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4 Ponies Euthanized After Sickness

By Linda Cicaira

Four ponies from the famous herd that lives on Virginia's Assateague Island died last week after enduring a hard battle with swamp cancer. The figure brings the death toll to seven ponies.

Denise Bowden, a spokesperson for the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co., which owns the herd, made the announcement Friday. "After much consultation and much professional vet medical opinions, a decision was made to humanely euthanize the ... remaining ponies fighting this awful, awful fungus."

"Shadow, Lightning, Calceti'n, and Elusive Star, as well as the others, received the very best care money could buy," Bowden continued. "They had surgeries, more medicine than you can imagine, round the clock care and lots and lots of love and attention. They just couldn't fight this off and before we let them suffer any more than they have been, we feel the right decision was made."

Three other ponies — Lyra, Essie, and Raindancer — had succumbed to the disease during the first half of December.

The pony committee of the fire company is working with Fish & Wildlife and four vets. "If anything good has come out of this it is that Dr. (Richard) Hansen is/has diligently worked on creating a preventive vaccine for this fungus and is now awaiting FDA approval," the fire department official said on Facebook. "Cross your fingers that it gets approval and we can work to vaccinate our ponies very soon. Also, Fish & Wildlife Service is taking



Photo by Linda Cicaira

Annual Pony Polar Plunge Brings Out Daring Dippers

In celebration of the start of 2019, hundreds gathered Tuesday to watch dozens of participants of the 8th Annual Pony Polar Plunge take a dip in the cold waters of the Atlantic. Despite the activity's title, the famous wild ponies were nowhere to be seen.

a good hard look at this fungus and will hopefully be doing everything they can to eradicate it from the refuge. It isn't only a pony problem. It can affect any animal that comes in contact with it."

"Throughout this whole swamp cancer process, we have consulted with Dr. Hansen and Dr. (Bob) Glass. They have been generous with their time and service. Our vet team has been hands-on practically 24/7." Bowden said Monday that Drs. George Marble and Charlie Cameron from Eastern

Shore Animal Hospital have also been working with the ponies.

"This has been a learning experience, an exhausting experience, and

life experience," she added to the department's Facebook page. "I ask that when you say your prayers for 2019

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Crash Claims Life of Horntown Man

By Linda Cicaira

A Horntown man was killed in Temperanceville in a single vehicle accident New Year's Eve, according to Sgt. Michelle Anaya of the state police.

Dietrich Geramane Davis, 45, of Fleming Road, was driving a 2005

Ford Focus at the intersection of Chesser Road and Sand Street at 9 p.m. when he lost control of the vehicle, ran off the road, struck several trees, and was ejected. Davis died at the scene. He was not wearing a seat belt.

Retired Doctor Asks Northampton To Take New Approach To Reduce Suspensions

By Stefanie Jackson

Every year in Northampton schools, two and a half times as many students are suspended as compared to the state average. Accomack schools are not far behind, with nearly twice as many students suspended compared to the state average. Suspension rates are even higher for black and Hispanic students than for white students.

Throughout 2018, Dr. Arthur Carter, of Nassawadox, frequently attended Northampton school board meetings and spoke during public comment periods, advocating for restorative justice – an alternative to traditional, punitive discipline – as a means of reducing suspensions for Northampton students.

Psychologist and counselor Gerald Boyd, of Eastville, has also been a proponent of restorative justice in Northampton schools.

As evidence that restorative discipline is gaining acceptance in other Virginia school divisions, Carter shared information from the 33rd Annual Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA) Conference on Education in Richmond last July.

Principal Laurel Byrd, of Thomas

Hunter Middle School, in Mathews County, said studies show that “zero tolerance policies and practices that punish have no long-term effect on student behavior.”

She suggested that “restorative practices” may help reduce the “school to prison pipeline” and an increasing amount of teacher frustration and referrals written.

Successfully incorporating restorative discipline in schools requires a “shift in focus,” she said. Traditional discipline punishes students for breaking the rules, but restorative discipline assists students in mending their relationships.

Punishment often leads to “lying and defensiveness,” but restorative justice encourages “honesty and truth-telling.”

It also redefines accountability as “taking responsibility for actions” rather than simply “accepting punishment.”

Instead of school authorities punishing a student and often isolating the offender, the restorative process involves everyone affected by the offender’s actions, including the victim, and seeks to rehabilitate the student within the school community.

Students who undergo restorative discipline are also less likely to re-offend.

Recent data from Fairfax County Public Schools, which have implemented restorative justice, corroborates this claim.

About 94 percent of Fairfax students who participated in a restorative justice conference did not have a second violation of the school division’s code of conduct within one year. Of 1,086 offenders who attended a conference, only 65 committed a similar offense in the following year.

About 48 percent of the students who re-offended were in special education.

Reducing school suspensions is crucial to children’s future success, the Fairfax presentation suggested. According to 2012 data from the U.S. Department of Education and Department of Justice, middle schoolers who are repeatedly suspended are three times more likely to be involved in the justice system later in life.

Just one suspension reduces a student’s likelihood to graduate from high school by 20 percent, the data further suggested.

“Socioeconomic and racial disproportionality in the administration of school discipline” also continues to be a problem, according to an Albemarle County

Public Schools report given at the VSBA conference.

In the 2011-2012 school year, the most recent year for which federal data on school discipline was available, black students made up only 24 percent of all Virginia public school students, yet they accounted for 51 percent of suspensions and 41 percent of expulsions.

To address this issue, Albemarle schools are implementing STEP (Short Term Education Program), an alternative to out-of-school suspension that helps students reach their academic goals and provides one-on-one counseling.

Carter has not yet received an official response from Northampton school board members concerning their position on restorative justice. About a month ago, he re-addressed the board.

“All we’re asking is that the school system join with a community committee to begin working on how we can obtain sustainable funds to implement restorative, inclusionary discipline” and “eliminate the disparities that we still have in school discipline ... to do what we need to do – the right thing,” he said.

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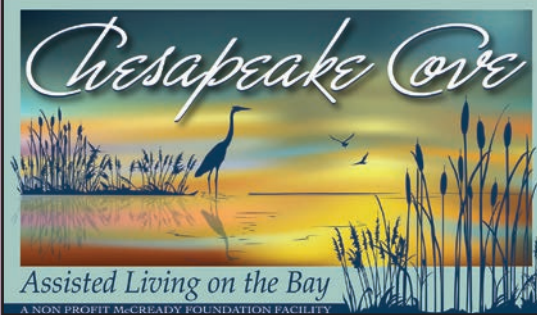
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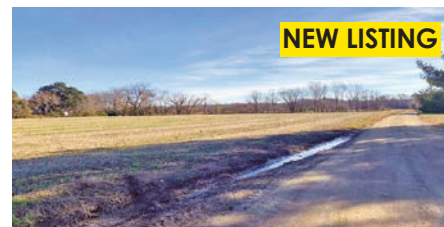
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Legislators Queue Up Bills Ahead of Jan. 9 General Assembly Session Start Date - Part II

By Linda Ciccoira

Virginia Legislators continued to introduce bills recently to the General Assembly and are awaiting a vote in the Courts of Justice Committee for the decriminalization of “simple” marijuana possession.

The marijuana bill, as written, comes with stipulations. It “provides a civil penalty of no more than \$50 for a first violation, \$100 for a second violation, and \$250 for a third or subsequent violation. Current law imposes a maximum fine of \$500 and a maximum 30-day jail sentence for a first offense, and subsequent offenses are a Class 1 misdemeanor.”

The proposal states “suspended sentence/substance abuse screening provisions and driver’s license suspension provisions apply only to criminal violations or to civil violations by a juvenile.” The court could suspend a driver’s license for a civil violation committed by an adult. A conviction would prohibit the purchase or transport of a handgun and disqualification for a concealed handgun permit. Named Senate Bill 997 (SB977), it was introduced by Sen. Adam Ebbin with support from co-patron Del. Mark Levin. Both are from Alexandria.

The bill has been awaiting a vote since July 16, 2018. The General Assembly session will begin Jan. 9 and continue for 45 days.

Introduced recently are proposed bills that would:

- Make it a Class 6 felony to leave “a loaded, unsecured firearm in such a manner as to endanger the life or limb of any person under the age of 18 ... Current law provides that any person who recklessly leaves a loaded, unsecured firearm in such a manner as to endanger the life or limb of any child under the age of 14 is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.”
- Direct the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study health care spending in the state.
- Create a procedure in which a commonwealth’s attorney or law-enforcement officer “may apply to a general district court, circuit court, or juvenile and domestic relations district court judge or magistrate for

an emergency substantial risk order to prohibit a person who poses a substantial risk of injury to himself or others from purchasing, possessing, or transporting a firearm.”

- Prohibit public bodies from procuring articles produced by inmates or services provided by inmates. This includes volunteer EMS agencies, fire departments, sheltered workshops, and community service organizations.
- Prohibit broadband providers from offering or renewing services to consumers within any locality in Virginia in which certain media is throttled, blocked, or prioritized on the basis of its content, format, host address, or source.
- Allow the attorney general’s office to represent a member of the General Assembly in any civil matter alleging that such member in his official capacity violated the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The proposal was a recommendation of the FOIA Advisory Council.
- Remove the requirement that the owner a vehicle used as a taxicab attach a statement to that effect to the title of the vehicle prior to the sale, transfer, or disposal of such vehicle. The bill also would remove the requirement requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to place an indicator on any new title for the vehicle indicating such prior use.
- Add parents who receive support or services from the deceased to the primary list of beneficiaries who may receive a distribution of wrongful death damages.
- Repeal provisions of Virginia code that, among other things, an employee of the state, a locality, or other political subdivision who goes on strikes or willfully refuses to perform the duties of his employment is deemed to have terminated his employment and is thereafter ineligible for employment.
- Remove the exemption from the Virginia Minimum Wage Act of any person who normally works and is paid on the basis of the amount of

work done.

