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Poultry Plant Employees Concerned as Coronavirus Cases Grow

Company officials aren't talking and health officials are hamstrung by reporting laws, leaving poultry plant workers with little information about outbreaks in local poultry plants

By Carol Vaughn

Industry officials said this week they are taking steps to protect employees at the Eastern Shore's two poultry processing plants during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Still, a half dozen workers from the plants contacted the Post this week — saying they do not feel safe going to work after finding out coworkers tested positive for the virus. Some have taken time off or walked off the job.

Most said they would like to see the facilities shut down temporarily to allow for a thorough cleaning.

Most did not want their names used.

"I don't think they are taking the proper measures to lower the exposure that we can get to these," said Markita Davis, who works at Tyson Foods and has two young children. She said she took time off this week "to be safe."

"I think that they should disclose that there are positive cases in the plants. ... At Tyson, maybe two weeks ago, we were only told that there were two positive cases. I found out about three more through Facebook," she said.



Dividers have been installed between workers on a production line at the Tyson Foods processing facility in Temperanceville. Tyson Foods photo.

The death Tuesday of a woman who worked at Perdue, reportedly from the virus, is heightening workers' concerns, according to callers.

The concerns come amid reports of multiple employees falling ill and news that the Eastern Shore has four COVID-19 outbreaks, three in congregate settings.

Jon Richardson, senior environmental health manager at the Eastern Shore Health District, said poultry plants meet the definition of a congregate setting, but said it is health department practice not to identify facilities with outbreaks by name.

"However, we strongly encourage the facility to be proactive and transparent with their messaging," he said.

The outbreaks "have been the source of the majority of our cases here on the Shore over the past five days, and now account for more than 50% of our total

for the entire Shore," Richardson said.

The Eastern Shore as of Thursday had 88 confirmed COVID-19 cases — 76 in Accomack County and 12 in Northampton County. Eighteen people have been hospitalized, according to the VDH website.

The Eastern Shore Health District Wednesday announced two additional deaths from COVID-19 — a man in his 50s and a woman in her 50s — bringing the death number on the Shore to three.

Poultry plant employees make up almost 7% of the Shore population — and nearly 12% of Accomack County's workforce, according to the county's latest comprehensive financial report.

The two facilities — Perdue Farms in Accomack and Tyson Foods in Temperanceville — are the two top employers in Accomack County.

Together they have more than 3,040

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Northampton School Division Suspends Food Program Due to COVID-19 Staff Exposure

Stoppage leaves 450 to 575 students without meals as school division deep cleans and explores alternatives

By Connie Morrison

Northampton County Public Schools announced Monday, April 20, it was shutting down its food program that has distributed meals twice weekly to students since Gov. Ralph Northam closed schools to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus. The meal program was halted "due to employees who have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus," according to a message posted to the schools website.

"I have two employees who have (could have) been exposed," Superintendent Eddie Lawrence wrote in an email to the Eastern Shore Post. "One was contacted directly by the health department." He does not know how the employees might have been exposed but did not think it was likely they were exposed while at work. "No one else has developed any symptoms at this point," he said.

Between 450 and 575 students were availing themselves of the program each week, and each student

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Two More COVID-19 Deaths on Shore; Case Count Still Climbing

Staff Report

Two more Eastern Shore residents have died from COVID-19, according to the Eastern Shore Health District.

The health district Wednesday announced the death of a man in his 50s and a woman in her 50s.

“We are incredibly sad to hear of the passing of two members of our Eastern Shore family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families,” said Chief Operating Officer Jon Richardson. “We have seen a significant increase in our case count over the past week. Many of those cases are associated with outbreaks which are currently under investigation,” he said.

The announcement brings the total to three known deaths from the virus on the Shore.

The health district on April 8 reported the first COVID-related death on the Shore, of a woman in her 70s.

As of Thursday, Accomack County had 76 confirmed cases, with 17 hospitalized, and Northampton County had 12 cases, with one hospitalized, according to the Virginia Department of Health.

There have been 339 test results on the Eastern Shore.

Of 168 total outbreaks in Virginia, the Eastern Shore now has four, according to the state health department.

Three outbreaks are in congregated settings and one is in a long-term care facility.

An outbreak is defined as two lab confirmed positive cases, not residing in the same household, linked together by person, place, or time, according to Richardson.

Heritage Hall in Nasswadox had two employees test positive for the virus, according to a report Wednesday on WESR.

“There are no cases inside the building, to our knowledge,” said Jennifer Eddy, spokeswoman for American Healthcare, Heritage Hall’s parent company.

Eddy said at the time the employees who have tested positive last worked, which was as recently as last week, employees were screened for COVID-19 indicators, both when they entered the building and when they left.

“At that time, they passed all of those

tests, both on entry and at the end of their last shift ... but we did receive word this morning from the health department that there were two positive tests that came through late last night, early morning timeframe,” she said in an interview with WESR.

The coronavirus that causes COVID-19 can cause mild to more severe respiratory illness. Symptoms include fever, cough, and difficulty breathing. In a small proportion of patients, COVID-19 can cause complications, including death, particularly among those who are older or who have chronic medical conditions.

Symptoms appear within 14 days after exposure to an infectious person.

COVID-19 spreads primarily through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

The Eastern Shore Health District has activated a public information line, 757-787-5880, for questions from residents about the novel coronavirus situation.

To lower the risk of respiratory germ spread, including COVID-19, the Virginia Department of Health

encourages the following effective behaviors:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer only if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay home when you are sick and avoid contact with sick people
- Wearing a nonsurgical mask could help prevent a sick person, exhibiting no symptoms, from accidentally infecting others.
- Avoid nonessential travel.
- Everyone should stay home.

Information is being shared as it becomes available at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus and www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/ Please consult www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus for the latest number of COVID-19 cases in Virginia.

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Board Kicks in To Help With Sharp Increase in Foodbank Meal Costs

Foodbanks served 63% more meals from March 1 to April 10 than over the same time last year

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors at the April 15 meeting approved giving \$21,000 to the Foodbank of the Eastern Shore, after the foodbank provided more than 23,300 meals, at a cost of nearly \$81,700, in Accomack County between March 1 and April 10.

The number of meals served is a more than 63% increase over the same period last year, mainly due to effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, according to Accomack County Administrator Michael Mason.

"The differences are striking," he said.

Additionally, 1,025 meals were provided to senior citizens through the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging, and 360 backpack meals were provided through ESAAA/CAA Head Start and

the public school system.

"We anticipate the need for emergency food growing in the weeks and months ahead," a letter from the foodbank to Accomack County said.

In addition to distributing more meals due to the pandemic, the foodbank's cost per meal has skyrocketed, from 40 cents per meal to about \$3.50.

That's in part because the foodbank is having to purchase more of the food it distributes. Food industry donors, who typically donate excess product to the foodbank, do not have that excess at present, and residents also are not donating as much.

The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore typically uses more than 9 million pounds of donated food each year.

"Their existing inventory is being depleted, and that's forcing them to purchase food," Mason said.

The money, which will cover the cost of 6,000 meals for Accomack residents, will come from the county's fiscal year 2020 undesignated operating contin-

gency fund, which had \$43,000 left in it for the year.

Mason asked foodbank officials to provide a final report to the board of supervisors once the pandemic has subsided, detailing how the money was spent.

Aviation Grant Authorized

The board authorized Mason to execute grant documents to accept \$30,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration for the Accomack County Airport.

The grant is part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security act passed by Congress.

The money will support continuing operations and replace lost revenue at the airport as result of the pandemic.

Money may be used for both capital and operating expenses at the airport, according to Mason.

"We have also been notified that the local match requirement for the (airport) apron rehab construction project that we've been anticipating may be waived," he said.

Budget Amendment Approved

The board approved an amendment

to the budget for fiscal year 2021, which starts July 1, to close a budget gap of nearly \$189,000 to pay for medical and mental health services for inmates at the Accomack County Jail.

The sheriff is required to provide the services for inmates, and to pay for inpatient care at the hospital, if needed, Mason said.

Medical services at the jail until now have been provided by two fulltime employees and by third parties, including a doctor who comes to the jail.

Staff turnover and issues with future availability of third-party providers led to the county issuing a request for proposals earlier this year.

Most Virginia jails outsource medical services, according to Mason.

The request resulted, after negotiations, in a proposed \$739,000 contract for inmate medical services — a figure higher than was expected.

After factoring in savings from eliminating two positions at the jail, one of which currently is vacant, and from a lower-than-expected increase in em-



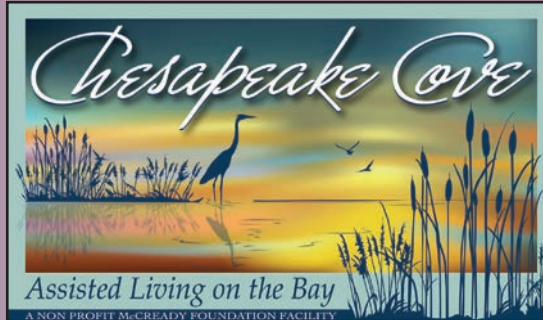
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ployee health insurance cost, there was still the gap of \$189,000.

Part of the money will come from eliminating \$93,585 for construction of a pavilion at Sawmill Park, and the rest will come from the contingency fund — meaning 43% of the entire fiscal year 2021 contingency fund will be committed from day one of the new fiscal year.

“Frankly, I don’t really see any viable options out there, and there is a significant potential liability if we don’t take some action on this matter,” Mason said.

Approval of the contract likely will be on the board’s May agenda.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Accepted

The board voted to accept a \$1.5 million FEMA hazard mitigation grant to elevate nine structures and acquire one parcel.

The properties are in Saxis, Sanford, and near Onancock.

The board tabled action on the grant at its February meeting.

The intent is to, at a later date, replace the property to be acquired, which is on Holly Cove Road, with another property on the waiting list for elevation, according to Mason.

The grant requires a local cost share, which individual property owners will repay as a condition of receiving the grant-funded services. Completion of all the projects is expected to take three years.

Joint Application for Electric Power Upgrade Approved

The board authorized Mason to submit a grant application related to an electric power upgrade needed for the Navy’s Surface Combat Systems Center and other users on Wallops Island.

The Navy requested Accomack County to submit the grant application jointly with Accomack-Northampton Electric Cooperative.

Supporting the grant requires no monetary contribution from the county.

The Navy is a tenant of NASA on Wallops, and has nearly \$1 billion of combat systems on the island, according to a presentation to the board by Commander Anthony Holmes, SCSC Commanding Officer.

