



Gnome for the Holidays

“The Year We All Stayed Gnome,” a gathering of Chincoteague Island Gnomes, is on display, at no charge, in the courtyard of the Museum of Chincoteague Island Dec. 1-31. Many of the handmade creations depict characters from Chincoteague’s past and present. See story on Page 22. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

First COVID-19 Vaccine Doses Expected on Shore Next Week

By Carol Vaughn

Virginia officials are preparing to receive an estimated 480,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccine from manufacturers Pfizer and Moderna by the end of December, according to a press release from the Virginia Department of Health.

Some of those doses will come to the Eastern Shore, where Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital now has onsite an ultracold freezer capable of storing tens of thousands of doses of the Pfizer vaccine at the required temperature of up to minus 70 degrees Celsius.

Riverside Health System purchased the equipment for each of its hospitals

earlier this year, at a cost of more than \$20,000 each, according to Cindy Williams, Riverside Health System vice president and chief pharmacy officer.

“From our perspective, it is a community resource and we are more than happy to work on storage of vaccine for other entities if we need to, such as Rural Health and the local health district,” Williams said.

The first doses will go to health care workers, followed by long-term care residents, according to the VDH.

Around 250 to 300 doses likely will come in the initial shipment to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Wil-

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Northam Tightens COVID-19 Measures as Case Numbers Rise

By Carol Vaughn

At press time Thursday, Gov. Ralph Northam was holding a briefing to announce new restrictions as COVID-19 case numbers continue to rise.

Measures include a stay-at-home order between midnight and 5 a.m. unless traveling to and from work, seeking medical attention, or under certain other conditions.

Restrictions take effect Monday 12:01 a.m. and remain in effect until Jan. 31.

Northam also announced a requirement for universal mask wearing for anyone over age five indoors when around others outside their household — and also outdoors if a 6-foot distance can not be maintained.

Employees who can telework are strongly encouraged to do so.

Social gatherings are limited to no more than 10.

“When groups are smaller, it spreads less,” Northam said.

“Virginia has significant limits on restaurants already” and those remain in place, he said, noting everyone who works in a restaurant, including kitchen workers, now must wear a mask.

Enforcement of rules by the ABC, health department, and other state agencies will be stepped up, he said.

While the majority of businesses are doing the right thing, with compliance rates of around 90%, 181 letters of violation have been issued to date, mainly for violations of the mask requirement, he said.

A more complete story will be posted on the Eastern Shore Post webpage, www.easternshorepost.com

USDA Position Fills 'Important Gap' in Local Housing Services

By Stefanie Jackson

The Eastern Shore again will have a representative of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development office to help low-income Accomack and Northampton County families purchase or repair new or existing homes, thanks to Congresswoman Elaine Luria's team.

"For too long, Eastern Shore residents were unable to receive professional help with federal loans for affordable housing and home repair, which is why I remain a strong proponent for this position," Luria said in a Dec. 5 press release.

The Eastern Shore had a USDA Rural Development representative who retired and was never replaced, but Luria has been working with USDA to correct the problem since it was brought to her attention by constituents, including Ava Gabrielle-Wise, director of the Eastern Shore Regional Housing Coalition.

"The return of the USDA Rural Development office to this region after being absent for so many years fills an extremely important gap in housing ser-

vices on the Shore," Gabrielle-Wise said.

"For many seniors who are in dire need of resources to repair homes and families who wouldn't otherwise qualify for a conventional mortgage, this may be the difference between living in substandard housing and a safe, quality home.

"Many thanks to Congresswoman Luria for her advocacy and support ... and her continued efforts in the very important cause of housing on the Shore," Gabrielle-Wise said.

USDA Rural Development's acting director in Virginia, Terry Rosta, announced the new single-family housing specialist position.

"We have initiated the recruitment for this position, which includes the requirement to live and work side by side with our customers, continuing our commitment to provide the best possible service to our rural customers and their communities," he said.

USDA Rural Development will be able to serve the Eastern Shore every day. USDA has an office in Accomack, but it provides services only for farm-

ing and natural resource conservation.

Accomack and Northampton residents who request service from USDA Rural Development are referred to the USDA office in Courtland, Va., which is approximately 130 miles from Accomack, or about a 2.5-hour drive.

Reinstating the USDA housing specialist position on the Eastern Shore will make obtaining or maintaining safe, affordable housing within easier reach for low-income families in Accomack and Northampton.

USDA Rural Development's top offerings are its Section 502 Direct Loan Program and Section 504 Home Repair Program.

Section 502 offers longterm, low-interest home loans. Loan terms range between 30 and 38 years, and interest rates vary from 1% to 2.5%.

USDA requires that the home being purchased has less than 2,000 square feet of living space, is in a rural area, and is on a lot of one acre or less.

The loan applicant must maintain a stable income for at least two years, and a

minimum credit score of 640 is preferred.

An applicant must be prepared to spend 29% to 33% of monthly income on a home loan.

Section 504 offers grants up to \$7,500 and loans up to \$20,000 for home repair. An applicant must be age 62 or older to qualify for a grant; others may apply for a loan.

