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Boys and Girls Club of the Eastern Shore Recognized by Northampton Supervisors

Members of the Eastern Shore branch of the Boys and Girls Club of Southeast Virginia attended the Northampton board of supervisors meeting Feb. 12, when April 25, 2019, was proclaimed Boys and Girls Club Day. The youth in attendance are flanked by Boys and Girls Club board members Sheriff David Doughty, on the left, and Bill Payne (holding the proclamation), Director Kathy Custis, and Northampton Board of Supervisors Chairman Spencer Murray, on the right.

After Years Of Challenging Hallwood, John Smith Claims Small Victories *Beginning With Payment for a Tooth Extraction and a Seat at the Table*

By Linda Cicoira

It took decades, but John Smith, of Hallwood, finally appears to have turned the tables. Last week, he was victorious in getting the town council to give him \$250 for dental work even though the move immediately brought another resident's plea for assistance.

And Smith came to the rescue with the copy of an old ordinance and says he has copies of several more that he has saved over the years and will provide to the zoning administrator or clerk.

All the town records were burned in a fire in the former town clerk's car in October 2017. She was recently charged with 65 counts of embezzlement.

Smith has been known as that guy who sued town officials, painted a school bus purple and converted it into his home in the center of town, was accused of stalking because he put up surveillance cameras in his yard, was not allowed to go on

property owned by Chincoteague because the neighbor worked there, wrote a book about the injustices, and registered his election campaign against former town

Tangier Residents Have Safe, Running Water At Last

By Linda Cicoira

Tangier Islanders were raising their glasses (of water) Wednesday and toasting thanks to those up and down the Eastern Shore mainland, the Tidewater area, and parts of Maryland that came to the rescue with bottles of drinking water after their main water line broke and their water tower was emptied.

Mayor James "Ooker" Eskridge said the water test came back good, the boil water order was lifted and residents are able to drink and bathe in comfort. There was "an outpouring of support. There are a lot of good people out there," he added.

attorney, State Sen. Lynwood Lewis.

Smith ran for town council, in Hallwood, 10 times and was finally elected last year with a total of 12 votes.

Now he officially has the privilege of sitting at the council table without being hassled. On Jan. 9, the town wrote the

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"Customers of the town of Tangier were notified on Jan. 24, 2019, of a problem with our drinking water," the town notice posted on Facebook stated. "You probably noticed that we lost water pressure due to the broken water pipes. We were advised to boil any water used for consumption. We are pleased to report that the problems have been corrected and that it is no longer necessary to boil your water or (to) use bottled water. We have made the necessary repairs to the system or isolated the leaks. The storage tank has returned to its normal working capacity and we have collected two bacteriological samples to confirm

our system remained free from contamination. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience."

About three weeks ago, VDOT was replacing two bridges on the Chesapeake Bay's island of about 400 people. The existing water line had to be moved, so it was replaced with a new line. Freezing temperatures were measured Jan. 20, and there was a break in the line. Eskridge said the lack of flowing water then caused lines to some homes to burst. Residents managed by using creek water to flush toilets and heated water to bathe. Businesses were also unable to operate.

Duer Not Satisfied With Reporting on Costs of New EMS Garage

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton supervisor Robert Duer still wants answers about the true cost of the county's new Emergency Medical Services garage in Machipongo.

When Director of Public Works Chris Thomas announced the building's completion at the Jan. 28 supervisors meeting, Board of Supervisors Chairman Spencer Murray spoke of a ribbon-cutting ceremony, but Duer had questions.

"How can we get a spreadsheet ...?" he asked. He wanted to know exactly how nearly \$360,000 was spent on the project. "I've asked four times for it. ... I think the public needs to know where every penny was spent."

The spreadsheet was made available to the public online in time for the Feb. 12 supervisors meeting, but Duer still was not satisfied.

According to the spreadsheet, the project was under its \$360,000 budget by a mere \$3.95. However, Duer noted that landfill expenses were absent. "Did we haul anything to the landfill?" he asked.

He also noticed the cost of a Bobcat – a compact, heavy equipment

unit used on construction sites – was not included on the spreadsheet, even though it was purchased specifically for the EMS building project.

Neither was the labor performed by county employees included in the project's total cost.

"So, in theory, we really were over budget on the building," Duer concluded.

"It's not the fact that we were over budget ... it's the fact that we weren't told" that raised his concern, Duer said.

Northampton didn't save money with county employees doing the work, he continued. Including labor, the project cost the county \$376,000, but for \$360,000, "we could have had it built ... by a professional," Duer said.

According to the March 26, 2018, meeting minutes, Thomas estimated if the county took on the project, it would cost about \$302,000, including labor, Duer said. County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski disagreed with Duer's interpretation of the information.

Later, Duer spoke in favor of supervisors' unanimous decision to approve

a special use permit to put a single wide mobile home on property in Machipongo belonging to Brandon Lilly.

Because Lilly has a mental disability, his great aunt, Goldie Delcambre, submitted the permit application on his behalf.

On the application, Delcambre explained that her great-nephew is homeless. He can't rent an apartment due to disability-related issues, and a single wide mobile home is the only other housing option he can afford.

Following the affirmative vote, Duer said, "Finally, some compassion. Thank you."

Parks and Recreation

David Kabler, chairman of the Northampton County Parks and Recreation (NCPR) advisory board, reported the department is in "great shape."

More than 1,000 Northampton residents participate in nine programs at two facilities.

Indiantown Park, in Eastville, has been renovated and now boasts a lighted softball diamond, soccer field, 36-hole disc golf course, playground, and events pavilion.

The former Northampton Mid-

dle School, in Machipongo, is home to more than half of NCPR's programs. The gym was recently renovated.

The NCPR board has a five-year plan to renovate the school's sports fields and bleachers, construct a concession stand, and purchase gym equipment.

Future athletic programs may include baseball, football, lacrosse, street hockey, pickle ball, and swimming.

There is also interest in using the building as a community center. It could provide a kitchen and cafeteria for special events and an auditorium for meetings, presentations, plays, and concerts.

Other possible uses include an African-American history museum, an aquatics center, business development, child care, education, emergency medical services training, and an Eastern Shore location for the Delmarva Red Cross.

Kabler invited supervisors to "see for yourselves the depth of talent in our youth as well as the pride and support of their family and friends."

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Exmore's Fire Department To Use Grant To Recruit Volunteer Firefighters

By Stefanie Jackson

The pool of volunteer firefighters on the lower Eastern Shore is drying up, but the director of the Northampton County Fire-Rescue Commission and Exmore's fire chief, Greg DeYoung, presented a possible solution to supervisors late last month.

Exmore's fire department, Community Fire Company, plans to fund recruitment efforts through federal funds called a SAFER grant (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response).

"The average age of a firefighter in the Community Fire Company in Exmore is over 40 years old, approaching 50 years old, and I tell you, firefighting's a young man's game," DeYoung said.

"We have a decreasing number of new volunteer firefighters, and that has reached a critical stage," he said.

The SAFER grant was awarded to Exmore fire company, but "this marketing campaign is going to assist all departments throughout the whole Eastern Shore, both fire and EMS," DeYoung said.

Supervisor Oliver Bennett asked

why there aren't more people volunteering. "It's a lot of work," DeYoung answered.

The application process is simple; after passing a background check, an applicant is voted in. But new volunteers must invest more than 200 hours attending training at the fire academy every Sunday for six months.

"And how much are you going to get paid for that? Zero," DeYoung pointed out.

However, the fire company pays for all training and equipment.

"People just don't have the time to dedicate toward that. EMS is the same way," DeYoung said.

EMS training also requires six months of attending classes two nights per week.

Northampton Board of Supervisors Chairman Spencer Murray said, "It is an absolute, tremendous commitment. ... It has risk, it takes time ... it's a personal sacrifice, for family as well."

"The volunteers are the best bargain the county's ever gotten," he said.

But "if volunteers don't step up ... you're going to end up with a paid system, and Northampton County's not

going to be able to afford that right now," DeYoung added.

The decision to hire a recruiter was based on recommendations made by the Virginia Fire Services Board in 2011 and an EMS management study in 2016, he said.

Eastern Shore 9-1-1 Commission Director Jeff Flournoy also addressed Bennett's question about the difficulty in finding volunteer firefighters. "I think things maybe have changed in society. Overall, it's harder to volunteer. ... Many people out there are working multiple jobs and (have) different family commitments."

Flournoy said the SAFER grant will provide an opportunity to educate the public and find more volunteers.

The grant application was submitted last April and underwent a "competitive process," Flournoy said. The grant was awarded in September for approximately \$232,000 to be spent within a two-year period. There was no local match requirement.

The recruitment coordinator, a temporary, part-time position, will cost \$64,000, including salary, supplies,

and travel expenses.

The recruiter will manage a marketing campaign, including advertising in print and other media, at a budgeted cost of \$106,000.

The fire company will set aside \$62,000 for training and physical exams.

Flournoy requested Northampton's assistance in acquiring the recruiter since the fire company operates on a volunteer basis and does not have established hiring policies and procedures.

"While this grant is ... for the Community Fire Company, it will definitely impact all Northampton County, as well as Accomack County, because that's just the market we operate in," he said.

The Community Fire Company is requesting level funding from the county this year, \$30,000, or 10 percent of its \$300,000 yearly operating costs.

EMS Director Hollye Carpenter agreed the company could request additional EMS staffing so it will have two EMS personnel providing 24/7 coverage to Exmore. Currently, it has 24/7 EMS coverage three days per week, with four night shifts covered by one county employee and one volunteer.

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Judge Rules Chincoteague and Employees Have Sovereign Immunity in Mosquito Spraying Case

By Linda Cicoira

The Town of Chincoteague and three staff members were protected by sovereign immunity — “a doctrine that says they cannot commit a legal wrong” — in a \$750,000 lawsuit that alleged “unwanted and unauthorized chemicals” sprayed for mosquito control by town workers caused the late Joseph W. Abell to suffer severe personal discomfort, respiratory distress, and other damages.

Judge W. Revell Lewis III made the determination Wednesday and also ruled the spray was not a nuisance that would affect the public and that the spray did not amount to trespassing.

A six-member jury was selected Tuesday and evidence from both sides was heard. But before closing statements were made or the jury could begin deliberations, motions asking Lewis to dismiss the complaints convinced the judge there was no merit to the allegations.

Lawyer Kevin Martingale, of Virginia Beach, who represented widow Geraldine Florence Abell, claimed former Town Manager Robert Ritter, Public Works Director Harvey William Spur-

lock Jr., and Mosquito Control Supervisor Robert Joseph Watson were negligent in their duties to keep her property from being sprayed.

Martingale said despite that the Abells' property was added to a list of those not to be sprayed, the sprayings occurred often, if not daily, with no prior notice. Joseph Abell died in January 2016.

Geraldine Abell showed the jury her husband's photo from his last Christmas, and she presented letters her husband wrote to the town that asked that the spraying cease.

“His opinion was the town didn't care and that's about it,” she said. “He was angry. He was a person who lived in the town. His opinion didn't matter.”

Abell said her husband retired in 1975 when he was 38 because he had a brain aneurysm. He was a heavy smoker and developed emphysema, a chronic lung disease, COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), and asthma. She said the mosquito spray caused his problems to worsen.

No medical evidence that her claim was true was presented, according to the court.

“We had our own little pharmacy in the house,” she said. “I'm a nurse. I took care of him.” She said when the smell of the spray would seep into their house, “The look on his face ... if you've ever seen anyone in pain ... I can't describe it. ... I heard him breathing. It sounded like Rice Krispies after you put the milk on it. Snap, crackle, pop.”

Thomas Walp, of Salisbury, Md., testified that when he first started the spraying job, a route was not provided so he didn't realize he had sprayed in the road in front of the Abell house until he had gotten past it. He went back to the house and apologized but later wished he hadn't because of the poor reception he received.

Geraldine Abell's complaint stated Ritter had supervisory authority over the other defendants. Spurlock was Watson's supervisor.

Ritter told a reporter Tuesday that he was living in Maryland and working in Lovettsville, Va., which is in Loudoun County. He was hired as the town's manager in November 2018.

Ritter was fired from his 10-year job with Chincoteague in November 2016 following a closed session of the town coun-

cil. After the vote, he was escorted from the premises. Ritter was given 90 days severance pay, about \$25,000 of his annual salary of \$101,000. In May 2017, he became manager of the Northern Virginia town of Dumfries. Ritter was reportedly fired in August 2018 from Dumfries because “he was not a good fit for the town.” Ritter explained to a Loudoun newspaper that in both situations a new mayor and new council members “wanted to go in a new direction.”

Former Councilman Jim Frese said Ritter lost his job because “he didn't interact well with people. People would bring a problem to him and it was like it never happened.” Frese told the court when he brought Joseph Abell's complaint to Ritter, the town manager told him “the Abells were a pain in the ass. He never did anything.”

“If there's nothing harmful about it (the spray) why is it regulated by the state of Virginia?” Martingale asked before the trial. “It's obviously very dangerous ... Some people have a sensitivity to the spray ... he was already a very fragile breather. Letters (were sent) from three doctors. They can't claim that they didn't know.”

According to the court file, a letter

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~John Smith~

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70-year-old a check drawn from Hallwood coffers so Smith could get a tooth extracted “up in Baltimore where my wife lives.” He said he couldn’t afford the dental work. Smith doesn’t get a stipend for serving the community. The majority of members wanted to help him.

The council approved the move at last week’s session, where they also voted to prohibit commoners, those who aren’t holding public office, from sitting with them at their table, unless all the other folding chairs are filled. Smith was the only member opposed to the move.

During a two-decade stretch, Smith

ran for office every other year when town elections were held “even while they were spending the town’s money trying to run me out of town,” he said of the council just after winning the election.

He doesn’t know what irritated people about him. But he said a local woman told him it was because “you paint everything purple.”

A different woman, who was not identified, sat at the council table during the recent session and didn’t move even after the vote that prohibited her from sitting there. She asked the town to help her cut the curb at her house for a driveway as it was unsafe for her to park on the street. She said a license plate was stolen from her vehicle when

it was left there.

The council members made no move to help her.

“When a council member asks,” you pay, she said. “But if you are a citizen who asks, you won’t pay.”

“My thoughts are, it’s the landowner’s responsibility,” Poulson said.

“We asked the whole town,” said Councilman Rich Selinsky. “When they voted for him (Smith), they said, ‘Yes.’ They must have some faith in him.”

“She’s got a good point,” said Young. “Giving him the money has opened a can of worms. I didn’t vote for Johnny and his teeth.”

“It was opened a long time ago when it was given to someone else,” Smith answered. He later said it wasn’t the town’s action to help him get his tooth extracted that set the precedence. It was a vote years ago to help Councilwoman Sicky Hicks with her medical bill.

“No one at this town council gets paid a dime,” said Poulson. “So, I didn’t think that was out of the way.”

“She’s not going to be the only one,” Young said of the woman who wanted a driveway.

The council also voted to continue working on a plan to bring back a po-

lice department. The recent purchase of a squad car was referenced.

In 2009, the Hallwood police chief’s taser was used by a local father to stun his 15-year-old son. A video of the incident circulated on social media. At that time, all involved said it was a joke and that the boy was never really hit.

“Once we see the police department isn’t paying for itself then we’ll do away with it,” Mayor Jackie Poulson told the council.

“You can’t spend something you don’t have,” Hicks answered. “That’s because the cop didn’t do his job and get any tickets,” she added.

“Only thing the cop did was arrest John Smith,” Smith said of himself.

“That’s in the past,” Councilman Stanley Young told Smith. “We’ve asked you to forget about it.”

Included in a draft town budget was \$10,000 for police. Hicks abstained from voting about starting a new department. She was adamant in her opposition to it. Councilwoman Barbara Ferrell was absent. The rest of the panel voted in favor of having the protection.

The plan was for compensation to be fixed by the council that would not be based on commission earned on tickets issued.

~ Mosquito Case

from Abell’s doctor, Edward Rusche, of Towson, Md., was dated July 2, 2013, and sent to the town regarding Abell’s Chicken City Road home. “His lung functions are critically low and inhaled chemical pollution could cause a further constriction, temporary or even permanent, of the already critically narrowed airways in his lungs. Occupational dusts and chemical pollutions in general are

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a frequent cause of hospital admissions for severe shortness of breath in patients with asthma, but also for patients who do not have classical asthma but other obstructive airway disease with a bronchospastic component. I would recommend that the effects of mosquito spraying be seriously considered and accommodations be made to minimize the ill effects of Mr. Joseph Abell.”