The electric upgrade is needed because the Navy has specialized needs, and there have been “a number of power issues, whether it’s quality, capacity,

reliability, that have really been taking a toll on the Navy for quite a while,” Holmes said.

“We just have higher requirements,” he said.

The electricity issues have cost from \$1 million to \$2 million in damage per year, “whether that’s material, labor, or both,” Holmes said.

Additionally, it is anticipated that by around 2022, demand is going to exceed the current electric capacity on Wallops Island.

“Our requirements are going up; NASA’s requirements are going up, MARS’ requirements are going up. We all share that same common feeder,” Holmes said.

The Navy is investing around \$30 million in technical solutions within its fence line.

The grant could help pay for an additional feeder line to the island to improve reliability, at a projected cost of around \$10 million to \$13 million.

A new Defense Community Infrastructure pilot program could make around \$25 million in federal funds available to rural communities to help them

coordinate with military entities on infrastructure projects of mutual benefit.

“This is something that is absolutely needed by the Navy,” Holmes said.

Supervisor Robert Crockett said the Navy’s request is “extremely positive, because whenever you see an entity like the Navy want to invest millions of dollars, that makes our facility up there even more secure, as far as the future goes. You can’t have progress without proper infrastructure.”

Supervisor Ron Wolff made the motion to authorize Mason to apply for the grant.

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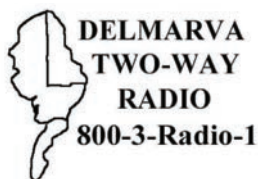
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~Poultry Plants~

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employees, according to Accomack County's 2020 Annual Poultry Report.

Spokespeople for each company confirmed there have been COVID-19 cases among employees but declined to give specifics.

"We have had a limited number of cases in our facilities. With each confirmed case, we immediately enact our pandemic response protocols, work with the local health department and follow strict guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention," said Diana Souder, director of corporate communications and brand PR for Perdue Farms Inc., via email.

Souder added, "We've decided not to specify every individual case moving forward out of respect for our associates' privacy under applicable confidentiality guidelines."

Tyson spokesperson Worth Sparkman said in an email the company "is not sharing specific numbers" of employees who become ill, "since this is an ever-changing situation."

Centers for Disease Control guidelines call for a 14-day quarantine for someone exposed to COVID-19, but the agency issued separate guidance for critical infrastructure workers, including at food processing facilities, which allows those exposed to return to work "under certain conditions as long as they take precautions and remain asymptomatic," Richardson said.

Both companies say they have implemented measures to enhance safety during the pandemic.

"Our workplace safety efforts are significant and strictly enforced," Sparkman said, adding, "We're implementing social distancing in our plants based on CDC and industry guidance, such as increasing the distance between workers on the production floor, (and) installing workstation dividers and barriers in our breakrooms. ... We've been evaluating and implementing ways to promote more social distancing in our plants. For example, at some locations we're:

- Allowing more time between shifts to reduce worker interaction
- Giving team members more space by erecting large tents to

serve as outdoor break rooms

- Removing chairs in some break rooms so there is more space between the workers (and)
- Eliminating conference room meetings and the size of new orientation classes."

Sparkman said plant production areas are sanitized daily to ensure food safety, and added, "We have significantly stepped up deep cleaning and sanitizing of our facilities, especially in employee breakrooms, locker rooms and other areas to protect our team members."

Additionally, he said plants may sometimes suspend a day of production to complete an additional deep clean of facilities as an added precaution — although workers who called the Post said that has not happened here.

After an earlier version of this story appeared online Wednesday, the company's Temperanceville plant announced on its Facebook page it would suspend operations Friday, April 24, and the plant would undergo "a deep cleanse" April 24, 25, and 26.

Tyson announced April 15 it began receiving supplies of nonmedical face coverings for employees across the nation and said the current supply is expected to last up to four months. The company also developed guidance in early April for employees wearing personal cloth face masks.

Additionally, the company is using walk-through temperature scanners.

Perdue has increased sanitation protocols and installed temporary dividers between employees on production lines where social distancing is not possible, according to the company website.

Perdue also is using temperature scanners, and has implemented a disposable mask program at all production facilities.

An industry spokesman said "reduced employee attendance at chicken processing plants is an issue on Delmarva and across the U.S. during this unusual time."

Delmarva Poultry Industry Inc. spokesman James Fisher said some plants on Delmarva are operating below their normal capacity as a result.

"These are extraordinary times and these are extraordinary situations, and everyone in the chicken community is doing all that we can to stop the spread

of COVID-19 while maintaining a safe food supply,” he said.

Dr. Norman Oliver, state health commissioner, during a press briefing Monday, acknowledged meat processing facilities around the country have been sites of COVID-19 outbreaks, and said there have been outbreaks “in a couple of facilities here in Virginia.”

Local health departments “have worked very closely with plant managers, the occupational health people in the plants, providing them with PPE (personal protective equipment), doing case identification, talking to them and working with them on finding ways to contain any spread of the disease — providing suggestions around that — and we will continue to do that,” Oliver said, adding, “I think that we are staying on top of this, and we will make sure that those workers are as safe as we can possibly make them.”

The Rev. Willie Justis, a local pastor and Virginia Organizing member, has formed a coalition to address concerns about the poultry plants.

“I’ve taken the initiative to try to bring some attention” to the situation, Justis said, adding, “...They are absolutely setting themselves up for more of an outbreak.”

Justis has held two conference calls to date to discuss concerns about poultry workers during the pandemic.

The Richmond-based Legal Aid Justice Center is among those working with the coalition, he said.

Jason Yarashes, lead attorney and program coordinator for the Virginia Justice Project for Farm and Immigrant Workers at the center, spends much of his time representing low-wage workers “who are doing very difficult work...It’s a time where people are more scared than ever and are subject to worse conditions than ever, and are doing more than ever for people... It really highlights the lack of protections that folks have,” he said.

Poultry workers, deemed essential during the pandemic, are “literally the people that are putting protein on America’s plates...that are put in the tremendously difficult position of risking their own health,” Yarashes said.

The federal First Coronavirus Response Act — which includes provisions meant to help workers, such as 14 days

of paid leave for workers affected by the pandemic — exempts large companies like Tyson and Perdue, Yarashes said.

Conditions like having to work elbow-to-elbow on production lines, crowded break rooms, lack of sick leave, lack of time to wash hands, and more, make work difficult for poultry workers in normal times, and more so now, according to Yarashes.

“We have already seen these massive outbreaks at places like Smithfield in Sioux Falls, and what that could look like,” he said.

The Smithfield Foods plant in South Dakota shut down temporarily April 15 after more than 600 cases were confirmed among employees or their contacts, according to the Sioux Falls Argus Leader.

“There’s different pieces here — what is each company saying, versus what they are actually doing....Some of the companies have taken actions, but they are either insufficient or too little, too late,” Yarashes said.

“You are put, as a worker, into an impossible position...You have to make a decision of, I go to work, and I’m able to feed my kids, but I potentially get sick and bring that back to my kids...or, you don’t go in to work, you possibly don’t get sick, but you also can’t feed your kids. For people that are providing food for all of us — that is a shock to me,” Yarashes said.

The Legal Aid Center is partnering with community groups to put pressure on companies “to do the right thing,” and also on the government “to enact enhanced state and local regulations” to protect workers, he said.

“When people can’t speak for themselves, they need someone to speak up for them,” Justis said.

He talked about one employee he knows of — potentially exposed to someone with COVID while working at the Tyson plant — who lives in close quarters with five family members in a mobile home.

“That’s the biggest concern — that you can have it and go and infect your whole family,” Justis said.

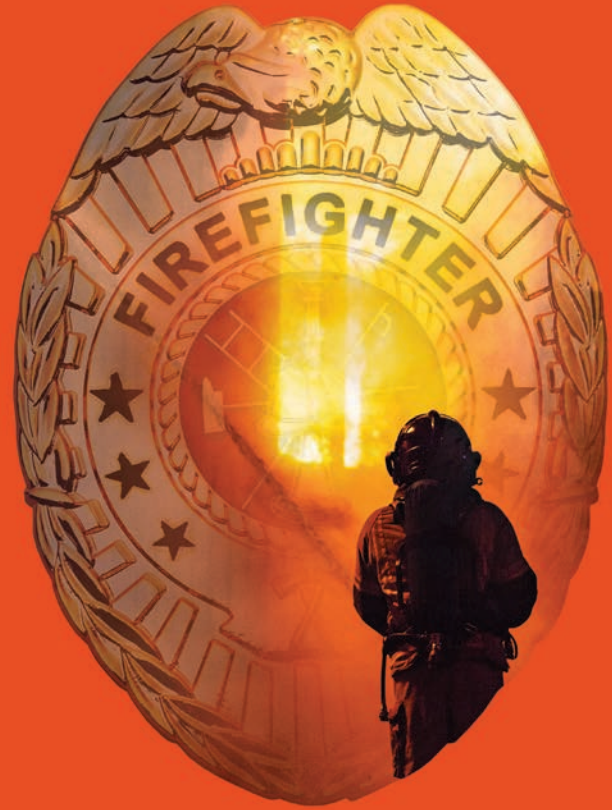
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Chincoteague Councilman Apologizes for Violating Governor's COVID-19 Order

Councilman Matthew Reed, who said he thought he was attending dinner with a couple of friends, was part of a group of up to 18 that assembled for a party at a closed restaurant on Chincoteague

By Carol Vaughn

A Chincoteague town council member apologized to the mayor, his fellow council members, and Chincoteague residents for his participation in a gathering held earlier this month in violation of the governor's executive order during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I would like to take this opportunity to apologize for a situation I found myself in a few weeks ago that went against our governor's order," Councilman Matthew Reed said during the April 16 town council workshop meeting.

"I made a mistake. I was in the wrong place at the wrong time," Reed said, adding, "I went to what I thought was dinner with a couple of friends."

Reed said he does "have the island's interest in my heart, and will work as hard as I always have to continue to make this the best place for our residents and our visitors."

Reed became a council member in July 2018. His term in office ends June 30, 2022.

Gov. Ralph Northam issued executive order 53, which among other measures prohibits gatherings of more than 10 people, on March 23. The ban has since been extended through June 10.

Violating the order is a class I misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

Officers on Chincoteague cited three people for organizing a party at a closed restaurant on Chincoteague, where up to 18 people gathered, Police Chief Robbie Fisher reported, according to an article in the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

The Chincoteague Police Department was among 37 law enforcement agencies that responded to a survey about citations being issued for vi-

olating executive orders, which was conducted by the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, according to the Times-Dispatch.

Chincoteague police have issued the most citations for violating the gathering ban of departments responding to the survey, the article said.