- Require the Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority to pay a distiller who operates a government store on the distiller's licensed premises a commission of not less than 20 percent of the retail price of any goods sold. The bill also allows certain government stores, as determined by the authority, to be open on Sundays for the sale of alcoholic beverages after 10:00 a.m. Under current law, the store may be open on Sundays after 1 p.m.
- Require the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to adopt regulations to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden and authorize the commission to adopt regulations for managing the state's menhaden fishery. The bill also requires that any moratorium on the fishery be subject to legislative review. The bill repeals several code sections relating to quotas, allocation of allowable landings, and administrative procedures that will be included in a regulatory framework for managing the fishery.
- Define pawnbroker to include only natural persons. Under current law, a person, defined to include corporations, partnerships, associations, cooperatives, limited liability companies, trusts, joint ventures, governments, political subdivisions, or any other legal or commercial entities and any successor, representative, agent, agency, or instrumentality thereof, may become a licensed pawnbroker. The bill provides that counties, cities, or towns may choose to extend the license of a pawnbroker, who is not a natural person, for up to a year.
- Require the government-issued identification card presented by a person pawning, pledging, or selling goods, precious metals, or gems to be unexpired and to bear the person's current legal address. If the government-issued identification does not have the current address, the bill requires other documents to be shown to verify the current address.
- Permit localities to impose transient occupancy taxes on transient room rentals and travel campgrounds in state parks.

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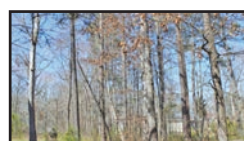


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Cheriton Council Debates Future of Town Policing, Discusses Drainage

By Stefanie Jackson

Since former Cheriton Police Chief Marc Marshall was the sole member of the town's police force when his contract was terminated in late September following accusations of misconduct, the police department was rendered inactive.

For the last three months, the Northampton County Sheriff's Office has been under contract providing all police coverage in Cheriton, and deputies have written 105 traffic tickets there, generating approximately \$18,500 in revenue for the town.

"I wish it had been more revenue," Mayor Larry LeMond said, but he added that Cheriton paid the sheriff's department only \$3,600 for its service, meaning the town earned five dollars for every dollar it invested.

LeMond wanted council members to consider the expenses and revenue associated with the contract when deciding what to do with the town police car that remains parked and has a dead battery from not being driven in four months.

"It's an asset of \$35,000 sitting right

outside the door here, doing nothing," he said.

Because the police car is not being used, "it's not an asset, it's a liability," Councilwoman Norma Spencer countered. She recommended selling the vehicle and all related police equipment.

Councilwoman Jackie Davis reminded her peers that they had previously discussed possibly sheltering the police car under cover until a final decision could be made about the vehicle's fate.

LeMond added that Sheriff David Doughty is "definitely" interested in buying the police car when he hires a new deputy in early 2019.

Councilman Barry Downing agreed that "we should get rid of it," and Councilman Robert Lewis favored selling the car to the sheriff's department.

Councilman Matthew Yancy agreed with selling the car as long as the council wouldn't be "closing the door" on possibly reactivating the police department.

LeMond suggested keeping the money made from selling the police car in a separate account instead of put-

ting it in the general fund.

Drainage Issues

The mayor, council members, town staff, and residents discussed Cheriton's drainage issues and who is responsible for maintaining its ditches.

The discussion centered on poor drainage at Cheriton United Methodist Church, situated between Sunnyside Road to the north and Wilson Road to the south. Both roads connect to Business Route 13 to the west.

On the east side of the property runs a drainpipe that was buried in 2003 or 2004 when the ditch that was there was deemed a safety hazard and filled in.

Town Clerk Stacy Salenski contacted Dale Pusey at the Virginia Department of Transportation to determine who is responsible to maintain the drainpipe.

VDOT maintains the culverts on Sunnyside Road and Wilson Road, but not the drainpipe by the church because VDOT has no right-of-way there, creating a liability, Salenski said.

Town Code Official Warren Wisneski said, "VDOT, a couple years ago, just decided they weren't doing main-

tenance on private property anymore because, apparently, of some lawsuits," and "everything reverted to the original homeowners."

VDOT began publishing brochures as early as 2013 stating that "property owners are responsible for the maintenance of drainage facilities on their private property."

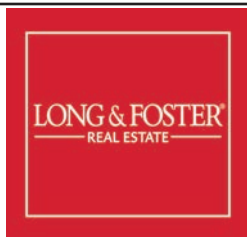
Downing asked, "You have a piece of property and a ditch runs through ... and is owned by the town, and it drains the whole town. ... VDOT gives up cleaning that ditch anymore so the landowner becomes responsible for the town's drainage ditch, is that what you're saying?"

LeMond said, "If the ditch he's referring to drains most of Cheriton, a lot of Cheriton, then this council and this town have a responsibility for the common good."

Wisneski said, "If the town council wishes to take care of it ... I don't know of anything stopping you."

Cheriton's annual budget includes \$20,000 for drainage projects.

LeMond recommended further discussion of the matter at a later date.



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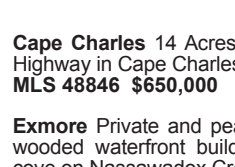
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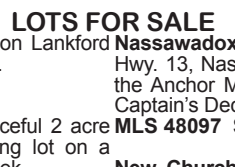
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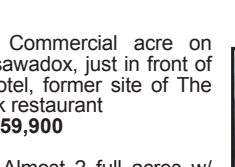
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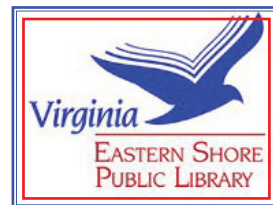


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Off the Shelf: News From Eastern Shore Public Library



2019 Lifestyle Challenge

Are you ready for the ESPL Lifestyle Challenge? Start 2019 by living a life that focuses on your well-being. Join the Eastern Shore Public Library Lifestyle Challenge. The library is partnering with Accomack Parks and Recreation and other local agencies to promote the many aspects of having a healthy, socially active life. The Lifestyle Challenge will involve a variety of activities, from programs to learning about library resources that help you learn healthy living skills. Individuals or groups that sign up for the challenge will receive a free packet outlining goals for the challenge. Each goal has a variety of options for all age and ability levels. Participants will learn how living on the Eastern Shore can lend toward a healthy lifestyle with many assets and resources available.

Why would the public library want to promote lifestyle changes? "As libraries move more and more toward being cultural community centers, it is very important to address the welfare of our patrons any way we can."

(Public Libraries, October 2018). Readers need to be alert and be able to concentrate. Physical literacy is like body intelligence, focusing on being aware of our bodies and how we can work to improve at any age. ESPL's vision is to provide lifelong learning. As people learn new skills and feel better, they will yearn for new ways to learn. Public libraries provide these resources.

The program starts Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019, at 3 p.m., with a program on developing a personal well-being plan by Jeremy Holman, a lifestyle nutritionist. Participants do not need to attend the free library programs, but are encouraged to attend this one to get an overview of the three-month challenge. ESPL offers free online courses related to health and well-being enabling even homebound individuals to participate. Other lifestyle challenge activities include blood pressure checks at library programs by the Eastern Shore Community College nursing students.

The ESPL Lifestyle Challenge will address the following goals of creating a wellness plan, exercising daily, empowering oneself with knowledge, eating healthy, managing time, reducing stress, reading, and monitoring progress. The challenge is free and open to the public. Registration and participation will take place at each library or by email. Incentive prizes will be awarded at the end of the program, March 28, 2019. Church groups and clubs are invited to join as well. To register by email, send a message to Wells Gregoire, Adult Services Specialist at: wgregoire@espl.org.

The Eastern Shore Public Library System has libraries in Accomack, Cape

Charles, Chincoteague, and Nassawadox. Your ESPL library card can be used at any of the four libraries. To learn about the regional library building project and ESVA Heritage Center in Parksley, opening in 2020, visit www.shorelibrary.com For more infor-

mation about your library services, library hours of operation, or your library account, visit www.espl.org or call the central library at 757-787-3400.



Submitted Photo

Walking on Eastern Shore trails, like this short trail at the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox, is part of the Lifestyle Challenge. Join the ESPL Lifestyle Challenge to learn about easy-access trails on the Shore.

~Ponies~

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that you say an extra prayer for the ponies, the cowboys, the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co. as well as the entire island community. I can't say it enough, you guys rock!"

Hundreds of folks from the Eastern Shore and across the country have been mourning the ponies.

"Every loss is hard, but this is particularly hard," wrote Darcy Cole of the island. "We watched Shadow grow up from a foal and (we) were looking forward to seeing many beautiful foals from her. We thank the fire company for trying to save her. We appreciate that they tried. We would much rather have them try than to have put her down without trying. We pray that what has

been learned will save other ponies in the future. And we pray a safe vaccine will become available so the whole herd can be vaccinated against this. Thank you to each and every person who played any role in her care during her illness. We appreciate it more than we can ever express in words."

"With all the joys these ponies bring us, the sorrows and losses sting that much more," wrote Debbie Swick of Pennsylvania. "Lifting prayers that health and prosperity reach all the ponies here, and yet to come in 2019."

Maryann Madden Egbert wrote, "Everyone made a heroic effort on behalf of these beautiful creatures. Thank you for your professionalism, caring and compassion, and for keeping a concerned public in the loop."

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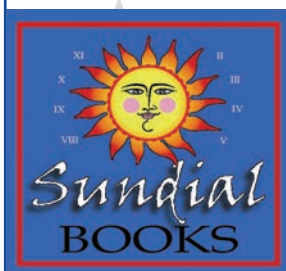
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Residents Survive Fire, Pets Perish

By Linda Cicaira

A fire that swept through a two-story wood-frame Bobtown home near Pungoteague last weekend injured the couple who lived there and killed dozens of their animals.

Laura Chuquin-Naylor said she and her husband “escaped without major injuries ... it would be premature to offer any comments as we are still working with the insurance company.”

Chuquin-Naylor, who owns Hon-ey-suckle Rabbitry, posted on her rabbit rescue site on Facebook, “I’m sorry for not answering inquiries promptly during the past days. Our house and part of the rabbitry were destroyed by a fire and we lost all our means of communication. We were lucky to get out alive. The house and our possessions are all replaceable but what breaks my heart is that we lost one very special dog, our five beautiful cats, and 20 rabbits. All our pedigrees Lion heads and Sables are gone, as well as our breeding pair of Agouti Continental Giants and all our pet rabbits. Abuelito died hugging the ball he loved so much. I am devastated. All the rabbits in the

‘available’ posts survived with no issues and need to find new homes as soon as possible.”

Chief Adam James, of Onancock Volunteer Fire Department Inc., said, “Two people jumped out a first-floor window into the yard prior to the fire department arrival.” They were taken to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital and later transferred “across the bay for smoke inhalation.” State police were called to investigate.

There was “heavy fire on the first floor with some extension to the second floor,” James said. It took about 45 minutes to control the fire and a couple of hours to overhaul and extinguish hot spots.

