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Family Member Opens Up About Loved Ones Found In Nelsonia Fire *Family Identifies 2 Adults, 3-Year-Old Girl, as Victims*

By *Connie Morrison*

Feliciano Ortiz, grandfather of 3-year-old Sofia Escalante, sobbed into the phone as he described to a reporter how his "beautiful" granddaughter would run to him saying, "Give me a kiss!"

Ortiz said her body was one of those found in the aftermath of a blaze last Friday in Nelsonia, along with those of her mother, Alejandra Gonzalez, 25, and uncle, Wilson Escalante (Ortiz's stepson), 24. State police have not released any names, pending the medical examiner's positive identification of the remains.

The medical examiner's office would not confirm names or manner of death for any of the names mentioned in this story.

"She would say, 'Give me a kiss,'

and I would give her a kiss. 'Give me a hug,' and I would give her a hug," he said. "She was my heart."

Gonzalez and Escalante, he said, were friendly people, and Gonzalez was always ready with a smile. "She liked to cook, to be in the kitchen ... to shop," Ortiz recalled.

Ortiz and his wife, Celestina Perez, mother of Wilson Escalante, lived in the mobile home with the three family members who perished, two surviving sons, ages 13 and 17, and a surviving daughter, age 7. The children were in school at the time of the blaze. Perez's other son, Yener, who is the father of Sofia, also lived there.

Ortiz also has an adult daughter
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Photo Courtesy of the Onancock Volunteer Fire Co.

Firefighters at the scene of a fire at a home in Nelsonia. Three people were found dead in the rubble.

Gov. Northam Still in Office Following Turbulent Week

By *Linda Cicoira*

Eastern Shore of Virginia residents -- along with the rest of the state -- were taken on a wild ride by Gov. Ralph Northam and other top-ranking Democrats this week. It started last Friday with the discovery of a circa 1984 racist photograph that appeared on Northam's Eastern Virginia Medical School (EVMS) yearbook, had the governor admitting he was in that photo, apologizing, then doing an about-face and saying he was not in the photos as calls for his resignation mounted.

As Lt. Gov. Justin Fairfax began to look like the heir apparent, an allegation of sexual misconduct surfaced from the same conservative website that released the Northam photo. Then Monday, with Northam still in office and the Fairfax matter unresolved, Attorney Gen-

eral Mark Herring, who had called for Northam's resignation and would be next in line for governor after Fairfax, said he, too, dressed in blackface while an undergrad at the University of Virginia.

Shore residents were appalled at the racist photo that appeared on Northam's page. The picture shows two people, both were posing and disguised, one was in blackface, the other wore the traditional costume of the Ku Klux Klan, with a hood covering the face. And while some are asking for Northam's resignation, there are plenty of Shore residents who have known the governor for years and don't believe he is a racist.

Local folks, like those in the rest of the state and country, are having a hard time believing the governor's explanation. First, he apologized for hurting his constituents with the display of hate. He

blamed the era for his actions. And, he acknowledged he was in the photo.

Hours later, he recanted saying he was not in the photograph, had never seen it before the previous day, that it was a mistake made by the yearbook staff, but that in the same year he won a Michael Jackson dance contest in San Antonio, Texas, in which he wore the distinctive shoes and glove of the entertainer and put black shoe polish on each cheek.

He seemed to be ready to prove his words by dancing the moonwalk if only his wife hadn't said it wasn't the appropriate time or place.

When the yearbook photograph began spreading across the internet Friday, Northam, a Democrat, who grew up in the Onancock area, said, "Earlier today, a website published a photograph of me from

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Former Hallwood Clerk Charged with 65 Felony Counts of Embezzlement

Story and Photo by *Linda Cicoira*

Angela Hinman "Angel" Taylor, the former Hallwood clerk who was storing town financial records in her car in 2017 when the vehicle and contents burned in a mysterious fire, was charged last week with 65 felony counts of embezzlement that involve more than \$22,000.

Accusations, betrayal, missing money, death threats, family spats, and using the honor system to figure out who owes back taxes and fees are part of the drama in Hallwood since the fire.

Bond and release order forms for Taylor were filed Friday in Accomack General District Court. Taylor was arrested last Wednesday, Jan. 30. Warrants were filed with the Accomack General District Court late Tuesday

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Duer Says 4 Years is Enough, Won't Run Again for Board of Supervisors

By Stefanie Jackson

Robert Duer, Exmore town manager and Northampton supervisor, announced at Monday's Exmore town council meeting that he will not run for re-election to the board of supervisors this November.

"I went down there to do three things. One of them was to keep chicken houses out of Exmore. I think I did that," he said.

During Duer's first month as a Northampton supervisor, on Jan. 12, 2016, the board passed a resolution that repealed zoning changes made about a year prior and amended the ordinance to make it nearly impossible to run a concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) in the county.

For example, one of the amendments stated that a CAFO must have a setback of 1,000 feet from any property line. That equals about 333 yards, or the length of more than three football fields. The setback was previously 400 feet.

According to minutes from the Jan. 25, 2016, Northampton supervisors' meeting, staff acknowledged

that "there are zero parcels that would meet the setbacks proposed in the resolution and have any acreage available to have a CAFO."

Of his remaining goals as a Northampton supervisor, Duer said, "The other two are about halfway done. ... I think it's time for me to concentrate on sewer in Exmore."

He later said "housing" was his second priority for the county and declined to name the third.

During his term as supervisor, Duer has advocated for Northampton to adopt and enforce the Virginia Maintenance Code, requiring property owners, including landlords, to correct substandard housing conditions.

The town of Exmore adopted the Virginia Maintenance Code, but it does not have a building inspector to enforce the code; Northampton County does.

The maintenance code is the third part of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code, after the construction code and the existing building code. Counties are legally required to adopt the construction and existing build-

ing codes, but the maintenance code is optional.

"It was fun, but four years is enough of that," Duer said. "I did what I wanted to do."

In town business, Director of Utilities Taylor Dukes recommended awarding the contract to construct Exmore's new wells to Anderson Construction Inc. Its bid of \$1,786,050 was lower than both the \$2,429,000 bid of its competitor and the \$2,059,475 estimate provided by engineering firm, Draper Aden Associates.

The town council voted unanimously for Anderson Construction.

Adding up construction costs, a 5 percent contingency, and engineering and other related costs, the entire project will cost \$2,425,250. A U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant will cover \$500,000 and a Virginia Department of Health (VDH) grant will cover \$550,000.

Because the project will cost more than anticipated, the town asked VDH for additional grant funds, and VDH agreed to give about \$186,000 more.

The town council decided to finance \$813,000, the amount it originally expected to pay for the well project. VDH will loan the money at 2.5 percent interest for 30 years, with annual payments totaling less than \$40,000. The town will pay the remaining \$375,000 out of its savings.

The town's staff is working to find the "cheapest ... most economical" solution to Exmore's sewer issues, and it is considering about five different systems, Dukes said.

He and Duer agreed that the regional sewer system recently proposed, which would serve several towns in upper Northampton and lower Accomack, is not their first choice. "I think we need to concentrate on Exmore," Dukes said.

Exmore's public works department cleaned out about 1,500 to 2,000 feet of ditches throughout town last month. Dukes said the new bucket attachment for the excavator works well and the public works crew hauled away two truckloads of trash, including bottles, tires, and crab pots, and several truckloads of debris from trees.

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who has two small children. Her place of residence is not clear.

Several fundraisers have been established. Angelica Garcia, executive director of Dos Santos Community Services, a nonprofit serving Latinos on the Shore, said her organization is coordinating assistance to the family.

The nonprofit is posting a list of the family's needs to its website, DosSantosFoodPantry.org. Monetary donations can be made at the website, too, designating them for the Ortiz-Perez family. Checks can be mailed to Dos Santos Food Pantry, P.O. Box 758, Accomack VA 23301. She asks donors to write "Ortiz-Perez Fund" in the memo field to designate the funds to assist the family.

The family lost everything in the fire: food, clothes, bedding, shelter. "They are trying to figure out where they are going to live. They are completely displaced," she said. In addition, the family must find the funds to cover funeral expenses for three family members.

Ortiz said the family, originally from

Guatemala, moved to Virginia in 1997. He describes a quiet family that kept to itself. They did not come "to steal or to kill," he said. "We just came to struggle and work" for a better life.

Garcia says the family is finding tremendous support. "What is beautiful is to see the community gather around them. It really is a testament to the unity of the Latino community," she said. "It's incredible to see that."

The incident is being investigated by state police as arson and homicide. "The preliminary examination conducted Saturday by the Office of the Medical Examiner in Norfolk revealed that each of the three bodies recovered from a burned mobile home in Nelsonia suffered additional injuries inconsistent with a fire," said Corinne Gellner, the agency's public relations director.

State police are asking anyone with information about the fire to call 757-424-6800, dial #77 by cell phone, or email questions@vsp.virginia.gov

The fire was reported to the Eastern Shore 9-1-1 Center at about 10 a.m., Feb. 1, at the 28000 block of Johnson Court. *Linda Cicoira contributed to this report.*

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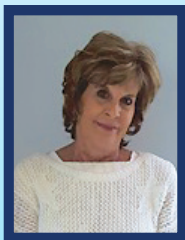
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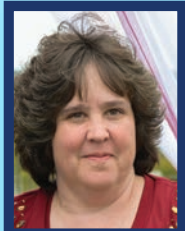
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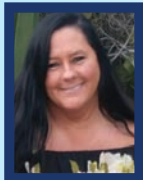
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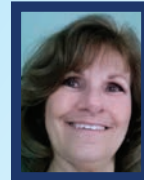
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Wrobel Removed from Wallops Director Job, Transferred to NASA Headquarters

By Linda Cicaira

William “Bill” Wrobel, director of NASA Wallops Flight Facility, is leaving the Eastern Shore for a new job in Washington, D.C., a spokesperson for NASA confirmed this week.

A source close to the move told the Eastern Shore Post that the new job is a demotion and was based on Wrobel’s opposition to budget cuts several months ago. Wrobel was not available for comment.

“Wrobel is serving on a detail with the Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate at NASA Headquarters in Washington, D.C.,” Jeremy Eggers, head of the NASA Wallops Office Communications, said Monday.

“Dave Pierce has been named acting director of (the) Wallops Flight Facility,” Eggers said. “Dave has previously served as the Wallops deputy director and in management and engineering positions in our Balloon and Aircraft offices.”

Peter Bale of the Wallops Island Regional Alliance (WIRA) said Wednesday, “It’s very tight lipped. I haven’t been able to find out anything really either. I heard about the movement.



Wrobel

WIRA ... we will not get involved in any” NASA personnel issues. “We hope his replacement has the same vision and drive to place NASA ahead. We are thankful for Bill’s service and support across the three states (Delmarva) to where NASA Wallops is today. We wish him the best at headquarters in his new capability. We look forward to working with the new NASA leadership to build on this journey.”

Wrobel took the local post in 2010 when he was also named “director of the center’s Suborbital and Special Orbital Projects Directorate. This directorate manages the agency’s sound-

ing rockets and scientific balloon programs,” according to NASA’s website. Before that, he was the assistant associate administrator for launch services at NASA Headquarters.

“Bill is a natural fit as Wallop’s director,” NASA administrator Charles Bolden said in 2010. “His background, experience, and knowledge about NASA’s various suborbital and orbital programs will benefit the agency and our many research partners who count on Wallops for support.”

Wrobel has a bachelor’s degree in

aeronautics and astronautics from the Ohio State University. He went to work for McDonnell Douglas on the Delta Launch Vehicle Program and worked in a variety of spacecraft programs before joining Orbital Sciences Corporation in 1990. In 1999, he was named the program director for Orbital’s Taurus Launch Vehicle Program. He also supported the company’s Advanced Programs Group, providing satellite development support for Department of Defense customers.

‘Love Notes’ at Cokesbury Church

Pianist Lee Jordan-Anders will present “Love Notes: Words and Music from Great Composers Inspired by the Women They Loved,” at Sunday, Feb. 10, at 4 p.m., at the Historic Cokesbury Church in Onancock.

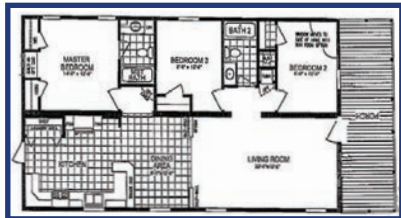
The program includes music by Beethoven, Schumann, Chopin, Debussy, Erik Satie, and Philip Glass. Texts from correspondence between these men and the women they loved and who inspired the music, is included in the program.

Jordan-Anders is professor of music and artist-in-residence emeritus at Virginia Wesleyan University where she taught for 29 years. She was music director and conductor of the Orchestra of the Eastern Shore from 2009 until 2014 and now lives in Cape Charles. She is on the faculty of the Governor’s School for the Arts in Norfolk.

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Nonprofit Purchases Historic Rosenwald School in Cape Charles for Restoration

By Stefanie Jackson

The Cape Charles Rosenwald School Restoration Initiative, a local nonprofit organization, purchased the historic African-American elementary school last month after nearly a decade of fundraising, and it is ready to restore the structure and give it back to the community.

The school located on Old Cape Charles Road is the namesake of Julius Rosenwald, an executive at Sears, Roebuck, and Company, who partnered with Booker T. Washington and Tuskegee University in 1912 “to improve the quality of public education for African Americans in the South during the period of legal segregation,” according to a press release.

The partnership lasted 20 years and resulted in nearly 5,000 schools built with more than \$4.3 million from the Rosenwald Fund and more than \$4.7 million raised by African-American communities.

The Cape Charles Rosenwald school was built in 1928 to serve African-American children during legal segregation.

It was also an African-American community center, where people gathered for events of family, food, and fun, like May Day, when children, adorned

in bright colors or their all-white Sunday best, danced around the maypole.

The school was open from 1929 until 1966. It was common for Rosenwald schools to stay open through the 1960s and 1970s, well past the Supreme Court’s ruling against racial segregation.

The school was sold in 1968 to the Robberecht family, and it was used as an eel-packing plant until 1977. It remained empty for years. Tevya Griffin, originally from Fairview, rode by one day with her grandmother, who pointed out the old four-room school and explained its history.

Griffin remembered, “It was a beautiful building ... I couldn’t understand why it was just sitting there.” The professional urban planner has a soft spot for historic building preservation.

Many Rosenwald schools were built with wooden clapboard siding and did not stand the test of time, but the Cape Charles school is a brick building in restorable condition.

Griffin eventually became the president of the Cape Charles Rosenwald School Restoration Initiative, formed in 2009 and incorporated in 2012. The nonprofit was awarded 501(c)(3) status in 2014.

The Northampton High School graduate is not old enough to have attended the Cape Charles Rosenwald school, but several others member in her organization are alumni: Ida Brown, James Davis Jr., Gerald Elliott, Valentina Evans, Shirley Galloway, and Mabel Mitchell.

The group bought the school and a 2.5-acre lot from the Robberechts for \$275,000.

The money was given primarily by private donors, but the nonprofit is seeking additional funding sources, including grants, for the building’s restoration.

The next steps are getting the Cape Charles Rosenwald school listed on the National Register of Historic Places and considering all possibilities for the adaptive re-use of the building.

It could become a workforce development center, a community kitchen, a meeting and performance venue, or



Photo courtesy of Tevya Griffin

The Cape Charles Rosenwald School was recently sold to a group that plans to renovate it.

a place to teach kids about STEM and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math).

However the school is re-used, it won’t be “just a museum,” but “a part of the community,” Griffin said.

The Cape Charles Rosenwald school originally “was set aside for one race, but now it will include everyone.”

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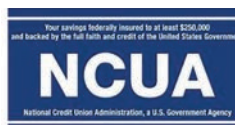
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and accused Taylor of setting up more than \$4,400 in payments for her personal electric bills.

Taylor, 46, of Hall Street in Hallwood, was released on \$5,500 bond. Carl Bundick, an Accomac attorney, was retained to defend her at an April 29 preliminary hearing. Conditions of the bond include not being allowed to leave the state; being on good behavior; refraining from possessing a firearm, destructive device, or dangerous weapon; refraining from excessive use of alcohol or illegal drugs; and maintaining or seeking employment.