Some applicants will qualify for both a grant and a loan, which can be combined for up to \$27,500 in financial assistance.

The grants may be used only for removing health and safety hazards; the loans may be used for other repairs and improvements.

An applicant must own and occupy the home, have a family income below 50% of the area median income, and be unable to obtain credit elsewhere.

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For more information on USDA Rural Development single-family housing programs, contact Jeanie Barbrow at Jeanie.Barbrow@usda.gov or 804-287-1616.

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~ Vaccine ~

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liams said.

There are up to 500,000 health care workers and long-term care facility residents in Virginia.

"Vaccine will be provided to Virginians in a way that is fair, ethical, and transparent," said Dr. Norman Oliver, Virginia state health commissioner, in the release.

"We will focus initially on the groups that have been most at risk for severe illness from COVID-19 infections and those whose work puts them at greatest risk of contracting COVID-19 infections. Over time, as more vaccine supply becomes available, more Virginians will be able to get vaccinated, and we can look forward to a time when this pandemic will end," Oliver said.

More details likely will be known about the next phases of vaccination — including of essential workers and other high-risk adults, teachers, and residents of congregate settings, among other groups — after a federal committee meets this weekend, Williams said.

One group not anticipated to be vac-

inated in the earliest phases is children because clinical trials for the vaccines have not yet been conducted for them.

"Several manufacturers have just started Phase 3 clinical trials in children, so we do expect that that will come within the months to come," Williams said.

Some people are asking about safety of getting together with friends and loved ones during the upcoming period when some will have been vaccinated and others will not yet.

For the time being, "the general idea right now is that, even if you have been vaccinated, you still need to follow the precautions. You still need to mask, you still need to social distance, and you still need to wash your hands," Williams said, adding it likely will be next summer "before we have a great enough group of people that have been vaccinated to actually say we can let down our guard on our masking at least."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' (ACIP) voted Tuesday to recommend health care workers and long-term care facility residents be the top priorities for vac-

ination once the FDA issues emergency authorization for the vaccines.

The Virginia Medical Disaster Advisory Committee and the Virginia Unified Command voted this week to follow those priorities.

Virginia expects to receive its first shipment of 72,150 doses from Pfizer in mid-December. The doses will be distributed to health care systems around the state with the required ultracold storage.

Riverside anticipates receiving its first doses next week, which will go to health care workers.

Weekly shipments are expected after that and will be divided among health care workers and long-term care facility residents — most nursing home residents will get their vaccinations from CVS and Walgreens teams through a federal partnership with the companies, according to the VDH.

Riverside is collaborating with the Eastern Shore Health District and Eastern Shore Rural Health to plan for future vaccination efforts, according to Williams, who said Riverside has completed a redistribution plan and agreement required by the CDC and the VDH.

The health district "has been work-

ing closely with Eastern Shore Rural Health and Riverside throughout the pandemic," said Jonathan Richardson, chief operating officer.

"Vaccination efforts are no different than prevention and treatment and, as such, we have been coordinating vaccination efforts with them through regular, frequent communication. All three of us will have roles in providing vaccinations to our different priority groups," he said.

Riverside likely will store the vaccine and distribute doses to clinics run by the other health organizations.

"We're ready to go; it's really just talking through...who, what, when as far as how we will then start getting outreach to the larger health care community on the Eastern Shore," Williams said.

There are logistics involved.

Once taken out of the ultracold freezer, the Pfizer vaccine can be stored under refrigeration for up to five days; if taken from the freezer to room temperature, it must be used within six hours.

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ment automatically for its employees and, in later phases, its patients to receive their second dose after they get the first one.

As with other vaccines, any severe reaction is required to be reported by the health provider to a national reporting system, Williams said.

“It is important for us to be as clear and open as possible relative to all aspects of the vaccine. Known adverse reactions attributed to the vaccine will be communicated with the public,” Richardson said.

Hospital Capacity an Issue, Again

Dr. Mike Dacey, Riverside Health System president, urged Shore residents to keep doing the things that help prevent the virus’ spread — wearing masks, washing hands, and maintaining social distance.

“You’re near the finish line, hopefully, with the vaccines coming, and you would hate to stumble and fumble on the five-yard line,” he said.

While he noted the Shore so far has fared better than some other parts of the state, Dacey said RSMH as of Wednesday morning had only one bed available in the intensive care unit.

The hospital as of Wednesday was

treating six COVID-19 patients, three of whom were in the ICU, he said.

Dacey said the health system as a whole is seeing an increase in cases.

“It’s getting busier — perhaps not as busy as some of the other parts of the region or the mid-Atlantic, but it’s still a very significant increase over the way it was a few weeks ago.”

In spring, when hospital capacity was stretched to its limits, some patients from the Shore were taken to Riverside’s Newport News hospital.

That could happen again if necessary and remains the plan, but Dacey noted capacity at the Newport News facility “is pretty substantially stressed as well right now.”

“They really have seen a big, big increase. ... They have almost 40 COVID patients in the hospital there,” he said.

