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Photo by Linda Cicaira

## Easter Baa-sket

As if anticipating Easter, a Nassawadox ewe and her lamb posed recently while enjoying a spring day.

## Deadbeat Taxpayers Named

By Linda Cicaira

Chincoteague developer Edward L. Tull was at the top of real-estate and personal-property tax delinquent lists, owing a total of \$148,000 to Accomack County in both categories, according to a report released Wednesday.

The lists were sent in an e-mail from Treasurer Dana Bundick to County Administrator Steve Miner just two hours before the start of a Board of Supervisors meeting. Copies of the e-mail were distributed at the session. Tull owes \$57,256 in personal-property taxes and \$90,358 in real-estate taxes.

Bundick did not include "those in bankruptcy" in her lists. She also did not attend the meeting. The total for the two lists is about \$1.15 million. But Wesley Edwards of Belle Haven (who says he will run for the 9th District supervisor's seat in November, but

has yet to formally announce) told the board that those figures just scratch the surface. He contends that the treasurer told him \$10 million in back taxes are owed.

"She went on her computer and confirmed that at any one time there was \$8.5 to \$8.8 million in delinquent real-estate taxes and an additional \$1.5 million in delinquent taxes on personal property, totaling \$10 to \$10.3 million in delinquent taxes" owed, said Edwards. "The discussion then got worse; she informed me that she was writing off each year another approximately \$500,000 of personal-property taxes as uncollectible. This means it is more than five years old."

"Two million every four years or each term of your office," he told the supervisors.

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## Superintendent Search Continues

By Linda Cicaira

The Accomack School Board is sticking to its schedule of choosing a new superintendent sometime around mid-May, with the new person assuming the position July 1, Chairman Travis Thornton said in an e-mail this week.

The retirement of current superintendent,



Dr. Benson

Rick Bull, will become effective that day.

"We are still in the process of interviewing candidates and have not made a decision yet," Thornton said. "Hopefully if all goes well, we should know in the next few weeks if we have our next superintendent. Of course, this is assuming the board agrees we have the right person for the job. As soon as we make a decision, I will let you know."

But other workers around the school divi-

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## Motorcycle Crash Claims Life

By Linda Cicaira

An Accomack man was the fourth person to die in a local traffic accident this year.

Sgt. Michelle Anaya of the Virginia State Police said Allen Derrick Ferrell, 52, of Wachapreague was killed early Sunday morning at about 1:45.

Ferrell was driving a 2000 Harley Davidson motorcycle north on Willis Street near Wachapreague, the officer said. He "merged right onto Drummondtown Road, ran off the road left and struck a tree. (The) driver died on impact," Anaya said.

Trooper L. Farlow investigated.



## ~ Supervisors ~ (Continued From Front Page)

"I have also been told that part of the real-estate delinquency is more than 10 years old." He read sections of the State Code and the supervisors' manual saying the responsibility lies with the supervisors.

"As you have chosen not to have a monthly receivables report ... this problem will never get fixed until you get it in front of you and work the problem at every meeting," he continued. "Quit settling for percentages and work the hard numbers. I realize this is an election year, but the county taxpayers and voters have a right to know how many dollars, how old, and who owes these millions that aren't being collected. Not to mention what projects could be funded with no tax increase."

Also in the top 25 delinquent real-estate tax list were: Quinby Preserve Partners, LLC - \$48,862, Potomac Spectrum - \$47,325, Chrysler First Financial Services Corp. - \$32,968, Lance G. and Barbara W. Fisher - \$27,241, John Cherrick's heirs - \$25,118, Harold L. and Anna M. Perau - \$23,446, Henrik S. Shelley - \$18,854, BIC, Inc. - \$16,858, Catherine S. Sparrow - \$16,417, Thomas Allen Clark Sr. - \$16,376, Barbara H. Upshur - \$16,288, Thomas D. Cook Sr. or Angela L. Cook - \$16,149, Adair E. Harmon - \$15,560, Wilford L. Evans - \$14,564, Tully W. Parker et ux - \$14,126, Dennis B. or Judy A. Kurtz - \$13,783, Peggy L. Giddens/Andrea F. Bolden - \$13,529, Kenneth Earl and Mary Emily Doughty - \$12,593, Luvenia Miles - \$12,506, Alexander J. and Gloria D. Justice - \$12,298, Elwood S. Young - \$12,186, Frances P. Hoffman

- \$10,793, John E. Mason II or Susan H. Mason - \$10,771 and Whispering Pines, Inc. - \$10,512.

The other top personal-property tax debtors were Oscar W. Fox Jr. - \$50,050, Smith Enterprises, Inc. - \$42,825, B&L Produce, Inc. - \$42,352, O.W. Fox Jr., Inc. - \$38,836, Island Investors - \$33,238, Phil Ray Farms - \$31,447, Troy Leon Bowser - \$24,346, Warren Edward Northam - \$22,235, Robert Davis Jr. - \$21,309, Davis Transport of Virginia, Inc. - \$19,061, Michael Anthony Finstad - \$18,693, Byrd Foods of Virginia, Inc. - \$18,348, Allen Clark Construction Co. - \$18,053, Warren T. Fosque - \$17,723, George Thomas Kellam - \$17,379, Regions Bank Leasing Division - \$17,196, Lloyd and Marcella R. Fields - \$16,841, Norman Lee Collins Jr. - \$12,392, Eastern Shore Brick & Block Layers, LLC - \$15,277, Sea Hawk Motel, Inc. - \$13,684, The Charlotte Hotel - \$12,830, Thomas Allen Clark Sr. - \$12,465, Thornton Services, Inc. - \$12,519 and BIC, Inc. - \$11,689.

Supervisor Wanda Thornton told Edwards that the board has been aware of the debt. "She (Bundick) invites us to come and look at it."

Shirley Zamora of Onancock complained about the derelict building on Whispering Pines property. After some discussion, Thornton said, "Let's sell them out. My guess is they'll pay (the taxes) or lose the property. I think we should do it ASAP." The others unanimously agreed.

Zamora also urged the board to decrease its membership. She suggested reducing from nine supervisors to five,

the number of magisterial districts. "It would save money," she said. "We lost population in the census. It would make sense. Ironic that the system makes you the ones to make the decision."

Supervisor Grayson Chesser later said the concept sounded good, but it would be "almost impossible to do and keep minority districts. I don't think you could physically have them. ... In addition, Chincoteague (district) would be smaller."

Roy Custis of Painter urged the board to direct Bundick to accept documents he was given when he bought property at a delinquency auction. Custis said the papers state that taxes on the land were paid through Feb. 4. "The system should adhere to the arrangements that were made," he said. Custis explained that he bought four parcels. But, because Bundick apparently only directed the lawyer to sell one parcel, Bundick would not agree to the terms. The supervisors asked the county attorney to investigate the issue.

County Assessor Brent Hurdle reported, "Assessments are definitely exceeding fair market value. The level of assessment of a jurisdiction should be between 90 percent to 100 percent," he said. Instead, "preliminary findings indicate the levels are 111 percent to 117 percent." The outcome is likely to make a "significant change on the tax base. ... It's the first time I've seen a situation like this."

The supervisors nixed fixing the old Chincoteague Elementary School gym in a 2-7 vote, with only Chairman Donald Hart and Supervisor Ron Wolff in favor. Instead, the panel unanimously agreed to give the structure, which needs more than \$100,000 in repairs,

to the Town of Chincoteague. Councilman John Jester said it would take "months and months" for the town to come up with funds and plans to resurrect the building. But he, Councilman Terry Howard and Vice Mayor Ellen Richardson said it would be done for the youth of Northern Accomack.

Last week, the supervisors voted to set redistricting lines and changes in polling places. A public hearing on the proposed changes will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 12, in the supervisors' chambers in Accomac. Beginning at 6:30 that night, maps will be set up in the hallway for citizens to view and staff will be available to answer questions.

All but Hart voted to limit the number of polling places in each election district to three. The change will eliminate two polls in his district. "The two smallest precincts will close, Quinby and Keller, and I'm very upset about it," Hart said later. "Keller will go to Bobtown (school) and the Quinby citizens will have to go to Wachapreague."

