chandler recalled playing golf on the new nine-hole course as a teenager and has been involved in various activities at the club throughout his life.

Michael Murphy, also a teenager at the time the club opened, said recently

that Arnold Palmer was quite the rage at the time the club opened, and many families went from spending weekends on the water to taking up golf on the new course.

According to a book written by McMath about the formative years of the club, during the first four months after the course opened in September of 1961, more than 2,000 rounds were played. Two months later, Paul Watson won the first golf tournament, defeating James Douglas, 3 and 2, while shooting a 77. A day later, Dr. J. Conway Smith

made the club's first hole-in-one on the par 3, 153-yard ninth hole.

In 1965 the second nine was opened at the club, and two years later the Virginia State Open was held at ESY&CC with many leading state golf professionals playing, including Tom Strange, Chandler Harper, Claude King, and Herb Hooper. Former PGA champion Chandler Harper won the tournament.

The course record is held by long-time member Jeff Shield with a 63 on the par 70 layout.



An artist's rendering of the new clubhouse at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club.

EASTVILLE AREA NATIVE ELLEN JORDAN RECOUNTS 100 YEARS



Ellen Jordan turned 100 on Nov. 4.

Story and Photo by Stefanie Jackson

Eastern Shore native Ellen Jordan, who celebrated her 100th birthday last month, recently revealed that the secret to longevity is as simple as the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Those are the words Jordan has lived by for 100 years that have mostly been spent on the Eastern Shore where her life began in 1918.

She was born in the Eastville area, in Old Town Neck, and grew up in Eastville Station. Jordan was the oldest of Edna Jacobs' and Lloyd Widgeon's five children. The family lived on Edward Holland's farm, where they earned their livelihood. Jordan's father was an overseer.

As the oldest child, Jordan was "the boss" of her siblings, but they all got along well and played together on the farm.

Her favorite foods were vegetables – there were plenty of those on the farm. She especially savors the memory of Hayman sweet potatoes and how "juicy-like" they were and fell right out of the skin after they were cooked.

Jordan attended one-room schools, one of which was in Savage Neck, then studied in a three-room school in Eastville through seventh grade.

She may have learned the golden rule at her church, Union Baptist Church in Eastville. Jordan particularly recalls the revival meetings held there every year. She specifically remembers them beginning every September on the third Sunday.

There wasn't an altar as churchgo-

ers would recognize today. Instead, the first row of pews was designated the "moaner's bench" where, "if anyone got religion," Jordan said, they would sit and the elder church members would sing and pray over them.

She was baptized at age 12 or 13 in a creek at the residence of the Coston family, who also belonged to Union Baptist Church.

She graduated from high school in 1939 and went to work cooking and cleaning for a lawyer, Tom Nottingham, and his wife, Clara. Jordan was independent, living in her own home and walking to work every day.

In 1943, she took a job as a waitress in the dining hall at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, an all-girls school. Her friend was a maid there and they stayed in employee quarters on campus.

Jordan was paid \$22.50 every two weeks. "Thank the Lord I didn't have to send Mom and Dad anything," she remarked. Her friend had to send one check to her parents and kept the other for herself.

Jordan's day off was Thursday, and she would take the train to Philadelphia and catch up on all the latest movies at the Earle Theater.

Her favorite stars were singers Lena Horne and Billy Eckstine.

She married Fred Jordan, who she had met in high school, on Christmas Eve in 1947. After the simple ceremony at the Bethel AME church parsonage, the family returned home and ate cake and ice cream.

The couple had two children, one of whom survived.

While in Pennsylvania, Fred Jordan worked in wool production. He later was a bus driver for Northampton County High School.

Ellen Jordan worked again for the Nottinghams after she and her husband moved back to the Shore. She retired after experiencing a mini stroke in the mid-1980s.

Her husband died in 1991, followed by her father a year later.

Jordan recalled what it was like living on the Shore during segregation. There were two drugstores in Eastville that sold ice cream and would serve blacks, but they had to eat outside.

But Jordan feels the Eastern Shore

was, overall, a good place to live. "The white people treated us all right," she said. "We never had nothing like that Ku Klux Klan," she said.

There were a few people who called her a racial slur, but on the whole, living through segregation and the civil rights movement "wasn't too bad" on the Shore, Jordan said.

Ellen Jordan has lived what some may consider an unremarkable life. She didn't chase after the American Dream in the grandest sense of the notion – she didn't run off to New York City to try to become famous like Lena Horne, she didn't pursue a college career to become a lawyer like her former employer, and she didn't travel the world in the pursuit of expanding her horizons.

But she seems to have lived a good life just the same, finding contentment by following the golden rule and putting others before herself.

That is what makes Jordan's life remarkable. She accepts the life she was given and has never tried to change it.

During her conversation with the Eastern Shore Post, she continually expressed thanks for everything she had

in life and never complained about anything she didn't have.

She never uttered a bitter word about any of the hardships she's faced – having to leave her childhood home for work, losing a husband and child to illness, dealing with health issues of her own, or even encountering racism.

She doesn't deny life isn't always easy – "I don't want to be another 100, 'cause you're going through too much," she said.

But Jordan also said, "I never had a whole lot of problems ... I could live it over again – if I had to!" she added.

She maintains her independence, even in her old age. Her neighbors check on her from time to time to make sure she's OK, but she is content being by herself and enjoying life's simple pleasures.

She likes naps, either inside or out on her big, closed-in porch.

"I just love to eat anything," she said. "Sometime I cook, sometime I don't."

The 100-year-old still has a driver's license and drives short distances. She visits the Hare Valley Senior Center twice a week.

"I cook when I want and come and go when I want," Jordan said.



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Teddy Bear Fashion Made With Love

Hare Valley Senior Center members dressed up 36 teddy bears to donate to the Department of Social Services for children this Christmas. Many of the seniors made the teddy bears' outfits themselves. Pictured from left to right are Joy Parker, Mattie Morris, Julia Dickerson, Cassandra Bailey of the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging, Cleo Trower, Audrey Bell, Helen Rowley, and Peggy Bruce Gray. Other participants not pictured are Vivian Hack, Mary Holmes, Lucille Pruitt, and Willette Sample.



Photo by Stefanie Jackson

Hare Valley Recognizes Veterans

The Hare Valley Senior Center recently awarded certificates of appreciation to its members who are military veterans. From left to right, the honorees are Samuel Nottingham, James Custis, the Rev. Michael Mitchell, and James Pringle. Not pictured: Mary Holmes.

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DING DING DING

IT'S STILL DOING IT

ARGH!!!

EVERYTIME MY DADDY HAS CAR TROUBLE, AN ANGEL GETS HIS WINGS

I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THE THINGS HE SAYS WHEN HE HAS CAR TROUBLE WOULD MAKE THE ANGELS CRY



Welcome center staff, tourism commissioners, and CBBT representatives welcomed Linda Burnett and her family as the 1 millionth visitor at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Southern Gateway Welcome Center on Friday, Nov. 30. The welcome center greets more than 100,000 visitors annually. Pictured, front row: Allan Burns, Paige Addison, Linda Burnett, Jennifer Hobbs, Cooper Hobbs, Don Burnett, Carol Evans, and Myrtis Ames. Back row: Kathy Martin, Jeff Holland, Senie Burns, Steve Potts, Sally Richardson, Randy Childs, Sarah Head, and Tammi Nottingham.

Bridge-Tunnel Welcome Center Celebrates 1 Millionth Visitor

Submitted Article and Photo

Linda Burnett and her husband, Don, traveled to Virginia from Independence, Mo., with their daughter, Jennifer Hobbs, and grandson, Cooper Hobbs, to enjoy Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown. After spending a week in the Historic Triangle, Don Burnett said since they were so close, he wanted to take a trip across the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. Linda Burnett questioned what there would be to do on the other side, and Don Burnett quickly replied, "Well, there's only one way to find out!"

Friday, Nov. 30, as they reached the other side of the bridge-tunnel complex, they stopped at the rest area, as many travelers do, and Linda Burnett entered the Eastern Shore of Virginia Southern Gateway Welcome Center while she waited for her family. Little did she know she would be the 1 millionth visitor!

