



Tangier Native Proud of Humanitarian Work Aboard U.S. Navy Ship Comfort

Senior Chief Information Systems Technician Nick Dise says humanitarian mission to New York City is unlike any in his 18-year Navy career

By Carol Vaughn

Tangier native James “Nick” Dise is among the hundreds of sailors aboard the U.S. Navy hospital ship Comfort who are working to help New York City cope with the novel coronavirus pandemic.

The ship, which has a home port in Norfolk, Va., arrived March 30 in New York’s harbor, sailing past the Statue of Liberty.

“I had a lot of pride, looking at that, knowing what we were coming to do,” Dise said.



Senior Chief Information Systems Technician James “Nick” Dise, from Tangier, is the leading chief petty officer of the operations department aboard the Military Sealift Command hospital ship USNS Comfort. Comfort staff cares for trauma, emergency, and urgent care patients without regard for their COVID-19 status. Comfort sailors and civilians are working with the Javits New York Medical Station as an integrated system to relieve the New York City medical system, in support of the U.S. Northern Command’s Defense Support of Civil Authorities as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Scott Bigley.

With the title senior chief information systems technician, Dise is the leading chief petty officer of the operations department aboard the

Comfort.

He is in charge of the ship’s communications and computer networks

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CSB Parksley Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19

An employee at the Community Services Board’s Parksley location tested positive for COVID-19, forcing 12 others who had contact with the employee into quarantine

By Connie Morrison

Eastern Shore Community Services Board Executive Director Lisa “MiMi” Sedjat said an employee at CSB’s Parksley location has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

Because that employee was in direct contact with clients and other employees, 12 people who had contact with the employee were placed in quarantine.

“We gave the health department the list that they requested, which was anyone who was in 6 feet or less distance for more than 10 minutes at a time ... from March 29 to April 6,” she said. “There were some that they – the health department – chose to quarantine.”

All contacts were made by the health department 5 p.m. Friday, Sedjat said.

The health department “has been incredible to work with,” she said, calling quarantined employees to check on them over the weekend.

Services to clients are continuing via confidential Zoom, a video app, and HIPPA-compliant telephones. “We are able to do everything either telephonically or also with video, depending on what that client and/or that clinician chooses,” said Sedjat.

12th Generation Shoreman, Educator, Arthur King Fisher Dies

Educator, administrator, author, and family man, Arthur King Fisher left lasting impression on students and community

By Bill Sterling

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Arthur King Fisher, the consummate wordsmith who combined a deep

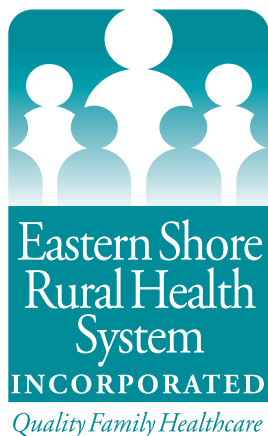
scholarly interest with a great wit, died April 10 in Davidson, N.C. Fisher, 84, had spent most of his life on the Eastern Shore until he and his beloved wife of 47 years, the former Rachel Hall, moved to North Carolina four years ago to be close to their daughter, son-in-law, and three grandchildren.

“Art was a great historian who had a real interest in people,” said

his good friend George McMath. “He was very humble and never used his knowledge to embarrass anyone but to enlighten others.”

I first met Fisher not long after I joined the Eastern Shore News in 1974. At that time, the newspaper was composed at the Eastern Shore Printers in Onancock. I would notice when I

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Important COVID-19/Coronavirus Notice to Eastern Shore Rural Health Patients

- **Patients who are sick should call ahead** prior to going to a center. **Visits by phone or video** are available for sick patients.
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Accomack Sees Five New Cases of COVID-19, Bringing Shore Total to 24

By *Connie Morrison*

As the Accomack County Board of Supervisors closed out its monthly meeting Wednesday night, April 15, Supervisor Donald Hart gave them some breaking news: “While we’ve been at this meeting, I just was notified that we’ve had five new cases of the coronavirus today in Accomack County.”

A check of the Virginia Department of Health’s online data portal showed four new cases in Accomack County as of 9:30 a.m. Thursday morning.

Jon Richardson, chief operating officer for the Eastern Shore Health District, said the district found out about another case last night and that case has not yet been entered into the online data. “That’s the reason for the discrepancy,” he said.

The new cases bring Accomack County’s cumulative number of COVID-19 cases to 20, with Northampton County holding steady at four cases.

The surge in new cases on the Shore came the same day that Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam announced a two-week extension — until May 8 — on the closure of nonessential businesses, including the restaurants and bars (except for takeout and delivery), recreation and entertainment businesses, and personal care services. The order also bans gatherings of more than 10 people.

Health data will continue to be monitored in the meantime to determine what needs to happen after that.

The stay-at-home order remains in place until June 10.

“I want everyone to know the sacrifices that you have made are necessary and they are helping,” Northam said. “They are slowing the spread.”

Virginians should adjust their expectations, he said. “Things are not going back exactly like they were before,” he said. “Together we will figure out how to build a new normal,” which will probably include face coverings, spending more time at

home, teleworking, continued social distancing, and staying away from large gatherings.

Acknowledging that Virginia has a low testing rate — Johns Hopkins University’s data dashboard shows the commonwealth with the second lowest testing rate in the nation — Virginia Secretary of Health and Human Resources Daniel Carney said, “That is something we are addressing. We are trying to understand: How do we optimize the capacity we have, whether it’s in the state lab, academic labs, as well as in commercial labs.”

He added that many providers are presuming symptomatic patients have COVID-19 and treating them accordingly without having them tested, but “from an epidemiological standpoint, there are many advantages to having people tested,” Carney said.

Virginia has focused additional testing capacity on those who are hospitalized, healthcare workers with symptoms, and residents of long-term care facilities.

Testing serves a dual purpose: outbreak intervention and public health surveillance to make sure the resources are in the right places at the right times.

“What we are evaluating now is how we ... broaden that testing criteria with our clinical community so that we can have more testing and a better sense of where this is happening,” said Carney. “Clearly we need more testing here in Virginia.”

Northam and Carney have issued a call for medical and nonmedical volunteers for the Virginia Medical Reserve Corps to support hospitals and long-term care facilities in the surge of cases expected in the next few weeks. An estimated 30,000 volunteers will be needed, and the governor and the VMRC are working with universities to recruit students, especially those enrolled in medical and nursing programs.

To volunteer for the medical reserve corps, go to www.vamrc.org

~ USNS Comfort ~

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— playing an important support role for the ship’s medical staff.

Dise was born and raised on Tangier, and he returns there whenever he can.

“My mother and most of my family are still there on the island,” he said, adding, “I’m there pretty often, when I’m not engaged in other things with the Navy.”

This mission is different from any other Dise has experienced during his 18-plus years in the Navy, which included defending waterways in the Persian Gulf, among other missions.

“This one is a lot different. The medical reasons, and being here for humanitarian reasons, is a different experience — but a really awesome experience,” he said.

Originally, the Comfort was supposed to accept noncoronavirus emergency or urgent care patients to alleviate the burden on the city’s hospitals; the ship now is treating COVID-positive patients as well.

One crew member earlier this month tested positive for COVID-19 and was put in isolation aboard the ship, according to an ABC News report.

The ship on April 8 received critical supplies, including air-purifying respirators, delivered by a Seahawk helicopter from Naval Station Norfolk.

The medical team aboard Comfort as of April 14 has treated more than 120 patients, and more than 50 patients have been discharged back to their homes.

About half the patients being treated aboard the ship are COVID-positive, according to public affairs officer Lt. Devin Arneson.

The New York Post reported Tuesday that two people have died from

COVID-19 aboard the ship. The report, which identified the deceased as patients, said Gov. Andrew Cuomo’s office confirmed the deaths.

Since 2001, the Comfort and sister ship, Mercy, have conducted a number of humanitarian-assistance and disaster-response missions at home and abroad, providing care to more than 550,000 people, according to the Navy.

Missions included a deployment in 2017 to Puerto Rico to support relief efforts after Hurricane Maria, and a 2018 medical support mission to South and Central America, among others.

When fully operational, the Comfort has a crew of around 71 civilians and up to 1,200 Navy medical and communications personnel.

A typical day on the ship starts early for Dise.

“I wake up pretty early, sit down,... figure out what my plan of the day is going to be, and begin execution. I’m in charge of a good handful of people in various jobs on board, so I make sure they get the day started with all the information they need, and then just continue the day, serving wherever I

need to be,” Dise said.

Asked what he misses most about home, Dise said, “My mom, my family, and the amazing food.”

When the crew members are off-duty, they have time to make telephone calls, watch movies and television, or just talk.

“There are things that just kind of keep us relaxed and motivated,” Dise said.

On Easter, several services were held on board, observing social distancing standards, and crew also could tune in to online church services.

“The food was amazing on Easter Sunday. They made sure we had really good food,” Dise said, adding, “I would say, personally, I used that day to just make sure everybody’s morale was kind of high — walk around, talk, cheer them up, make sure they were good to go.”

Dise said emailing letters is a good way to support the crew.

“There are various organizations who are writing letters or sending emails...I’m telling those that ask to just send it to the crew, because a lot of the crew needs some motivation. It’s always beneficial. I know I’ve got really

good backing back at home, but I know that maybe some people may not have that kind of backing, and I want to be able to share that with them,” he said.

Emails can be sent to pao.mil@ah20.navy.mil.

While the crew members are not able to leave the ship, they have a great view of Manhattan.

“It’s a beautiful view of New York City, right where we are positioned,” Dise said, adding, “I really enjoy going out in the morning and just taking in the sunrise over the skyline.”

Others from his hometown, whose work on tugboats takes them to the city, have been able to view the massive ship at its berth.

“I’ve had two of my cousins ride by and snap photos of the ship,” he said.

Dise had this message for Post readers: “Observe what’s being put out by the government — definitely social distancing, being very cautious, continuing on the hygiene aspects of it...Hopefully, once all this starts to calm, and people continue on this, we can begin our journey home — but we won’t go until the mission is accomplished.”

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~ Arthur King Fisher ~ (Continued From Front Page)

was there putting the finishing touches on the sports pages that Fisher would often enter the back room and leave an envelope. I always read a weekly column in the News under the pseudonym “Kyle Redden.” I enjoyed it and wondered who was the writer of this column that touched upon various interesting topics, but often the use of language.

One day when Fisher was leaving after depositing an envelope, I turned to the editor and asked, “Is Mr. Fisher Kyle Redden?” He smiled and nodded, saying, “But it is a secret we need to keep within the office.”

It is a secret I have kept all these years but once shared with him. He explained he preferred remaining anonymous writing the column since he was in public office. I often had contact with Fisher in the years following in his roles as assistant and acting superintendent of Accomack County Schools, and later as county administrator for Accomack County, and eventually as a teacher to one of my children. I also was fortunate to count him as a friend, not as a close friend but one whom I always enjoyed meeting and sharing a bit of conversation. You always learned something when you talked with Art, as many called him.

Fisher Accomplished Much, But Loved Teaching Most

Fisher earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from The College of William & Mary and a Master’s Degree in school administration from the University of Virginia. He also served with the National Guard in Kentucky and Texas before returning to his native Eastern Shore. He worked for a brief period as a stockbroker.