“The hospital capacity across the region is very, very stressed and even a few additional cases could really tip things over, so it’s very important that people continue to do all the things that they have been doing over the course of the last six months or so” to prevent the virus’ spread, Dacey said.

The stress on the health system al-

so includes workers who can’t come to work because of the virus.

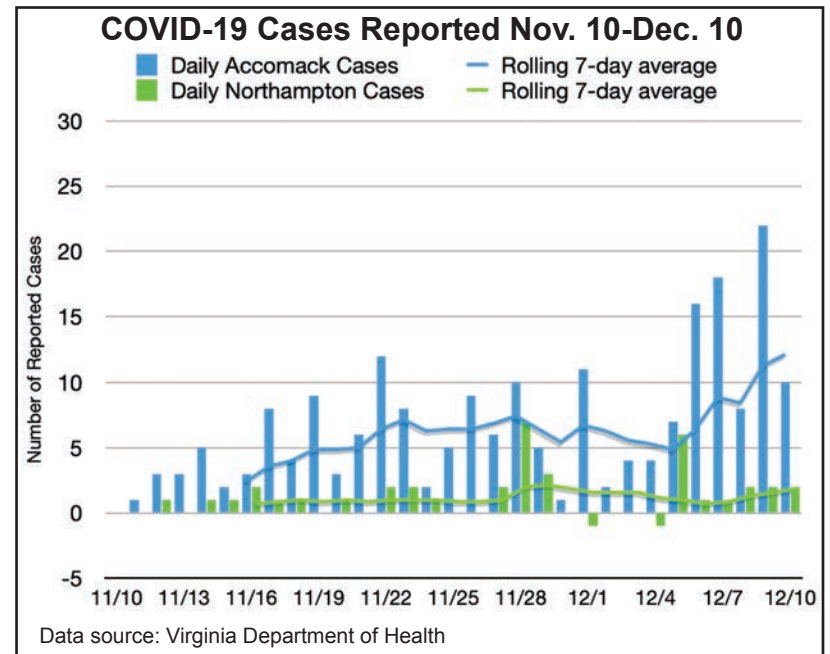
Riverside at present has around 180 employees across its system who are not at work because they are either quarantining or tested positive, Dacey said.

On the Eastern Shore, 155 COVID-19 cases associated with 19 outbreaks have been reported among health care workers since the pandemic began.

Still, Dacey said the Shore as a whole has “been doing an excellent job...from a public health standpoint,” noting that after a spike in cases from outbreaks in two poul-

try plants last spring, “it came right down, and now, for several months, the Eastern Shore has had amongst the lowest rates in the entire state per person.”

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Exmore Business Owner Asks If Town Has Considered All Sewer Options

By Stefanie Jackson

As Exmore continues to weigh its options for replacing its outdated sewer plant, including opportunities for both public and private partnerships, one citizen suggested a “third option.”

Ken Dufty, an Exmore business owner, opposes an offer from the public Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) to take over Exmore’s sewer plant, including reconstruction, ownership, operation, and customer billing.

HRSD would build a \$25 million force main to carry wastewater from Nassawadox, Exmore, Melfa, and part of Accomac, to the Onancock wastewater treatment plant.

At an Oct. 2 public hearing, Judge Revell Lewis III granted HRSD’s petition to begin negotiating deals with the Eastern Shore’s counties and towns.

“What they didn’t tell the judge

was that the towns, like Exmore, have to build out their infrastructure, and then when it’s done – according to their enabling act – sign it over to HRSD,” Dufty contended.

“So we borrow \$7 million to put in new pipes in Exmore and then we give it to HRSD, but they assume no debt.”

“It’s kind of like buying a new truck, giving it back to the dealer with a clean title but having to pay for that truck for the next 10 years ... we don’t think that benefits this town at all,” Dufty said.

He pointed out that HRSD rates have risen sharply (they doubled over an eight-year period) and show no signs of decline as HRSD continues to plan capital improvements that will cost about \$2.7 billion.

Dufty also does not believe HRSD would benefit Northampton County environmentally.

He noted that treated wastewater

would flow into Onancock Creek and would not replenish groundwater.

Neither would the HRSD board be required to have an Eastern Shore representative since Accomack and Northampton will be grouped with other counties, like Mathews and King William, which are already represented on the board, Dufty said.

A second option is Exmore entering an agreement with private company Aqua Virginia, but there is no guarantee that there would be longterm economic benefits for customers. Sewer rates would be locked in for just 10 years.

Dufty proposed a third option: creating a new Public Service Authority (PSA) for both Accomack and Northampton County.

Northampton already has a PSA, which has been a source of contention in the past.

According to Exmore town council meeting minutes from June 1,

2015, the town council was informed that the PSA wanted to expand Cape Charles’ sewer line to serve 70 lots near Route 13, but only four lot owners wanted to get connected.

Raising Northampton taxes was considered the only way to fund the unpopular project, and Exmore’s town council opposed that proposal, as did several citizens who spoke out on June 1, 2015.