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- From Kenneth and Carolyn Githens To Waymon and Sheila Anderson Lot 24, Northfield Drive, Belle Haven For \$42,000
- From Joseph Feldman, trustee and Ralph S. Margolius Family Trust To John Atkinson 180 acres known as Floyd-Garrison Farm near Painter For \$136,800
- From SMH II LLC and BTM Accomack LLC To John Atkinson 54 acres known as Tully Parker Farm near Painter For \$43,200
- From Sara and John Davis, trustees To Captain's Cove Land Co. Lot 1089, Section 1, Captain's Cove For \$4,500
- From Nancy Buckner To Carl and Linda Bachi 30065 Back Creek Rd., Hacks Neck For \$150,000
- From Joan Murden To Jenelle Embrey Lot 6, Lewis Street, Chincoteague For \$5,000
- From Irene Phelps To David Bourne and Theresa Bulger 3389 Main Street, Chincoteague For \$225,000
- From Anita Speidel To David Madison Lot 25, Highland Park Dev., Chincoteague For \$139,000
- From Edward and Cheryl Beyer To Carl and Julia White 40 Blue Point Ct., Horntown For \$48,000
- From Lois Jester To Jean and Marlene Desil 23149 Lilliston Ave., Accomac For \$41,000
- From Messick and Wessells Inc. To Francisco Roblero and Alba Bartolon Tastee Freeze Lot, Lankford Highway Nelsonia For \$140,000
- From Rebecca Kirk and Jayson Withington To Marisu Kennedy 7593 East Side Rd., Chincoteague For \$160,000
- From John Gray To Peninsula Real Estate Investments LLC

- Metompkin Road, Bloxom For \$8,300
- From Dorothy Tadder To Angela Taylor Craddockville parcel For \$10
- From Dixie Grinnalds To David and Rhonda Arrowood Lee Street property, Melfa For \$8,000
- From William Jones and Faye Parsons To J & A Builders LLC Lot 182, Section 2, Captain's Cove For \$5,000
- From Bernard and Lillie Milbourne To Makita Walker and Tyrel Douglas 16384 Red Bank La., Melfa For \$286,000
- From SunTrust Bank To Secretary of HUD 24039 Catharine St., Parksley For \$10
- From James and Elisabeth Fitzpatrick To Captain's Cove Golf & Yacht Club Inc. Section 1, Lot 570, Captain's Cove For \$1
- From Sharon and Christopher Carter To Pamela Alton Lot 230, Unit 3, Trails End For \$45,000
- From Laurence Crispin To Richard Shoff Lot 1-A Poplar Cove Road, near Onancock For \$20,000
- From Michael and Donald Moscatello To Cheryl Cashman 12 Frances St., Onancock For \$145,000
- From Special Commissioner James Elliott and Timmy Fronzoli To Waterside Village and Heron Watch property associations 7.23 acres, Cedar Island For \$2,700
- From Helene Benedick and Lucy Thrasher To H.E. Shore LLC 35.5 acres, Chinquapin Grove Cut Wood, Craddockville For \$69,250
- From Janice Marish To Eric and Jessica Theiss Lot 938, Section 1, Captain's Cove For \$70,000
- From Janice Marish To Eric and Jessica Theiss 38027 Sailors Court, Greenbackville For \$455,000
- From Dana Webster To Ralph and Mary Miller 26136 Circle Dr., For \$24,000
- From Richard and Roseanne Adamo

- To Bruce Schuchardt Lot 1383, Section 3, Captain's Cove For \$48,000
 - From James and Jennifer O'Sullivan To John and Janice Seymour Lot 15, Coral Court, Chincoteague For \$170,000
 - From Mark and Vonda Ross To Eric Walp 7174 Tull Circle, New Church For \$109,500
 - From Arne and Peggy Breland To Robert and Charlene Kershaw 3530 Main St., Chincoteague For \$475,000
 - From Robert and Carol Heller To Sarah Whitley 34079 Seaside Rd., Painter For \$289,000
- ### Northampton County
- From Brandon, James, and Prudence Ramsey To Myra and Dennis Corbitt Unit 5-124, Building 5, Phase 3, Fairways I Condominium, Cape Charles For \$247,000
 - From Carl and Kalyn Allums, Rhonda and Zachary Annon, and Holly Hubbard To Robert Russo Lot near Capeville For \$88,000
 - From Charles and Drenda Terry To APF LLC Parcel, .911 acres, near Willis Wharf For \$25,000
 - From J. Douglas Rippon To Joyce Hasbrouck Lot in Capeville For \$165,000
 - From William and Jacqueline Johnson, Dorothy Mears, and Thomas Savage Jr., trustee To Gregory and Michelle Truslow 2 parcels at Fairview For \$152,500
 - From Felicia Matthews To Vincent Stith Lot 38, near Bayview For \$5,000
 - From Darrell and Patsy Divito To Cherie and David O'Brien Lot, .96 acre, Wilsonia Neck For \$515,000
 - From Amy and John Nottingham III To MLT Enterprises LLC Part of Lots 135, 138, and 139, known as 504 and 506, Cape Charles For \$120,000
 - From Hugh Cashion To Amy and John Nottingham III Parcel, 109.92 acres, near Cherrystone For \$1,500,000

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Court Postings

By Linda Cicaira

Rogers Sentenced To 10 Years on Drug Charges

Akeem Markiese Rogers, the defendant whose cocaine trial sparked a murder-for-hire scheme in Accomack County in October 2017, was sentenced to 10 years in prison Monday in Northampton Circuit Court for possession with intent to distribute the drug. All but two years and nine months of the term was suspended.

Probation violations upped the prison term for Rogers, 28, of Benjamin Banneker Street in Exmore. Judge W. Revell Lewis III reimposed seven years, eight months, and 23 days of a sentence Rogers was given for two counts of possession with intent to distribute marijuana and a count of distributing cocaine. Lewis also reimposed two years and four months that was suspended for felony eluding. The terms were set to run consecutively.

The cocaine trial began with a jury but ended with a guilty plea after police informant Nathaniel Johnson testified against Rogers. The defendant's brother is accused of being the shooter in the murder scheme. Johnson was shot a couple of weeks after the cocaine trial.

"I did want you to show me leniency so I can take care of my daughter and get a job," Rogers said before being sentenced.

Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly Leatherbury wanted tough sentences. "Despite many breaks," Rogers "has continued to offend." There are "no allegations of mental illness or addiction, just contempt ... These guidelines are ridiculous for this defendant. I urge the court to look beyond the guidelines."

His mother, Aretha Rogers, spoke on his behalf. "He has a child, 10 years old. He was active in her life. She was living with him. He worked at Perdue. He was live hanging and he was also in another department. He eventually left and went to Tysons and Custis Farm. Yes, he was a hard-working person ... he has kept a positive attitude. He has our support."

"I understand the commonwealth's concern," said Defense lawyer Kenneth Singleton. "In some way, the commonwealth's attorney is exaggerating. Most of the drug cases have been marijuana in the past ... nothing particularly vio-

lent ... he's always trying to work. Had to drop out of school for whatever reason. Got GED at an early age. He has the potential to be a good citizen, to be an upstanding individual."

But Lewis wasn't swayed. "I don't know if your daughter was with you or not when you were driving on a revoked license or dealing drugs," said Lewis. "You have potential and lots of opportunities, not even 30 years old."

In other cases, Kanasha Chimere Parker, 28, and Tykia Twan Berryhill, 26, both of Exmore, were each sentenced to four years in prison for medical assistance fraud that occurred in 2016. All but 30 days of their terms was suspended and indefinite supervised probation was ordered.

Defense Has 6 Weeks To Convince Judge To Dismiss Charges

Defense lawyer Afshin Farashahi has six weeks to file a written motion that would convince an Accomack Circuit Court judge to dismiss two of the conspiracy charges against his client, Aaron Bowens, a suspect in the October 2017 murder-for-hire scheme of a police informant.

"Mr. Bowens is charged with three counts of conspiracy," Farashahi, of Virginia Beach, Va., told Judge W. Revell Lewis III last week. "All three are the same offense." Bowens "would be subjected to being tried for the same crime three times. Accepting the commonwealth's evidence, it is one conspiracy. Two of these charges should be dismissed."

Lewis gave Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan "three weeks after that to file a response." A trial date was set for June.

Aaron Jamarus Bowens, also known as Easy and BOBO, 23, of A. S. Road in Painter, is being held in Accomack Jail without bond.

Former Northampton Commonwealth's Attorney Bruce Jones called Bowens the "widely" suspected killer in another case. He was speaking of the death of Terrell "Juice" Devone Mason, a 26-year-old father of eight, who was gunned down in 2015.

After Mason's death, Bowens was involved in an incident at the former Sage Restaurant. He was hit in the leg by gunfire, which was followed by a high-speed police chase.

The informant Nathaniel Johnson, 30,

was shot three times as he walked with Dezarae Smith, 20, along Linhaven Circle, in Painter, on Oct. 31, 2017. Before the shooting, Johnson received threats because he testified in a cocaine trial. He called his friend Bowens to help him. Bowens is suspected of being hired to kill Johnson. Smith was shot in the foot.

Man Charged With Abduction

A Greenbackville man was accused this week in connection with a 2018 abduction, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Matthew Deloach, 40, of Spar Court in Greenbackville, was charged with the July 20, 2018, crime when he was arrested Feb. 8. He is being held in Accomack Jail without bond. The victim's name was not available. A preliminary hearing was set for April 23. Deloach was also charged with misdemeanor assault and battery that occurred on the same day.

Deputy J. Sharp, of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office, investigated.

Mathai Complies With Sentence Requirements To Fix Land Disturbed in Sensitive Area

Benjamin Mathai, the first person to be given jail time and a fine for clear-cutting protected wetlands and soil disturbance without a permit in Northampton County, was congratulated by Judge W. Revell

Coast Guard Warns of Cold Water Danger

Submitted Article

In conjunction with the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Virginia the "THINK 60 - Cold Water Danger" paddle craft risk program has been created to identify the "fair" warm days when a significant number of paddle craft are expected on the water when waters remain cold, increasing the risk of drowning from capsize incidents.

THINK 60 - The Cold Water Danger criteria were established with the USCG identifying heightened risk days based on wa-

Lewis III of the county circuit court Monday for complying with the requirements that were imposed in the landmark case.

A satisfactory report for mitigation and restoration was briefly mentioned in court about Mathai, 57, of Manassas Park, Va. "Everything is in order," Lewis said. Another review was set for Feb. 10, 2020.

Mathai was sentenced to a total of two years in jail and given \$5,000 in fines. The terms were suspended to 40 days in jail, and he was fined \$2,000 in fines for offenses on his property in the Exmore area. He was convicted of unpermitted encroachment into the Chesapeake Bay Resource Protection Area, use of wetlands without a permit, and unpermitted land disturbing activity. All three charges are misdemeanors. Mathai was permitted to serve his jail time on weekends. The restoration was initially anticipated to cost \$160,000.

He said the criminal proceedings against him ruined the "solitude, peacefulness, (and) calm" he sought in purchasing property on the Eastern Shore. Mathai admitted he knew he needed a permit for the work that was performed.

Cheriton Man Faces Drug Charges

Shawn R. Thomas Jr., of Cheriton, was charged with felony possession with intent to distribute marijuana on Jan. 31, 2019, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for March 21.

ter temperatures below 60 degrees and air temperatures above 60. To clarify, even on days when the weather criteria are not met, cold water is always dangerous.

Water Temp (°F)	Loss of Dexterity (with no protective clothing)	Time to Exhaustion or Unconsciousness	Expected Survival Time
32.5 °F	Under 2 minutes	Under 15 minutes	Under 15 – 45 min
32.5 – 40 °F	Under 3 minutes	15 – 30 minutes	30 – 90 minutes
40 – 50 °F	Under 5 minutes	30 – 60 minutes	1 – 3 hours
50 – 60 °F	10 – 15 minutes	1 – 2 hours	1 – 6 hours
60 – 70 °F	30 – 40 minutes	2 – 7 hours	2 – 40 hours
70 – 80 °F	1 – 2 hours	2 – 12 hours	3 hours – Indefinite
> 80 °F	2 – 12 hours	Indefinite	Indefinite

Source: U.S. Coast Guard

Cold water can cause loss of dexterity, unconsciousness, and death.

OBITUARIES

Mildred Lee Ewell

Mrs. Mildred Lee “Mickey” Ewell, 88, of Parksley, wife of the late Louis Ewell, passed away Feb. 11, 2019, at Shore Health and Rehab.

Born June 28, 1930, in Saxis, she was the daughter of the late Marvin Thomas Drew-er and Buealah Stant Drew-er.

Mrs. Ewell is survived by a daughter, Martha Jane Linton; a son, Louis Ewell; six grandchildren, Larry Linton, Terinna Hill, Crystal Simpson, Tracy Martin, Brian Ewell and Lea Ewell; 17 great-grandchildren; and several great-great grandchildren.

Other than her husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Drew-er Ewell.

A funeral service was held Thursday, Feb. 14, 2019, from the Saxis United Methodist Church on Saxis. Interment followed in the Drew-er Cemetery on Saxis.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

Catherine T. Gladden

Mrs. Catherine Rush Trower Gladden, 94, died peacefully Feb. 8, 2019, at Shenandoah Valley Westminister-Canterbury in Winchester, Va. Born in Eastville, she was the daughter of the late Dr. Edward Holland Trower and Catherine Rush Trower and the youngest of five children. She was affectionately known to her family and friends



Mrs. Gladden

by her childhood nickname, Queekie. A gracious and lovely lady, she was a lifelong resident of the Eastern Shore of Virginia until she moved to Westminister-Canterbury in 2010.

She graduated from State Teachers College, now Longwood Universi-

ty, in Farmville, Va., with a degree in English. In December 1945, she married William T. Gladden Jr., who at the time had just completed dental school and served in the U.S. Navy. Together they planned and built an office, and he began his dental practice in Exmore. She taught in Northampton and Accomack county schools and then, in 1966, became a dedicated part of the faculty at Broadwater Academy where she continued to teach sixth grade for 25 years, until the time of her retirement.

As a faithful and involved member of Christ Episcopal Church in Eastville, she served on the Altar Guild, as an active member of the St. Cecilia Guild and at times was the church organist.

Mrs. Gladden was a longtime member of The Garden Club of the Eastern Shore in which she enthusiastically participated. She was a member of the Historical Society of the Eastern Shore, served on its board of directors and as a docent at Ker Place. She and her husband were also charter members of the Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club.

She was proud descendant of Dr. Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution with a keen interest in genealogy. She enjoyed gardening, flower arranging, entertaining, bridge, music, antiques and artwork, golf, boating and beach time, keeping up with current events and politics. She was a prolific correspondent and an excellent writer. Most of all, she loved her husband and family, especially her grandchildren, having friends and being a caring, thoughtful friend to many.

Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her devoted husband, who died in 1991, and her four siblings, Edward H. Trower Jr., Preston E. Trower, Benjamin R. Trower and Harriet T. Bell. She is survived by her daughters, Catherine “Kate” G. Schultz and her husband, Thomas “Tas,” of Winchester, Va., and Harriet “Holly” G. Phelps and her husband, Thomas “Tom,” of Charlottesville, Va. In addition, she is survived by her adoring grandchildren, Thomas A. Schultz III “Tommy,” of Bali, Indonesia, William Preston Schultz and his wife, Jennifer,

of Greenville, S.C., Thomas C. Phelps IV and his wife, Jennifer, and Julia P. Cameron and her husband, David, all of Huntersville, N.C.; along with her six great-grandchildren, Stella Catherine, Alexander and Benjamin Schultz, Tinsley Phelps, and Holland and Kipton Cameron.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019, at 2 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville, officiated by the Rev. Daniel L. Crockett, with interment following in the church cemetery. A memorial chapel service will be held at Westminster-Canterbury, at a later date.

The family wishes to express their deepest gratitude to the staff at Westminster-Canterbury for their extraordinary devotion, care and kindness to Mrs. Gladden. She will be remembered with great affection by those whose lives she touched.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Shenandoah Valley Westminister-Canterbury Employee Appreciation Fund, 300 Westminister-Canterbury Dr., Winchester, VA 22603; Broadwater Academy, P. O. Box 546, Exmore, VA 23350; or Christ Episcopal Church, 16304 Courthouse Rd., Eastville, VA 23347.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Claudia Savage Greene

Mrs. Claudia Savage Greene, of Chincoteague, passed away peacefully Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2019, at her residence. Born Dec. 8, 1945, on Chincoteague, she was the daughter of the late Claude and Florence Hill Savage. She was a gift shop clerk for Blue Crab Bay Company for many years and then retired. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary #159.

Her survivors include her loving husband, Harvey R. Greene, and one niece, Kathryn Holman, of Eagle Lake, Fla. She was predeceased by her two sons, William Nicholas Patrick McAdam and Sean Joseph McAdam.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019, at Fox & Holston Funeral Home, Chincoteague, at 2 p.m. Interment will be at Daisey Cemetery, Chincoteague, with the Rev. Maury

Enright officiating.

A reception will be held at the American Legion #159, Chincoteague, following the interment.

Memorial contributions can be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, 25379 Lankford Hwy, Suite A, Onley, VA 23418.

Local arrangements were made by Fox & Holston Funeral Home, Chincoteague.

Condolences can be made at www.foxfuneralhomes.com

Sonia Ann Carhuff Ingram

Mrs. Sonia Ann Carhuff Ingram, 55, loving wife of Robert Gregory Ingram, M.D., and a resident of Nas-sawadox, and Rolesville, N. C., passed away Friday, Feb. 1, 2019, after a brief illness.

Born Nov. 11, 1963, in Wiesbaden, Germany, she was the daughter of Yasuko Ohba Carhuff and Robert J. Carhuff Sr.



Mrs. Ingram

Mrs. Ingram was a graduate of Seventy-First High School in Fayetteville, N.C. Upon graduation, she received an RN degree from Fayetteville Technical Community College. She practiced nursing for many years as a gastroenterology nurse, most recently at Duke University Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Greg, and their son, Patrick William Ingram, of Asheville, N.C.; her parents; a sister, Marie Carhuff Kaake, and a brother Robert J. Carhuff Jr. She is also survived by a niece, Jamisen Wead and her children, David and Sayuri; a nephew, Daniel Kaake and his children, Emileigh, Isaac, and Aria; and an uncle, William Carhuff, of New Jersey.

Among Sonia’s many interests were painting, needle work, cooking, and loving her pony, Trouble.

A memorial service is being planned for March in the Raleigh, N.C., area. Arrangements were made by Hollo-mon-Brown Funeral Home, Bayside Chapel. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.hollo-mon-brown.com

Ellen Nock Nelson

Mrs. Ellen Brittingham Nock Nelson, born in Norfolk, Va., grew up on Folly Farm in Accomack County. She was happy to be playing in the woods and looking for treasures on beaches of the nearby barrier islands. She graduated as valedictorian from Accomack High School in 1946 and from Randolph Maccon Woman's College in 1951 with a degree in English. She married Lt. William Long Nelson in 1951 and spent more than 23 years as a U.S. Air Force wife and mother, living in locations as diverse as Mississippi, Arizona, Washington State, Virginia, Japan, Louisiana, Canada, and South Carolina. In many of the places they lived, she and Bill enjoyed being on the water, boating, scuba diving, and fishing, often with their children when the kids were young. Mrs. Nelson always had a sturdy pair of binoculars around her neck, on the lookout for birds to add to her ever-growing life list, or just to watch.



Mrs. Nelson

When Bill retired as a colonel from the U.S. Air Force in 1974, the family returned to the Folly Farm, where the Nelsons finished raising their five children. Mrs. Nelson loved living there, watching baby eaglets nesting in tall pines, fishing, attending Drummondtown United Methodist Church in Accomack, and traveling frequently in their cabin cruiser and all around the country with Bill in their motor home, which they dubbed "the box." She always had crossword puzzles and a pencil on the kitchen table and near her spot in the den. She had always been big into recycling, even before it was the thing to do. She could often be found collecting aluminum cans that she turned in for money, which she happily donated to her church.

She was blessed with the deep love and true friendship she had with Bill for almost 60 years, until his death in 2009. She will be remembered as a mother for being quietly strong and organized, for her gentle sense of humor, strong will, generosity and love of family.

Mrs. Nelson was preceded in death by

her parents, Levin Floyd Nock Jr. and Cora Byrd Nock; her two brothers, Levin Floyd Nock III and Samuel Ames Nock; and a nephew. She is survived by her children, William Long Nelson Jr. (Colette), Elizabeth "Gussie" Byrd Nelson Fauntleroy, Virginia Nelson Snyder (Kurt), retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Samuel Floyd Nelson (Jackie), and Richard Paul Nelson (Amy); six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; as well as two sisters-in-law, four nephews and one niece. Mrs. Nelson will be greatly missed.

Funeral services were conducted from the Drummondtown United Methodist Church, Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019, with the Rev. Bill Greer officiating. Interment followed in the Edgemoor Cemetery in Accomack.

Memorial donations may be made to the Drummondtown UMC Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 267, Accomack, VA 23301.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Kasey René Price

Ms. Kasey René Price, 30, a resident of Cape Charles, passed away Friday, Feb. 8, 2019, in Eastville. A native of Northampton County, she was the daughter of Burleigh L. Price, of Horntown, and Michelle L. Hickman, of Cheriton. Kasey was a cook.