"Taylor was the clerk for the town of Hallwood," Special Agent A.W. Pittman, of the state police, wrote in the court file. "In this position she was responsible for paying the town bills, maintaining meeting minutes and other secretarial jobs. Taylor was an authorized signature on town checks and one signature was required."

Warrants show the crimes occurred between Aug. 31, 2011, and Sept. 12, 2017. The fire occurred in early October 2017.

She returned a call Wednesday but said, "No comment," and referred questions to her lawyer. Bundick had not called at this posting.

Mayor "John (Jackie) Poulson ... reviewed the town bank records and identified numerous unauthorized checks written by Taylor," Pittman wrote. "During the investigation, 65 transactions were identified that were determined to be unauthorized ... 55 of the transactions were duplicate paychecks."

The car fire occurred a couple of days before the financial documents were to

be turned over for a long-overdue audit, town officials have reported. Taylor lives about 350 yards from the town office and mostly did the town work at her home. The fire occurred about five miles from Hallwood on Wessells Farm Road. The vehicle was hauled to a local salvage yard, crushed, and taken away before town officials found out about it, Poulson previously stated.

The monthly Hallwood town meeting Monday was relatively subdued considering the long-awaited charges had been made. Officials said they didn't know all the details.

"I hoped for more fireworks than this, but a slow night is a good night at a town council meeting," said Councilman Rich Selinsky.

Councilman John Smith would not comment "because I am concerned about my safety."

The loss of the town files resulted in the inability to know who had paid real estate taxes. The officials were still struggling Monday with reconstructing their ordinances and policies because of the missing paperwork.

"They were likely in the home office with the clerk," said Selinsky.

In June 2018, despite some town officials believing Taylor was embezzling money from municipal coffers and a police investigation being conducted into the allegations, Hallwood's council voted to accept Taylor's word, in the form of a notarized affidavit, that she paid a total of \$3,177.26 in cash for real estate and personal property taxes in 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015. The panel also accepted paperwork stating she paid \$642 in cash for trash pickup for four households for which she is responsible.

Taylor quit her job immediately after the blaze, leaving a note about her departure and details about the

fire in the town office for officials to find. Taylor said she put the records in the car to take to the auditor in Atlantic. The fire occurred in the middle of a road.

Since the fire, Poulson and Danny Shrieves, pastor of Hallwood Baptist Church and the new clerk, have been trying to make sense of bank statements and residents' receipts. They got three years of records from the bank. Poulson stated last summer that more than \$32,000 was either paid from town coffers to Taylor (for more than her usual salary) or used to pay the electric bill for her home and at her husband's auto business. Poulson later said about \$21,000 too much was paid to her for employment.

Poulson also has complained Taylor did not return a computer the town owns. He said she told him she does not have a Hallwood-owned computer.

Taylor attended the session about her tax bill but declined to speak about the accusations and said she would call the Eastern Shore Post reporter when her name was cleared. Taylor said she was late in getting back to the town about her payments because she did not receive the notice until after the deadline.

A year ago, Taylor attended a council meeting to defend her brother, who also said he paid his taxes with cash. At that time, she said she got a notice from the town about her back bills. She attended the meeting to complain about how things were being run. She said there were obvious mistakes in a notice for delinquent taxes she received Jan. 22, and she was upset about an incident in which her brother was told he could either sign an affidavit saying he had paid her in cash for his taxes or pay again. Mayor Jackie Poulson told the brother, Travis Roughton, he could be forced to testify in court if he signed. Roughton refused and paid another \$200.

"We accepted everybody else's word," Mayor Jackie Poulson said at last summer's session. "We have no other choice but to take her word ... we've got no way to say she didn't. ... We think that it started in 2012, when Tim (Raynor) was here, that Angel was taking the money. That's what we've come up with so far."

Raynor, the former mayor, was in

the audience. He said two mayors before him thought Taylor was trustworthy so he signed blank checks for her to pay the bills. "No indication until recently that anything was going on," Raynor said. "Obviously, she didn't bring it to anyone's attention."

"We're not in the criminal justice system," Shrieves had said at that session. "We are not cops" or "investigators." The authorities will have to ask her why she paid herself more money than she was due. "She would be allowed to defend herself," he said.

Since the fire, Poulson has also reported the tires on his vehicle were slashed twice and someone tried to set fire to his garage. Selinsky has a protective order against Taylor's husband, Greg Taylor. The councilman told a local judge that he and his family have been threatened by the man.

Former Hallwood Councilman James Dean told the Post that he called for an audit 10 years ago and "was

"She shouldn't have kept those books at her house," said Dean, who lives in Kentucky now with his family. "Angela used to record the meetings. I would request a copy. She would deny my request. She would deny my FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request. I was ridiculed because I accused her of cooking the books. They had council members call out sick so I wouldn't have a quorum. It's like the Wild West in that town," Dean said. He moved to the Eastern Shore from Hampton Roads and even though he was on the council, he felt like an outcast.

"The place was just getting too hostile for me," Dean continued. "We bought a farm in Kentucky and we left ... I'm glad I left Hallwood, probably one of the best things I've done in my life." He said he was glad they had Poulson because "he has a little bit of backbone."

"I wasn't allowed to see the books," Dean said. He asked the state police to investigate. "A trooper came and got the books," he said. Dean never got the results of that probe. I was basically told to mind my own business."

The clerk's stepson, Joshua Taylor, denounced her on the Post's Facebook page.

A majority of the town council also voted Monday to re-establish a police department for the town.

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Tourism Commission Pitches Priorities and Projects to Northampton Supervisors

By Stefanie Jackson

The circumstances surrounding the early retirement of former Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission Executive Director Kerry Allison may have overshadowed other challenges the commission faced in 2018, but new Executive Director Robie Marsh has prioritized his “top 10 goals” for fixing those problems in 2019.

Allison’s retirement, effective Jan. 1, 2019, was announced last year after her suggestion at a local economic forum to “outlaw industrial chicken farming” was made public and Accomack supervisors responded by considering defunding the tourism commission.

The commission left two major projects unfinished – launching its new website and printing the latest edition of the Eastern Shore travel guide.

Marsh counted finishing both projects among his top 10 goals in 2019, which he shared with Northampton supervisors Jan. 28 during the time allotted for outside agencies to make financial requests for inclusion in the county’s fiscal year 2020 budget.

The new tourism commission website has issues that must be corrected before it goes live: errors are received when attempting to load the website on a mobile device, stock images are used instead of real photos of the Eastern Shore, and the map of tourist destinations features only seven towns, including two in Northampton, Marsh said.

The costs of printing the Eastern Shore travel guide are offset by selling ad space in the brochure, but no ads were sold last year, Marsh said. Usually, the ads are sold in July or August and the brochure is printed in November; neither happened in 2018.

Marsh said the tourism commission decided to have a shorter version of the 2019 travel guide printed in February, ahead of the tourist season, with a full version to follow later this year.

“Even though we’re in a digital world, there are a lot of people that still want that travel guide in their hands,” Marsh said.

One goal that has already been achieved is the re-organization of tourism commission staff to “maximize ef-

iciencies,” Marsh said.

The position of executive assistant was upgraded to assistant executive director to provide a “second face out in the community for the tourism commission in meetings, if there’s some meeting that I’m not able to attend,” he said.

Marsh is also the executive director of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

The assistant executive director will handle sales and manage the Eastern Shore of Virginia Welcome Center near the northern end of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel.

Marsh also created a marketing director position whose duties include maintaining the tourism commission’s website and social media accounts and recruiting travel experts to visit and write stories about the Eastern Shore. Marsh promoted executive assistant Sarah Head to that position.

His next goal is finding an assistant executive director who will play an important role in recovering lost revenue from unsold advertising and help the tourism commission overcome a bud-

get deficit of about \$65,000.

“Obviously, there’s been a lot going on in 2018 ... with the tourism commission,” Marsh said.

Marsh’s remaining goals in 2019 for the tourism commission include creating a marketing plan, organizing workshops, arranging an audit of the organization’s finances through Dec. 31, 2018, maintaining the lower Shore welcome center, and preparing to re-establish the middle Shore welcome center.

The commission is pursuing a grant from the Virginia Tourism Corporation, celebrating “50 Years of Love,” the 50th anniversary of the “Virginia Is for Lovers” motto, for a fall program called “50 Ways to Explore the Eastern Shore.”

The commission requested \$180,000 in Northampton’s FY 2020 budget, or 45 percent of the \$400,000 the county expects to receive from transient occupancy taxes. Last year, the commission requested \$157,500, or 42 percent of the \$375,000 expected from TOT taxes in FY 2019. Currently, \$118,125 of the \$157,500 requested has been collected.



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OBITUARIES

Melissa J. Aull

Mrs. Melissa J. Aull entered into eternal rest the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019, surrounded by loved ones, at the Wendover Hospice House in Shelby, N.C. Melissa Judith Martin Aull, 64, of Parker Lane, Tangier, was formerly of York County, S.C.

The memorial service was Monday, Feb. 4, 2019, at The Episcopal Church of The Good Shepherd in York, S.C. The Eastern Star Funeral Rite was held in the church parish house prior to the memorial service. There will also be a memorial service held Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019, at 2 p.m. at Swain Memorial United Methodist Church in Tangier.

Mrs. Aull was born Feb. 1, 1954, in Albany, Ga., the daughter of the late Richard Everette Martin and Emily Virginia LeGrand Martin.

She was a member of Swain Memorial United Methodist Church where she was in the church prayer band as well as the women's prayer band, the United Methodist Women, and a former member of Adnah United Methodist Church in Rock Hill, S.C. She was a former member of Corinthian Chapter Order of Eastern Star in Newport, S.C. With a caring heart, she was a longtime registered nurse who specialized in psychiatric nursing. Mrs. Aull was a very talented musician who, in addition to being a sing-

er, played the flute and guitar.

Mrs. Aull is survived by her son and caregiver, Scott-David Thielbar, of Kings Mountain, N.C.; daughter and caregiver, Virginia Thielbar, and son-in-law, Michael "Georgia" Lackey, of Rockmart, Ga.; daughter, Alexandria Blake, of Clover, S.C.; and daughter, Richette Martin. In addition to her children, she is survived by her uncle, Louis E. LeGrand, of Squaw Valley, Calif.; Gary Aull, to whom she was married; and nine grandchildren, Katrinia "Kat" Ballard, of the home, Christian Ballard, Savannah Lackey, Hannah Lackey, Ethan Thielbar, Angel Ballard, Emily Thielbar, Faith Sells, and Brooklyn Thielbar. She is also survived by several special friends: Kathi Wood and family; Jean Salo and family; David and Kathy Thielbar; Aubrey "Abby" Daniels; Matthew Goodwin; and the community of Tangier, that welcomed her and made her proud of having muddy toes. She had many caregivers who were very important whom she held close to her heart and for whom her family is very grateful.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Aull was preceded in death by her brother, James "Jimmy" Wyatt Martin, and sister, Ginger Martin Miller.

Memorials may be made to Swain Memorial United Methodist Church, Mission Fund, P.O. Box 199, Tangier, VA 23440; or The Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 6 Herndon Ave., Annapolis, MD 21403 or www.cbff.org

Arrangements were made by the M.L. Ford & Sons Funeral Home in Clover, S.C.

Frances McLeod Barefoot

Mrs. Frances McLeod Barefoot, 91 of Four Oaks, N.C., completed her life's journey on Feb. 5, 2019.

She was founder of Barefoot's TLC Nursery, which she began 40 years ago as an outgrowth of her love of gardening. In 1978, she won fame as the National Ladies' Hollerin' Champ at Spivey's Corner, N.C., with her beloved Chihuahua, Peanut. In her later years, she was an enthusiastic croaker fisherman on Virginia's Eastern Shore. She continued to work full time managing her azalea nursery until she was in her late 80s.

She is survived by daughter, Pamela Barefoot, and her husband, Jim Green, of Jamesville, and three other children. Memorial donations may be made to the Larry Parker Scholarship at YMCA Camp Silver Beach, P.O. Box 69, Jamesville, VA 23398.

Mary Matthews Fuller

Mrs. Mary Matthews Fuller, 89, passed into the arms of her savior Jesus Christ on Jan. 25, 2019.

She was born in Portsmouth on Jan. 10, 1930, to Blanche and Richard Matthews. Soon after graduating from Cradock High, she wed her beloved husband, George McClay Fuller. A lifelong devotion to God brought them to fellowship with many people.

Mrs. Fuller was a faithful vacation Bible school and Sunday school worker; an extraordinary mother, cook, crafter, gardener, and private duty nurse. Always cheerful, she was quick to offer help and support. Her loving presence will be sorely missed daily. How blessed we have been!

Mrs. Fuller is survived by daughters, Emily Thomas, of Aylett, Va., Georgia Taylor, of Exmore, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nieces, nephews, and loved ones.

The family asks memorial donations be made to Wycliffe Bible Translations at www.wycliffe.org



Mrs. Fuller

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In accordance with the Northampton County Board of Supervisors' policy, please be advised that there are appointment vacancies on the following commissions and boards:

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Purchase of Development Rights Committee
Recreation Board (Districts 3 and 5)
Regional Navigable Waterways Committee

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Court Postings

By Linda Cicaira

Chincoteague Woman Charged With Stabbing Husband

A Chincoteague woman, accused of stabbing her husband in the chest with an 8-inch kitchen knife because he was unfaithful, was indicted Monday by an Accomack Circuit Court jury on a count of malicious maiming.

Esveire Nava-Gandara, 37, of Willow Street on Chincoteague, was indicted in connection with the Sept. 8 incident. Her husband of 14 years, Edgar Flores, told police his wife awakened him early in the morning by stabbing him. She says he stabbed himself. Nava-Gandara was ordered to stay away from Flores, her home, and the neighborhood. She was also ordered to surrender her passport.

The court record stated he was stabbed three times and that the injury was deep enough to puncture his right lung. The laceration to a finger required 10 stitches. Investigator Chuck McPherson, of the Chincoteague Police Department (CPD), reported in the file that Nava-Gandara said she went to bed between 9:30 to 10 p.m. the previous night. At about 1 a.m., she said, she got up and went to the bathroom. When she returned to the bedroom, she saw that her husband had stabbed himself.

In another violent case, Richard Waldon Sullivan Jr., 63, of King Street in Belle Haven, was indicted on a count of strangulation of a family member. The incident occurred Dec. 1, 2018. Sullivan is in Accomack County Jail. Deputy S. Rose, of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), gave information about the case to the jury.

Leah Nicolle Burton, 41, of Beebe Road in Chincoteague, was indicted on a count of child abuse and neglect of a child in connection an Oct. 25, 2018, incident. Burton is accused of drinking while driving with a child. The child was seriously injured when the woman's car hit a telephone pole. "A boy in the vehicle was holding his head with blood coming out," the court record stated. Officer J. Stevens, of CPD, gave

information to the jury.

Jacob Tyler Wiley, 20, of Maple Street in Onley, was indicted on counts of possession of a Schedule I or II drug, possession of the drug while in possession of a firearm, and possession with the intent to sell between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana. The crimes occurred Oct. 28, 2018. Deputy N. Kugler, of the ACSO, investigated.

Erito Galvez-Roblero, 32, of Crisfield Highway in Westover, Md., was indicted on two counts of abuse and neglect of a child on Nov. 18, 2018. A Breathalyzer test showed the suspect with .218 grams per 210 liters of breath. The legal limit is .08. The children were an 8-year-old boy and a 1-year-old girl. Trooper L.W. Milyko investigated.

Donna Lee Hanbidge, 75, of Liberty Street in Onancock, was indicted on a count of felony shoplifting. The offense occurred Nov. 6, 2018. Officer Kim Whitelock, of Onancock Police Department, investigated.

Latisha Annetta Pepper, 33, of Callen Street in Parksley, was indicted on counts of possessing cocaine with intent to distribute, possessing cocaine while in possession of a firearm, and possession of a firearm by a felon — all on Oct. 16, 2018. She was also indicted on a count of possessing a firearm in connection with a July 8, 2018, incident. Milyko testified about the October offenses. Kugler handled the July case. Pepper is in Accomack Jail.

William Parke Custis, 41, of Seaside Road in Exmore, was indicted on counts of breaking into the home of Gay Savage and violating a protective order on Dec. 10, 2018. Deputy C. Hargis, of ACSO, investigated.

Carrie Rae Jones, 34, of Townsend Lane in Atlantic, was indicted on a count of possessing cocaine on Oct. 18, 2018. Deputy K. Reese investigated.