The son of the late Herman King Fisher and the late Arintha (Sally) Justice Fisher, he was a member of the 12th generation from this area. He was proud of his heritage and wrote three books about the Eastern Shore: “Eastern Shore Wordbook,” “Entertaining Words from the Eastern Shore,” and “Comical and Curious Tales from the Eastern Shore.”

He was also renowned as a historian of his hometown of Parksley, where he was raised and lived until the move to North Carolina. Fisher was often quoted in stories about the town. McMath recalls him giving talks dressed in late 19th-century garb and playing the role of Henry Ben-

nett, one of the founders of Parksley.

For all he accomplished in administration both in education and government, the role Fisher enjoyed most, however, was as a classroom teacher.

He began his teaching career at Onancock High School in 1959 and ended his working life in 2007 after teaching English for 11 years at Broadwater Academy. He also served as principal of Bloxom School. And his students, both early and late in his career, remember him fondly.

Kim Miles, a 1964 graduate of Onancock High School, said, “I was always fascinated by his name, ‘Arthur King,’ and remember him as being a calm, understated man with a permanent small smile. I always thought of him as someone to emulate,” said Miles, who eventually became a Phi Beta Kappa student and winner of two national scholar-athlete awards at Trinity College before embarking on a distinguished career in public service.

Miles added, “He was one of the first to welcome me back to the Shore in 2008, coming down to the farm to say hello. He was a gentleman in every sense of the word, always dapper and considerate.”

Buck Boggs, a 1965 Onancock graduate, recalled Fisher as a teacher who changed the direction of his life. “He was an exemplary teacher with a great sense of humor. As a ninth-grade student, I was a mess. I didn’t care about schoolwork at all. Mr. Fisher taught a world geography class that included students from all grades. He inspired me to turn my attitude around,” said Boggs, who later became a history and geography teacher.

Spencer Custis, a 2000 graduate of Broadwater, recalled Fisher’s dry sense of humor. “He would make a comment, and there was a slight pause before you realized it was a joke and a good one. He had that deep belly laugh. I was in both his English and economics class, and it was that economics class that inspired me to major in managerial economics at Hamden-Sydney,” said Custis, now a market manager at Eastwood Homes in Richmond.

Dennis Custis, a longtime Accomack County history teacher and former principal of Nandua High School, was never in Fisher’s classroom but knew him well. “Arthur King Fisher was a gentleman-scholar whose administrative leadership was essential to Accomack County teachers and students in



Arthur King Fisher with his wife Rachel and their three grandchildren, from left, Caroline Elizabeth Parker, 9, Robert Reid Parker, 6, and Stephen Anders Parker, 12. Submitted photo.

the 1970s,” said Custis. “His life-long interest and knowledge of the history of the Eastern Shore was a treasure which he willingly shared.”

A Family Man First

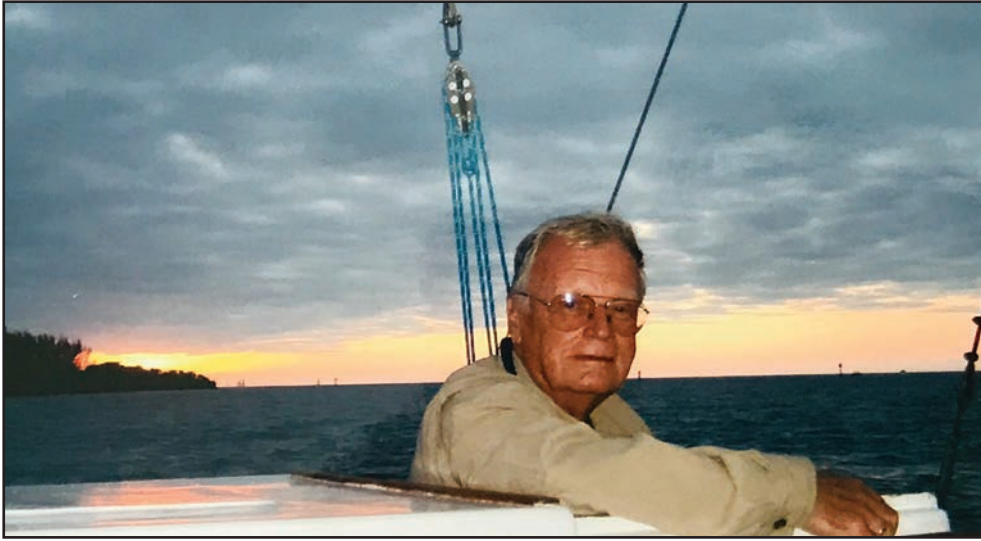
McMath noted that although Fisher was definitely the scholarly type, somewhat reserved with even close friends, he was an extremely loving husband to his wife Rachel, was very proud of his daughter Susanna and her husband Rob and adored his three grandchildren.

“I was surprised, shocked really, when Art told me he was leaving the Shore to be near his daughter and grandchildren because few people love this place more than he does. But you could sense

how badly he wanted to be near those grandchildren,” said McMath. “He really relished being a grandfather.”

Fisher’s daughter, Susanna Fisher Parker, recalled her father reading the encyclopedia and the dictionary to her in addition to bedtime stories when she was a child. “Sometimes he would ask me to suggest a topic, and he would weave this wonderful story from a single word I gave him,” said Parker.

Parker worked as an attorney for the National Mediation Board in Washington, D.C., for 14 years and is now associate general counsel and director of government relations for Data Driven Safety LLC in Huntersville, N.C. She also has a



Arthur King Fisher, longtime resident of Parksley, passed away last week. Submitted Photo.

private mediation practice, Parker Mediations. Her husband is an IT manager.

Despite her business success, Parker is equally proud she serves on the boards of three nonprofit organizations that promote the arts and theater. “Dad always taught me the importance of giving back to the community,” said Parker. “It was something he always stressed.”

Fisher spent much time in retirement serving his community on four boards: the Electoral Board of Accomack County, the Library Board, the Vestry of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, and the Cemetery Society of Metompkin District. Fisher also founded the Town of Parksley Revitalization Committee to help bring business back to Parksley and was the first 911 commissioner of the Eastern Shore.

Parker said her father had a lifelong love of words. “He started writing at an early age and published a newspaper, Parksley Parrot, when he was just 10 years old. He used a Hectograph to make and circulate copies of the paper around town.”

Parker also said her father wrote free-verse poetry throughout his life. “I have books full of his poems,” said Fisher, adding her father’s final book, “Lincoln’s Guest,” will be published posthumously.

To his three grandchildren, Stephen Anders Parker, 12, Caroline Elizabeth Parker, 9, and Robert Reid Parker, 6, Fisher was known as “Dodgy.”

“I know he missed seeing his friends on the Eastern Shore, but he loved being with his grandchildren and never missed an opportunity to be with them,” said Parker. “He enjoyed taking them to the beach. Even in his 80s, he could beat them at putt-putt golf. Then, usually he would go buy them all ice cream.”

A few days after Fisher’s death, the family set up a croquet game to play in his memory. “As a Southern gentleman, you might imagine how much he loved that as well,” said Parker.

In the past few months when Fish-

er’s health was declining, old friends from the Shore got in touch with him.

Pat Bloxom, who with her husband Bob, often spent time with Fisher, said, “Art was a longtime friend of ours. He was always so interesting to be with and usually had something fun to add to the conversation.”

Pat noted that she and her husband talked by phone to Fisher in February, and the two men started recalling their youth when they visited relatives in Cape Charles. “I found out Bob learned to swim from one of Art’s uncles,” said Pat. “I never knew that before.”

In a recent letter to Fisher, McMath wrote, “Throughout the years there have been so many good times which have given me the opportunity of observing a man of the highest character, always wearing the mantle of a true Virginia gentleman. You indeed have lived, and continue to live, an extraordinary life, a life worthy of emulating.”

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For many families with aging parents, these periodic visits may reveal issues they weren't aware of and may cause feelings of guilt, fear, and sadness. You're not alone. But instead of waiting and being forced to make a decision in an emergency, make a plan now and find a senior living community that you would both feel comfortable with.

Here are some tips for discussing your concerns with your loved one:

- Remind Mom or Dad that you love them and are worried about their wellbeing.
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Submitted Article

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Boating is a chance to get away and enjoy freedom from the bounds of being on shore. A chance to get away and feel breeze in your face and escape.

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This is a perfect reason to always wear a life jacket because in an emergency, you can't afford the time required to locate, fit, and have everyone put on a life jacket. Everyone must be ready to abandon the vessel in case the fire cannot be controlled.

Since this is a life-threatening emergency, someone needs to call a MAYDAY, Mayday, Mayday giving the boat's name and location, the number of people aboard, and the fact you are on fire. If equipped and registered, activate your DSC radio beacon so help can find you.

Other than the person with the fire extinguisher have everyone move as far from the fire as possible but certainly into the fresh air and a spot where they can easily get over the side. If the fire is in the engine area getting on the bow away from an installed gas tank is a good idea. If the fire is in a cabin, get to the back of the boat or have everyone grab a line and go over the side. Remember boats have large installed gas tanks so in a fire don't stand over them. Next week we'll address fighting the fire.

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AFTER 17 YEARS, SHORE RESIDENT BILL HALL RETURNS TO EPIDEMIOLOGY CAREER



The U. S. Navy hospital ship *Comfort* heads out of the Chesapeake Bay into the Atlantic Ocean, en route to New York City, on Saturday, March 28. Bill Hall snapped the photo on the way back from his new “roving epidemiologist” position with the Eastern Region Epidemiology Office. Photo by Bill Hall.

By Carol Vaughn

Seventeen years after he last worked as an epidemiologist, Eastern Shore resident Bill Hall answered the call to join in Virginia’s COVID-19 response.

“I am one of several retired or former epidemiologists who have returned to ... assist in the COVID-19 response,” Hall said in a telephone interview Tuesday.

Hall is in his second week doing vital work during the crisis — he’s under contract to work up to 30 hours a week, which he said usually happens in less than three days.

Hall formerly worked as an epidemiologist for the Eastern Shore Health District, and also worked for Accomack County Public Schools. More recently, Hall has been working at North Street Market in Onancock.

Hall also is an avid fisherman and for several years has written the Post’s fishing column, but he isn’t getting to do much fishing this spring.

For now, Hall is assigned to work as an epidemiology program administration specialist with the Eastern Region Epidemiology Office, in the Norfolk Health Department building.

“I am a roving epidemiologist. What that means is that I’m available to travel to whichever district in the Eastern Region of the state that is in the greatest need of epi manpower — which usually means the district with the largest number of outbreaks, clusters, deaths, etc.,” Hall said.

Hall said he was talking to a former colleague from the health department recently and told the person, “If you all need any help, let me know. That same

afternoon, I got a call (from the regional office)...saying, ‘We need you.’”

“I felt like I needed to answer the call,” he said.

“I got an email that said I had a job on a Sunday, and then, on Monday, a computer arrived at my house by UPS,” he said.

Hall spends his days interviewing COVID-19 patients and their contacts; trying to locate contacts who might have been exposed to the virus; and doing patient followups, case reviews, case monitoring, and data entry, among other tasks.

Additionally, he provides guidance to health care facilities and physicians about testing criteria.

The people Hall works with are putting in 12- to 18-hour days lately — and working on weekends.