In addition to her loving parents, she is survived by her stepmothers, Crystal Price, of Horntown, and Bobette Price, of Cape Charles; brothers, Randall Hickman, of Townsend, and Aron Price, of Machipongo; stepsisters, Crystal Isdell and Ashley Spady, both of Cape Charles; stepbrothers, Brad Phillips, Dylon Phillips, and Cody Phillips; maternal grandmother, Janice Richardson; nephew, Len Spady III; and numerous aunts and uncles. She was predeceased by her maternal grandfather, George Richardson; paternal grandfather, George Price; and paternal grandmother, Kathryn Elliott.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2019, at Capeville Masonic Cemetery with the Rev. Marlin



Ms. Price

Hollinshead officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a Go Fund Me account to help with Kasey's funeral expenses www.gofundme.com/send-our-girl-home-kasey-renee-price

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneral-home.com

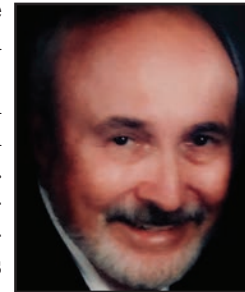
Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Donald D. Williams

Mr. Donald D. Williams, loving husband, father, and grandfather, passed away Thursday, Feb. 7, 2019, at the age of 78. Born June 1, 1940, in Oconto, Wis., he was the only child of the late Lawrence and Mildred Williams.

Raised in northeastern Wisconsin, Mr. Williams graduated from Oconto High School as valedictorian and was first chair

trumpet in the band. Mr. Williams received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Marquette University in 1963 and began his career in the naval radar field with Hughes Aircraft Corp. After several years with Hughes, he entered the federal civil service field, serving as the 3D radar systems engineer with the Naval Ship Missile Systems Engineering Station in Port Hueneme, Calif. In 1968, he transferred to the Naval Ship Systems Command as the combat control systems branch head, where he participated in the design of the USS Virginia, and in 1971, he moved to the USS Oliver Hazard Perry as the combat systems engineer. While assisting with ship design, construction, and production, he pursued his postgraduate education, earning a Master of Science degree in technological management from American University. He became the combat systems manager of the Saudi Naval Expansion Program in NAVSEA in 1982, and by 1986, was the manager of all NAVSEA



Mr. Williams

Combat Systems FMS sales to Pacific Command and South Command countries. In 1988, Mr. Williams, along with his wife, Janice, and their daughter, Ashley, moved to the Eastern Shore, residing at The Greens in Melfa. Mr. Williams began his transfer to Wallops Island, and the AEGIS program, directing the activation of all combat system equipment and later retired as the combat systems department head and site manager.

Mr. Williams was an active member of Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, a loyal member of the Knights of Columbus, having served as their financial secretary for many years, and a longtime member of the Christian Businessmen's Association. He loved spending time with his family and looked forward to boating in the summers, skiing in the winters, and vacations, especially when he got to drive. He was a diehard Green Bay Packers fan and adored the four Labrador retrievers he had over the years, and was very fond of his last dog, Mousse.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 55 years, Janice Brothers Williams; their children, David Williams, of Gaithersburg, Md., Jeffry Williams and his wife, Susan, of Chesterfield, Va., and Ashley Frederick and her husband, Greg, of Virginia Beach, Va.; and seven grandchildren, Lauren, Lilly, Madison, Joseph, Hayden, Mackenzie, and Chelsea. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a son, Stewart Williams.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, in Onley, Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019, at 11 a.m., with Father Rogelio L. Abadano officiating. A reception will follow in the church social hall. Private interment will be held at the Maple Hill Cemetery, in Rouses Point, N.Y.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

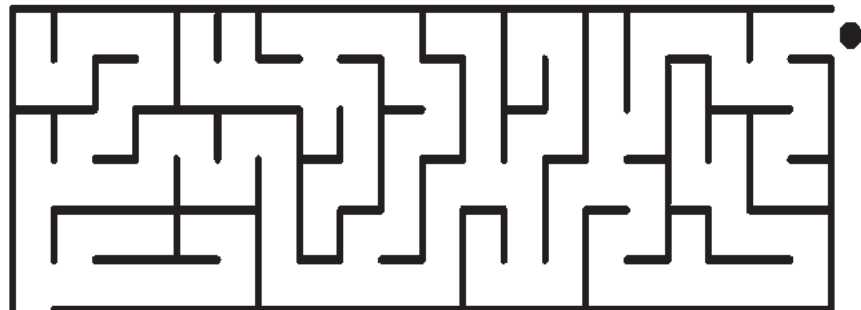
Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Obituaries may be emailed to editor@easternshorepost.com or faxed to 757-789-7681.

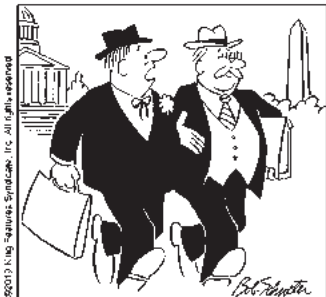
Deadline for obituaries is noon on Wednesdays. After deadline, call or email for space availability.

Kids' Puzzle Page

Kids' Maze



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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Wary
TRALE

Ardor
LAZE

Strive
PRAISE

Layer
RITE

TODAY'S WORD

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS – PRESIDENTS' DAY*

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

3 Letters

EYE
 RED
 SPY

4 Letters

DEER
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5 Letters

DAIRY
 NEEDY
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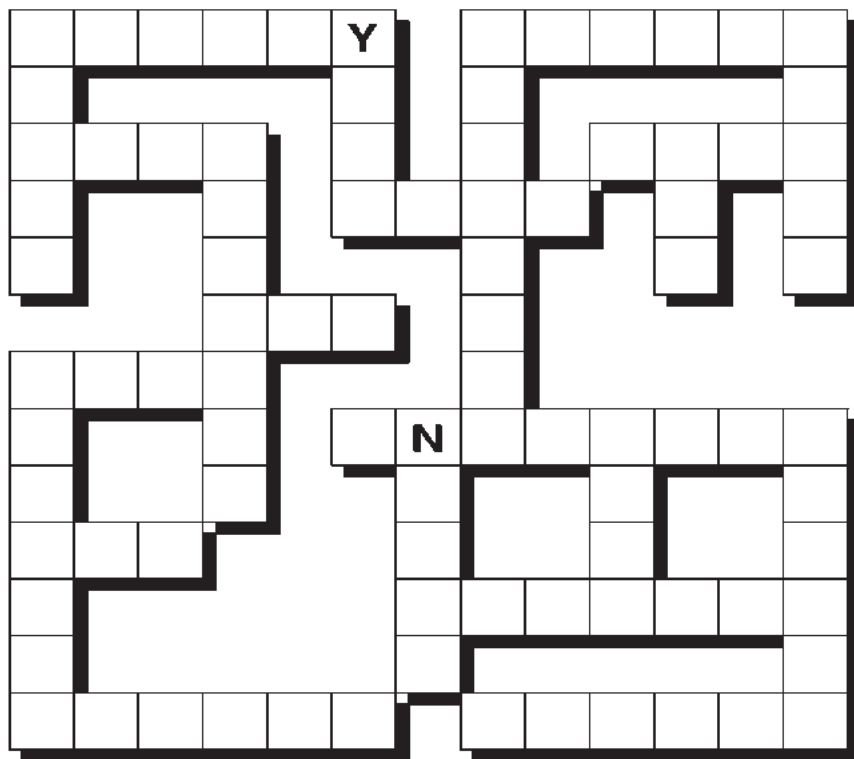
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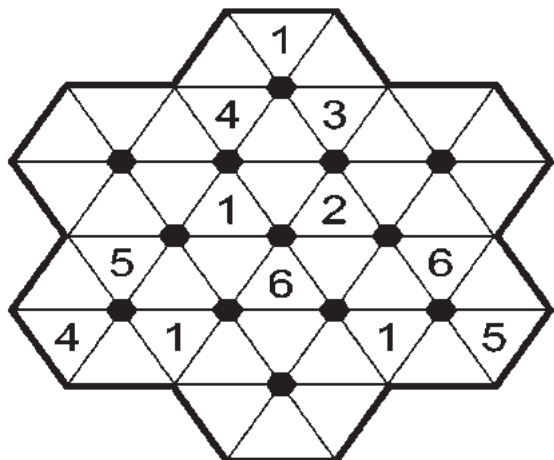


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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

PUZZLE CARD



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ICE CREAM STICK PUZZLE! Place 12 ice-cream sticks on the table and challenge your friends to arrange them in the form of six equilateral triangles, all the same size. The solution is pictured above.

LUCKY 13! Thirteen will be your lucky number if you can use another number, three times, to express the number 13. There are two solutions to this problem that use two different numbers

Answers: 12 + 12/12 and 14 - 14/14 both equal 13.

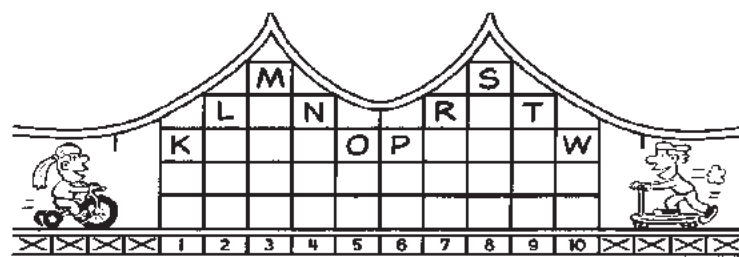
CHAIN REACTION! Take the seven letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.



Answers: Top to bottom, left to right: Caps, care, care, cart, cure, curt, cull, cull.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



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1. A small barrel.
2. Hog fat.
3. Indians cultivated it.
4. Opposite of midnight.
5. A clumsy fellow.
6. A type of talk.
7. Where coral is found.
8. Spicy sauce, or dance.
9. What ice skaters hate.
10. A frying pan.

Answers: 1. Keg, 2. Lard, 3. Maize, 4. Noon, 5. Cat, 6. Pep, 7. Reel, 8. Salsa, 9. Thaw, 10. Wok.

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Grant Aims To Reduce Pollution Through Septic System Rehab

By Linda Cicaira

Replacement, repairs, and pump outs for about 30 septic systems in Northampton County watersheds between Eastville and Birdsnest will be done with an \$82,500 grant awarded this week to the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission (A-NPDC).

Officials said the work will reduce pollution in the Gulf, Barlow, Mattawoman, Jacobus, and Hungars creeks, where levels of bacteria exceed state water quality standards. The creeks drain into the lower Chesapeake Bay.

If not properly maintained, septic tanks can leak bacteria and nutrients into groundwater and leach into surrounding creeks and tributaries. All but the Barlow “do not support Virginia’s bacteria standards for the production of edible and marketable seafood,” according to a Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) file.

The standards protect public health for swimming, fishing, and drinking water and safeguard aquaculture.

“The principal benefit to the oyster

growers in these creeks would be that once the water quality is restored, they would no longer need to transport their floats to clean water to depurate oysters prior to consumption,” the file continued. “It is important to note that there are substantial aquaculture activities in Cherrystone Inlet, which is less than 6 miles south of the Gulf. All of these creeks already meet the state water quality standards for safe swimming. However, further reducing fecal contamination levels in these creeks, particularly from human sources will improve public health by reducing the risk of infection from fecal sources through contact with surface waters.”

“The residential programs will play an important role in improving water quality, but there may also be (an) additional return on the investment in terms of economic benefits to homeowners,” the file continued. “An improved understanding of private on-site sewage systems, including knowledge of what steps can be taken to keep them functioning properly and the need for regular maintenance, will give homeowners the tools

needed for extending the life of their systems and reducing the overall cost of ownership. The replacement of failing on-site sewage disposal systems with new septic or alternative treatment systems will have a direct and substantial impact by improving property values and improving the local economy.”

The EPA requires states to develop a total maximum daily load (TMDL), or “pollution diet,” to identify pollution sources and contaminant levels that need to be reduced. DEQ completed a study in the area between 2007 and 2010 and identified excess amounts of fecal bacteria, mostly from humans, livestock, and pets. The funding was provided by DEQ through a grant from the EPA’s Clean Water Act Nonpoint Source Program.

“The grant is anticipated to complete the following, but with the understanding that these numbers are likely to change once we begin working with the community and more accurately assessing need,” Shannon Alexander, the ANPDC’s Coast Resources Program Manager, said Tuesday. Her list

included 22 septic pump outs, four system repairs, two installation/replacement systems, an installation/replacement system with a pump, and installation of an alternative on-site system.

Matching funds are required from the homeowner, Alexander said. For those most in need, Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project Inc. will provide an additional \$13,400 for the project.

“We are continually working with our local communities to identify best management practices that will reduce bacteria pollution in the area,” said Craig Nicol, director of the Tidewater DEQ office. “Fixing and restoring septic tanks is an important step towards achieving clean water and protecting shellfish along the Eastern Shore.”

The plan was approved by the EPA in 2015 and focused primarily on septic tank repairs, pet waste removal stations, and agriculture practices. The project is slated to begin later this year with completion in late 2020.

Estimates referenced in DEQ files for agricultural, residential, and educational programs total \$1,877,650. A break-

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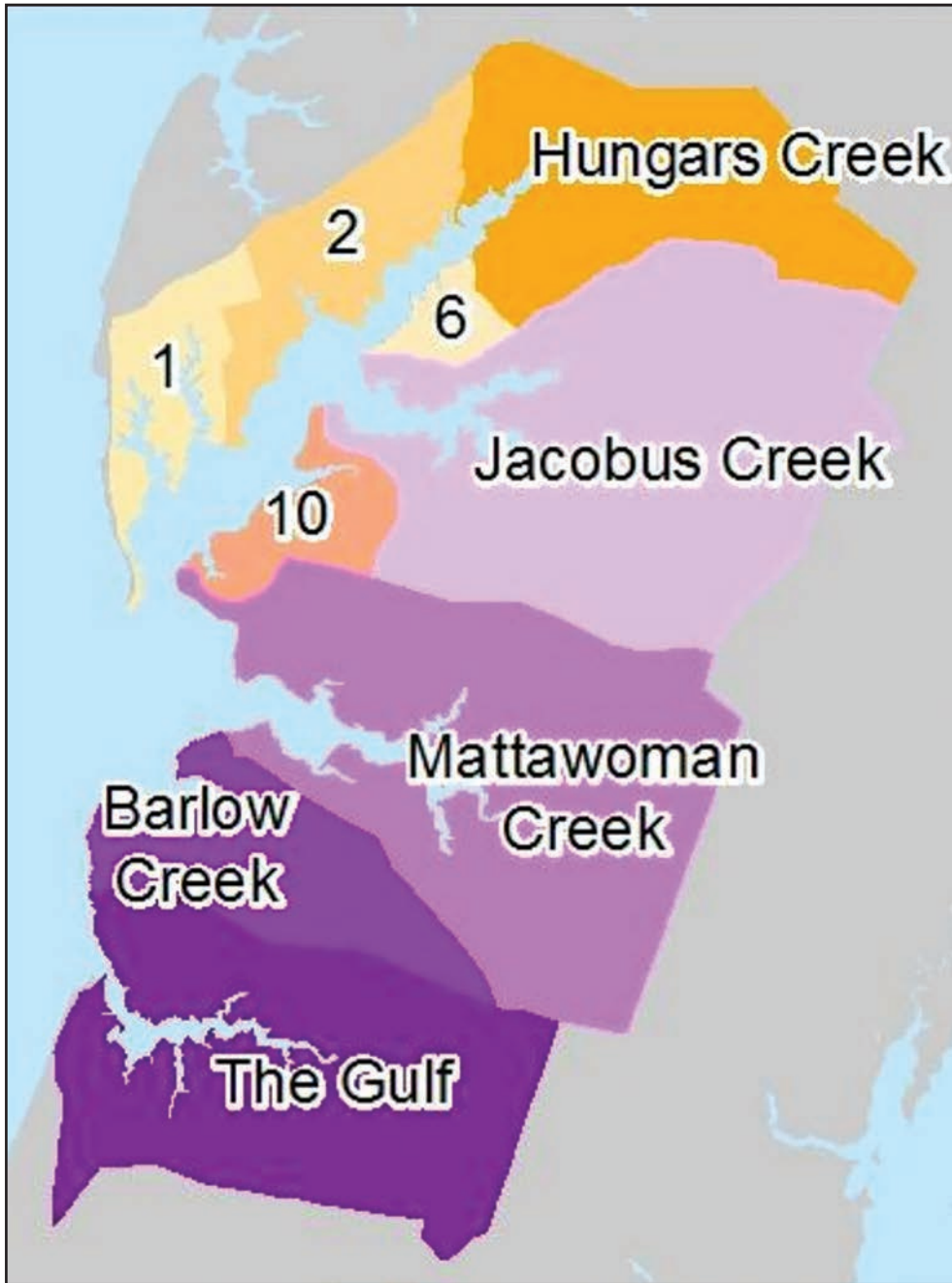
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A pollution reduction grant will target septic systems in five areas on the bayside.

down of the total shows \$420,600 is needed for the Gulf, \$136,800 for Barlow Creek, \$373,450 for Mattawoman Creek, \$390,850 for Jacobus Creek, \$217,600 for Hungars Creek. Hungars was also separated into sub-watersheds with \$198,550 needed for sub-watershed Number 1 for \$60,700 for Number 2, \$16,650 for Number 6, and \$62,450 for Number 10.

Phase 2 implementation costs for all of the watersheds combined was estimated to be \$332,700. An analysis shows The Gulf at \$81,000; Barlow Creek at \$23,100; Mattawoman Creek at \$61,800; Jacobus Creek at \$76,500; Hungars Creek at \$22,200.

The sub-watersheds' costs were shown as \$43,800 for Number 1, \$7,200 for Number 2, \$1,500 for Number 6, and \$15,600 for Number 10.

"Although Barlow Creek was removed from the Impaired Waters List in 2012, it was included in this plan to address actions that can be used to prevent future unacceptable fecal coliform loading in the watershed," according to the DEQ file. "The applicable fecal coliform bacteria standard specifies that the 90th percentile fecal coliform value for a sampling station not to exceed a most probable number (MPN) of 49 per 100 milliliters."

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Book Signing At Kiptopeke

Northampton Division Teacher Mentor Karen Foley signed a copy of her children's book, *Santa's Sick of Cookies*, for student Lianna Smith at a recent holiday celebration at Kiptopeke Elementary School.

As part of the celebration, Bill Dyas and Ronnie Crumb serve oysters on the half shell, prepared according to the recipe in Foley's book.



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Mark Calendars for Feb. 23 Heritage Festival
 Eastern Shore Community College is excited to present the 18th Annual Heritage Celebration on Saturday, Feb. 23, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., encompassing both the Workforce Development Center and the main building on the campus in Melfa. The free event offers diverse selection of exhibitors and participants, representative of the Eastern Shore community and their many talents and interests. For any questions about the event, contact Bill LeCato at 757-789-1797 or email wlecatoc@es.vccs.edu.

Library Recognized for Food Program
 Virginia USDA Rural Development recently recognized the Eastern Shore Public Library for participating in the Summer Food Program (SFSP) during the summer of 2018 with a Certificate of Appreciation, acknowledging the library's generosity and initiative in helping Virginia move "one step closer to ending childhood hunger throughout the Commonwealth." During the summer of 2018, Eastern Shore Public Library served a total of 434 meals over an eight-week period. Meals were provided two days per week at the library in Accomac and another two days a week at the Nassawadox library.