David Tyler Nalls, 26, of Simpson Lane in Melfa, was indicted on a count of intentionally damaging or destroying property belonging to Norman Pitt. The offense occurred Sept. 20, 2018. Deputy C. Hodgson investigated. Damages of more than \$1,000 were assessed.

Gloria Marie Grillone, 32, of Mason Road in Bloxom, was indicted on a count of possessing cocaine on Nov. 10, 2018. Deputy K.A. Reese, of ACSO, investigated.

Police Still Searching For Machipongo Man In Connection to Parksley Dollar General Robbery

A Machipongo man continued to be sought by police at press time Thursday in connection with the armed robbery at the Dollar General Store in Parksley.

Arrest warrants were issued against 36-year-old Torreon V. Washington for robbery, use of a firearm in a robbery, and grand larceny. The crimes occurred Jan. 20.

New details were disclosed in court records this week. At 8:30 a.m., "A tall black male, wearing a dark blue hooded-sweat shirt with the letters GAP on the front, and bluejeans entered the Parksley Dollar General. The male was wearing a bandanna which covered his face." He "brandished a firearm" and demanded money and fled. "The store manager looked out the door and observed the male getting into the driver side of a silver 4-door car and leave the parking lot."

"Security cameras located at the Parksley Police Department picked up a 2002 to 2006 silver Toyota Camry, which appeared to have an EZ pass in the windshield, a sunroof, and some slight damage to the passenger side corner of the rear bumper," the file stated. About \$830 was taken.

On Jan. 23, Cpl. Kenny Reese, of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office, saw a vehicle matching the description. He later learned Washington had used the car on Jan. 20.

To report information about Washington's whereabouts, call Godwin's office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666. Tips may also be submitted through the sheriff's website at accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org

No Venue Change For Next Murder-for-Hire Trial

The trial of another suspect in the October 2017 murder-for-hire scheme of a police informant will not be moved from Accomack County.

Judge W. Revell Lewis, who has presided over several of the cases, denied a change of venue last week for Keenan Jibrel "Lo" Berry, 26, of Jermaine Lane in Parksley, who is charged with capi-

tal murder for hire, conspiracy to commit capital murder by a prisoner, and obstruction of justice involving drug- and gang-related crimes.

Charges against half a dozen Eastern Shore residents were made in the alleged conspiracy plan, which has seen a lot of publicity. Defense lawyers have argued their clients can't get a fair trial locally. Berry is in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail in Eastville. He was denied bail in May 2018. His trial was set for May 6, 7, 8, and 9.

The crimes occurred in 2017 between Aug. 11 and Nov. 10.

At the bond hearing, Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan said evidence will show Berry talked to an inmate at Accomack Jail "communicating about a murder-for-hire plot. You all put the master plan together." Morgan said Berry was convicted of grand theft auto and gang participation with juveniles in 2012. Berry "has proven himself in the past to be a danger to the community," said Morgan.

Lewis reminded Berry that he was on probation when the allegations occurred.

The police informant, Nathaniel "Nate" Johnson Sr., 30, and his then-girlfriend, 20-year-old Dezarae Smith, were injured in a shooting while walking along Linhaven Circle near Painter.

In another case, Benita T. Brown, 35, of Gaskin Court in New Church, was acquitted of abuse and neglect of a child in connection with a May 1, 2018, incident.

Erik Castilla, 22, who was listed as homeless, pleaded guilty to felony eluding police on July 17, 2018. A presentence report was ordered. Sentencing was set for April 4.

Markeece O'Bryan Davis, 27, of Beartown Road in Bloxom, pleaded guilty to failing to register as a sex offender on Aug. 2, 2018. The case was continued until April 11.

Benito Thomas Flores, 32, of Wayne Drive in Bloxom, was sentenced to eight years in prison with five suspended for two counts of selling a Schedule I or II drug between December 2016 and January 2017. For four counts of forgery, he was given suspended three-year terms with the condition he spends 42 to 48 weeks in a rehabilitation program. Flores was given suspended 12-month terms for obtaining money by false pretenses and larceny of checks, which are

also contingent upon completion of the program. Restitution, of \$195 to Linda Moran and \$190 to El Crucero Tienda Hispana, was ordered.

Ray Thomas Fitchett, 28, of Dreamland Trailer Park in Accomac, was given a two-year suspended sentence for possession with intent to distribute marijuana. He was sentenced to two years with all but three months suspended for receiving a stolen firearm and five years with all but six months suspended for distribution of cocaine. Fitchett was ordered to be on indefinite probation and good behavior for five years. The crimes occurred in 2016 and 2017.

The arrest of Kenneth Corneal Birch Jr., 49, of Saxis Road in Saxis, was ordered because Birch did not show up for his trial. Birch was charged with burglary and two counts of grand larceny in connection with October 2017 incidents.

Osie Lee Warren, 23, of Melfa, was sentenced to two years with all but 10 days suspended for forgery and uttering. The incident occurred in August 2018.

Three Arrested On Felony Charges

Three local residents were arrested on felony charges this week, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Franklin Justin Valice, 55, of Fleming Road in Horntown, was charged with causing malicious bodily injury in connection with a Feb. 3 incident. Valice was also charged with reckless driving and DUI, both misdemeanors. A Breathalyzer test showed his alcohol level at .13 grams per 210 liters of breath. The legal limit is .08.

Trooper Zachary Beaver was sent to investigate a crash reported as a

hit-and-run accident. "When I arrived on scene, I observed a victim who was identified as Stephanie Ruth Tollins who had multiple facial injuries with cuts and bruises on her forehead and face." Rollins told the officer that Valice "was the person that did this to her and he threw her out of the car. The driver ... wrecked his car just shortly after ... The driver had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person and his speech was slurred." Beaver said Valice also did poorly on field sobriety tests.

In another case, Annabelle Cruz Yazquez, 47, of Elm Street in Exmore, is accused of making a false statement on a consent form and possession of a firearm by a felon in connection with Oct. 8, 2018, incidents. She was arrested Jan. 28. Trooper J.K. Littlejohn-Miller investigated.

Eric Dewine Harmon, 40, of Coal Kiln Road in Painter, was charged with assault and battery of a police officer in connection with a Feb. 2 incident. He was arrested that day. Cpl. C. Hodgson, of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office, investigated.

All three suspects are being held without bond.

Man in High Speed Chase Through Bridge-Tunnels Will Serve 3 Years, 10 Mo.

The New York City man who led police on a high-speed chase across both the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel (CBBT) and the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel last February was ordered to serve three years and 10 months for his crimes.

Patrick Nilo Gil, 46, of Union Turnpike, got five years with two suspended

for eluding police on Feb. 28, 2018, and six months each with five months suspended for misdemeanor aggressive driving, driving without a license, and eight counts of reckless driving. The terms were set to run consecutively.

The pursuit started around 2:30 p.m., on Lankford Highway in Cheriton, when Gil was clocked driving his silver Mercedes SUV going 87 mph in a 55 mph zone.

"While driving across the CBBT the suspect driver attempted to hit a CBBT police officer who was out of his vehicle on the bridge," a Virginia Beach Police Department (VBPD) release stated. "Near the end of the bridge in the 4400 block of Northampton Boulevard," VBPD "officers were attempting to deploy stop sticks to stop the vehicle. This attempt failed and the driver continued ... driving recklessly at a high rate of speed." The race finally stopped with a crash involving seven other vehicles in the tunnel.

In another case, Joseph Didier West, 30, of Belle Haven Road in Exmore, was sentenced to a total of two years and three months in prison for possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of a gun while in pos-

session of a controlled substance. The crimes occurred July 2, 2017. Counts of carrying a concealed weapon and possession with intent to distribute between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana were not prosecuted.

Daryl Bernard Taylor Jr., 47, of Cobb Station in Cheriton, was sentenced to two years with all but three months suspended for a third offense of shoplifting, which is a felony. Indefinite probation and restitution of \$21.05 were ordered. The incident occurred Oct. 7, 2017.

Johnathan Mark Townsend, 21, of Seaside Road in Cheriton, was convicted of hit-and-run in connection with a June 2, 2018, incident.

Kenneth Jackson Bowen Jr., 59, of Houston Street in Exmore, pleaded guilty to two counts of a third or subsequent offense of larceny that occurred on Aug. 31, 2018.

Jason Gonzales, 21, of Greenbush, was given a three-year suspended sentence for felony hit-and-run with property damage of more than \$1,000 and six months with five suspended for eluding. The crimes occurred Aug. 5, 2018. Indefinite supervision was ordered.

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Accomack School District Proposes 3% Teacher Raise in 2020 Budget

By Stefanie Jackson

A 3 percent raise for all Accomack teachers and school staff is among the top priorities in the division's proposed operating budget for fiscal year 2020.

Last year, teacher raises were 3 percent and staff raises were 2 percent.

Accomack schools Director of Finance Beth Onley presented the budget overview at a public hearing at Arcadia High School Tuesday evening.

Teachers and staff will also get larger stipends for assisting with after-school programs. The rate for teachers will increase from \$20 to \$25 per hour and the rate for staff will increase from \$10 to \$12.50 per hour, at a cost of \$10,000.

"We're having trouble staffing our after-school programs and our supplemental programs," Onley explained. The stipends have not increased in 15 years, she said.

If Gov. Ralph Northam's budget is passed, Accomack schools will receive an additional \$1.275 million in state funding. More than \$1 million of that would be designated for teacher rais-

es of at least 5 percent over a two-year period.

Combined with a local funding increase of nearly \$287,000, the division will have more than \$1.5 million in additional funds.

Accomack County uses a funding formula that designates 53 percent of new revenues for its schools, Onley said.

The cost of employee health insurance has risen and will cost the school division \$300 more per person, or a \$154,500 total increase.

Accomack schools are interested in establishing a single health insurance plan for both county and school employees, Onley said.

The division will contribute \$50,000 to hire a school social worker this year who will primarily work in special education. "It's something the federal program people always ask us about, and we feel that it's a high priority," Onley said.

Some of the work is being contracted out to a retired employee, meaning \$50,000 is the net cost, not the total cost of the position, she added.

Accomack schools will start working on getting new English textbooks this year, but the project is too costly to complete for all grades at once. Onley said likely half of the elementary grades will get new English textbooks this year.

Math and history textbook adoptions have recently been completed, she said.

The school division will also increase the annual allotment for building projects by \$30,000.

Accomack schools will budget nearly \$439,000 for five new school buses, but seven would be ideal, Onley said. Accomack owns 110 buses, 95 of them are on the road every day, and many of them are nearly 20 years old.

Nearly \$1.95 million in total additional expenditures was proposed. The budget has not yet been balanced and includes a deficit of about \$386,000. After the school division learns exactly how much it will receive in state funding, the budget will be adjusted so that expenditures equal revenue.

In other business, Arcadia High School Principal Rose Taylor updated the school board on some of her students' recent accomplishments.

William Cathell, a career and technical education student, scored 100 percent on the W!SE test (Working In Support of Education), which assesses financial literacy. Cathell is the first Arcadia student to achieve a perfect score, and he is one of three Virginia students to accomplish the academic feat within the last five years.

Automotive technology students have earned 98 certifications so far this school year. Three students have earned all of their automotive technology certifications, and another three have earned nine out of 10.

Arcadia High School seniors have already received 85 college acceptance letters and have been offered \$2.8 million in scholarships.

Arcadia's football team was the fifth most improved in the state under the leadership of first-year head coach Alan Hall.

"It's a great day to be a Firebird," Taylor said.

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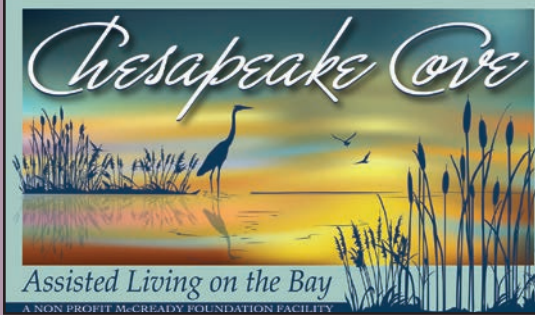
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my 1984 medical school yearbook in a costume that is clearly racist and offensive. I am deeply sorry for the decision I made to appear as I did in this photo and for the hurt that decision caused then and now.”

It was unclear which person in the photo was Northam, then a med student.

“This behavior is not in keeping with who I am today and the values I have fought for throughout my career in the military, in medicine, and in public service,” he continued. “But I want to be clear, I understand how this decision shakes Virginians’ faith in that commitment. I recognize that it will take time and serious effort to heal the damage this conduct has caused. I am ready to do that important work. The first step is to offer my sincerest apology and to state my absolute commitment to living up to the expectations Virginians set for me when they elected me to be their governor.”

Then the next day, he denied a connection. “I am not in that photograph,” Northam said at a press conference. “It was horrific. The fact that it was on my page, it was unacceptable. Yesterday, I took responsibility for the content that appeared on my page.” Northam said while he submitted the other photographs that appeared on the page, he was not involved in preparing the yearbook and did not buy a copy. He was in rotation in the military while in medical school and was not in Virginia at the time the yearbook was issued. He said Friday was the first time he had seen the photograph. “I did not wear that costume or attend that party. It is disgusting, racist and (was) my responsibility to recognize and prevent it from being published,” Northam continued. When a reporter asked Northam if he could still do the moonwalk — in a way that suggested the governor should dance for those at the press conference — it appeared that he would do so but then echoed his wife’s sentiment that he could “in appropriate circumstance.”

“All I can do is what I’ve always done, is to be honest ... I have prayed about this and I will continue to pray.” The pediatric neurologist said as a physician, he has taken care of thousands of people. “I treat everyone the same way. No one has ever thought or accused me of being racist. ... No way I have ever been in the KKK uniform,” he later added.

Some local residents are very hurt and think he should step down from the top

post of state government. Others have been quick to forgive and want to move forward. Many are outraged at his stand on abortion and were ready to throw him out before the scandal surfaced. There are those who had so much faith in Northam, the seemingly shining Kennedy of the future, that they feel kind of sick about it all.

Politicians from both parties, including both U.S. senators from Virginia and the state’s attorney general, have called for his resignation; no one from his staff has resigned but they are reported to be “tense.” Days after denouncing Northam, Attorney General Mark Herring reportedly admitted to putting on blackface in college during the same era. Herring said in a statement that he wore makeup and a wig to look like a black rapper during a party at University of Virginia. He was 19.

Northam, a 59-year-old Virginia Military Institute graduate and former U.S. Army Medical Corps officer, has said he will not quit — he still has work to do, his term doesn’t expire until 2022, and he doesn’t want to go down in history as a racist. This is a man who belongs to an Eastern Shore church with a majority of black parishioners.

At a press conference Saturday, Northam said he did not attend the party where the photo was taken.

Northam’s former medical school roommate, Rob Marsh, contradicted him in a statement he made to the Washington Examiner. Marsh said he was co-chairman of the social committee sponsoring the Halloween party that year. “I know what he was wearing exactly,” Marsh said, noting that Northam had dressed up as an attorney. “Ralph comes out and I remember he was dressed in a three-piece suit and he had a briefcase.”

Locally, the verdict appears to be out on Northam. His minister, the Rev. Kelvin Jones, is standing by the gover-

nor whom he told the Eastern Shore Post he met prior to Northam’s Senate days. “We actually met when he was at the Franktown Medical Center seeing children there,” Jones said. “We talked

and we talked and we continued to be friends. Eventually, I became his pastor ... After meeting each other, we both have a mutual respect and admiration for each other as individuals.”

“If the stuff we did at 25 were brought back up today, how many of us would be unemployed?” Jones asked. “My theories and feelings are I refuse to allow or would want my actions at 25 to define the rest of my life. Those actions do not align with who I am. I preach every Sunday that people ought to be given another chance. Everybody wants another chance, but we fail in wanting to give it to other people.”

Jones said when Northam arrived at First Baptist Church in Capeville last Sunday, “He was in a place of hope, healing and a place that loves him ... do you abandon me because I hit some bumps in the road?” the minister said.

Jones, a former Northampton deputy, is now a community leader who has been reaching out and offering prayer and sermons to people for more than 30 years. He started around the time the photograph in question was printed.