By July 2015, Northampton supervisors had voted to postpone the PSA project indefinitely, and the Exmore town council voted unanimously to disband the PSA.

Then in October 2019, Northampton supervisors held a closed session, followed by five separate motions to appoint each of the five supervisors to the PSA, replacing the members whose terms had expired.

The Northampton supervisors who were appointed to the PSA in 2019 were Spencer Murray, John

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(Murray did not seek re-election in 2020, and neither did Duer, who is Exmore's town manager.)

The appointments were made as HRSD planned to make its case to Accomack and Northampton officials and citizens.

When the Public Service Authority was active, "you still had local control," Dufty reminded town council members.

"When we sign on the line with HRSD, you can't disband HRSD," he cautioned.

The bi-county PSA could take advantage of Accomack County soil that would be compatible with a rapid infiltration basin, or RIB, which is used to return treated wastewater to the ground.

Sewage could be pumped to the Onancock treatment plant, but the end product could help replenish groundwater instead of being pumped into Onancock Creek, Dufty suggested.

"If there's no other options and you choose to go with HRSD, I am not going to be ... beating anything with a hammer," he remarked.

"We will help you educate the people on the benefits as long as the benefits outweigh the detriments."

Director of Utilities Taylor Dukes said Exmore's sewer project – consisting of a new treatment plant and expansion of the collection system – likely will cost about \$17 million or

maybe even \$18 million.

He said Exmore has a "borrowing limit" of \$10 million, meaning the town will need to find \$7 million or \$8 million from other funding sources such as state and federal programs.

A public hearing was held on Exmore's plan to apply for sewer project funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development.

Dukes said the town will apply for the "full price" of the sewer project, and USDA will decide how much grant and loan funding it will offer.

Another public hearing was held on Exmore's plan to apply for a \$1 million Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

Those funds would be applied to the expansion of the town's sewage collection system.

The grant application process is competitive, with just \$8.8 million available this year, which was given to the state by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or HUD.

The last time Exmore applied for a block grant, the town was required to survey residents on their household income.

Exmore now consists of 57% low-to-moderate income households, so no survey was required this time, Dukes said.

Public comments may be submitted until Jan. 20, 2021, and the application is due March 29, 2021.



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More COVID-19 Cases at Schools

Staff Report

Additional cases of COVID-19 in area schools were reported this week.

Kiptopeke Elementary School is closed for in-person instruction until Jan. 4, 2021, after winter vacation, Northampton County Public Schools Superintendent Eddie Lawrence wrote in a letter to parents Tuesday.

The school division was notified Monday that an individual at Kiptopeke Elementary had tested positive for COVID-19. No indication was made whether the individual was a student or a staff member, and no identifying information was given in accordance with privacy laws.

Others associated with the school

have been quarantined "as a safety measure," Lawrence wrote.

Kiptopeke's virtual students will continue their regular schedules and hybrid students will receive learning packets to continue their education until the school reopens.

Occohannock Elementary School remains closed until after winter vacation following Lawrence's Nov. 30 announcement that four individuals at that school had tested positive for COVID-19. Virtual classes at Occohannock resume Dec. 14.

Arcadia Middle School also reported a case of COVID-19 but remains open, Superintendent W.C. "Chris" Holland reported in a Dec. 8 letter to parents.

Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve Expands, Reopens

By Stefanie Jackson

The Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve, which closed for repairs in late July due to trespassing and unauthorized access to the natural habitats from the boardwalk, reopened last month and is bigger and better than ever.

In addition to the repairs that were made, the preserve has been expanded by more than 20 acres through a land conservation project that was recently completed, according to a Dec. 9 press release from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR).

“Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve has always been a favorite of local birdwatchers and nature enthusiasts,” said DCR Eastern Shore Region Steward Dot Field.

Now it has 50 acres protecting a variety of plant and animal species.” Because the public doesn’t necessarily have access to the additional acreage.

The additional 20.7 acres were purchased for \$820,000 from South Port Investors, a company owned by local developer Eyre Baldwin.

The purchase was approximately 80% funded by the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, which received a grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The remainder of the purchase price, about 20%, was paid by the Virginia Land Conservation Foundation.

Gov. Ralph Northam’s ConserveVirginia plan had identified the addition as a high conservation priority for natural habitat and ecosystem diversity, as well as protected landscape and floodplain resilience.

“The conversion of habitat to residential and commercial development is a real threat to wildlife,” noted DCR Director Clyde Cristman.

The Cape Charles project will help preserve habitats of migratory songbirds, he explained.

“This coastal forest has long provided much needed resting and foraging habitat for migratory songbirds, as well as breeding habitat for resident birds. The addi-



A sign marks the entrance to the Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve. File photo.

tional forested acreage will help maintain the resilience of the natural communities the preserve protects,” Field added.

“Land acquisition, permanent protection and habitat restoration are

the best tools we have to ensure that high-quality habitat is available for these species,” said DCR Natural Heritage Program Director Jason Bulluck.