Most of the windows in the house have been covered with boards.

Chief Sam Baines, of Melfa Fire & Rescue Co., was in command. He did not answer an inquiry.

According to a spokesperson for the Eastern Shore 9-1-1 Commission, the house is on the 2800 block of Bobtown Road. Firefighters and EMS from Wachapreague, Melfa, Onancock, Painter, and Tasley responded.



Photo by Linda Cicaira

Hart Gets Gavel Again for 2019

Long-time Supervisor Donald Hart, of District 8, was selected Wednesday by his peers to serve as chairman of the Accomack Board of Supervisors for 2019. Supervisor Reneta Major, of District 9, was voted in as vice-chair. Both have served in the capacities in prior years.



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OBITUARIES

Lance Godwin Fisher Sr.

Mr. Lance Godwin Fisher Sr., 80, of Oak Hall, husband of the late Barbara Williams Fisher, passed away Friday, Dec. 21, 2018, at his son's home in Salisbury, Md.



**In Remembrance
Of Mr. Fisher**

Born June 12, 1938, in Sanford, he was a son of the late Walter Jackson Fisher Sr. and Naomi Godwin Fisher. Mr. Fisher spent his life in and around the commercial seafood business working as a commercial waterman, as owner and operator of Captain Fisher's Seafood Company and a line of commercial trucks, served as vice president of Eastern Shore Seafood products, in Mappsville, and regularly purchased oysters. Never scared of a hard day's labor, Mr. Fisher was dedicated to his businesses and continued to work until a month before his passing. He will be remembered for his unwavering commitment to his family and his legacy.

Survivors include his two sons, Lance G. "Lanny" Fisher Jr. and his wife, Paula, of Salisbury, Md., and Charles S. "Chuck" Fisher and his wife, Kim, of Oak Hall; six grandchildren, Cole, Lance G. III, Trey, Laura, Megan and Caroline Fisher; brother, Phillip Fisher, of Sanford; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Fisher was predeceased by two sisters, Elsie Fedderman and Arenthia Fisher; and two brothers, Walter J. Fisher Jr. and Mark Fisher.

To honor Mr. Fisher's wishes, funeral services will be private. Should friends desire to contact his sons, Lanny or Chuck, they can be reached via email at <mailto:lance@fishersenvironmental.com> or fisher33@verizon.net.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Alfred Lee Gilman

Mr. Alfred Lee Gilman, age 88, died of complications from cancer Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Mr. Gilman grew up in Great Neck, N.Y., and attended Manlius Military School in Syracuse, N.Y., which was one of the highlights of his youth.

He then graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business, enlisted in the U.S. Army, and is a veteran of the Korean War. In 1987, Mr. Gilman married his beloved wife, Doretta Simpson, while living in Key Biscayne, Fla., where they enjoyed the Miami opera, ballet and symphony, and became lifelong Miami Heat basketball fans. He was an active member of the Rotary Club and was concerned about nature and the environment, adopting and giving a home to many cats over his lifetime. Mr. Gilman was a great collector of books, stamps, and objects of art. He was passionate about politics and loved to play tennis and listen to classical music. A highlight of his career was creating and publishing the Stamp Show News Magazine.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilman built a log home in Onancock on the Chesapeake Bay after visiting one summer. They fell in love with the beautiful Eastern Shore and lived there happily for the last 20 years. They were members of the Eastern Shore Yacht and County Club, but his favorite pastime was being a member of the Onancock Ping Pong Club, playing to win!

Mr. Gilman is survived by his wife, Doretta; his children from his first marriage, Paul, Philip, and Emily; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

The Gilman family would like to extend their immense gratitude to all the staff at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Riverside Shore Cancer Center, and the Onancock Volunteer Fire Department whose caring service was invaluable.

Memorial donations may be made to the Cancer Society or to the Eastern Shore SPCA.

Richard Hart

Mr. Richard Hart, 77, of Tasley, husband of Mary Ruth Hart, passed away Dec. 31, 2018, at his residence.

Born Nov. 11, 1941, in Virginia, he was the son of the late Melvin Sanford Hart and Mary Jane Hart.

Other than his wife of 60 years, Mr. Hart is survived by two daughters, Bonnie

J. Hart-Cropper, of Parksley, and Theresa Hart McHan, of Exmore; a brother, James "Red" Hart, of Greenbush; three grandchildren, Walter R. McHan Jr., of Eastville, Terry L. Cropper Jr. and wife, Aulbrey, of Three Rivers, Mich., and Trent L. Cropper and wife, Sheena, of Parksley; and five great-grandchildren, Cameron, Gabriel, Jace and Keyson Cropper, and Hayden McHan.



Mr. Hart

Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by a grandson, Anthony Scott McHan.

A funeral service will be held on Monday, Jan. 7, 2019, at 1 p.m. from Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley with the Rev. Mary Jiminez and the Rev. Wayne Hart officiating. Interment will follow in the Parksley Cemetery.

The family will receive friends Sunday evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

Kerr Henderson

Mr. U.K. "Kerr" Henderson III, 79, resident of Onancock, beloved husband of the late Bonnie Watkinson Henderson for nearly 50 years, and loving father, brother, and grandfather, passed away peacefully Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2018.

Born in Nassawadox March 31, 1939, he was the son of the late Dr. Upshur Kerr Henderson Jr. and Daris Greer Henderson.



Mr. Henderson

Mr. Henderson attended Accomack County Public Schools until transferring to Hargrave Military Academy, graduating in 1957. He continued his education at Old Dominion University and began his career as a pharmaceutical sales rep. He aspired to follow in the footsteps of his namesake; however, it wasn't long before he knew a suit and tie wasn't for him. After a few years working for Custis & Brown Seafood, in

Washington, D.C., he accepted a position as quality control supervisor at Perdue Farms, from which he later retired. Post retirement, Mr. Henderson took a part-time job as a delivery driver for NAPA Auto Parts. He looked forward to visiting the stores each day, and he especially enjoyed the many friendships made and stories shared over the years.

Raised in a Christian home, Mr. Henderson and his family were members of Drummondtown United Methodist Church. Like any true Eastern Shoreman, he loved feeling the mud between his toes, and there were few places he'd rather be than clamming on Cedar Island, fishing, or boating with his family. He was well known for his talent to re-finish furniture, a passion that quickly turned into a side job for many years. He was an avid hunter during his youth and enjoyed shooting guns of all kinds, most of which were from his personal collection.

Survivors include his three children, Terry F. Payne and his wife, Melissa, of Onancock, Cindy P. Joynes and her husband, Arthur, of Accomac, and Lisa P. Scott and her husband, Scotty, of Onancock; sister, Joan Henderson Shaw, of Accomac; five grandchildren, Kelly Scott Dougherty and her husband, Jeff, Shannon Terry Joynes, Hayley Reide Payne, Everett Wilson Savage, and Martin Quinn Savage; great-grandchildren, Landon and Alexis; nephew, Douglas Shaw and his wife, Cathy, and their daughters, Claire, Kate and Nathalie, of Annapolis, Md.; numerous cousins and their families; and perhaps most importantly, his dog, Beggar, whom he adored. In addition to his wife, Bonnie W. Henderson, and his parents, Mr. Henderson was predeceased by his grandson, Christopher Kerr Hart; and brother-in-law, Brooks L. Shaw.

It was Mr. Henderson's wish for his loved ones to gather privately at the family home, Willow Hill, where they will lay him to rest with Bonnie. It was also his wish that friends celebrate his life as they enjoy the water, fishing, clamming, or just enjoying the beauty of the shore.

In honor of Mr. Henderson's love for animals and the barrier islands, memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, or to the Barrier Island Center, P.O. Box 206, Machipongo, VA 23405.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Helen Mae Birch Hopper

Mrs. Helen Mae Birch Hopper, 92, wife of the late Clyde David Hopper and a resident of Onancock, passed away Friday, Dec. 28, 2018, at Heritage Hall Health-care in Nassawadox. A native of Chincoteague, she was the daughter of the late Joseph Birch and the late Essie Taylor Birch



Mrs. Hopper

Fitchett. She was a member of Drummondtown United Methodist Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Constance Hopper Ward and her husband, Bernie, of Salisbury, Md.; granddaughter, Lara Whitehead and her husband, Andrew, of Salisbury; grandson, Wayne Kovacs, of New Jersey; and great-grandson, A.J. Whitehead, of Salisbury.

A graveside service was conducted Dec. 31, 2018, at Fairview Lawn Cemetery with the Rev. Jack D. Pruitt officiating. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 6350 Center Dr., Suite 102, Norfolk, VA 23502.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Theodore Charles Markulin

Mr. Theodore Charles "Ted" Markulin, 82, husband of Edna Suiter Markulin and a resident of Melfa, passed away Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, surrounded by his loving family. Born July 12, 1936, in Rahway, N.J., he was a son of the late Charles Markulin and Eugenia Ratzin Markulin.



Mr. Markulin

Mr. Markulin was raised in Avenel, N.J., and it was there that he met the love of his life, Edna. As neighborhood high school sweethearts, they were married soon after graduation, immediately followed by his enlistment in the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Markulin served his country for decades, both in the U.S. Air Force and the Air National Guard, retiring as an aircraft technician with the rank of senior master sergeant. His mili-

tary training focused on mechanics, and over the years, he became a jack of all trades. Mr. Markulin was a highly skilled aircraft and auto mechanic, a talented carpenter and woodworker, and grew an impressively large vegetable garden every year — trades he taught each of his children throughout their childhoods.

Mr. and Mrs. Markulin happily opened their home to anyone in need, and all who received their beautiful gift of hospitality soon became family. Theodore Charles Markulin was a true patriarch who led by example with dedication to his family, his work, and unwavering love to all.

In addition to his wife of more than 64 years, he is survived by six children, Theresa Lappostato and husband, Frank, of North Caldwell, N.J.; Theodore Markulin, of Freehold, N.J.; Susan Burdge, of Melfa, Joe Markulin and wife, Stacy, of Avenel, Janet Petrik and husband, Tom, of Millstone Township, N.J., and Sheryl Gallo and husband, Mark, of Brick, N.J.; brother, Don Markulin, of Avenel, N.J.; grandchildren, Victor and Dan Lappostato, Elissa Cuellar and husband, Michael, Michael, Steven, and Haley Markulin, and Mandy Tew; great-grandchildren, Angela Rose Lappostato, Kali, Tyler, Sammi, Sophie, Cecile, and Rosalie Markulin; and three stepgrandchildren, Barbara, Stacy, and Sammy. Other than his parents, Mr. Markulin was predeceased by a grandson, Jake Markulin; daughter-in-law, Jackie; and son-in-law, James.