Fisher said via email this week that the department charged two men and one woman with violating the order on April 1, and charged another man on April 5.

The April 5 incident involved Chincoteague pastor Keven Gary Wilson, according to a Christian Broadcasting Network report.

Wilson on Palm Sunday held a church service at Lighthouse Fellowship Church where 16 people were present, according to CBN.

The police department does not release the names of people charged with misdemeanors, Fisher said.

The department has made no additional charges of violating the order, he said.

Accomack County Sheriff Todd Wesells said his office has charged one person with violating the order, after someone held a party in the Parksley area earlier this month.

The Chincoteague Town Council during the April 16 meeting also approved an ordinance declaring running bamboo and certain other invasive plant species to be a nuisance.

The other species are defined in a list compiled by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, which can be viewed at <https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural-heritage/invspdflist>

Property owners on Chincoteague with these plants growing on their property must not allow them to spread to adjoining properties or within 10 feet of a road or public right of way, according to the ordinance.

Violators of the ordinance can be charged with a class 4 misdemeanor.

The council sent back to the ordinance committee a proposed ordinance banning e-scooters on town streets and sidewalks.

The ordinance as written includes

motorized skateboards and could be taken to include e-bicycles and personal assistant mobility devices, which some on the council noted should not be banned.

“I don’t want to see the person that is on a motorized skateboard be punished by this,” said Councilwoman Denise Bowden, adding that rental e-scooters are the problem.

“It really was about a business renting these out,” and the devices being left “all over town,” she said.

Reed recommended the ordinance exempt e-bicycles but not electric skateboards.

Mayor J. Arthur Leonard asked the ordinance committee to review the proposed language.

The council approved purchasing a new audiovisual system to improve

streaming of council meetings from the council chambers.

The council approved the \$8,334 purchase from Netwavz.

“In this day and time, with technology, we need to be on the forefront of being able to communicate with our constituents out there who are not able to make the meeting,” Bowden said.

Meetings will be streamed to a YouTube site with a link provided on the town’s website and may also be broadcast on the Facebook page.

Meetings can be watched live or in an archive, according to information in the meeting packet.

The money will come from \$10,000 budgeted for council chambers furniture and equipment.

The new system should be installed by mid-May.

NORTHAMPTON SHERIFF DETAILS EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

By Carol Vaughn

One Northampton County Sheriff’s Office employee is in self-quarantine, with no reported symptoms as yet, and three more have returned to work after 14 days of quarantine with no symptoms, according to Northampton County Sheriff David Doughty.

“We’re still maintaining our emergency procedures and precautions to continue to keep our staff healthy and safe,” Doughty told the Northampton County Board of Supervisors at a special called meeting held electronically on Thursday, April 16.

The meeting was to address COVID-19 related matters.

Personal protective equipment supplies for the office “are holding right now, still slowly coming in. However, if the situation continues, I’m not sure that we will have enough to sustain our needs, but we’re okay for right now,” he said.

The call volume to the office has been steady, “with no major incidents since our last meeting,” Doughty said, adding there have been no additional reported violations of the governor’s executive order prohibiting gatherings of more than 10 people.

Call volume for animal control also is steady, “but not abnormal, with a wide variety of different complaints,”

he said.

There have been no issues with operations at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, according to Doughty, who said, “We are continuing to follow our emergency policies to protect our staff and the individuals that are in our custody.”

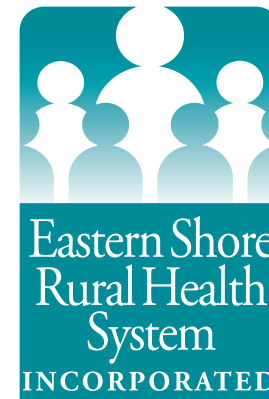
Inmates enrolled in the jail’s re-entry program will begin next week to assemble face masks, he said.

There are no issues with the courthouse, according to Doughty, who said some cases are being held despite the pandemic. He added, “And I would expect those numbers to increase, as we are experimenting with the option to conduct hearings through videoconferencing. This would eliminate the need to bring individuals over from the jail.”

Fewer than 10 people are being allowed to be in the courtroom during a proceeding, and the 6-foot social distancing requirement is being maintained in common areas in the courthouse, Doughty said.

“If you do have to come to the courthouse for a hearing, you may likely be asked to remain in your vehicle until your case is heard,” he said.

“We would also like to remind our citizens to travel only when necessary...and to maintain the suggested precautions, and to continue to practice social distancing,” Doughty said.



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- **WELL CHILD appointments can be done by phone or video, with vaccinations** then given during a quick visit to the center. Parents will be contacted to arrange well child checks. **NO in-person well child appointments at this time.**
- **In-person DENTAL services limited to EMERGENCIES ONLY** at only the Atlantic and Franktown centers. Dental patients with emergencies should **CALL BEFORE coming in.** Teledentistry visits by phone or video are available.
- **Patients please come to appointments alone. Only one adult allowed with children.** No non-essential visitors.
- **No appointments after 5 p.m.** until further notice.

All copays for telemedicine and teledentistry visits (visits by phone or video) are being waived during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For up-to-date information see the COVID-19 tab on esrh.org.

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Property Transactions

Accomack County

- From Mapp/HEWES LLP
To David B. Hughes and Virginia Diane Hobbs
Two parcels, 16 acres and 36.62 acres, near Wachapreague
For \$71,400
- From Waterside Land Trust LLC
To Charles J. Kellam Jr.
Waterside Village III, Phase II, Lot 23, near Painter
For \$24,900
- From Deutsche Bank National Trust Company
To Patricia A. and Barry Jay Hawk
6321 Captains Lane Unit 110, Chincoteague
For \$269,000
- From Julius J. Bailer
To M & M Partners in Land LLC
35261 Seaside Road, Painter
For \$27,000
- From The Pierson Group, Inc.
To Taylor D. Lewis
Village at Deer Point Lot 3, Melfa
For \$200,000
- From Mapp/Hewes LLLP
To Daniel Mason Matthews
24 acres near Locustville
For \$41,191
- From David F. Mason, trustee of the Family Trust under the will of Mildred M. Mason
To Pamela T. And Paul H. Widgen
Two parcels, 41.5 acres and 27 acres, near Locustville
For \$130,000
- From Gregory M. Addison
To Linda Listopad
2199 Spinnaker St., Greenbackville
For \$134,000
- From Shane Cooper

- To Julia and Carl White Jr.
Lot 75 Trails End, Horntown
For \$3,000
- From Robin M. Kellam by John Harris Kellam, her attorney-in-fact, Polly M. Ransone, and David Aaron Ziegler
To Wilmer Ortiz Perez
Parcel on Daugherty Road, Tasley
For \$2,000
- From Barbara J. and Michael E. Pilgrim
To Tami L. and Stephen P. Radov
6468 Conant Lane, Chincoteague
For \$275,000
- From Kenneth Mark Carpenter, Jonathan Christian Carpenter
To Christopher J. Duley and Margaret M. Mercado
20200 Allen Lane, Deep Creek
For \$45,000
- From Aedron L. Tapman Jr. and Megan Davis
To Laurie Adkins and Todd Ronald Bireley
2285 Yardarm Drive, Greenbackville
For \$172,000
- From Leslie S. Furman
To Susan F. and John P. Lewis
Two parcels, 12.37 acres and 4.4 acres, near Atlantic
For \$30,000
- From Elaine Lehland Haponenko and Peter Haponenko, Trustees of the Gloria Ann Lehland Irrevocable Trust
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Lot 2 Fairview Section 1, between Pungoteague and Craddockville
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To Daniel Thomas Fields
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To Jennifer Ellen Wheeler
32482 Nocks Landing Road, Atlantic
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- From Patricia Johnston Harris
To Flora E. and Gregory W. Swift
20502 Baldpate Lane, Schooner Bay
For \$250,000
- From Alice K. Peterson
To Ricardo A. Fields
Lot 1, Phase II, Nocks Landing, Atlantic
For \$15,000
- From John P. Custis, executor of the estate of Grace L. Granz
To Kathryn A. and Arthur R. Thornton Sr.
28382 Martin Ave., Melfa
•From Kevin Lee Lewis
To Lori L. and Stuart K. Colonna
24136 Charlotte St., Accomac
For \$38,450
- From Jennie J. Cody and James Lee Johnson Jr.
To James J. Szablewicz
21 Kerr St., Onancock
For \$245,000
- From Daniel D. Douglas and Kevin G. Carr
To Daniel D. Douglas
6052 Old Mill Lane, Chincoteague
For \$40,000
- From Ingeborg E. and Pius J. Nold
To J & A Builders LLC
Captains Cove Lot 44, Sec. 9
For \$2,000
- From Ocean Land Trust LTD
To Cathy L. and Robert J. Fulmer
Lot 41 Phase 1 Olde Mill Pointe, Wattsville
For \$19,900
- From Emily V. And Frank J. Tipaldo
To 6346 Mumford LLC
6346 Mumford St., Chincoteague
For \$120,000
- From Rosane J. Dow
To Cynthia L. and William E. Hickman
Captains Cove Lot 325, Section 2
For \$8,000

- From Dale W. Jones, George W. Jones, and Stephanie M. Jones
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Trails End Lot 183, Unit 3, Sheet 6, Horntown
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To Captain's Cove Golf & Yacht Club Inc.
Captain's Cove Lot 1772, Section 3; Lot 2100, Section 4; and Lot 277, Section 7
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To George H. Hogeboom and Carol J. Pauley
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To James Piotrowski
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To Miguelita Sanchez Joseph
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To Angelica Maldonado-Martinez
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~Northampton Food Program~
(Continued From Front Page)

was receiving five breakfasts and five lunches.

The school division is deep cleaning the cafeteria, equipment, and buses that were used in the food program.

“We are discussing all options” for resuming the program, Lawrence wrote.

“We are also looking at what other school systems are doing. We have also been in contact with the VDOE (Virginia Department of Education) concerning our situation. We will follow all

guidance and direction from the health department, VDOE and CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention).”

Instructional learning packets are still available for pick-up at all school locations on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until noon.

The foodbank’s mobile pantry stops at Northampton High School Tuesdays from 10 a.m. until noon. Please stay in line and remain in your vehicle for the mobile food pantry. For additional locations, check the foodbank’s Facebook page @foodbankeasternshorebranch or the website at <https://foodbankonline.org>

Accomack’s Census Response Rate is Half of State’s

By Carol Vaughn

Accomack County is ahead of where it was a decade ago in terms of residents’ response rate to the U. S. census — that’s the good news.