Welcomed by center manager Allan

Burns and his staff, she was presented with a large gift basket complete with gift cards, coupons, and an assortment of local goodies, including an eight-night stay on Virginia's Eastern Shore, all generously donated by many of the welcome center's local tourism partners.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Southern Gateway Welcome Center, which is managed by the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission, opened in August 2009 and continues to be an integral part of marketing to Eastern Shore visitors. It houses attention-grabbing lightbox displays, two 3D exhibits, a real-time video weather feed, and more than 200 rack cards featuring everything from local attractions, restaurants, and B&B's to upcoming events. It is open 362 days a year (it's closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day) and is staffed with experts to help guide folks off Route 13 and into all the hidden

gems the Eastern Shore has to offer.

The two-county area has been Virginia's fastest-growing tourism region for three of the past four years. In 2016 alone, visitors to the Eastern Shore spent \$273.6 million (that's \$749,797 a day) and contributed \$7.5 million in local taxes to the region. Additionally, the local tourism commission's website had almost 236,000 views in 2017 and expects to achieve even better results with the upcoming launch of its new website.

"The travel ambassadors of the Eastern Shore's Southern Gateway Welcome Center exude Eastern Shore Hospitality at its finest," said Steve Potts, chairman of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission. "Thanks to their smiling faces and knowledge of the region, they are able to assist thousands of visitors who walk across the center's threshold each year, often stopping for a restroom break but finding so much more than

that beyond the doors! Their ability to share the hidden secrets of this region with these visitors has benefited our local business partners in amazing ways and today marks an incredible milestone."

Jeff Holland, executive director of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel, stated, "The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Commission continues to applaud the excellent work of the Eastern Shore Tourism Commission. The success of this welcome center has far surpassed our initial expectations and we look forward to a continued partnership that will allow these travel ambassadors to introduce many more visitors from near and far to everything that there is to love about the Eastern Shore."

Linda and her family were excited with this honor and said they can't wait to begin their plans to return to the Eastern Shore and discover all there is to see and do.

PARKSLEY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION CHUGS INTO DOWNTOWN



Photos by Linda Cicoira
Parksley celebrated the Christmas season with rides on the Santa train last Saturday in downtown Parksley. Left, a boy stands with Santa. Below, the Santa train chugs through town.



TWO EARLY EASTERN SHORE WOMEN FEATURED IN JAMESTOWN EXHIBITION

By Martha Steger

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Imagine an early 17th-century woman in England making the decision to travel across the Atlantic Ocean to an unknown land: The question, “Should I go, or should I stay?” is an eye-catching, thought-provoking introduction to Jamestown Settlement’s new exhibition, “Tenacity: Women in Jamestown and Early Virginia.” The decisions the women made more than 400 years ago helped shape democracy, diversity, and the notion of opportunity in what became the United States.

They first came as two brave Englishwomen in the fall of 1608 – Mistress Forest, who traveled with her husband but shortly died, leaving her 14-year-old handmaid, Anne Burras, as the only woman among an estimated 198 men at James Fort. Other women were Indians in the Powhatan Confederation, who helped the first permanent English colonists in the New World survive with baskets and ceramic bowls of foodstuffs -- though Indian women later faced abduction and enslavement as Englishmen broke their own laws guarding against such actions.

Important artifacts, interactive text, and reenacted conversations and thoughts of 17th-century women in videos are part of the 400th-anniversary commemoration of significant 1619 Virginia events; the exhibition will last through 2019. It brings to life some of the dynamic women from different cultures who proved indispensable to the settlement at Jamestown — women such as Cockacoeske, queen of the Pamunkey; and Elizabeth Dunthorne, one of very few female planters who qualified through her indenture for 100 acres of land (though under law, her husband could assume control of his wife’s holdings).

Two Early Eastern Shore Women

Betsey Tucker and Mary Johnson, Caucasian and African respectively, were two of the women arriving in 17th-century Jamestown, who later settled on the Eastern Shore. Little is known of Tucker other than a 1634 Hungars Parish record showing punishment for “brabbling” or gossiping. Offenders — usually women — were strapped to a sturdy chair, which was fastened to a long wooden beam, and dunked into a



Photo courtesy of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation
A ducking chair, English, 17th century, used to punish mostly women. Offenders were fastened to the chair and dunked repeatedly in water.

body of water — “the pond” as the record reads for Tucker’s case.

The practice of ducking was common in England and America from the early 17th to 19th centuries. The fourth person to use the chair that summer, Tucker reportedly ducked five times, surviving the public humiliation. A traditional 17th-century ducking chair in Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation’s collection is on display in the exhibition. Nothing more is known of Tucker.

More is known about Johnson, an African arriving in 1623 who worked on the Southside Virginia plantation owned by Richard Bennett. There she met and married Antonio (Anthony) Johnson. By the 1640s, both had gained

their freedom and settled in Northampton County (originally part of what the English called “Accomac Shire”).

The couple acquired their first land patent for 250 acres in 1650; over the next four years, their sons acquired 650 acres, bringing the size of their family plantation to 900 acres. Two Africans, John Casar and Mary Gersheene, are documented as serving in the Johnson household. As laws in Virginia were becoming more restrictive for Africans by the late 1650s, the Johnsons moved to Somerset County, Md., and leased 300 acres on which they established a plantation, “Tonies Vineyard.”

“Myne Owne Ground,” a book by

professors T.H. Breen and Stephen Innes (Northwestern and University of Virginia, respectively), provides detailed information on the first Africans who settled on the Eastern Shore. Many of those who arrived in slavery later achieved freedom and formed a stable community on the Shore, holding their own with white neighbors for most of the 17th century. (The book provides a look at why this model of social interaction in race relations did not survive.)

Onward from 1608

After 1608, a few more women arrived as wives and maids the following summer. Undaunted women survived shipwrecks — like those in Bermuda, where John Rolfe’s first wife probably died following the birth of the baby they named Bermuda after crossing stormy seas.

They often not only survived but thrived: In the first marriage in Virginia, Anne Burras married John Laydon in 1610 and had a family of four daughters. Population numbers recorded six years later by John Rolfe (the widower who married Pocahontas in 1614) show that of 351 persons, a fifth of the population — 65 — were women and children.

As with so many of the men, many of the women died, especially during the starving time — winter 1609-10, when settlers ate whatever they could find, including bark and shoe leather. Remains found and subsequent forensic examination in 2012 of an anonymous “Jane” at Historic Jamestowne’s original site — adjacent and complementary to Jamestown Settlement — illustrate a woman’s life lost to illness who helped others live. Settlers ate her flesh for their survival during the extraordinarily difficult period, when only 60 persons survived out of the population of 350. (Jane’s bones are displayed at Historic Jamestowne’s Archaearium.)

As commentary on the dire times, Jamestown Settlement historian Nancy Egloff cites the writings of William Strachey, who was part of the 1609 group shipwrecked on the Sea Venture in Bermuda and who arrived in Virginia in spring 1610: “Viewing the fort, we found the palisades torn down ... gates from off the hinges, and empty houses. ... And it is true the Indian killed as fast without, if our men stirred but be-



Image Courtesy of Master and Fellows of the Magdalene College of Cambridge, UK
A page from the Ferrar Papers, circa 1621, on loan for the first time in America from the Master and Fellows of Magdalene College Cambridge, U.K., the Ferrar Papers document the English women who arrived in Virginia in 1621 and 1622. They were compiled by the family of London merchant Nicholas Ferrar and include business documents of the Virginia Company of London and list the names and details of many of the 56 women the company recruited to become wives of Virginia settlers in 1621.

yond the bounds of their blockhouse, as famine and pestilence did within.”

In 1618 a London leadership shake-up in the Virginia Company, which had underwritten the colony and watched it flounder since 1607, resulted in the ideas of allowing limited land ownership and the creation of families to make the colony more settled. Some women — vagrants and miscreant ‘strumpets’ from prisons and work-

houses such as London’s notorious Bridewell — came as workers.

Records show 32 Africans, 17 of them women, also working in the colony before groups of women started coming in 1620-21 as wives to men who paid for their passage. The first census, in early 1620, indicates 119 English women — many probably indentured servants to work between four and seven years in the Virginia Company tobacco fields,

along with 670 men.

An interactive experience — formatted similarly to 21st century online review sites — engages visitors with positive and negative reviews of 17th-century Virginia: these are humorous star-ratings based on actual quotes from the time period, which we can explore with the touch of an icon. The Jamestown “reviews” function as a connection for present-day travelers to 17th-century Virginia. A 1623 one-star review reads, “The houses are garbage,” while another gives the housing four stars. A three-star comment on Virginia weather says, “I don’t know what people are complaining about, the weather is fine once you get used to it.”