Not only does the Cape Charles pre-



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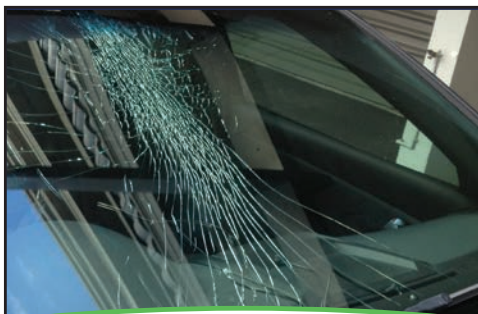
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serve protect the natural area, it will “support town efforts toward a network of walkable trails and public spaces,” noted Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources Matthew Strickler.

(Cape Charles is seeking funding from the Virginia Department of Transportation for the fourth phase of the Southern Tip Hike and Bike Trail, which will lead from Route 13 onto Stone Road and into town.)

The natural area preserve boardwalk, which is wheelchair accessible, provides access through the maritime forest and leads to a viewpoint of the Chesapeake Bay.

Due to COVID-19, the nature preserve is welcoming groups of no more than 10 people, according to guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or CDC.

The preserve has no public beach access, and visitors are reminded to follow the rules and respect the natural environment.

The entrance is found approximately a half-mile from the Cape Charles Town Harbor, at the end of Patrick

Henry Avenue.

The Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve was established in 1997 to protect the shoreline, dunes, maritime forest, and the species that live there, which include the endangered north-eastern beach tiger beetle.

The Cape Charles preserve is one of 65 preserves that are part of the Virginia Natural Area Preserve System that was established in 1989 and covers more than 58,000 acres.

Many of the preserves are owned by DCR, but some belong to The Nature Conservancy, other nonprofits, universities, or private individuals.

Virginia Natural Heritage Program staff manage the preserves and also provide education and research opportunities. Some preserves offer low-impact recreational opportunities.

The program operates on limited funds and accepts donations. Checks may be made to the Natural Area Preservation Fund and mailed to Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, Natural Heritage Program, 600 E. Main St., 24th Floor, Richmond, VA 23219.

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Chincoteague To Hold 'Pop-Up' Parade, Council Discusses Legislative Priorities

By Carol Vaughn

Chincoteague will hold “a little parade” for Christmas, after all, according to Mayor J. Arthur Leonard.

Leonard at the town council meeting Monday said the “Mayor’s Pop-Up Parade” will start at Saturday, Dec. 12, at 6 p.m. at Chincoteague High School and follow the trolley route around town.

“Hopefully, people will enjoy the parade from their homes or from a parked vehicle somewhere. ... We don’t want people to gather outside as normal, but we do want them to enjoy a parade of sorts,” Leonard said.

Additionally, town officials will judge decorated homes on Dec. 16.

NASA did 12 days of operational testing on a filtration system for wells on the mainland that supply Chincoteague’s water, with good results, according to town manager Mike Tolbert.

Tolbert also reported meals and transient occupancy tax revenue for October were both increased over the amount collected the same month last year.

Leonard and Tolbert on Nov. 12,

along with Accomack and Northampton county officials, met with Del. Rob Bloxom and Sen. Lynwood Lewis to discuss legislative priorities for the next General Assembly session.

The priorities Chincoteague officials presented to the two legislators were:

- Development of new drinking water sources to replace the currently contaminated shallow wells on NASA Wallops Flight Facility property.
- Erosion of the south end of Chincoteague Island. “Currently there is little or no effort by the State or Corps of Engineers to study the problem and propose solutions to stop or reverse the erosion,” according to Tolbert’s written report.
- Public safety, including correction of the low area on the east approach to the drawbridge onto the island, which hinders evacuation during storms, according to the report; and elevation of the roadway and addition of at least one full lane shoulder on the causeway.
- Wastewater — the town has sup-

ported Accomack County’s efforts to encourage the Hampton Roads Sanitation District to develop infrastructure on the Shore “and will continue to research other solutions to this longstanding problem,” which adversely affects development and public health, according to the report.

Public Works Director Harvey Spurlock reported that improvements to Mumford Street are complete except for minor drain inlet adjustments and pavement markings.

Improvements included paving, new water mains, and sidewalk replacement.

Spurlock reported a \$280,998 contract for the final phase of a federal grant-funded project creating a bay-to-beach trail has been awarded, bringing total obligated funds for the project to more than \$1.4 million.

The final phase of work will be to install sidewalks on both sides of Maddox Boulevard between Chicken City Road and Eel Creek and to install a multi-use path on the north side of

Maddox between Eel Creek and the traffic circle.

The \$1.5 million federal grant was awarded to Chincoteague in 2017 “to enhance tourism by promoting visitor safety of bicyclists and pedestrians accessing the Refuge through the main thoroughfares of Town,” according to a March 10, 2017, press release from the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge.

Bryan Rush, director of emergency services, said Chincoteague reported six more COVID-19 cases in the past week and nine the week before that, bringing the town’s total to 59 since the pandemic began in March.

A total of 1,038 tests, and 93 in the past week, have been given to Chincoteague residents, he said.