“The burden created on the health care and public health system is unimaginable,” Hall said, adding, “My hat just goes off to all the people who are doing all this work.”

On his first day of training — in what could be seen as a symbolic event — Hall was driving back from Newport News, Va., when he caught sight of the U. S. Navy hospital ship *Comfort* leaving the Chesapeake Bay and heading into the Atlantic, en route to New York City to assist with pandemic response.

One of the hardest things to get used to in the current situation is to forego typical forms of greeting people, instilled in anyone raised in the South, he said.

“That was the hardest thing to get used to. When I saw all the people I worked with 17 years ago, your first instinct is to give a hug or a handshake,” Hall said, adding, “Now you kind of push your elbow at them and say ‘Hey.’”

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VDOT To Conduct Rail-Trail Study

Submitted article

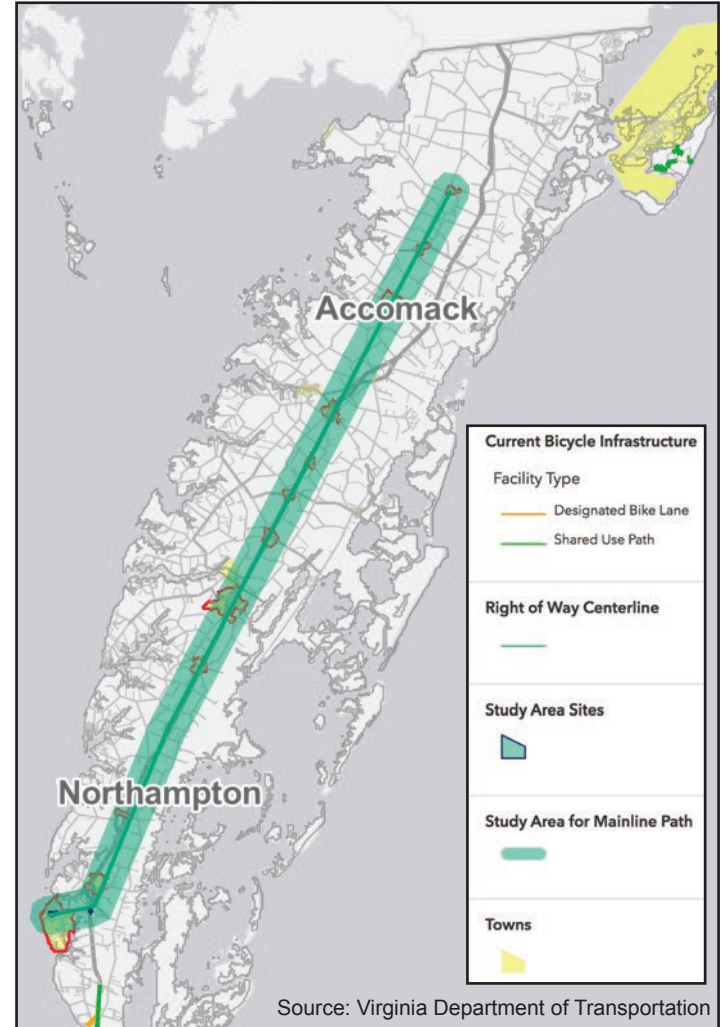
The Virginia Department of Transportation will conduct a planning study to assess the feasibility of constructing a shared use pedestrian and bicycle path along the Eastern Shore Railroad's right of way in Accomack and Northampton counties. The study area also includes railroad right of way in the towns of Hallwood, Bloxom, Parksley, Onley, Melfa, Keller, and Painter in Accomack County and the towns of Exmore, Nassawadox, Eastville, Cheriton, and Cape Charles in Northampton County.

In December 2019, both the Accomack and Northampton Board of Supervisors passed resolutions of support approving the conversion and development of 49.1 miles of railroad corridor from Cape Charles to Hallwood for a rail to trail project.

"As owners of the existing rail corridor we are excited to work with VDOT to study implementation of a trail to provide healthy living to citizens and visitors on the Eastern Shore," said Donald Hart, chairman of the Accomack-Northampton Transportation District Commission.

The VDOT study will conduct the planning and engineering work needed to allow localities to pursue grant funding to develop a shared use path along the corridor in phases. The study will recommend an alignment for the path, develop cost estimates, estimate maintenance costs, and provide options for a management structure.

"VDOT is looking forward to working with our project partners as we study the potential conversion of the previously used rail into a trail that



promotes safety, healthy living and tourism on Virginia's beautiful Eastern Shore," said Chris Isdell, Accomack residency administrator.

Public meetings to solicit feedback from residents and town leadership are planned for this summer. Contingencies are in place if these need to be virtual meetings. An online survey to get feedback about the project will be sent out in the coming weeks.

For more information about the proposed improvements and creation of the trail, go to https://www.virginiadot.org/projects/hamptonroads/eastern_shore_rail_to_trail_study.asp

For information about the planning and engineering study contact John Bolecek, VDOT statewide bicycle and pedestrian planner (john.bolecek@vdot.virginia.gov)

For information about the railway's involvement in the study, contact Canonie Atlantic Company General Manager Jim Outland (joutland@canonieatlantic.com)

Court Postings

U.S. Marshals Seek Shore Man Charged With Attempted Murder

Staff Report

U.S. Marshals are asking for the public's assistance to track down a Bloods gang member on the run from attempted murder charges in Accomack County.

According to a U.S. Marshals Service press release, Robert "RJ" James Northan Jr., 34, was last seen nearly three weeks ago. He is likely hiding out on the Eastern Shore of Virginia or in Maryland.

On March 25, investigators with the Accomack County Sheriff's Office responded to reports of a shooting on Tyler Lane, near Parksley, and found an adult male with multiple gunshot wounds. As a result of their investigation, arrest warrants were obtained charging Northan with attempted murder, use of a firearm during the commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

The U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force is working with authorities on the Eastern Shore to locate Northan, who is known to frequent an address on the 25000 block of Dennis Drive, in Parksley. He may also be in the Salisbury, Md., area. Northan is 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, and has a tattoo on the right side of his neck. Northan should be considered armed and dangerous.

"The public should rest assured that the men and women of the U.S. Marshals Service, and their state and local task force partners, will not stop until this fugitive is in custody. It is most certainly in the best interest of the fugitive to immedi-

ately surrender to authorities and face the charges against him. I appreciate the efforts of the citizens of the commonwealth in assisting law enforcement with bringing closure to this case. Working together, we can all ensure the safety of the public here in Eastern Virginia," said U.S. Marshal Nick E. Proffitt.



Northan

New Church Man Charged With Cervone Copes Murder

Staff Report

A New Church man was arrested and charged with murder in connection with the shooting death of Cervone Copes last month in Atlantic.

Rikece L. Campbell, 27, was arrested on April 2, according to Accomack County Sheriff Todd Wessells.

Campbell also is charged with use of a firearm in commission of a felony.

He is being held with bond denied in the Accomack County Jail.

The sheriff's office at around 12:14 a.m. March 28 received reports of someone being shot on Tull Circle in Atlantic, according to Wessells.

When deputies arrived, they found Copes, 42, of Atlantic, lying in the living room floor, suffering from a gunshot wound.

He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666. Tips may also be submitted at www.accomackcountysheriff-soffice.org

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OBITUARIES

Coley Robert Beasley Jr.

Mr. Coley Robert “Bobby” Beasley Jr., 74, loving husband of Peggy Ward Beasley and resident of Hallwood, passed away Thursday, April 9, 2020, at his home. Born June 2, 1945, in Nassawadox, and raised in Parksley, he was the son of the late Coley Robert Beasley Sr. and the late Betty Virginia Core Beasley.

Bobby served his country in the United States National Guard and worked in the public works department for the Town of Parksley. In his younger years, Bobby enjoyed racing cars and spent much of his free time carving decoys.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Coley Robert Beasley III and his wife, Tonya, of Sanford, and



Mr. Beasley

Dawn Elizabeth Killmon and her husband, Tim, of Hacksneck; sister, Shirley Mears and her husband, Herbert, of Greenbush; brothers, John Bernard Beasley and his wife, Linda, of Southside Chesconessex, and Thomas W. Beasley and his wife, Libby, of Bloxom; grandchildren, Kyle, Cayce, Christopher, and Ashley Beasley, and Ricky and Danielle Rantz; great-grandson, Christopher Wilkinson; and several nieces and nephews.

Other than his parents, he was predeceased by his sisters, Mary Ellen Miller and Betty White; and nephew, Randy Miller.

To honor Bobby's wishes, no public service will be held.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Arthur King Fisher

Mr. Arthur King Fisher left this transitory life on April 10, 2020. He was born in Nassawadox on July 12, 1935, the son of the late Herman King Fisher and the late Arinthia (Sally)

Justice Fisher.

Except for his undergraduate and graduate years at the College of William & Mary and the University of Virginia, service with the National Guard in Kentucky and Texas, and work with Scott and Stringfellow Brokerage in Norfolk, Va., he spent his entire life on the Eastern Shore of Virginia until 2016, when he and his wife moved to Davidson, N.C.



Mr. Fisher

As a 12th generation Eastern Shoreman, he was proud of his heritage and wrote three books about the area: “Eastern Shore Wordbook,” “Entertaining Words from the Eastern Shore,” and “Comical and Curious Tales from the Eastern Shore.” His final book, “Lincoln’s Guest,” will be published posthumously.

He began his teaching career at Onancock High School in 1959 and ended his working life in 2007, teaching English for 11 years at Broadwater Academy. He also served as principal of Bloxom School; acting and assistant superintendent of Accomack County Public Schools; and Accomack County administrator for seven years. Of his many positions, he enjoyed classroom teaching most of all.

He and his wife, Rachel, enjoyed traveling including seven trips to Europe. Fisher spent much time in retirement serving his community on the Electoral Board of Accomack County, the Eastern Shore Public Library Board, the Vestry of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, and the Society for the Preservation of Metompkin District Cemeteries. He also founded the Town of Parksley Revitalization Committee.

He attributed his long life and good health to the Alexander Technique and to the tender loving care of his wife.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 47 years, Rachel Hall Fisher; his daughter, Susanna Currie Fisher Parker (Rob), of Cornelius, N.C.; three grandchildren whom affectionately called him “Dodgy,” Stephen Anders Parker, Caroline Elizabeth Parker, and Robert Reid Parker; and brother-in-law Benny Hall Sr. (Kar-

en), of Jenkins Bridge.

Private interment will be in the Fisher plot in Parksley Cemetery and a memorial service to celebrate his life will be held at a future time.

Memorial donations in Arthur King's name may be made to the E.S.P.L. Foundation, P.O. Box 554, Accomac, VA 23301 (for building fund of new Eastern Shore Public Library), or to the Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman, Attn: Development, P.O. Box 470408, Charlotte, NC 28247.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Maureen Hogan Tyree

Mrs. Maureen Hogan Tyree, 87, of Mapps ville, wife for 65 years of Albert P. Tyree Jr., passed away on April 9, 2020, at her home.

Born on Jan. 21, 1933, in Poughquag, N.Y., she was the daughter of Thomas J. Hogan and Marie Barnes Hogan.

Maureen graduated from the St. Francis School of Nursing and was a registered nurse until her retirement. She was a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church and loved NAS-CAR, watching football, reading, the beach, and especially her grandchildren and children.