Along with the Jamestown-Yorktown’s collection of 17th-century artifacts — including a child’s high chair and the ducking chair referenced earlier — the special exhibition features more than 60 artifacts on loan from 22 international and national institutions. Among the most engaging is an unfitted jacket on loan from London’s Victoria and Albert Museum and dating to 1605-1620, likely worn as 17th-century maternity wear and illustrating stories of English women pregnant during their voyage across the Atlantic to the New World. A long-sleeved bodice, circa 1610, courtesy of the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust, features an embroidered design of trailing stems and leaves worked in colored silk and metal threads with metal spangles or sequins and illustrates the apparel of governors’ wives or women aspiring to an upper class.

The Legacy of Early Virginia Women

Before leaving the exhibition, visitors shouldn’t miss the touch-screen Legacy Wall, which helps connect the stories of women from 1607 to the present day in five themes — occupation, citizenship, marriage, education, and healthcare. Anyone can share stories of influential women across history, including those in their own lives and families, and add them to the wall.

2018’s first season of the “Jamestown” television series, which premiered in the United Kingdom, sought to capture the horrors without and within the colony. Historic Jamestowne senior curator Bly Straube blogged about the series, connecting themes in the show to themes explored in the new exhibition. (See box for links to the eight blogs related to the TV se-

ries.) U.K. journalists visited Jamestown Settlement and Historic Jamestowne to promote travel to the Jamestown sites. The first season recently appeared in the U.S. on a PBS Masterpiece Amazon channel and on PBS Passport, which requires subscription. No information is forthcoming regarding the launch of the second season in the U.S.; it was not filmed here.

Information at <https://historyisfun.org/tenacity/>, 888-593-4682 or 757-253-4838. 2018 admission is \$17 adults, \$8 ages 6-12 (2019: \$17.50 adults, \$8.25 ages 6-12), and free for children under 6. A value-priced combination ticket to Jamestown Settlement and the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown is \$25.50 adults, and \$12.25 ages 6-12 (2019: \$26 adults, \$12.50 ages 6-12).

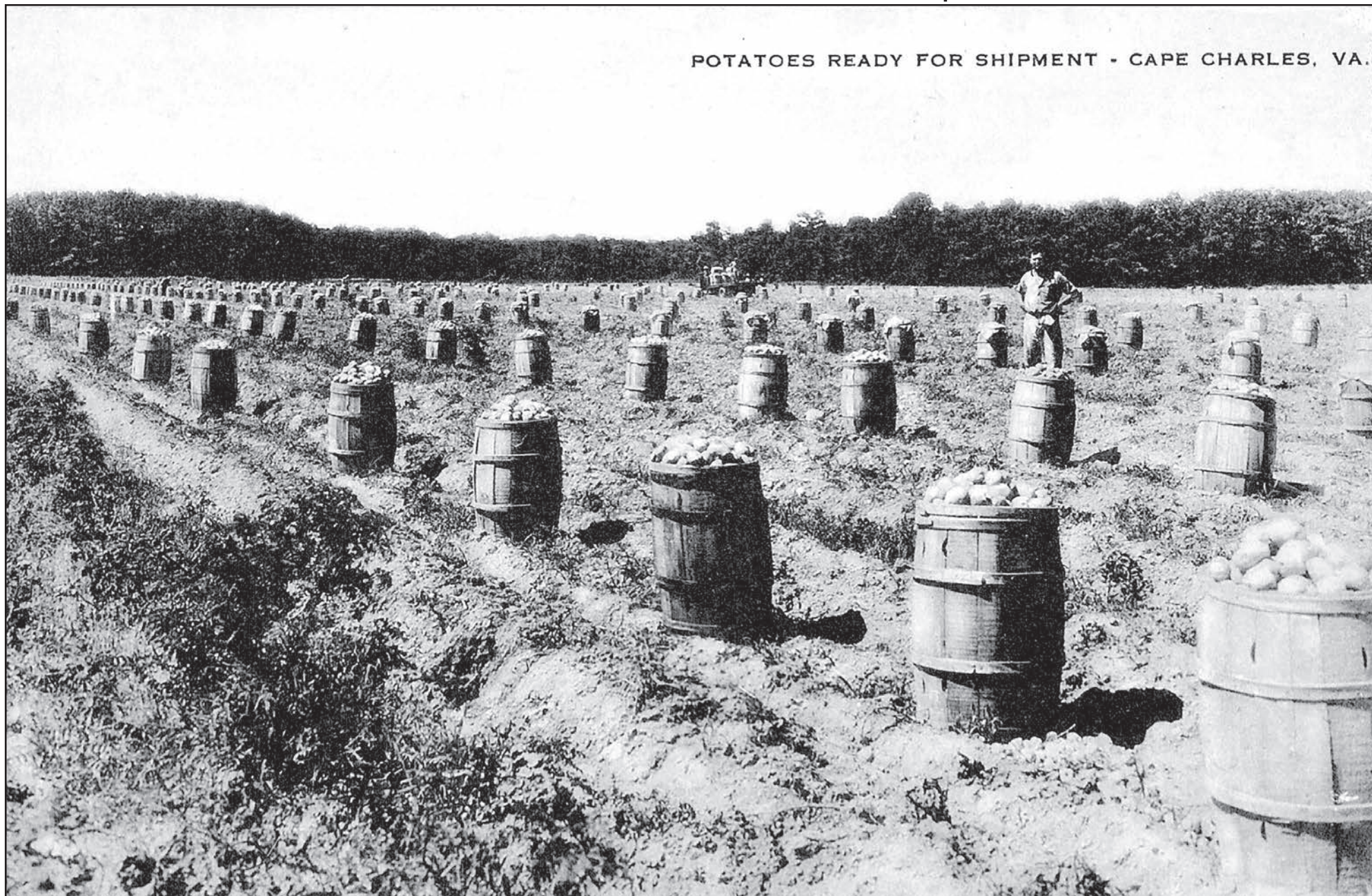
www.HistoricJamestowne.org or 757-856-1250. 2018 admission is \$14 adults aged 16 and older; 15 and under, free (2019: \$20 adults, 15 and under, free).

Blog Posts About Jamestown TV Series

Below are links to the eight blogs created by curator Bly Straube related to the “Jamestown” television series:

- March 26, 2018: Sisters of a Sort www.historyisfun.org/blog/sisters-of-a-sort/
- April 2, 2018: There Will be Consequences www.historyisfun.org/blog/there-will-be-consequences/
- April 10, 2018: Bloodlines www.historyisfun.org/blog/bloodlines/
- April 17, 2018: A Convivial Afternoon of Embroidery www.historyisfun.org/blog/a-convivial-afternoon-of-embroidery/
- April 27, 2018: The White Sheet www.historyisfun.org/blog/the-white-sheet/
- May 3, 2018: “Ruffing” it up at Jamestown www.historyisfun.org/blog/ruffing-it-up-at-jamestown/
- May 11, 2018: Put a Ring on It www.historyisfun.org/blog/put-a-ring-on-it/
- June 1, 2018: Invisibility www.historyisfun.org/blog/invisibility/

Website Traces Transformation of Eastern Shore Landscape After Advent of Railroad



POTATOES READY FOR SHIPMENT - CAPE CHARLES, VA.

Photo from the Kirk Mariner Collection, Eastern Shore Public Library

Harvested potatoes are packed in barrels in a Cape Charles field, ready for shipment.

By Brooks Miles Barnes

An essential source for Eastern Shore of Virginia history in the late 19th and early 20th centuries is the website *The Countryside Transformed: The Railroad and the Eastern Shore of Virginia, 1870-1935*. The website can be viewed under the genealogy section's Digital Resources tab of the Eastern Shore Public Library's (ESPL) website, www.espl.org. The *Countryside Transformed* is a digital archive drawn from the collections of ESPL and other local institutions and the University of Virginia. It includes maps, manuscripts,

photographs, pamphlets, newspaper articles, public documents, and travelers' accounts from books and periodicals.