EMS personnel in the town will be among those to receive vaccinations in the first phase of distribution, which could happen later this month.

Councilman Matthew Reed announced during the meeting he is resigning effective the end of December, due to an expected move out of town.

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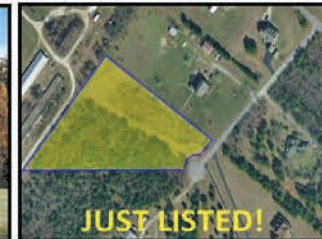
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OBITUARIES

Constance Salyer Bailey

Mrs. Constance "Connie" Salyer Bailey, 73, of Chincoteague Island, passed away on Dec. 6, 2020, at her residence surrounded by her family.

She was born in Nassawadox, on Jan. 9, 1947, a daughter to the late William Blaine and Leone (Skidmore) Salyer.

She was a member of Union Baptist Church and Order of the Eastern Star #62 on Chincoteague Island. Connie followed her parents in the family business of owning and operating Salyer Funeral Home, where her



Mrs. Bailey

kindness and compassion touched the hearts of many during her career. She was also an honorary member of the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company and was a fixture in the ticket booth for many years delighting the hearts of young and old alike just by flashing her big smile to anxious carnivalgoers.

Connie is survived by her four daughters, Tabbi Walker and her husband, Scotty, of New Church, Cindy Shaffer, of Virginia Beach, Vicky Furness and her husband, Steve, of Parksley, and Mandy Betts and her husband, Ricky, of Chincoteague Island; five grandsons, Jacob Shaffer, of Virginia Beach, Derek Clark, of Parksley, Luke Betts, of Chincoteague Island, Trenton Clark, of Parksley, and Seth Walker, of New Church; granddaughter, Ashley Betts, of Chincote-

ague Island; brother, Donnie Dunn, of Chincoteague Island; special caregiver, Rhonda Green, of Chincoteague Island; and several cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Brooks Nevitt Bailey; and first husband, Vince Conder.

Visitation was held Thursday, Dec. 10, 2020, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Salyer Funeral Home Inc., Chincoteague Island.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 11, 2020, at 2 p.m., at Union Baptist Church, Chincoteague Island, with the Rev. Kevin Eley, officiating.

Burial will take place in the John W. Taylor Memorial Cemetery in Temperanceville.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Manna Cafe, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, or CVFC, P.O. Box 691, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

Services are entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc. on Chincoteague Island.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Shirley V. Bibbins

Ms. Shirley V. Bibbins, 71, of Parksley, made her transition and received her heavenly wings on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020, at Shore Health & Rehab. Center in Parksley.

Born in Accomack, Shirley was the daughter of the late James T. Bibbins and the late Margaret F. Custis. She worked in the deli at Red & White Convenience Store in Parksley for a short period of time.

Graveside services were held on Monday, Dec. 7, 2020, at the Wharton Cemetery, Mappsville, with the Rev. Milton P. Bunting officiating.

Shirley leaves to cherish her fondest memories: three sisters, Barbara White, Elaine Mears, and Joyce Bibbins; two brothers, James Bibbins and Jackie Bibbins; one aunt, Agnes Blake; special nephews, Terence, Keyonte', and Tre'Quan; special nieces, Tinya and Tywanda; and a host of other relative and friends.

Arrangements were by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.



Ms. Bibbins

Jean Stuart Bonde

Mrs. Jean Stuart Bonde, 86, passed away peacefully Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020. Jean was born in Portsmouth, Va., on Oct. 31, 1934, to David and Flora (Moffat) Critchlow and was the beloved wife of Wayne Leo Bonde for the last 43 years.

Jean grew up in Livermore, Calif., and graduated from Livermore High School. She worked as a civil service employee for the Department of Defense and later as a secretary at the Livermore VA Medical Center. Jean was an avid stamp collector



Mrs. Bonde

and traveler, spending time in Europe and the Far East. Jean and Wayne traversed the United States five times in their motor home and visited all 21 Spanish missions in California. Jean was an animal lover and most passionate about her dogs and horses. She volunteered at the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge as a tour bus guide and developed a love for the wild Chincoteague ponies during the time she and Wayne lived there. Jean was also known for her love of Hershey's chocolate and always having her door open for gatherings of family, friends, and the Buy Back Babes.

In addition to her husband, Wayne, Jean is survived by her children Kathy Ferreira (David), David Lasorda (Pamela), Wayne Bonde (Brenda), Mary Bonde, Juliann Banke (John), and Matthew Bonde (Dana Kristina). She is also survived by 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

A memorial tribute will be held in the future on Chincoteague Island for family and friends. Arrangements are by Copeland's Sewickley.

Edward John Cummings

Mr. Edward John Cummings, 83, husband of the late Barbara May Price Cummings and a resident of Jamesville, formerly of Turnersville, N.J., passed away Monday, Dec. 7, 2020, at Shore Health and Rehabilitation Center in Parksley. A native of Camden, N.J., he was the son of the late Henry Joseph Cummings and the late Sarah

Helen Winstanley Cummings. Edward worked for the U.S. Postal Service, retiring after 22 years and was a U.S. Navy veteran.