Mrs. Tyree

Other than her husband, she is survived by her children, Thomas J. Tyree (Imelda), of Mapps ville, Margaret M. “Peggy” Haviland (John), of Nelsonia, David J. Tyree (Marilyn), of Amenia, N.Y., and Jean M. Mason (Gene), of Mapps ville.

She also leaves behind her grandchildren, Leland “JR” Mason (Barbara), of Laurel, Miss., Amy Carey (Mark), of Pocomoke City, Md., Amanda Tyree, of Secane, Pa., Preston J. Whalen, of Was-saic, N.Y., Jessica Moore (Larry), of Millerton, N.Y., Heather Tyree (Adam), of Gainesville, Va., Rachael Schultz (Greg), of Bluffton, S.C., Cory Mason, of Burke, Va., Stephanie Tyree, of Amenia, N.Y., and Tyler Mason, of Mapps ville; her “greats,” Hunter, Cole, Taylor, Alyssa, Mason, Iris, and Isabelle; and

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her nephew, Donald Mackay. She also leaves behind a host of special friends she loved as family.

Other than her parents, she was predeceased by her only sister, Margaret M. Mackay, and her nephew, Brian Mackay, both of Parksley.

A Mass and memorial celebration will be planned at a later date.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Carl Robert Volanoski

Mr. Carl Robert Volanoski, 81, of Bloxom, husband of Catherine Volanoski, passed away on April 11, 2020, at his residence.

Born on Oct. 17, 1938, in Shamokin, Pa., he was the son of the late Stanley Volanoski and the late Eva Novak Volanoski. Carl was a millwright for Johns Manville. He was a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, and was an avid fisherman and hunter.



Mr. Volanoski

Other than his wife, Catherine, Carl is survived by daughters, Janine Pignatone, of Flemington, N.J., and Angela Hunsicker, of Slatington, Pa.; a sister, Ester Balant, of Kulpmont, Pa.; two brothers, Marion Volanoski, of Pennsylvania, and John Volanoski, of Oklahoma; and a grandchild, Peyton Brueckl, of Slatington.

A memorial service will be held in New Jersey at a later date.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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Gaywood Wagner

Mr. Karl Gaywood Wagner, 92, loving husband of the late Margaret Danser Wagner and a resident of Cheriton and Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., passed away Wednesday, April 1, 2020, at his residence in Cheriton. Born August 13, 1927, in Millstone Township, N.J., he was the son of the late Clarence Wagner and the late Emma Stillwell Wagner. He was a former fourth generation farmer of Millstone Township.

He is survived by four children, Karl G. Wagner Jr. and Cindy, of Cheriton, Nancy Ellen Wagner, of Cheriton, Gary William and Julie Leigh Wagner, of Cheriton, and Rick and Kim Wagner, of Tallahassee, Fla.; and grandchildren, Devin and Hector Barreto and their sons, Ethan, Jayden, and Julian, Zachary and Lauren Oroski and their daughters, Stella and Winter, Ashley Wagner and her daughter, Maris, Trisha Guynn and her son, Heydin, Lauren and Dave Bryan, and Jack and Samantha Wagner. He was predeceased by his seven brothers and sisters.



Mr. Wagner

At the age of 17, he bought his first tractor and began farming as Wagner Brothers Custom Farming. His love of farming brought him to the Eastern Shore of Virginia in 1950 and his custom farming business extended from the Eastern Shore to Maine. In the late 1990s, Gaywood and Margaret moved to the Eastern Shore and he left a legacy of farming for 75 years.

"Once in your life you need a doctor, a lawyer, a politician, and a preacher, but every day, three times a day, you need a farmer."

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Interment will be in the Old Tennent Cemetery in Englishtown, N.J. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lower Northampton Baptist Church, 24280 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles, VA 23310.

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

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NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL DIVISION MOVES TO 'MORE ROBUST' TEMPORARY INSTRUCTION MODEL

Some Northampton students are learning online, while others are learning from packets parents pick up and return to schools in attempt to tailor lessons to family resources

By Carol Vaughn

The Northampton County School Board met in person on April 9, but also aired the meeting via Zoom, an electronic conferencing app, using the microphone of School Superintendent Eddie Lawrence's computer in the room.

Video was turned off, for the most part, during the meeting, and audio was of poor quality for much of the time.

The chat function also was turned off partway through the meeting, after several members of the public made comments.

Seventeen participants were listed as being in the electronic conference as it started.

Schools in Virginia are closed for

the rest of the school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, by executive order of Gov. Ralph Northam. An executive order also prohibits physical gatherings of more than 10 people.

Lawrence told the school board he and Associate Superintendent Christine Hill plan to meet later in April with school principals to begin work on a COVID-19 recovery plan.

"Once we get to the other side of this crisis, there's going to be an awful lot of instructional issues and operational issues that we are going to have to deal with," Lawrence said.

Lawrence noted he sent two nearly identical letters on April 6, one to staff and the other to parents, with updates on plans for the remainder of the school year.

The letters, in part, reminded staff and parents that schools were on spring break April 13 to 17, "to provide a break to all our employees who have been working tirelessly."

No meals were to be provided by schools during the break.

Meal service resumes April 21.

The letters gave information about foodbank food distributions for the week.

The letters also said the district in the previous week "transitioned to a more robust instruction model encompassing new learning."

Parents may pick up learning materials from their child's school at a drive-up loop on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Completed assignments may be dropped off at a drop box in front of the school.

Additionally, links to lessons, for those with internet access, are at <https://sites.google.com/ncpsk12.com/covid19site/home>

Teachers are available to email or telephone to address questions about instructional materials.

A schedule of teacher availability is posted at <https://sites.google.com/ncpsk12.com/covid19site/home>

School Board Chairwoman Maxine Rasmussen said the schools' technology department, in trying to contact families, found "a significant number of families where we don't have the

correct phone number."

She suggested asking for the sheriff's office help finding those families.

Lawrence said many of the families are coming to get school-provided meals and are being found that way. Health clinics also may have more up-to-date contact information, he said.

"We are going to do everything we can to locate every child we can," he said.

A discussion about provisional licenses for teachers ensued.

Melinda Phillips, human resources director of administrative services, told the board she provides teachers who are hired without having a license information about the approximately 12 steps necessary to obtain a license and continues to work with them.

The state Department of Education determines whether each employee may be issued a provisional license.

If an employee does not meet the requirements, the person is then "turned into a long-term sub(stitute teacher)," Phillips said.

"The bottom line is, we can't have

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teachers teaching without a teaching license. It's the law," she said.

"Ultimately we are not making the decision," said Rasmussen. She asked how often the situation happens that a hire does not meet requirements to be issued a provisional license, and therefore has to be deemed a long-term substitute.

It happened twice this year, Phillips said.

"What we are doing is, we are hiring them, and then, if they don't meet the requirements, then we're changing their status — and, as a result, they are losing their benefits and all the other things that they obtained through the teacher status," school board member Charlena Jones said, recommending instead hiring those people as a long-term substitute at first, and then, if they obtain their license, changing their status to teacher, "and they gain their benefits, as opposed to losing their benefits."

"We've never looked at it that way," Phillips said, adding it could make it more difficult to hire teachers if done that way.

"I won't be able to get teachers in the classroom if all I am bringing to the ta-

ble is \$125 a day (the pay for a long-term substitute)," she said, adding the way it is done now "is a practice across the commonwealth."

Jones said new hires without a license should be informed up front that their jobs could become long-term substitute positions if they do not meet licensing requirements.

"What's happening as result of the

Eastern Shore Unemployment Claims Surge

By Carol Vaughn

New unemployment insurance claims on the Eastern Shore are surging in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Gov. Ralph Northam declared a state of emergency March 12 in response to the continued spread of the virus.

Accomack County had just 6 new claims the week of March 14. The number increased to 121 the next week and to 320 the week of March 28.

Accomack had 409 new claims the week of April 4.

current crisis is that we're facing anxiety and uncertainty of those whose status is being changed," she said.

Rasmussen recommended adding the information to contracts signed by new hires.

No vote was taken.

The school board, in other action, voted to send a letter of support to Barbara Haynes, who proposes to build a

handicap-useable playground in both Accomack and Northampton counties and is planning to approach Parks and Recreation departments in both counties about the project before she works on fundraising plans.

Haynes asked for the number of students in the district, who have physical or developmental handicaps, who could benefit from the project.

Northampton County had just 3 new unemployment claims the week of March 14.

By the next week, there were 40 new claims, and there were 116 the week of March 28.

Northampton had 163 new claims filed the week of April 4.

New data is released every Thursday by the Virginia Employment Commission.

Information about applying for COVID-19 related unemployment benefits is at <https://www.vec.virginia.gov/covid19>

Virginia as a whole had 147,369 new claims the week of April 4.

The number was 67.4 times higher than the comparable week last year — an increase of 145,182 claims, according to a press release from the VEC.

Food services and accommodations were the employment sectors most affected in the state initially, but "impacts have broadened to include more jobs in other sectors like manufacturing, transportation, and even certain types of health care," according to the release.



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Chincoteague Initiates Police Checkpoint; Pastor Issued Summons

By Carol Vaughn

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Chincoteague now has an ongoing police checkpoint for all vehicles coming onto the island, according to Bryan Rush, director of emergency management.

Rush said in an email Friday, April 10, that motorists “should expect minor delays throughout the weekend.”

All those stopped who are not residents of Chincoteague or Accomack or Northampton counties, are being given a flyer which states, in part:

“Turn around; travel prohibited; stay at home.”

The flyer references Gov. Ralph Northam’s “stay at home” executive order 55, issued March 30.

“...no one should be traveling away from their primary residence,” the flyer says.

It also cites Mayor J. Arthur Leonard’s executive order issued March 27, which required all Chincoteague accommodations to close through at least April 27, as well as the state-wide limit of gatherings of more than

10 people, which also is part of the governor’s executive orders related to the pandemic.

Leonard’s order was extended April 15 and now runs through May 15. Gov. Northam’s order closing nonessential businesses, initially set to expire April 23, was also extended April 15 and now expires May 8.

“If you do not have a residence here on Chincoteague, you will not be able to stay here and should return home immediately,” the flyer says, adding, “Not only are all accommodations closed, there are very limited dining and other essential services available.”

Vehicles leaving the island are not being stopped, according to Rush.

Easter typically marks the start of an uptick in visitors after the quiet winter season.

Police issued a summons to Chincoteague pastor Keven Gary Wilson, whose address is given in court records as Crisfield, Md., after Wilson was charged with violating the governor’s executive order related to gatherings of more than 10 people.

The violation is a Class I misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

Wilson on Palm Sunday, April 5, held a church service at Lighthouse Fellowship Church where 16 people were present, according to a Christian Broadcasting Network report.

Liberty Counsel, a religious rights law group, is representing Wilson, ac-

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Governor Northam has issued a “Stay at Home” Executive Order #55 that was placed in effect on March 30, 2020. The measure is to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus and support the needed social distancing that is required to do so. All neighboring states have issued similar or even more restrictive orders so no one should be traveling away from their primary residence.