The plan proposes that the polls be at Chincoteague Community Center in Election District 1; Atlantic and Greenbackville firehouses in District 2; Arcadia High School in District 3; Bloxom Town Hall and Parksley and Saxis firehouses in District 4; Kegotank and Metompkin elementary schools in District 5; Tasley firehouse and Tangier Combined School in District 6; Onley firehouse and Onancock Town Hall in District 7; Melfa and Wachapreague firehouse and Pungoteague Elementary School in District 8; and Painter firehouse in District 9.

The supervisors also made changes in the way they will handle district funds. No district will be allowed to stockpile more than \$50,000. The previous limit was \$250,000. The board gave decision-making power regarding drainage issues to Director of Public Works Stewart Hall. Other expenses still will come before the full board, but under a different category of the monthly agenda.

In a 7-2 vote, with Hart and Thornton opposing, the board voted to renew County Attorney Mark Taylor's contract for three years, at his current yearly salary of \$120,822. Either party can cancel the agreement at any time. Full family health insurance was continued.

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# Here's to Our Health — Or Lack Thereof

By Linda Cicora

Both Eastern Shore counties compare poorly with the majority of Virginia counties when it comes to health, according to a 2011 report. The Web site, [www.countyhealthrankings.org](http://www.countyhealthrankings.org) ranks Accomack 92nd and Northampton 100th of the 132 counties in the state.

Statistics listed by the site show 20 percent of the population in both counties have poor or fair health days compared to the national benchmark of 10 percent and the Virginia standard of 13 percent. Figures show that for a 30-day period, Accomack residents complained that they had poor physical health for 3.4 days. In Northampton they felt poorly for 3.7 of the 30 days. The national benchmark is 2.6 and the number of poor health days statewide is 3.2.

Accomack has 3.7 days of poor mental health per month compared to 3.6 days in Northampton, the report states. The national benchmark is 3.2 days and the state standard is 3.2.

Low weight (less than 2,500 grams or about 5 lbs., 8 oz.) was reported for 9.6 percent of the births in Accomack compared to 9.1 percent in Northampton. The range in Virginia is 4.8 to 14.5 percent. The national benchmark is 6 percent.

In addition, 24 percent of Accomack residents smoke cigarettes compared to 15 percent of the na-

tional population and 20 percent of Virginians. In Northampton, 22 percent smoke.

The adult obesity measure represents the percent of the adult population (20 and older) who have a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or higher. According to the Web site, 31 percent of Accomack residents and 30 percent of Northampton residents are obese. Other counties range from 21 percent to 35 percent. Overall in Virginia, it is 27 percent, with the national benchmark at 25 percent.

Excessive alcohol consumption is also a problem on the Shore, the Web site states. Fifteen percent of residents in Accomack and 19 percent in Northampton "overindulge." The national benchmark is 8 percent and the state standard is 15 percent. According to the site, "the excessive drinking measure reflects the percent of adults who report either binge drinking, defined as consuming more than four (women) or five (men) alcoholic beverages on a single occasion in the past 30 days, or heavy drinking, defined as drinking more than one (women) or two (men) drinks per day on average."

In Accomack, 25 percent of the adults younger than 65 do not have health insurance. In Northampton, 24 percent are without it. The range is 21 to 28 percent in Virginia. The national benchmark is 13 percent, while the state figure is 17 percent.

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## ~ Accomack Schools ~

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sion say they've seen and heard that board members have been showing around one particular applicant, Dr. Bruce Benson, an assistant superintendent at Albemarle County Public Schools.

Benson did not return a phone call by press time Thursday. His assistant said he was in a meeting.

Benson was Albemarle schools' assistant superintendent of student learning until July 2009, when he assumed the role of assistant superintendent for planning and operations.

According to Albemarle Schools' Web site, Benson earned his doctorate from the University of Virginia, his master's degree from Old Dominion University and his bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University. He's been with Albemarle Schools for about 13 years. He was the division's first director of technology in 1999 and became the executive director for curriculum, instruction, and technol-

ogy in 2003.

Workers say Dr. Rhonda Hall, an Accomack assistant superintendent, is still in the running for the position. Hall was not available Wednesday for comment. A spokesperson for the division said she will be out until next week.

### School Budget Gains Approval

The Accomack School Board approved its \$41,904,658 fiscal 2011-12 budget Tuesday night. The plan includes a 2 percent step increase for all employees and provides for one additional special-education teacher. At the start of the budget season, the board considered hiring three English as a Second Language teachers. That plan was nixed because of lack of funding. The proposal includes no additional money for health-insurance increases but does provide an increase in retirement contributions.

## New Hospital Recommended

By Linda Ciccoira

Staff at the Virginia Department of Health gave "partial conditional approval" Thursday for a new Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital to be built in Onley, about 17 miles from its present location.

"I was very pleased," George Phillips, director of strategic services for the Riverside Hospital Group, said Thursday afternoon. The hospital was notified of the recommendation earlier that morning. "We're disappointed about not getting a second MRI" scanner, he said, referring to the only part of Riverside's request that was denied.

Phillips explained that the health department benchmark for an MRI unit is 5,000 scans per year. The 10-year-old equipment at Nassawadox was used just more than 1,570 times in a year, he said. Phillips expects a new

unit to be purchased for the Onley facility and the old unit to be traded.

Phillips touted that a second CT scanner was recommended, which would provide one unit at Nassawadox and one at Onley.

The recommendations were made to the state health commissioner, who has until June 10 to make a decision on Riverside's request for a Certificate of Public Need (COPN).

The COPN application states, "Most of the numerical growth in the decade 2010 to 2020 is expected to occur in Accomack County, increasing some 1,940 persons, or 4.8 percent. Northampton County is estimated to increase by some 1,000 residents or 6.7 percent. Of significance, the population age 65 and over for both counties is projected to show dramatic percentage increases by 2016 over 2010."

## Onancock Town Manager Resigns

By Linda Ciccoira

Onancock Town leaders are looking for a new town manager to replace Sandy Manter who resigned last week.

"Sandy came to me about a week or so ago," said Councilman Kris LaMontagne. "She bought a home in Tennessee and she wants to do something else. Good people you only keep for a

while ... they grow and move on."

"Right now the target is June 1" in accordance with the resignation letter, he said, hopeful that Manter might work a few extra days.

The town will be advertising the position and hopes to make a decision in May. Manter has held the job for about two years.

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# Northampton Schools Ask for \$274,000 More in New Budget

By Ron West

The Northampton County School Board introduced its FY 2012 school budget of \$20,151,52.91 last week.

The proposed budget calls for a 1 percent pay raise for school employees. According to School Finance Director Brook Thomas, the budget would require an increase of \$274,201 in local funding.

Superintendent Dr. Richard Bowmaster reviewed reductions and mergers of positions that would create savings in some areas. Current staffing stands at 336 school system employees, but would drop to 324 under the FY 2012 plan.

Several of the changes would be in support personnel, including instructional assistants. Other staffing changes would add some special-education teachers and eliminate the Central Office positions for federal

programs and grants and school nursing supervisor.

Dr. Bowmaster reported that school enrollment continues to decline slowly, while unfunded state mandates increase. State funding that is calculated using the composite index, a complex formula that indicates how much a lo-

cality can afford to contribute, continues to place an added burden on the County. Thomas discussed increased fuel and electrical costs.

The proposed budget has been presented to the Board of Supervisors, which will hold a public hearing on the entire county budget later this spring.

In other matters, Dr. Bowmaster reported that while student enrollment is decreasing, the number of special education students continues to rise. Currently, 218 students, or about 16 percent of the student population, receive some form of special education service.



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# Police & Court Postings

By Linda Civoira

## Accomack Sheriff's Office

Three Accomack County men were arrested last week and charged with burglarizing Keller Post Office.

Maj. Todd Godwin of Accomack County Sheriff's Office identified the men as Barry T. Dewaal, 50, of Melfa; Brandon Durrue, 23, of Onley; and Alex Dewaal, 21, of Melfa. The older Dewaal was released on \$2,500 bond. The other Dewaal was released on \$1,500 bond. Durrue is being held in Accomack County Jail without bond.