“The bad news is that we are way behind the rest of the state,” said Accomack County Administrator Michael Mason in an April 15 report to the Accomack County Board of Supervisors.

The response rate in Virginia was at nearly 54% as of April 15; but Accomack’s was only 25.8%.

Chincoteague’s response rate to date is “even lower than that,” said Chincoteague Town Manager James West at the April 16 town council meeting.

“The census is necessary. It will decide our representation, how the dis-

tricting will take place, and future representation at the federal level and the state level...It also decides how federal dollars will be spent,” West said.

He said it took him around five minutes to complete the census online.

Northampton’s response rate was 27.3% as of April 15, Mason said.

One issue is that the many residents who get their mail at a post office box did not receive the initial mailing from the Census Bureau reminding them to complete the census.

Both counties have a complete count committee to encourage all residents to complete the census, which can be done by telephone or on the internet.

The committee is planning to send

a postcard by bulk mail at each Eastern Shore post office, with information in English and Spanish about how to complete the census.

“We expect that to hit all the Post Office boxes by this Saturday,” Mason said.

The self-response period has been extended to Aug. 14 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Complete the census online at www.2020Census.gov

To complete the census by telephone, call toll free between 7 a.m. and 2 a.m. Eastern Time: 844-330-2020 (English); 844-468-2020 (Espanol); or 844-477-2020 (Haitian Creole).

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Working Waterfront Video and Storymap Release

Three rural coastal peninsulas coordinate outreach in support of marine businesses

The Eastern Shore, Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck, with the assistance of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program, have issued a video and companion storymap highlighting local marine and seafood businesses across the three regions.

The project was undertaken from recommendations of the Virginia Working Waterfront Master Plan, issued in 2016. The plan’s recommendations called for cooperation among federal government entities, the Virginia General Assembly, the governor, the Virginia Port Authority, commonwealth agencies, coastal planning districts, local governments, and the private sector to support the resources on which vibrant waterfront businesses depend. Working waterfront businesses include seafood harvesting and processing, recreational boating/fishing, and ports. The goal of the master plan is to facilitate the preservation and development of working waterfronts in Virginia.

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission partnered with leader Northern Neck PDC in this public outreach and private sector segment of a multi-year project on Virginia’s Working Waterfronts, funded by the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (CZM), a network of state agencies and coastal localities led by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). CZM is engaged in projects throughout Virginia to protect, restore, and strengthen coastal ecosystems and economies in partnership with the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration. The video was produced by Lot 7 Media, and filmed in the Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula, and is available here: <http://www.a-npdc.org/working-waterfronts/>. Each region supplied information from local businesses for the storymap, which is available here: <https://arvc.is/1q1iLH>

During this time, it is more important than ever that we help our local watermen and support our local aquaculture. According to CZM Program Manager Laura McKay, “Virginia’s working waterfronts are a significant part of the cultural heritage of the coastal area as well as an economic driver for the state. Recreational boating, recreational and commercial fishing, aquaculture industries, and ecotourism contribute to Virginia’s economic growth as well as the high quality of life, especially in the rural coastal areas.” Working waterfronts are not only a staple of the economy of the Eastern Shore, but also a defining part of our cultural heritage. In order to preserve not only our cultural heritage, but our economy as well, we must support and stimulate our working waterfronts.

For more information about the Working Waterfronts Program, please visit: <https://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/CoastalZoneManagement/CZMIssuesInitiatives/WorkingWaterfronts.aspx>

OBITUARIES

Marie Sparrow Core

Mrs. Marie Sparrow Core, 84, wife of the late Edward Shrieves "Eddie" Core and a resident of Parksley, passed away Monday, April 20, 2020, at Shore Health and Rehabilitation Center in Parksley. Born Nov. 15, 1935, in Seaford, Long Island, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Thomas Jackson Sparrow and the late Gladys Robinson Sparrow.



Mrs. Core

Following graduation from Amityville High School on Long Island, Marie and her family relocated back to their roots on the Eastern Shore. Soon after, she met the love of her life. Marie and Eddie were married in 1955, spending the next 57 years side by side. Together, they owned and operated the former E&M

Market, in Parksley, for many years. She later worked for Roses Department Store, retiring in 2000. Marie was a past member of Parksley Baptist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star. Her greatest passions were working in her flower gardens and bird watching, and her greatest loves were her family and her beloved dog, Pepper.

Marie is survived by her three children, Wayne Core (Kathy), of Bloxom, Cindy Campbell (Randy), of Reva, Va., and Robin Hall (Braden), of Locustville; grandchildren, Nicole Chambers (Jordan), Bill Applegate, Ellen Applegate, R.J. Campbell (Brittany), Bryan Campbell (Samantha), Katie Darnell (Chris), and Carrienne Prouty (David); great-grandchildren, Madeline Chambers, Brayden and Henry Darnell, and Dominick, Ian, and Alexis Prouty; cousin, Dan Bloxom; special friends, Anita and Corey Harte and Leigh Young; and several nieces and nephews.

The family gathered for a private funeral service. Once restrictions relating to COVID-19 are lifted, a pub-

lic memorial service will be scheduled and announced.

Contributions in Marie's memory may be made to the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 14, Parksley, VA 23421 or to St. Thomas United Methodist Church, 25460 Shoremain Drive, Bloxom, VA 23308.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Jeanette Pearl Foreman

Mrs. Jeanette Pearl Foreman, 78, of Withams, wife of the late Samuel Foreman, passed away on April 20, 2020, at Heritage Hall in Nassawadox.

Born on Sept. 24, 1941, in Wilmington, Del., she was the daughter of the late Ralph Williams and the late Ella Pearl White Williams. Jeanette was a caretaker and a member of the VVA Chapter 614 in Onley.

Jeanette is survived by two sons, Thomas Hall and wife, Wendy, of N.J., and Elmer Hall, of Hallwood; a brother, David Williams and wife, Jennifer, of Sanford; sisters, Rosemary Godwin, Geraldine Heggwood, and Arlene Berry; grandchildren, Pamela Clark and Jessica Hall; and three great-grandchildren, Chayton, Carly, and Lucy.

Other than her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by daughter, Arlene Clark, and a brother, Bo Williams.

Funeral services will be private.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

John Hamel

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expectations, strong confronter of wrong, brave, not intimidated, tenderhearted to animals and nature, best friend to your dog, Ajax. To honor John, please do something good for someone in remembrance of his life.

Bruce Allen Parks Sr.

Mr. Bruce Allen Parks Sr., 67, of Tangier Island, died Friday, April 17, 2020, at his home.

Born on Tangier Nov. 24, 1952, he was a son of the late Norman F. and the late Isabelle Shores Parks.

He was a waterman and for a short time worked on a tugboat for Vane Brothers. He was a member of Swain Memorial United Methodist Church and enjoyed carpentry when he was no longer able to work on the water.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Harriet



Mr. Parks

L. Wheatley Parks, of Tangier; two sons, Bruce A. Parks Jr. and wife, Amanda, and Norman B. Parks and wife, Mary, all of Tangier; three brothers, Danny Parks, Wayne Parks and wife, Barbara, and Barry Parks and wife, Joan, all of Tangier; six grandchildren, Elana Thomas and husband, Brett, Erica Daley, Jeremy Parks, Matthew Parks, Kylee Parks, and Emilee Parks; two great-grandsons, Jorden and Wyatt Daley; his mother-in-law, Beulah Wheatley, of Tangier; nieces, Christine Parks, and Andrea Crockett and husband, Don, all of Tangier; and several additional nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by two nephews, Sgt. Brandon Neil Parks and Anthony Wayne Parks.

A graveside service and interment was held Wednesday, April 22, 2020, at the Parks Family Cemetery on Tangier. Denny Crockett and the Rev. Chuck Parks officiated.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Swain Memorial United Methodist Church, Tangier, VA 23440.

Arrangements are in the care of Bradshaw & Sons Funeral Home in Crisfield, Md.

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ACCOMACK SCHOOL DIVISION PROVIDES 3 OPTIONS TO COMPLETE SPRING SEMESTER

By Carol Vaughn

High school students in Accomack County Public Schools will have three options for completing their spring semester coursework, after the Accomack County School Board approved an update to its continuity of learning plan.

Schools in Virginia were closed for the rest of the school year by executive order, due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The school board met electronically Tuesday, April 21.

Students under all three scenarios will have the option to receive letter grades for courses, or to receive a pass or fail for their final grade.

The change to allow letter grades came after the school board received several comments from parents and students concerned about the pass/fail grades affecting grade point averages, class rank, and college acceptance.

“We realize that students work very, very hard for the grades that they get,” said Rhonda Hall, assistant superintendent of instruction.

Middle and elementary school stu-

dents will have their final grades recorded as pass or fail.

High school students, or grade 8 students taking a high school course, under the first of three options to complete classes will begin distance learning of new material on May 4, with classes continuing through June 5.

Teachers will notify students of what virtual learning tool will be used for the course.

To participate in the first option, parents and students must contact their teacher or guidance counselor by May 5.

Classes will be held at least 30 minutes per day, three times a week, with a maximum of one hour per day, three times a week for each course.

The second option is for students to attend summer school in August to complete courses.

The plan is for summer school to be held Aug. 3 to 6 and Aug. 10 to 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Under the third option, students next fall will attend a one-hour fifth

block after school for two weeks for each class they were taking in the spring semester.

“Teachers have been working very, very hard to assure that our students are provided with opportunities,” said Hall.

“They are using a variety of instructional methods and delivery methods, from...Zoom, making packets and giving out packets at the sites where they are delivering food, or some of them are even mailing packets home,” she said.

Students who need a computer are checking them out from the school district, Hall said.

Kindergarten registration packets are available at each school and also online, she said.

The Virginia Department of Education has asked each school district to appoint a task force “to look at how it’s going to look when we return for the fall,” Hall said.

School Superintendent Chris Holland said he and Hall are in the process of appointing members to the task force.



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GRUSHON WILSON Gets the Groove ON For ESVA Every Tuesday Night

By **Connie Morrison**

Globetrotting DJ and Eastern Shore native Grushon Wilson might live in Richmond, Va., now, but his roots pull him back to the Eastern Shore every Tuesday night for the biggest virtual party around, #ESVATuesdays.

Wilson, whose stage name is Crush Groovey, said a couple of things motivated him to start the weekly on-line gatherings.

“I go to Facebook to look at everything going on ESVA. I keep seeing RIP this person or that person,” Wilson said, referring to three Eastern Shore murders and one attempted murder between March 25 and 27. He wanted to do something on-line “being that everyone had to be in the house” and his own work engagements were canceled because of the global COVID-19 pandemic. He thought, “Instead of doing it for Richmond, let me do it for ESVA.”