ALL ACCOMODATIONS ARE CLOSED

Mayor Leonard issued Executive Order #1 on March 27, 2020, requiring all accommodations to close through at least April 27, 2020. If you do not have a residence here on Chincoteague, you will not be able to stay here and should return home immediately. Not only are all accommodations closed, there are very limited dining and other essential services available. The Town also has very limited medical resources should a severe pandemic response be needed.

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Above: A letter Chincoteague Police have been distributing at an island checkpoint. On April 15, the mayor extended his order until May 15, one week beyond Gov. Northam’s extension of the closing of nonessential businesses.

ording to the CBN report.

Wilson has a hearing scheduled for

July, according to Accomack County General District Court records.

CORRECTION

A person in the upper left corner of a screen shot of the Chincoteague online public meeting last week was identified as Karen Hipple, administrative assistant. It was, in fact, Kelly Lewis, business administrator for the town. We regret the error.



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Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall



In my 30-plus years of being around the outdoor media business, this has got to be the most unusual article that I have been penned. We are living in a challenging and confusing period and are currently faced with more questions than answers.

According to most social distancing guidelines, fishing alone or with only household contacts seems to be acceptable. Fishing on a boat, pier, or beach within six feet of another non-household member is not. Riding in a vehicle with other non-household contacts to go fishing is certainly not acceptable. Charter vessels have been deemed “nonessential,” since it would be impossible to maintain at least 6 feet of separation between clients and crew.

The successful operation of a tackle shop is dependent on a number of factors, including the weather, the abundance and availability of fish, and the rigidity of state and federal fishing and access regulations. Not since the appearance of the Pfiesteria-related infections of the late 1990s have health issues also figured into the business.

This week, I spoke with several local tackle shop operators in an attempt to get some insight on how they are adapting to all of the risks and precautions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. In doing so, I found a variety of innovative steps that are being taken by these individuals who are attempting to stay in business while protecting the health of their customers, staff, and themselves.

Chris Snook, at Chris’ Bait & Tackle in Capeville, told me that she chose to “close her doors for the most part,” as several of her staff fell in the most vulnerable risk category for acquiring the virus. She said that it was almost impossible for customers and staff to maintain proper social distancing with the layout of the shop. Customers can call the shop and schedule an appointment to purchase gear. She said that it is too hard to plan and care for live and fresh bait with nobody in the shop, but there are bait vending machines operating 24 hours a day outside. Snook said that tautog and red drum have started biting along the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel and black drum were being caught on the seaside.

Jeb Brady, at Bailey’s Bait & Tackle in Cape Charles, said that he is “running a ton of social media posts” featuring the variety of products that the shop has in inventory. He referred to it as “virtual shopping.” He added that he and members of his staff have been meeting customers by appointment as well as taking orders and (credit card)

payments over the phone. He is even delivering local orders, while shipping orders to more distant customers. Brady mentioned that black drum were being caught from the surf on the barrier islands.

Lindsay Paul and Debbie Shrieves, at Trident Tackle in Wachapreague, said that they had planned to open last weekend if the weather had been more conducive to fishing. Paul’s phone number is posted on the front door for customers needing assistance. Shrieves added that due to the small size of the shop, only one customer will be allowed in at a time. Flounder have been caught off Wachapreague on the outgoing tide, particularly on a light southwest wind.

Jimmy Vasiliou, at Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle on Chincoteague Island, said that the shop is operating with limited hours. He said that he keeps his phone number on the door and will open when customers call. “It is just not worth being there,” Vasiliou said. “We are also limiting the number of people in the shop to no more than 10, but so far that has not been a problem.” Vasiliou added that he has been using Facebook to promote the shop as well as for online shopping. “It has been tough times for everybody,” he added. He said that the beach (Assateague) remains open to fishermen, but the office that sells permits for driving on the beach is currently closed and added that the island’s boat ramps remain open to users holding a ramp permit.

Matt Abell, at the Sea Hawk Sports Center in Pocomoke City, Md., said that the shop remains open and is offering curbside delivery for customers who call ahead. Customers are requested to wait outside until customers inside the shop depart. He said that he has posted signs located at the door and throughout the shop reminding customers of the limited access and maintaining a distance of more than 6 feet between other customers and staff. The shop is cleaned and disinfected daily. Abell said that he and his son, Ethan, are the only staff members allowed to work in the front of the shop with the public. The other staff members work in a rear room and leave once the projects they are working on are completed. He added that, under orders from the governor of Maryland, fishing is only allowed for food. Abell said that perch fishing has been very good in the Pocomoke River, while red drum and speckled trout catches have been scattered in the mid-Chesapeake Bay. Speckled trout fishing has been “hit or miss” on the seaside from the north end of Chincoteague up to Ocean City, Md., with action centered near the Girdletree, Md., area on the Assateague side. Flounder have been caught out of Chincoteague and Wachapreague when conditions have been favorable.

Bill Hall was the first Eastern Shore resident to achieve Virginia Salt Water Master Angler Status. He has been named Virginia Saltwater Angler of the Year and Virginia Saltwater Release Angler of the Year and is a Virginia Press Association award-winning sports columnist.



J.C. Morrison landed this 45-inch black drum while fishing from the shore, north of Onancock Creek. Morrison and his brother, Jacob, landed three black drum, releasing two of them. Photo by Jacob Morrison.



Pictured above is a two-man flounder limit caught recently out of Wachapreague, from live minnows. Photo courtesy of the Seahawk Sports Center.

TIDE TABLE


		Friday April 17	Saturday April 18	Sunday April 19	Monday April 20	Tuesday April 21	Wednesday April 22	Thursday April 23
Seaside	Assateague Beach	H 5:28 p.m. L 11:46 a.m.	H 6:14 p.m. L 12:32 p.m.	H 6:54 p.m. L 1:09 p.m.	H 7:17 a.m. L 1:43 p.m.	H 7:55 a.m. L 2:16 p.m.	H 8:32 a.m. L 2:50 p.m.	H 9:10 a.m. L 3:24 p.m.
	Chinco Channel	H 5:32 p.m. L 11:45 a.m.	H 6:18 p.m. L 12:31 p.m.	H 6:43 a.m. L 1:08 p.m.	H 7:21 a.m. L 1:42 p.m.	H 7:59 a.m. L 2:15 p.m.	H 8:36 a.m. L 2:49 p.m.	H 9:14 a.m. L 3:23 p.m.
	Gargatha Neck	H 6:24 p.m. L 12:25 p.m.	H 6:52 a.m. L 1:11 p.m.	H 7:35 a.m. L 1:48 p.m.	H 8:13 a.m. L 2:22 p.m.	H 8:51 a.m. L 2:55 p.m.	H 9:28 a.m. L 3:29 p.m.	H 10:06 a.m. L 4:03 p.m.
	Folly Creek	H 6:17 p.m. L 12:10 p.m.	H 6:45 a.m. L 12:56 p.m.	H 7:28 a.m. L 1:33 p.m.	H 8:06 a.m. L 2:07 p.m.	H 8:44 a.m. L 2:40 p.m.	H 9:21 a.m. L 3:14 p.m.	H 9:59 a.m. L 3:48 p.m.
	Wachapreague	H 6:03 p.m. L 11:54 a.m.	H 6:49 p.m. L 12:40 p.m.	H 7:14 a.m. L 1:17 p.m.	H 7:52 a.m. L 1:51 p.m.	H 8:30 a.m. L 2:24 p.m.	H 9:07 a.m. L 2:58 p.m.	H 9:45 a.m. L 3:32 p.m.
	Quinby Inlet	H 5:28 p.m. L 11:25 a.m.	H 6:14 p.m. L 12:11 p.m.	H 6:54 p.m. L 12:48 p.m.	H 7:17 a.m. L 1:22 p.m.	H 7:55 a.m. L 1:55 p.m.	H 8:32 a.m. L 2:29 p.m.	H 9:10 a.m. L 3:03 p.m.
	Machipongo	H 5:58 p.m. L 11:54 a.m.	H 6:44 p.m. L 12:40 p.m.	H 7:09 a.m. L 1:17 p.m.	H 7:47 a.m. L 1:51 p.m.	H 8:25 a.m. L 2:24 p.m.	H 9:02 a.m. L 2:58 p.m.	H 9:40 a.m. L 3:32 p.m.
Bayside	Tangier Sound Light	H 9:25 a.m. L 3:54 p.m.	H 10:18 a.m. L 4:40 p.m.	H 11:02 a.m. L 5:18 p.m.	H 11:40 a.m. L 5:53 p.m.	H 12:15 p.m. L 6:25 p.m.	H 12:49 p.m. L 6:57 p.m.	H 1:22 p.m. L 7:33 a.m.
	Muddy Creek	H 9:41 a.m. L 4:29 p.m.	H 10:34 a.m. L 5:15 p.m.	H 11:18 a.m. L 5:53 p.m.	H 11:56 a.m. L 6:28 p.m.	H 12:31 p.m. L 6:57 a.m.	H 1:05 p.m. L 7:33 a.m.	H 1:38 p.m. L 8:08 a.m.
	Guard Shore	H 9:33 a.m. L 4:25 p.m.	H 10:26 a.m. L 5:11 p.m.	H 11:10 a.m. L 5:49 p.m.	H 11:48 a.m. L 6:24 p.m.	H 12:23 p.m. L 6:56 p.m.	H 12:57 p.m. L 7:29 a.m.	H 1:30 p.m. L 8:04 a.m.
	Chescon. Creek	H 9:08 a.m. L 3:37 p.m.	H 10:01 a.m. L 4:23 p.m.	H 10:45 a.m. L 5:01 p.m.	H 11:23 a.m. L 5:36 p.m.	H 11:58 a.m. L 6:08 p.m.	H 12:32 p.m. L 6:40 p.m.	H 1:05 p.m. L 7:16 a.m.
	Onancock Creek	H 9:22 a.m. L 3:57 p.m.	H 10:15 a.m. L 4:43 p.m.	H 10:59 a.m. L 5:21 p.m.	H 11:37 a.m. L 5:56 p.m.	H 12:12 p.m. L 6:28 p.m.	H 12:46 p.m. L 7:01 a.m.	H 1:19 p.m. L 7:36 a.m.
	Pungoteague Creek	H 8:38 a.m. L 3:11 p.m.	H 9:31 a.m. L 3:57 p.m.	H 10:15 a.m. L 4:35 p.m.	H 10:53 a.m. L 5:10 p.m.	H 11:28 a.m. L 5:42 p.m.	H 12:02 p.m. L 6:14 p.m.	H 12:35 p.m. L 6:46 p.m.
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	Occohan. Creek	H 8:02 a.m. L 2:51 p.m.	H 8:55 a.m. L 3:37 p.m.	H 9:39 a.m. L 4:15 p.m.	H 10:17 a.m. L 4:50 p.m.	H 10:52 a.m. L 5:22 p.m.	H 11:26 a.m. L 5:54 p.m.	H 11:59 a.m. L 6:26 p.m.
	Cape Charles	H 6:36 p.m. L 12:41 p.m.	H 7:05 a.m. L 1:27 p.m.	H 7:49 a.m. L 2:05 p.m.	H 8:27 a.m. L 2:40 p.m.	H 9:02 a.m. L 3:12 p.m.	H 9:36 a.m. L 3:44 p.m.	H 10:09 a.m. L 4:16 p.m.
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Super Crossword