Godwin said the burglary report was made at about 7:30 a.m. April 6. He said an undisclosed amount of property was taken. Damage was reported.

Assisting in the investigation were the U.S. postal inspectors and Onley Police Department.

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One man is wanted and three others were arrested in connection with a shooting on A.S. West Road in Painter earlier this month.

Godwin said police are looking for Phillip Maurice Robinson, 36, of Painter who was charged with possession of a firearm by a felon.

Richmond Southey Johnson, 49, of Parksley was arrested on April 15 and Samuel Randolph Custis, 46, of Painter was arrested on April 18. Both were charged with malicious wounding, use of a firearm in a felony and possession of a firearm by a felon in connection with the incident, Godwin said.

Jarod Scott Lee, 24, of Painter was arrested on April 18. He was charged with three counts of attempted malicious wounding and one count of use of a firearm in a felony, the officer added.

Godwin said all three men are being held in the Accomack jail with bond denied.

A man who has yet to be identified by police was shot twice on April 1 and found on the road. The incident was reported to ACSO at about 4 p.m. that day. The victim was taken by Melfa

rescue to a medical facility where he was treated and released.

Virginia State Police, Virginia Marine Police, Game & Inland Fisheries, Parksley Police, Onley Police and Onancock Police assisted ACSO.

In another incident, a man was robbed, assaulted and shot last weekend near Parksley, according to Godwin.

At about 12:40 p.m. Sunday, April 17, ACSO "was notified of a gunshot victim who had been located on Whites Neck Road." Godwin said, "Further investigation revealed that this incident actually occurred during the late evening hours of April 16 in the John Cane Road area of Parksley." Godwin said the victim, who was not identified by police, "was allegedly signaled to stop by the suspects and following a confrontation, the victim was robbed, assaulted and shot by the suspects. The victim's vehicle was taken during this incident but has since been recovered."

Parksley rescue took the victim to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Md. He was later transferred to another medical facility, Godwin said. Parksley Police Department assisted with the case, which is continuing to be investigated.

Anyone with information regarding these incidents is asked to contact the ACSO at 787-1131 or 824-5666.

## Accomack Circuit Court

Renee D. Scott, 49, of Plano, Texas, was convicted in Accomack Circuit Court last week of two counts of embezzlement.

According to court records, the defendant motioned to vacate her previous Alford plea. She then entered pleas of guilty to the incidents that occurred between June 1, 2007, and May 31, 2008. Scott was sentenced to five years in prison on each count, to run consecu-

tively, with all but one year suspended. The charges involved her job at Eastern Shore's Own in Belle Haven.

The record states that Scott will serve the term after she finishes with a sentence from Northampton Circuit Court. She was ordered to pay a total restitution between two counties of \$65,000.

Gilbert Werner, 34, of Chincoteague was sentenced to a total of nine years in prison, with all but 1.5 years suspended. A breakdown of the June 14, 2010, charges shows he was given two years, with all but six months suspended, for passing a bad check for \$5,000; five years, with all but six months suspended, for grand larceny of money belonging to Shawna Kurtz; and two years, with all but six months suspended, for unauthorized use of a vehicle belonging to Kurtz.

Jermaine Blake, 23, of Greta Road in Atlantic was convicted of robbery and use of a firearm. The case was continued pending completion of a presentence report.

In a plea bargain agreement with the commonwealth attorney's office, Mary Kate Wade, 32, of Main Street in Exmore pleaded guilty to contributing to the delinquency of a minor. She was initially indicted for abuse and neglect of a child under 18. She was sentenced to 12 months, with the sentence suspended for three years.

Daniel Joseph Thoren, 56, of Painter was convicted of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. The case was continued for guidelines.

## Correction

Eddy Jo Powell, 40, of Cheriton pleaded guilty in Northampton Circuit Court to a third offense of larceny. She did not plead guilty to a third offense of burglary as previously was reported.

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# PSA Duties Spelled Out for Northampton County

By Ron West

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors and Public Service Authority (PSA) met Wednesday to iron out their relationship and duties.

PSA member Granville Hogg asked the supervisors, "Is the board ready to underwrite the PSA's obligations with regards to running lines in the county and the towns? Is the board going to require anyone living near the wastewater lines to connect to the system? Is the board ready to take a stand on mandatory hook ups?"

Cape Charles has a requirement to hook up to its wastewater system. Exmore, the only other town with a wastewater system, offers the service to most residents and businesses within the town limits.

PSA member Henry Hennighan said Cheriton Town Council has agreed to support the required hookups if the monthly fee can be kept below \$35. The monthly fee previously discussed by the PSA and supervisors was about \$7

more per month.

Exmore Interim Town Manager and PSA member Arthur Miles suggested that the supervisors need to back the PSA financially until it gets on its feet by collecting fees once the system is up and running. Other PSA members agreed that it is the role of the supervisors to set the tone and course that they wish the PSA to take.

Some concern has been raised over the issue of wastewater infrastructure becoming a catalyst for growth in the county. Supervisor Spencer Murray noted that he would like to see politics taken out of the equation. He said the PSA does have the authority to act and set rules, such as requiring mandatory hookups where available.

The PSA and supervisors agreed that it is the role of the PSA to implement and operate a wastewater system in the county, with a focus on expanding the northern node from Exmore to Nassawadox and the medical community; expanding the southern node to service Cheriton, Bayview, and Cape

Charles; and to studying future needs.

The consensus was that the wastewater system should meet the needs of the citizens and not necessarily be built with an eye toward future development.

Murray supported the concept of constructing smaller systems in areas of need at lower start-up costs rather than one or two very large systems with very high start-up costs. Supervisor Oliver Bennett agreed as long as it did not prove to be too expensive for most residents.

Hennighan urged the supervisors to appoint replacements for the three members of the PSA who have resigned in recent weeks. He suggested that the supervisors look for members with experience in the real-estate, financial, and legal fields.

According to County Administrator Katie Nunez, only one county resident has applied to be named to the PSA.

The PSA elected Bob Panek and Miles to serve as chairman and vice chairman, respectively.

Supervisor Willie Randall noted that the county needs to get the infrastructure in place to take advantage of companies that wish to set up shop in the county. "We don't have development in the county now as we lack the infrastructure to support it," Randall said. "We need to evolve and be ready for the future of 20 to 30 or even 40 years from now."

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## Community Notes

### Cape Charles VFC Needs Money

By Ron West

Cape Charles Fire Company spokesman Nicholas Braatz urged Cape Charles Town Council last week to consider providing emergency funding to help keep the company afloat.

Braatz said the company is at risk of running out of funds before the end of this year. Dramatic increases in insurance, as well as an unexpected repair bill for a tanker and other bills, have run up the cost of operations by 40 percent in the past year. Braatz asked Council to consider providing the company \$30,000. In response, Mayor Dora Sullivan asked for information on fund-raising efforts undertaken by the company.

Town Manager Heather Arcos gave a brief update on projects at the harbor. New floating docks are nearing completion and town staff is reviewing the bathhouse recommendations made by the Harbor Area Review Board. Harbormaster Smity Dize said new water lines will be installed soon.

Arcos said she will be working with local businessman Dave Kabler to bring tall ships to the harbor as early as this summer. Council voted to endorse a resolution to support OPSAIL 2012 and the tall-ship economic development initiative for the Shore.

Town Planner Tom Bonadeo recommended changes to the existing golf-cart ordinance to "make using a golf cart easier, police enforcement easier and ultimately a better and safer experience for the citizens of the town." Council discussed certain safety equipment that is required for use on the vehicles, as well as the inspection process and agreed to table discussion on the guidelines until its next meeting before taking action.

Bonadeo told Council that Gamesa/Northrup Grumman is applying to the Virginia Marine Resources Commission for permits to begin exploring the area near Buoy 36A in the Chesapeake Bay for possible wind-turbine-generated electrical power. If the bottom is found suitable, an application will be filed to erect a test turbine.