And the Eastern Shore of Virginia

responded. His virtual house parties clock 8,000-14,000 views each week from 7-9 p.m., with almost as many comments from those tuned in.

With music by the likes of Jay-Z, RunDMC, other '90s artists as a baseline, Wilson runs a constant commentary, reminding viewers to invite others into the party and to let others know they are tuning in.

‘It’s an old-school situation’

Eastern Shore nostalgia is the oil that keeps the motor running every week. At 42 years old, Wilson came of age during the '90s, a time when he was hosting house parties with his cousin, Latia Matthews on Hall Street in Onancock.

“It’s an old-school situation,” he said. “I used to know all the girls through my cousin. All the dudes would come to my street to see the girls. I was probably a DJ back then, I just didn’t know it.”

His hustle was washing cars. “Everybody knew me from that,” he said.

When he was finished washing a car, “I used to drive from the car wash to Four Corners, just to be seen driving.”

Tuesday nights transport Wilson and those who tune in back to '90s on the Shore. “I don’t play any new music. I play '70s through early 2000s because of the age group. Everybody I went to high school with is going to be tuning in,” he said. “I think about the 2000s, when I would come home, the clubs people would go.”

As comments flow in, listeners remember past parties at the VFW in Pocomoke City, Md., middle-school dances at Mary N. Smith school, and adult dances at the Armory in Onancock. ☐

Just as a club might call out the names of regulars as they walk in, Wilson recognizes virtual clubgoers as they sign in with comments.

“Everybody wants to be a celebrity,” he said. “One gift I have is talking on the microphone; making people feel special.”

He throws out a question: What school bus did you ride? What was the bus number? The responses rush in, with the bus drivers’ names: Bus number 4, Mr. Harrel; Bus #3, Mrs. Rowley; Bus 2, Frank Savage; 65 Mr. Skinner.

The first black barber in Old Town Manassas

Wilson had trouble with the law back in the late 1990s with a pair of arrests. When he finished serving his time, he decided he needed to leave the Shore to build a better future.

“I didn’t want to work in the chicken houses, I didn’t want to keep wash-



Grushon “Crush Groovey” Wilson DJs a #ESVATuesday online dance party. Wilson hosts the online events every Tuesday night from 7-10 p.m. on his Facebook page. Photo is a screenshot from a video posted on Wilson’s Facebook page.

ing cars,” he said. “I wanted something different.”

As a young man, Wilson had learned to cut hair from Addison Matthews who lived across from him on Hall Street.

Matthews attended a barbering college in Norfolk, Va., before entering the Merchant Marines.

“He and my son would be over to my house every day,” said Matthews. “I tried to help him with different things, tried to keep him in line. He looked up to us” — Matthews and his wife, Florence — “like we were his parents, too.” Addison and Florence Matthews still live in the same house on Hall Street.

Wilson parlayed that skill into a business, becoming the first black barber in Old Town Manassas, Va.

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A sign from Seven Venues event center in Norfolk, enhanced by Wilson in Instagram to point to his name, announces a concert where Lil Baby and Wilson both appeared last November. Photo courtesy of Grushon Wilson.

open until 3 a.m. “You can get a haircut before the club or after the club,” he said.

The time he was barbering coincided with the city’s launch of its “First Fridays” program, when businesses stay open late the first Friday of every month with special activities to entice shoppers to shop and linger. It was also the time when Wilson was learning to DJ.

He started putting his speaker outside and noticed the positive reaction from the crowds. “There’s a dude that paints. I said ‘Set your table up, I’m going to DJ and you’re going to sell your paintings,’” Wilson said. Before long, “I had changed the culture down there a little bit and I didn’t know it.”

Working Globally, Grounded Locally

From there, he started playing in the clubs. “That’s when things really started to take off,” he said. The foundation of his DJ success? “I took my knowledge of music I had from Eastern Shore.”

He soon found himself explaining the Eastern Shore of Virginia to celebrities like well-known hip-hop art-

ists Migos, Cardi B, JIM Jones, Jay-Z and Beyonce, 2 Chainz, and Lil Baby, to name a few, who he has encountered or worked with in his travels to “East Coast, West Coast, and overseas.” He also appeared twice on the BET hip-hop show “106 & Park” with rapper Bow Wow.

They ask, “Where you from?” he said, and to “every single one I have to explain where the Eastern Shore is.”

After the pandemic is over, he and long-term girlfriend Tasha Foster are planning an ESVA Community Day to reconnect everyone. He wants to “give the children some positivity” and “show the community we can have fun without violence.”

But for now, every Tuesday night, after he winds things up, he thinks, “I hope I made someone happy tonight.” And he hopes he helped them forget the state is under stay-at-home orders and he can bring some temporary release from their troubles. And maybe, after a night of reliving their glory days, they go away thinking, “Man, this was the best night ever.”

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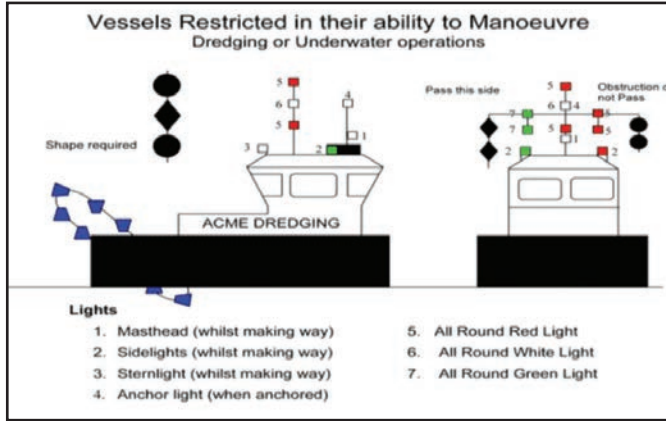


Seaside Dredging Project Gets Underway

Submitted Article

As a seaside maintenance dredging project gets underway in Finney Creek and Bradford Bay, mariners are being advised of possible navigational hazards while boating through the dredging and dredge pipeline areas.

The discharge pipe runs from the dredge site to a disposal site in Bradford Bay. The dredge discharge pipe will be marked and may cross the channel, submerged in Bradford Bay. Boaters should be aware that during a falling and low tide there may be boat draft clearance difficulties while going over the submerged piping. Extreme caution is advised, especially for deeper draft boats. Bridge to bridge communications with the dredge and the U.S. Coast Guard will be monitored on VHF Channel 13



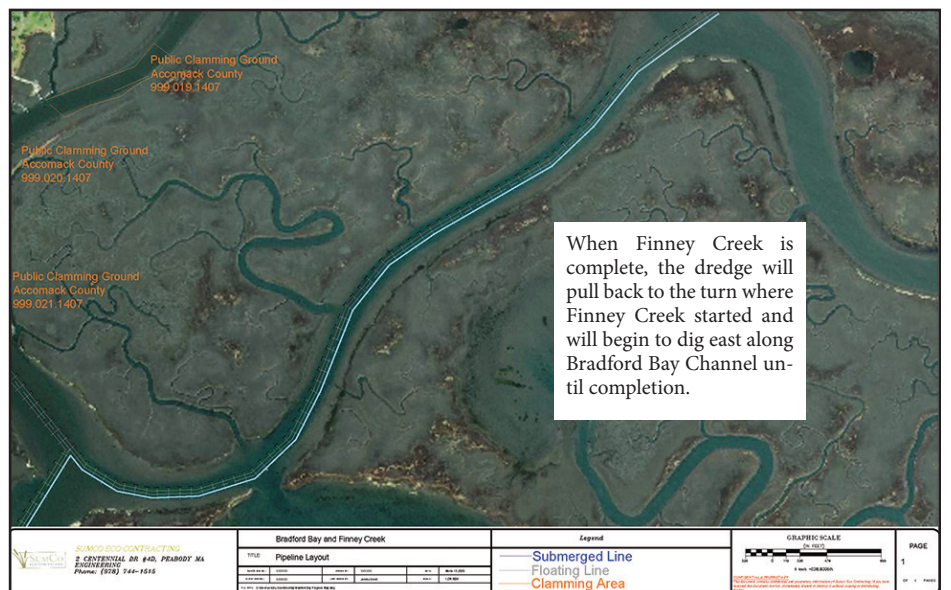
Dredging barges will display day shapes and lights as shown above. Submitted image.

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The dredge barge Bearing Sea has navigational right-of-way and the construction area is a no-wake zone.

The project will end around June 2, with the dredge operations running every day, around the clock.

Right: Images show the route and progression of dredging and the dredge spoils disposal pipeline.



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Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall



Greenbackville, on a private trip aboard the Smoking Bills. Davis returned to port with a pair of early season yellowfin tuna.

Some tackle shops remain closed but here are the reports that I received early this week.

Upper Shore – Capt. Matt Abell, of the Sea Hawk Sports Center, reported that the perch fishing in the Pocomoke River remains “really, really good.” Abell said that the flounder fishing along the seaside has been very good when conditions allowed. He said that one group of Delaware anglers found limits of flatfish while using the Sea Hawk Flounder Rigs with the 3/8-ounce jig head on top. Local angler Josh Barfield landed a black drum in the Assateague surf. Abell also acknowledged that the new charter vessel Smoking Bills with Matt Davis has laid claim to the first local tuna catches of the year, with a pair of yellowfin tuna caught on Sunday during the vessel’s maiden voyage. He added that red and black drum, along with a “smattering” of speckled trout, have come from the upper Pocomoke Sound.

Chincoteague – Jimmy Vasiliou, at Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle, reported that a few more black drum have been caught in the Assateague Island surf, while flounder and speckled trout catches have come from the back creek, but “not too many people are out fishing.” The shop’s modified fish finder rigs and its Hi-Lo rigs have been the rigs of choice for drum fishing, according to Vasiliou. The shop has canceled its Spring Flounder Tournament.

Donna Rae Roeske, at Captain Bob’s Marina, said that there were flounder being caught in the shallows. Local anglers have been maxing out their limits according to Roeske. She said that surface water temperatures in the shallow waters have been in the low to mid 50s during high tide, climbing into the high 50s during low tide.

Wachapreague – Amanda Manzella, at the Wachapreague Inn, said that the flounder are here, but there was not much to report since there had not been many guests. Two friends recently went out and scored with a nice

Fishing pressure remains light, as would be expected with the combination of social distancing and the unsettled springtime weather. Some boaters have opted to disregard the advice of researchers and healthcare specialists and venture out with confined groups of anglers; whether that is a wise choice remains to be seen. Most fishermen have chosen to play it safe, fishing solo or only with members of their household.