Funeral services will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019, at 11 a.m. Interment with military honors will follow in the Fairview Lawn Cemetery. Visitation at the funeral home is Friday, Jan. 4, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Markulin's memory to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418, to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016 (www.kidney.org/support), or to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 (www.cancer.org/donate).

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Barbara Jean Mason

Mrs. Barbara Jean Mason, 70, of Chincoteague Island, passed away on Dec. 28, 2018, at her residence with

her loving husband of 46 years, Tyrone Mason, by her side.

She was born on Chincoteague on Jan. 15, 1948, to the late Robert and Norma Lee Taylor McCoy.

Mrs. Mason was a member of Union Baptist Church, Baptist Women, and the Rainbow Sisters Sunday School Class. She was a life member of the National Rifle Association and holder of many national records in NRA action pistol.



Mrs. Barbara Mason

She was a member of 3C's, Just Us Singers, and a 1966 graduate of Chincoteague High School. Mrs. Mason was also a former member of NOAAWIVA Sportsmen and former quilter at Union Baptist Church. She began her service as church secretary Monday, June 8, 2015, until her health would no longer allow.

She enjoyed sewing, crocheting, painting, woodwork, competitive pistol shooting, riding her trike, traveling, genealogy, decorating cakes and computer games. Through the years she raised many baby animals which, for her, was a great joy.

Mrs. Mason is survived by her loving spouse of 46 years, Tyrone Mason, of Chincoteague; aunt, Thalia Virginia Watson, of Nelsonia; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; aunt, Katherine Ann McCoy; and beloved yellow lab, Dutchess.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019, at the Union Baptist Church, Chincoteague, with the Rev. Kevin Eley officiating. Burial took place in the Greenwood Cemetery on Chincoteague.

Donations may be made to the Baptist Women's Meal Ministry, Union Baptist Church, 6365 Church Street Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc., Chincoteague.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Rosetta Taylor Mason

Mrs. Rosetta Taylor Mason, 91, wife of the late Carl Eugene Mason and a resident of Heritage Hall Health and Rehabilitation Center, formerly of Fox Grove, passed away Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018. Born July 13, 1927, in Mears, she was a daughter of the late Waldon Taylor and Addie Martin Taylor.

Mrs. Mason was a graduate of Bloxom High School and a longtime member of Bethel Baptist Church. She was a loving wife and mother who happily devoted her life to caring for her family. Mrs. Mason enjoyed cooking, and nothing brought her more joy than preparing big dinners for loved ones.



Mrs. Rosetta Mason

Survivors include her two sons, Donald Carl Mason and wife, Andrea, and Michael Douglas Mason and wife, Debbie, all of Fox Grove; sister, Betty Ann Keisel, of Onancock; brother, Larry Taylor, of Mappsville; granddaughter, Jessica Lee Pawin and husband, Chuck, and their daughter, Layla; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019, at 1 p.m., with Pastor Wayne Hart officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Southeastern Virginia Chapter, 6350 Center Drive, Suite 102, Norfolk, VA 23502 or online at www.alz.org

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Isabell Lee Thorne Parks

Mrs. Isabell Lee Thorne Parks, 92, wife of the late Owen Ashton Parks Sr. and native of Tangier Island, passed away Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018, at Alice B. Tawes Nursing Home in Crisfield, Md.

Born Feb. 12, 1926, on Tangier, she was the daughter of the late James W. Thorne and Hattie Chambers Thorne. As a young woman, Mrs. Parks moved from Tangier to Wilmington, Del., where she and Mr. Parks raised their children. For many years, she worked for the former Kennards Department Store, and once their children were older, she returned home to the island.



Mrs. Parks

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Mrs. Parks was a member of Swain Memorial United Methodist Church, a devoted wife and loving mother, and enjoyed cooking for friends and family.

Survivors include her son, Owen Ashton Parks Jr., of Wilmington; sisters, Ginny Marshall, Gracie Pruitt, and Alice Crockett; brothers, Jack Thorne, Don Thorne and his wife, Evelyn, all of Tangier, and Bob Thorne and his wife, Frances, of Alta Vista, Va.; grandchildren, Jamie, Paul, Michael, and Stephen Parks, Carey Cline, and Carli Piech; great-grandchildren, Paris, Paul Jr., Jessica, Jake, Sophia, Sidney, Evan, Justin, and Nicholas; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by four children, David W. Parks, Jeffrey L. Parks, Hugh J. Parks, and Rose Lee Parks.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Swain Memorial United Methodist Church on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2019, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Nona F. Allen officiating. Interment will follow in the Thorne Family Cemetery. There will be a visitation at the church one hour prior to the service.

Flowers will be accepted, or memorial donations may be made to Swain Memorial United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 199, Tangier, VA 23440.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements by the Williams Funeral Homes, Onancock and Parksley.

Gary Wayne Shortt

Mr. Gary Wayne Shortt, 65, died Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2018, at his home. Born in Salisbury, Md., he was the son of the late Jesse Willard Shortt and Katherine Webb Shortt.

Mr. Shortt is survived by his wife, Deborah Shortt; children, Penny Detrich, of North Carolina, Wendy Johanson and her husband, Doug, of Salisbury, Lynn Turner and her husband, Wayne, of Quantico, Md., Tim Seigman and his wife, Cara, of Gettysburg, Pa., Thomas Donaldson and his wife, Deanna, of Akron, Ohio, Gary M. Shortt, of



Mr. Shortt

Snow Hill, Md., and Richard Boswell and his wife, Teresa, of Hebron, Md.; 17 grandchildren, Paul Curtis, Sarah Turner, Andrew Johanson, Reece Seigman, Tyler Seigman, Luke Donaldson, Stephanie, Cheyanne, and Jeremiah Somers, Michele Dykes, Ashley, Nicole, Brandon, and Richard Harris, Shane and Brittany Turner, and Michael Boswell; and his sisters, Ethel Mariner and Mary Ann Baker. Preceding him in death was son, Robert Somers; brother, Jesse Shortt; and two sisters, Barbara Jean Carey and Nancy Franklin. Also surviving are numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Mr. Shortt was a graduate of Snow Hill High School and had worked as a sheet metal mechanic for Wilfre Company. He enjoyed all activities involving water — among them, fishing, shrimping, and boating. He was an avid hunter. A real “people person,” he loved to socialize with his many friends and spend time with his family. A non-stop worker, he still found time for his friends or to help someone out.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 5, 2018, at 2 p.m. at the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin, Md.. The Rev. Donald Bailey will officiate. Friends may call one hour prior to the service.

A donation in his memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1315 Mt Hermon Rd., Salisbury, MD 21804, or Alzheimer’s Association, 1850 York Rd. Suite D, Timonium, MD 21093. Letters of condolence may be sent via www.burbagefuneralhome.com

Dorothy Lee Spurley

Mrs. Dorothy Lee “Dot” Spurley, 83, wife of the late Avery Spurley and a resident of Onancock, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018, at Shore Health and Rehabilitation Center. Born Nov. 14, 1935, in Belle Haven, she was the daughter of the late Leonard Fletcher Beasley and Molly Mapp Beasley.

For decades, Mrs. Spurley worked as a nurse’s assistant and was well known for her caring nature and compassionate heart, both professionally and personally. She was a devoted member of Onley United Methodist Church and rarely missed an opportunity to play bingo. There was never a time you’d see Mrs. Spurley out and about that she wasn’t dressed to impress, and you were always greeted with a warm smile and a hug. Nothing was more important to Mrs.

Spurley than her family, and there was no place she’d rather be than spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her sons, Mark Chandler and his wife, Janet, of Columbus, Miss.; Basil Chandler and wife, Kelli, of San Antonio, Texas; brother, John Beasley; grandchildren, Michelle Crawford, April Foster, Ashley Conley, Beth and Autumn Chandler, and Ronnie Williams and wife, Crystal; great-grandchildren, Dillion, Victoria, and Haley Kyzar, Evyn Crawford, Lilly and Logan Foster, and Avery, Marleigh, and Gavin Williams; special friends, Ada Linton and Jeanie Milke; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by her daughter, Rita Short; sister, Laura May Beasley; and brother, George Beasley.

Funeral services will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2018, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Charles W. Parks III officiating. There will be a visitation at the funeral home one hour prior to the service. Flowers will be accepted, or memorial contributions may be made to the Onley United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 98, Onley, VA 23418.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Stewart Powell Womble

Mr. Stewart Powell Womble, 91, of Cheriton, passed away Jan. 1, 2019, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Mr. Womble was born Jan. 20, 1927, in Bayview, to Samuel D. and Mary P. Womble. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Maryon Timm Womble.

Mr. Womble worked in the insurance business for more than 40 years. He served in the Merchant Marines during World War II. Mr. Womble was a dedicated member and deacon of Cheriton Baptist Church. He was known as a compassionate man who spent his entire life caring for multiple family members. His compassion for his fel-



Mrs. Spurley

low man extended into the community where he served; as mayor of Cheriton, member of Cheriton Town Council, and the Suntrust Bank Board, as well as a member of the Lion’s Club and Masons. When not busy serving others, Mr. Womble could be found enjoying a round of golf with life-long buddies.

Mr. Womble is also survived by daughters, Sallie W. James (Frank) and Debbie Vanlandingham (Tommy); grandchildren, Stewart Coleman, James (Katie) and Sarah J. Argüello (Norman); great-grandchildren, Emerson Grace James, Delaney Claire James, Xavier Allan Argüello, and Maryon Josephine Argüello.

Mr. Womble is preceded in death by his stepbrothers, John Reid Womble and Samuel Womble, and stepsisters, Veda Womble, Ruth Womble and Louise Womble.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, Jan. 4, 2019, at Cheriton Baptist Church with the Dr. Charles Peterson officiating. A private interment will follow at Cape Charles Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to Cheriton Baptist Church, P.O. Box 227, Cheriton, VA 23316 or Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 615, Onley, VA 23418.

The family of Stewart Womble wishes to extend our sincere thanks to his many dedicated caregivers and to the nurses and aides of Riverside Shore Hospice.