He is survived by two sons, Randy E. Cummings and his wife, Maria, of Wardtown, and Todd Price and Deborah Price, of Sicklerville, N.J.; five grandchildren, Jackie, Nate, Billy, Stefanie, and Ryan; four great-grandchildren, Gianna, Ella, Mia, and Sofia; one sister, Sarah Lamonica, and her husband, Joe, of Valle, N.C.; and one brother, Henry Cummings, and his wife, Dorothea, of Laurel Springs, N.J. He was predeceased by a son, Troy W. Cummings.

A celebration of life service will be held Friday, Dec. 11, 2020, at 11 a.m., at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Peterson officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to SPCA Eastern Shore Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, or Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 430, Onancock, VA 23417.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Elsie M. Davis

Mrs. Elsie M. Davis, 81, of Melfa, departed this life Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, at Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born in Pungoteague, Elsie was the daughter of the late Edward and Annie Ames. She was joined in holy matrimony to the late James V. Davis at an early age. Elsie was affectionately known and loved by many.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020, at the Chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. James S. Nock officiating. Interment was in the Snead's Memorial Cemetery, Keller.

Elsie leaves to cherish her memory:



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two daughters, Francesta Watts and Carolyn Baines; three sons, Robert Davis, Ronnie Davis, and James Davis; one son-in-law, James Miles; three sisters, Gladys Peele, Mable Holbrook, and Katherine Scott; one sister-in-law, Lillian Knight; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two adopted daughters; two adopted grandchildren; one adopted great-grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Arrangements were by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

Georgia M. Davis

Ms. Georgia M. Davis, 53, of Greenbush, departed this life on Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, at Norfolk Health & Rehab in Norfolk.

Born in Accomack, Georgia was the daughter of Helen Davis and the late James S. Davis Sr. She was affectionately known as “Penny” by her family and friends. Her passion for caring for others led her to pursue a career in nursing. She became a hospice nurse and worked for several years until her health failed.



Ms. Davis

Graveside services were held Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020, at the First Baptist Cemetery, Mappsville, with the Rev. Jazmine Brooks officiating.

Penny leaves to cherish her memories: two sons, Ryan and Christopher Strand; two grandchildren; her mother, Helen Davis; two sisters, Sabrina Davis and Lashammia Kellam; one brother, James S. Davis Jr.; lifetime friend, Kurt Strand; five aunts; one uncle; three nephews; one niece; the extended Strand family; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

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Tonia R. Davis

Mrs. Tonia R. Davis, 54, of Rose-dale, Md., formerly of the Shore, gained her wings on Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, at Medstar Franklin Square, Baltimore, Md.

Born in Parksley, Tonia was the fourth daughter of Helen and the late

Warner L. Edwards. She married the love of her life, her high school sweetheart, Andre D. Davis, on Oct. 17, 1992. They had a courtship that lasted for over 38 years. Tonia was an advocate for the Janet Hall Foundation, an organization that provides support for those affected by breast cancer. She gave her last lecture in October of this year.

Graveside services were held on Friday, Dec. 4, 2020, at the Adams U.M. Cemetery, Parksley, with the Rev. Gregory Duncan Sr. officiating.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Andre D. Davis; two sons, Derryck Jr. and Daryn; two grandchildren; mother, Helen Edwards; grandmother, Emma Edwards; two sisters, Victoria Horner and Karen White; three aunts, Ethel Dickerson, Grace Ridley, and Catherine Davis; three uncles, William Ridley, Darrell Davis, and Spencer Burnette; the Great 8 Sisterhood, Conekia, Shenay, Camesha, Felicia, Gwendolyn, Aretha, and Tia; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Arrangements were by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

Gloria A. Ewell

Mrs. Gloria A. Ewell, 87, of New Church, left this life for her eternal heavenly home Friday, Nov. 27, 2020, at her residence.

Born in Wattsville, Gloria was the daughter of the late John and Bernice Tull. She was affectionately known as “Althea” by her family and friends. Gloria was united in holy matrimony to Grayson Ewell.

She was formerly employed at Golden Pride Poultry Processing until its closure. She then became employed at Holly Farms Poultry Plant (Tyson Foods), where she retired after many years.

Graveside services were held Friday, Dec. 4, 2020, at the New Beginnings U.M. Cemetery, Wattsville, with



Mrs. Davis



Mrs. Ewell

Minister Michael Blake officiating.

Left to cherish many fond memories are: her daughter, Rosetta Ayres; five grandchildren; brothers, Ralph and Rudolph Tull; sisters-in-law, Essie Mae Dickerson and Estelle Tull; several special friends; a dear friend, Payton Randall; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Arrangements were by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

Buddy Hickman

Mr. Milton Thomas Hickman Jr., known as “Buddy” by most, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, just five days following the death of his wife of 52 years, Robin Melton Hickman. Born Jan. 12, 1943, in Nassawadox, he was the son of the late Milton Thomas Hickman and the late Helen Thompson Hickman.