Flounder, black drum, and smooth dogfish have composed most of the early season catches so far, with red drum being encountered along the southern portion of the Shore along the seaside. Most of the early speckled trout catches have come from the northern portion of the Shore, near the Maryland/Virginia state line, on both sides of the peninsula.

The most surprising catch of the week belonged to Matt Davis, of



Robert Lynch landed this four-fish flounder limit while fishing off Chincoteague.

Photo courtesy of Captain Bob’s Marina.



Ron Capone landed this black drum in the Assateague Island surf. Photo courtesy of Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle.

catch of keeper fish.

Cape Charles – Jeb Brady, at Bailey’s Bait & Tackle, said that there was “not a lot to report due to the weather.” He said that there were a few black and red drum being caught in the surf of the lower barrier islands. On the bayside, small striped bass have been caught and released along the shoreline. Ken Neill fished the breakers behind Fisherman’s Island on Sunday, catching a lot of smooth dogfish before catching, tagging, and releasing a red drum.

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.



Father and son fishing team, Alex and Josh Schwemlein, show off their recent seaside flounder catch.

Photo courtesy of the Sea Hawk Sports Center.

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	Chinco.Channel	H 9:52 a.m. L 3:58 p.m.	H 10:31 a.m. L 4:34 p.m.	H 11:10 a.m. L 5:13 p.m.	H 11:51 a.m. L 5:13 p.m.	H 12:37 p.m. L 6:47 p.m.	H 1:29 p.m. L 7:49 a.m.	H 2:29 p.m. L 8:45 a.m.
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by Linda Thistle

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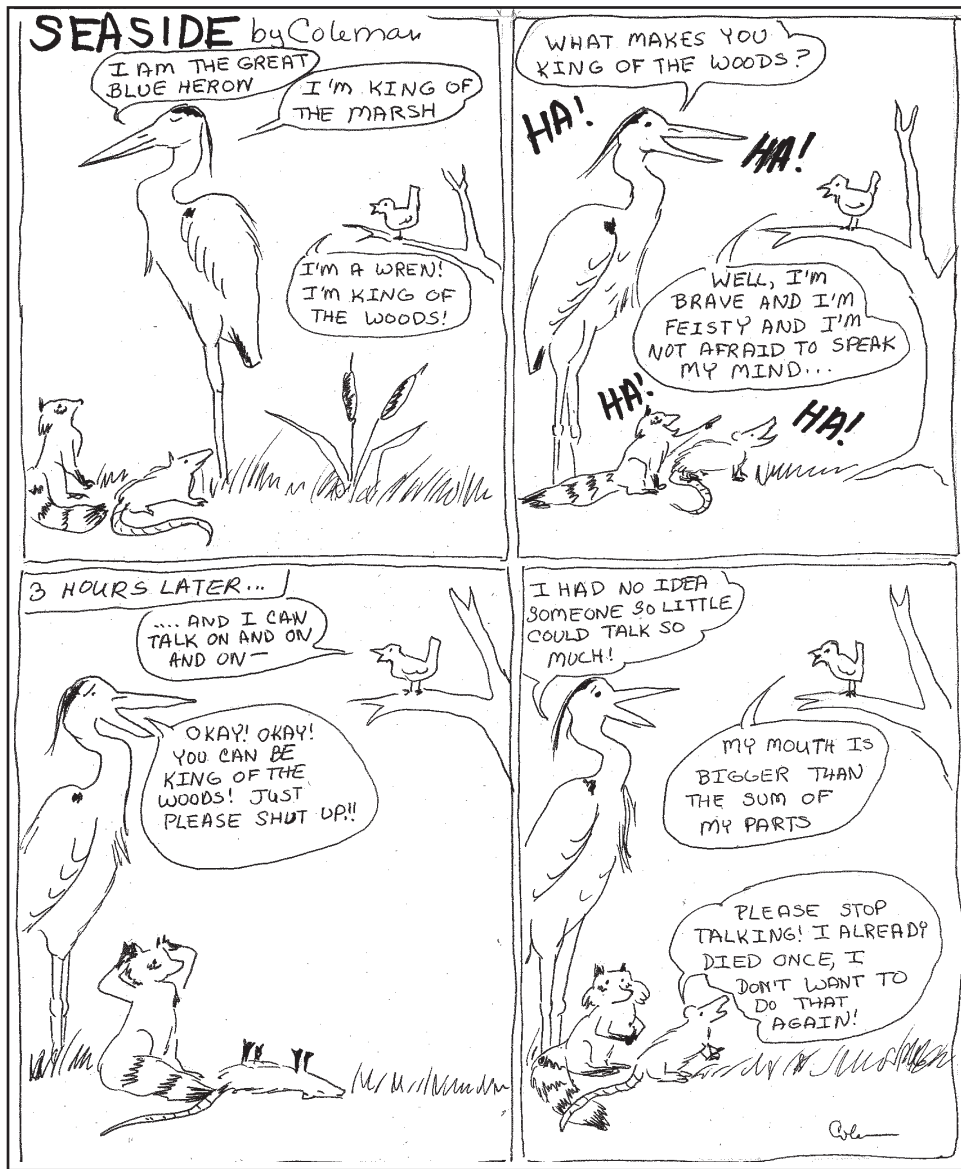
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 - 36 Japan natives, e.g.
 - 38 "Lookie there, muscle-building stuff"?
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 - 48 Analyzed
 - 52 Cochlea site
 - 54 "Will — learn?!"
 - 58 Beer brand
 - 60 Microwave saltines?
 - 66 Orchestra section
 - 67 — Moines
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 - 56 Prefix with warrior
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Things You Didn't Need To Know

By David Martin

Something nasty got in our internet tubes this week and when we opened everything for cleaning — whoa, talk about the stank.

Here's what's so intimate about smelling something: the odorant molecule of the thing you're smelling travels into your nose and binds with an olfactory receptor cell. Got that? Whenever you smell something, an actual molecule of that thing enters your body. Nice enough when you're smelling cinnamon on a bun fresh from the oven, but when you're changing a diaper and can't believe that a beautiful infant can produce such an evil concoction, molecules of that concoction have invaded you.

The receptor cells in your nose send signals to the olfactory bulb, which is in your brain and which further processes smell information from the nose.

People who are good at smelling, rather than good smelling, can get jobs as perfumers, food scientists, or odor testers. One assignment for the testers might be smelling freshly cooked microwaved dinners, and then the next day you're smelling armpits. National average pay for an odor tester is around \$70,000 a year.

Several studies show that women have more cells in the brain's olfactory bulb and therefore generally have a finer sense of smell than do men. Yet men, because of more body hair and more odorous sweat, are smellier than women. Weird, huh? But before women complain about this situation, they should know that studies have also shown that women in committed heterosexual relationships display lower levels of stress when they smell clothing worn by their significant others.

This Week's Osprey-Eyed Readers

Nothing gets by the osprey-eyed readers of the Eastern Shore Post. Last week we altered the way we wrote Eastern Shore Post just a little and asked readers to find it. Five readers wrote to say they had found Eastern Post Shore on Page 29. Four bask in their glory below. A fifth did not wish to be recognized.

This week, we have embedded a Greek character somewhere in the paper. Be one of the first to find it, email your discovery to editor@easternshorepost.com, and you can be named an osprey-eyed reader in next week's edition.



First Place - Sheila Godwin was this week's first osprey-eyed reader. Four-month-old granddaughter Rowen Layne Godwin represents her in the winner's circle.



Second Place - Ruthellen Lovett, of Onancock, claimed second place. She chose her cats, Bubba and Fred, to represent her in the winner's circle.



Runner-Up - Lou Bloxom's osprey eyes spotted the reversed words "Eastern Post Shore" on Page 29 to become one of this week's runners-up.

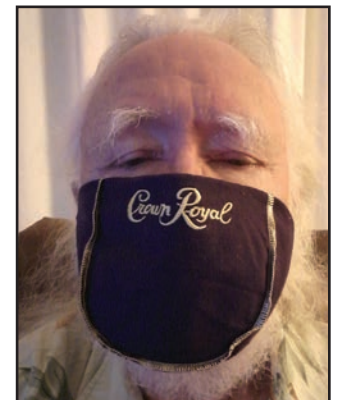


Runner-Up - Sandy Hickman, shown here with husband, Phil, promoting potatoes at a Washington, D.C., farmers market, was a runner-up this week.

And at least one study found that most women, when separated from their men, either smell or sleep with an article of their men's clothing. Come on, you know you do.

Hyperosmia is a heightened sensitivity to smells and can be brought on by, or associated with, anything from migraines to pregnancy to Lyme disease. The novel coronavirus frequently leads to the opposite — anosmia, which is a loss of the sense of smell. This is not unique to this virus, as many virus infections lead to the temporary loss of the senses of smell and taste.

This Week's Mask Model



Bill Schmidt shows off a clever face covering made by his wife, Betty.

Help Stop Invasive Plants and Pests From Invading Virginia

Submitted Article

April is National Invasive Plant, Pest, and Disease Awareness Month. During this month, the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) is raising awareness of the threat invasive species pose to the state's agricultural and natural resources.

Invasive species, such as the spotted lanternfly, Asian longhorned beetle, emerald ash borer, gypsy moth, imported fire ant, boxwood blight, and giant hogweed, wreak havoc on the environment, displace or destroy native plants and insects, severely damage crops, and potentially cause the closure of foreign markets to those U.S. products that originated in infested areas. Once invasive pests become established, they can grow and spread rapidly, often due to no natural predators

in their new environment. Invasive pests cost landowners, industry, and the government millions of dollars to control. Taking steps to prevent their introduction is the most effective method of reducing both the risk of invasive species infestations and the cost to control and mitigate those infestations.

The public can help reduce the spread of invasive pests and plants by following these simple steps:

- Do not move firewood over long distances as it can be a carrier of invasive insects and diseases. Use firewood that originates from the area where it will be burned. Gypsy moth egg cases and emerald ash borer larvae can hitch a ride on and within firewood and start infestations in new areas.

- Before leaving a work site, look for and remove any insects, seeds,

and other plant parts that may be on equipment, boots, gear, and vehicle.

- Consult with local nurseries or master gardeners to select plants that are not invasive for landscaping and gardening projects. Varieties of beautiful native plants that thrive in the local environment are available at local nurseries and garden centers.

- Do not plant seeds of invasive plants in wildlife food plots.