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Information on the amount of funding available, the requirements on benefit to low-and moderate-income persons, eligible activities, and plans to minimize displacement and provide displacement assistance as necessary will be available. Citizens will also be given the opportunity to comment on Accomack County's past use of CDBG funds. All interested citizens are urged to attend. **For additional information, contact Bobbie Jo Wert at (757) 787-2800 at extension 126.**

Comments and grievances can be submitted in writing to Accomack County, P.O. Box 338, Accomac, VA 23301, or by phone at (757) 787-5700, and TDD at Virginia Relay by dialing 7-1-1, until noon of the day of the hearing.

If you plan to attend and have any special needs requirements, please call the number listed above.

Former Northampton Resident Has the Right Touch To Save Lives

By *Connie Morrison*

A former Eastern Shore resident, now living in Connecticut, has invented a device that prevents drunk driving by measuring blood alcohol content on drivers' hands.

"My sensors will calculate your alcohol level through the perspiration of the palm of your hands, and if your alcohol level is above the state requirement, your vehicle will not start," said inventor Lakesha Stines.

According to data from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, Accomack County had 51 alcohol-related traffic crashes in 2018, with one fatality and 23 injuries. Northampton saw 24 alcohol-related crashes, with one fatality and 11 injuries. Multi-year data compiled by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation found more than a third of crashes in Accomack are alcohol related and a quarter of those in Northampton involve alcohol. Statewide, about a third of crashes are alcohol related.

For four years, Stine ushered her idea, Sober Touch Sensoring, up the invention ladder: getting the idea on paper, finding technical people to make

the models and simulations, and engaging professionals for the production and manufacturing, sales, and marketing.

"I am past the prototype stage. My engineer Bill McLaughlin did an awesome job building my prototype and model and getting me to the production and manufacturing stages," she said.

McLaughlin said it wasn't so much the product as its designer that made him want to sign on. "I've done things of this potential scale before for others, but Lakesha's drive and passion are what led me to seeing this through to our current state," he said.

"My motivation behind working with Lakesha is seeing her dreams come to fruition," McLaughlin continued. "I know when that first product hits a vehicle, that's one potential life saved, and Lakesha has done her job."

Each unit is expected to cost around \$400 and Stines said she is in negotiations with several auto companies — she declined name them — to lease the technology. She hopes to have them installed in vehicles by the end of 2019.

"I see this product as an opportunity to save lives, and keep honest peo-



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Lakesha Stines (center), was recently recognized by U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal (Conn.) (far right). Also pictured (from left) Connecticut State Senator Dennis Bradley II; Bridgeport, Conn., Mayor Joe Ganim; Frank Recchia of Channel 12 News in Bridgeport; and town committee member Tony Barr (standing behind Recchia). The man standing in back is unidentified.

ple honest," said McLaughlin. "When you're drinking, you aren't thinking clearly, but having this device embedded in your vehicle will help stop a potentially deadly mistake."

Stines' work is gaining attention of lawmakers. She was recognized Feb. 3 by U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal (Conn.) "in honor of your extraordinary innova-

tive, entrepreneurial work to address drunk driving in our communities."

Stines has a vision beyond saving lives. She wants to use her Sober Vision foundation to help send to college children who have lost family members to drunken driving.

"And then I'm going to continue on with my next life-saving invention," she said.

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Unsung No Longer — Fowler Receives Award

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Randall to Seek Nomination For District 6 Senate Seat

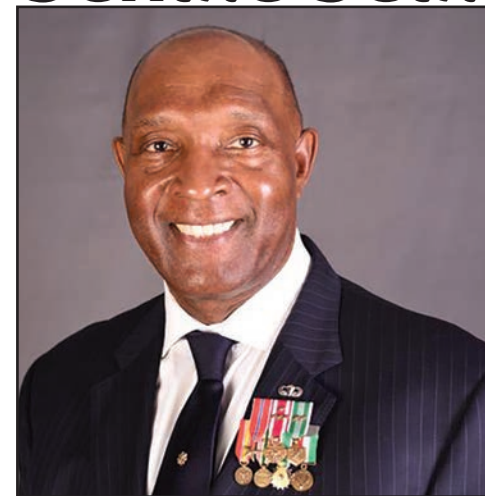
By Linda Cicaira

Former Northampton Supervisor Willie Randall, an Army veteran and long-time financial advisor, is seeking the Democratic Party's nomination for the state District 6 Senate seat currently held by fellow Democrat Sen. Lynwood Lewis.

Randall is running a platform "emphasizing education, the environment, economic development, and job creation," the candidate said Monday. "I didn't make this move lightly. We need change in Richmond. The Sixth District needs bold, new, progressive leadership, a senator who's more in tune with the hopes and dreams, the struggles, and the hardships that today's families are facing. On issue-after-issue, I believe I'm more aligned with the Democratic voters and have a better idea of their thoughts and concerns."

"This isn't personal," Randall continued. "This is all about the hardworking men and women and the families ... who deserve more and deserve better. This isn't about us. It's about them. Let's let the people decide."

A retired U.S. Army major, who earned a Bronze Star in the first Gulf War, Randall has been a financial advisor and limited partner with the Edward Jones Investment firm, in Exmore, for more than 20 years. Randall unsuccessfully ran for delegate of the 100th district three times.



Randall

He earned his bachelor's degree from Virginia State University, a master's from Webster University, and his MBA from American Intercontinental University. He was twice elected by his fellow supervisors as chairman of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors and said he "was instrumental in saving the county millions of dollars during his tenure and considers funding the universal Pre-K program locally his signature accomplishment."

"Going along to get along isn't going to cut it anymore," said Randall. "Bipartisanship only gets you so much. This is not business as usual. We're in the fight of our lives and today that battle is joined."

Phillips Announces Run For Second Term

By Linda Cicaira

Accomack Supervisor Harris Phillips III announced Thursday that he is seeking a second term on the board of supervisors.

"It has been a great honor to serve my friends and neighbors of the 5th

District over the past four years," said Phillips, "There is still plenty more work that needs to be done."

During his first term, Phillips said he has kept true to his campaign promise to fight against tax increases and to fight for the taxpayers. "I was opposed to the 3-cent tax hike in 2016, and was the only supervisor to vote against it," said Phillips.

Phillips said he wasn't opposed to more money for paid fire medics in Painter, but he would have preferred to make cuts elsewhere to fund the needed positions. "Public safety is the most important service that our local government provides and I fought hard to allow our paid fire-medics to be able to run volunteer calls on their time off, which was against county policy until 2016. Our local fire departments are



Phillips

struggling to attract new volunteers and I had several local fire chiefs come to me and tell me that this would help them out, so we made sure it happened.”

“Another thing that I advocated ... was paid daytime staff at Saxis, Greenbackville, and Melfa fire stations, which was greatly needed. We were finally able to staff those three stations last year, WITHOUT a tax increase.”

In 2017, when Riverside announced it was closing its nursing home in Parksley, Phillips said the board of supervisors “sprung into action and were able to facilitate a sale to Smith/Packett, which is renovating the property at an estimated cost of \$3 million.”

“We were able to save over 100 jobs and keep long-term care for our seniors here in Accomack County,” Phillips said.

Phillips is a third generation businessman at Jaxon’s Hardware and Jaxon’s, in Parksley. His grandfather started the enterprise more than 60 years ago. Phillips was born and raised on the Eastern Shore. He grew up in Parksley and lives in Modest Town with his wife, Shannon, and their chocolate Lab, Marleigh. He is a graduate of Arcadia High School and holds a Computer Electronics Degree from ECPI University, in Virginia Beach.

“I look forward to earning your vote on November 5, and will consider it a great privilege and honor to represent the people of the 5th District and Accomack County for four more years,” said Phillips.

Training for Those Working With Domestic Abuse Survivors

By Linda Cicaira

A career prosecutor and a retired police chief, both experts in handling domestic violence cases and related issues, are planning to visit the Eastern Shore next month to discuss the topics.

The session will be Friday, March 8, at the Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Development Center in Melfa. Trauma, trauma interviewing, predominant aggressor, evidence-based prosecution, and forfeiture by wrongdoing will be among the subjects covered by Nancy Oglesby and Michael L. Milnor.

As a Richmond, Va., area prosecutor, Oglesby has handled thousands of domestic violence, child abuse, elder abuse, and sexual assault cases. Nationally, she has trained prosecutors, law enforcement officers, advocates, medical professionals, and forensic interviewers on the issues surrounding those crimes.

Oglesby was recognized as the Virginia S. Duvall Distinguished Juvenile and Domestic Court Prosecutor, the YWCA Outstanding Woman of the Year in the area of law and government, and she received the Lecturer of Merit Award in honor of her leadership and commitment to the training of Virginia prosecutors.

She was appointed to state committees and task forces in these areas by three Virginia governors. Oglesby also is a major contributor to the development of Virginia’s Model Law Enforcement Policy in both the areas of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Retired Police Chief Michael L. Milnor, of Alta Vista, Va., was an officer for 36 years and has served as a criminal justice professor at Liberty University.

In 2016, Milnor was selected to the core faculty of the National Center for Campus Public Safety, instructing at colleges and universities across the country in the areas of sexual assault investigation, Title IX compliance, and campus violence. He also contributed to the development of Virginia’s Model Law Enforcement Policy on Sexual As-

sault Investigation.

Milnor has served as an interim sheriff, director of public safety, coordinator of an FBI/Virginia State Police multi-jurisdictional task force, senior supervisory investigator, uniformed deputy sheriff, and polygraph examiner.

Designed for first responders, dispatchers, nurses, advocates, and others who come in contact with domestic violence survivors, the first session will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The second session, geared towards law enforcement officers and prosecutors, will be from 1 to 3 p.m.

The training is free and will provide PIC credit for law officers. The program will also include a local resources review by the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

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Bell Reaches 1,000 Points, Helps Lead Yellow Jackets in Senior Season

By Krystle Bono, Submitted Photo

Senior Yellow Jacket varsity hoops standout Jawaun Bell hit the 1,000 point milestone during the team's home court battle against Norfolk Academy on Jan. 3., posting 26 points in the game.

As a four-year varsity starting point guard, Bell has been an integral part of his Northampton squad since his name has been on the varsity roster his freshmen season. Bell transferred to Tallwood High last year, but returned to the Yellow Jackets to finish his high school tenure.

To the young athlete, reaching that marker was more than just an achievement; it was a reminder of the amount of hardwork he has desposited across countless courts throughout his time with the Yellow Jackets, and is something he will always remember.

"It felt good. Those last two points felt

like the hardest points of my life, but once I finally got it together and locked in and I finally got those last two points in, it was the best feeling ever," reflects Bell.

With this achievement and another district title under his belt, Bell is looking ahead to what's to come in the regional playoffs, and has his eyes on the state finals.

"First playoff game is Friday. We are planning on of course, winning that, and we play one more game. If we win that, we automatically go to states. So, our whole goal is to get to VCU and play in states. I've never played in states, so a first time for everything," said Bell.

Bell totaled 155 points, averaging 8.6 points per game in his freshman season with 132 assists, and was selected to the All-District team and was second team All-Region. His sophomore year earn-

ings averaged 16.2 points per game with 358 total and 150 assists, with accolades including another All-District nod, and adding Conference 41A Co-Player of the Year and second team All-State.

During his year with Tallwood, Bell accumulated 277 points and 117 assists and was named Offensive Player of the Year. Now in his return to Northampton as a senior, Bell is averaging 21 points and 7 assists per game, totaling 422 points and 158 assists.

Bell always knew basketball was his sport, and isn't planning to let go anytime soon.

"I used to play football and basketball, but I knew when I got older, I was going to have to pick one and stay dedicated. Something about basketball just stood out, and ever since then, I've just taken it and ran with it, and I've been dedicat-



Bell

ed ever since. My biggest motivator and supporter is my dad [Northampton head coach Wayne Bell]," says Bell.

Bell plans to play ball next year, and has been accepted to both Virginia Wesleyan and Virginia State Universities.

Vikings Selected to All-State Football Teams

Submitted Article

The Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association (VISAA) has recognized three Broadwater Academy students with All-State honors for their football achievements during the 2018 season.

Viking sophomore Gunnar Gustafson was named VISAA's Division III First Team All-State kick returner. Gustafson returned 25 kickoffs for 581 yards, or an average of 23.2 yards per return. He

scored two touchdowns on kick returns including a thrilling 95-yard return against Blessed Sacrament Huguenot High School and a 79-yard return against Quantico High School.

Gustafson was also named Second Team All-State running back. He carried the ball 103 times for a total of 617 yards, an average of 6.0 yards per carry. He



Gustafson



Wardius



Kelly

scored 11 rushing touchdowns, including runs of 52 yards, 52 yards, and 47 yards. VISAA also honored Gustafson with Second Team All-State punt returner. He averaged 35-yards per punt return and returned a punt 67-yards for a touchdown against Quantico High School.

Overall, Gustafson amassed 1,643 all-purpose offensive yards and scored

19 touchdowns, including three receiving and two on interceptions while playing defensive back.

Sophomore Clay Wardius received Second Team All-State honors at tight end. He played a solid role as both a key blocker and wide receiver. Utilizing his height and strong hands he created mismatches in the secondary pulling down

passes that were floated to him in the post and slant routes. Despite missing three games to injuries, Wardius ended the season with one touchdown. He played both sides of the ball, starting on defense as a linebacker or defensive end. He was very effective at containing the run and pressuring the quarterback.

Senior Co-captain Finn Kelly was awarded Honorable Mention All-

State for his play at defensive back. As one of the Viking's co-captains, Kelly has been a key player for the Vikings for his entire high school career. Kelly's play was characterized by his ability to apply hard hits coupled with blazing speed. An outstanding student-athlete, Kelly has been accepted at the University of Virginia and the Virginia Military Institute.

Back-to-Back District Titles for Ponies



By Krystle Bono, Submitted Photo

For the second straight season, the Chincoteague Ponies girls varsity club claimed the Eastern Shore District Championship tournament title, as well as the regular season championship. The girls earned the district title last Thursday, cementing their spot at the top of the district tier after winning their match up with the Arcadia Firebirds in Oak Hall, led by senior Caroline Thornton, whose double-double, 39-point and 11 rebound game helped lift Chincoteague to their 67-36 win. Alanna Hall had the team high in assists with 8 and Emma Jackson grabbed 14 rebounds and 5 blocks. Kaylah Wharton led the Firebirds at the net, posting 11 points.

Thornton finished the regular season just shy of the 1,000th point mark, but Tuesday night's district tournament finals was her path to the check-point. The girls faced the Northampton Yellow Jackets in Eastville, and with full steam ahead, came out rearing to a win in the district tournament finals, finishing on top for the second year in a row, with Thornton also bypassing the coveted milestone, leading the Ponies again in the hoops count with 23 points. Hall and Shelley threw 10 points apiece, and Jackson and Thornton tied for the team high in rebounds with 6 each.

Maeyanna Delk led the Yellow Jackets on the board, potting 19 points. Jada Giddens notched 8 points.

Chincoteague finished 8-1 in the district and 12-4 overall for the year, with Thornton leading the way in ppg, averaging 19.7, with 296 total, and in steals, with 80 and 5.3 per game. Jackson led the rebound and block count, averaging 9.8 per game grabbing a total of 157, and blocking 4.1 per game with 65 total this season.

The Ponies will host the first regional playoff game Tuesday night beginning at 6 p.m., and Thornton is set to be honored during the evening for her 1,000 points achievement.



YELLOW JACKETS RECLAIM DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP FROM WARRIORS

Story and Photos by Krystle Bono

The Northampton High School gym was packed with supporters from across Accomack and Northampton counties to witness the Warriors and the Yellow Jackets go head-to-head to see who would come out on top of the district tournament championship.

Northampton dominated their home court, coming out on top to win the title by way of 61-57. Jeremiah Major led the Yellow Jackets at the net, tossing 16 points. Vonte Coston put up 15 points, and Kasai Clark hooped 10. Major also had the team high in rebounds with 11, and Jawaun Bell led with 8 assists.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets varsity boys won the district tournament championship Tuesday night.

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~ **Basketball** ~

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Gerald Pitt led the Warriors with 16 points. Cade McGregor and Brynden Sampson each threw 11 points.

The Yellow Jackets travel to Northumberland for their first postseason playoff game tonight (Friday).

Broadwater's boys varsity team fell to Stonebridge on the road last Friday, 50-48.

The boys hosted Atlantic Shores Tuesday night in Exmore and fell 69-39 to the Seahawks. Wardius led with 9 points and Finn Kelly scored 7.

Broadwater's Greta Bunce helped lift the girls varsity club to a 39-27 win

over Stonebridge last Friday, with 17 points. She also grabbed the team high in rebounds with 12, and had 2 assists and 2 steals. Virginia Ross contributed 10 points with 10 rebounds, 2 assists, and 1 steal.

The girls took another victory this week against Summit Christian Academy by way of 46-34. Suzanna Long led the count with 20 points, and she had 8 rebounds, 6 steals, and 2 assists, and Wardius tallied 8. Ross had the team high in rebounds and blocks with 12 and 2, respectively.



Nandua's Gerald Pitt (11) attempts to block Northampton's Vonte Coston's (1) shot during Tuesday night's district tournament battle in Eastville.



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Yellow Jackets, Firebirds Qualify for State Wrestling Finals

By Krystle Bono, Submitted Photo

The Arcadia Firebirds varsity grapplers competed in the Region 2A tournament in Poquoson Feb. 2.

Angel Vasquez earned a third-place finish in the 106-pound weight bracket, giving him a bid to the state finals this weekend in Salem, Va.

Ronaldo Lopez finished fourth at 120, and Austin Studebaker earned a fourth place finish at 285, also giving way to spots at the state finals.

Marvin Gomez and Larry Velasquez finished fifth at 126 and 195,

and Abraham Mateos, Osberto Perez, and Harle De la Cruz were sixth in the 113, 132, and 170-pound weight brackets, respectfully.

The Firebirds wrestled in the Warrior Duels Jan. 26, and went 3-2 for the day, defeating Bruton, 51-18, North Dorchester, 48-18, and Norfolk Christian, 54-24, but fell to Western Branch, 78-6, and Fishburne Military School, 54-27.

Arcadia also competed against Snow Hill Jan. 30, and fell 45-30. Vasquez, Gomez, Perez, Mateos, and

Joshua Barnes each earned wins during their time on the mat against Snow Hill.

The Yellow Jackets competed last weekend in the Region 1A/B tournament at Mathews High School, finishing fifth overall as a team, while also qualifying seven out of nine wrestlers for the state tournament finals this weekend.

Gary Peart finished at the top of his bracket, and will make the trek to Salem this weekend. The Yellow Jacket senior also earned his 100th

win during the tournament.

Brandon Odom also earned a first-place finish. Myles Lewis placed second, and Aizmani Joseph and Gavin Brittingham earned third in their respective weight brackets.