Nicknames have surfaced for Northam as well. “Goose” was a name he was called when his voice was changing, he said at the press conference. But reporters were more interested in the “coonman” title that was reportedly in his VMI yearbook. Northam said there were upperclassmen that called him that name but he never knew why.

Terry Payne, an Accomack deputy and retired firefighter, went to high school with Northam, rode the bus with him, then rode with him to school in his dad’s pickup. “I grew up near him. I knew his family well,

ate dinner at his house, and still keep in touch. Never saw anything like that. Even growing up he was someone you wanted to be like. Never heard anything like that. Never saw anything like that,” Payne continued. “He’s a good man. That’s not who he was and it’s not who he is.”

Republican Party leaders from the Shore are among those who have called for Northam’s resignation. Accomack Republican Party Chairman Brian Langley and Northampton Republican Chairman Rob Stubbs said they want Northam to resign and called on Shore leaders in the Democratic Party to do the same.

“We call on the governor to take the appropriate steps and resign. He has now released a statement that has admitted his mistakes and should do the right thing and resign as governor. Hearing his words ... about infanticide and then seeing the pictures and nicknames from his past that has recently surfaced today as reported in national media, he is not who he has tried to portray himself to be, nor is he who the Eastern Shore wants representing us ... racism and discrimination have no place in our society.”

Leaders from the Virginia Education Association also called for Northam to step down. Jim Livingston, president of that group, and James Fedderman, VEA vice president and an Eastern Shore native, joined Lily Eskelsen Garcia, president of the National Education Association, in calling for Northam’s resignation Saturday.

“There is no place for ... racist actions. Both NEA and VEA strongly condemn them. This goes beyond political affiliation. We must set a better example for our students. The public must have trust and confidence that their elected officials will fight for them, and that trust has been irreparably damaged. Ralph Northam should resign.”

Frank Moore, a former president of the Accomack Democratic Party, said on Facebook, “I spent days with Ralph knocking on doors when he ran for the Virginia Senate. I witnessed first hand how he interacted with folks from all walks of life and a variety of race and ethnicities. At no time did I ever see or hear him say or do anything that could be construed as racist, elitist, misogynistic, etc. However, let’s face it, even in 1984, I moved here in 1981, and still today, there’s a racist streak in the culture here on the Shore, though it’s somewhat sub rosa. I suspect the culture at VMI and EVMS in 1984, being populated predominantly with privileged white males from prominent families, still had elements of racism prevalent, probably not antagonistic rac-



Photo by Connie Morrison
Gov. Northam speaks to Pungoteague Elementary students during a trip to the school in October 2018.

ism, but more a subconscious easiness with being a privileged white dude. That probably led to an insensitivity/unawareness of how the portrayals in the yearbook would be perceived. The fact that Ralph thought it could have been him in the picture, indicates it was something he may have done, on more than one occasion. So, while the Ralph I knocked doors with is not the Ralph in that picture or the Ralph that put blackface on to do a Michael Jackson moonwalk in a dance concert, it is a Ralph that apparently existed at one time."

The Eastern Shore Post asked on its Facebook site what people think about the issue and here's what they said.

"People change and I, who voted for him, believe him, and am praying for him," wrote Leisa Williams.

"He was in college and knew right from wrong," wrote Danye Cropper.

"I know no one who doesn't have skeletons in their closets," wrote Kathryn Kennedy.

Ann Kaplan wrote, "This is a serious issue and one doesn't change their belief systems that easily. They just learn to be more polished and politically correct. He also admitted, then lied to save his job. He needs to resign. No disrespect to him or his accomplishments but his past is a measure of his beliefs."

"Why did he apologize?" asked Dona Danizer, an active local Republican Party member. "Why did he the following day retract that it was him in the photo on his page in the yearbook? Why did he remove the other half of the photo that had LG candidate Justin Fairfax in his campaign flyer? Why did he refuse to shake EW Bishop Jackson's hand, his LG GOP opponent? This week has been hideous for our commonwealth. Yet the worse event was his backing HB2491, the late-term abortion bill. Thank God it failed, just like Gov. Northam has failed his party and constituents."

"I think he should get a pass on the blackface issue," wrote Joe Paschall. "But no pass on the abortion issue. We're fighting the wrong battle."

Danye Cropper came back at that comment. "Blackface is a mockery to all the black people who voted for him," she said.

Shirl Dix also commented on Paschall's words. "He gets no pass on the blackface issue. It's unacceptable and inexcusable ... I was one of the black people who voted for him and I find it deeply offensive."

"And then to say it was hard to get shoe polish off, guess he did it more than twice. Disgrace to Virginians," wrote Kathy Thornton.

Many respondents wanted to worry about other issues.

"Nobody cares how he dresses up, he still kills newborn babies," wrote Dan Thompson.

"Let's ... watch him moonwalk right out of office," wrote Bob Berry.

"Needs to go asap," wrote Linda Surran Russell. "He is a living example of what everyone thinks we are all like on the ESVA from the terrible position he takes on abortion."

"It is sad that he makes the Eastern Shore sound like it was OK to do that in '84," said Debbie Rodgers. "I have not ever known this type of behavior to be OK."

"Considering the ads he ran against his opponent when he was elected, no pass," wrote Warren Hardy. "Yes, I would like to see him moonwalk — on the moon."

"Old news to distract from more important issues," said James Smith.

"So I guess no one has a past," wrote Tanya Taylor. "Take the focus off of the present and the future, to discuss things of the past. I don't believe that this is real. Why would he join First Baptist Church, a predominately black church, and be racist, doesn't make any sense."

"I am as Republican as they come," wrote Martha Sodat Staples. "But, something that has happened 30 years ago? Get real. It is done and over with ... people do stupid things all the time when you are 16, 24, or

older. I venture to say some of you demanding for him to resign have go(ne) way overboard and would never want to be exposed to what you've done. Let him do his job, but by God do something about full term abortions. That's where the whole fight needs to be. You people have lost sight of the battle."

Carla Savage-Wells, who has written columns for the Post, did an interview on national news and stood up for Northam, who she went to school with in her youth. "Ralph's a strong person, but no, he must not go. Only he knows what's too much. He's had so many people to say they have not seen a racist bone in his body. I believe in the honor in Ralph that says if I quit now, I am a racist for life ... He was so horrified in seeing that picture, this is my take on it, that he felt compelled to apologize ... Anybody who is 45 and has a mortgage knows that 25 is not grown."

"Should we also judge all those who have lawn jockeys in their yards?" asked Windy Grace Mason. "It's easy for people to judge others without looking into the mirrors of their own souls/their own yards. Just my two cents, I'm not saying that I condone Gov. Northam's actions by any means. I'm just saying that the pot often calls the kettle black as I'm seeing across Facebook, on this particular topic."

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No Real or Property Tax Increases in Draft County Budget

By Linda Cicaira

No increases in real estate or personal property tax rates are predicted for Accomack County in the upcoming fiscal year.

The draft fiscal 2019-20 budget of \$58.2 million was presented Monday to the board of supervisors by staff members who balanced the figures. The total spending package involves 1.2 percent more money than is in the current budget, or an increase of \$674,010. The annual increase for schools is \$290,000 and is based on a traditional formula.

An increase in the tipping fee was proposed to go up by \$5 a ton, to \$80, a 6.7 percent increase needed to cover costs of waste disposal and landfill closure and post-closure expenses.

Accomack receives more than \$3 million through the Personal Property Tax Relief Rate Act each year. The program allows 100 percent relief for vehicles valued at less than \$1,000 and 44 percent on the first \$20,000 of value for vehicles valued over \$1,000.

The draft also “shifts one penny of the portion of the county tax rate dedicated to the repayment of debt services

to the General Fund.”

About 57 percent of the total funds, or \$32.9 million, would come from general property taxes. State aid is \$9.6 million, or 16.6 percent. Other local taxes account for about \$7.9 million, or 13.6 percent. Federal aid is about \$2.1 million, or 3.7 percent. Charges for services totaled around \$4.2 million, or 7.2 percent.

On the spending side, the majority of the funds, about \$18.1 million, or 31.2 percent, are earmarked for county schools followed by public safety, which includes EMS, law enforcement and correctional expenditures, at nearly \$12.6 million, or 21.6 percent. The plan gives nearly \$6.8 million, or 11.7 percent, to public works. Health and welfare would receive more than \$6.5 million, or 11.2 percent. Nearly \$5 million goes under administration.

The draft budget also includes an unassigned fund balance of \$1.3 million set to be available for “one-time capital/operational initiatives.” Operating funds totaling about \$1.4 million would be “available to meet recurring operational or capital needs.”

Budget priorities were listed as: keep property tax rates at or below their current levels, continue to attract and retain a high-performing workforce, maintain the county’s investment in its buildings and infrastructure and preparing for future capital replacement, maintain or improve customer service and employee/customer safety, continue to strengthen the county’s rainy day fund, and honor contractual commitments, agreements and mandates.

County Administrator Mike Mason plans to maintain property investments with repairs to the roofs at the circuit courthouse, 911 building, animal control building, at a cost of \$532,190. There is a shortfall of \$250,000 in the Northern Spur Water and Sewer extensions plan. Repairs and improvements to the Folly Creek boating facility will cost \$116,000. About \$6,700 would go toward the 911 Center IT equipment and backup plan. The county IT infrastructure replacement and maintenance is priced at \$175,621. Vehicle and equipment replacement was listed at \$158,182.

Maintaining and improving customer service will be aided with a financial system upgrade that includes the school division for \$383,716. Continuing armed security for the clerk of the circuit court, surveillance for the administration building, and cameras at convenience centers total \$35,300. Support for permitting and tracking software was listed at \$45,524. A part-time zoning enforcement position was \$25,149 and converting a part-time assistant registrar to full-time was \$13,115. Industrial park lighting costs \$8,400. Replacing the counter in the treasurer’s office was \$15,000. Operating costs associated with new emergency operations center totaled \$10,680.

Items on the “not funded but needed” list included a pavilion at Sawmill Park, boating facility improvements at Queen Sound and Schooner Bay, and repairs to the debtors prison.

In other business, the supervisors voted to conduct a public hearing on Feb. 20 to move the polling place at the New Church Volunteer Fire Company to Arcadia Middle School.





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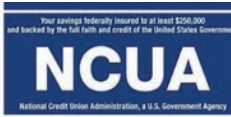
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County Employee Seeks Seat on Board of Supervisors

By Linda Cicaira

Vanessa Johnson, of New Church, announced Tuesday that she will seek the District 3 seat on the Accomack County Board of Supervisors in the November General Election.

Johnson says she is no novice to public service. For more than 10 years, she has served as an election official in the county and as a community volunteer who assisted with voter registration and transportation.

In 2016, Johnson organized and directed the Eastern Shore initiative of Souls to the Polls, a nationwide nonpartisan program committed to growing voter participation through increased voter registration, linking voters to related resources, and assisting with restoration of voter rights.

As a native of the region and graduate of Arcadia High School, Johnson said she “is passionate about district and county issues and passionate about the importance of ‘every voice heard’ to facilitate new ideas, change and progress in county government.”

Johnson also attended Woodbridge Business College and has worked for more than 30 years at Accomack County Department of Public Works. She also works part time for Somerset Community Services, in Maryland, as a licensed Certified Medication Technician.

Johnson has four adult children. She is a member of Jerusalem Baptist Church, in Temperanceville, and is active with the Eastern Shore Virginia-Maryland Baptist Association where she serves on the Social Justice Committee. Johnson has led numerous training workshops on social justice and community involvement-related topics.

According to a prepared statement, “Those who know Johnson know her genuine concern for all humanity and her strong commitment to giving back to the community through professional organizations, faith-based groups, and public service. Johnson is described as conscientious, diligent, and a go-getter who is willing to step up to the plate to lead and facilitate, (and) change for the better.”

In the role of District 3 supervisor, Johnson said she sees “an opportunity to apply her leadership, listening, and networking skills to help bring about positive change to the community and county.”

Because Johnson works for the county, she would have to abstain from some votes to avoid a conflict of interest. If elected, she would be the first county employee, with the exception of school workers, to serve on the board of supervisors.

Supervisor Grayson Chesser, who currently holds the seat, said last week that he would not seek another four-year term.



Johnson

PENINSULA TRACTOR ORGANIZATION LOOKS BACK AT 2018

Submitted Article

The Peninsula Tractor Organization (PTO) thanks its members, volunteers, contributors, and the community for their support in 2018 and looks forward with anticipation to 2019.

To begin, 2018 was another busy and productive year. PTO members participated in 19 demonstrations and parades beginning with the Annual Heritage Celebration at Eastern Shore Community College in February and ending with the Grand Opening of the Northampton Farm Store in Cheriton in December. These events provide an opportunity to educate the community about the area's rural heritage.

This year, PTO members added another plow day to the calendar. Joining the annual Savage Farm Plow Day was a plow day at Shockley Farms market in Cape Charles. Visitors to these events were able to see antique farm machinery being used as members plowed land, readying it for planting.

Demonstration plots were planted again this year in the Birdsnest and Exmore areas. Without the support from members, volunteers, agricultural vendors, and area farmers, the planting and harvesting of these plots would not be possible. The club thanks all who helped make these plots a success again this year.

Unfortunately, this year was not without sorrow as the organization said goodbye to three lifetime members upon their passing. Fred A. Camden, Harry Lovell, and O.W. Mears will be remembered for their contributions to our organization

and to the community as we mourn the passing of the wealth of knowledge that these gentlemen possessed.

Membership has steadily increased also with more than 100 members on the roster in Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware.

One of the most exciting projects that PTO started this year is the restoration of the Nassawadox Sawmill. Once restored, this facility will offer a home to PTO, allow expansion of educational programs, and will house an agricultural museum celebrating the Shore's farming heritage.

A family dinner, oyster roast, spring tractor ride, and a family cookout at the sawmill rounded out another busy and eventful year. These events allow members and their families to gather and share their interest in preserving the area's farm history.

Finally, the PTO would like to say thank you again to the community for its support throughout the past year and look forward to the exciting prospects for 2019.

The Peninsula Tractor Organization is a group of antique farm machinery collectors on Virginia's Eastern Shore. PTO is a tax exempt organization with a mission to preserve the agricultural heritage of the area and share it with others. Members collect and preserve old tractors, engines, and other items used on the farm and share the knowledge of how these items were used with others through displays and exhibits. Anyone who is interested in antique home and farming equipment is welcome to join. For more information visit www.peninsulatractor.org or <http://facebook.com/peninsulatractororganization>

The Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority is soliciting comments on its Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program 5-yr Plan. The Plan outlines the agency's goals, objectives with regard to its Section 8 Program and affordable housing. Copies of the Plan are available at the offices of the Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority and on the agency website at <http://www.a-npdc.org/accomack-northampton-regional-housing-authority/>. This plan was adopted in 2015 and the Authority has not made changes to its goals or objectives in the interim. However, a public hearing to solicit comments will be held in on **April 16, 2019 at 6 p.m. at 23372 Front Street, Accomac, VA.** Please call (757) 787-2800 ext. 119 for additional information or if you need special accommodations in order to view the Plan or attend the public hearing. Comments may be submitted in writing. Please send comments to:

Kat Edwards, Director of Housing Services
Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority
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EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

Varsity Basketball Action

Story and Photo by Krystle Bono

It's been a busy few weeks on the homefront for the Eastern Shore district basketball teams, as the regular season games are beginning to come to a close.

Last week, the Chincoteague Ponies girls varsity club faced the Northampton Yellow Jackets in Eastville, Tuesday, Jan. 29, with Northampton coming out on top, 55-17, with help from Brianna Bochman's 16 points. Jada Giddens posted 15 points in the Yellow Jackets' victory.

Alanna Hall led the Ponies with 9 points in the net, followed by Caroline Thornton, who hooped 5 points and the team high in rebounds with 5.

Last Wednesday, the Ponies battled the Nandua Warriors, edging out their district rivals by a count of 32-13.

Thornton led the Ponies this go-round with 15 points. Emma Jackson netted 7. Thornton and Tylar Liberto each had 9 rebounds.

Kassidy Jones and Treniqua Bailey each put up 4 points for Nandua to lead on the board.

The Ponies met Holly Grove Monday night, upping their opponents to a score of 52-18, with a 26-point effort from Thornton. Hall potted 10 points in the win, and Liberto led the rebound count with 8. The Ponies were set to face the Firebirds Thursday night in Oak Hall for both team's last regular season tilts, with Chincoteague entering the night owning a 11-4 record.