Online condolences may sent to the family at foxandjamesfh.com

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

Judith Ziegler

Mrs. Judith H. Ziegler, 85, passed away peacefully Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018, at Shore Health and Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

She is survived by her two daughters, Susan D. Nordstrom, of Spotsylvania, Va., and Lori Ziegler, of Richmond, Va.; and her sister, Joann Brooks, of Glen Mills, Pa. She was predeceased by her husband, Henry Ziegler, and grandson, Richard Nordstrom.

Private interment will be held at Fredericksburg United Methodist Church in the spring.



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App Speeds Police Response Time to Northampton Schools During 'Active Threats'

By Stefanie Jackson

In light of the growing number of school shootings nationwide and the belief that every second counts when lives are at stake, Northampton County public school staff has been given access to an app called Inforce 911 that can alert law enforcement to an active threat in 12 seconds or less.

An active threat is one that is intentional (as opposed to a natural disaster or accident) and where the danger is immediate or imminent.

Inforce Technology President and CEO Brandon Flanagan said of the app, "the ultimate goal is to save lives" if "a worst case scenario should ever unfold."

Northampton County Sheriff David Doughty discovered Inforce Technology at a sheriff's conference in Virginia Beach about a year ago, and he was "impressed with their product," he said.

Inforce 911 is installed on all Northampton County public school computers, and administrators, teachers, and staff have the option of downloading the app on their personal cellphones.

Teachers now have a direct line to

law enforcement in case of an active threat on school grounds, even outside the classroom.

Teachers who launch the Inforce 911 app to notify law enforcement of an active threat can either select their location on school grounds from a list within the app or send their exact GPS coordinates.

The alert is sent directly to the sheriff, his deputies, and the local 911 center, as well as all other building teachers and staff using the system. Law enforcement officers receive a text message with the name and address of the school and the name and classroom of the teacher who sent the alert.

"Hopefully you never have to use it ... but to have it in place is key," Doughty said, because Inforce 911 enables law enforcement to go straight to the source of the problem.

Sending an Inforce 911 alert also initiates a live chat between the sender and police, Doughty said.

All Northampton County law enforcement officers from Exmore to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel re-

ceive the alert, including Virginia Marine Resource Commission officers and game wardens, whether they are on or off duty, he added.

The Inforce 911 program is constantly running on the laptops that make up the mobile command terminals in Northampton's police cruisers, Doughty said.

Northampton's public schools and law enforcement are currently sharing the annual cost of Inforce 911 based on the number of users from each agency. The sheriff's office pays \$3,300 annually and the school division pays \$7,200, or \$2,400 per school building.

No one has had to use the program yet, but Inforce Technology has worked closely with Northampton schools' technology department and the system has been tested three times. It has received much "positive feedback," Doughty said.

The Boston-based technology company, nearing its first anniversary, currently provides the Inforce 911 service to 60 communities in 13 states from Maine to Virginia.

Flanagan stated that Inforce 911 has

not yet been used in an active shooter situation, but one Massachusetts school has used the program to report an intruder in the building, and the program "surpassed their expectations," he said.

Massachusetts especially benefits from the "12 seconds or less" it takes for an alert to reach police through Inforce 911. In that state, 911 calls are answered by state police, who ask the caller a round of questions, then route the call to the county and/or town where the caller is asked the same questions again, a process that takes two to four minutes, Flanagan said.

Northampton school staff has received active intruder training and regular drills are planned to include use of Inforce 911, Doughty said.

He has shared information on Inforce 911 with all Northampton's public and private schools, and all have been supportive of the idea.

Doughty expects Northampton's private schools will "come onboard" soon, and he has also recommended Inforce 911 to Accomack County Sheriff Todd Godwin, he said.

Terri believes hospice care is about making the most of the time that's left

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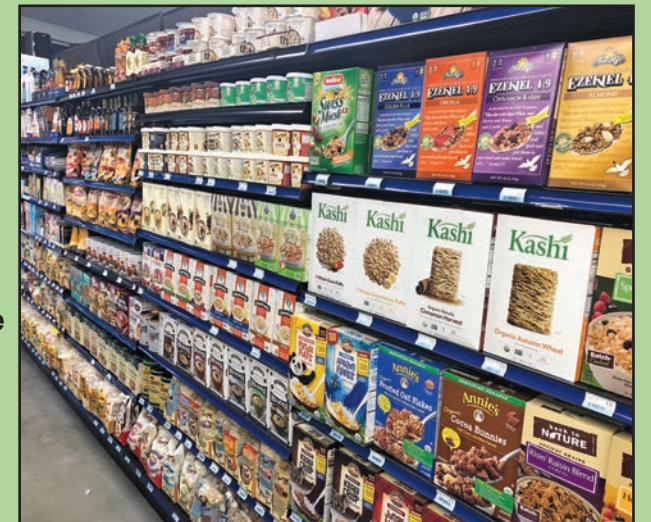
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| 7 Stands up to | 58 Trump's wife after Ivana | 111 Gulf country | 17 Secant, e.g. | 58 Big wall painting | 90 Skillet alloy |
| 13 Disdainful lip-curler | 60 One laying down | 115 Facial looks | 18 1985 Kate Nelligan drama | 59 Deep blue dye | 91 Apart from that |
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| 22 Liltng song syllables | 69 Motor oil | 124 Kindle | 29 Church part | 63 "Scream" network | 96 Pop's bro |
| 23 Big mollusk of Antarctic seas | 70 Actress Meyers | 125 More greasy | 31 Q7 carmaker | 64 Totally dislike | 97 Dance that "takes two" |
| 25 Birds such as emus | 71 W-2 org. | 126 Snuggles | 32 "Friday the 13th" staple | 65 Prefix with oxide | 99 Believes (in) |
| 26 Box gently | 72 Boise-to-Las Vegas dir. | 127 Robbing jobs | 33 Eisenhower, informally | 66 Heap up | 102 Master |
| 27 Golf stroke | 73 Big military counterstrike | 128 Requisite | 34 Objectivist | 67 Capital northeast of Vientiane | 103 Antipasto bit |
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| 30 Cue or clue | 81 Revolt | 1 Pop-up paths | 36 "— Sera, Sera" | 69 State firmly | 105 Opening |
| 31 From quite a distance | 82 Cloud setting | 2 Lariat end | 37 State firmly | 70 Symbol on many flags | 106 Kingly Indian |
| 32 Big tree of California | 83 Jazzy singer — James | 3 Coke, e.g. | 38 Unaltered | 71 Gives off again | 107 Willie of "Charles in Charge" |
| 37 Per routine | 87 Coke, e.g. | 4 Love, in Peru | 39 Well-trodden | 72 River in Spain | 110 Over half rudely |
| 41 Super-slow | 88 Deviate | 5 "NewsHour" network | 40 Thurmond of politics | 73 Rizzoli's TV partner | 111 Stare at |
| 42 Red-haired biblical twin | 89 Boxing legend | 6 Two-choice grading system | 41 Ross of politics | 74 Similar (to) | 112 — of honor |
| 43 Big dissimilarity | 90 Knocks off | 7 Melancholy | 42 Classic canine name | 75 "Nifty!" | 113 "A Death in the Family" writer |
| 46 Rarely | 92 — Nevadas | 8 Once, in the past | 43 Power strip attachment | 76 Russian ruler of yore | 114 Uncool type |
| 51 "Bam!" chef Lagasse | 94 Big job | 9 E-help sheet | 44 Plumbing problem | 77 PSAT part | 116 Salon stuff |
| 52 Cholera | 98 "Nay" caller | 10 Hosp. section | 45 Bette of film | 78 With 108-Across, demands much (of) | 117 Suffix of dialects |
| 53 Nashville's Grand Ole — | 100 Slaughter of baseball | 11 Drug mogul Lilly | 46 Cakes bake in them | 79 "Nifty!" | 119 Ending with script |
| | 101 Categorizes | 12 Biggish car | 47 Form a union | 80 Me, to Fifi | 121 Greyhound fleet unit |
| | 102 Big pickup in an exhibition | 13 PTSD part | | 81 Greyhound fleet unit | 122 Game draw |
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EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

Shore Swim Makes Splash Over the Holiday Break

By Krystle Bono, Submitted Photo

Shore Swim hit the road last Friday to participate in a rare invitational at the Cambridge YMCA in Maryland. As one of eight teams taking part in the event, Shore Swim took a break from the usual competitive meet, and instead, took part in the “fun” invitational, with events such as a doggie paddle relay while barking.

Other fun events included a wet T-shirt relay, where one swimmer swam with a shirt on and then had to maneuver the wet shirt off and onto the next swimmer. All the events were relays, instead of the normally scheduled meets that also include individual events. All of these elements made the event different and just plain fun for all the athletes who were able to participate.

Lacy Gouldin, Luke Parks, Lauren Johnston, Patrick Lilliston, Donathon Johnson, Nora Bahn, Allie Penland, Cade Williams, McKaley Parks, Jamie Wert, and Taylor Thornes all took time out of their holiday break to make the trek to Maryland for the fun, but beneficial, event.

Head coach Bryan McElwain said the team had a blast. “It was a great event put on by the Cambridge team. It gave our swimmers a reason to practice over the holiday break. The meet got them something to look forward to. It was also great to reward the swimmers with a fun and exciting event for a change, for all the hard work and pool time they put in too,” reflected Coach McElwain.

Shore Swim will dive into the second half of the season, having six of its eight meets in January, and are set to host their next swim meet at the Eastern Shore YMCA in Onley, Jan. 11, against Pocomoke High School.



Allie Penland swims in the doggie paddle relay.



Luke Parks participates in the scull relay event.



Lauren Johnston and Lacy Gouldin swim the partner clap relay.

Morgan Selected as Virginia Small College Wide Receiver of the Year

By Krystle Bono

Broadwater Academy alumni Major Morgan was named by the Touchdown Club of Richmond as the Small College Wide Receiver of the Year Dec. 14. The Hampden Sydney junior recorded a season high of 13 catches at Ferrum Oct. 27, and 220-yards and three touchdowns against Randolph-Macon Nov. 10.

Morgan has previous accolades that include third-team All-South Region and first-team All-ODAC (Old Dominion Athletic Conference). He led the ODAC with 81 receptions, 1,143 receiving yards, and was second overall with 12 receiving touchdowns. The former Viking also led Division III in receiving yards per game with 127.

Last season, Morgan registered a total of 778 yards, ranking him fifth in the ODAC, and his 56 catches earned him sixth overall.