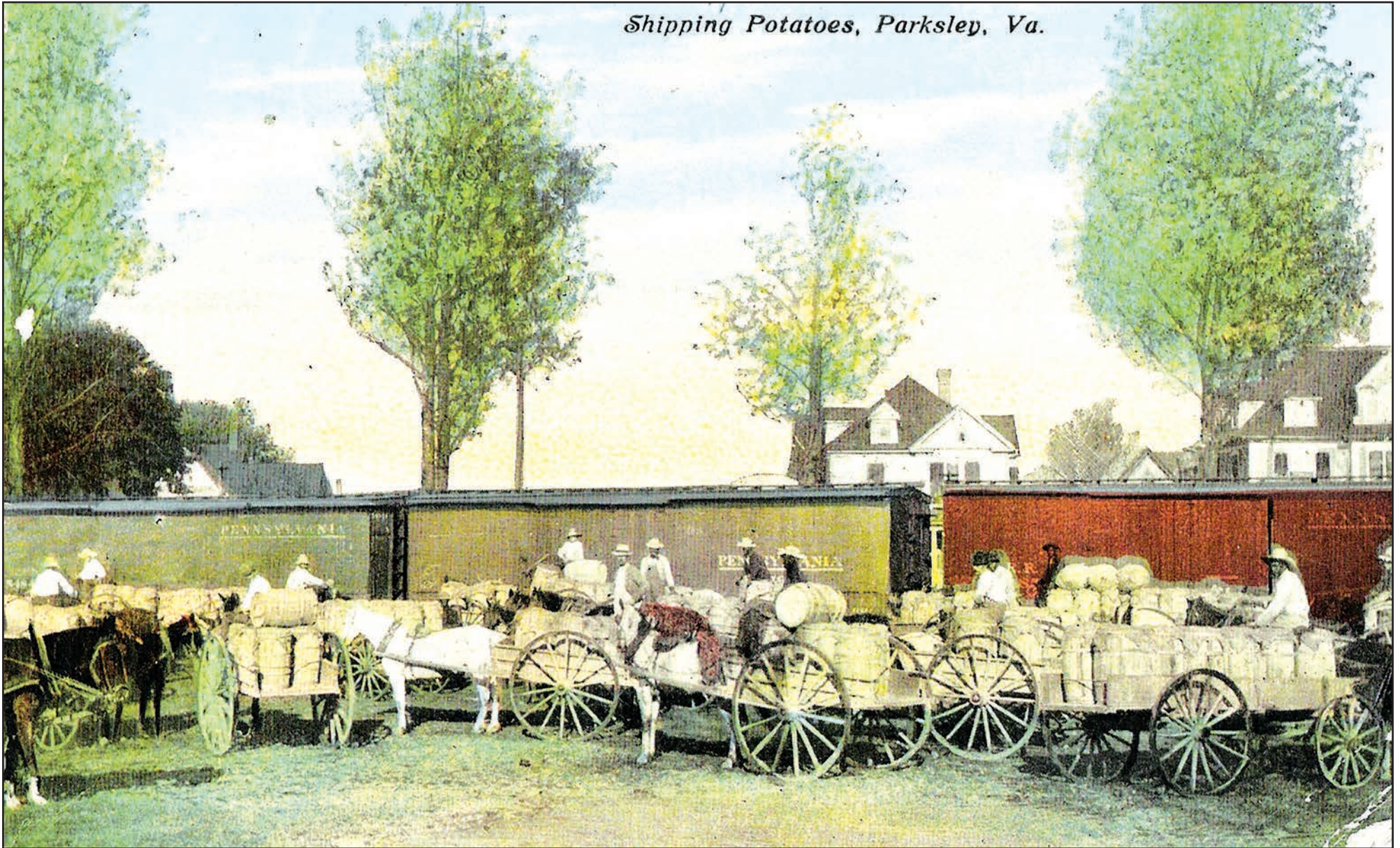
The *Countryside Transformed* shows how the railroad and other technologies profoundly changed the physical and mental landscapes in which the people of Accomack and Northampton counties lived, worked, and traveled. During much of the period, the agriculture, seafood, lumber, and tourism industries prospered. Population expanded exponentially. New towns grew up along the railroad and a network of new roads emanated from the towns. Modern styles of archi-

tecture appeared, water towers broke the skyline, and telegraph, telephone, and power lines webbed the countryside. The transformation was as lasting as it was profound. The houses in which people now live, the roads on which they travel, the towns in which they work and shop, almost all date from this era.

The website can be searched by keyword or through a number of categories including chronological and geographic. An interactive map makes place name searches easy. Click, for instance, on the icon for Keller and everything relating to that town appears on the menu. Search-

es also can be conducted by source material type — maps (more than 80 are available), first-person accounts (more than 300), newspaper articles (1,300), etc. One can even take a look at weekly weather reports from Eastville for the period 1904 through 1915.

Perhaps the most popular source are the more than 800 photographs. Nothing better illustrates the dynamic quality of life on the Eastern Shore during the period and nothing better shows how thoroughly transformed was the local landscape. Photographs of the rail yards or the steamboat wharves at har-

Shipping Potatoes, Parksley, Va.*Photo from the Kirk Mariner Collection, Eastern Shore Public Library*

This 1914 artwork depicts potatoes packed in barrels and ready to be shipped by rail.

vest time – the people, the horses, the carts, the trucks, and barrels of potatoes row on row – capture the busyness of the times. Early views of Parksley or Cape Charles depict new houses set in a raw, treeless landscape such as today one might see in a new subdivision. In contrast, images in the Eastern Shore Public Library's Callahan Collection of houses already old by the 1890s show an archaic landscape about to be submerged under a modern tide.

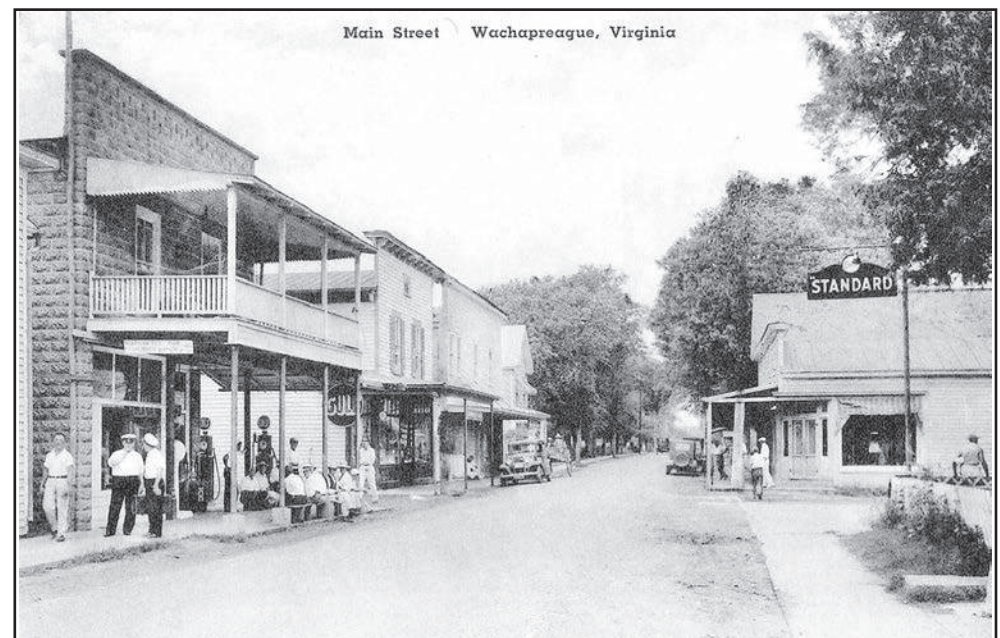
The Countryside Transformed was created in 2008 as a joint project of the Eastern Shore Public Library and the Virginia Center for Digital History at the University of Virginia. The website was funded by grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities and from the Fair Play Foundation of Wilmington,

Del. It is currently hosted by the Institute for Advanced Technology in the Humanities at the University of Virginia.

A campaign is underway to fund the new ESVA Heritage Center, which will require specialized architectural design, environmental controls, and equipment. Those wishing to donate or to be recognized with other Founders of the Heritage Center should send donations to ESPL Foundation, P.O. Box 554, Accomac, VA 23301, call 757-787-2500, or visit www.shorelibrary.com

Photo from the Kirk Mariner Collection, Eastern Shore Public Library

Photo, right: Main Street in Wachapreague has several businesses, including two gas stations, in this 1920 photograph.