Anyone suspecting an invasive pest in their area should contact VDACS's Office of Plant Industry Services at 804-786-3515, USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service at 804-226-5262, or their local Virginia Cooperative Extension Service agent at www.ext.vt.edu/offices.html

For more information on invasive plants, pests, and diseases, visit www.hungrypests.com

MILLE POSTS

Marriages
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Marriage Licenses Issued

- Michael Lewis Via, 67, and Carol Sue Daniel, 65, both of Sanford
- Jackie Lee Bailey Jr., 53, and Dawnita Marie Eder, 39, both of Cape Charles

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RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Northampton County Board of Supervisors, this 14th day of April, 2020, that the regular work session meeting of the Board, scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2020, commencing at 5:00 p.m., in the Board Chambers of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, be cancelled.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that, following the above noted adjustment, the date, time and place of the regular work session meeting of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors shall revert to the 4th Tuesday of each month, commencing at 5:00 p.m., in the Board Chambers of the County, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia.

By Order of Charles Kolakowski, County Administrator

Bayside Poker Run Enthusiasts Will Have To Wait till 2021

Submitted Article

The Pungoteague Ruritan Club has announced its annual Bayside Poker Run will not be held in 2020 due to concerns with COVID-19.

The Bayside Poker Run, held for the past 13 years, was a fun day on the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and adjoining creeks in the club's community service area. Last year's event, the most successful ever, featured the maximum 30 boats and raised over \$3,000 for the club's scholarship program and wheelchair ramp project. Approximately 150 people attended the awards celebration at the Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club, where a cookout was held with dock prizes presented to all participants in addition to \$500 prizes awarded to the top boat and best poker hand.

Paul Custis, the event coordinator for the Pungoteague Ruritan Club, said the club regretted having to cancel the popular event, but added, "With the current coronavirus situation and the uncertainty of how long it may exist, it was not possible to

plan for an event in July. In addition, it would be difficult to solicit sponsorships and raffle prizes when so many of our businesses are being affected financially by the coronavirus issue."

Custis said the club plans on re-

suming the Bayside Poker Run in 2021 and asked past participants to mark the last Saturday in July on their calendars.

Custis added the club's scholarship program will continue as well as

its wheelchair ramp project for low-income families. Anyone wishing to support those programs with a contribution can send it to Pungoteague Ruritan Club, 31360 OK Farms Lane, Painter, VA 23420.

USDA to Purchase Up to \$3 Billion in Agricultural Commodities

Submitted Article

As part of President Trump and Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue's April 17 announcement of a \$19 billion Coronavirus Farm Assistance Program, USDA announced that it is exercising authority under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act to purchase and distribute up to \$3 billion of agricultural products to those in need. USDA will partner with regional and local distributors, whose workforce has been significantly impacted by the closure of many restaurants, hotels, and other food service entities, to purchase \$3 billion in fresh produce, dairy, and meat products. USDA's Agricultural

Marketing Service (AMS) will procure an estimated \$100 million per month in fresh fruits and vegetables, \$100 million per month in a variety of dairy products, and \$100 million per month in meat products to provide a pre-approved box of fresh produce, dairy, and meat products to foodbanks and other nonprofits serving Americans in need.

USDA will issue a solicitation in the next two weeks to invite proposals from offerors to supply commodity boxes to nonprofit organizations, identified by the offeror, on a mutually agreeable, recurring schedule. USDA will award contracts for the purchase of the agricultural prod-

ucts, the assembly of commodity boxes, and delivery to identified nonprofit organizations that can receive, store, and distribute food items.

An informational webinar for interested participants was held Tuesday, April 21, to provide an overview of the program and instructions for submitting offers. A recording is available.

Email questions to USDAFood-BoxDistributionProgram@usda.gov. To receive updates by email, subscribe online by visiting: "Stay up to date on USDA Food Purchases" available on the AMS Commodity Procurement website, <https://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food>



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Kindergarten Registration for Accomack County Public Schools

Applications are available now online at the division and school websites, in packets at the school entry from 8:00—Noon and during food distribution on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 -6:30 PM, OR call the school to complete registration by telephone. See individual school postings for a listing of additional documents needed.

* SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

AES	Mondays	8:00 AM—12:00 Noon	787-8013
CES	Mondays	9:00 AM—2:00 PM	336-5545
KES	Thursdays	8:00 AM—12:00 Noon	824-4756
MES	Tuesdays	8:00 AM—12:00 Noon	665-1299
PES	Wednesdays	12:00 Noon—4:00 PM	787-4032
TCS	Mon. & Wed.	8:00 AM—3:30 PM	891-2234

Eastern Shore Trading POST

Classified Ads, Real Estate Ads, Auctions, and Legal Notices

Announcements



Elvis "El-Rock" Reid

It's never too late to tell you how much your loving family and friends miss you. Two years ago you took your heavenly flight, April 17, 2018.

~From Neise and your loving family

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.



Happy Birthday Mommy

Mary I. Holden

April 19, 1954–Feb. 13, 2020

Although you've been gone just a little while
We really miss your laughter and your smile
We still shed tears just thinking of you
But the love you gave us is helping us through
It doesn't matter where we happen to roam
We know you're with God in your heavenly home
You're smiling down on us as we look up high
You're hovering over us like a cloud in the sky
You're in a place now where there's no more pain
As we think of that the more strength we gain
We love you still ... oh, yes we do
And this is what we want to say to you
You're still in our hearts though you've gone away
We just want to honor you on this, your birthday
Wishing we could take you out to eat
Order whatever you want to eat, of course ... our treat
We know you'd be happy by the smile on your face
Having your favorite meal at your favorite place
Joking and laughing with us all
While we take a short ride to the mall
There are lots of things we'd like to do
On your birthday to celebrate you
So rest in peace, Mommy, your task is through
We miss you so much and we love you
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

With Love From,
Kissie, Tia, Shonda, Boot, and the Grandkids

Give your mom a Happy Mother's Day: tell her you love her in the Post. Call Angie for pricing at 757-789-7678.

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)

Must Have Education Experience

Call 757-442-9791 for more information

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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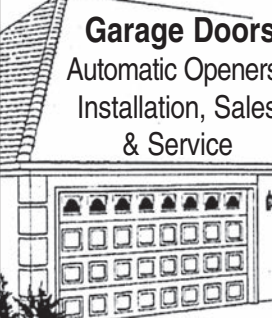
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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

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
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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

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD AN **ELECTRONIC PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2020, AT 10 A.M.** PURSUANT TO THE ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON MARCH 20, 2020 CONFIRMING AND RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY ISSUED BY THE ACCOMACK COUNTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES ON MARCH 20, 2020, MADE NECESSARY BY COVID-19 AND IMPLEMENTING EMERGENCY PROCEDURES TO ENSURE CONTINUITY OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

THE PUBLIC MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- 1) Submit written comments to the email address: planning@co.accomack.va.us until Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.;
- 2) Submit written comments thru mail at P.O. Box 93, Accomack, VA 23301 which must be received by Tuesday, May 5, 2020; or
- 3) Call the County staff at 757-787-5739 until Tuesday, May 5, 2020 @ 12:00 p.m. and relay comments to them, including your name and address.

All comments received will be entered into the record for the public hearing(s).

THE ELECTRONIC MEETING WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE at www.co.accomack.va.us – click on “LISTEN TO MEETING AUDIO”. The Board of Zoning Appeals members, County staff and the applicants and their representatives will be participating electronically.

The purpose of the meeting is convene the following public hearings:

A. SUPV-000024-2020 Pioneer Mobile Home Park

A public hearing initiated by Peninsula Real Estate Investments, LLC to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53 (13) and 106-231 to expand the Pioneer Mobile Home Park located at Tax Map #70-A-130 & 70-A-128A on Society Drive to the south onto Tax Map #70-A-128 with 8 lots and further identified as Phase 1 Expansion and to the east on Tax Map #70-A-141 and 70-A-142 with 22 lots and further identified as Phase II Expansion. Both expansions would be accessible from Society Drive. The applicant is also seeking a variance of up to 20 feet from the 50 ft. road standard pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-231 (b) for the existing Society Drive which will be utilized as the access to the new expansion areas. The property is zoned Agricultural.

B. SUSE-000029-2020 Black Dog Hunt Club

A public hearing initiated by Black Dog Hunt Club, applicant, with approval of the property owner Sisters 1, LLC to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53 (14) for ten travel trailers to be utilized by the members of the hunt club for all months except for June and July at Tax Map #85-A-11 located at 19254 Plantation Road, Onancock, VA. The property is zoned Agricultural.

C. SUSE-000030-2020 Michael & Jessica McLoughlin

A public hearing initiated by Michael & Jessica McLoughlin to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53 (2) for a 2-site camping facility as well as a Special Use Permit pursuant to Section 106-53 (14) for the use of a travel traveler for habitation for up to two years at Tax Map #79-A-58 located on Foxgrove Road, Parkesley, VA. The applicant is seeking to reside in the travel trailer while building a home & barn in addition to the business of 2 campsites. The property is zoned Agricultural.

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The Planning Commission will hold a special meeting immediately following the public hearing to consider the requests. The application is available for public review on www.capecharles.org, under Agendas and Minutes/Planning Commission. Please contact Code Official Jeb Brady at 757-331-2036, or by email at codeofficial@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information. Anyone interested in attending and needing special assistance please contact the Town at least forty-eight hours before the hearing.

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Thomas John Gallivan, (2020009) has applied for approximately 24.9 acres of oyster planting ground in Nassawadox Creek situated in Northampton City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-28.2915 / W75-57.5775

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2020009): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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

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

NOTICE JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE

On May 25, 2020, proceedings will be commenced under authority of Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia to sell the following parcels located in the County of Northampton, Virginia, for payment of delinquent taxes.

Baker, Allen & Lucy	0077B-02-BLK-00 0000002
Dunham, Minnie Bell	0003A-01-BLK-00 0000009
Hughes, Nicole	00015-0A-BLK-00 0000054
Jordan, Essie H.	0068D-02-BLK-00 00000A1
Kishpaugh, George	0003A-01-BLK-00 0000008
Lee, Cora Suzette Lane	0113A-01-BLK-00 0000003
Ochsner, Christina Wilson	0013D-01-BLK-00 0000003
Perkins, Henry Jr.	021A1-05-BLK-00 0000014
Thompson, Maggie B.	00031-0A-BLK-00 0000008
Trinity Financial Services LLC	00090-05-BLK-00 0000089
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Tyco Homes LLC	00068-11-BLK-00 0000024
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Wescott, Abraham L.	00015-0A-BLK-00 0000020
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Wilkins, Emma	00067-0A-BLK-00 0000019

The owner of any property listed may redeem it at any time before the date of sale by paying accumulated taxes, penalties, interest and costs thereon at the law office listed below. The pro rata costs of publication hereunder shall become a part of the tax and together with all other costs, including reasonable attorney's fees set by the court, shall be collected when payment is made whether or not court proceedings have been initiated.