Crescencio Sugia finished fifth. Josh Splawn earned a sixth-place finish, and Alonzo Capers and Jerry Gonzalez finished eighth.

The Firebirds, Yellow Jackets, and Warriors will all compete in the state finals scheduled for this weekend at Salem Civic Center.



Submitted Photo

Locklear Named to All-State Football Team

Christopher Locklear, a resident of Exmore and a senior at Portsmouth Christian School in Portsmouth, Va., has been named to the VISAA All-State first team as a defensive back and second team All-State as a wide receiver. Locklear credits his coaches' guidance and encouragement, and his teammates' support and abilities for his individual success. As an honor roll student, Locklear appreciates the dedication and help from the administration and teachers at Portsmouth Christian.



Northampton's Gary Peart won the Regional title and achieved his 100th win Saturday afternoon at Mathews, qualifying him for the state finals this weekend in Salem.

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3rd Annual Shore Little League Oyster Roast

Submitted Article and Photo

Shore Little League will host its 3rd Annual Oyster Roast to benefit Shore Little League on Saturday, March 2, for the purpose of updating facility equipment to include bases, batting cage netting, and potentially a pitching machine. Shore Little League is in its 63rd consecutive year of being a chartered Little League and is the only league in the county of Northampton. Over the past few years, Shore Little League volunteers have worked diligently to improve fields and dugouts to ensure that our youth are able to enjoy a safe facility upon which to enjoy the game of baseball and softball.

Shore Little League is run completely by volunteers. By working with other volunteers in the community, new dugouts have been completed. It is by the support of the community that Shore Little League can continue to provide baseball and softball to hundreds of children on the Eastern Shore.

The Randy Custis Memorial Park, home of Shore Little League, was established as a tribute to nine-year-old Randy Custis who was killed by a drunk driver in 1978. Randy loved the game of baseball, which led his parents Phil and Barbara to establish the Randy Custis Memorial Fund, so that other children could benefit from the game and grow to love baseball as much as Randy did. Seed money from the fund and the hard work of volunteers constructed the Little League fields in Nassawadox on what was then rented land. In 1988 players threw out the first pitch at the complex now known as the Randy Custis Memorial Park.

While seafood will be supplied by various businesses and individuals in our area, there will be something for everyone. From fresh local oysters and clams and award-winning BBQ to hamburgers and hot dogs, there will be tea and sodas as well as adult beverages for purchase. A silent auction will take place and a 50-50 raffle. The event is rain or shine under a big tent at the Exmore Town Park on Saturday, March 2, from 4-8p.m.

Admission for children 12 and under is free. Tickets are \$35 (\$40 at the door) and can be purchased online at www.shorelittleleague.org or at the following locations: Western Auto and Exmore Diner in Exmore, Northampton Lumber Co in Nassawadox, Rayfield's Pharmacy in Cape Charles, and Chris' Bait & Tackle in Capeville.

For more information, call 757-693-1896.



Submitted Photo

Varsity Field Hockey Players Named to 2018 NFHCA High School National Academic Squad

Aly Matha (fifth from left), of Greenbackville, was one of 10 Worcester Prep Varsity Field Hockey players named to the Optimal Performance Associates/National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) National Academic Squad, a program that recognizes high school seniors and juniors who have achieved a minimum cumulative, unweighted GPA of 3.5 out of 4.0 or the equivalent through the first quarter of the 2018-19 school year. Also pictured are teammates (from L-R) Hailee Arrington/Salisbury, Virginia Bateman/Rehoboth Beach, Rylie Carey/Dagsboro, Ally Elerding/Bishopville, Aly Matha/Greenbackville, Head Field Hockey Coach Katie Oxenreider, Molly McCormick/Bishopville, Hana Miller/Willards, Maya Natesan/Salisbury, Abbi Nechay/Hebron. Not Pictured: Dana Anderson/Princess Anne.

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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 marksperson 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.

ACPR Hoops Schedule

The Accomack County Parks and Recreation games will be held at Arcadia High School Saturday, Feb. 16, beginning at 9 a.m.

- 9 a.m.: Knights vs. Heat (5-8)
- 10 a.m.: Celtics vs. Hornets (5-8)
- 11 a.m.: Lakers vs. Knights (5-8)
- 12 p.m.: Knights vs. Lakers (9-12)
- 1 p.m.: Cavaliers vs. Celtics (9-12)
- 2 p.m.: ACPR vs. Chincoteague (13-15)
- 3 p.m.: Lakers vs. Chincoteague (9-12)
- 4 p.m.: ACPR vs. Chincoteague (13-15)

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

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Eastern Shore Ice Bowl 2019

Submitted Article and Photo

The weather lived up to ice bowl temps at 35 degrees and a stiff north wind of 20 to 24 mph. Indiantown Disc Golf and Northampton County Parks and Recreation hosted 21 players, who braved the day to raise \$580 and 47 pounds of food for the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, which equals 1,780 meals for the hungry.

Patrick Waggoner, of Salisbury, Md., won the open division with a score of 104 for two rounds of play, followed by Jacob Benzin, of Salisbury, Md., who won the Men's Am Division with a score of 108 for two rounds.

Rhonda LeCato, of Belle Haven, won the women's am with a score of 138 for two rounds, Mark Sinclair, of Onley, won the senior division with a score of 59 for one round, and Nathan Butler, of Craddockville, won the boys division with a score of 144 for two rounds.

Roy Ballard won the chili cook off.



Charmin Horton receives a big check that shows 1,780 meals from Roy Ballard of Indiantown Disc Golf.

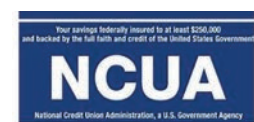
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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Super Crossword

BANDS TOGETHER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Not meant to be heard by the audience, in a way
 - 8 Blend in
 - 13 Maker of stringed instruments
 - 20 Author Huffington
 - 21 Nary a soul
 - 22 In a group
 - 23 Give a nonnative a smooch?
 - 25 Causes of sudden fear
 - 26 Env. alerter
 - 27 Small drink
 - 28 Make up for
 - 29 Defeat Dorothy's dog decisively?
 - 34 Trip to an underworld river?
 - 39 Singer Buddy
 - 40 Egg
 - 42 Stools, say
 - 43 Actress Mendes
 - 44 Certain Siouan
 - 45 "The Jerk" actor M. — Walsh
 - 47 "Well well!"
 - 48 Use a pool
 - 49 Specialty of Windy City bakeries?
 - 52 Uses Dixie diction
 - 54 Door turner
 - 55 Expire, as a subscription
 - 59 Ballpark fig.
 - 60 New princess of '81
 - 63 One who doesn't succumb to a potent toxin?
 - 68 Clean energy org.
 - 69 Bombard with e-junk
 - 71 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
 - 72 Hard wood
 - 73 Glorious state of bliss?
 - 79 Military units
 - 82 Prefix with hazard
 - 83 Achieve
 - 84 Obi-Wan Kenobi, e.g.
 - 85 Rob
 - 88 Desert haven mentioned in the first book of the Bible?
 - 94 Guitars' kin, for short
 - 95 Actor Rob
 - 99 Bits of matter
 - 100 Car for a VIP
 - 101 Mr., in India
 - 102 Have a cow, with "out"
 - 103 Ltr. insert
 - 104 Arrangement
 - 105 Ruler of the Sunflower State?
 - 108 Palpitation?
 - 111 Menu fish
 - 112 Audiotapes' successors
 - 114 Cato's 1,052
 - 115 Main female character
 - 118 Stuff hauled by Beantown trash collectors?
 - 124 Not ceasing
 - 125 Homer work
 - 126 St. — (capital of Loire)
 - 127 Mice and whales, e.g.
 - 128 "The Rose" singer Midler
 - 129 Plunder
 - 4 Moms
 - 5 Notoriety
 - 6 Noted berry farm founder
 - 7 Turn a deaf — (ignore)
 - 8 Musical artist DiFranco
 - 9 Barking pets
 - 10 Doctrine that reality is one organic whole
 - 11 Ham-handed
 - 12 Gen —
 - 13 Certain boxing punch
 - 14 Not firmly implanted
 - 15 Pre-liftoff term
 - 16 Jenna Bush —
 - 17 "Kinda" suffix
 - 18 Ballpark fig.
 - 19 Scale notes
 - 24 Lay to rest
 - 28 Skating leap
 - 29 Ice cream flavor, briefly
 - 30 Writer Philip
 - 31 H.G. Wells race
 - 32 Smart- — (cocky)
 - 33 At an end
 - 35 Fashion inits.
 - 36 Synthpop artist, say
 - 37 Sinister
 - 38 They may be candied
 - 41 Wombs
 - 45 Self-conceit
 - 46 Unruly crowd
 - 47 Social Security fig., e.g.
 - 48 Delhi dress
 - 50 Not only that
 - 51 Vienna loc.
 - 53 Crank (up)
 - 56 — upswing
 - 57 Meat stamp letters
 - 58 Wk. day
 - 60 The, in Paris
 - 61 "The Simpsons" store clerk
 - 62 Work at as a dilettante
 - 63 Breathe hard
 - 64 Leave out
 - 65 Intermission
 - 66 Bullfight cry
 - 67 Apt. units
 - 70 Slew veggie
 - 74 Eye covers
 - 75 Bellor's note
 - 76 Tatty clothes
 - 77 Strive (for)
 - 78 U.N.'s Kofi
 - 80 Hubbub
 - 81 Call placer
 - 84 Actor Parsons
 - 85 Com cover
 - 86 Stew veggie
 - 87 Part of PIN
 - 89 Carve
 - 90 Somber
 - 91 In (as found)
 - 92 Don of radio
 - 93 Last year's frosh
 - 96 "Part II" films
 - 97 Tightly strung
 - 98 Squeak (out)
 - 102 Cereal meal
 - 103 Breaks up
 - 104 Add to the batter, say
 - 106 Charge at
 - 107 School, in Nice
 - 109 Writer Horatio
 - 110 Calf catcher
 - 113 ESPN datum
 - 115 — and haw
 - 116 Greek vowel
 - 117 Dream-time acronym
 - 118 Baby's wear
 - 119 Lyric tribute
 - 120 Wanna- — (aspirants)
 - 121 Santa — (hot wind)
 - 122 Big health supplement chain, familiarly
 - 123 "I see mice!"

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HOG KILLINGS WERE BONE-WEARY DAYS WITH TASTY PAYOFFS

By Arthur King Fisher

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

In 1991 this writer interviewed his two elderly cousins, Virginia Carmine and Josephine Metcalf, both of Onancock, concerning their recollection of hog killings on the Eastern Shore during their youth, which were the years immediately following World War I.

Adults would get up at 3 a.m. to begin a very long day's work; however, the Metcalf sisters, Virginia and Josephine, and the youngest Fisher daughter, Bernice (Scott) were allowed to stay in bed until 5.

Hog killings were held on Mondays in December and the schedule rotated among the four sisters and their husbands: Dottie Fisher Belote and husband Claude; Minnie Fisher Bloxom and husband Gordon; Lillie Fisher Metcalf and husband Howard; and Jewel Fisher Hickman and husband Will.

Bloxom, Metcalf, and a hired man would get the hogs down and cut their throats, no small task because the animals sometimes weighed 500 pounds. One man would grab the hog by his hair and throw him on his side. Then the hog would be turned on his back and stabbed.

Next he was put in a scalding cask. (The water was considered hot enough for the task if a corncob stuck in it was so hot that you could barely squeeze it; then the corncob was placed in the hog's mouth.)

The hog was then scraped with a tool appropriately named a hog scraper and clam or whelk shells. It was then hoisted on crotches, a three pronged arrangement, and there gutted. The insides were pinkish and almost transparent.

It was Minnie Bloxom's job to clean the intestines, which became the casings for sausage. The liver, lights (lungs) and heart were hung up on a clothesline. It was the men's jobs to cure the shoulder and hams with salt, saltpeter, and pepper to pickle the spareribs.

The cuttings from the hambone became mincemeat when mixed with beef, raisins, orange peelings, and currants.

Josephine and Virginia recalled the group of women in "the old kitchen." (It was a custom for Eastern Shore homes in the eighteenth century to have a



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Men at a Eastern Shore hog killing. If you have details about this photograph, please contact the library.

kitchen separate from the residence for fire safety reasons. Many of these were still standing in the early twentieth century but were mainly used in the latter century for hog killings and for laundry.) In addition to the sisters, help in the kitchen consisted of grandmother Mary Josephine Wessells Fisher, great-grandmother Hettie Bloxom Fisher, and two hired women. Grand-

mother Fisher would put the cut-up fat meat (lard) in an open pot in the fireplace of the old kitchen, where it cooked for half a day.

Frying lard was another important task of a hog killing. The women would take the fat meat from the iron pot when it had become lard and use it for cooking for the next twelve months. (There was no Crisco then.) Children

enjoyed the "cracklins," little pieces of lard that had been fried.

Because there was no refrigeration, the tenderloin was cut into strips and canned. Pork chops also were canned and put on a pantry shelf. Some people used cold packing. Hog jowl was used for seasoning and was thought to be especially good with turnip greens, which was the favorite green vegetable of Eastern Shoremen of 80 years ago.

The men and women who took part in the activities on hog killing day ate well and heartily. About 7 a.m. after the hogs had been hung up, a big breakfast was served consisting of hotcakes, eggs, sausage and fig or strawberry preserves.

The midday or afternoon meal was chicken and dumplings, the omnipresent turnip greens, cabbage, fruit, and two kinds of dessert, usually coconut and pound cakes made by Jewel Hickman.

The afternoon chores included cooking the liver, lights, and heart on the stove with sage, pepper, salt, flour, and meal added. The resulting scrapple would be cut in blocks.

Also in the afternoon the sausage was ground and mixed with sage and pepper. The sausage was hung in links in the smokehouse.

Pickled souse also was prepared. Today's Eastern Shoremen probably do not know what souse is; so let the record show it was made from the nose, ears, and feet of the hog. Virginia and Josephine recalled that it was hard to clean but when eaten with Hayman potatoes it was good.

This "souse cheese" also was a product of hog killing. The head was boiled and peeled yielding a gelatin-like substance, which had to be soaked for twenty-four hours before being put into stone jars.

At about 4:30 p.m. the tired Fisher sisters, husbands, and children would head home. Precious little of the hog had been wasted.

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

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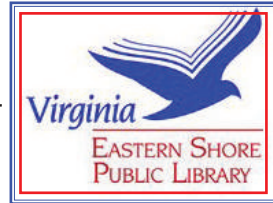
As soon as the hog is cleaned, cut off the feet and clean thoroughly of the hairs. Then, to get the hoof from the feet, dip them in hot lye, not above the hoof, and slip a knife between the foot and hoof and slip it off. The ears and nose must also be nicely cleaned, then soak all in clear water with a little washing soda dissolved in it, about twenty-four hours. Scrape again and have them as white and clean as possible, then boil until tender. Then drop in weak salt and water till cold. Then drop in vinegar. It will keep several months.

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Recipe for souse from the classic Eastern Shore cookbook "Housekeeper's Companion" published 1901, available at the Eastern Shore Public Library.

Off the Shelf: News From Eastern Shore Public Library

February 2019



Book Club Debuts at Accomac Branch of ESPL

Saturday, Feb. 2, marked the debut of the Eastern Shore Public Library First Saturday Book Club. The Friends of ESPL sponsored the group and hosted the first session, a discussion of “The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society,” by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. The book was chosen for a number of reasons: it has broad appeal, multiple copies were readily available in the book club kits the library owns, and a book club is a central theme of the book.

Twelve readers participated in an enjoyable discussion of this charming book. There was a consensus among the attendees that future book discussions would be a good addition to activities meeting the needs of the library and the Shore’s reading community. Tentatively, the book club plans to host one meeting monthly on the first Sat-

urday afternoon of each month, beginning at 1 p.m. The Friends hope to hold the next book club meeting on April 6, with copies of the designated book available at the circulation desk of the library beginning in early March.

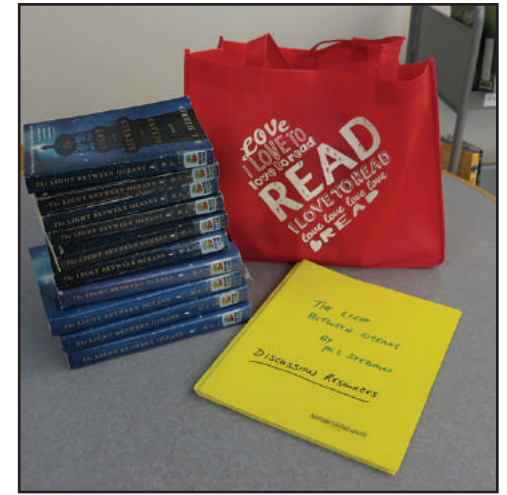
The Friends group is encouraged by the positive outcome of the First Saturday Book Club, and hope it will be the beginning of a regular addition to the library services that enrich the library experience for all patrons. The Friends plan to ensure that the book club selections represent a diversity of readers, including at least one session per year specifically focused on young adult readers.

While the Saturday group is sponsored by the Friends and is on-site at the Accomac branch of the library, the book club kits are available for loan to any group wishing to hold an event. The library owns 90 book club kits consisting of ten to twelve copies of a wide selection of books meeting various reader

interests and needs. Among the available titles, there are classics, fiction, non-fiction, and young adult, with many of the kits containing discussion guides. Book club kits are loaned for a period of six weeks, and the borrowing group is responsible for lending the books to individual book club members and for returning the book bag club kit to the library at the conclusion of their discussion group. A list of the available book bags is accessible at <http://espl.org/finding-materials/reader-resources/>

If your group would like to borrow one of the book club kits, please contact Summer Dahlmans, circulation manager, at the library. If you’d like to join the Friends-sponsored First Saturday Book Club, or suggest a book for a future session, you can either call the library at 757-787-3400, or call the Friends President, Sharyn McQuaid, at 757-789-5010. Watch the library’s website, www.espl.org and Facebook page, the monitor display behind the library’s circulation desk, and publicity posters at various community sites for announcements of upcoming book club events.

The Eastern Shore Public Library System has libraries in Accomac, Cape Charles, Chincoteague and Nassaw-



Submitted Image
Contents of book club kit available for loan from the Eastern Shore Public Library.

adox. Your ESPL library card can be used at any of the four libraries. To learn about the regional library building project and ESVA Heritage Center in Parksley, opening in 2020, visit www.shorelibrary.com For more information about your library services, library hours of operation, or your library account, visit www.espl.org or call the central library at 757-787-3400.



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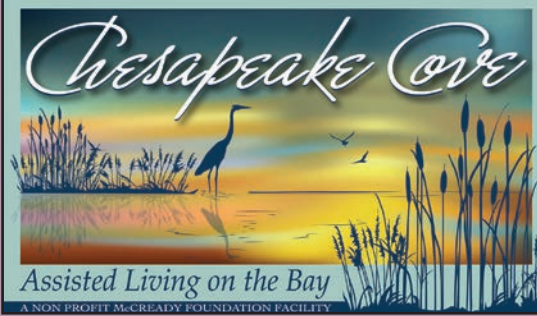


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Sweethearts on Parade at the Hare Valley Senior Center

Feb. 12, 2019

Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency

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The head table at Sweethearts on Parade in Exmore was reserved for its two oldest guests. Dolcie Godwin, 102, (left) and Ellen Jordan, 100, watch as Head Start students share their “expressions of love.”