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| ACROSS | 57 "Nuts" director | 109 Tropical grassy plains | 8 Lunched, e.g. | 48 High on the draft list | 84 Judge's seat |
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| 11 Looker's leg | 65 Tarot card reader, e.g. | 113 University in North Carolina | 11 It's removed for a fill-up | 52 Financial tipster Suze | 90 Less chubby |
| 14 LaBelle with a Grammy | 66 Singer Donny | 114 1836 siege setting | 12 Total number | 53 Bears, in Buenos Aires | 92 Ontario's capital, on scoreboards |
| 19 Oak seed | 67 Folk knowledge | 115 CARLOS | 13 Capital of Belarus | 54 Faxed, say | 94 Grassland |
| 20 Perfume queen | 70 JESSICA | 122 Justice Ruth — Ginsburg | 14 Pheasants' cousins | 55 Prefix with spore | 95 Resident maids |
| 21 Pal, to Gigi | 73 In the matter of | 123 Highway with a no. | 15 1980s video game consoles | 58 Response to "Who's there?" | 96 Wholly |
| 22 One of the Three Musketeers | 74 Assembly with all members present | 124 Leek relative | 16 Despite the fact that | 59 See 125-Across | 97 Melon type |
| 23 LOUIS | 76 Language of Bangkok | 125 With 59-Down, crude oil, in slang | 17 "Clever comeback!" | 60 Dentists scrape it off | 99 Dependable |
| 26 Painter Dufy | 77 Pastor's talk | 126 Deep pit | 18 Florida keys, e.g. | 62 Houses for students | 100 English river |
| 27 Co. heads | 79 WASHINGTON | 127 Sun — -sen | 24 The Lone Ranger's companion | 63 Music style | 101 "Blaze" actress |
| 28 Zero in (on) | 82 Wren's home | 128 "— Hope" (old ABC soap) | 25 Par for the course | 64 Skier Phil | 102 Tennis shoe hole |
| 29 What a white flag signifies | 83 "Mike & Molly" aier | DOWN | 30 Hindu prince | 67 Women's links org. | 103 Israel's flag carrier |
| 30 Speed | 86 Adams of photography | 1 Paving gunk | 31 Mobil rival | 68 Steinhauer who wrote the 2009 bestseller "The Tourist" | 104 12th grader |
| 35 LLOYD | 87 Small carpet star Milo | 2 Prefix with car or warrior | 32 Settle the tab | 69 Antique cars | 108 Bride's property |
| 37 Make — out of (toughen up) | 89 "Ulysses" pay abbr. | 3 Unruly throng | 33 Boozing sort | 71 "— Nagila" | 110 Nick of "Cape Fear" |
| 38 Jogger's gait | 91 Cumulative | 4 District police station | 34 Fr. ladies with haloes | 72 Sooner than | 116 — old way |
| 39 Pre- (bump, so to speak) | 93 JEAN | 5 How right turns are often allowed | 36 Early 20th-cen. conflict | 75 Nasty bits of dirt | 117 Actress |
| 40 Candle blowers' secrets | 97 Cuba's Fidel | 6 Mosaic tile | 42 Architect Saarinen | 78 Nebraska Sioux | 118 Gained |
| 41 CAROL | 101 Some jeans, familiarly | 7 DDE's forerunner | 43 "Stop talking!" | 80 Ill-bred guy | 119 Firefighter's tool |
| 44 Caesar of old comedy | 105 "No, mein Herr" | | 44 IRS ID | 81 Barbecue spice mix | 120 Freddie — |
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This Week's Osprey-Eyed Readers

Last week we challenged readers to find Post spelled backward in the paper. Jay Ford and Sharon Whitman were first and second to spot the change and are this week's Osprey-Eyed readers. The answer was on Page 25 in a boxed ad in the classifieds featuring a cute little groundhog urging readers to place an ad to sell their boats or cars for only \$30 until sold.

We issue a new challenge this week. Somewhere in this issue, the way Eastern Shore Post is written is just a little mixed up. Find it, and you could be next week's Osprey-Eyed Reader.



First Place - Jay Ford

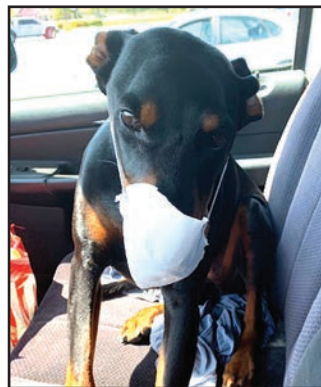
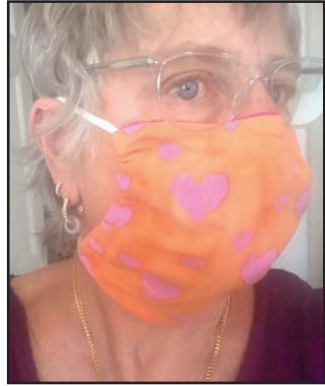
Jay chose to be represented by his wife Tatum and daughters Winter (left) and Eira.



Second Place - Sharon Whitman

We're loving this photo of Sharon at last year's 50 Years of Love fest in Cape Charles.

Mask Models Show Their Face Covering Style



We asked readers to send photos wearing their COVID-19 protective masks. Top row, from left, Karen Jolly models a brightly colored mask; Charles Koski in a mask his wife sewed from fabric scraps; and Emelia Saxon and her doll demonstrate the proper way to wear face coverings. Bottom row, from left: Robert Moore dons a mask that encourages people to keep their distance and Deborah Gowran-Lewis keeps her furry friend safe. Next week we will run more, so keep sending photos.



Things You Didn't Need To Know

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes this week for cleaning, we hardly recognized them. They were wearing masks.

- People have been making masks for ceremonial reasons for 9,000 years, but the cloth face mask to protect against the spread of infection didn't come into use until the early 20th century.

- During the 1918 influenza pandemic, wearing masks became commonplace in the U.S. Movie theaters gave them away free with tickets, and smokers cut holes in them for cigarettes because one thing you want to accommodate during a respiratory disease outbreak is smoking.

- After the 1918 pandemic, Americans stopped wearing masks, but a series of events in Japan, including more outbreaks and severe air pollution, led people there to continue routinely wearing masks in public. People still do throughout Asia, especially in Japan, Korea, and China. In Japan, decorated masks have become social

statements, and young women use masks to signal they don't want to be approached in public settings. Will America, post-coronavirus, become a mask-wearing culture? President Trump says no.

- In the late 1600s, a man was kept in French prisons for more than 30 years, his identity such a secret that he wore an iron mask. That man was Leonardo DiCaprio. Actually, he played the man in the iron mask in the 1998 movie by that name. The real man behind the mask might have been a member of the royal family, a French general, a playwright, or someone's valet with a secret that had to be kept. And the mask, rather than iron, was probably velvet or leather. And most likely the prisoner wore it only when being transported between jails. But "The Man in the Iron Mask" was catchier than "The Valet in the Velvet Mask That Was Put on Only During Prison Transfers."

- Great masked characters: Batman, Spiderman, Zorro, Jason, and the Hamburglar.

Sports News



Delk Makes All-State Basketball Team

Northampton High School senior Maeyanna Delk has been selected for the VHSL 2020 Class 1 All-State Girls Basketball Second Team.



James To Play Soccer at Shaw University

Northampton High School senior Yeats James will play soccer at Shaw University, a Division II school, this fall.

James is a forward-wing and has three district championships under her belt. She was also 1st Team All-District in 2017, 2018, and 2019. She was a two-time honorable mention, also. She was Region Team Captain in 2019 and 2020.

Send your mileposts and community events to angie@easternshorepost.com

\$1,000 Scholarships from ALL

The Academy for Lifetime Learning (ALL) announced a new \$1,000 scholarship for graduates who wish to pursue a four-year program in Theatre Arts. In commemoration of its 13th year of existence, ALL is offering \$1,000 scholarships to help graduating students on the Eastern Shore continue their educations at a community college or university.

One of the scholarships requires that the student's academic goal be in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, or Medicine (STEMM). A second scholarship is open to graduates pursuing a two- or four-year RN Nursing Program, either at the Eastern Shore Community College or at a four-year college. And now, for the first time, a third scholarship for students wishing to pursue Theatre Arts. All of these scholarships are to be used to defray college expenses.

The Academy for Lifetime Learning of the Eastern Shore of Virginia is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit organization. Members share a common interest in continuing learning experiences and offer numerous and varied classes to the community.

Requirements for the scholarships are at:

www.allesva.org/scholarship-application-requirements/

The online application form is at: [www/allesva.org/scholarship-application/](http://www.allesva.org/scholarship-application/)

For questions, call Anthony Picardi, scholarship chairman, at 757-442-4481.



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Off the Shelf: News From the Eastern Shore Public Library



Ideas for At-Home Learning and Fun

Because of the current health crisis in our world, many parents find themselves searching for different and positive things for their families to do at home. It is good to remember that there are many different types of activities. Variety and balance are very important when trying to meet all the developmental needs of children as well as the mental and physical well-being of everyone. There are many great online resources that provide some educational fun, but remember to monitor that total screen time and include other fun activities in the day. Embrace the arts by craft making, scrapbooking, rock painting, decorating glass windows with dry erase markers, or creating crazy creatures from recycled items from around the house. Get some exercise by taking a nature walk, dancing to music on the radio, having a treasure hunt, doing some yoga, or riding a bike. Create family time by playing board games, watching a fa-

vorite family movie, having indoor scavenger hunts, or cooking together. Try to maintain routines and make sure everyone is getting enough quality sleep. Don't forget to continue storytelling and reading good books together.

For more ideas, check out ideas on the library webpage at www.espl.org where there are many e-resources and helpful links. A few highlights under the "E-RESOURCES" tab on the website:

Freeding provides thousands of e-books for children and teens, both fiction and nonfiction; Freeding has something for every age and interest.

RBdigital allows for the download of e-audiobooks, e-magazines, and e-books directly to iOS, Android, Kindle Fire, or Color Nook devices. Juvenile fiction and nonfiction categories offer a large collection for children and teens. Look for the digital version of Highlights for Children in the magazine section.

Tumblebooks is available free until at least Aug. 31. Its flagship product, TumbleBookLibrary, is a collection of animated talking picture books, read alongs, e-books, quizzes, lesson plans, and educational games. Try out Tum-

blebooks for Kids, Tumble Math, Teen BookCloud, and AudioBookCloud.

JLG@Home provides free resources to help keep students' brains busy and blossoming.

Universal Class delivers access to over 500 free online courses for older students and lifelong learners.

DigitalLearn offers free classes that provide the tools to help anyone tackle technology at their own pace and gain the confidence needed to succeed. This is a good resource for older children and adults.

While on the website, remember to browse around the new online catalog, ShoreCat, and ask staff any questions. Find even more ideas by scrolling down the Youth Services Facebook page at facebook.com/EasternShorePublicLibraryYouthServices Email any questions to Janice Felker, youth services librarian, at youthservices@espl.org.

Many community partners have also provided some great ideas for at-home activities and COVID-19 information. Look to the online resources provided by organizations such as the Eastern Shore Community Services Board, the Chincoteague Bay Field Station, the Barrier Islands Center, Kiptopeke

State Park, Northampton County Public Schools,

Accomack County Public Schools, the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, and many others for more supportive information and resources. Many of these are listed on the Cool Websites for Families webpage in the Youth Services section of www.espl.org

Everyone at the library misses seeing all of the patrons and appreciates the opportunity to share and connect via this article. They appreciate the patience and understanding as they continue to adjust services to meet the needs of the community while prioritizing the health and safety of Shore residents. They hope to see everyone again before too long.