Morgan

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Fishing Across the Shore



Submitted Photo

Mean Jean Rockfish

Marty Bull (right) caught his personal best rockfish (51-pounds, 8-ounces) and Dick Rang (left) boated a 43-pounder. These were two of four 40-plus pound rockfish caught aboard the Mean Jean with Captain Sam Sellard on Dec. 30.



Submitted Photo

New Year's Eve Catch

On News Year's Eve, Jean Sellard boated her personal best rockfish weighing 54 pounds fishing aboard the Mean Jean.



Submitted Photo

Lessard Breaks Personal Record

Youth angler Gregory Lessard hooked a 54-pound, 13-ounce rock Dec. 26, besting his previous week's catch of 45 pounds, 3 ounces.

Accomack Parks and Recreation Youth Basketball

The last day to register for the Accomack County Parks and Recreation youth basketball league is Saturday, Jan. 5.

Applications are being accepted at the Parks and Recreation office Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For additional information, contact the office at 757-787-3900 or Wayne at 757-710-1947.

Anglers Club to Meet

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club will hold its monthly meeting on Jan. 14 in the conference room of the Sage Restaurant in Onley. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and will feature a presentation by offshore fisherman Kyle Krabill.

A former mate on the boat Topless, out of Greenbackville, and an ardent offshore angler, Krabill will speak about wreck fishing and discuss ef-

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orts to reinvigorate the Virginia artificial reef program.

The public is invited to attend, and new or prospective members are welcome.

Final Push for Hunters for the Hungry

The Eastern Shore chapter of Hunters for the Hungry is in its final few weeks of deer donations for this season. The deer harvest season closes on Jan. 5. Since 1997, the program has received and processed over 4,000 deer donations. The deer donated have been processed into over 500,000 servings of this nutritious lean meat to the clients of The Food Bank of the Eastern Shore and other agencies. There is no charge to the hunter to donate the deer. The deer must be properly harvested and registered, field-dressed, and taken to one of the processors or collection points. The chapter goal this year is 150 deer.

The program raises funds from local individuals, businesses, and civic organizations to pay the processing cost of the deer. This year the cost of processing a deer is \$50. The processors help the program by processing the deer at almost half their regular cost. Since the program pays a per-deer processing fee, please consider a larger bodied deer. Processors have the right to refuse any deer donation that has not been field-

dressed or cared for in a manner that ensures quality usable meat.

The processors this year are Brent Powell, Powell Processing (21397 Trower Rd., Wachapreague, 757-787-7107) and Scott Hines, Eastern Shore Outfitters (4306 Main St., Exmore, 757-442-4009).

Collections points are The Food Bank at Tasley (24530 Coastal Blvd., 757-787-2557) and B&B Market (13001 Lankford Hwy., Machipongo, 757-678-7236).

The program is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and donations are deductible as allowed by law. The program is a listed agency for the local United Way campaign. There currently is a dollar for dollar match for donations from businesses, civic organizations, and Ruritan clubs.

Donations, made out to Hunters for the Hungry may be sent to P.O. Box 1702 Parksley, Va. 23421.

For further questions, to arrange a speaker, or to help out call or email the local director Worth Saunders at 757-710-0049 or worth@baysiderehab.com

CALL Spring Sign-ups

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 its 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, coleslaw, 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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Health Matters Cervical Cancer Awareness Month

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January is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month. Cervical cancer is a highly preventable and treatable cancer, thanks to improved screening and vaccination.

According to the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, cervical cancer screening should start at age 21. Screening can identify changes in the cells of the cervix that could lead to cancer. Screening might include a Pap test and, for some women, testing for human papillomavirus (HPV).

About one in four Americans are currently infected with HPV virus. HPV is the main cause of cervical cancer in women. The HPV vaccine is successful in protecting people from HPV related cancers. It is extremely important for boys and girls to receive the vaccine at age 11 or 12. The vaccine is the most effective when preteens receive the vaccine before exposure to HPV infection. The HPV vaccine is given in a series of two shots. For more information, refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guide to HPV vaccines for preteens and teens.

The two screening tests that can help prevent cervical cancer or find it early are:

- The Pap test (or Pap smear), which looks for precancers, cell changes on the cervix that might become cervical cancer if they are not treated appropriately, and

- The HPV test, which looks for the virus that can cause these cell changes.

Both tests can be done in a doctor's office or clinic. During the Pap test, the doctor will use a plastic or metal instrument, called a speculum, to widen your vagina. This helps the doctor examine the vagina and the cervix and collect a few cells and mucus from the cervix and the area around it. The cells are sent to a laboratory. The cells will be checked to see if they look normal.

When getting an HPV test, the cells will be tested for HPV.

Women 21 to 29 Years Old

It is recommended to start getting Pap tests at age 21. If a test result is normal, the doctor may have the patient wait three years until the next test.

Women 30 to 65 Years Old

Talk to a doctor about which testing option is right:

- A Pap test only: If the result is normal, the doctor may have the patient wait three years until the next test.

- An HPV test only: This is called primary HPV testing. If the result is normal, the doctor may have the patient wait five years until the next screening.

- An HPV test along with the Pap test: This is called co-testing. If both of the results are normal, the doctor may have the patient wait five years until the next screening.

Women Older Than 65

The doctor may tell the patient that she doesn't need to be screened anymore if

- she has had normal screening test results for several years, or

- she has had her cervix removed as part of a total hysterectomy for non-cancerous conditions, like fibroids.

Test Results

It can take as long as three weeks to receive test results. If a test shows that something might not be normal, the doctor will contact the patient and figure out how best to follow up. There are many reasons why test results might not be normal. It usually does not mean cancer.

If test results show cells that are not normal and may become cancerous, the doctor will let the patient know if she needs to be treated. In most cases, treatment prevents cervical cancer from developing. It is important to follow up with the doctor right away to learn more about the test results and receive any treatment that may be needed.

If test results are normal, the chance

of getting cervical cancer in the next few years is low. The doctor may tell the patient that she can wait several years for her next screening, but she should still go to the doctor regularly for a checkup.

How to Prepare for a Pap or HPV Test

Do not schedule a test during a period. If a test is scheduled in the next two days:

- Do not douche (rinse the vagina with water or another fluid).
- Do not use a tampon.
- Do not have sex.
- Do not use a birth control foam, cream, or jelly.
- Do not use a medicine or cream in the vagina.

For more information on cervical cancer awareness, go to <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/blog/2017/01/17/january-is-cervical-cancer-awareness-month/>

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Taylor on Dean's List

Eric James Taylor, of Craddockville, son of Tom and Mamie Taylor, was named to Liberty University's dean's list for the fall 2018 semester. He was home schooled and is enrolled in the college's school of education program.



Marriage Licenses Issued

- Mark Newman, 52, and Diane-Jo Harris, 55, both of Machipongo
- Thomas Kent Fitchett, 51, and Stacey Pruitt Thornton, 45, both of Parksley

Town of Chincoteague Christmas Decoration Winners

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1st place: Richard and Carolyn Conklin

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1st place: Rocky Taylor

2nd place: Bill Derrickson

MOST FESTIVE

1st place: Bill and Ginger Birch

2nd place: Yvonne Daisey

Mayor Leonard and the Town Council thank all citizens who decorated their homes this season.



Onancock Lions Club Donates Clothing

The Onancock Area Lions Club donated new clothing for Christmas to residents of Shore Health and Rehab Center in Parksley. Items were purchased at Jaxon's in Parksley. Pictured above from left are Margie Young, Jaxon's; Ernie Swisher, Lions president; and Janice Hart, Jaxon's.



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ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS DONATE TO ASPCA

Arcadia High School special education students raised awareness and gathered donations for the Virginia ASPCA (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals). During the month of December, the class collected over 100 items, such as cat litter and dog treats, according to their teacher Charlotte Wagner.

"The students were inspired by a story they read in class and decided to mobilize their efforts to helping animals in need," noted Wagner.

Parents, teachers, and other students dropped off items at the high school, which had donation boxes setup throughout the building. Once collected, the donations were given to the local ASPCA on Dec. 17.

"The students accomplished a lot and I am so proud of them," Wagner said.



Northampton Middle School Students Attend Play in Norfolk

Northampton Middle School students went to see the play, "The Christmas Carol," at the Wells Theatre in Norfolk, Va., on Dec. 18.

Community Notes

Berlin, Md.

The Worcester County Library Board of Trustees has changed two upcoming meeting locations. The board will meet Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 3 p.m., at the Berlin Branch Library, 13 Harrison Ave., Berlin, Md. The board will also meet Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 9:30 a.m., at the Pocomoke Branch Library, 301 Market St., Pocomoke City, Md.

Cape Charles

The 27th Cape Charles Epiphany Party and Auction will be Saturday, Jan. 19, at 6 p.m., at the Cape Charles Fire House. One-hundred percent of this year's profits will be donated to the Virginia Watermens Memorial in Cape Charles at the harbor. Admission is free and there will be lots of one-of-a-kind items to bid on.

There will be chili, a buffet, and refreshments.

Anyone planning on attending is

asked to call 331-2206 to give the approximate number of attendees in the group.

The 100th Anniversary Committee of the Cape Charles Memorial Library is sponsoring a townwide Read and a Movie. During the month of January, everyone is encouraged to read the book "The Magnificent Ambersons" by Booth Tarkington. It was written the year the library was founded. The movie version will be Sunday, Feb. 17, at 3 p.m., at the Palace Theatre.

A reception to meet scientists of the Virginia Coast Reserve Long Term Ecological Research Program will be Wednesday, Jan. 9, between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m., at At Altitude Gallery, 245 Mason Ave. It will be an opportunity to discover what researchers study on the coastal landscapes of the Eastern Shore. There will be light refreshments. For more information, call 757-331-1246.

Deep Creek

The first men's Bible discussion will be Wednesday, Jan. 9, at 7 p.m., at Leatherbury Methodist Church, Deep Creek Rd., in the social hall behind the church. A covered dish dinner will be before the discussion, at 6:30 p.m. The first topic will be "Is the Bible the inspired word of God?"

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.

Onancock

The Eastern Shore Bird Club presentation, "Bird Photography—Challenges and Solutions," will be Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m., at The Hermitage, 23610 North St. George Budd, a nature photographer on the Shore, will give the one-hour presentation about bird photography.