Althea Pittman, 68, escorted by Matthew Cornish.



Rose James, 82, escorted by A.J. Ferebee.



Ranks of local police and military officers and other guests of honor await the sweethearts on parade.



Ellen Woods, 78, escorted by Jonathan Gonzalez.

Cape Charles Citizens Have an “Epiphany” About Giving Back to Their Community



Photo by Stefanie Jackson

Ed Lewis receives a check for \$6094.71 from Chris Bannon, Larry Veber, and Joan Natali to benefit the Cape Charles Watermen’s Memorial.

By Stefanie Jackson

For 27 years, a group of friends and neighbors in Cape Charles with no particular affiliation, religious, political, or otherwise, has been raising thousands of dollars for individuals and organizations in need in their community.

Every January, the group raises money at its annual Epiphany party, named for the Christian holiday held around the same time of year celebrating the story of the three wise men who brought gifts to the baby Jesus in Bethlehem.

Though the celebration borrows its name from a Christian tradition, and it has been held in local church fellowship halls in the past, it isn’t a religious event, Epiphany partygoer and Cape Charles Councilman Chris Bannon said.

The Epiphany party was conceived as a way for friends to help lift each other out of the post-holiday slump people often find themselves in after Christmas and New Year.

The group decided the official date of Epiphany, Jan. 6, was a bit too soon after New Year, so the party is held on Lee-Jackson Day weekend (the weekend before Martin Luther King Jr. Day).

Rick Bowmaster, former Kiptopeke Elementary School assistant principal and Northampton schools superintendent, is credited with starting the event.

It’s open to the public with no charge for admission. There is free wine, beer, and chili cooked by local Butch Vest.

There is also an annual auction that began as a fun way to get rid of unwanted holiday gifts. Guests were instructed to bring their least favorite Christmas presents to be auctioned off for a charitable cause.

The quality of the items donated for the auction and the creativity in their selection has grown over the years. There have been plenty of appliances, a bicycle,

and even a few works of art.

The auction inspired a unique tradition involving a pair of pink, plastic flamingo lawn ornaments that are sold every year. The highest bidder gets to display the flamingos in their yard until the next year.

The first Epiphany party raised \$500; now it is common for the event to raise more than 10 times that amount every year.

Larry Veber is the official auctioneer, but, “The heart of the Epiphany party is Chris Bannon. The soul of the Epiphany party is Joan Natali.”

These two longtime Cape Charles citizens are essential to the event’s success, he said.

Bannon recommended the Epiphany party as a fun way to “get out of the house, see people you don’t see often ... and make a fool of yourself!”

Donation recipients over the years have included the Eastern Shore Boys & Girls Club, the Cape Charles fire department, library, museum, and playground, and more recently, New Roots Youth Garden and Citizens for Central Park.

This year, more than \$6,000 was raised for the Cape Charles Watermen’s Memorial Fund, plus \$800 for the Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Company, which hosted the event.

In addition to the auction proceeds, \$1,200 was raised by “passing the boot,” a traditional waterman’s boot passed around to be filled with donations.

Ed Lewis is the president of the Virginia Watermen’s Memorial organization, and he has been working toward the memorial’s completion for 22 years.

The memorial currently features a replica of the Cape Charles lighthouse and a bench.

The complete design also includes a black granite wall reminiscent of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, a brick walkway, and a bronze statue of a boy looking out to sea, standing next to his father’s empty boots.

The memorial is located by the Cape Charles harbor, in front of the Shanty restaurant.

The organization was started in 2000 by Rita Hutton, whose son, Michael Hutton, was lost at sea when the clamming vessel he was working on sank in 1992. Michael Hutton was honored at the Lost Fishermen’s Memorial in Cape May, N.J.

The Cape Charles watermen’s memorial is patterned closely after the one in Cape May, which features a statue of a woman looking out to sea, with her son and daughter at each side.

The plight of families who have lost loved ones at sea is close to Lewis’ heart. He was a professional

diver and Chesapeake’s first police diver during his 25-year career as a police officer. He also dived for the Coast Guard on contract.

In 1993, a year after Rita Hutton’s son died, Lewis joined a group of volunteer divers who went to New Jersey to search for Michael Hutton’s body. Their experience was documented by WAVY-TV reporter Andy Fox. Michael Hutton was never found.

That was more than 25 years ago. Membership in the Virginia Watermen’s Memorial organization has dwindled and the few members that are left have aged and are limited in how much they can contribute.

Lewis is looking for new members to help him finish the memorial. He is seeking funding and accepting donations of materials. He estimates it may cost between \$60,000 and \$90,000 to finish the memorial with the granite wall and bronze statue.

Jon Dempster, who owns the Shanty, is donating the bricks for the walkway. The bricks can be engraved with a message in honor or in remembrance of any loved one. It does not have to be a waterman who lost his life at sea. The cost is \$250 for a small, engraved brick or \$500 for a large one.

For more information on the Cape Charles Watermen’s Memorial or to find out how to help, Lewis can be reached at 757-705-6128.

To be added to the invite list for the Epiphany party, email Joan@CapeCharlesHappenings.com



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The unfinished Cape Charles Watermen’s Memorial features a replica of the Cape Charles lighthouse.

A Love Story for the Ages: 102-Year-Old Dolcie Godwin Calls Wedding 86 Years Ago at 15 Years Old Her [Best Memory]

By Linda Cicoira

The best memory 102-year-old Dolcie Godwin ever had was 86 years ago.

It was June 2, 1932, when the 15-year-old Saxis Island native filled a suitcase with wedding clothes, her best church outfit, and then threw the bag out her bedroom window to run off with her 19-year-old boyfriend, who brought along his church suit.

The two eloped to Snow Hill, Md. They were married by Justice T.F. Bishop, who Godwin remembered had told her, "If he's not good to ya, come back." She thought for a second this week while telling her story just before her milestone Feb. 9 birthday, and laughingly added, "I don't know what he thought he'd do."

Godwin, then Dolcie Martin, was named for a maternal cousin who lived in Baltimore and who "used to send me things." She had never been farther away from home than the northern town of Pocomoke, Md., or the southern town of Exmore when the couple took the big step. Snow Hill was an adventure for a couple of reasons.

"When I got married, I'd been to Pocomoke two times. I went on a hayride on a Halloween and I went to a dentist. I had a sister who lived in Exmore. So I used to go down there and spend weeks with her."

She went to Saxis School. "I passed for the sixth-grade and quit like a silly girl." She regretted it but never went back.

The newlyweds came right back from the wedding to tell her parents what they had done. Her father's response was to tell the groom, "I have a great mind to lock you up." But her dad was joking and the newlyweds spent the first night of their new lives at her parents' house before Winfred Godwin took his bride to Sanford to his parents' home on the mainland.

"I lived close to the water and I stayed down to the water a lot," Godwin said. "I had a playhouse down there. At night, when I went to bed, I could see the water out my window ... They teased my husband, he would have to throw a bucket of water on the side of the house to get me to sleep."

"In early years, there was a bridge to the mainland. "I guess, I was about

12 when they put the road there," she said referring to the causeway. That was around the same time she got her first job. "I worked at Taylor's canning factory, in Hallwood. Peeled tomatoes. When you filled the bucket, you carried it up and got a 5-cent ticket. I worked the whole week for \$7 ... I loaned it to my two (watermen) brothers ... they had their tongs and all, but they didn't have the money to buy their groceries to take with them" on the Chesapeake Bay. When they made some money, "They then send me \$10 in place of the \$7."

Godwin was 14 when a boy asked for a date. He had been sent by Winfred Godwin and was supposed to be asking if she would entertain Godwin, not him. The boy never came back because the next night Winfred Godwin came to her doorstep and asked for himself. After that, "He just came by and visited. I wasn't allowed to go out. There weren't cars like there are now. If you had a boyfriend, he'd come to the house and sit and talk ... We were together for eight months and then we got married ... He's been gone 33 years." They were together for 53 years. Dolcie Godwin has never remarried and said she doesn't have any boyfriends but she loves to read "Love Inspired," a series of fictional Christian romance novels.

Godwin was born Dolcie Ellen Martin in 1917, the year WWI was declared. Her parents were Mary Stant Martin and James T. Martin. "My father worked on the water. Of course,

my mother she had her hands full. She had eight children, I was the youngest." Godwin had four brothers and three sisters. "They're all gone." She says she wasn't spoiled, despite being the baby of the family.

"My mother was born and raised on Smith Island," Godwin said. "Father was from Saxis. Where he worked on the water, he used to take his oysters and things that he caught" to many ports. "He used to visit Smith Island and he met her there. My mother's people would come from New York and Baltimore and spend weeks at a time" to enjoy the Saxis beach. "They

came in on the train."

Godwin's chore as a kid was "to run back and forth to the store for one thing. We lived down this lane and ... everybody on the lane would call me to go to the store for them ... That's all washed away, even the house I was born in is gone. It's nothing but water. It was a pretty sandy beach. There's a lot of people who would come right through our yard to go swimming."

"We had our first child after three years, a month, and 20 days" when she was 19, Godwin said. That baby is 83 now and was born at Sanford where they lived with her in-laws for nearly five years. The youngest of her five children, Brenda (Godwin) Carey, was born in 1956 when Godwin was 39. Godwin lives with that daughter in Parksley these days as she has for the last seven years.

The Godwins had three girls and two boys. Now there are 17 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, 16 great-great-grand-

children, and one on the way.

"I had a lot of good days," Godwin said. "I had a lot of bad ones." The death of her son was one of her worst days. "I lost my youngest boy. He fell 21 stories to his death. He was working on one of the condominiums in Ocean City, (Md.). He was 28. I never got over it," she said.

The Godwins lived in Baltimore for four years, worked at Glen I. Martin's airplane factory, which was not named for a relative, came back, and built a home. It was 1946. "My husband and his father built our home in Sanford, our Shad landing home, brown house on the left, the year my youngest son was born."

When the couple married, they didn't have a car. The first vehicle came after the house. Godwin said it was blue and white, but she couldn't remember the make or model. "I didn't start driving until I was 50. Didn't have the nerve to try. I was 96 when I quit driving. My hands were getting so I was afraid I would hurt someone else or hurt myself. The last car I drove was a van."

She learned to drive when she drove "that little truck" at the airplane company's warehouse. "They had air holes in the floor. If you were wearing a skirt the air would blow it up. When that would happen the men would all holler. I started wearing pants," she said.

The family's first TV was purchased in the 1950s. "I had all my children before I got one," Godwin said. She didn't remember much about the world wars except one of her brothers was in the WWI and she lived in Baltimore during WWII. "When I worked to Baltimore my best friend was Sybil Cannon. We stayed in touch for a long time. Then she moved and I didn't hear any more from her. Her husband was Ernest."

Godwin had many other jobs over the years. "I worked to Birdseye in Pocomoke, to Holly Farms (now Tyson), the shirt factory in Parksley" where "I sewed cuffs on men's shirt sleeves. When I went at Dulany's (in Exmore), I worked on the line. I worked at night. I didn't work there too long."

Godwin wasn't up on the political issues in Virginia. Her favorite president was John F. Kennedy. "I just liked his looks," she said. The first time she



Submitted Photo
Dolcie and Winfred Godwin at ages 29 and 33, respectively

voted, "I guess I was 25 years old."

She laughed when it was suggested she could do commercials for "Kellogg's Frosted Flakes" since that is what she eats for breakfast. She said she had "no idea" about the secret to a long life. "I've always eaten healthy." She likes to drink iced tea, Dr. Pepper, water, and two cups of coffee a day. Godwin answered, "Nothing special" when asked her secret to look younger than her years.

Godwin's mother died at 73. "My father lacked a few days of being 80. They were born April 12 and 13. I can't remember which was which." The 102-year-old, who has a strong faith in God, doesn't wonder how she survived so long. "I don't know what he's keeping me here for, but he knows best. It's all up to him," she said. The best lesson she learned in life was "Be good to everybody. It's God's way."

So much has changed on the Shore, "I don't know where to start," she said. "Change in the land. Water has taken over. I'm afraid in not too many days there will be no Saxis. There's water on both sides of Saxis, down to the creek, all the places down there and restaurants and all." Godwin said of the dockside areas, "They used that for a dump. That's been built up. The road people have filled

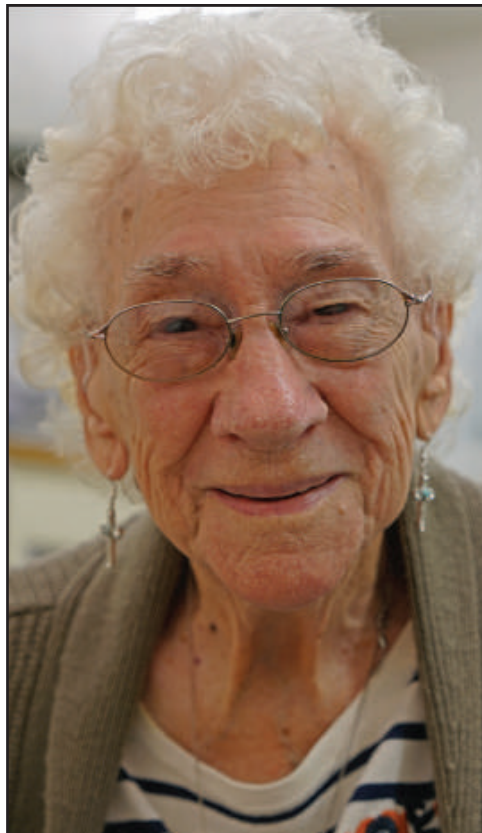


Photo by Linda Cicaira
Dolcie Godwin, a native of Saxis, is 102.

that all in. That was all water where the crab houses and all are now."

Kellam to Represent Boys and Girls Club

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

Desiree Kellam is the Eastern Shore Boys & Girls Club candidate for the Youth of the Year competition in Southeast Virginia. Kellam, a 15-year-



Desiree Kellam

old sophomore at Nandua High School, is the daughter of Larry and Patricia Kellam of Painter.

Kellam began attending the Eastern Shore Boys and Girl Club when she was in the fourth grade, recalling she felt she was making some poor choices at the time and being a bit mischievous. "I feel my time at the Boys and Girls Club has helped me make better decisions and mature as a person," said Kellam recently, an honor roll student at Nandua.

Kellam plays basketball, volleyball and softball, is a member of the local YMCA, tutors younger children at the club, and serves in the teen janitorial program at her church.

Kellam says she strives to be a mentor and a great role model to all the youth she encounters. She tells youth, "It does not matter where you come from, it's where you're headed."

Kellam, who is a member of the Keystone Club, the teen program coordinated by Kathy Custis of the Eastern Shore Boys and Girls Club, attends the club



Photo by Linda Cicaira

This horse seems to say, "Enough talk already, let's sign up to march in the St. Patrick's Day Parade."

Let's Get This Party Started

We love a parade! And what better way to celebrate the day, when everyone is Irish and is supposed to wear "the green," than March 10 at the 6th Annual O'Nancock St. Patrick's Parade, where you might find a lucky leprechaun?

Even St. Patrick will be there with his color guard. The Celtic Festival at Ker Place is readying with the theme Shamrocks & Shillelaghs. It will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., with arts and crafts and refreshments.

The parade will start at 2 p.m.

Deadline to register is March 1.

Businesses, organizations, clubs, churches, and schools are encouraged to enter. For parade information, call Joy Marino at 757-787-2170. Nancy James will give more details to festival vendors at 757-710-3089. And even more about the events, including sponsor information, is available at www.onancock.org

The event promises to be a full day of family-friendly fun with floats, horses, the annual kilt contest, pipe and drum corps, and lots of green.

each evening after school. "The club has empowered me with the ability to dramatically improve my leadership skills and taught me to set high standards for myself," said Kellam. "Shield yourself from negativity and stay focused on the prize," she added.

Kellam, who hopes to attend Virginia Tech and major in accounting, will compete with five other Youth of the Year candidates in Norfolk on March 14 with the winner advancing to state competition.

The Eastern Shore Boys and Club has produced five Youth of the Year winners in Southeast Virginia in its 14-year existence. Its mission is: "To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as pro-

ductive, caring, responsible citizens."

The club starts about 3:30 p.m. each school day and provides a hot meal before "Power Hour," where youth work on academic skills and complete homework, then has activities that include sports, arts, social and health skills. It remains open until 8 p.m. and provides parents a safe, positive place for their children while they are working. Summer programs for the Boys and Girls Club start at 6:30 a.m. and continue throughout the day.

For more information about the Eastern Shore Boys and Girls Program, call 757-678-5151, ext. 8141.

To donate to the Eastern Shore Unit of BGCSEVA, send a check payable to BGCSEVA, P.O. Box 845, Exmore, VA 23350.

Black History Month

Signal and Map Songs of the Underground Railroad

By **Connie Morrison**

An idea seeded at a Black History Month program at Ker Place in 2017 will bear fruit tonight as the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association, the Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society, and local African Methodist Episcopal church choirs join forces to present "A Celebration of Negro Spirituals." AME choirs and soloists will explore the spirituals used by slaves as signal and map songs to guide their journeys along the Underground Railroad.

"In 2017, we did a program called 'Shore Black History Lives, a Conversation: How We Prayed, Played and Made a Way Out of No Way,'" said Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society Executive Director Hilary Hartnett-Wilson. "I was inspired by an elderly woman in the audience that got up at the end of the program totally unexpectedly, and broke into song, singing an old hymn a cappella. It was amazing and I thought how great it would be to have a choir sing of spirituals."

The choral showcase will feature the United Voices of Jerusalem Baptist Church in Temperanceville; a choir composed of numerous members from several Shore AME churches; and the Anointed Word Choir from Anointed Word Church of God and Christ in Keller.

Karen Downing, representing the alumni association, said the event was the type of program for which the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center was intended. "We endeavor to be a good neighbor and partner with other organizations in the future."

Downing is also a member of United Voices of Jerusalem Baptist Church. "Our Pastor, Rev. Richard Holland, encourages and supports our ministry going outside the walls of the church into the community. We are excited to be a part of this event," she said.

But she also finds personal meaning in participating. "This event is important to give awareness of Black History Month and the challenges, achievements, and accounts of all facets of that history, including the songs and messages associated with them as slaves sojourned to freedom."

Doug Strand has been the music

minister at Gaskins Chapel for more than 20 years. He served on the planning committee for the event and coordinated the participation of area AME churches. Strand said they jumped at the chance to sing at the black history celebration. "The singing of spirituals and signal songs holds a special place for the AME Church," he said. "We were founded in 1787 by Richard Allen, the denomination was birthed by the Free African Society in Philadelphia, Pa., so the Underground Railroad played a tremendous part of not only our history as a people but also our Christianity. This would be maybe what some would term 'a full-circle moment!'"