For more information about how to sign up for a library card, call the library at 757-787-3400. The Eastern Shore Public Library System has four libraries: Accomac, Cape Charles, Chincoteague, and Nassawadox. The 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 later this year, or to donate, visit www.shorelibrary.com For more information about library services, library hours of operation, or a personal library account, visit www.espl.org, "like" them on Facebook and Twitter, or call the library at 757-787-3400.

School Board Electronic Meeting

Due to COVID-19 social distancing, the Accomack County School Board April 21 regular meeting will be broadcast remotely starting at 6:30 p.m.

To listen live, go to <http://accomackcountyva.swagit.com/offsite-live> If there are any public comments for the meeting, fax or email them to the school board clerk at 757-787-2951 or gretha.smith@acps.k12va.org. Commenters must abide by the Public Comment rules that are normally listed prior to starting public comment. Any comment that does not adhere to these rules will not be read.



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ESCBA Scholarship Deadline Extension

The deadline for high school seniors to apply for a scholarship from the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association has been extended from April 30 to May 30. For more information, contact Vernon Bell at 787-3920 or at shorebells@verizon.net.

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Announcements

To Accomack County Residents:

During this difficult time we want you to know, that although we are closed to the public, the Accomack Co. DSS will continue to operate under normal business hours (8:30 – 5:00).

Any individual needing Medicaid, TANF, SNAP(also known as food stamps), or Child Care Subsidy should apply at CommonHelp (www.virginia.commonhelp.org). You may also call 1-855-635-4370, to apply by phone. For Medicaid only, you may call 1-855-242-8282.

For child and adult abuse calls, continue to call our main number **757-787-1530**, during normal business hours. After hours you may call the Sheriff's department, or the State Hotline: (800) 552-7096

Call or email your worker or call the main number: **757-787-1530**, if you have any questions.

Please use the blue drop box in front of the building if you need to drop off any paperwork. Include your case name and number (if possible).

If we stick together, we will get through this. Be safe.

~The staff at Accomack County Department of Social Services~

PLEASE NOTE: AICC and Members Helping Members are currently taking applications, for help with power and other bills. We have placed some at our front door to be completed and placed in our drop box, anytime. Or you may call our main number (**787-1530**), to have an application mailed to you.

Help Wanted

TRUCK MECHANIC NEEDED:

Eastern Shore of Virginia. Responsibilities include preventative maintenance, inspections, services, diagnosing & repair for a fleet of 8 tractors and 14 trailers. Ability to work unsupervised. Self-starter. Benefits & competitive wages. Call **410-530-4590**.

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Help Wanted

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: April 30, 2020

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Shore Christian Academy

is hiring for the following positions:

- Teacher • Substitute Teachers
- Principal/Administrator: (P/T with F/T Potential)

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Master's degree in education or Spanish (minimum of 18 credit hours in Spanish), a teaching certificate or credential or equivalent successful experience teaching in classroom settings. Advanced degree preferred for Dual Enrollment teaching.

For more information, please visit Broadwater Academy's website at www.broadwateracademy.org or call 757-442-9041, ext. 131. Applicants may submit resume, cover letter, college transcripts, and employment application to Dr. Leslie West, HR Director, at lwest@broadwateracademy.org. Broadwater Academy is an EOE.

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

Certified Law Enforcement 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.

Applications may be obtained from the Northampton County Sheriff's Office located at 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or the County's website www.co.northampton.va.us

Deadline for applications: April 14, 2020

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

William & Mary's Virginia Institute of Marine Science Laboratory located in Wachapreague, VA seeks applicants for the following temporary position:

Field Technician: Position # T0583V

This is a temporary position mid-May through October. Responsibilities will include: field sampling and processing of samples; operating boats; field equipment operation and maintenance; and guiding science research and education groups on boats.

A High School Diploma or equivalent, with some college level science courses and/or hands on experience required. Experience in field operations and knowledge of Eastern Shore environments required. Bachelor's degree in a related field or the equivalent combination of education, training, and experience preferred.

Please send a cover letter and resume to Linda Ward [lward@vims.edu] or mail to P.O. Box 350, Wachapreague, VA 23480 by April 29, 2020.

William & Mary values diversity and invites applications from underrepresented groups who will enrich the research, teaching and service missions of the University. The University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and encourages applications from women, minorities, protected veterans, and individuals with disabilities.

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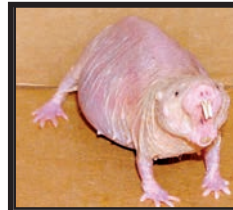
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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 20-140

vs.

The heirs and devisees of ROBIN DALE MEARS
WANDA SPENCE MEARS

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 Chesconnessex, Accomack County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, and designated as tax map number 084B0A000004000.

standing in the name of Robin Dale Mears, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Robin Dale Mears; 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 Robin Dale Mears; and that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Wanda Spence Mears, whose last known post office address is 25558 Coastal Boulevard, Onley, VA 23418.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before May 13, 2020, at 10:30 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 13th day of April, 2020
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

I ask for this:
JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q.
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
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**ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**

Case No. CL20000287-00
Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126,
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301

SHERRY WILSON YETTS
v. VANCE DEMONT YETTS
The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

It is ORDERED that VANCE DEMONT YETTS appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before MAY 11, 2020 at 9 a.m.

March 16, 2020
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 19-321

vs.

The heirs and devisees of MARY LEE CUSTIS, et als., etc.

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 three parcels of land situate near Eastville, in the County of Northampton, Virginia, designated as Tax Map Numbers 0068B-01-BLK-00 0000004, 0068B-01-BLK-00 0000005, 0068B-01-BLK-00 0000006

standing in the names of Mary Lee Custis and Frank W. Keaton, 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 Mary Lee Custis, Frank W. Keaton, and James S. Custis, Jr.; that Garland Keaton is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 291 Jesse Bennett Drive, Madison, Alabama, 35756; 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 Mary Lee Custis, Frank W. Keaton, and James S. Custis, Jr.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before May 15, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 14th day of April, 2020
Traci L. Johnson, Clerk

I ask for this:
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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 20CL223

vs.

BRUCE E. CULP, et als.

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 those certain tracts of land in the Town of Chincoteague, Virginia, designated as Tax Map Number 030A110000101D0 (Parcel I) and 030A21300000400 (Parcel II),

Parcel I standing in the name of Bruce E. Culp, and Parcel II standing in the names of Bruce E. Culp, Michael S. Mayo, Christine J. Whorton, Janet B. Morton, Debra Sue Gillard, and Robert E. Kambarn pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that Bruce E. Culp is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 13965, Greensboro, North Carolina 27415; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Christine J. Whorton, whose last known post office address is 3192 Ridge Road, Chincoteague, Virginia 23336; that Janet B. Morton is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 213 Sunset Road, Jacksonville, North Carolina 28546; that Debra Sue Gillard is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 233 Edgeland Drive, Matthews, North Carolina 28105; that Robert E. Kambarn is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 9, Allen, Maryland 21810; that due diligence has been used to determine the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Charlene K. Culp, but without effect; and 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 Charlene K. Culp.

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 the 13th day of May, 2020, at 10:30 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 13th day of April, 2020
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

I ask for this:
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Town of Chincoteague FY 2021 Proposed Budget

The Chincoteague Town Council will hold an electronic public hearing on May 4, 2020, at 7 p.m., for the proposed FY 2021 Budget. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and safety precautions in place to reduce the spread, there will be no means to gather public comment during the meeting. Public comment will be received in writing in advance of the meeting.

Commenting by Letter: Written statements may be mailed to the Town of Chincoteague, Attn: FY 21 Budget, 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

Commenting by email: Emails may be addressed to jwest@chincoteague-va.gov with the subject line: FY 21 Budget Comments.

All comments must be received by 3 p.m., April 29, 2020. Comments will be included in the meeting official record. Comments must include commenters' name and address. Again, there will be no physical access to the meeting, but it may be observed by following the link:

<https://zoom.us/j/157794086>

Dial in number: 1-301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 157 794 086

For assistance call: 757-336-6519

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
GENERAL FUND		GENERAL FUND	
GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 865,000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
OTHER LOCAL TAXES	\$ 3,085,000	SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 598,813
PERMITS, FEES & LICENSES	\$ 41,050	EXPENSES	\$ 802,771
FINES	\$ 50,000	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 74,196
REVENUE FROM USE OF MONEY	\$ 80,000	EMERGENCY SERVICES	
REVENUE FROM USE OF PROPERTY	\$ 21,348	SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 998,728
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$ 398,780	EXPENSES	\$ 48,800
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 200,000	PUBLIC WORKS (INCL MOSQUITO CTRL)	
REVENUE FROM THE COMMONWEALTH		SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 482,214
NONCATEGORIAL AID	\$ 258,246	EXPENSES	\$ 646,370
CATEGORIAL AID	\$ 843,066	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 720,000
REVENUE FR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		ROADS DIVISION	
NONCATEGORIAL AID	\$ 7,800	SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 148,371
CATEGORIAL AID	\$ 425,000	EXPENSES	\$ 551,629
TRANSFER FR RAMP REPAIR FUND	\$ 12,689	POLICE DEPARTMENT (INCL DISPATCH)	
TRANSFER FR GEN FUND SAVINGS	\$ 75,000	SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 1,049,787
		EXPENSES	\$ 131,100
		CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 110,200
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	\$ 6,362,979	TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	\$ 6,362,979
HARBOR FUND		HARBOR FUND	
HARBOR RENT/SUBLEASE/STORAGE	\$ 163,000	HARBOR SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 55,790
HARBOR INTEREST/MISC	\$ 2,300	EXPENSES	\$ 360,500
FUEL REVENUE	\$ 376,000	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 271,766
VA PORT AUTHORITY GRANT	\$ 110,067		
TRANSFER FR BOAT RAMP FUND	\$ 36,689		
TOTAL HARBOR REVENUE	\$ 688,056	TOTAL HARBOR EXPENSES	\$ 688,056
TROLLEY FUND		TROLLEY FUND	
TROLLEY GRANTS	\$ 59,327	TROLLEY SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 48,184
PROGRAM INCOME	\$ 8,000	EXPENSES	\$ 43,375
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	\$ 24,232		
TOTAL TROLLEY REVENUE	\$ 91,559	TOTAL TROLLEY EXPENSES	\$ 91,559
WATER FUND		WATER FUND	
WATER RENT/SERVICE	\$ 1,066,000	WATER SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 372,081
INTEREST ON WATER RESERVE	\$ 14,000	EXPENSES	\$ 257,389
AVAILABILITY FEES	\$ 45,000	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 495,530
TOTAL WATER FUND REVENUE	\$ 1,125,000	TOTAL WATER FUND EXPENSES	\$ 1,125,000
TOTAL ALL REVENUES	\$ 8,267,594	TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES	\$ 8,267,594

THE FOLLOWING RATES HAVE BEEN PROPOSED FOR THE CURRENT TAX YEAR WITHIN THIS BUDGET:

REAL ESTATE TAX LEVY		\$0.07 PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE	
PERSONAL PROPERTY		\$0.85 PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE	
EXCISE TAX (MEALS)	5%	EXCISE TAX (TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY - PREVIOUSLY ENACTED TO INCREASE TO 5% 1/1/2021)	4% / 5%
MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE	\$ 27.00		
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF	65%	SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	\$2 PER WEEK

A COMPLETE COPY OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET, PROPOSED GENERAL GOVERNMENT FEE SCHEDULE, AND WATER RATE SCHEDULE ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE, WWW.CHINCOTEAGUE-VA.GOV

Town of Chincoteague FY 2020 Proposed Budget Amendment

The Chincoteague Town Council will hold an electronic public hearing on May 4, 2020, at 7 p.m., for a proposed FY 2020 Budget Amendment. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and safety precautions in place to reduce the spread, there will be no means to gather public comment during the meeting. Public comment will be received in writing in advance of the meeting.