Arcadia won a 60-40 contest over Nandua Jan. 29 in Onley, and then went on to top the Broadwater girls to defend their home court, 39-36.

Hannah Davis led the Vikings, netting 11 points, and Suzanna Long put up 10.

Long posted 12 points in the Vikings' loss to Portsmouth Christian last Friday. Virginia Ross scored 9 points and also had the team high in rebounds with 9.

The Vikings fell to Denbigh Baptist, 49-38.

Northampton continued their win streak last week to top Franklin on the road, 52-36, before their match-up with the Ponies. They added another W to the books Monday night in Onley, defeating the Warriors 50-15, finishing the season with an overall record of 11-8, with a 7-game win streak.

The Warriors fell to the Yellow Jackets Monday night at home, 50-15. Wednesday night, the girls found redemption after an intense match-up against the Vikings, just outscoring their visitors, 39-38, to wrap the regular season.

Kassidy Jones led the Warriors in the win, putting up 15 points. Ikera Johnson netted 8 and Lyric Sampson potted 5.

Ross led Broadwater at the basket, throwing 12 points in the pot, and Davis notched 10 points.

The Nandua Warriors boys varsity club got a W over the Arcadia Firebirds, 58-48, Jan. 29. Nandua went on to topple the the Ponies 69-37, Jan 30.

Ayden Leonard tossed 14 points in the loss for Chincoteague and grabbed 8 rebounds, with Trent Clark netting 9.

Nandua unleashed a 52-47 victory over the Northampton Yellow Jackets boys team Monday night in Eastville.

Jawaun Bell and Kasai Clark led the Yellow Jackets on the board with 16 and 15 points, respectively. Clark, Bell, and Brian Fisher tied for the team high in rebounds with 6.

The Warriors ended the regular season on a high note, defending their home court Wednesday night against the Vikings with a win in Onley.

Gerald Pitt tossed up 21 points to aid in the Warriors victory. AhkTavius Harmon also helped lead with 18 points; five of those being 3-point shots.

Ahmad Scarborough led the Vi-

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Nandua's Rodrick Bailey (33) and AhkTavius Harmon (1) attempt to block Northampton's Brian Fisher's (15) shot Monday night in Eastville.

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kings with 17 points, and Clay War-
dius tossed 8.

Arcadia fell to the Broadwater boys last Thursday in Oak Hall, 68-48, and then to Seaford Tuesday night, 75-45. The boys battled the Chincoteague Ponies for their last regular season game last night on the island; results will be in next week's edition of the Post.

The Ponies also faced the Yellow Jackets last week, and fell 71-35.

Leonard led the Chincoteague

team with 12 points and 4 blocks, and Clark posted 11 points. James Perkins had six rebounds.

Bell led the Yellow Jackets in the win with 21 points, Clark potted 16, and Vonte Coston threw 11. Fisher led the rebound count with 7. Jeremiah Major blocked 4.

The Ponies dropped one to Holly Grove Monday night, 59-51.

Broadwater's boys will be back in action tonight (Friday) on the road against Stonebridge.



The Nandua Warriors hosted the Broadwater Vikings girls Wednesday evening in Onley in a close back-and-forth court battle, ending with the Warriors on top, 38-35.



Broadwater's Ahmad Scarborough (4) shoots past Nandua's Brynden Sampson (34) during Tuesday night's game in Onley against the Warriors.

ACPR Saturday Schedule

The Accomack County Parks and Recreation games will be held at Arcadia High School Saturday, Feb. 9, beginning at 9 a.m.

- 9 a.m.: Wizards vs. Celtics (5-8)
- 10 a.m.: Celtics vs. Cavaliers (9-12)
- 11 a.m.: Heat vs. Celtics (5-8)
- 12 p.m.: Lakers vs. Celtics 1 (9-12)
- 1 p.m.: Ages 13-15 Practice
- 3 p.m.: ACPR 13-15 vs. Salisbury

If there are any questions, contact the Parks and Recreation office at 757-787-3900 or 757-710-1947.

Shore Swim Finishes Second at Prince Edward Quad

*Story by Krystle Bono,
Submitted Photos*

Shore Swim hit the road and headed west to Hampden-Sydney College Jan. 25 to battle Prince Edward, Appomattox, and Goochland for a quad meet. Goochland ended the day on top, finishing first for both the boys and the girls. Shore Swim brought home a second-place finish overall for both the boys and the girls teams, as they defeated Prince Edward and Appomattox.

Individually, the boys relay team of Cade Williams, Luke Parks, Carter Harmon, and Chad Saunders finished third in the boys 200-meter medley, and the girls finished first with Lacy Gouldin, Madison Johnson, Lauren Johnston, and Taylor Thornes.

Patrick Lilliston finished second in the boys 200-meter freestyle and Donathon Johnson took sixth. Rachel Gouldin placed fifth for the girls.

Carter Harmon earned second in the boys 200-meter IM, with Grady Harmon finishing in third. Parks grabbed a fourth-place finish in the boys 50-meter freestyle. Saunders grabbed sixth.

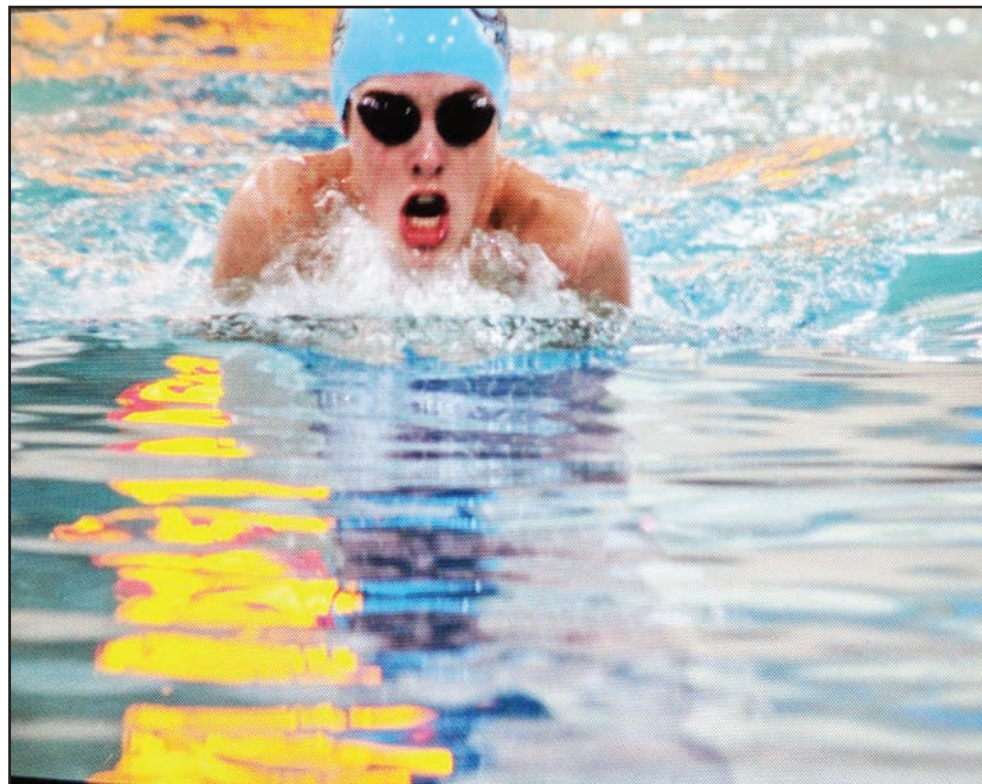
Johnston finished first in the girls 50-meter freestyle. Gouldin placed fifth and Thornes was eighth. Johnston earned another first in the girls 100-meter butterfly.

Parks placed second in the boys 100-meter freestyle and Saunders was sixth. Thornes finished fourth, Nora Bahn was eighth, and Allie Penland was ninth in the girls 100-meter freestyle.

Lilliston finished second in the boys 400-meter freestyle and Rachel Gouldin was third for the girls.

The boys relay team of Carter Harmon, Lilliston, Saunders, and Parks finished second in the boys

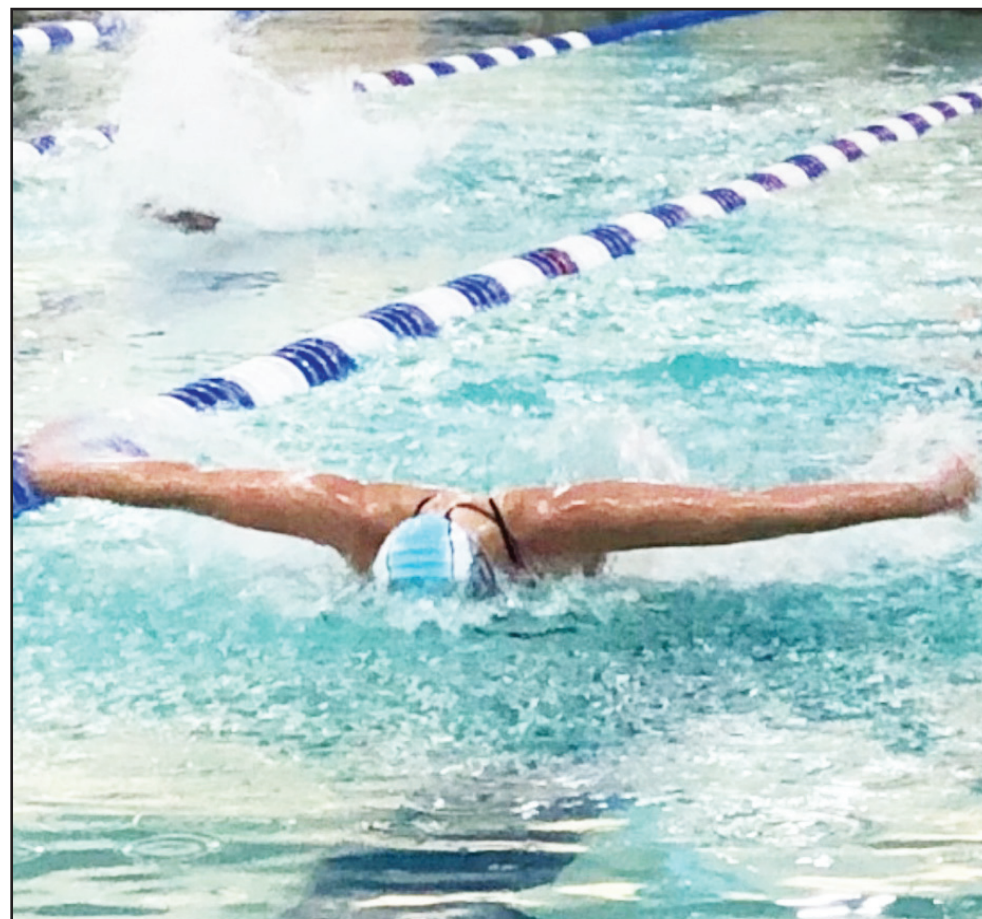
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Carter Harmon competes in the Prince Edward quad meet Jan. 25 at Hampden-Sydney College.



Luke Parks competes during at Hampden-Sydney College.



Senior captain Lauren Johnston swims for the girls at Shore Swim's quad meet Jan 25.

WARRIOR GRAPPLERS BRING HOME FOURTH-PLACE REGIONAL FINISH

By Krystle Bono, Submitted Photos

The Nandua Warriors varsity wrestling club hosted the Warrior Duels Jan. 26, in Onley, welcoming a total of 11 other teams to their home mats for the day. The Warriors ended their regular season with a third-place finish. Cameron Mears was a standout for Nandua, ending the day with a clean sweep, going 5-0.

Last weekend, the boys traveled to Poquoson to compete in the 2A East Regional tournament against 11 regional matched teams. The Warriors came out fourth, overall, and qualified six grapplers for the state finals.

Individually, Mears placed second in the 152-pound weight bracket, and Joe Teasley, Joe Catiglia, and James Burr were also all second overall in their respective weight brackets. Matt Taylor and David Gastelum each placed third.

Ben Gutierrez earned fourth and is an alternate for the state tournament. Also earning spots on the podium, but just out of reach for the state battles, were Ben Stodghill, Dylan Ross, and Damani Baines, who each placed fifth, and Hunter Rippon, who placed sixth.

The state finals are set for Feb. 15-16, at Salem Civic Center in Salem, Va.



The Nandua Warriors varsity wrestling team finished fourth overall at the 2A East Regional tournament last weekend.

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James Burr was second overall in his weight bracket, qualifying him for the state tournament at Salem Civic Center, which will be held Feb. 15-16 in Salem, Va.



Joe Teasley earned second place in the regional tournament last weekend, aiding the Warriors in an overall fourth-place finish.

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200-meter freestyle relay. The girls relay team of Johnston, Lacy Gouldin, Thornes, and Madison Johnson were third.

Williams finished second in the boys 100-meter backstroke and Lacy Gouldin was third for the girls.

Harmon placed second in the boys 100-meter breaststroke, and Johnson was second for the girls.

The boys relay of Donathan Johnson, Lilliston, Williams, and Grady Harmon finished third in the 400-meter freestyle relay. The girls

team was third with Gina Pryor, Rachel Gouldin, Penland, and Bahn.

Shore Swim traveled to Cambridge to compete Tuesday night for their last meet of the regular season. Both the boys and girls teams fell to their host swimmers, but fought hard against a club of over 20 swimmers per group, compared to Shore Swim's humble teams of seven boys and eight girls.

The squad headed to their regional meet Thursday night at Maggie L. Walker in Richmond.

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Submitted Photo
Nandua's Cameron Mears placed second in the 152 bracket in the 2A East Regional tournament last weekend.

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The Eastern Shore team is based out of T's Corner and competes in Virginia, North Carolina, Delaware, Maryland, and at the national matches in Ohio. Citizens ages 14 or over are eligible. The team's previous captain now leads the ROTC unit at Virginia Tech.

The first step is to show up at spring training; participants do not need to be a skilled marksman to attend. The first training session is on Saturday, March 16, starting at noon and ending around 3 p.m. A second training will follow on Saturday, March 23, with a practice match on March 30. Practice matches are held each month through the summer. All events are closely supervised by trained adults.

To join, simply show up to the first spring training. Rain or shine, there is a heated clubhouse and a covered firing line. The entrance to the NOAA-WIVA range is 300 yards due east from T's Corner, on the south side of Chincoteague Rd. Wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and a billed cap. Everything else will be provided, including snacks and drinks. There is no charge for spring training.

For more information, call 757-442-3013.

CALL Spring Sign-ups

Central Accomack Little League is looking for kids ages 4 to 16 for spring ball. Signups will be held at the CALL park concession building Saturdays, Feb. 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, bat-

ting 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 centralaccomack-littleleague@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.

Eastern Shore Ice Bowl

The Indiantown Disc Golf and Northampton County Parks and Recreation will hold registration for the 2019 Ice Bowl, beginning Feb. 9, at 8:30 a.m., with tee time at 10:05 a.m., at Indiantown Park, in Eastville.

This disc golf event is to help feed the hungry, and proceeds go to the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia.

Cost to play is \$10 to \$25, with the first 45 entries receiving a full pin-back of the Ice Bowl. The event is open to everyone. Youth, men's, women's, and senior classes will be available, with two rounds of play for men's and women's classes and one round of play for youth and senior classes.

Prizes will be full color disc and Ice Bowls by Roy.