Occohannock Elementary School Celebrates 25 Years

Submitted Article

Occohannock Elementary School (OES), home of the Stingrays, celebrated its 25th anniversary recently. The school, which opened in 1993, invited the former superintendent, principals, and teachers to attend and speak at the program, which was led by fifth and sixth grade students in the Safety Patrol.



Educators, past and present, celebrated OES 25th anniversary. Pictured above (standing) are Dr. Paul Bibbins, Perry Whitley, Anne Barnes, Dr. Dawn Goldstein, Eddie Lawrence, Gwyn Hogg, Rick Bowmaster, William Oakley, Ann Bonniwell, and Dr. Shirley Auguste; (sitting) Michelle Buell, Betty Pruitt, Ann Gorman, Lisa Arnold, Jerline White, Linda Kilmon.

The program began with the pledge of allegiance, the Rays' Pledge, and a moment of silence for those who had passed during their time at OES. Then the pre-K students did an original song written by Lisa Arnold. The guest speakers were the former Northampton County Public Schools Superintendent Dawn Goldstein and current NCPS Superintendent Eddie Lawrence. Reflections were provided by former Principal Ann Bonniwell and former OES teacher and NCPS Superintendent Rick Bowmaster.

Several students shared reflections on why they enjoyed being students at OES. Eight staff members were recognized for their service of 25 years. The students' behavior and attention was superb. They sat attentively listening and following along.



An Instagram-worthy display from the art department of OES celebrates 25 years of education in Exmore. Pictured is art teacher Tatum Ford.



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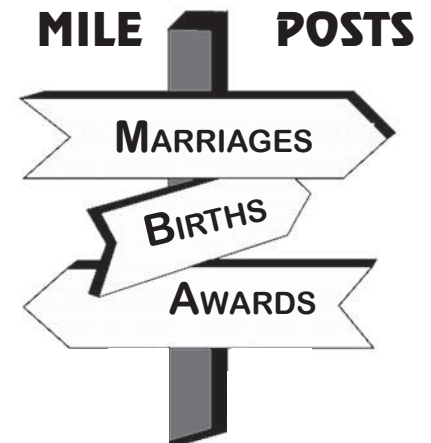
Eastern Shore Cruisers Donates Money To Boy Scout Troop 300 Parksley

James Bishop (left), of the Eastern Shore Cruisers, presents Scoutmaster Bobby Selby, of Boy Scout Troop 300 Parksley, a check for \$300 from the proceeds of the car show that took place on Aug. 4.



Kellam Speaks to CBA

Garnett Kellam, left, president of the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association, was the speaker last month and was joined by his father, John Willis Kellam, following the meeting. Garnett Kellam talked about two instances where he felt God intervened in his life and helped save the lives of two young children.



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- Alexion Sample, 42, and Shanea Handy, 41, both of Pungoteague
- Barbara Jean Jeffrey and Elmo Allan Hatcher III, both 67, of Chincoteague
- Wayne Lee Bass, 53, and Lisa Carol Joynes, 56, both of Parksley
- Jessica Nichole Holderfield, 19, and Carlos Morales Morales, 21, both of Exmore
- Sallie Frances Heath, 63, of Parksley, and Carl Richard Owens, 62, of Cape Charles
- Peter Nielson Buchardt, 37, of Brighton and Hove, England, and Carrie Leigh Beitze, 37, of Austin, Texas
- Esgar Astudillo Cruz, 32, and Maria De La Luz Moreno Gonzalez, 41, both of Machipongo
- Bersain Velasquez Lopez, 39, and Orfa Leticia Roblero Alvarado, 25, both of Birdsnest
- Daniel Robert Freeman Sr., 51, and Karin Janet Williams, 54, both of Bloxom

Metompkin BETA Club Operation Christmas Child A Success

Submitted By Melissa Purdy, Fourth Grade Metompkin Teacher

Metompkin Elementary School Junior BETA Club recently completed a community service project for Operation Christmas Child where they donated their time and brought in items to fill shoeboxes with toys and small useful items for children in need all over the world. Together, MES BETA students filled 33 shoeboxes and sent two large bags of items over to the local church for additional packing. Items too large for the shoeboxes

will be donated to a child in need on the staff-wide Angel Tree project that sponsors a local child or children. BETA is a club where membership is based on academics, behavior, and leadership abilities shown and continually demonstrated during the school year. In addition to this community service project, students have also

participated in raising money and collecting donations for the Eastern Shore Food Bank, writing Christmas cards to veterans at the veterans' hospital, and have several other upcoming projects planned both as a club and individually. Club members have shown tremendous leadership skills and service this year.



MES BETA Club members pictured above packed shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE SCHEDULE FOR EACH NIGHT

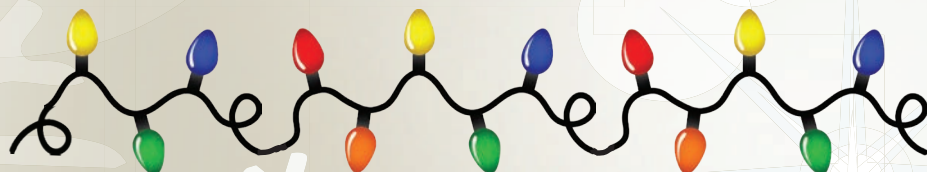
Sunday, December 16 – North of Occohannock Road/East of Main Street – Madison Street – Monroe Street – Lee Street – Washington Street – Lincoln Avenue – Crown Avenue – Grayson Ave – Holman Avenue – Houston Street – Tower Way – Belle Haven Road – Main Street

Monday, December 17 – South of Occohannock Road/West of Main Street – Jackson Avenue – Roosevelt Avenue – Popular Avenue – Adron Street – Main Street – Hadlock Road/Lane

Tuesday, December 18 – Thurgood Marshall Road – Harriet Tubman Drive – Madame C J Walker Lane – Virginia Street – Myrtle Street – Willis Wharf Road (to Seaside Road)

Wednesday, December 19 – Willis Wharf Road (after Seaside Road) – Willis Wharf Community – Ballard Drive - Oakland Drive – Hog Island Lane

Thursday, December 20, is a make-up night (if needed for inclement weather or fire incidents occurring during other nights)



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Arcadia High School Hi-Y Club Organizes Toy Drive

The Arcadia High School Hi-Y club recently organized a toy drive and collected 70 toys to donate to the Department of Social Services for its Toy Closet.

Hi-Y club officers, pictured above with some of the toys prior to packing and delivering them, hope they make Christmas brighter for many children.



DAR Chapter Observes Veterans Day

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, observed Veterans Day with a headstone dedication for World War II veteran and retired Navy Captain and long-time family physician, Dr. Donald F. Fletcher Jr. In addition to members of the DAR chapter, family members of Dr. Fletcher's attended the ceremony. The ceremony included the laying of a flower arrangement, placing of American flags, and the playing of taps by a representative of the organization Bugles Across America. The acquisition of the headstone by the DAR chapter was part of their 2018-2019 Veterans project. The following day, members of the chapter participated in the annual Veterans Day parade in Virginia Beach.

VETERANS' CORNER

Veterans' Spotlight and Veterans' News



Story by Alexander Hightower

Veteran Spotlight

In honor of the passing of President George H.W. Bush, this month's veteran in the spotlight is Lt. j.g. (Lieutenant Junior Grade) George Bush. Bush was born on June 12, 1924, in Milton, Mass. Bush enlisted in the U.S. Navy when he turned 18 in June 1942, and shortly thereafter become commissioned as an ensign and naval aviator. At the time of his commissioning, he was a few days from his 19th birthday, making him one of the youngest aviators in Naval history. Bush served during WWII on and aboard the USS San Jacinto, where he

flew 58 combat missions. He received three Air Medals and the Distinguished Flying Cross. Bush continued to serve his country as a U.S. Representative for Texas, an ambassador to the United Nations, chief of the U.S. Liaison Office in the People's Republic of China, director of the CIA, 43rd vice-president of the United



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States, and as the 41st president of the United States. Bush is one of two presidents, along with John Adams, to be the father of another president. In 2009, the U.S. Navy commissioned The USS George H.W. Bush Aircraft Carrier in honor of President Bush. President Bush died on Nov. 30, 2018. Fair winds and following seas.