Council discussed payment of members of the town's Planning Commission who receive \$25 per month and generally meet one or more times a month. Concerns were raised by some Council members over commissioners receiving pay while not attending meetings. It was the general consensus of Council to continue the monthly pay to commissioners and to take steps to replace commissioners who are repeatedly absent from meetings.

In a related area, Council agreed to schedule a public hearing for a conditional-use permit for a home bakery business requested by Miriam Wagner-Elton of 548 Madison Ave. Bonadeo suggested that Council needs to find a way to reduce the time to get final approval for small businesses. Currently, the process can take upwards of five months before an applicant can "open for business." Sullivan and Council were in agreement that the process needs to be streamlined in order to be more business friendly.



Photo by Ron West

### Exmore Police Chief Honored Posthumously

Exmore Town Council and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) joined forces to honor the late Police Chief Steve Elliott at a ceremony held last Thursday. Exmore Officer Tara Leckel, representing the local FOP, spoke of Elliott's leadership and value not only to the department but also to the community at large. Maj. Mike Smith of Northampton Sheriff's Department noted that Elliott had been a role model for other officers in the county over the years and could be counted on to provide advice from his experience spanning three decades as a police officer. Speaking of the impact Elliott made on his life, Smith stated, "It is because of Steve that I am who I am today." A tree honoring Elliott's service was planted at the entrance to the Guy Lawson Municipal Building and a memorial stone was provided by Doughty's Funeral Home. Elliott died as the result of a vehicular accident on April 14, 2010.

### Upcoming Town Meetings

**MONDAY, APRIL 25**

- Nassawadox Town Council - 7 p.m., Northampton Free Library
- Onancock Town Council - 7 p.m., Council Chambers

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27**

- Accomac Town Council - 7:30 p.m., Board of Supervisors Chambers

**THURSDAY, APRIL 28**

- Bloxom Town Council - 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

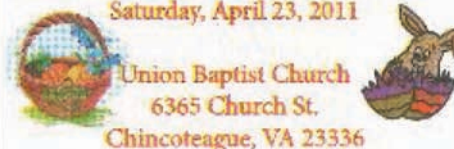
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## Christopher Wharton To Wed Dawn Downing

Dawn Downing of Temperanceville and Christopher Wharton Sr. of New Church have announced their forthcoming wedding.

The couple has been together for 10 years. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Glory Downing of Temperanceville and Joseph Marshall of Berlin, Md.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wharton Sr. of New Church.

They will be married May 7, 2011, at the Chincoteague Center.

Formal invitations have been sent.



## Samantha Kleyla To Wed Michael Coleman

Van and Deanna Kleyla of Painter have announced the upcoming nuptials of their daughter, Samantha Lynne Kleyla, to Michael John Coleman, son of Michael and Sarah Coleman of Cashville.

Both are 2007 graduates of Virginia Commonwealth University and reside in the Richmond area. The bride-to-be is an enrollment and billing representative with Anthem Insurance. Her fiancé is a web developer for Salem Web Network.

The wedding will be held May 14, 2011, at YMCA Camp Silver Beach.

Formal invitations have been sent.



•a son, born to Tiffany and Lance Lockhart of Smith Beach April 1

•a son, born to LaToya Coston of Exmore April 8

•a daughter, born to Allene Annis and Brian Alfree Jr. of Parksley April 12

•a daughter, born to Lillian Cardona and Artemio Ontiveros of Mappsville April 12

•a daughter, born to Dilma Velasque and Morales Gonzalez of Accomac April 12

•a son, born to Rocheta Johnson of Tasley April 13

•a daughter, born to Kimberly and Juan Vasquez Jr. of Parksley April 14



## William Wise To Wed Minnie Wise

William Wise and Minnie Wise, both of Painter, will be married on May 3. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Frances Bailey of Painter and the late Peter Bailey Sr. The prospective groom is the son of the late Robert and Bessie Wise from Mappsville.

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# Obituaries

## Shore Native Dies

Mrs. Laura Mae Bunting, 90, of Chambersburg, Pa., passed away there at Menno Haven Nursing Home Tuesday, April 12, 2011. She was formerly of Pocomoke, Md., Onancock and Bloxom.

Born in Bloxom, she was a daughter of the late William Henry Bundick and Jenny Adams Bundick. She was honorably retired from the Civil Service, Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md. Mrs. Bunting was a member of Modest Town Baptist Church, had been a Sunday School teacher, and enjoyed quilting and cross-stitching.

Survivors include her sons, William Barry Bunting (and wife, Barbara) of Chambersburg and David William Bunting (and wife, Jill) of Moneta, Va.; brother, Emmett "Adams" Bunting of Bloxom; granddaughter, Michele B. Russell (and husband, Jason) of Virginia Beach; great-grandson, Lane Russell; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her former

husband, William Edward Bunting Jr., and several brothers and sisters.

Graveside services were conducted at Modest Town Baptist Church Cemetery Friday, April 15, by Rev. John Cullop.

Memorial donations may be made to Modest Town Baptist Church, c/o Mr. William H. West, P.O. Box 66, Nelsonia, VA 23414. Memory tributes may be shared at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

## Cheriton Resident Dies

Mrs. Theresa Brady Moore, 57, of Cheriton passed away Wednesday, April 13, 2011, at her residence.

A native of Cape Charles, she was the daughter of the late Mitchell R. and Mamie Clark Brady. She was a member of Full Gospel Church.

Mrs. Moore is survived by her husband, Larry E. Moore Sr.; step-son, Larry E. Moore (and wife, Ann) of Goldsboro, N.C.; sister, Carolyn Santucci (and husband, Andy) of Cheriton; brothers, Donnie Brady (and wife, Marie) of Cape Charles, Michael Brady (and wife, Tammy) of Cherrystone, Jerry Brady (and wife, Hope) of Machipongo, and Frankie Brady (and wife, Debbie) of

Cape Charles. She was predeceased by a sister, Essie Brady Elliott.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 16, at Full Gospel Church by Pastor Randy E. Lewis. Interment was in Cape Charles Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be sent to Full Gospel Church, P.O. Box 792, Cheriton, VA 23316. Online condolences may be offered at [www.doughtyfuneralhome.com](http://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com)

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

## Former Coach Dies

Mr. Jonathan Dean Coffey, 46, of Parsonsburg, Md., passed away at his residence Wednesday, April 13, 2011.

Born in Salisbury, Md., he was a son of the late Marion Douglas Coffey and Susan Porter Taylor. He was a press operator for Standard Register, having worked there for 27 years. Mr. Coffey was president of East Wicomico Little League, an avid Redskins fan, and a former coach for the Delaware Storm Baseball Team.

Survivors include his wife, Amy Colonna Coffey; sons, Ethan and Drew Coffey of Parsonsburg; sister, Jami A. Taylor of Miami, Fla.; brother, Jeffrey D. Coffey of Parksley; cousin, Amy Porter Drummond of Cape Charles; uncle, Johnny Porter of Bloxom; and step-father, Jimmy Taylor of Temperanceville.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Sunday, April 17, by Rev. G. Wayne Parsley. Interment was at John W. Taylor Memorial Cemetery

in Temperanceville.

Memorial donations may be made to the East Wicomico Little League, P.O. Box 3701, Salisbury, MD 21802. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

## Ex-Shore Resident Dies

Mrs. Isabelle B. Cosby, 103, died Wednesday, April 13, 2011, at Woodhaven Hall at The Williamsburg Landing.

Born in Elizabeth, N.J., to John C. and Roberta Hodges Bennett, Mrs. Cosby celebrated her 100th birthday in 2007 with family and friends surrounding her at a party she hosted at The Williamsburg Landing, and a family party hosted by her nephews.

A 1928 graduate of Swarthmore College, Mrs. Cosby lived and worked in New York, where she met and married Henry Monroe. Together they moved to Cuba, where they lived for 12 years on a 4,000-acre henequen plantation. Following her husband's passing, she moved to Virginia, where she met and married Col. William Lee Cosby Jr. They made their home on the Eastern Shore. Following his death, Mrs. Cosby moved to The Williamsburg Landing in 1988.

Mrs. Cosby's love for Swarthmore College never wavered and she established the Katherine Hodges Bennett Tappen Scholarship Fund in honor of her sister; the school has a beautiful garden named in Mrs. Cosby's honor.