Onancock International Films will present "Can You Ever Forgive Me," Thursday, Jan. 10, at 8 p.m., at the Roseland Theatre. The film is about Lee Israel, who made her living in the 70s and 80s profiling the likes of Katharine Hepburn, Tallulah Bankhead, Estee Lauder, and journalist Dorothy Kilgallen. When Lee is no longer able to get published because she has fallen out of step with current tastes, she turns her art form to deception, abetted by her loyal friend Jack. Tickets are \$8 or \$25 for a season pass.



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JAN. 4**

★5-8 p.m. - **Station 1 Pizza Night** - 4264 Firehouse St., New Church - \$12/pizza, \$1/additional topping (sausage and pepperoni) - drive-through and tables

- ★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Church
- ★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
- ★7 p.m. - **CIAO Friday Night at the Movies: "The Gods Must Be Crazy"** - Island Theatre, Chincoteague - \$5
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven

**SATURDAY
JAN. 5**

★9:30 a.m. - **E.S.**

- Cancer Support Group mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley - \$5/ Breakfast
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

**POST TIMES
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**SUNDAY
JAN. 6**

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

★12:30 p.m. - **Sunday Otter Noon**

- Prgm.** - Pocomoke, Md.
- ★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Grace UMC, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley

HELLO JANUARY!

**MONDAY
JAN. 7**

★11 a.m. - **Northampton Chap. AARP mtg.** - Cheriton Rescue Squad

★1-4 p.m. - **CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday: Card,**

- Word, and Board Games** - Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St., 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

**TUESDAY
JAN. 8**

★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague

★9 a.m. - **E.S. Community Services Board mtg.** - Eastern Shore Behavioral Healthcare Center, 19056 Greenbush Rd., Parksley

- ★10 a.m. - **Zumba** - Franktown UMC
- ★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock - 787-3900
- ★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Island House, Wachapreague - 787-2432
- ★2:30-4 p.m. - **Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg.** - Downing's UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall - 789-5000
- ★3 p.m. - **E.S. Public Library Board of Trustees mtg.** - main library, Accomac
- ★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. - **Depression Support Group mtg.** - Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC, Melfa - 757-350-5039
- ★6:30 p.m. - **Little Miss and Miss Jabberwock Pageant mtg.** - Nandua High School, Onley
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg.** - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Cheriton VFC - smoke free
- ★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Atlantic UMC
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Eastern Shore Bird Club Presents: "Bird Photography-Challenges and Solutions"** - The Hermitage, 23610 North St., Onancock

**WEDNESDAY
JAN. 9**

★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

★10 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock

- 787-4718
- ★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 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Waste Watchers' mtg.** - Chamber of Commerce, Melfa
- ★4:30-6:30 p.m. - **See What the Scientists See** - Altitude Gallery, 245 Mason Ave., Cape Charles
- ★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 p.m. - **Onancock Area Lions Club mtg.** - Club Car Cafe, Parksley
- ★6-7 p.m. - **Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew's Church, Onley)** - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
- ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Free English for Speakers of Other Languages** - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
- ★7 p.m. - **Drinking Liberally mtg.** - Charlotte Hotel, 7 North St., Onancock
- ★7 p.m. - **AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** - Franktown UMC
- ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

**THURSDAY
JAN. 10**

★8:30 a.m.-noon- **Veterans' Employment Representative Avail.** - Northampton Cty. Dept. of Social Services - no appt. needed

- ★10 a.m. - **Estate Planning Workshop** - Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd.
- ★10:30 a.m. - **Story Time** - Cape Charles Memorial Library
- ★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.
- ★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Painter Garrison UMC
- ★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague
- ★7 p.m. - **E.S. Tea Party mtg.** - Market St. Grill, Onancock

Classified Ads, Real Estate Ads, Auctions & Legal Notices

Eastern Shore Trading POST

Announcements

In Memory of Lil' Randy Miller 4.30.1973-12.9.2018

The family of Ralph Randolph Miller III (Lil' Randy) would like to express our sincere thanks to the Virginia State Police, Accomack County Sheriff's Department, and the Parksley Vol. Fire Department for all their help and caring during our time of mourning. It was greatly appreciated. Also, thanks to all our family and friends for the many cards, flowers, food, and fellowship. It made our hearts proud to know that he had touched the hearts of so many in his life.

God bless you all!

Randy, Dawn, Mary Jo, Brandon, and Allison

LOST PET: Reward for Flynn



3-year-old
neutered male,
65-70 lbs., brown
and white springer
spaniel/border
collie mix.

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Help Wanted

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)
- Emergency Services Clinician
- Mental Health Facility Technician
- Part-time Driver
- Residential Counselor
- DS Medical Records Associate

For more information or to apply, please visit the ESCSB's website at www.escsb.org



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Help Wanted

Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following position: **Full-Time Certified Law Enforcement Officer**. Applications may be obtained from the Accomack County Sheriff's Office or online at accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org. Applications must be returned to this office by Monday, January 7, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Code Compliance and Building Inspector. The essential function of this position is to enforce violations for abandoned cars, grass complaints, dangerous structures, and solid waste and perform building inspections. Performs customer service relative to above duties and enforcement of municipal codes.

Requires high school diploma or GED, supplemented by trade, apprentice, or vocational school programs in one or more building construction disciplines, and experience as a property maintenance inspector, building inspector or in one or more areas in the construction field; or equivalent combination of education and experience.

Requires valid Virginia Driver's License.

Excellent communication skills are essential. The minimum salary for this position is \$36,118 plus benefits.

Please refer to Northampton County's website online for further job descriptions, requirements and county's application form www.co.northampton.va.us/jobs.html. Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources P. O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 by January 18, 2018. Northampton County is an EOE.

OFFICE COORDINATOR

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Office Coordinator in the Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department.

The essential function of the position is to assist the Director of Planning, Permitting and Enforcement with the timely execution of legally mandated duties. The position is responsible for coordinating administrative support for the enforcement of County Codes relevant to the Department and issuing permits. This includes preparing agendas, public notices required by law and production of minutes for groups including but not limited to Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Wetlands Board, and the Agricultural Forestal Committee.

Excellent communication skills are essential with two years' experience in customer service. Requires high school diploma or GED, and one year of college or vocational school education in business administration or a closely related field.

This position is starts with a minimum salary of \$25,666.

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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 January 25, 2019. Northampton County is an EOE.

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Appraiser I or Appraiser II
F/T w/benefits | Salary Range: \$ 37,338 - \$45,738
(depending on experience)

Accomack County is recruiting for a full-time Appraiser. The position is responsible for identifying, locating, evaluating, and appraising real property in the County for taxation purposes. The technical appraisal work performed by the position requires the ability to interpret, utilize, and correlate a wide variety of data and information. Duties include field inspections to collect & record property data. Duties also include inputting property data; reviewing & analyzing data; discussing assessments and changes in value with property owners; Applicants must possess communication skills as well as a strong aptitude for mathematics including the ability to interpret and perform statistical calculations; be proficient and knowledgeable in the use of computer systems; and, experience in serving the general public.

Minimum qualifications: a high school diploma or GED; supplemented by vocational or technical training in real estate, real estate law, ethics and business; 3 to 5 years' directly related experience; or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience. Preferred qualifications include: Associate's degree or higher in business, or related field and demonstrated ability to use mobile devices and platforms.

Possession of a valid Driver's License and the satisfactory completion of a criminal history, drug screening and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. Job description and details are available online: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/home>. Review of applications will begin Thursday, January 10, 2019.

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CALL Angie at 757-789-POST.**

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Code Enforcement/Building Inspector
Full time with benefits | Range: \$37,338 - \$41,538

The County of Accomack is seeking applications for a full-time position of Code Enforcement/Building Inspector, in the Building, Planning & Economic Development department.

The position is responsible for enforcement of state, federal, & local laws and regulations, codes and ordinances related to residential and commercial structures, in a uniform and systematic manner. *Applicants must be able to perform field work and may be assigned to do inspections in any location within the County.*

Minimum qualifications: A high school diploma or GED; the ability to read and interpret building plans and specifications; Experience with enforcing building and zoning codes and ordinances; Ability to perform basic mathematical calculations. Preferred qualifications: Bilingual capabilities and ability to use mobile devices and platforms.

Possession of a valid Driver's License and the satisfactory completion of a criminal history, drug screening and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. Job description and details are available online: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/home>. Review of applications will begin Thursday, January 10, 2019.

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CURRENT VACANCIES

- Secondary Mathematics Teacher
- ESL (English as a Second Language)Teacher
- BSA-Behavioral Support Aides
- Bus Drivers (must possess a CDL)
- Division Coordinator of Health Services
- Substitutes
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Inquiries may be directed to:
Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services
(757) 678-5151 ext. 2013 or mphillips@ncpsk12.com

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Help Wanted

FT-BROADBAND INSTALLER Experience preferred but not required, we are willing to train. Must be willing to work outside, climb ladders, and work well with public. Must be a licensed driver. Please email resumes and references to careers@chesbaycommunications.net

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'79 FORMULA 233 THUNDERBIRD - 23-ft. 5-7 350 V8 (less than 50 hrs.) New stern drive (less than 10 hrs.) Great open deck, Cuddy Cabin, Loadrite trailer w/ pwr. winch, well kept, exc. cond. **\$12,900.** 757-710-7146.



'01 Shamrock Center Console - complete new engine with less than 100 hours, 5.7 liter multi-port injected, fresh water cooled, out-riggers, new in 2015 Raymarine chartplotter/depth finder, older Raymarine depth finder, Garmin GPS, Uniden VHF radio, anchor pulpit with anchor & rode, swim platform w/ladder, T-top with rod holders & lights, three piece cockpit enclosure, triple axle aluminum trailer in great shape, **REDUCED: \$25,000. \$27,500.** Contact: karica2@verizon.net for further details.



1999 23-ft. SEA ERA **\$10,500** - Upgrades; great condition; 150 hp Oceanrunner Johnson; live well; new wiring; Garmin; new canvas top; Price negotiable. (757) 665-1904.

'90 22-FT. SEAPRO CUD-DY CABIN - Rebuilt OMC 225. 160-gal. fuel tank, 22-ft. aluminum trailer w/brakes (Grady White clone). \$10,300 **REDUCED: \$6,000.** Pat-757-442-4635.

'02 CATAMARAN - 18', 75 h.p. Mercury eng. & trailer. Bought new in 2002. Low engine hours & exc. cond. \$8,000 OBO. 331-1319

1997 EAGLE CENTER CONSOLE - Fiberglass, '04 Loadrite trailer, '02 90 hp Yamaha w/150 hrs., VHF, depth finder, all fishing gear, 3 elec. winches, internal bilge pump & gas tank, \$4,000. 757-336-5256 or 410-404-6066 (ask for Bob).