Local Veteran News

Veterans ID Cards Update: Recently, I was asked if I had heard back on the status of veterans ID cards mentioned in a previous article. As it stands, Veterans Affairs has not officially set a date for veteran ID cards to be released. However, as of July 1, 2018, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will now offer a veteran indicator on Virginia driver's licenses and ID cards. According to the Virginia Department of Veterans Services, the word "veteran" that will appear on licenses and ID cards will allow Virginia veterans to prove their veteran status. DMV offers this new option on behalf of the Department of Veterans Services (DVS). For veterans to qualify, they must show proof of military service (e.g., DD 214, DD 256, WD AGO, or NGB

22) with an honorable or general discharge status, branch of service, and discharge date. Virginia veterans can apply for the veteran indicator online or in person at a DMV customer service center.

DMV 2 Go: According to the DMV, the DMV 2 Go mobile outreach has added additional visits to serve more military members, veterans, and their families. In addition to the DMV 2 Go, Virginia also has DMV service outlet services called DMV Connect. DMV Connect is a portable outreach program that allows DMV to operate and set up anywhere. DMV Connect provides common DMV transactions. Veterans can also add a veteran indicator to their driver's license or ID card. DMV Connect will be on the Eastern Shore on Thursday, Dec. 27, at 21314 S. Bayside Rd. Cheriton. For more information contact your local DMV or visit https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/drivers/#id/vet_id.asp

Veterans Workshop: Workshops are held every third Tuesday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Virginia Employment Commission in Onley. All service members, veterans, dependents, and survivors are welcome to attend. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 18.

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Community Notes

Bloxom

Arcadia Middle School BETA Club will be passing out holiday meal bags to anyone in the community in need Saturday, Dec. 15, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Bloxom Volunteer Fire Department. The bags are first come, first served. Each bag will include a whole frozen chicken and numerous nonperishable items.

Eastville

The 29th Annual Community Unity Breakfast will be Monday, Jan. 21, at 8:30 a.m., at the Northampton High School cafeteria. The keynote speaker will be the Rev. Felton T. Sessoms, of First Baptist Church in Cape Charles. Breakfast is \$6 for adults and free for students. There will also be a health booth and vendors. Voter registration will be available. Attendees are asked to bring nonperishable food items for local needy families. For more information, call 442-2139 or 804-513-0532.

Tasley

The Tasley Vol. Fire Co. will hold its 4th Annual Chili & Chowder Fundraiser Saturday, Dec. 15, from noon to 4 p.m., at the Tasley Fire Station. Clam chowder is \$7.50 a pint or \$14 a quart. Clam fritters sandwiches are \$5 and a meal is \$6.50. Chili is \$5.50 a pint and \$10 a quart. Orders are carry out only. For more information, call 787-7870 or 710-1996.

Weirwood

A documentary viewing party about Giddens' Do Drop Inn will be Friday, Dec. 28, at 7:30 p.m., at Giddens' Do Drop Inn, 8204 Bayford Rd. DJ Satch will play music from 9 to 11 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres will be served and donations are welcome. For more information, call 442-2139 or 804-513-0532.

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Holiday Events Calendar

- Dec. 14: 5-8 p.m.—Festive Fridays: Harbor String Quartet, The Littlest Elf Shop at Cape Charles Christian School, Santa & Mrs. Claus—Cape Charles
- Dec. 14, 15: 7 p.m.//Dec. 16: 2 p.m.—ESO Presents The 28th Annual “Nutcracker” Performance—Nandua High School, Onley—Prices Vary
- Dec. 14: 7 p.m.—A Charlie Brown Christmas Celebration—Pocomoke Library
- Dec. 14: 7 p.m.—\$5 Movie Night: “Elf”—Island Theatre, Chincoteague
- Dec. 14: 8 p.m.—Movie Night: “Home Alone”—Historic Palace Theater, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles—Free
- Dec. 15: 8-11 a.m.—Breakfast With Santa—Atlantic Vol. Fire & Rescue—\$3/Kids Age 3 To 6; \$8/Adults; Free/Age 2—\$3/4x6 Photos
- Dec. 15: 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.—15th Annual Greens, Gifts and Goodies Sale—Woman’s Club of Accomack County, 25405 Richmond Ave., Onley
- Dec. 15: 9 a.m.-noon—Breakfast With Santa—Cheriton Vol. Fire Co.—\$5/Kids; \$10/Adults; Free/Age 10 And Under
- Dec. 15: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.—Santa’s Train Wonderland—Delmarva Discovery Center, Downtown Pocomoke, Md.
- Dec. 15: 11 a.m.—Movie In Pajamas: “A Muppet Christmas”—North Street Playhouse, Onancock—Free
- Dec. 15: 1-3 p.m.—Cookies By the Pound Sale—St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, Pocomoke, Md.
- Dec. 15: 6-8 p.m.—Holiday Farmers Market—Cape Charles Farmers Market, Cape Charles Museum, Randolph Ave.
- Dec. 15: 7:30 p.m.—GEAR Student Production Presents “Elf Jr.”—Historic Palace Theater, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles—Prices Vary
- Dec. 16: 9:30 a.m.—Christmas Service—Craddockville UMC
- Dec. 16: 3 p.m.—Christmas Cantata “Night Of Wonder And Joy”—Franktown UMC
- Dec. 16: 3 p.m.—Christmas Fellowship Service—St. John’s Baptist Church, Onancock
- Dec. 16: 6 p.m.—Christmas Cantata & Candlelight Service—Red Bank Baptist Church, Marionville
- Dec. 16-20: 6 p.m.—Santa Claus Visits On The Fire Truck—Exmore (See Schedule On Page 44)
- Dec. 21: 6-8 p.m.—The Snow Queen & King Visit—Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles—Free Hot Chocolate & Cookies
- Dec. 21: 7 p.m.—\$5 Movie Night: “A Christmas Carol”—Island Theatre, Chincoteague
- Dec. 22: 2 p.m.—Community Pre-Christmas Dinner—Antioch Baptist Church, Treherneville
- Dec. 23: 10:30 a.m.—Children’s Christmas Program—Pungoteague Community Church—Christmas Caroling At 5 p.m. Will Begin At The Church
- Dec. 24: 6 p.m.—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service—Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
- Dec. 24: 6 p.m.—Greenbackville Charge Christmas Eve Candlelight Service—Union UMC, Greenbackville
- Dec. 24: 7 p.m.—Christmas Eve Service—Downings UMC, Oak Hall
- Dec. 24: 9 p.m.—Christmas Eve Service—Craddockville UMC

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**FRIDAY
DEC. 14** ★12:30 p.m. - **Science & Philosophy Seminar: Medically Assisted Treatment of Opiate Addiction** - ESCC, lecture hall, Melfa
 ★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Church
 ★6-8 p.m. - **Flatfooting** - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
 ★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Texas Hold'em Tournament** - Parksley VFC

**SATURDAY
DEC. 15** ★10 a.m.-noon - **Drop-In Art Show** - Ward Museum, Salisbury, Md. - 410-742-4988 x110
 ★1-4 p.m. - **Cape Charles Farmers Holiday Market** - Cape Charles Museum, Randolph Ave.
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

POST TIMES December 14-20

**SUNDAY
DEC. 16** ★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Grace UMC, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley

**MONDAY
DEC. 17** ★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - **E.S. Quilt Guild mtg.** - Dummondtown UMC, Accomac - community service projects - 201-317-0586
 ★1-4 p.m. - **CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday** - Theatre Annex, Chincoteague
 ★5-6 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
 ★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley
 ★6:15 p.m. - **Central Shore Lions Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley
 ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Free English for Speakers of Other Languages** - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
 ★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
 ★7 p.m. - **Onancock Town Council mtg.** - Town Hall Council Chambers, 15 North St.
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Accomack Cty. Taxpayers' Assn. mtg.** - Accomack County Administration Bldg.