Mrs. Cosby is survived by her nephews and their spouses, Henry and Ann Tappen of Maryville, Tenn., John and Melanie Tappen of Pueblo, Colo., and Mark Tappen and Judith Benedict of Wolcott, N.Y.; and close friends, Kathy and Reg Exton of Williamsburg, Va.

Mrs. Cosby requested there be no memorial service. She will be buried beside her late husband, Col. William Lee Cosby Jr. in Cape Charles Cemetery.

Online condolences may be offered at [www.doughtyfuneralhome.com](http://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com)

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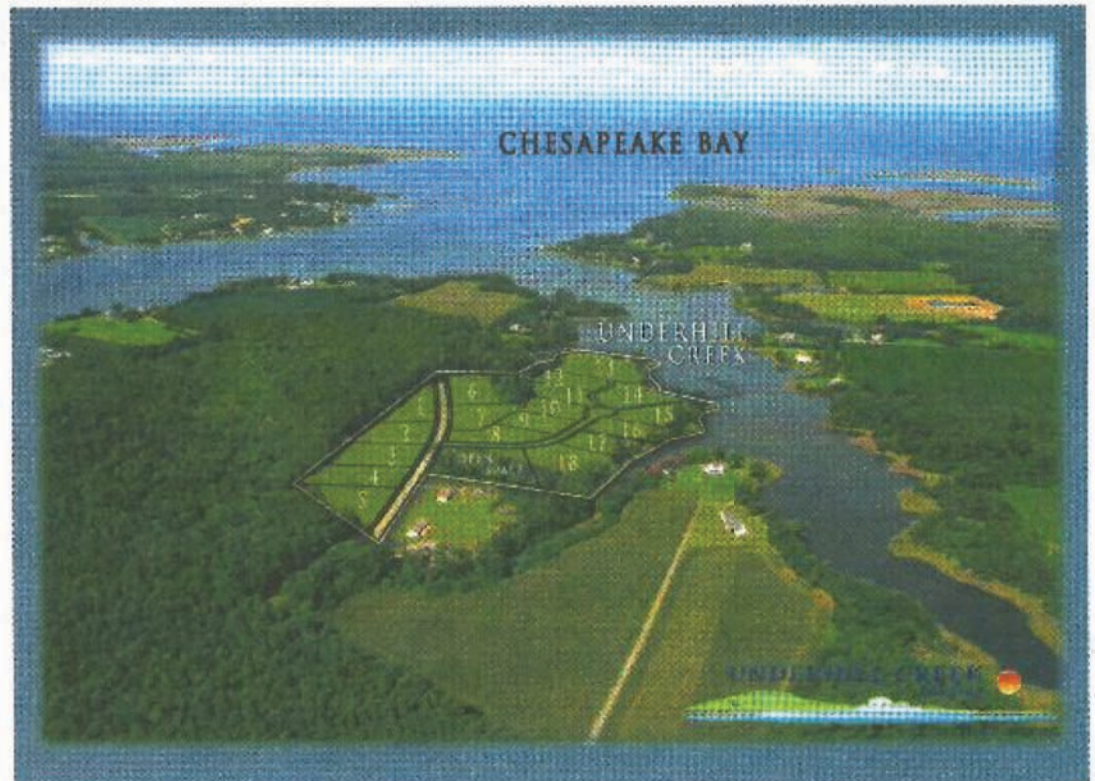
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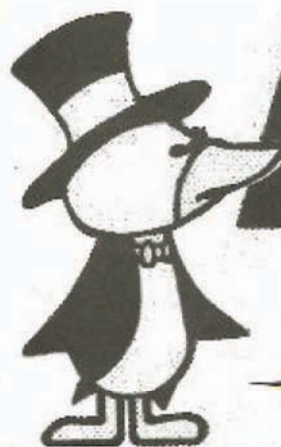
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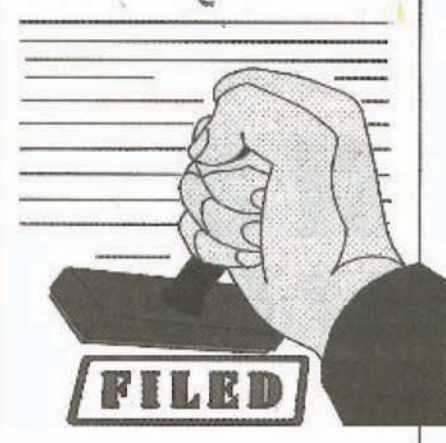
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**Court Records**



**Property Transactions**

- From Gene Martin  
To Robert and Vanetta Satchell  
26067 E. Main St., Onley  
For \$145,000
- From Turner Taylor  
To Christopher and Nicole Wardius  
6.24 acres at Bradford's Neck  
For \$290,000
- From Richard Moore  
To Billy Hunter  
Onancock parcel  
For \$19,500
- From Pierson Group, Inc,  
To Marcus Mills  
Savageville parcel  
For \$213,000
- From Paradise Bay Development, Inc.  
To Anthony and LucyJo Bergmann  
and Bergmann Family Trust  
Property on Chincoteague  
For \$155,000
- From Janet Kamps  
To David Van De Graaff and Christy  
Sander

**Marriage Licenses Issued**

- Francis Wayne Williams, 52, of Birdsnest and Brenda Marie Campbell, 40, of Eastville
- George Thomas Stevens, 46, of Dover, Del., and Cazander Ranece Wharton, 45, of Pembroke, Ky.
- Michael Wayne Settle, 31, and Amy Lee Thompson, 25, both of Atlantic

Wachapreague parcel

- For \$21,000
- From Charles and Wanda Casto  
To John and Anna Cutter  
Lot 261, Unit 3, Trails End  
For \$6,800
- From Martha Edmondson  
To Richard and Karen Peterick  
2 Chincoteague parcels  
For \$152,000
- From Natasha Nelson and Christopher and Natasha Truckner  
To Brian and Brooke Terry  
Property in Exmore  
For \$120,000
- From David and Peggy Barbee and Alma Hawkins  
To Christopher Thomas  
Lot G at Cobb's Station near Cheriton  
For \$125,000
- From Romel and Rhondora Alfonso  
To Tim McLaughlin  
Lot 5, Bay Harbor Club near Eastville  
For \$90,000
- From Wanda Darden  
To Kathleen and John Yaros Sr.  
27517 Arlington Rd., near Cape Charles  
For \$45,000.
- From Angus Arlington IV and Susan Hooker  
To Marcella Wilson  
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For \$150,000



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Last Week's Answers

MURDER MASHRA APPLIES DEER  
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

SOUNDS TOUGH!