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE, VIRGINIA,
IN RE: Petition for Writ of Election for a
Special Election to Fill a Vacancy on the Town
Council of the Town of Chincoteague, Virginia

CASE NO. 20CL210

WRIT OF ELECTION

IT APPEARING that Ben G. Ellis, a duly elected member of the Town Council of the Town of Chincoteague, Virginia, has submitted to the Town Council a written notice of his resignation from Council, with December 31, 2019 as his last day in office; and,

IT FURTHER APPEARING that on January 6, 2020 the Town Council directed the Town Attorney to petition this Court to issue a Writ for a Special Election to fill the vacancy as provided by law, and to request that the special election be ordered for May 5, 2020, the date of the next general election in the Town; and,

IT FURTHER APPEARING that pursuant to Virginia Code § 24.2-226 (A) the Court upon receipt of such Petition for a Writ of Election to fill a vacancy on Town Council, is authorized to immediately issue the Writ to call the election; and,

IT FURTHER APPEARING, and the Court so finds, that a vacancy will exist on the Town Council of the Town of Chincoteague as of January 1, 2020, and that this Petition filed on behalf of the Town Council is in proper and lawful form, it is therefore

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Petitioner asks that the election officials of the Town of Chincoteague, Virginia shall open the polls for the conduct of a special election pursuant to Virginia Code § 24.2-226 and § 24.2-681, et seq., and such other election laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia as may be applicable and that such special election shall be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 for the purpose of filling the vacancy that exists on the Town Council of the Town of Chincoteague for the remainder of the unexpired term of Ben G. Ellis; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the deadlines for filing declarations of candidacy and the petitions therefor, and for nominations by political parties by methods other than a primary, shall be applicable deadlines provided in Chapter 5 (§ 24.2-500, et seq.) of Title 24.2 of the Code of Virginia; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the special election shall be conducted and the ballots counted, the returns made and canvassed, and the results thereof shall be certified by the Secretary of the Electoral Board for the Town of Chincoteague to this Court, to the Town Council of the Town of Chincoteague and to the State Board of Elections; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the Clerk of this Court shall forthwith send a certified copy of the Order accompanying this Petition to the State Board of Elections, to the Town of Chincoteague, to the Secretary of the Electoral Board for the Town of Chincoteague, and to the Town Attorney for the Town of Chincoteague; and it is

FINALLY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Clerk of this Court and the General Registrar shall cause public notice of the special election to be provided in accordance with Virginia Code § 24.2-683 which may be by publishing a certified copy of the Order accompanying this Petition, preceded by the caption "SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE" once in the *Eastern Shore Post*, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Accomack, at least ten (10) days before the May 5, 2020 special election.

ENTERED: This 21st day of February, 2020
William R. Savage III, Judge

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 form-

ing 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

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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. 19-333
vs.

ETHEL LEE DUNTON, 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 that parcel of land in Northampton County, Virginia, known as "Trehernville," containing one and one-fourth (1.25) acres, more or less, and designated as Tax Map No. 0040B-09-BLK-00 000019D

standing in the names of Estelle Thomas, Naomi Turner,

Wyomie Doggett, Allean Williams, Eola Taylor, Booker T. Taylor, Fred A. Taylor, III and Willie Lewis, subject to a life estate reserved to Ethel Lee Dunton, 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 Fred Amos Taylor, Jr.; that due diligence has been used to ascertain whether Booker T. Taylor is living, or if deceased, to ascertain the names and location of all of his heirs, devisees and successors in title; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Ethel Lee Dunton, whose last known post office address is 2717 McLeod Road, Richmond, Virginia 23224; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Estelle Thomas, whose last known post office address is 8070 Kates Drive, Birdsnest, Virginia 23307; that Naomi Turner is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 102 Chestnut Tree Road, Hebron, Maryland 21830; that Wyomie Doggett is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 136 Niagra Lane, Willingboro, New Jersey 08046; that Allean Williams and Willie Lewis are both non-residents of Virginia, whose last known post office address is Willingboro, New Jersey; that Eola Taylor is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is Salisbury, Maryland; that Fred A. Taylor, III

is a non-resident of Virginia, whose last known post office address is Trenton, New Jersey; 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 Booker T. Taylor and Fred Amos Taylor, 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 22, 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 20th day of April, 2020
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EDITORIAL

It was a frustrating week on the Shore.

The number of confirmed COVID-19 cases jumped from 28 in Accomack County and five in Northampton on Friday to 52 in Accomack and seven in Northampton by Monday morning. That's a 78% increase in three days. That total has climbed to 76 in Accomack and 12 in Northampton as of press time Thursday. We lost two more Shore residents to COVID-19 Tuesday night.

Anecdotal stories were coming from poultry plant workers and their family members about illness outbreaks there. They are understandably concerned. We are all concerned.

Historic Garden Week Has Historic Cancellation

Dear Editor:

The azaleas are blooming, the dogwoods have popped and here on the Eastern Shore, the hostas have unfurled. Mother Nature is giving us a glorious show, but due to the COVID-19 global health crisis, Historic Garden Week, the nation's only statewide house and garden tour, will not take place.

The members of The Garden Club of the Eastern Shore have worked all year with advertisers, sponsors, Barrier Islands Center (tour headquarters) and four generous homeowners to showcase our community during the peak of springtime blooms. This beloved tradition dates back to 1929 and funds the restoration and preservation of historic public gardens throughout Virginia. Locally, proceeds from past tours have funded projects at Ker Place, a Garden Club of Virginia restoration project.

In addition, Historic Garden Week funds a fellowship program in landscape architecture and a Centennial project with Virginia State Parks, which the Garden Club of Virginia, the event's sponsor, helped to found. Wildflower walks, natural

Readers asked a reasonable question: How many workers at the poultry processing plants tested positive for COVID-19?

It is a straightforward question, but the answer is anything but.

Reporter Carol Vaughn has done a yeoman's work this week slicing through responses from Perdue, Tyson Foods, and the health department to piece together a picture of just what is happening.

We don't know exactly how many cases come from the poultry plants, but we do know that they are two of the three outbreaks in congregate settings reported by the health district. The district has said the outbreaks account for more than 50% of the 59 cases — so at least 30 — of the reported cases as of Monday.

We learned the rules are different

children's play areas and pollinator habitats are just a few of the projects made possible through 54 grants to Virginia State Parks from the Garden Club of Virginia from 2015 - 2020. We are pleased to highlight Kiptopeke State Park as a 2020 recipient of a Garden Club of Virginia Centennial Grant for enhanced educational space at their Visitor Center.

Historic Garden Week has been canceled only two times: during World War II and during this year's pandemic. With this unprecedented decision came uncertainty. Our appreciation for our partners hasn't diminished. In fact, it has grown. We have been touched by the countless letters we've received by fans, many of whom have converted their ticket purchases to donations.

Historic Garden Week could not take place without the generosity of homeowners, sponsors and advertisers. These loyal stakeholders continue to be supportive and flexible, and we are so appreciative. While tours are canceled, the work of the Garden Club of Virginia continues year-round. We wanted to say thank you to everyone helping to ensure this is possible, and encourage the community, as much as we can safely do, to support locally owned businesses. They are our neighbors, our sponsors,

for poultry plant workers than most of us. Poultry plant workers are considered "essential infrastructure workers." If they are exposed to a COVID-19 positive coworker, they can still come to work as long as certain conditions are met, such as: employees' temperatures are checked, they have no symptoms, and special sanitizing protocols and social distancing guidelines are followed. Most other workplace exposures result in two-week quarantines for exposed workers.

Like all news stories, we must build on facts. We won't write based on hearsay. Plant employees are afraid for their jobs. That's understandable. They are also afraid for their health and safety. That is also understandable.

our friends, our advertisers - and for non-profit organizations, our lifeblood.

*Jenny Barker and Lisa Tankard,
2020 Eastern Shore Garden Week Chairs*

Shore's COVID-19 Data Alarming

Dear Editor:

I am writing with the hope that sharing this data with as many Eastern Shore residents as possible will underscore the seriousness of the health risk we are facing. While it is tempting to be encouraged by plans to loosen restrictions in some parts of the country, the situation on the Shore appears alarming.

We have been fortunate so far. However, a quick look at the chart contained in the attached Excel file bears troubling resemblance to those we have seen for New York City, Spain, Italy and so many others. With no ICU hospital beds in Northampton County and ten in Accomack, we cannot afford to let this trend continue. It underscores how critical the state's social distancing measures and travel restrictions are to

But we can't tell the story about what is going on unless you tell it to us, especially in a situation like we had this week where the authorities are boxed in by the law and the companies aren't sharing information.

We found a couple of workers who were willing to talk to us; one of them on the record. A special thank you to Markita Davis for her courageous act in speaking on the record about her experience working in the Tyson plant during this pandemic.

Hours after we published our article online, Tyson's Temperanceville plant announced on its Facebook page it would suspend processing plant operations Friday, April 24, for a "deep cleanse of the processing plant" April 24-26.

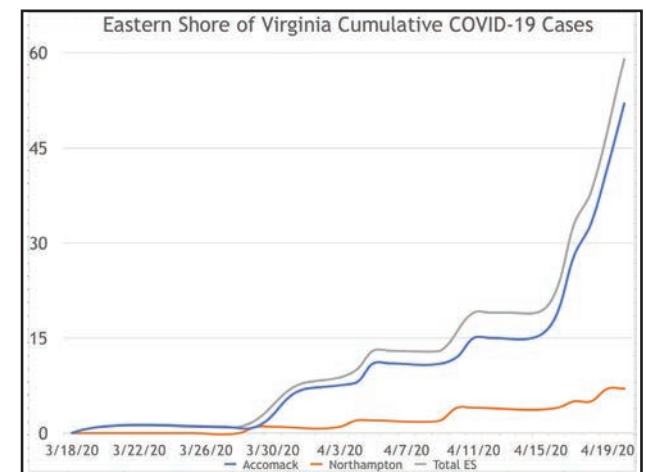
— *Connie Morrison, Editor*

our community. This is not the time to become complacent.

The number of cases on the Shore doubled on March 29th, again on March 30th, again on April 1st, once more on April 10th and most recently April 17th at 33 cases. It appears very likely that we will double again on the 21st or the 22nd. At this rate breaking 100 cases in our county seems likely as soon as later this week. Clearly, the virus is spreading here.

As stated in Standard Fire Order #6: "Be alert. Keep calm. Think Clearly. Act decisively." We can beat COVID-19. I hope you will consider maintaining and publishing a similar chart to inform our neighbors.

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