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'72 16-FT. BOSTON WHALER - 60 h.p. Mercury motor, just overhauled, teak console & bench, always kept inside, \$16,000 firm. 410-957-3259.

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'11 CAROLINA SKIFF 258 DLV 175, Suzuki 4-stroke, Garmin GPS, radio, Bimini top, custom covers, tandem trailers, garage kept. 757-678-7529 or 757-414-3556.

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VARIANCE 2018-01: Cora Satchell has petitioned for variance requests of 47.78 feet from the required 60 feet front yard setback, 11.13 feet from the required 15 feet right side setback, and 11.19 feet from the required 15 feet left side setback. The property is located on Willow Oak Road and is zoned "CN"-Commercial Neighborhood District. The property is further described as Tax Map 58A2, double circle 1, parcel 5.

VARIANCE 2018-02: Eastern Shore Rural Health Systems, Inc. has petitioned for a sign variance request of 28 square feet from the required 32 square feet maximum size requirement. The proposed sign variance is for the upcoming Eastville Community Health Center along Route 13. The property is located in the on Route 13 in Eastville and is zoned "CG"-Commercial General District. The property is further described as Tax Map 68, double circle 15, parcel B1.

Anyone interested in the above matters can attend the public hearings in order to make their views known. The files may be viewed in the Northampton County Planning & Zoning Office in Eastville, VA, located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, and the Eastville Town Hall.

Handicapped assistance is available: Please call 757-678-0440, extension 516, at least 48 hours in advance.

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The above establishment is applying to the **VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY** for a Beer and Wine Off Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.
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Public Notice

The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, for the purpose of considering the following wetlands/coastal primary sand dunes matter under public hearing and to conduct regular business. The Board will assemble at 9:00 a.m. to conduct a site visit.

A.) VMRC 2018-1836: Vincent Rende is applying for a permit to construct a 30' by 18' riprap structure around and along the southern boundary of his lot. The new structure will be a continuation of the existing rip rap on the Bayford side of the lot. The primary purpose of this project is to protect the property from erosion due to wave action from the Chesapeake Bay. The property is located at the end of Arlington Chase Road and is further described as Tax Map 97A, double circle 1, parcel 36.

Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the scheduled public hearing. The application may be viewed in the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. Written comments can be submitted to the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office P.O. Box 538, Eastville, VA 23347.

Handicapped Assistance Available: Please call (757) 678-0440 extension 516 at least 48 hours in advance.

*Marshall Cox Sr., Chairman
Wetlands Board*

County of Accomack, Virginia Proposed Amendment to Fiscal Year 2019 Budget

A brief synopsis of the proposed amendment to the County of Accomack budget for Fiscal Year 2019 was ordered published by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on December 19, 2018. A summary of the budget amendment is listed below. The amendment is published for informational and fiscal planning purposes only. A meeting and public hearing on this proposed amendment to the budget will be held on January 16, 2019 in the Board Chambers in Accomack at 6:30PM. Citizens have the right to submit an oral or written statement on the proposed budget amendment. Any citizen who has questions or needs special assistance due to a disability may contact the County Administrator's Office by calling (757)787-5700 or (757)824-5444.

Budget Amendment: To reappropriate in FY19, FY18 encumbrances still open at 6/30/2018 and to establish a school division contingency.

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The regular meeting of the Accomack-Northampton Transportation District Commission, scheduled for Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce Building, Melfa, Virginia, has been moved to Monday, January 7, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce Building, Melfa, Virginia.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON JANUARY 16, 2019, AT 6:30 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:

Hearing #1 - Renewal of Joynes Neck Agricultural and Forestal District

A review to determine whether this district should remain in full force and effect in accordance with the Joynes Neck Agricultural and Forest District Ordinance with the following changes:

- 1) No parcels are recommended for removal or inclusion in this district;
- 2) One parcel has been created from an existing parcel in the District - Tax Map #96-1-1B; and
- 3) Change the review period from a 4 year period to a ten (10) year period.

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 at www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public on the Friday prior to each meeting.

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By Linda Cicaira

The new year brings an anticipation of things to come and time to reflect on the marvel of what was and is.

In 2018, I learned that I still like the things I have all my life. I have a soft spot for the sarcastic, the underdog, the good Samaritan, and the adventuresome. I like people to say what they mean and mean what they say. The dramatic can be amusing but tiring. We should all grab the gusto while we can. And kindness, when possible, helps.

I found out recently some cars today have brake buttons that drivers can push when they are at a traffic light so they don't have to hold their foot on the brake. Yippee!

And while a simple person like me can enjoy such pleasures at the long waits near Four Corner Plaza in Onley, the geniuses at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) can bask in other glories.

Those MIT geniuses announced "they had flown the first-ever plane with no moving parts. Instead of turbines, propellers or even fans, the new plane was powered by an 'ionic wind'—a flow of ions

produced by the plane that generated enough thrust to push the small prototype through the air long enough to produce sustained, steady flight."

Then, www.techxplore.com stated, "A team of engineers at Penn State created a self-heating, fast-charging battery that makes electric vehicles climate-immune." Since traditional car batteries do not charge well below 50 degrees, this new one "self-heats, allowing rapid charging in all climates and making the sale of electric cars more likely in colder places."

Another really amazing feat for 2018 was when Caltech researchers taught a drone to herd birds away from airports. Their work was inspired by the plane forced to land in the Hudson River after losing all its engines to a bird strike just after takeoff. The incident happened several years earlier, got national attention, and a movie was made about it.

The theory was tested near a field in Korea. The study is continuing with plans to "scale the project up for multiple drones dealing with multiple flocks."

I wonder what those geniuses are teaching the drones to get the rest of us to do.

Here's the Post's excuse for occasionally making typos or other errors. It's the font's fault! Researchers at Australia's Royal Mel-

bourne Institute of Technology developed a font that helps readers remember what they read. It is called "Sans Forgetica." It omits segments in the text that force the reader to pay more attention. I love it. I'm betting it omits the dreaded serial comma. But I'm going to leave that to my dear editors.

Wound and burn victims may also be helped in the future because of discoveries in 2018. Researchers at the University of Toronto developed a hand-held 3-D skin printer. This is not a tool to draw tattoos. The device is capable of printing and depositing even layers of skin tissue on a deep wound and is expected to be ready for clinical trials soon.

I'm also looking forward to the movies that will be released in 2019. *Cosmopolitan Magazine* had a lot to say about the subject. "What Men Want" is set to be released Jan. 25. According to www.IMBD.com, "A woman is boxed out by the male sports agents in her profession, but gains an unexpected edge over them when she develops the ability to hear their thoughts." That must be a horror movie. Who would want to do that? It's scary.

Also in January, Brad Pitt, Tommy Lee Jones, and Donald Sutherland will take to the big screen in "Ad Astra," the story of an Army Corps engineer who searches "the

galaxy for his father, who disappeared on a mission to find alien life 20 years prior."

Two guys with excellent adventure fame will be back for "Bill & Ted Face the Music." The California rockers "were once told they'd save the universe during a time-traveling adventure, but find themselves as middle-aged dads still trying to crank out a hit song and fulfill their destiny." The film stars Keanu Reeves and Alex Winter and doesn't have a release date yet.

www.oprahmag.com posted the 25 most awaited books "so far" in 2019. The list includes a mystery that caught my attention. "Bowlaway," by Elizabeth McCracken, tells of a woman in New England who is discovered unconscious and near frozen with a bowling ball, a candlepin, and 15 pounds of gold. I want to know why. Don't you?

I loved the book, "Bee Season," by Myla Goldberg. She's back with another story for the first time in a decade. Forget about your income taxes. Mark your calendars for April 16 when "Feast Your Eyes" is released. "The story of Lillian, whose passion for photography and desire to pursue her singular vision scandalizes her family, prompts her arrest, and causes many to question" if she's a good mother.

With all these incredible discoveries and entertaining prospects, it will have to be a great year. Yippee!

Post Op-Ed Page

Referrals Can Be Costly

By Richard L. Saunders
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Over the past decade or so, a new business model has become much more prevalent: referral clearing houses. They exist in any number of fields, all being advertised as being FREE to you the consumer. But are they really free? The answer can be hard to determine.

Let's look at some facts. These referral organizations are not nonprofits. Therefore, they must have a significant revenue stream from somewhere, if it is "free" to the consumer.

So the question naturally arises, where does the money come from? Is it from the entities that get referrals from these third party middlemen? A logical conclusion. Consider that possibility when using the much-advertised entity that offers itself as a source for home repairs. Consider that possibility when using the much-advertised service that finds low-cost insurance for you. These and other "clearing houses" spend a lot on advertising. You and other users of these referral companies are ultimately paying this money. Companies that list with these referral operations no doubt pay for that privilege, either up front or as a piece of business realized through the referral agency. This cost is no doubt passed on to you, the ultimate consumer. It is simple math. Remember the following acronym: TANSTAFU (There Are No Such Things As Free Lunches).

Doing your own comparative shopping may sound more burdensome, but may be better in the long run. Also know that if you use these middlemen you will probably be deluged by phone calls and emails as I was once when I reached out to a certain service dealing with mortgages.

Remember also another growing endeavor over the past couple of decades: data mining. Much is known about you (unless you have lived in a cave for the past 20 years). The particular surface mail advertisements you get, the ads that pop up on your computer screen, the emails you get are often not random. They are the result of aggregated data collected by data mining operations and sold to commercial (and sometimes political) users. Even your food consumption habits are tracked and stored if you utilize a supermarket loyalty card. The same is true about healthcare products if you utilize a pharmacy loyalty card. This is not necessarily a bad thing for the consumer, just understand the tradeoff. Health insurance companies used to subscribe to something called the Medical Index Bureau. I know this from my long ago days as a health insurance claim approver for a large insurance company. All healthcare claims, whether approved or not, would be passed along to this database, subscribed to by most large insurers. I do not know whether the MIB still exists or in what form.

I mention all this about data mining because these referral clearinghouse operations collect data from you if you engage their "services." This data can be valuable. What do you think happens to it when you are done with your imme-

diated use of the particular referral service? Does the service sell the data to data mining enterprises? It would be a way for the referral entity to enhance its revenue stream.

The point of this column is not to steer consumers toward or away from anything. Rather it is to hopefully raise the critical thinking quotient of consumers in response to some of the products and services they see advertised.

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