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                        | 47 "Waking — Devine" (98 film) | 87 Geological phenomenon            | 140 Stacking stuffers?      | 35 Ain't right?              | 89 Puppy protests            |
| 1 Big —                              | 49 Wee serving                 | 99 The Chipmunks, e.g.              | 141 Dispositions            | 36 Extensive                 | 90 Withered                  |
| 4 "Stop, sailor!"                    | 52 Composer Schirrin           | 100 Comic Carvey                    | 142 "The Bells" monogram    | 37 Toast start               | 92 Downspout                 |
| 9 James of "Misery"                  | 54 Circus performer            | 101 Galena, for one                 |                             | 38 Grapefruit serving        | 93 Bank deposit?             |
| 13 Swash-buckling novelist           | 57 Put on a pedestal           | 103 —ski party                      | <b>DOWN</b>                 | 39 October birthstone        | 94 "Twelfth Night" role      |
| 18 Grand — Opry                      | 61 Soft tissue                 | 105 Priest's robe                   | 1 Physicist Niels           | 40 Curved lines              | 96 Spanish surrealist        |
| 19 Actress Berger                    | 63 Tangle                      | 106 With 87 Across, type of liqueur | 2 "The Time Machine" people | 41 Forsaken                  | 97 Equipment                 |
| 20 Mournful music                    | 64 Damage                      | 109 Merit                           | 3 English port              | 46 Ditch under a draw-bridge | 98 Happened again            |
| 21 "F Troop" corporal                | 65 Actress Ward                | 112 — blanket                       | 4 Simile center             | 48 Object                    | 102 Heal a rift              |
| 22 Start of a remark by Milton Berle | 66 Baseball's Boudreau         | 114 Part 4 of remark                | 5 Feud                      | 50 Change for the better     | 104 Eat in the evening       |
| 24 Mid-size band                     | 68 Enchilada alternative       | 118 Well-informed                   | 6 Novelist Seton            | 51 Brawl                     | 107 Right — the bat          |
| 25 "Andrea —"                        | 70 "Trinity" author            | 119 "So that's your game!"          | 7 Pack                      | 53 Sonja Henie's birthplace  | 108 A hole near the sole     |
| 26 Costa —                           | 72 Neighbor of Wyo.            | 120 Nonlowering plant               | 8 Homeric characters        | 55 Acts like an ass?         | 110 Allude (to)              |
| 27 "Family Feud" host                | 73 Obeys the dentist           | 121 "The Addams Family" uncle       | 9 Pres. Clinton, e.g.       | 56 Spirits                   | 111 Dundee denial            |
| 29 Division word                     | 77 Part 3 of remark            | 125 Does Little work                | 10 Performer                | 58 Amritsar                  | 113 Loud laugh               |
| 31 Aachen article                    | 78 '80s Joe Penny series       | 128 Croc's kin                      | 11 Actor's actor?           | 59 Nonsense                  | 114 Bet                      |
| 32 Basilica feature                  | 80 Crank's comment             | 131 Chateau valley                  | 12 Irritate                 | 60 Smidgen                   | 115 "Pal Joey" author        |
| 34 Part 2 of remark                  | 81 Skater Lipinski             | 133 End of remark                   | 13 Rigoletto, to Gilda      | 62 Throw a party             | 116 Boca —, FL               |
| 38 TV's "General —"                  | 82 Noun suffix                 | 135 Wear away                       | 14 Actor Tognazzi           | 67 Custom                    | 117 Maine town               |
| 42 Like some sheep                   | 84 Sundown, to Shelley         | 136 Computer key                    | 15 — Gras                   | 69 Message board?            | 122 Willow                   |
| 43 Part of HOMES                     | 85 Actor Arkin                 | 137 "The Lady —" (79 film)          | 16 Sharon of Israel         | 71 Goblet part               | 123 Baseball's Martinez      |
| 44 Inclined                          | 87 See 106 Across              | 138 Child welfare org.              | 17 Trap                     | 73 Lost luster               | 124 Spanish river            |
| 45 Senator Thurmond                  | 88 "Love Train" group          | 139 Rock's Meisner                  | 20 "Tiny Bubbles" singer    | 74 — apso                    | 126 "I could — horse!"       |
|                                      | 91 Thick of things             |                                     | 23 Comics "Andy —"          | 75 Gray or Moran             | 127 Break suddenly           |
|                                      | 95 Denizen                     |                                     | 28 He gives a hoot          | 76 — Domingo                 | 129 Eccentric                |
|                                      |                                |                                     | 30 "— the fields we go..."  | 79 "What's — for me?"        | 130 Curious George's creator |
|                                      |                                |                                     | 33 Slangy sib               | 80 Candy quantity            | 132 Musical syllables        |
|                                      |                                |                                     |                             | 83 Spotted rodent            | 134 Pitches                  |
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# POST TIMES April 22-28

**SUNDAY  
APRIL 24** ★2:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Vietnam Veterans' Bldg., Main St., Onley  
★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley

**FRIDAY  
APRIL 22** ★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Sage Restaurant, Onley - 442-2474  
★6 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Family Life Center, Onancock - Simple Meal: \$6/person or \$10/family  
★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/ Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486  
★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Adventist Community Center, Exmore  
★7 p.m. - **7 Last Sayings of Jesus Christ** - Mt. Sinai Gospel Tabernacle, Cape Charles  
★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Painter Garrison UMC  
★7:30 p.m. - **Production of the Passion of the Christ (Apr. 22-24)** - Chincoteague Church of God, 5252 Woodland Dr.

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 23** ★8 a.m.-noon - **Farmer's Market** - Downtown Park, Main St., Chincoteague  
★9 a.m. - **Zumba Class** - sponsored by Chincoteague YMCA - Senior Center, Chincoteague - \$5  
★11 a.m. - **Easter Egg Hunt** - House of Prayer UMC, Bloxom - kids 12 and under  
★11 a.m. - **Easter Egg Hunt** - Drummondtown UMC, Accomac - kids 12 and under  
★noon - **AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** - Holy Trinity Church, Onancock  
★1-3 p.m. - **Easter Festival** - Onancock Baptist Church  
★3-7 p.m. - **Camp Silver Beach Oyster Roast** - Jamesville - for tickets call 442-4634  
★7 p.m. (Early Bird 6 p.m.) - **Bingo** - Atlantic VFC  
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

**MONDAY  
APRIL 25** ★8 a.m.- noon - **AARP Driver Safety Prgm. (April 25 & 26)** - Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Nassawadox  
★8 a.m.- 6 p.m. - **1st Annual Flounder Tournament for Reese Coffin Fund (April 25-27)** - Weigh-Ins at Eastern Shore Outfitters in Exmore or Don's Tackle in Keller - Call 442-4009 for rules  
★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - UMC Fellowship House, Chincoteague  
★9 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock  
★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED class** - Head Start, Accomac - 787-1760  
★10:30-11:30 a.m. - **Moms In Touch Int'l Prayer Group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church  
★5-6 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock  
★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley  
★6:30 p.m. - **Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley  
★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville

**TUESDAY  
APRIL 26** ★10 a.m. - **Bingo** - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock - 787-3900  
★1:30-3 p.m. - **Hospice Grief Support Prgm.** - Downings UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall - 787-3310  
★4:15 p.m. - **TOPS weigh-in (prgm. @ 5)** - Belle Haven Presbyterian- 442-3984  
★5:30-7 p.m. - **Hospice Grief Support Prgm.** - Hospice Bldg., 165 Market St., Suite #3, Onancock - 787-3310  
★6 p.m. - **Onancock Lions Club mtg.** - Sunrise Restaurant, Onley - 787-4278  
★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486  
★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA  
★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Classroom A-51, ESCC, Melfa  
★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Jerusalem Baptist, Temperanceville  
★7:30 p.m. - **Order of the Eastern Star (Accomack Chapter #62)** - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague  
★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock  
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - smoke free - Cheriton VFC  
★7:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Atlantic UMC - 824-5386

**WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 27** ★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Restaurant, Onley  
★8 a.m.-noon - **Farmer's Market** - Downtown Park, Chincoteague  
★9:30-11:30 a.m. - **GED Class** - Head Start Ctr., Accomac - 787-1760  
★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Sage Diner, Exmore - 442-2474  
★2 p.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - Public Library, Accomac  
★2 p.m. - **E.S. Brain Injury Survivors Exercise & Support Group mtg.** - Belle Haven- 442-9334  
★3:15 p.m. - **Arts & Crafts Time** - Cape Charles Library  
★7 p.m. - **AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** - RSMH, Nassawadox  
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter Vol. Fire Co., Painter  
★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Downing Methodist Church, Oak Hall

**THURSDAY  
APRIL 28** ★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Veterans' Employment Representative Available** - Chincoteague Town Office  
★10:30 a.m. - **ESAAA/CAA Presentation** - Hare Valley Senior Center - 442-9652  
★11 a.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - Public Library, Accomac  
★2 p.m. - **Children's Story Hour** - North. Library, Nassawadox  
★5 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Baptist Bible Church, Accomac  
★5-7 p.m. - **Open House** - Cape Charles Christian School - 331-1616  
★5:30-7 p.m. - **Caregiver Connection** - Hospice Bldg., 165 Market St., Suite #3, Onancock - 787-3310  
★6 p.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Cape Charles Rescue Squad bldg., Cheriton  
★6:30 p.m. - **Kiwanis of Chincoteague mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic  
★6:30- 8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Classroom A-51, ESCC  
★7 p.m. - **Compassionate Friends mtg.** - Market St. Methodist Church, Onancock  
★7 p.m. - **Northampton Cty. Anglers Club** - American Legion Post 56, Cheriton  
★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Painter Garrisons UMC  
★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Fellowship House, 6263 Church St., Chincoteague

**Booths Available For  
SCA Family Fun Day**

Shore Christian Academy in Exmore will have its Family Fun Day on May 28, from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. The event will take place at the SCA future building site at Oakland Drive, Exmore.