**WEDNESDAY
DEC. 19** ★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley
 ★10 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718
 ★10-11 a.m. - **Alzheimer's Caregiving Group** - Hermitage, 23610 North St., Onancock - 1-800-272-3900
 ★10 a.m.-noon - **Accomack AARP mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley
 ★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - **Veterans' Employment Representative Avail.** - ESCC, Melfa - no appt. needed
 ★10:30-11:30 a.m. - **Overeaters Anonymous mtg.** - Rock Church, Onley - 757-655-4834
 ★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen** - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore
 ★11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - **Debedeavon Toastmasters' mtg.** - NASA/Wallops Base - Call Owen Hooks at 824-1941 for base access
 ★1:30-3 p.m. - **Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg.** - Downing's UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall - 789-5000
 ★3-5 p.m. - **REVIVE! Lay Rescuer Training to Respond to Opioid Overdoses** - E.S. Community Services Board Prevention Services, Belle Haven - learn how to administer Narcan - 442-5388 x505
 ★5-7 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen & Clothes Closet** - Grace and Truth Ministries, 19 Boundary Ave., Onancock - Donations: 789-5369
 ★5:30-6:30 p.m. - **Free Meals for the Hungry** - Epworth UMC, 4158 Seaside Rd., Exmore - 442-6391
 ★6-7 p.m. - **Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew's Church, Onley)** - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
 ★6:30 p.m. - **E.S. Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #62 mtg.** - Market St. Grill, Onancock - 709-5212
 ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Free English for Speakers of Other Languages** - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
 ★7 p.m. - **AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** - Franktown UMC
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

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**TUESDAY
DEC. 18** ★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
 ★10 a.m. - **Zumba** - Franktown UMC
 ★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock - 787-3900
 ★10 a.m.-noon - **Veterans' Workshop** - Virginia Employment Commission, Onley - 787-5862
 ★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Island House, Wachapreague - 787-2432
 ★10:30 a.m. - **Play Time** - Pocomoke Library
 ★1-2:30 p.m. - **Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church, Fidelis House, 509 Randolph Ave. - 789-5000
 ★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486 (call for location)
 ★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA
 ★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Financial Workshop** - Deliverance Ministries COGIC, Melfa - 757-350-5039
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Cheriton VFC - smoke free
 ★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Atlantic UMC

**THURSDAY
DEC. 20** ★10:30 a.m. - **Story Time** - Cape Charles Memorial Library
 ★2 p.m. - **Parkinson's Support Group** - YMCA, Onley
 ★5:30 p.m. - **Shore Losers mtg.** - Drummondtown Baptist Church, Accomac - \$1/wk.
 ★5:30 p.m. - **TOPS VA-550 mtg.** - Zion Baptist Church, Parksley - 787-7099
 ★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Kiwanis Club mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chincoteague
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon. mtg.** - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
 ★7 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Chincoteague Church of God, 5252 Woodland Dr., Chincoteague
 ★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Painter Garrison UMC
 ★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague

Eastern Shore Trading POST

Announcements

Merry Christmas in Heaven Ray...

The Christmas tree took effort, to put it up today. And ornaments got wet from tears, I shed most every day. I never will get use to this, you being gone from me. It's changed the way I look at life; it's changed our family. And so I'll try to focus on the day we'll be together. And I'll continue missing you and loving you forever and forever.


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*Thank You From
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The Padgett Family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and generous gifts and donations during their time of bereavement. Billy remains hospitalized. Those who would like to contribute towards travel and lodging expenses for his family can go to the GoFundMe page <https://www.gofundme.com/traveling-expenses-for-mt-sister>



Want to wish your customers or friends and family a Merry Christmas? Get your Christmas Wishes in for next Friday's edition. All ads are due no later than 2 p.m. on Tuesday.

Help Wanted

Full-Time and Part-Time R.N.s and L.P.N.s - 3 p.m. til 11 p.m. shift and Part-Time Weekends R.N.s and L.P.N.s 7 a.m. til 3 p.m. shift

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Please apply on line at www.hartleyhall.org or apply in person at: Hartley Hall Nursing & Rehab Center, 1006 Market Street, Pocomoke City, MD.

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Zoning Administrator. The essential function of the position is to enforce zoning ordinances and is responsible for knowledge and enforcement of County zoning ordinances, related inspections, and preparing reports.


Conducts inspections for compliance with County zoning ordinances; resolves non-compliance issues. Serves as Subdivision Agent.

Requires Bachelor's degree in public administration or a closely related field.

Requires valid Virginia Driver's License and a Virginia Association of Zoning Officials' certification.

Excellent communication skills are essential. The minimum salary for this position is \$48,400 plus benefits.

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources by email by December 21, 2018. Northampton County is an EOE.



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ESCC is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Full-time Mathematics Faculty

Min. Requirements: Master's degree in Mathematics or related area, or Master's degree with 18 graduate credit hours. **Salary Range:** Rank and salary are commensurate with exp. and quals, plus state benefits package.

Full-time Biology Faculty

Min. Requirements: Master's degree in either Biology or Master's with 18 graduate hours in Biology. **Salary Range:** Rank and salary are commensurate with exp. and quals, plus state benefits package.

Assistant Coordinator for Student Advising (full-time)

Min. Requirements: Master's Degree in Student Affairs, or the equivalent, 5+ years' experience advising community college students. Working knowledge of PeopleSoft and MS Office.
Minimum Salary: \$56,610 plus state benefits package

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Farm helper position available on a broiler farm in Greenbush, Virginia. Must be able to work at least 40 hours per week. Must be able to start at 6:30 a.m. Must be able to physically perform all tasks needed in assisting the farm tenant to run a successful poultry operation. Daily collection and proper composting of mortality. Setting up for arrival of new chicks, moving them through the different stages of growth and shutting down the houses during catch time. Must be available to respond to alarms if needed. Grass cutting and grounds maintenance required.

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**Contact 757-894-4410 or
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A person in this position must be a visionary with supervisory experience, mature judgment, good interpersonal, communication and computer skills. The ability to delegate responsibilities and create a climate of teamwork and accountability is needed. Ability to provide bilingual patient care is a plus.

This is a full-time position with benefits.

If you are a mission-driven person looking to make a difference, email an **application** to hr@esrh.org before noon on December 18, 2018. Applications can be obtained from www.esrh.org. Resumes may accompany the application but will not be considered if sent alone.


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Now Hiring



Therapeutic Interventions, Inc. is seeking qualified individuals for their Office Manager/Administrative Assistant position serving the Eastern Shore area. Work experience required.

Duties include:

- Must be able to provide great customer service
- Must be proficient with Microsoft Office
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- Must possess organizational and office management skills
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- Must be able to take direction from various supervisors

Position is a full-time position and includes a full benefits package.

To apply send resume to:
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CONSERVATION SPECIALIST

The Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District is accepting applications for a full-time Conservation Specialist position. Applicant must be able to communicate effectively and possess strong computer application skills, preferably including GIS mapping and with preferred agricultural experience/background. Strong technical/grant writing abilities also preferred. This position will largely provide technical assistance to farmers and assist with the administration of the Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practice Cost Share Program, including but not limited to data entry, GIS mapping, conservation planning and performing annual spot checks. Valid VA driver's license required. Minimum requirements: B.S. degree in agricultural, environmental or related studies or demonstrated combination of education and experience showing the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to perform job duties. Starting salary based on qualifications/ experience ranging from \$35,000-\$37,000 plus excellent benefit package. Six-month probationary period. Forward completed VA State application, resume, and cover letter to Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District, 22545 Center Parkway, Accomac, VA 23301 by Friday, December 14, 2018.

For more information, contact Carmie Savage, District Manager, at (757) 787-0918, ext 4431, or by email at carmie.savage@esswcd.org

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The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

- Senior Clinician/Clinician
- Developmental Disabilities Aide (PCAs & CNAs welcome)
- Substance Abuse Outpatient Clinician (CSAC required)
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Legal Ads & Auctions

Notice to Town of Onley Residents

The January 7, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Onley Town Council has been moved to Monday, January 14, 2019. The meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the Onley Baptist Church, 25501 W. Main St., Onley, VA. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 32215 Keller Pond Road Painter, VA 23401

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,367.29, dated June 8, 2007, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for Accomack County on June 13, 2007, as Instrument Number 200703277, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction, at the **main entrance of the courthouse for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave, Accomac, VA on January 9, 2019, at 11:30 AM**, the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address and briefly described as: BEGINNING AT A PIPE IN THE NORTHERLY CORNER OF THE LAND HEREIN CONVEYED ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STATE ROUTE 620** AND HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE "POINT OF BEGINNING"; THENCE RUNNING SOUTH 33 DEG 54 MIN EAST A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET TO ANOTHER PIPE; THENCE RUNNING SOUTH 56 DEG 06 MIN WEST A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET TO ANOTHER PIPE; THENCE RUNNING NORTH 33 DEG 54 MIN WEST A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET TO ANOTHER PIPE SET ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STATE ROUTE 620; THENCE RUNNING ALONG THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STATE ROUTE 620, NORTH 56 DEG 06 MIN EAST A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET TO THE ORIGINAL "POINT OF BEGINNING". SAID LOT IS BOUNDED GENERALLY ON THE NORTH BY STATE ROUTE 620; ON THE EAST BY "LOT 9" ON THE AFORESAID PLAT OF SURVEY; ON THE SOUTH BY THE LANDS OF RALPH LEE SCARBOROUGH; AND ON THE WEST BY "LOT 7" ON THE AFORESAID PLAT OF SURVEY. Tax ID: 111C00200000800.