New this year will be a chili cookoff event. More information can be found on the Ice Bowl 2019 webpage, or contact Roy, or the Parks and Recreation office, at 757-442-4843 or 757-678-0468.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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Super Crossword

A SOUND CONCLUSION

ACROSS

- 1 Live online workshop
 8 Public poster
 15 Malcolm- Warner ("The Cosby Show" actor)
 20 14th-century music style
 21 Arrives leisurely
 22 Belittle
 23 Certain frat member receiving his diploma?
 25 Sing sweetly
 26 Cove
 27 Assuage
 28 Muddy mixture
 29 Met melody
 32 Took way too much, for short
 34 Gyro bread with lots of extra hidden calories?
 37 Heavenly food made from very hot peppers?
 41 -garde
 42 Sauna stuff
 43 Singer Acuff
 44 Stew
 45 Toon pic
 48 San Francisco's - Hill
 50 Target number of coverage policies?
 54 Download for an iPhone
 57 Denmark's - Islands
 59 High trains
 60 Detach, as a lapel mic
 61 Randomly mixed stack of Bing Crosby and Bill Haley albums?
 65 Folded a line into, say
 67 With 24-Down, reduced-cost product
 68 Glam rocker Brian
 69 Lav
 70 Aviary locale
 71 Bridge, in France
 72 Florida city
 74 Fish dish that's a chef's specialty?
 77 Rizzo in "Midnight Cowboy"
 78 Platform that runs on iPhones
 79 Ran easily
 80 La. neighbor

- 81 Brass instrument with a dental product smeared all over it?
 86 "O Sole -"
 88 Sheepish
 89 " - well that ends well"
 90 Alias initials
 91 Idiot box
 95 Provide
 97 Hair dye produced in a county in southwest England?
 101 Chatty bird with shiny gray plumage?
 105 Pirate chant starter
 106 Took a train, e.g.
 107 Pilot a plane
 108 Prefix with skeleton
 111 Thin iPods
 113 Swiss chocolate brand
 114 Sitcom title woman living in a wasteland?
 120 Actor Jason
 121 Energize
 122 Algebra rule
 123 Totally love

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 2 Be mistaken
 3 Gp. with merit badges
 4 Hoosier
 5 Verb go-with
 6 "Why" singer Frankie
 7 Like a very clean film
 8 Maven
 9 Solitary
 10 -Seltzer
 11 Top-level
 12 Fluttery tree
 13 Tear
 14 Stuff in the gene pool
 15 "Charlie's Angels" co-star Smith
 16 Rudely brief
 17 Native New Zealander
 18 Of - (somewhat)
 19 Lotte of film
 24 See 67-Across
 28 Glide (over)
 29 Belly muscles
 30 Groove
 31 Fury
 33 Mended, as a sock
 35 Works to get
 36 With, to Luc
 38 "Toodles!"
 39 Rebels' yells
 40 Sch. in the Big Apple
 44 FDR's terrier
 45 Reneges
 46 - Aigner (fashion brand)
 47 Real-estate levy
 49 Bundled up, as hay
 50 Prefix for an element used in antiseptics
 51 Mission to gather intel
 52 " - pasa?"
 53 Not likely
 54 Classifies
 55 Ramses II, for one
 56 Plaything dragged on a string
 58 City in Nevada
 62 Mega-meal
 63 "Für -"
 64 Gear piece
 65 Brilliant move
 66 Composer Ned
 70 Reverse alphabetical order
 73 Japanese drama style
 74 Tossspots
 75 New York's capital
 76 Singer Piaf
 78 R&B's - Brothers
 82 San Diego ballplayer
 83 One reuniting
 84 Asian "way"
 85 Loc. of Kiev
 87 Exceeded, as a target
 92 - Cat
 93 Put a stop to
 94 - Bo
 95 Dodging type
 96 Irk
 97 Fortright
 98 Skye of film
 99 California mountain
 100 Japan's largest island
 101 Zesty dip
 102 Vine-covered
 103 Group jargon
 104 Nervous - (worrywart)
 109 "Whip It" rock band
 110 City in Utah
 112 Iron sources
 114 Film director Craven
 115 Ballpoint fill
 116 La.-to-III. dir.
 117 Bruin Bobby
 118 Agnus - (Mass part)
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AGRICULTURAL NEWS

Demand for Local Foods is Hot Even in Chilly Weather

Submitted Articles

It's relatively easy for a restaurant to feature local fresh produce in the summertime, when area farmers have plenty. It's more challenging in the winter.

Increasingly, restaurants and growers are stepping up to the challenge every winter, in part because fresh, local foods appeal to their consumers.

"I've been a chef for close to 20 years," noted David Crabtree-Logan, owner and chef at The Broken Tulip restaurant in Richmond's Carytown community. "It takes a long time to realize the importance of your ingredients. It's not about trying to be clever and trying to put 100 things on a plate. It's about getting the best ingredients. And treating them to show them at their very best."

Local food sales to consumers have doubled since 2014, according to the food industry research firm Packaged Facts, a division of Market Research Group LLC. But finding local foods in the winter usually requires some research by the consumer.

"That's the whole premise of our business here in Ashland," said Chris Stem, co-owner of the Ashland Meat Company. "I think there's been a long-time belief that local is seasonal and it is too expensive. We want people to be able to go to their neighborhood market and find the products that are made by their family and their friends" at any time of the year.

To find local foods in cold weather, "you have to find the farmers that are willing and want to be out in the mud and the slush to get it," added Brian Garretson, who raises produce year-round with his partner, Autumn Campbell, on Tomten Farm in Prince Edward County. "I know in the Richmond area and even in Northern Virginia there are farmers that are growing year-round. There's people that are starting to do winter community-supported agriculture cooperatives; I do see that starting to happen. It's out there. It just takes the consumer a little bit more effort."

Chefs also have to build relation-

ships and seek out year-round growers, and the profit margins are even slimmer than in traditional restaurants, said Broken Tulip co-owner Sariann Lehrer. But she noted that customers love it and enjoy eating in-season foods.

"Our group of five farms produce year-round for us, and we have one or two that are really our big producers through the winter time," Lehrer said. "One of our farms prefers their winter crops over their summer crops. That was a really great connection for us to make, because they enjoy farming in the winter more than they do in the summer."

Conference on Agricultural Trade to be Held March 5

Registration is open for the 11th annual Virginia Governor's Conference on Agricultural Trade, which will be held March 5 at the Richmond Marriott Downtown.

This year's conference will include luncheon remarks by Gov. Ralph Northam on Virginia's trade-related progress and priorities. Also on the agenda is an update on the status of U.S.-EU relations.

The conference is co-hosted by the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Virginia Farm Bureau Federation, the Virginia Port Authority, and Virginia Tech's Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics.

For agenda and lodging details, or to register, visit ag-forestry.virginia.gov/agrade2019/home. The deadline to secure a room at the Marriott is Feb. 13.

2017 Census of Agriculture Report Delay

During the lapse in federal funding the National Agricultural Statistics Service's (NASS) missed key analysis and report development time for the 2017 Census of Agriculture. Unfortunately, this will require NASS to delay the 2017 Census of Agriculture data release from the original scheduled date of February 21, 2019. As-



suming funding remains available for FY 2019, NASS plans to release the 2017 Census of Agriculture at noon on April 11, 2019.

2018 Farm Bill Provides Safety Net

In an uncertain business, the 2018 Farm Bill brings America's farmers and ranchers five years of certainty by providing improved risk management tools and crop insurance.

"The starting point for every farm bill is to protect our country's ability to grow a safe, sustainable and affordable food supply," noted American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall. "The 2018 Farm Bill was a much-needed win for farm and ranch country."

Virginia Farm Bureau Federation National Affairs Coordinator Ben Rowe added that this is the first time since 1990 that Congress has passed the farm bill in the same year it was introduced, and "marks the first time since 2002 that the new farm bill was enacted in the same year that the old one expired.

"We commend the 115th Congress on passage of a farm bill that will serve all Americans, especially our nation's farm families, and addresses many concerns expressed by our members."

Rowe added that the new bill gives farmers greater flexibility in choosing programs to fit their individual operations and "allows prices and yields to be adjusted based on production history and global markets."

The farm bill maintains crop insurance, commodity programs, and farm safety nets, Rowe noted. Risk management tools such as Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage programs were improved by adjusting support levels to respond to market changes, and farmers will have greater flexibility to change programs at designated enrollment times to be sure they

have the best tools for their business.

The bill also modernized marketing loan rates, which hadn't been changed in 10 years. Marketing loans are used after crops have been harvested and provide an opportunity for growers to use their crops for collateral on loans, explained Dr. John Newton, AFBF economist.

Outdated loan rates, Duvall said, "didn't make good business sense for farmers seeking post-harvest loans, and it was bringing real challenges to family farms across the country. With the 2018 Farm Bill, those rates will be updated and modernized so that farmers and ranchers can keep moving their businesses forward."

For Virginia dairy farmers, the farm bill enhanced the safety net with coverage for small, medium, and large dairy farms. Dairymen can participate in both Dairy Revenue Protection and Dairy Margin Coverage on the same milk, Rowe explained. Other dairy provisions include a milk donation program and enhanced risk management tools for the beverage sector.

VCE Accomack County Situation Analysis 2018

Virginia Cooperative Extension takes pride in the premise that vital programming is based on issues, problems, and needs of the people. The Accomack County Extension Office is in the process of gathering information from community members using a survey to determine the issues and concerns important to the residents of Accomack County. The information gathered will then be used to create and make available programs and resources that will be beneficial to the community.

This survey will cover issues we believe are facing our community and will give you, the participant, an opportunity to rank them in order of importance and also to provide valuable feedback based on your experiences and concerns. Participation is much appreciated and will be vital in increasing the effectiveness and usefulness of Accomack County Cooperative Extension. Access the survey by the following link: https://viriniatech.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4HMz17N6a74QL77

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The End of an Era

Railroad cars and the 2000 locomotive made their final journey out of the Cape Charles railroad yard to the Cape Charles Museum last week. The railroad tracks in the yard are excepted and no longer meet minimum safety standards, so the cars were moved slowly, beginning with the blue 2000 locomotive. Work was performed by Coastal Railroad Construction of Portsmouth and paid for by the Cape Charles Historical Society.

Photos by Cape Charles Historical Society, Kimb Leake Denny Executive Director

Top Right: Jerry Lewis, the last engineer on the Bay Shore Line, helps guide the 2000 locomotive to its new site at the Cape Charles Museum.

Top Left: The passenger car is prepared to begin its move to main street in Cape Charles.

Right: The 2000 locomotive after being relocated to its new home at the Cape Charles Museum.



Onancock Blacksmith Museum Looks For Stories, Artifacts, and Volunteers

By **Connie Morrison**

Have you always wanted to be in the movies? If you have a story about a firsthand experience with Onancock's late blacksmith Samuel Outlaw or his shop, the Samuel D. Outlaw Blacksmith Shop Memorial Museum wants to talk to you about retelling your story on camera for a museum exhibit.

To expand its collection, the museum is also looking for artifacts, blacksmithing tools, or items Outlaw might have repaired. The museum plans to open in late spring.

To meet that goal, Gerald Boyd, chairman of the museum's board of directors and coordinator of the restoration project, said the organization is seeking volunteers of all abilities to assist with the final cleaning and restoration activities.

"General laborers to scrape rust off implements, to clean, sweep, and dust; a chimney sweep, landscap-

ers," are among tasks and talents being sought, said Boyd. The structural building restoration and lighting project is complete and what is left is the more mundane work of making the site and building visitor-ready.

Anyone with a story to tell, artifacts to donate or loan, or time or talents to contribute is asked to contact Boyd by phone at 757-656-3460 or by email at gerald@estaci.org.

Outlaw trained as a blacksmith in the early 1920s at Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute. He graduated in 1925, moved to Onancock and established his 20-foot by 50-foot shop on Boundary Avenue next to a home he purchased. His business operated from 1927 until 1991.

The building is owned by the town of Onancock and leased to and managed by the nonprofit Samuel D. Outlaw Blacksmith Shop Memorial Museum.



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Kiptopeke Elementary School Teachers' Night

February 6, 2019

Sting-Ray's Restaurant, Cape Charles

Photos by Stefanie Jackson



Above, Kiptopeke Elementary School Principal Subrina Parker with Gwynn Coghill and Granville Hogg. Parker called Coghill "the original Kipper." Coghill was Parker's fifth grade teacher at Capeville Elementary School. Later, when Parker first joined the staff at Kiptopeke as a teacher, Coghill was her principal. Coghill was also Kiptopeke's first principal.

Parker said Kiptopeke Elementary is "family oriented" and the event "makes us unified and builds morale."

Wednesday was the first ever Kiptopeke Elementary School Teachers' Night at Sting-Ray's Restaurant, in Cape Charles, to benefit Kiptopeke's teachers. Northampton school administrators, school board members, teachers, students, parents, and community members came out to show their support and enjoy the food served by Kiptopeke teachers. The restaurant donated \$1,225 of the evening's proceeds to the school.



Above, 30-year veteran teacher Tina Simon and Susanne Spady, both teachers at Kiptopeke.



Left, Kiptopeke teachers Emma Tillman, Leah Woodard, Katie Frain, and Rachel Attenberger, who share a meal together at Sting-Ray's every Tuesday and were the inspiration for the Kiptopeke Elementary School Teachers' Night.



Left, John Hwang. He and his wife, Joanne, are the owners and operators of Sting-Ray's Restaurant. Kiptopeke Elementary School Teachers' Night is their way of giving back to the local educators.

Right, Kiptopeke student Aleeyah Matthews with her teacher, Carolyn Mitchell, mother, Felicia Matthews, and sister, Mariah Matthews.



VETERANS' CORNER

Veterans' Spotlight and Veterans' News



Story by Alexander Hightower

Veteran Spotlight

Eastern Shore, meet Samuel J. Bloxom Jr., of Bloxom. Bloxom is a retired Coast Guard Master Chief and veteran. His duty stations included Coast Guard bases Cape Hatteras (two tours), Miami, Fla., Elizabeth City, N.C., Portsmouth, Va., and two tours at C.G. Headquarters Washington, D.C. Throughout Master Chief (MC) Bloxom's 24-year career, he participated in over 100 search-and-rescue missions, including hurricane rescues. MC Bloxom was also a prominent member of President Jimmy Carter's Presidential Inauguration.

He has three sons who chose to follow in their father's footsteps. The eldest son, Lt. Samuel H. Bloxom III, died while on active duty in May 2017, serving his country honorably for 22 years. His second son, Master Sgt. Bloxom, is currently serving in the Army, and the youngest Bloxom son, Petty Officer Bloxom, served five years and now is a computer engineer living in California.

After retiring from military service, Bloxom started a new career in secu-

rity at NASA alongside fellow "Veteran Spotlight" alum Sgt. Major Ernest O. Douglas. He continued his career in security with two more companies, including Sysco Foods. You can now find him enjoying life in Bloxom where he bikes as a pastime. If you see M.C. Bloxom in passing, say hello and thank him for his service.

Veteran Spotlight Information: For any active service member, veteran, or family member who would like to honor a member of the military or veteran, please send the veteran military background and duty stations, a brief history of life after the military, hobbies and interests, current town on the Shore, and good recent photo of the vet. Send the information via email to editor@easternshorepost.com or call 757-789-7678 to schedule a time to drop by.

Veterans' News

National Salute to Veteran Patients Week: National Salute to Veteran Patients Week will be Feb. 10 through 16, to say thank you to a select group of men and women. According to the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA), there are more than 9 million U.S. military veterans being cared for in VA medi-

cal centers, who will be participating in a variety of activities and events to include hospital ward visits and valentine distributions, photo opportunities, essay contests, special recreation activities, and veteran recognition programs. I encourage individuals, veterans groups, military personnel, civic organizations, businesses, schools, local leaders, and the entire Eastern Shore community to find the time to participate and show our veterans appreciation. From the Maryland VA Clinic to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel, let's identify and show our appreciation to veteran patients.

Jobs Fair: For any job-seeking veterans looking for a new career, consider attending a military-friendly job fair held by Corporate Gray Recruiting. Meet face-to-face with dozens of companies and government agencies to include Booz Allen Hamilton, Lockheed Martin, Leidos, SAIC, ARServices, MBP, U.S. Postal Service, Edward Jones, Sentara Healthcare, Caterpillar dealers, police departments, First Command, Cox Communications, and Newport News Shipbuilding. All branches of military, veterans, military spouses,

and civilians are welcome. The event is Wednesday, Feb. 27, at the Virginia Beach Convention Center, Exhibit Hall D, 1000 19th St., Virginia Beach, Va., from 9 a.m. until noon.

Local Veteran News

Census Takers Wanted: The U.S. Census Department is still hiring people to join the Census 2020 team for the Eastern Shore. The department is looking to hire for a variety of temporary jobs including census takers, recruiting assistants, office staff, and supervisory staff. For more information, stop by the Virginia Employment Office in the Chesapeake Square Shopping Center in Onley, or call and speak with an employment representative at 757-302-2029.

Veterans Workshop: Workshops are held every third Tuesday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Virginia Employment Commission in Onley. All service members, veterans, dependents, and survivors are welcome to attend. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 19.