The event will feature live Christian music, local talent, carnival games, rock climbing wall, medi-

cal screenings, give-aways, a silent auction, plenty of food and a select group of vendors offering their wares.

A limited number of vendor spaces remain available for just \$10 for a 10'x10' space, or \$15 for a 20'x10' space. Corporate and business sponsorships are available, beginning at just \$25.

If you would like to become a part of this event, Call SCA at 442-9791.

**Boating Safety Course  
Available To All Boaters**

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12-02 will teach a two-session course, American Boating Safety (ABS), in May. On May 7 and May 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Painter Fire House.

The course is designed for all people who

wish to upgrade their boating skills. Many boat insurance companies will offer discounts on boating insurance to those who successfully complete the course.

You can register before the class begins by calling Robert Koch at 442-5624 or Pat Mackey at 787-9328. The text with CD is \$35, but the instruction is free.



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# Eastern Shore Trading POST

## Announcements

### WANTED:

Students of former Band Director Monty Webb.

Northampton High School's band is doing a musical tribute to Mr. Webb and would like to invite any band student who had Monty as a teacher to come play music with the high school band at their Spring concert. For more information, contact Michael Henry at (757)678-5151 x4041 or e-mail him at [mkenry@ncpsk12.com](mailto:mkenry@ncpsk12.com)

### A Note of Thanks

With sincere gratitude, the family of Rev. Harold Derriksen, Jr. wishes to thank everyone for their compassion and many acts of kindness shown to us in our time of sorrow. God bless you. Lois, Emma and Family

### Charles Burton Charnock

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be, so he put his arms around you and whispered, "Come to me." A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands now rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us he only takes the best.

Love,  
Mom and Dad,  
Teresa, Mary Janes,  
Debbie & Carol Ann

## Help Wanted

**MECHANIC** - for heavy-duty diesel equipment. Wagner Bros. Landscaping, Cheriton. Call for an appt. 331-4203.

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  - you must be able to work 55 hours per/wk.
  - you must be able to work any shift, weekends and holidays.
  - you must have your own vehicle and valid driver's license.
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Submit a Classified Application by **May 6, 2011**. (Interested persons can download a Classified Application from our website: [www.sbo.accomack.k12.va.us](http://www.sbo.accomack.k12.va.us), call 787-5754 or 824-5601 to request an application, or pick up an application from the School Board Office at 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA.) Submit the Classified Application to:

Rhonda A. Hall, Ph.D.  
Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Human Resources  
Accomack County Public Schools  
P.O. Box 330  
Accomack, VA 23301

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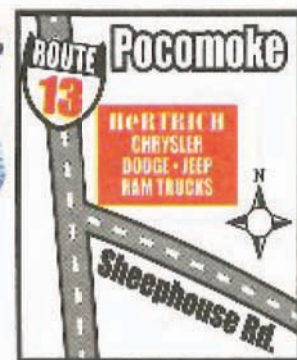
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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff  
CIVIL CASE NO. 10-80

vs.

The heirs and devisees of ADAIR HARMON

IISHA SEARS  
HARRY JERNIGAN CPA, PC  
EDWARD W. CONNER  
OAK HALL FARM & FAMILY CENTER INC.  
EASTERN SHORE TRACTOR COMPANY  
JOHN STANLEY CORP. EXECUTIVE RETAILING  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
ANGELA R. PITTS  
STANLEY CORPORATION

Defendants

### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia, on the road leading from U.S. Route 13 to Atlantic and designated as parcel no. 02700A0000042A0.

standing in the name of Adair Harmon, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

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

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 25, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 7th day of April, 2011  
Nancy-Jo Revell, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:  
JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q.  
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### ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Accomack County Circuit Court  
23316 Courthouse Avenue Accomack, VA 23301

in re  
VICTORIA CASTANEDA LUNA  
v. ABEL LUNA, SR.

The object of this suit is to:  
OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

It is ORDERED that ABEL LUNA, SR. appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before JUNE 3, 2011.

The Town of Eastville will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 2, 2011 for the purpose of soliciting public comment on the Town's proposed adoption of an Ordinance for Restriction On Inoperative Motor Vehicles. The proposed ordinance will be available for review at the Town Office. The Public Hearing will be at 7:00PM at the Town Hall located at 5248 Willow Oak Rd. Everyone is welcome.  
Jonny Stevenson, Town Clerk.

The Town of Hallwood will be having a special meeting on May 03, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church in Hallwood for the discussion of raising taxes and trash collection fees. Please plan to attend.  
Angela Taylor, Clerk

### Talented and Gifted Advisory Board Meeting

There will be an Accomack County Public Schools Talented and Gifted (TAG) Advisory Board meeting at 5:00 PM, on Wednesday, April 27, 2011, in the media center at Metomplin Elementary School.

Accomack County Schools is accepting sealed bids for the installation and testing of two "Class II A" Potable water wells, one for Nandua Middle School in Onley, Virginia and one for Arcadia Middle School in Oak Hall, Virginia. Interested parties may obtain specifications and bid documents in person from the School Board office located at 23296 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA or by calling the office at (757)787-5754. A public bid opening will be held on Friday, April 29, 2011 at 11:00 AM at the School Board office.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff  
CIVIL CASE NO. 10-471

vs.

VIRGINIA RUTH HAWK  
SHORE HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Defendants

### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, designated as Lot 345 on the plat of the Town of Parksley and designated as parcel no. 078A10100034500.

standing in the name of Virginia Ruth Hawk, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