Hartnett-Wilson praised the work of those who pulled together the program, "my staff, Amy Savona, Stephanie Templin, and Stacey Gardner; and Decola Johnson, Douglas Strand,

and Karen Downing rounded out the committee," she said. "Amy and Stephanie researched the spirituals and Douglas, Decola, and Karen arranged for the choirs and soloists."

"I hope this thoughtful and mem-

orable event will provide our audience with a broader perspective of our American History," said Hartnett-Wilson. "In these days any opportunity to promote inspiration and understanding is a win."

The details:

"A Celebration of Negro Spirituals" will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. tonight (Feb. 15) in the gymnasium of the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, 24577 Mary N. Smith Rd., Accomac

Admission will be \$10 at the door. Payment by cash or check only. Proceeds will be shared by the Historical Society and the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, both nonprofit organizations.

For more information call 757-787-8012, visit www.shorehistory.org/events or go to the Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society Facebook page.



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Black History Month

HISTORY IS IN THE DETAILS

Impressions from the Frances Bibbins Latimer Collection

Information for the following article was drawn from the resources of the Eastern Shore Room, soon to be expanded into the Eastern Shore of Virginia Heritage Center within the ESVA Regional Library to be built in Parksley.

By Jazmine Collins

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Cataloging the collection of Frances Bibbins Latimer, a local historian and an early proponent of African-American history and genealogy on the Eastern Shore, has greatly impacted my perspective of local history and my own identity as a resident. This wealth of history — such as obituaries honoring the last living former slaves on the Eastern Shore, successful African-American owned businesses, family histories that chronicle connections, European-American and Native American ancestry, has fostered a greater appreciation for the unique locality of our two counties, and made the Shore seem, if possible, smaller, more familiar.

Frances Bibbins Latimer had special passion for education, its importance, and its development, especially within the African-American community, which is evident throughout her published works and in this plethora of sources, articles, and artifacts. Even with the ability to refer to her many titles, I cannot presume to know what Mrs. Latimer's intentions were for the many items she gathered, but I deeply appreciate her compulsion to preserve these windows into the past.

One such window from the legacy

of Frances Bibbins Latimer is a collection of 10 bank receipts from the Cape Charles School Board, dating from the first half 1925 signed by J.D. King, chairman, and Helen E. Lowe, clerk. Of the 10, eight receipts show expenses for the white school covering teachers' pay, a baccalaureate sermon, payment for taking the school census, and for janitorial services. The other two are expenses for the "colored" school janitorial services and for taking the colored school census. Naturally, I did not expect the amounts for comparable expenses between the two schools to be equal, but I did not expect what I found.

For sanitary work rendered at the colored school for 21 weeks, from Jan. 5 to May 5, 1925, Charlie Hikes (Hykes), an African-American man, was paid \$1 per week, totaling \$21. In comparison, for janitorial services at the white school, John Mapp, was paid \$85 for the month of April's salary alone. I did the math: at \$1 a week, for one month, Charlie Hykes would have earned \$4, possibly \$5. If my astonishment and disbelief needed further confirmation, another check made out to John Mapp for janitor services rendered for seven days in June amounted to \$25.80. For one week in June, the white school's janitor was paid more than the janitor for the colored school was paid for 21 weeks; this is a ratio of more than 20:1, 20 times more pay for a difference of skin color. I was profoundly hurt.

Pondering on the implications of this find, I imagined the year 1925, with the

devastation of WWI fresh in the minds of Americans. The intellectual greats W.E.B. Dubois and Booker T. Washington publicly debated ideologies on the course of action for social change for African Americans.

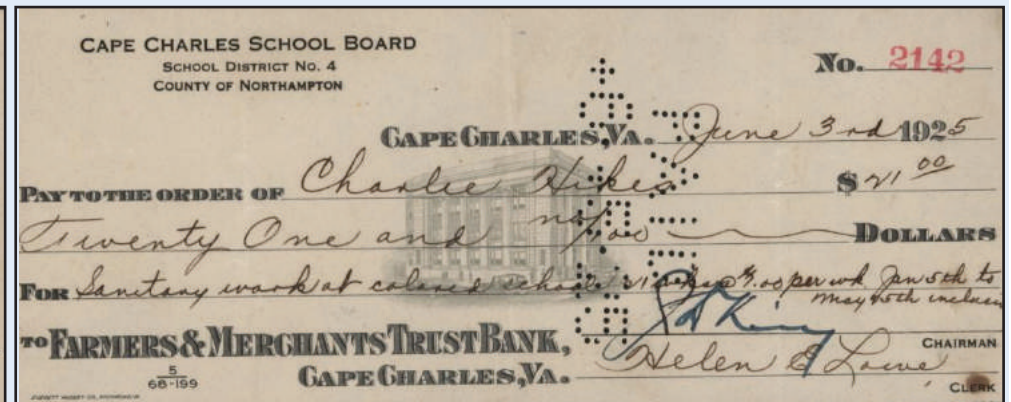
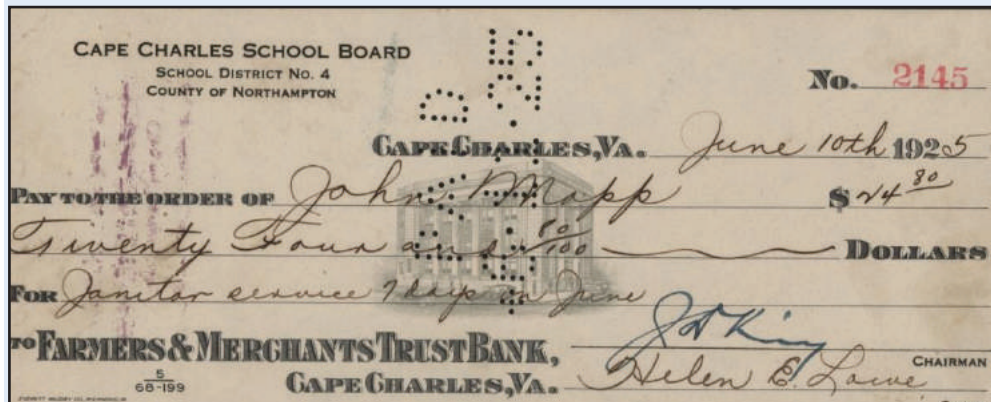
These were the childhood years of my great-great aunt, my family matriarch. In 1925, she was 8 years old in a family of at least seven children. And yet, both the property that she and her husband bought, where I grew up, and the property of her sister remain in my family. My African-American progenitors, my direct family line endured—even progressed—through not only the racial discrimination and economic disadvantage that they faced on a daily basis, the strenuous physical labor of work and life in general without modern conveniences, but also, the Great Depression which followed within a decade, all without finishing a high school education.

The same is true of so many of our predecessors. My sadness turned to pride. Throughout much of the collected material, I am constantly shown evidence of an African-American community here on the Shore, supporting each other, interwoven in familial ties and in neighborly bonds. So, even as such proof of the hardship they faced is presented, in the same source, we find evidence of the strength and progress of our community. The numerous sources available in the Latimer collection and local records offer the ability to understand and appreciate what we have done, where we have been, and

just how entrenched our history is in this little peninsula. This history—our history—proves the ability, as well as the responsibility that we have to affect the environment in which we have resided for hundreds of years.

From original tickets to the African-American Weirwood Fair, to educational institutions like Tidewater Institute, and social and civic organizations of the African, European, and Native American populations on the Shore, to a collection of Victorian Era hand-carved "Negro Head" figure tobacco pipes, one of which bears the maker's mark of a late 18th century London maker, the collection of Frances Bibbins Latimer encompasses so many aspects of the Eastern Shore's past. I am constantly awed by the lifelong legacy of a woman who has truly been an inspiration, and whose works highlight the rare opportunity of being able to locally trace our ancestral lines throughout the numerous documented sources and official records. Most importantly, this collection reaffirms a sense of pride for our heritage, not only with the global identity of people of color, but in the history of our immediate ancestors, who share our family names, and whose feet passed over the very same grounds that we do now.

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



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Bank receipts from the Cape Charles School Board dated 1925 reflecting payment for janitorial work at the white and "colored" schools.

New Board Members Join Education Foundation



Caroline Bott



Charlena Jones



John Pavlik



Jenkins Graduates

The Northampton County Education Foundation (NCEF) has announced the appointment of three new members to its board of directors: Caroline Bott, Charlena Jones, and John Pavlik.

Bott is an experienced nonprofit administrator and fundraising professional who has spent two decades working in the educational, environmental, health, and economic development sectors. She lives in Jamesville with her husband and two sons.

Jones is an Eastern Shore native and a Northampton High School gradu-

ate. She served as the PTA president at Kiptopeke Elementary School. She is a grandmother and mother of two children.

Pavlik has a broad range of experience in government and the private sector in both New Jersey and on the Eastern Shore. His numerous appointed and elected positions include distinguished service as a member of the town council and as mayor of his home town in New Jersey, as well as positions on various boards and authorities in New Jersey. John and his wife, Marty, retired to the Eastern Shore in 2012.

The Northampton County Education Foundation is a conduit for support to the public schools from the community. The foundation provides grants to teachers to encourage and facilitate approaches aimed at reshaping and improving classroom education for students and other initiatives, such as field trips that enhance the students educational experiences outside of the classroom.

For more information, visit www.ncedufoundation.com to learn more about foundation board members.

Pvt. Jerron Jenkins graduated as a Military Operational Specialist, Feb. 5, at the U.S. Army 16th ordnance Battalion Graduation Ceremony, Fort Lee Memorial chapel, Fort Lee, Va. Jenkins has been assigned to USAG, Baumholder, Germany. He completed basic training in Oct. 2018 at Fort Jackson and is a 2018 graduate of Northampton High School.

Jenkins is the son of Jerron and Staff Sergeant Akiya Upshur-Jenkins. His grandmother is Charlene Upshur.



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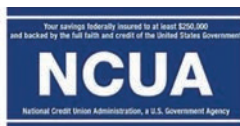
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Community Notes

Accomac

The fourth Lifestyle Challenge meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 21, at 3 p.m., at the E.S. Public Library, 23610 Front St. This meeting will involve a variety of fun activities and free health resources. Participants will learn to eat less sugar and sodium and how to include those healthy habits. Each program is unique and free. The public can join the Lifestyle Challenge any time until March 31.

REVIVE! OPIOID TRAINING

REVIVE! Training will show those who attend how to recognize an opioid overdose emergency and how to respond with the administration of Naloxone (Narcan®). The training is provided at no cost and participants receive a REVIVE! kit which includes two doses of Narcan®. REVIVE! training is held at the Eastern Shore Community Services Board Prevention Office, 15150 Merry Cat Ln., Belle Haven, on the last Wednesday of every month from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Registration can be done online at www.escsb.org/events or by calling the Prevention Office at 757-442-5388. The next scheduled class is on Feb. 27.

For more information, call 787-3400.

Cape Charles

Freezin' For A Reason, a polar plunge to benefit Habitat for Humanity, will be Saturday, Feb. 23, at noon, at the pavilion. Registration will begin at 11 a.m. For more information, call 442-4687.

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 chincoteagueuca.org

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. Melissa Payne and Kelly Honeycutt will also speak. For more information or to reserve a spot, call 302-2297.

Onley

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority will host AKAerobics Saturday, Feb. 23, from noon to 1:30 p.m., at Nandua High School. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

for registration and blood pressure check-ins. There will be a free Zumba class, healthy snacks, wristbands, and more. Donations of healthy snacks and canned goods are welcome. All proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association.

Eastville

The Northampton Black History Program will be Friday, Feb. 22, at 9 a.m., at the middle school, and at 10:30 a.m., at the high school.

ACCOMACK COMMUNITY BAND LOOKING FOR PLAYERS

The Accomack Community Band is looking for players. They play a wide variety of music. Tubas and trumpets are especially needed.

The band meets every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in the Historic Onancock School. For more information, call Marilyn Ailes at 757-824-0608.





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FRIDAY FEB. 15 ★12:30 p.m. - **SciPhi Seminar: Marfan's Syndrome in Haiti** - ESCC, Melfa
★4-8 p.m. - **Death by Chocolate** - Chincoteague Center, 6155

Community Dr.
★6-8 p.m. - **Open Mic** - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
★6:30-8 p.m. - **Negro Spirituals Performance** - Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, 24577 Mary N. Smith Rd., Accomac
★7 p.m. - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
★7 p.m. - **CIAO Friday Night at the Movies: "No Way to Treat a Lady"** - Island Theatre, Chincoteague - \$5
★7-8 p.m. - **Backpack Storyteller Deb Alsko** - Cape Charles Memorial Library
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
★8 p.m. - **Play: "The Spectacularly Lamentable Trial of Miz Martha Washington" (Feb. 15-16)** - Northstreet Playhouse, Onancock

SATURDAY FEB. 16 ★10 a.m.-noon - **Drop-In Art Show** - Ward Museum, Salisbury, Md. - 410-742-4988 x110
★10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Death by Chocolate** - Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Dr.
★11 a.m. - **Reading Rainbow** - Pocomoke Library
★5-7 p.m. - **Spaghetti Dinner** - Evergreen Pavilion, Hacksneck
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

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SUNDAY FEB. 17 ★1 p.m. - **Conversation Cafe: "Romantic Dance"** - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles

★3 p.m. - **"The Magnificent Ambersons" Movie** - Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles
★4 p.m. - **20th Church Anniversary** - Living Word Church of Deliverance, Parksley
★4 p.m. - **14th Pastoral Anniversary Celebration** - Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC, Melfa

MONDAY FEB. 18 ★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - **E.S. Quilt Guild mtg.** - Drummondtown UMC, Accomac - community service projects - 201-317-0586
★1-4 p.m. - **CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday: Card, Word, and Board Games** -

Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague
★5:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Onancock UMC, 75 Market St.
★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
★6:15 p.m. - **Central Shore Lions Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley
★6:30 p.m. - **Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley
★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Free English for Speakers of Other Languages** - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
★7 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
★7 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery mtg.** - Onancock Baptist Church - food served at 6 p.m.
★7:30 p.m. - **Accomac Cty. Taxpayers' Assn. mtg.** - Accomack County Administration Bldg.

THURSDAY FEB. 21 ★10:30 a.m. - **Story Time** -

Cape Charles Memorial Library
★11 a.m. - **Neuter Scooter (Feb. 21-22)** - SPCA Eastern Shore, 26528 Lankford Hwy., Onley - 787-7285
★2 p.m. - **Parkinson's Support Group** - YMCA, Onley
★4 p.m. - **Science Exploratorium "Newton's Laws of Physics"** - 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
★6-8:30 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. - **Kiwanis Club mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chincoteague
★6:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
★7 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Chincoteague Church of God
★7 p.m. - **NA mtg.** - Painter Garrison UMC
★8 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague

TUESDAY FEB. 19 ★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
★10 a.m. - **Zumba** - Franktown UMC

★10 a.m.-noon - **Veterans' Workshop** - Virginia Employment Commission, Onley - 787-5862
★10:30 a.m. - **Duplicate Bridge** - Island House, Wachapreague - 787-2432
★10:30 a.m. - **Play Time** - Pocomoke Library
★1-2:30 p.m. - **Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg.** - Cape Charles Baptist Church, Fidelis House, 509 Randolph Ave. - 789-5000
★5:30 p.m. - **Girl Scouts Troop 1082 mtg.** - Craddockville UMC
★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. - **Financial Workshop** - Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC, Melfa - 757-350-5039
★7 p.m. - **AACA Accomack-Northampton Region mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley - 442-4843
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Cheriton VFC - smoke free
★7:30 p.m. - **AA mtg.** - Atlantic UMC

WEDNESDAY FEB. 20 ★7:45 a.m. - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley
★10 a.m. - **TOPS mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718

★10-11 a.m. - **Alzheimer's Caregiving Group** - Commonwealth Senior Living, 23610 North St., Onancock - 1-800-272-3900
★10 a.m.-noon - **Accomac AARP mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley
★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - **Veterans' Employment Representative Avail.** - ESCC, Melfa - no appt. needed
★10:30-11:30 a.m. - **Overeaters Anonymous mtg.** - Rock Church, Onley - 757-655-4834
★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Soup Kitchen** - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore
★11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - **Debedeavon Toastmasters' mtg.** - NASA/Wallops Base - Call Owen Hooks at 824-1941 for base access.
★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
★6-7 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. - **E.S. Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #62 mtg.** - Market St. Grill, Onancock - 709-5212
★6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Free English for Speakers of Other Languages** - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
★7 p.m. - **Bingo** - St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Onley - doors open at 5:30 p.m.
★7 p.m. - **AA and Al-Anon mtgs.** - Franktown UMC
★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting full time employment applications for:

Correctional Officer

Job will require shift work, nights, weekends and some holidays. Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED. Certifications must be obtained within one year of employment.

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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The Sheriff's Office of Northampton County is accepting employment applications for:

JAIL MEDIC

This position will be working in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and the job will require shift work, days, nights, weekends, holidays and required to be on call at times.

Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED. Applicant must possess at a minimum the following: LPN or higher certifications.

Applications may be obtained in person from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Virginia 23347, or online at www.co.northampton.va.us

Deadline for applications: February 22, 2019

Northampton County is an EOE.

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Job Posting

The Board of Directors of Cape Charles Main Street (CCMS) announces a position opening for a Program Director.

The Program Director is responsible for leading and coordinating programs, projects, and initiatives to revitalize historic downtown Cape Charles in accordance with the Virginia Main Street Four Points approach. Reporting to and in partnership with the Cape Charles Main Street Board of Directors, the Program Director oversees the operation of the organization and manages its strategies to achieve CCMS's goals and mission.

The Program Director is a 30 hour per week, salaried, "at will" employee of CCMS directly accountable to the Board of Directors through its elected Board President. Responsibilities are in the areas of Administration and Management, Community Relations and Communication, and Program and Project Management.

Minimum job qualifications are the possession of a Bachelor's degree, three years management experience in a related field and a proven track record of coordinating multiple programs in a highly visible position. Other desirable qualifications include:

- Experience managing committees and volunteers
- Knowledge of Cape Charles
- Knowledge of strategies to preserve the historic character and architecture of downtowns
- Experience with and/or knowledge in any of the following areas: economic development, small business partnerships, strategic planning, collaboration with local government and nonprofit management
- Skills in budgeting, computer database management, and public relations, as well as excellent verbal and written skills
- Persona that is entrepreneurial, visionary, energetic, imaginative, motivated and flexible

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Please send cover letter, resume, three current letters of recommendation and written responses to pre-interview questions to Program Director Search, Cape Charles Main Street, PO Box 567, Cape Charles, VA 23310 or applicationsccmainstreet@gmail.com Pre-interview written questions can be obtained, along with a full job description, by request to applicationsccmainstreet@gmail.com

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If you are a mission-driven person looking to make a difference, email hr@esrh.org before noon on February 19, 2019.