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Seafood Fondue | 14
Shrimp, bay scallops and crawfish, served with crostini

I Heart Salad | 8
Spinach, candied nuts, strawberries and blue cheese, topped with raspberry vinaigrette

Dinner

Kiss Kiss Shrimp | 28
Butterfly shrimp stuffed with crab, served over edamame and corn ragout

Bone in 10oz Filet | 50
Grilled Filet topped with herb butter, served with twice baked potato and green beans

Scoglio Seafood Pasta | 38
Bay scallops, shrimp and a half-pound lobster, served over fettuccine with focaccia bread

Stuffed Chicken | 24
With mascarpone and ricotta cheese, topped with a white wine cream sauce and served with twice baked potato and green beans

Desserts

House made Strawberry Shortcake | 8
Chocolate Torte | 8



Marriage Licenses Issued

- Marcelino Vasquez Santiago, 47, and Macaria Reynoso Mendez, 40, both of Exmore
- Michael James McJilton Jr., 39, of Accomac, and Deirdre Aileen Burns, 39, of Ocean City, Md.
- Marvin Barry Rubin, 79, of Alexandria, Va., and Margaret Susan Andrews, 69, of Chincoteague

DEAN'S/PRESIDENT'S LIST HONOREES

Meridith C. Kellam, of Onancock, was named to The Citadel's dean's list for the fall semester.

Madeleine Arancibia, of Melfa, was named to The University of Alabama's dean's list for the fall semester.

Angela Head, of Machipongo, Dylan Mason, of Chincoteague, and Richard Mitchell, of Pungoteague, were named to James Madison University's dean's list for the fall semester.

Brooke Justis, of Accomac, and Kathleen Kraft, of Onancock, were named to James Madison University's president's list for the fall semester.

Monsanto Grow Grant Awarded To ESPL Foundation

Eastern Shore Public Library Foundation received the 2018 America's Farmer Grow Communities project award by the Monsanto Fund. The awarded funds will be used for the new regional library to be built in Parksley, opening in 2020. The library project was submitted for the award by Mount Nebo Farm.

Mount Nebo Farm LLC in Accomack County was started by Lynn and Linda Gayle in 2013 and operates now with their son Sands Gayle taking up the reins. The farm has 2,500 acres with primarily crops of wheat, corn, soybeans, and high erucic acid rapeseed. In 2017, they were presented the Virginia Clean Water Farm Grand Basin Award by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation for their no-till farming practices and other conservation farming techniques. Since the Gayles moved to the Shore in the 1980s, they have supported numerous local nonprofits and have been advocates for agriculture and its economic benefits to the community.



Onancock Area Lions Club Donates Book Bags

The Onancock Area Lions Club recently donated 48 new book bags to Metompkin Elementary School. Pictured above from left are Ernie Swisher, Lions president; Belinda Rippon, principal; Katie Farrell, assistant principal; SuCora Owens-Robinson, assistant principal; and Beth McHenry, Lions secretary/treasurer.

NCPS CALENDAR CHANGE

Northampton County Public Schools made a change to the school calendar. President's Day will be observed Monday, Feb. 18. This will not result in any further changes to the 2018-2019 school calendar.



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Community Notes

Chincoteague

The Chincoteague Island Theatre Company will present "Moon Over Buffalo" for its winter production Feb. 16, 17, 22, and 23, at 7 p.m., at the Chincoteague Cultural Alliance's Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and available at H&H Pharmacy, Sundial Books, or online at chincoteagueca.org

Hacksneck

The New Hope Charge Spaghetti Dinner will be Saturday, Feb. 16, from 5 to 7 p.m., at Evergreen Pavilion, 13573 Hacksneck Rd. Donations are accepted. The menu consists of salad, spaghetti, bread, beverage, and dessert. Carryouts are available. For more information, call 442-3263.

Marionville

A chili cook-off will be held Friday,

Feb. 22, from 5 to 7 p.m., at Red Bank Baptist Church, 9202 Seaside Rd. A \$6 donation is requested for tickets. Ticket holders will vote on the winning entry. For more information, contact John Robertson at 757-693-6917.

Onancock

Onancock International Films will present "Tea with the Dames," Saturday, Feb. 23, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 24, at 2:30 p.m., at the Roseland Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and children. Doors will open 45 minutes early for complimentary tea and cookies. For more information, call 787-5687.

Heart-to-Heart Day will be Friday, Feb. 22, beginning at 8 a.m., at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital. The program will include heart-related education and medical screenings. At 9:30 a.m., Dr. Lloyd J. Kellam III will share his expert advice, along with speakers

Melissa Payne and Kelly Honeycutt, who will provide information on how to stay heart-healthy through exercise and diet.

This event is free and open to all, but space is limited so reserving a spot is recommended. For more information or to reserve a spot, call 302-2297.

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the hospital's conference room.

Blood donation requirements include a minimum weight of 110 pounds and minimum age of 17. A 16 year old may donate blood with written parental consent.

Appointments aren't necessary but may speed up the process. Make an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code SMHosp.

Onley

An Alzheimer's workshop, "Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters," will be Thursday, Feb. 14, from 1:30 to

3 p.m., at Onley Community Health Center, 20306 Badger Ln. Registration is required for the free event. Register by calling 1-800-272-3900.

Relay for Life Kickoff

Relay for Life of Nandua will hold its 2019 campaign kickoff Saturday, Feb. 23, at 9:30 a.m., at Painter Garrison United Methodist Church, 17300 Main St., Painter.

Returnees and newcomers are welcome at the meeting, and one person can constitute a fundraising team.

Attendees will have the opportunity to vote on whether the event should go overnight, as it has in the past, or whether it will be contained to one day. Leadership will also vote on the theme. To sign up for Relay before the kickoff or if unable to attend, visit relayforlife.org/nanduava to register. For more information, contact Mary Bellis at mary.bellis@cancer.org

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FRIDAY FEB. 8 ★6-8 p.m. - **Flatfooting with Live Bluegrass Music** - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
 ★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
 ★7 p.m. - **CIAO Friday Night at the Movies: "Stripes"** - Island Theatre, Chincoteague - \$5
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Texas Hold'em Tournament** - Parksley VFC

SATURDAY FEB. 9 ★9:30 a.m.-noon - **Mary N. Smith RISE Mentor Prgm.** - Mary N. Smith Cultural Ctr., Accomac - boys ages 9 to 15 - lunch provided - wear sweats and sneakers - 709-3267
 ★2-4 p.m. - **Empowering Girls' Group** - ESTACI, Exmore - 757-656-3460
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.
 ★7:30 p.m. - **I Played the Palace Talent Show** - Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles

POST TIMES
 February 8-14

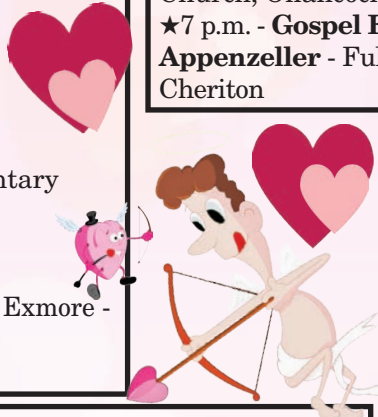
MONDAY FEB. 11 ★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - **E.S. Quilt Guild mtg.** - Drummondtown UMC, Accomac - business mtg., show and tell, lessons and demonstrations - 201-317-0586
 ★1-4 p.m. - **CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday: Card, Word, and Board Games** - Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague
 ★4-5 p.m. - **Alzheimer's Caregivers' Support Group** - Heritage Hall, Nassawadox - 1-800-272-3900
 ★5:15 p.m. - **Friends of Northampton Memorial Library mtg.** - library, Cape Charles
 ★5:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Onancock UMC, 75 Market St.
 ★5:30 p.m. - **The Friends of Kiptopeke State Park** - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
 ★5:30-6:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
 ★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley
 ★6-9 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
 ★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. - **Celebrate Recovery mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Church - food served at 6 p.m.
 ★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
 ★7 p.m. - **Multiple Sclerosis Support Group** - Hampton Inn & Suites, 4129 Lankford Hwy., Exmore - 442-7722
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

SUNDAY FEB. 10 ★12:30 p.m. - **Otternoon Program** - Delmarva Discovery Center, Pocomoke, Md.
 ★12:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Vietnam Veterans' Bldg., Main St., Onley
 ★3 p.m. - **14th Pastoral Anniversary Celebration** - Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC, Melfa
 ★3 p.m. - **Black History Service** - Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Temperanceville
 ★3-5 p.m. - **Free Gospel Music** - Downing's UMC, Oak Hall
 ★4 p.m. - **Valentine Concert** - Historic Cokesbury Church, Onancock
 ★7 p.m. - **Gospel Fundraiser for Children of Donny Appenzeller** - Full Gospel Church, 22340 Bayview Cir., Cheriton

TUESDAY FEB. 12 ★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
 ★9 a.m. - **Eastern Shore Community Services Board mtg.** - E.S. Behavioral Healthcare Center, 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
 ★10:30 a.m. - **Story Time: "Love is in the Air"** - Pocomoke Library
 ★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. - **ESPL Board of Trustees mtg.** - main library, Accomack
 ★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
 ★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Depression Support Group mtg.** - Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC, Melfa - 757-350-5039
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Cheriton VFC - smoke free
 ★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Atlantic UMC
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg.** - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague

WEDNESDAY FEB. 13 ★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 Watcher's mtg.** - Chamber of Commerce, Melfa
 ★5-7 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen and 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
 ★6-9 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Upcycled Birdfeeders** - Pocomoke Library
 ★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Free English for Speakers of Other Languages** - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
 ★7 p.m. - **AA and Al-Anon mtgs.** - Franktown UMC
 ★7 p.m. - **Drinking Liberally mtg.** - Charlotte Hotel, Onancock
 ★7 p.m. - **Bingo** - St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Onley - doors open at 5:30 p.m.
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC
 ★7:30 p.m. - **Revival (Feb. 13-15)** - Refuge Temple Outreach Ministry, 30540 Depot St., New Church

THURSDAY FEB. 14 ★8:30 a.m.-noon - **Veterans' Employment Representative Avail.** - Northampton Cty. Dept. of Social Services - no appt. needed
 ★10:30 a.m. - **Story Time** - Cape Charles Memorial Library
 ★1:30-3 p.m. - **Alzheimer's Association mtg.** - Onley Community Health Center, Onley
 ★2-4 p.m. - **Hemming and Mending Prgm.** - Pocomoke 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
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Kiwanis Club mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chincoteague
 ★6:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon. mtg.** - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
 ★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
 ★7 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Chincoteague Church of God
 ★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Painter Garrison UMC
 ★7 p.m. - **E.S. Tea Party mtg.** - Market St. Grill, Onancock
 ★8 p.m. - **Movie: Becoming Astrid** - Roseland Theatre, Onancock
 ★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague



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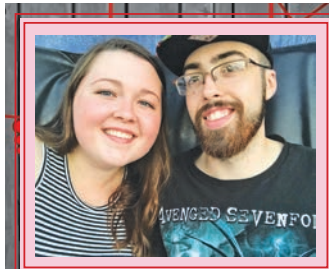
Help Wanted

UNEMPLOYED AND 55+

The Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency Older Workers Program may be for you. If you are interested in getting back into the workforce and can meet the qualifications, you may be selected to join a Job Training Program and work part-time. Income eligibility is required. For an application and more information, please contact Linda Arvidson@ 757-442-9652, ext. 31.

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The Executive Assistant works directly with the Executive Director, while playing an independent role managing administrative matters including finance, compliance, purchasing and event management. This position requires critical thinking, complex problem solving, skilled prioritization, and supreme organizational skills. **Min. Req.:** Bachelor's degree in business administration, business or related field. Experience may be substituted in lieu of education beyond high school. Three to five years' experience in a high-performance business culture or history of progressive responsibility and proven track record of delivering results.

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Min. Req.: A Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Marketing, Public Relations, or closely-related field and 2-3 years' experience, preferably in tourism, or any combination of training and experience which provide the required skills, knowledge and abilities. An emphasis will be placed on those who have worked with the promotion of tourism and have marketing experience, as well as understands the principles of volunteer management.

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Applications may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or the Eastern Shore Regional Jail Office located at 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or the county's website www.co.northampton.va.us

Deadline for applications: February 22, 2019

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Deadline for applications: February 22, 2019

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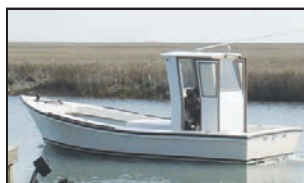
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**Legal Ads
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Request for Proposals - Central Park Fence

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in accordance with 2013 Virginia Code Title 15.2 - COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS. Chapter 54.1 - Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act, Section 15.2-5431.25 - Rates and Charges, on April 25, 2019, at 2PM, the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority ("ESVBA") will hold a public hearing concerning proposed rates and charges for the use of ESVBA services at its offices located at 4174 Lankford Highway, Exmore, VA 23350. Copies of the proposed rate structure can be obtained from the ESVBA during normal business hours.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
 THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2019 AT 6:30 PM IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA,** TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING COUNTY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:

(1) Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 34, Elections, Article III, Precincts, Sec. 34-67, Polling Places, to **change the polling place in New Church, District 3, Precinct No. 301, from the New Church Volunteer Fire and Rescue Co., Inc. to Arcadia Middle School, 29485 Horsey Road, Oak Hall, Virginia, 23416.**

Materials relating to these proposed ordinance amendments may be reviewed at the OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Room 203, Accomack, Virginia.

Handicapped Assistance Available By Calling: (757) 787-5700 or (757) 824-5444

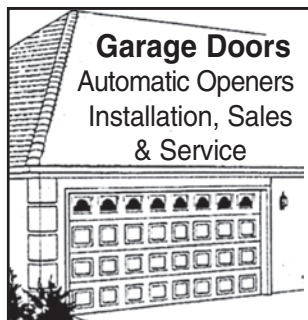
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Legal Ads and Auctions (Cont'd)

**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE
33061 Taylors Cove, New Church, VA 23415**

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated August 16, 2012, and recorded at Instrument Number 201203209 and re-recorded at Instrument Number 201204134, and a Loan Modification recorded on October 17, 2017 at Instrument Number 170003958, in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court for Accomack County, VA, securing a loan which was originally \$164,957.00. The appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC will offer for sale at public auction at main entrance of the Accomack County Circuit Court, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue on:

March 11, 2019 at 11:30 AM

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of All that certain lot of parcel of land lying in Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia, shown and designated as Lot 4 on a certain plat of survey entitled "Stoney Creek Subdivision", made by Sutton and Mames, P.C., dated June 9, 1988, revised July 6, 1988, which plat is of record in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, November 15, 1988, in Plat Book 88, at Page 187 et seq., and to which plat reference is made for a more complete and accurate description of the land herein conveyed, and as more fully described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: The property will be sold "AS IS," WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements, rights of way, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust to be announced at the time of sale. A deposit of \$20,000.00, or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, in cash or cashier's check payable to the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE will be required at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price, with interest at the rate contained in the Deed of Trust Note from the date of sale to the date said funds are received in the office of the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale. In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses of sale and Substitute Trustee's fee. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges, whether incurred prior to or after the sale, and all other costs incident to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes, any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of sale at the time of settlement. Purchaser agrees to pay the seller's attorneys at settlement, a fee of \$445.00 for review of the settlement documents.

Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustees a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Rosenberg & Associates, LLC
(Attorney for the Secured Party)
4340 East West Highway, Suite 600
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-907-8000
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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE TOWN OF ONANCOCK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 19CL63

vs.

TONY WHITE
ANITA BOWMAN
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 the Town of Onancock, Accomack County, Virginia, designated as Tax Map No. 85A2-A-346.

standing in the names of Tony White and Anita Bowman, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

An affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Tony White and Anita Bowman, whose last post office address is P.O. Box 1884, Parksley, Virginia 23421.

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 February 20, 2019, at 9:30 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 25th day of January, 2019
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

I ask for this:
JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q.
VSB 016017
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
7100 U.S. Route 17
Yorktown, VA 23692
(757)898-7000

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 19CL99

vs.