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

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before May 20, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 18th day of April, 2011  
Nancy-Jo Revell, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:  
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	Fri. Apr. 22	Sat. Apr. 23	Sun. Apr. 24	Mon. Apr. 25	Tue. Apr. 26	Wed. Apr. 27	Thu. Apr. 28
Seaside Assateague Beach	H 12:03 p.m. L 6:31 a.m.	H 12:57 p.m. L 7:28 a.m.	H 1:56 p.m. L 8:26 a.m.	H 3:00 p.m. L 9:23 a.m.	H 4:04 p.m. L 10:17 a.m.	H 4:58 p.m. L 11:06 a.m.	H 5:44 p.m. L 11:50 a.m.
Chincoteague Channel	H 12:12 p.m. L 6:05 a.m.	H 1:06 p.m. L 7:02 a.m.	H 2:05 p.m. L 8:00 a.m.	H 3:09 p.m. L 8:57 a.m.	H 4:13 p.m. L 9:51 a.m.	H 5:07 p.m. L 10:40 a.m.	H 5:53 p.m. L 11:24 a.m.
Gargatha	H 1:49 p.m. L 7:53 a.m.	H 2:34 p.m. L 8:42 a.m.	H 3:26 p.m. L 9:36 a.m.	H 4:28 p.m. L 10:33 a.m.	H 5:33 p.m. L 11:31 a.m.	H 6:07 a.m. L 12:28 p.m.	H 7:07 a.m. L 1:23 p.m.
Folly Creek	H 12:55 p.m. L 6:56 a.m.	H 1:49 p.m. L 7:53 a.m.	H 2:48 p.m. L 8:51 a.m.	H 3:52 p.m. L 9:48 a.m.	H 4:56 p.m. L 10:42 a.m.	H 5:50 p.m. L 11:31 a.m.	H 6:36 p.m. L 12:15 p.m.
Wachapreague Inlet	H 12:05 p.m. L 6:16 a.m.	H 12:59 p.m. L 7:12 a.m.	H 1:58 p.m. L 8:10 a.m.	H 3:02 p.m. L 9:07 a.m.	H 4:06 p.m. L 10:01 a.m.	H 5:00 p.m. L 10:50 a.m.	H 5:46 p.m. L 11:34 a.m.
Quinby Inlet	H 12:00 p.m. L 6:00 a.m.	H 12:54 p.m. L 6:57 a.m.	H 1:53 p.m. L 7:55 a.m.	H 2:57 p.m. L 8:52 a.m.	H 4:01 p.m. L 9:46 a.m.	H 4:55 p.m. L 10:35 a.m.	H 5:41 p.m. L 11:19 a.m.
Bayside Tangier Light	H 4:14 p.m. L 10:15 a.m.	H 5:07 p.m. L 11:13 a.m.	H 6:05 p.m. L 12:14 p.m.	H 6:40 a.m. L 1:12 p.m.	H 7:47 a.m. L 2:05 p.m.	H 8:50 a.m. L 2:54 p.m.	H 9:42 a.m. L 3:38 p.m.
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Hunting Creek	H 4:37 p.m. L 11:10 a.m.	H 5:30 p.m. L 12:08 p.m.	H 6:02 a.m. L 12:19 a.m.	H 7:03 a.m. L 2:07 p.m.	H 8:10 a.m. L 3:00 p.m.	H 9:13 a.m. L 3:49 p.m.	H 10:05 a.m. L 4:33 p.m.
Chesconnessex Creek	H 4:06 p.m. L 10:21 a.m.	H 4:59 p.m. L 11:19 a.m.	H 5:57 p.m. L 12:20 p.m.	H 6:32 a.m. L 1:18 p.m.	H 7:39 a.m. L 2:11 p.m.	H 8:42 a.m. L 3:00 p.m.	H 9:34 a.m. L 3:44 p.m.
Onancock Creek	H 4:15 p.m. L 10:35 a.m.	H 5:08 p.m. L 11:33 a.m.	H 6:06 p.m. L 12:34 p.m.	H 6:41 a.m. L 12:51 p.m.	H 7:48 a.m. L 2:25 p.m.	H 8:51 a.m. L 3:14 p.m.	H 9:43 a.m. L 3:58 p.m.
Pungoteague Creek	H 3:45 p.m. L 10:04 a.m.	H 4:38 p.m. L 11:02 a.m.	H 5:36 p.m. L 12:03 p.m.	H 6:11 a.m. L 1:01 p.m.	H 7:18 a.m. L 1:54 p.m.	H 8:21 a.m. L 2:43 p.m.	H 9:13 a.m. L 3:27 p.m.
Occohannock Creek	H 2:55 p.m. L 9:30 a.m.	H 3:48 p.m. L 10:28 a.m.	H 4:46 p.m. L 11:29 a.m.	H 5:54 p.m. L 12:27 p.m.	H 6:28 a.m. L 1:20 p.m.	H 7:31 a.m. L 2:09 p.m.	H 8:23 a.m. L 2:53 p.m.
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ing the glorious day when Jesus was resurrected.

It will be a festive time with dinners (and leftovers), and fancy clothes and hats. The greeting "Happy Easter" will fill the air. The special day will include family and friends.

But the holiday also will have a commercial aspect and will include those rabbits that steal the attention from the real meaning of the holiday and call themselves "bunnies."

Being the old dog that I am and knowing that the subject could be taken out of context, I want to make sure everyone separates the religious aspect of this all-important holiday from the chocolate one. I also want everyone to realize that a chocolate dog could be just as wonderful as any rabbit.

And why aren't your colorful eggs and foil-wrapped chocolates represented by your loyal friends like me? Aren't our ears big enough? I think mine are. Someone at the office of the Eastern Shore Post told my provider that my ears look like bat wings. I think molds of these beauties would make pretty awesome solid chocolate candies.

And jelly beans? Why aren't they more readily available all the time? Bags and bags of the sugar-filled tiny beans are everywhere now. They could be shaped like canines. I'm just saying.

So say a prayer for your pups (and kitties) and fill our plates with your leftover turkey. But in all seriousness, please don't give us any chocolates, rabbit or otherwise. The treats can be highly toxic (and fattening) to us. Ig-

nore our begging.

Chocolate contains a chemical called theobromine. It has to be metabolized and cleared by the liver. In humans that takes a couple of hours. In dogs it takes 18 hours and requires liver overload. Small dogs like me are especially at risk. But in any size pup, it could be lethal. Cocoa is the most dangerous, followed by dark and milk chocolate.

We shouldn't eat lots of other stuff too. Please don't feed us grapes, macadamia nuts, nutmeg, (can cause tremors, seizures and even death) onions, pork, raisins, salt, sesame, soy, sugar (jelly beans), sunflower seeds, tomatoes, tuna, walnuts, artificial sweeteners and yeast or any bread containing it.

We want poultry, please.

Enjoy your holiday. Happy Easter!

## Post Office Mail

### ESO Vows To Recover Fully After Embezzlement

Dear Editor:

This past week has seen a terrible episode in the experience of Eastern Shore's Own, Inc. Arts Center (ESO) come to completion after three long years.

In May of 2008, ESO discovered that it had been the victim of a large theft — not a break-in by some lowlife criminal, but an inside job of embezzlement by someone who was trusted by the adults and children who utilize the arts center to enhance their lives — whether to teach or practice the arts. This devastating act, which took ESO to its proverbial knees, created a major challenge in the life of the arts center. For the past three years, as we awaited the long process of investigation and prosecution, ESO has worked hard to rebuild its coffers and offerings and, especially, its reputation as a community-centered entity that can be trusted with the investments that so many on the Shore make to it.

Soon after the discovery of the crime, the community poured out its immediate support at our emergency fundraiser, the ESO SOS (Save Our School). This event enabled ESO to keep its doors open and work at building itself up again. The community of the Eastern Shore showed us that it did not want to see the death of this valuable asset. We thank the community deeply and sincerely for its faith and trust.

Like many hard challenges that come to us in life, much goodness can come as well. We would like to acknowledge the help of some key players who restored our faith in humanity during this trying time.

First and foremost, we would like to thank our local authorities who helped bring this case to justice: Lt. Gerald Goga of the Accomack Sheriff's Office who

labored meticulously (almost three years to the day) to put this case together with the help of Officer Terry Thomas of the Northampton County Sheriff's Office; and, Bruce Jones, commonwealth attorney for Northampton County, and Matt Brenner of the Commonwealth Attorney's Office in Accomack County, both of whom prosecuted this case professionally and successfully. We citizens of the Shore are very fortunate to have these gentlemen as our advocates for justice.

Secondly, we would like to thank John Hopkins, Esq., ESO board member and legal champion, and Cathy Sturgis, former assistant director at ESO, both of whom worked tirelessly with the authorities in providing detailed documentation of the suspected embezzlements. Cathy also stepped up and took over the daily operation of ESO and was instrumental in maintaining some semblance of normalcy at the arts center while accusations and rumors flew all around. We would also like to acknowledge the volunteer work of Mark Sinclair who unselfishly gave of his time in the office as well.

Thirdly, we thank all the students, parents, instructors, board members and volunteers who are the bones of ESO. Your continued participation and advocacy for ESO inspired all and communicated to the community that the arts center was open for business.

Finally, we at ESO thank the entire Eastern Shore community, for helping ESO rise above this challenge through your participation in all the classes, events, dance productions, piano recitals, cabarets and music festivals. You have helped in the most essential way through the donation of your financial assets, resources and time.

It is because of all named above that Eastern Shore's Own, Inc. Arts Center can continue to proclaim, "ESO ... where the arts flourish and abound!"

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Staff of ESO, we thank you all most sincerely.

*Peg Volk, Chairman*

## Boy Scouts Grateful for Community Support

Dear Editor:

Boy Scout Troop 300 would like to thank Mr. Richard Saunders, manager of the Fresh Pride Store in Exmore, for sponsoring our Hot Dog Sale in front of the store to help our troop earn money to offset the cost of Boy Scout Summer Camp. Snyder's and Frito Lay also sponsored the sale.

We also would like to thank all those who generously donated to our troop. It was very refreshing to see so many people come out and support the Boy Scouts, and we very much appreciate it.

*David Machinski, Assistant Scoutmaster*

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