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P.O. Box 176

Nassawadox, VA 23413

757-442-9401– Fax/Attention: Teka Giddens

tgiddens@ahc.cc

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- Developmental Disabilities Aide (PCAs & CNAs welcome)
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 - Emergency Services Clinician
 - Mental Health Facility Technician
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The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District will be accepting applications for Hourly Maintenance Laborer until February 27, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. This position is an entry level position that performs unskilled manual work related to the maintenance and repairs of District grounds and facilities; operates non-specialized equipment in connection with manual task and related work as required. Must be able to follow instructions and effectively communicate to adequately perform heavy physical labor under immediate supervision. Must possess a valid Virginia Driver's License. This is an hourly position with an hourly rate of \$13.00. Applications may be obtained from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District's personnel office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, by telephone (757)331-2960 or online at www.cbdt.com/employment.html

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CLASS A FISHING LICENSE - \$3,000 CALL 757-709-8854.

'98 SUNBIRD CUDDY CAB - 130 h.p. Evinrude, 222 hours, w/trailer. \$3,500. 757-709-2371, leave msg.

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

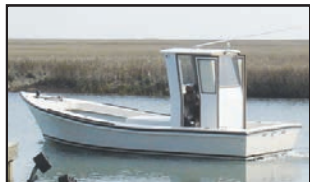
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CHARTER BOAT \$15,000 OBO - 34' Delta-ville Dead-Rise \$15,000 obo - Charter Fishing Boat. 2012 Re-Power Cat 3208T (757) 678-3718.

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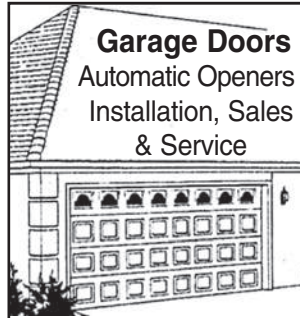
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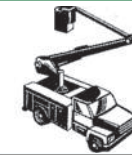
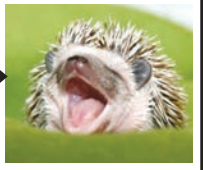
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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

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.

ENTER: This 4th day of February, 2019
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

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

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

*Michael T. Mason, CPA
County Administrator*

Public Input Sought on 2019-2020 School Budget Proposal

The Northampton County School Board will hold a Budget Input Session on the 2019-2020 School Budget Proposal on February 26, 2019 @ 7:00 pm located at the Northampton High School Auditorium, 16041 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Va 23347. Parents, community members and school employees will have an opportunity to tell the Superintendent and the School Board their top funding priorities for the school system. The regularly scheduled monthly School Board Meeting will follow the Budget Input Session. For further information, contact Mrs. Karen Pitt @ (757) 678-5151 Ext. #2002.

NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION

Harry L. Bowen Jr, (2019006) has applied for approximately 6 +- acres of oyster planting ground in Fisherman Inlet situated in Northampton City/County and described as follows: **North By: Ballard III PF #17739, East By: MLW, South By: Vacant, West By: VIMS reef permit, Lat/Long: N37-06.4143 W75-57.9613**

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

For more specific application location information call (757)247-2230.

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, you are hereby notified of a Public Hearing that will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Accomack, Virginia at **10 a.m., Thursday, February 28, 2019** on the wetlands application of:

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 Accomack, Virginia. Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5728.

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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:
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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.

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 Accomack, Virginia. Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5728.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE - FAIR HOUSING

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Email: fairhousing@dpor.virginia.gov
website: www.fairhousing.vipnet.org



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Notice of Public Hearings

The Cape Charles Town Planning Commission will hold public hearings on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the Town Civic Center at 500 Tazewell Avenue, Cape Charles to receive comment on the following: an application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow an accessory dwelling unit at 615 Monroe Avenue (tax map# 83A3-1-243B); proposed text amendment to zoning ordinance Article IV, Sections 4.5.1 adding a mixed-use designation to the Table of Parking Standards, and regulating the minimum off-street parking requirement for mixed-use development; proposed text amendment to zoning ordinance Article IV, Section 4.5.F1.k adding a requirement that new mixed-use developments delineate residential parking spaces with appropriate signage.

Information on these public hearing items can be viewed in the Town Planner's Office at 2 Plum Street Cape Charles Town Hall, or obtained by phone at 757-331-2039, or email at planner@capecharles.org.

**TOWN OF EXMORE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

On Monday, the 4th day of March, 2019, the Council of the Town of Exmore, Virginia, will hold a public hearing on the proposed issuance by the Town of Exmore, Virginia, of its bonds in the estimated maximum principal amount of \$1,250,000. The purposes of the proposed bonds are to (a) finance, in part, costs of water system improvements in the Town, including (without limitation) two new wells, a filtration facility, two backwash-holding tanks and installation of an emergency generator and (b) pay related issuance and financing costs. Such bonds shall be general obligations of the Town to the payment of which the Town's full faith and credit shall be irrevocably pledged. The Town may also pledge net revenues of its water, sewer and/or sanitation systems.

The public hearing will be conducted at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the J. Guy Lawson Municipal Building, 3305 Main Street, Exmore, Virginia. Interested persons may appear at such time and place and present their views.

The Town of Exmore is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Ethel Parks
Town Clerk
Town of Exmore, Virginia

Public Notice

The Northampton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers located in the County Administration Building at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. The Board of Zoning Appeals will meet for the purpose of conducting regular business and public hearing on the following matter:

A. Exception 2019-02: Joseph & Joanne Savan have filed an application for a variance and buffer exception. They are requesting a 6.5 foot variance from the left side setback. As well as an exception of 2,713 square foot and 48.5 feet from the required 100 foot CBPA buffer for a single family home and pool. The property is located in the Solitude Trail subdivision at Lot 31 Wilsonia Neck. The property is zoned ES/R-A1 and is further described as Tax Map 48-A-10.

Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the public hearing in order to make their views known. Additionally, comments may also be written and sent to the Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department. The files may be viewed in the Northampton County Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department in Eastville, VA, located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA.

Handicapped Assistance Available: Please telephone 757-678-0443, extension 516, at least 48 hours in advance.

**SOMERSET COUNTY, MD
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Generator Relocation/Installation

1. Maryland Avenue Well, Crisfield, MD
2. Deal Island/Chance Volunteer Fire Department, Deal Island, MD

The Somerset County (MD) Commissioners are seeking proposals from qualified firms to remove an existing generator at the Maryland Avenue well site in Crisfield, MD 21817, and to transport and install it at a new location at the Deal Island/Chance Volunteer Fire Company, located at 10090 Deal Island Road, Deal Island, Maryland 21821. In addition, a new generator needs to be purchased and installed at the Maryland Avenue well site in Crisfield, MD. Both locations are in Somerset County, MD. Proposals will include the purchase of one (1) new generator, and the transportation and installation of two (2) generators, existing and new, and proposals that do not reflect this will not be considered.

Sealed bids from qualified firms will be accepted by the Somerset County Commissioners, 11916 Somerset Avenue, Room 111, Princess Anne, MD 21853, until **1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2019.**

A Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at 10 a.m.** at the Somerset County Office Complex, Room 211, 11916 Somerset Avenue, Princess Anne, MD, 21853, with a Site Visit to both generator sites included in this request.

Request For Proposal documents may be obtained in person or by mail, from the Department of Technical & Community Services, 11916 Somerset Avenue, Room 211, Princess Anne, MD 21853, or by calling (410) 651-1424. The documents are also available at the County's Website at www.somersetmd.us on the "Bids/Proposals" page.

Funding for this activity is made available through the federally-funded Community Development Block Grant Program. Somerset County is an equal opportunity employer, and strongly encourages submissions by minority and women business enterprises and Section 3 businesses.

For more information, please contact the Somerset County Department of Technical & Community Services at 410-651-1424 or at gpusey@somersetmd.us

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
Proposed Change to Mason Avenue Parking and Sale of Real Property**

The Town of Cape Charles hereby gives notice that the Town Council will hold public hearings concerning the following items:

- The proposed change to pull-in angle parking on the North side of the 100 through 300 blocks of Mason Avenue.
- The sale of a portion of one lot, located on Marina Road (Tax Map No. 83A3-A-10), to the Hungry Crab, LLC.

The public hearings will be held before the Town Council at 6:30 p.m. on February 21, 2019, at the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Avenue, Cape Charles, Virginia 23310.

This notice is advertised pursuant to § 15.2-1800 and § 15.2-1813 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended. Interested persons may appear at the public hearing and present their views.

Additional information regarding the proposed parking and sale of the foregoing real property is available for review at www.capecharles.org under Agenda and Minutes, Town Council or in the Clerk's Office at 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles.

These items will be discussed and brought to a vote by the Town Council at the regular meeting immediately following the public hearings.

Lawrence DiRe
Town Manager

TRUSTEE SALE

**24109 Maxwell Street, Parksley, VA 23421
Accomack County**

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of **\$192,000.00**, dated **March 21, 2018** recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the **Accomack County, Virginia**, in **Document No. 180001086**, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance to the **Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack**, on **March 18, 2019 at 12:00 PM** the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

All that certain tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Parksley, Accomack County, VA, on Virginia Highway 674, leading from the Town of Parksley to the Village of Clam, and bounded on the South by Virginia Highway 674 and by the land now or formerly by M. D. Mason and wife; on the East by the land now or formerly of F. W. Blake and M. L. Blake, his wife, and by the land now or formerly of M. W. Littleton; on the North by the land now or formerly of W. A. Sprague; and on the West by the land now or formerly of the heirs of W. Z. Mason and by the land now or formerly owned by M. D. Mason and wife, being Tax ID# 078A1A000000200, with improvements thereon.

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH: A deposit of **\$20,000.00** or 10% of the sales price, whichever is lower, cash or certified check will be required at the time of sale, but no more than \$10,000.00 of cash will be accepted, with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. Sale is subject to post sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of his deposit without interest. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Pursuant to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, we advise you that this firm is a debt collector attempting to collect the indebtedness referred to herein and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., Substitute Trustee

This is a communication from a debt collector.
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C. (65939)
5040 Corporate Woods Drive, Suite 120
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CAPITAL LETTERS



By Del. Rob Bloxom

The 2019 session is speeding to an end as our work will be finished in a little more than a week. The most important work has been to decide how much money the commonwealth has to spend. The state received a windfall because of the changes in the federal tax code that were part of the Trump tax cuts. The issue was the inability to itemize on state tax returns, with the result of most people having to pay

more in state taxes.

The Virginia House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia approved legislation that will provide nearly one billion dollars in tax relief to the taxpayers of Virginia.

The legislation will provide \$420 million to Virginia taxpayers later this year, in the form of tax rebates of \$110 for individual filers and \$220 for married couples. It raises the standard deduction by 50 percent beginning in tax year 2019, the first such change for individual filers since 1989. The bill also maintains the current rules for

state and local taxes (SALT) and includes key provisions for job creating businesses.

In total, the legislation will guarantee at least \$976 million in tax relief and ensure that all additional revenues from the permanent provisions of federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act are placed in the state's cash reserve fund. The legislation also conforms Virginia tax law to the federal law, ensuring Virginians will be able to file their state taxes without complications this May.

We now wait to see how spending priorities between the House and

Senate budgets get conformed. Tensions run high and the fate of bills may hang in the balance due to hurt feelings. I never get too tied to a bill or project, as good judgment could be compromised when someone wants to trade a vote or hold something over you. I will sacrifice my bill or my project before I vote for a bill that I consider to be bad policy.

As always, I welcome you to visit me in Richmond, or call me at 804-698-1000 if you have any questions or concerns. You may also email me at delrbloxom@house.virginia.gov



By Del. Lynwood Lewis

With adjournment of the General Assembly session closing in and crossover behind us, we are working in Richmond to finalize the budget bill and committee work. The House and the Senate proposed budgets reflecting adjusted revenues that differed from each other as well as from the governor's proposed budget amendments. The money committees and budget conferees will hammer out these differences in conference, but there are some significant items to note that are a net positive for the Shore.

I will outline a few of those budget items, but first would like to address the issue of tax conformity. As I have mentioned in earlier columns, tax conformity was the most pressing issue facing the General Assembly session this year. For Virginians to have their tax returns processed in a timely manner the legislature needed to swiftly conform the Virginia tax code following the sweeping changes made at the federal level last year. Historically, Virginia addresses conformity and policy separately, which allows for tax season to move forward without significant disruption for Virginia taxpayers. Unfortunately, leadership within the majority party refused to move forward with straight tax conformity. This led to a delay in the process, but we had to address our tax issue prior to handling the direction

of any additional revenues provided by the federal changes.

At the end of crossover week, the governor's administration and Republican leadership negotiated a deal that allowed for tax conformity to move forward while also addressing policy. The standard deduction was raised to \$4,500 for single Virginians and \$9,000 for married taxpayers – a \$1,500 and \$3,000 increase respectively – and Virginian taxpayers will receive up to \$110 back from the state depending on tax liability. Married couples will receive up to \$220. Those in my caucus were very concerned about making sure middle-class Virginians who are seeing diminished returns at the federal level – mostly those making under \$50,000 – are not also harmed by this deal. We received assurances from the administration that this policy compromise would benefit our constituents making under \$50,000 and my Democratic colleagues in the House were able to establish a Taxpayer Relief Fund for future years.

This deal did change the revenue projections and made some of the investments that would have been utilized with one-time revenues under the original proposed budget adjustments put forth in December unrealistic. Ultimately, the deal negotiated by the governor and majority leadership was necessary to move forward with conformity but is not perfect. The budget will continue to be worked on as we move through the final weeks

of session.

In terms of the budget, we were able to ensure the 5 percent raise for teachers remained despite some opposition and were able to fund critical adjustments to our student-to-counselor ratios. In the Senate budget, we appropriated additional funds to address mental health care needs, fully fund Medicaid expansion, increase funds for our statewide broadband initiative, and still appropriate additional funds for at-risk add-ons for K-12, though not to the levels we had initially hoped for with the governor's originally proposed budget amendments.

I worked hard to get funding for VIMS to conduct the modeling necessary to inform the desired Army Corps of Engineers 3x3x3 study for the Chincoteague Inlet Project. This is incredibly important for the future of Chincoteague and Assateague, and the funding of this modeling will not only help to inform erosion control and stabilization management decisions on the islands, but also make us more competitive when seeking the non-federal match for the full 3x3x3 study.

The Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority saw additional targeted investments in the Senate budget; these would fund the complete construction of the small rocket launch facility, in partnership with Rocket Lab, and improve the capacity of the Wallop's Island facility to handle testing of sea-based autonomous

systems. It is clear the rest of the commonwealth recognizes the critical role Wallops and the Space Authority play in the new Virginia economy.

I am hopeful that the final budget that emerges from conference will also include some \$500,000 for the Shoreline Resiliency Fund, which was created by legislation I put forward in 2016. This would be instrumental in getting the program off the ground, establishing critical framework and providing the initial low-interest loans for resiliency improvements and investments.

This is only a brief overview of an expansive budget bill, but I do believe that we will have some important appropriations addressed this year. We are still seeking ways to address the massive infrastructure needs for our public schools around the state and will continue to push for these critical investments.

There isn't too much time left to visit us in Richmond, but if you can make it up we'd still love to have you. We adjourn Feb. 23. Please continue to monitor the activities of the legislature on the General Assembly website www.VirginiaGeneralAssembly.gov and be on the lookout for information regarding our post-session town halls. 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 of concern.

Posted at Sea Level



By Linda Cicaira

Believe it or not there was something about the recent press conference in which Gov. Ralph Northam denied his association with the racist photograph of a blackface and KKK member that hasn't been brought to the world's attention.

Members of the press were standing around waiting for Northam to come out and address the crowd while others like me who were far away watched on our computer screens and TVs.

Just before the governor and his wife, Pamela Northam, appeared, the reporters and photographers —

“everyone in the sight line of the cameras” — were all told to get down on their knees so a video camera or who knows what else could capture the governor from behind them.

The press did as they were told.

I want to know why the heck there weren't any chairs. Northam was late for his 2:30 p.m. appointment and everyone was waiting. As a longtime journalist who has replaced knees I was so very glad to be viewing from my Eastern Shore home instead of in person. And yes, I guess, the video helped me see this, but that still doesn't excuse it.

What would I have done? My knees don't kneel. They are artificial. Somewhere in this mess is a

real discrimination of the handicapped and just plain lack of common courtesy.

Maybe if that changed there would be more unity. Would Northam or any of his staff have wanted to kneel? I doubt it. It likely would have gotten their clothes dirty. It was another example of very poor judgment or leaving things to people who don't know what they are doing.

I realize my knees don't amount to the hurt that people feel from being shown their very existence is second class, but making people getting down on the floor is not what I consider good manners. My mother, who wanted Democrat written on her gravestone, would not have

approved.

When did people start kneeling before the governor, anyway?

According to www.disabled-world.com, “The presumption that everyone is non-disabled is said to encourage environments that are inaccessible to disabled people.”

I'm not saying that if I had been there I wouldn't have been able to move to the side, but I would have been looked at as being unreasonable, old or cranky, stubborn, or even bitchy, if I hadn't complied. And that might have caused me to feel a bit of those things while listening to the governor explain himself. Not a good move for any politician but especially one in his situation.

Post Op-Ed Page

Delegate's Column Misleading

Dear Editor:

It's beyond disappointing to see Delegate Bloxom, in his last newsletter, distort the truth about late-term abortion in Virginia and denigrate physicians' ethics, indicating that proposed legislation would have allowed the doctor performing a late-term abortion to “benefit monetarily from the procedure.” Bloxom's statement is an insult to physicians and a cruelty to parents.

Further, it imagines a problem which doesn't exist. According to the Virginia Department of Health, although third-trimester abortions are technically legal in the state, there have been NONE in the last three years. None.

Consider the position of the parents. The mother has carried the fetus for close to nine months only to find that it is severely deformed or that its delivery would very possibly kill her. Their decision, and their doctor's advice, is excruciatingly difficult. It's hard to imagine a doctor who'd be thinking about the size of his paycheck in that situation.

It's a cruel disservice to the doctor and to those parents for Del. Bloxom to distort this truth and paint the issue in terms he thinks will serve him politically.

Al McKegg, Onancock

Northam Not a Racist

Dear Editor:

Ralph Northam is not a racist. Any thoughtful review of his life's work, his family, his careers in the military and in medicine, as well as his kind-

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ness and openness to working politically with both sides of the aisle speak volumes about his good character and are a total disconnect with a photo from 35 years ago.

Racism, omnipresent for generations in this country, exists along a spectrum, from subtle even unconscious manifestations to toxic violent acting out. An example toward the latter defines our president. His campaign for the presidency started with his disrespect for Mr. Obama's election, claiming without evidence that Mr. Obama was not born in this country. He failed, and continues to fail, to understand how uplifting Mr. Obama's election and re-election was to the majority of American voters. His elections represent the closest our country has ever come to fulfilling the promise of the Declaration “all men (let's add women) are created equal.” To make such unremitting effort to undo our finest moment is un-American, and since we are talking about an African-American president, it is malignant racism.

John Bulette, Accomac

Much Ado About Nothing?

Dear Editor:

In the matter of Gov. Ralph Northam, I cannot understand how a photograph he is not in can cause him so much trouble.

Bob Tull, Chincoteague

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