Commenting by Letter: Written statements may be mailed to the Town of Chincoteague, Attn: FY 20 Budget Amendment, 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

Commenting by email: Emails may be addressed to jwest@chincoteague-va.gov with the subject line: FY 20 Budget Amendment Comments.

All comments must be received by 3 p.m., April 29, 2020. Comments will be included in the meeting official record. Comments must include commenters' name and address. Again, there will be no physical access to the meeting, but it may be observed by following the link:

<https://zoom.us/j/157794086>

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FY 2020 Budget Amendment

General Fund Revenues	Approved Budget	Proposed Amendment	Variance
GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$195,000	\$219,000	\$24,000
OTHER LOCAL TAXES	\$2,338,000	\$2,110,000	-\$228,000
FEDERAL GRANT	\$450,000	\$594,000	\$144,000
COMMONWEALTH GRANT	\$99,000	\$0	-\$99,000
TRANSFER FR BOAT REPAIR RES.	\$33,000	\$75,000	\$42,000
TRANSFER FR GEN FUND SAVINGS	\$53,000	\$628,497	\$575,497
TOTAL AMENDED REV ITEMS			\$458,497
General Fund Expenditures	Approved Budget	Proposed Amendment	Variance
GEN FUND SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$1,020,392	\$1,018,050	\$2,342
GEN FUND OPERATIONS & MAINT.	\$404,000	\$348,660	\$55,340
GEN FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$633,000	\$1,149,179	-\$516,179
TOTAL AMENDED EXP ITEMS			-\$458,497



NASA announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Marsh Fiber Project. NASA proposes to install a new fiber optic cable between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Wallops National Wildlife Refuge and NASA's Wallops Island in Accomack County, Virginia.

Currently, a single fiber optic cable system along Atlantic Road provides communications and command data from the WFF Main Base to Wallops Island. Damage or failure of the single cable system would put NASA, tenants, and the public at risk for disruptions to launch command and information technology services.

The project is needed to provide a redundant, geographically diverse, and reliable means of high-speed fiber optic communications for NASA, Department of Defense, and commercial systems on Wallops Island. The existing cable system would remain in operation as backup.

NASA proposes to use a combination of horizontal directional drilling and vibratory trenching methods to

install the fiber optic cable under waterways and across the saltmarsh. The Draft EA evaluates the environmental consequences of the Proposed Action and No Action Alternative.

Due to the current situation with COVID19 and the Governor's Temporary Stay at Home Order (Executive Order 55), there will not be a public meeting. The EA will be available on the internet in Adobe® portable document format (pdf) at: https://code200-external.gsfc.nasa.gov/250-WFF/Marsh_Fiber_EA

A presentation that may be viewed at any time during the public comment period will also be available at the internet address above.

NASA will consider all comments in preparing the Final EA. Comments on the Draft EA are requested by May 18, 2020. Comments should be addressed to:

Ms. Shari Miller
NASA Wallops Flight Facility
Mailstop: 250.W
Wallops Island, Virginia 23337
Phone: 757-824-2327
e-mail: Shari.A.Miller@nasa.gov



A limited number of hard copies are available upon request. Please contact Ms. Miller to request a hard copy.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Harry Kent Birch has applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources to construct and backfill 56 linear feet of bulkhead aligned a maximum of two-foot channelward of a deteriorating bulkhead. The project is situated adjacent to property along Deep Hole Creek at 5420 Tom Reed Lane in the Town of Chincoteague.

Send comments/inquiries within 15 days to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg 96, Hampton, VA 23651 or jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov.

NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC PUBLIC HEARING TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF ONANCOCK, VA April 27, 2020

The Town Council for the Town of Onancock, VA, will conduct an electronic public hearing on Monday, April 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., in the Town Council Chambers located at 15 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417 to consider one (1) special use permit application for the following:

Special Use Permit application – SUP 02:20

Karen Crockett is requesting a special use permit to operate a homestay at 6 Crescent Street in the Town of Onancock. This parcel is currently zoned Residential (R-1A) and is Tax Map #85-A1-10-42.

To review the application and site plan please contact Mrs. Lisa Fiege, Interim Town Manager, at 757-787-3363, or email at lfiege@onancock.com. Questions or comments about this public hearing should be submitted to Town Hall prior to the meeting. The public hearing can be viewed on our website at www.onancock.com.

FAMILY COURT FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE NOTICE OF FAMILY COURT ACTION

TO: Lorenzo Sturgis, Respondent(s)
Petitioner, Tracey Cannon, has filed a Guardianship petition against you in the Family Court of the State of Delaware for Sussex County on March 10, 2020. If you do not file an answer with the Family Court within 20 days after publication of this notice, exclusive of the date of publication, as required by statute, this action will be heard in Family Court without further notice.

Petition #20-06690

IF YOU WISH TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY IN THIS MATTER BUT CANNOT AFFORD ONE, YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO HAVE THE COURT APPOINT AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU FOR FREE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CLERK OF THE COURT AT FAMILY COURT

April 13, 2020 Tracey Cannon

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Northampton Whiffed on Spring Break Lunches

Dear Editor:

During spring break many of NCPS most vulnerable students will go hungry, yet districts larger and smaller than NCPS are continuing to provide meals every day including spring break. One has expanded its delivery to include private school students. Many districts have offered options to families unable to pick up meals such as having bus drivers deliver the food. NCPS has food available twice a week, none during spring break, and no home deliveries.

Districts were made aware that a waiver needed to be submitted to the VDOE on March 11. Approximately 95% of VA districts in VA submitted theirs by the end of the week. In addition, they met over the weekend with principals, community leaders, etc., to collaborate how they were going to provide food to families. It was a priority for them. It was not a priority for NCPS. On Saturday, March 14, Mr. Lawrence sent an email to the school board stating the waiver for food availability would be submitted on Monday, but didn't know what "it was going to look like." Why the delay? Where was the sense of urgency to develop a plan? There was none. He did not consult with building administrators on this, dismissed suggestions to improve or expand food delivery and rejected volunteers who offered to help with distribution. The waiver was submitted on Monday, but not approved until Tuesday because it needed correction and the correction needed to be approved. Food was not available until Thursday, March 19, over a week after being notified.

Mr. Lawrence professes to care so much about feeding our kids, but where's the evidence? An administrator proposed the Grab and Go program years ago. Mr. Lawrence did not consider. The program was implemented begrudging-

ly when I heard about it at a conference a couple of years later and brought it to the attention of the SB; he did not support the Community Eligibility Program last year and now this.

Post Office Mail

**Nancy Proto
Cape Charles**

Saving Shore History

Dear Editor:

It is up to us to save or regret the loss of the Franklin City Rail Depot. The building is scheduled for imminent demolition.

No, it is not an example of fine Georgian architecture or the ancestral home of a renowned Virginian, but it has a unique and simple beauty of its own. It tells a story not just of rails but of a once thriving Chincoteague Bay community now vanished. It is the sole survivor of what was a vibrant community of watermen's homes, stores, a hotel, a church, a train layover for passengers on their way across the bay to Chincoteague, and seafood shanties where oysters were king. It's a humble building which tells of good times, bad times, fortunes made and lost, and of the series of misfortunes and storms that took it all away.

The depot is doomed if it is not rescued. It has been undermined by an eroding shoreline and compromised by the ravages of time and neglect.

The current lessee of the federal property on Chincoteague Bay on which it sits, the Chincoteague Bay Field Station, has been informed that they must remove/restore the building. Please read and consider the Shore history of the depot so artfully covered by Carol Vaughn's front page article in the Eastern Shore Post dated Feb. 28, 2020

Harry White, a local house mover, has a rough estimate of upwards of \$50,000 to stabilize the building so that it can be moved, due to existing structural damage. Then there are costs associated with renovation and relocation on another

property, if not allowed to be left at its current ideal location in Frank-

lin city.

So we have a decision to make, time is of the essence; it's now or never for the Franklin City Depot. Perhaps a hero philanthropist will surface or perhaps someone more tech savvy than I could set up a "Go Fund Me" page, or perhaps we could start a donate-a-dollar campaign to save the building. We could get everyone, young and old, involved in finding a way to rescue the old depot.

I hope we will decide that Shore history is worth preserving. There is a beautiful, simple history lesson in this old depot that we should value and preserve for the generations. We can all brainstorm and find a way to make it happen. Contact courtney@CBfieldstation.org or phone 757-824-5636.

**Linda Henderson Gordon
Greenbackville**

Grading Policy Unfair to Some Students

Dear Editor:

During this difficult time, I know that most people are just trying to get by and praying that they do not get sick. Many may not have thought about how this crisis will affect their children's futures. I am the parent of a student in Accomack County Public Schools and I disagree with their grading policy during this time. If you have a child in elementary or middle school, the policy of grading every class as Pass or Fail is probably not a big deal. If you have a child in high school, you may want to think about the consequences of this policy. Keep in mind that this is not a statewide policy and that other school divisions have different grading policies during this crisis.

Many people may not know this, but normal high school classes are weighted on a four-point scale, i.e. an A equals 4 points, a B equals 3 points, a C equals

2 points and a D equals 1 point. This is how the school determines a student's GPA (grade point average). If a student takes an honors class, they get extra points (A equals 4.5 points and so on). Extra points are also granted for dual enrollment and AP classes (5 points for an A and so on).

If your student is taking a dual enrollment, AP, or honors class this semester, they will not get those extra points. The implications of this policy are far reaching. First of all, the situation is not equitable in terms of class rank. If, for example, several students take an honors class in the fall semester, they would have an unfair advantage over those who took the same class in spring semester. The fall semester students already have the grades and the extra points. The same would be true for students taking AP or dual enrollment classes. This affects the determination of who is selected as valedictorian, salutatorian and the rest of the class rank for this year and the next few years to come. Imagine if your child was supposed to be the valedictorian of their class and this situation propels another student in front of him or her.

Not only are class ranks going to be unjust and invalid, the extra tenth of point in your child's GPA could keep them from going to their dream college or university. Your child could lose out on a scholarship because of this situation.

Parents and students should have choice in times like these. I realize that most students are probably excited to not have to do school work and they will take their Pass or Fail grade. Give the parents of hard working college-bound students the choice to continue honors, AP or dual enrollment classes. Many of these students are taking virtual classes anyway through a program called Virtual Virginia. This will help to even the playing field and will not punish our hard working students because of COVID-19.

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