The heirs and devisees of MAE WEST CROPPER
DERRICK CROPPER
CHERYLRENE LOFTLAND
FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY, LLC
A&N ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land near the Village of Savageville, Accomack County, Virginia, containing 0.36 Acre of land, designated as tax map number 093A0A0000012A0.

standing in the name of Mae West Cropper pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Mae West Cropper; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Mae West Cropper; that Derrick Cropper and Cherylrene Loftland are nonresidents of the state of Virginia; that the last known post office address of Derrick Cropper is 2344 Pomalaiki Street, Honolulu, HI 96818; and that the last known post office address of Cherylrene Loftland is 7625 Ingrid Place, Landover, MD 20785.

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 March 12, 2019, at 9:30 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.

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Fish & Wildlife Service, U.S. – VMRC# 2018 – 1690

This application is for the following described project:

The portion of the project which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction is for the replacement of water control structures #2-5. The property is located on Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, Tax Map #46-A-2.

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NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION

Gregory A. Stratton, (2019007) has applied for approximately 125 +- acres of oyster planting ground in Bradford Channel situated in Accomack City/County and described as follows: **North By: MLW, Stratton PF #5760, Cherrix PF #5758, Vacant, East By: MLW, Vacant, South By: Accomack PG 36, MLW, West By: Vacant, Accomack PG 36, Lat/Long: N37-35.1198 W75-38.7082**

Send written comments or concerns to:
Marine Resources Commission, Engineering/
Surveying Department, 380 Fenwick Road,
Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1064

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February 21, 2019 at 1:30 PM

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of All that certain lot, piece or parcel of Real Estate situated at Boston, Pungoteague District, Accomack County, Virginia, containing One Acre (1A.), more or less, and bounded in general on the South by the Lands of John Martin; on the East, by the Lands of Charles Dennis; on the North, by the Lands now or formerly owned by Annie Sue Bailey, and on the West, by the Public Road leading from Pungoteague to Craddockville, and as more fully described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

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NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION

Stephen John Cibik and CAROLYN S. CIBIK, (2019008) have applied for approximately 1 +- acres of oyster planting ground in Nassawadox Creek situated in Northampton City/County and described as follows: **North By: MLW, East By: McMahon App #2017162, South By: Vacant, West By: Vacant, Lat/Long: N37-28.4616 W75-57.6923**

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Elizabeth & Ronald Carey, Jr. – VMRC# 2019 – 0021

This application is for the following described project:

The portion of the project which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction is to install approximately 115 linear feet of VDOT Class II Quarry Stone up against an eroding embankment approximately 3 feet in height. Also, to do repairs on the existing pier and to rebuild a 10 by 12 feet utility building back in the existing footprint. The property is located in Onancock, VA 23417, Tax Map #75B-A-37.

All interested parties will be afforded the opportunity to be heard or to present written statements. Applications are on file and may be examined in the Office of the Environmental Programs in Accomac, Virginia. Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5728.

Public Notice

The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet Wednesday, February 20, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, for the purpose of considering the following wetlands 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 2019-0024: Lloyd and Sue Kellam are applying for a permit to install approximately 115' of bulkhead, which will be attached to the existing structure. The applicants also wish to install 160' of rip rap. Finally, the applicants wish to backfill an approximate area of 40' x 16' that eroded due to heavy rains and upland run-off in September 2018. The primary purpose of this project is for erosion control of the embankment and the uplands. The property is located at 2300 Vineyard Lane and is further described as Tax Map 2, double circle A, parcel 25.

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 at P.O. Box 538, Eastville, VA 23347. **Handicapped Assistance Available:** Please call (757) 678-0440 extension 516 at least 24 hours in advance.

*Marshall Cox Sr., Chairman
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CAPITAL LETTERS



By Del. Robert Bloxom

We are moving beyond the halfway point of the session, and to say there have been a lot of distractions is a huge understatement.

We are moving our bills forward as we send them to the Senate. Issues important to the Eastern Shore as well as the state of Virginia are speeding to final votes. Tax conformity, tax relief, coal ash recycling, inspection fees, and hundreds of more bills are being voted on, and unfortunately all the good work and necessary debate is being overshadowed

by headlines about our governor and a photograph from his past. I will not use this time in my weekly report to address this. I only know it is a sad day for the Eastern Shore and, of course, the entire commonwealth.

Another bill that has received a lot of attention, and indeed should have, was Delegate Kathy Tran's bill to loosen restrictions on third-trimester abortions. Thankfully, this bill was quickly killed in committee. It did bring a quick response from around the state and the nation. I will try to summarize this measure. Today a third-term abortion is allowed when three doctors agree that the continuation of the pregnancy would "substantially and irremediably" impair the mental or



By Sen. Lynwood Lewis

It is a crazy time to be in Richmond for General Assembly session. While there is a lot happening unrelated to legislation, we still must govern. With Crossover

on Feb. 6, we have hundreds of bills to debate and vote on before we receive the House's bills and direct them to committee. We are also reviewing the Senate and House budgets that were just released.

The week kicked off with an incredible day at the Capitol. Teachers, students, and public education advocates descended on Richmond to share stories and ask their legislators to prioritize public education. We have seen successful #RedforEd movements in other states, and I am hopeful we will see significant changes related to public education in the final budget and in legislation. In my view, these should include the pay increase for teachers, funding to change the student-to-guidance counselor ratio, and investments to address major infrastructure issues in rural and urban school districts. I was visited by educators, students, parents, and public school staff from across the 6th Senate District, including the Kiptopeke Elementary PTA. It was a treat to be able to take their group on the Senate floor and I hope to be able to do the same for other groups visiting from the Eastern Shore.

My legislation has been relatively successful in moving through the Senate. Last week I discussed several bills related to local issues on the Eastern Shore, all of which made it out of committee. This past week each also passed unanimously on the Senate floor, as did my bill relat-

ed to groundwater withdrawal within the Eastern Shore Ground Management Area. This legislation – SB1599 – is critical for the Shore and I am pleased to see it be so readily embraced by my colleagues and well-received by those back home.

The final week before Crossover also saw the hearing of SB1559, my bill to expand Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) loans to include resiliency within the parameters for loan distribution. C-PACE relates to financing for green energy upgrades. Many states have seen C-PACE programs become more robust over recent years and this legislation should help in giving our C-PACE program here in Virginia stronger. It will also enable our region specifically to access another resource to make lasting and necessary commercial improvements to ensure our buildings and businesses are not only more energy efficient, but also more resilient – a critical need as we make every effort to adapt to and find solutions for coastal flooding and sea level rise. This bill received strong support from both the business community and the environmental community; it passed unanimously out of committee and the full Senate.

There was much conversation during the beginning of the session around a set of bills related to casinos and gambling; as it stands, these bills, including my bill pertaining to the Pamunkey Indian Tribe and their potential Norfolk casino, were all rolled into Senator Louise Lucas' bill and will head to a study to be completed by 2020.

My legislation to include beneficial use and recycling in the Virginia public school curriculum – SB1561 – passed unanimously after getting hung up on a technicality last session in Senate Fi-

physical health of the woman. The proposed bill would have allowed one doctor use the much lower standard striking the words "substantially and irremediably," effectively allowing the doctor who would benefit monetarily from the procedure to say it was appropriate or necessary. It would have been abortion on demand up to the time of birth. Even to those that consider themselves pro-choice, this is beyond their scope of comprehension. I feel the outcry was warranted, and I am glad that my colleagues on the committee voted against this measure.

The House budget was presented this past weekend. The governor proposed his amendments, and he would have spent 700 million more dollars than what was

previously allotted in the budget. The big difference between the House budget and the governor's is that any excess that occurs due to changes in the tax code will be sequestered in our budget and returned to the taxpayer. Our budget did do some additional funding for key areas that are important to the Eastern Shore. I hesitate to raise people's expectations when there is still a long way to go in finalizing our spending with the Senate priorities.

I am proud to represent the constituents of the 100th District, and I always welcome your questions, comments, and input. Please don't hesitate to call my office at 804-698-1000, or send us an email at delrbloxom@house.virginia.gov with any concerns you may have.

nance, and my resolution put forth at the request of the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters to declare July as National Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention Month passed as well.

While SB1570, legislation to create an Adult Abuse Registry, was not quite ready to move forward due to a hefty price tag and bureaucratic issues, we do believe we will be able to iron out the details prior to next session. At my request, the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services will be putting together a report on the true costs of developing this important database, as well as working with me to ensure the legislation is both comprehensive and feasible. I am confident that

A Message From Wallops Flight Facility

On behalf of all the men and women at NASA Wallops, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to the entire Eastern Shore community for your incredible show of support during the government shutdown. Over the past several weeks, the outpouring of generosity from businesses, churches, friends, family, and neighbors sustained our workforce during the furlough. You lifted us up in our time of need, and for that, we are deeply appreciative and forever thankful.

While some of our missions continued during the shutdown – such as preparations for the next Antares launch, sounding rocket launches in Norway and balloon operations in Antarctica – many more activities were stalled. While we continue to assess mission and schedule impacts, please know that despite the shutdown, all our programs remain healthy. We're looking forward to two Antares launches this year, the first planned in April. Rocket Lab is work-

ing hard toward its first rocket launch, likely in late 2019. We also have a whole host of Defense Department customers we're supporting both in the air and in space launch operations. Our aircraft, sounding rocket, and balloons missions are as busy as ever. While our challenge now is fitting a year's worth of work into 11 months, know that we're back and we're charging ahead with a full plate in 2019.

The end of session is quickly approaching, but there is still time to visit! We adjourn Feb. 23 and I encourage everyone to come see us in Richmond before then and to continue to monitor the activities of the legislature on the General Assembly website VirginiaGeneralAssembly.gov I can be reached at our legislative email District06@senate.virginia.gov and while in Richmond by telephone at 804-698-7506. Please do not hesitate to contact me on issues with questions about legislation or on issues.

Overall, I'd say this experience verified that Wallops has incredible resilience in our diverse set of missions and partners. And without a doubt, it showed us that our strongest partner is you. Again, I cannot thank you enough for your generosity over the past few weeks and your enduring support for what we do. We are honored and privileged to live and work in this amazing Eastern Shore community. Happy New Year!

**Dave Pierce, Acting Director
NASA's Wallops Flight Facility**

Post Op-Ed Page

How Long Is a Moment?

By Richard L. Saunders
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Most of us encounter a situation where we are told to “wait a moment” or that somebody will answer you in a “moment” or that you’ll find out what you want to know in a “moment.” What we are never told is just exactly how long is a “moment.” In our crowded daily lives, when we are trying to get things done or solve problems, it would be nice to know just how long a “moment” is. Recently, I asked a person serving in a “customer service” capacity at a dreaded call-center how long a “moment” was and I was told that it could be anywhere from a few seconds to 15 minutes or more. The question here is why such imprecision is allowed to pass as customer service.

Instead of the word “moment,” we often hear someone will be with you “shortly.” As with “moment,” the consumer has little to no idea what “shortly” means. It can be truly “shortly” (less than a minute) or it can be 15 minutes or more. Wouldn’t it be nice if we were treated with a little more precision and respect? Is it because service providers and information providers do not want to tell you the truth by saying “15 minutes”? Rather they use euphemisms and half-truths by saying “shortly” or “in a moment” leaving you the consumer often dangling listening to someone else’s choice of recorded music for an uncertain period of time.

“Soon” is another such prevarication. I would love to get emails from readers stating what they believe is an actual measurement in actual minutes (or hours) for these very imprecise and uninformative words.

So what weapons do we as consumers have to combat this degradation of the English language to our detriment? Unfortunately, not too many. If you find yourself dealing with a service provider or company that is direct and honest with you either on the phone or in person, treasure that organization. Tell others about it in the hope that the honesty and directness will be rewarded by increasing profitability. Sometimes though you have seemingly little choice since there is only one source for you to obtain the information or service that you need. When you encounter this kind of prevarication, write the Office of the CEO for the offending entity. You may very likely feel better by venting your frustration even if you do not notice any change. Perhaps if enough people take this kind of action, there will be change. One thing is for sure: If people do nothing and continue to act like sheep, they will continue to be herded like sheep.

Do what you will, but it is your money and your time and ultimately your decision and doing nothing is a decision, ultimately one that is guaranteed to bring about no change.

Richard L. Saunders is a resident of Chincoteague. While living in Pennsylvania, he served on the AARP Statewide Consumer Taskforce. He can be reached at 484-689-9502 or rlsaunders115@aol.com



The Way I See It
By Dan Hillman

Post Office Mail

Gov. Northam Should Not Resign

Dear Editor:

A white girlfriend asked me (an African-American woman) what I thought about the Gov. Northam situation. I told her that I’m tired of all the mudslinging.

An African-American male said that he would have been okay if the governor had just apologized but was undone by the fact that he changed his story. I heard from an out of state friend that he “handled it poorly.”

Still I thought how easy it is to politically manipulate a populace. Like lambs to slaughter, the trap was set and in we ran.

The yearbook’s been around for 34 years but only emerges after the election. Was it okay for Gov. Northam to be “racist” until now? Clearly, he has stepped upon some toes, and what better way to attack with than a hot issue like racism? If whites don’t respond they’re “complicit,” if black folks don’t respond they’ve sold out. But I would bet, whoever proffered that yearbook doesn’t give a rat’s backside about African-Americans. But what a clever ploy—divide and conquer—it almost never fails because we go for it every time.

I would be more impressed if someone could explicitly point out policies, past and present, that demonstrate the governor’s racism. People can and do change. We elected the 2018 Ralph Northam.

When I think of Gov. Northam, “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington” and “It’s a Wonderful Life” come to mind. But where is his angel? Who is going to save us? Are we, the voters, to be disenfranchised in an obvious power play for control of our state?

That photograph is stunning in its distastefulness; a perfect foil for this attack which, while aimed at Gov. Northam, he’s not its only target—what about the voters’ interests. The concurrent sexual assault allegation against Lt. Gov. Fairfax makes the debacle appear a bit too contrived.

The yearbook is meant to incite as there is NO indictable offense. The governor should not resign unless he is embarrassed to be surrounded by the easily duped.

Malaika Mitchell, Keller

Gov. Northam Should Resign

Dear Editor:

According to federal law, an infant born in the United States is considered a citizen. There is no waiting period while some official decides to grant or not to grant citizenship. At the moment of birth the infant child is a citizen of the USA and therefore entitled to all the privileges and protections of the Constitution. To kill that infant at birth either by refusing neonatal care or deprivation of life sustaining nourishment is most accurately described as infanticide, which is what Gov. Northam has suggested in his public statement regarding abortion at birth. And this astonishing lack of human compassion from a pediatrician and the leader of the VA Democratic party! In the name of all that is good, sane, just, and legal, Gov. Northam should resign!

The Rev. Thomas Shannonhouse, Eastville

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LEATHER, MOON ROOF	2012 FORD FOCUS SEL \$7,500 Stock#S3219	V6 ENGINE, MOON ROOF, ONE OWNER	2007 TOYOTA CAMRY SE \$8,400 Stock#S3228	AUTO AND POWER EQUIPMENT	2005 NISSAN TITAN SE KING CAB \$9,250 Stock#S3235	AUTO POWER EQUIPPED	2014 KIA SOUL \$9,700 Stock#S3261	VERY CLEAN, JUST TRADED!	2005 TOYOTA CAMRY SE Stock#S3266
VERY CLEAN	2016 HYUNDAI SONATA SE \$12,900 Stock#S3238	LIKE NEW	2013 SUBARU OUTBACK PREM. EDITION \$13,200 Stock#S3265	4WD JUST REDUCED	2010 CHEVY TAHOE LT \$13,850 Stock#S3234	LATITUDE ONLY, 35K MILES	2015 JEEP PATRIOT FWD \$13,900 Stock#S3208	ONLY 10K MILES	2018 CHEVY CRUZE LS \$14,800 Stock#S3184
3RD ROW SEATING	2016 DODGE JOURNEY SXT \$15,200 Stock#S3178	LOADED UP ONLY 10K MILES	2017 VW JETTA SE \$15,500 Stock#S3260	ONLY 53K MILES	2017 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SXT \$15,675 Stock#S3177	LEATHER MOON ROOF	2014 SUBARU FORESTER LIMITED \$16,500 Stock#S3186	LOADED WITH EXTRAS ONLY 37K MILES	2016 TOYOTA CAMRY SE \$16,500 Stock#S3206