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. CL18-296-00

vs.

The heirs and devisees of SALLY S. FITCHETT
JUANITA S. BARRETT

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 Cheapside, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot No. 2, recorded in Plat Book 6, page 38 and designated as tax map number 0105B-01-BLK-00 0000002.

standing in the name of Sally Sunkett Douglas (also known as Sally S. Fitchett), 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 Sally S. Fitchett; 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 Sally S. Fitchett; and that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Juanita S. Barrett, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 37, Capeville, VA 23313.

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 December 31, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 30th day of November, 2018
Lauren M. Brown, Dep. Clerk

I ask for this:
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON **DECEMBER 19, 2018, AT 5:30 P.M.**, IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

A. REZ-2018-004: Matthews Market Rezoning - Residential to General Business

Request initiated by Matthews Market & Bruce Matthews to rezone Tax Map #55A-A-66, 55A-A-61C, 55A-A-65, 55A-A-61D, 55A-1-1, 55A-1-2, 55A-A-68, and 55A-1-1A, from Residential to General Business. These properties are located at 14141 & 14149 Lankford Highway and 29187 Bloxom Circle, Mapps ville, VA.

B. REZ-2018-005: Bloxom Auto Supply Rezoning

Request initiated by Rob Bloxom & Bloxom Auto Supply to rezone Tax Map #55A-A-6, 55A-A-3, 55A-A-3A, 55A-A-4A, 55A-A-2, 55A-A-1, & 55A-A-4, from Residential to General Business. These properties are located at 14100, 14116 & 14126 Lankford Highway, Mapps ville, VA.

Materials relating to this application may be reviewed at the Accomack County Planning Department, 23282 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia and on the County's website on the Friday prior to each meeting: www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public

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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. CL18-313-00

vs.

The heirs and devisees of JOHN THOMAS HARMON
GEORGE L. HARMON

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 Exmore Station, Northampton County, Virginia, containing six acres, more or less, and designated as tax map number 10-A-111A.

standing in the name of John Thomas Harmon, 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 John Thomas Harmon; 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 John Thomas Harmon; and that George L. Harmon is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 2935 Fielder Way, Rex, GA 30273.

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 18, 2018, 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 12th day of December, 2018
Lauren M. Brown, Dep. Clerk

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By Linda Cicoira

There is something to celebrate every single day in December. So I figured I can say “Bah! Humbug!” to it all, embrace the season with enthusiasm, or share the less obvious reasons for observing each 24-hour period. I decided to go with the last one.

Today, Friday, Dec. 14, is National Salesperson Day. So here’s a giant Yippee to Troy Justis, Angie Crutchley, and Sam Sellard who sell advertising in the Eastern Shore Post. They are the best.

National Wear Your Pearls Day is Saturday, Dec. 15. They don’t have to be real. National Chocolate-Covered Anything Day is Dec. 16. For me, that is a huge reason to dip cherries in hot fudge. Yippee!

Wright Brothers Day is Dec. 17. Take a ride in your plane or if you’re jet-less like me, make some fancy folds in a piece of office copy paper, create an incredible flying machine, and pitch it at the people in the ad department.

Answer the Telephone Like Buddy the Elf Day is a reason to leave your cell phone at home on Dec. 18. I am double dog daring Kimberly Perry, our graphic artist, to give that a try.

I quit smoking cigarettes a long time ago by eating Tootsie Roll lollipops so why not partake in the celebration on Dec. 19, which is National Hard Candy Day.

On the Thursday before Christmas, National Regifting Day is marked. In 2018, that lands on Dec. 20. It is also National Sangria Day. So give a friend a present while drinking wine or that flavored soda.

There is so much more on Dec. 21, when National French-Fried Shrimp Day, Crossword Puzzle Day, Humbug Day, National Flashlight Day, National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day, and Underdog Day are commemorated. Na-

tional Date Nut Bread Day is Dec. 22.

Festivus is celebrated on Dec. 23 and was “brought to the masses” in 1997 during an episode of the hit TV show, “Seinfeld,” in response to the commercialism of Christmas.

Dec. 23 is also the birthday of my longtime friend, Susan Beasley. Yippee! Have a great day, Susan.

Not only is Dec. 24 Christmas Eve, it is also National Eggnog Day. I love eggnog and I propose that the delicious drink should be available all year.

One would think that National Pumpkin Pie Day would be on Thanksgiving. But it actually shares Dec. 25 with Christmas, the celebration of the birth of Christ.

Dec. 26 will be Angie’s 40th birthday. We call it, Buy A Classified Ad Day. It is also National Candy Cane Day, National Thank-you Note Day, and National Whiner’s Day. I didn’t make that last one up. It means you can write emails, complain about being tired, smack your fat stomach because you ate too much, clean up the house, and stand in line to

return something that doesn’t fit.

Dec. 27 is National Fruitcake Day, which is also something that should be available all year. Yippee! I adore fruitcake and I am hoping my friend in Kentucky sends me one. Get the hint, Julie. Dec. 28 is National Chocolate Candy Day and National Card-Playing Day.

Tick Tock Day is Dec. 29 and is a reminder there are two days left to complete any business in 2018. Spend the money you want to deduct from your income taxes or Take A Friend to Lunch and Talk Business Day.

Bacon Day is observed Dec. 30 and holds the motto “Everything is Better with Bacon.” There is no excuse not to have a bacon, tomato, and cheese sandwich on toast while watching Kevin Bacon movies. Giving and receiving gifts of bacon is encouraged. I read that kissing under a pork fat mistletoe is suggested.

In addition to New Year’s Eve, Dec. 31 is National Champagne Day and No Interruptions Day. It is also Make Up Your Mind Day or the final opportunity to pick your resolution for 2019.



By Connie Morrison

Months after the storm known at its peak as Hurricane Michael passed through, people have the luxury of forgetting its effects on the Eastern Shore.

What lingers for me is the decision to go to press a day early,

anticipating the worst, to ensure the Eastern Shore Post readers would still get their papers on Friday. That, and the photos of devastation from Cherrystone Campground. And of course, the impact on my family in North Carolina.

Franktown resident Linda Watts-Giddins is still struggling in the aftermath of the storm whose name she will never forget. “He uprooted a couple of trees that came down in my yard on my car, bringing a sea of trees down with them,” she said.

By the time Michael reached the Eastern Shore of Virginia the night of Thursday, Oct. 11, into the early morning hours of Friday, Oct. 12, it had been downgraded to post-tropical cyclone status. The change did not mean it would leave the Shore unscathed.

Linda said she heard the rain and wind howling that night before trees started crashing around her. The first was outside her front door. She opened the door to have a look, and as she tried to close that door, she heard the trees landing on her 2005 Chevy Trailblazer.

“My baby was buried under a sea of trees,” she

Student Seeks Information About Shore

Dear Editor:

I am a student at Cascade Christian Schools, and I am writing a report on the state of Virginia. We are responsible for gathering as much information as we can about our state. If any of your readers would like to help me by sending any pictures,

said. There were other reports around the Shore of vehicles damaged by wind and bayside flooding.

Linda had just lost her long-time insurance carrier before the storm and was forced to downgrade to liability-only coverage. Then Michael struck, crushing her once-reliable vehicle.

She is disabled and 85 percent of her medical appointments are across the bay, including surgeons, gastroenterologist, neurologist, and oncologist. “I even have problems with the other 15 percent of appointments here that’s only 20 minutes away that I have had to cancel” she said.

Linda is not one to ask for help, but her back is against the wall. And I don’t usually publish pleas for help, but ’tis the season, and I made this exception.

If you’d like to help Linda, she has a page at www.gofundme.com Search for Linda Watts-Giddins.

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