Buddy grew up in Painter, and from an early age took any opportunity to go hunting and fishing, making the seaside marshes and inlets of the Eastern Shore his second home. He

attended Central High School in Painter, and later graduated from Christchurch School near Urbanna, Va. He then enrolled at Chowan University in North Carolina and received his bachelor’s degree from the University of Alabama. In his youth, he enjoyed playing sports and was always involved in something, whether he was playing for his school or with a community organization.

Buddy served his country in the U.S. Army National Guard, first out of Onancock, and later, in Annapolis, Md. He and Robin owned and operated Hickman Boat Supplies Inc. in Salisbury, Md., where they made lifelong friends over the years. Eventually, Buddy was drawn back to Virginia and began working alongside his family at Hickman Lumber Co.

Throughout his life, Buddy never met a stranger and no matter where he was, he seemed to coincidentally run into someone with whom he shared a common friend. He was grateful for the many great friendships made through his work, church, and community in-



Mr. Hickman

volvement, particularly his buddies at the Moose Lodge. His best memories were of those spent in a duck blind and then returning to the Accawmacke Club houseboat to warm up, eat, and most importantly, compare the day’s luck via radio with fellow hunters in their cabins on Cedar Island.

Buddy is survived by his daughter, Susan H. Mason, and her husband, John E. Mason II; granddaughters, Eleanor D. “Ellie” Mason and Anne T. Mason, all of Accomac; brother, Thomas A. Hickman Sr., of Williamsburg, Va.; nephews, T.A. Hickman Jr. and his wife, Alice, of Richmond, Philip T. Hickman and his wife, Susanna, of Williamsburg, Timothy Goetting and his wife, Amy, of Charlottesville, Va., and Michael T. Melton Jr.; niece, Alison L. Melton; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews. In addition to his wife and parents, he was predeceased by his brother-in-law, Michael T. Melton Sr., and sisters-in-law, Marianne M. Goetting and Dick-ye P. Hickman.

The family will gather for a private graveside service at the Belle Haven Cemetery, and a Celebration of Life, honoring both Buddy and Robin, will be held at a later date.

The family would like to express their gratitude for the many years of care provided by Dr. Bob Paschall and most recently, Drs. McDaniel and Weisner, the Riverside Hospice team, and special caregivers, Connie Williams and Brenda Harmanson.

In lieu of flowers, please consider honoring Buddy’s memory with a donation to Hungars Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 367, Eastville, VA 23347; St. George’s Parish, P.O. Box 172, Pungoteague, VA 23422 (www.stgeorgesva.org); or Sweet Briar College, P.O. Box 1057, Sweet Briar, VA 24595 (www.sbc.edu).

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Wade W. Shrieves

Mr. Wade W. Shrieves, 80, passed away at his home, surrounded by his loving wife and family on Dec. 6, 2020.

He was born June 30, 1940, in Onancock, a son to the late Brantley Alfred and the late Mattie Miller Shrieves. Wade was an accomplished butcher at

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Colonial Stores, Meatland, and Young's Meatbarn. After retiring, he became a car salesman for Frostrom's and Kool Ford. He was an active member of Island Baptist Church of Chincoteague, where he enjoyed teaching Sunday School, helping with Vacation Bible School, and the Love Our Seniors Nursing Home ministry. He enjoyed spending his time with his "Bride," children, and grandchildren, reading scripture and helping others.



Mr. Shrieves

Wade's life was a living example of his favorite scripture, 2 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things have become new."

Wade had a lively personality; he loved a good laugh and teasing others with his quick wit and one-liners. He enjoyed greeting the older ladies at the church with "Hello Darlin'" and "How does it feel to hug a real man?" He was always delighted to meet new friends and introduce himself with a strong handshake and "Hi, my name is Swade Reeves, I mean Wade Shrieves."

Wade is survived by his wife of 49 years, Alice Ruth Shrieves; his son, Weston, and his wife, Ashley Shrieves; two precious granddaughters, Addy and Ryleigh Shrieves, of New Church; his two daughters, Lanae and her husband, Bryan Schuster, of Salisbury, Md., Virginia and her husband, Andy Roderick, of Edmonds, Wash.; his cousin and best friend, Randy, and his wife, Dawn Miller, of Parksley; as well as an aunt and uncle, many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Rita Isdell Shrieves.

A funeral service was held at Island Baptist Church of Chincoteague by Pastor Phil Bennicoff and Pastor Rick Foster, on Thursday, Dec. 10, 2020. A viewing was held on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020, at Island Baptist Church on Chincoteague. Burial took place at Lib-

erty Cemetery in Parksley.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Island Baptist Church, 3380 Willow St., Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

Services are entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc. on Chincoteague Island.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyer.com

Jaime Catherine Starkey

Ms. Jaime Catherine Starkey, 44, of Jacksonville, Fla., formerly of Nashville, N.C., passed away at her home Nov. 30, 2020, as a result of a long and difficult struggle with alcoholism.

Born Nov. 3, 1976, she is the beloved daughter of Steve and Eve Starkey, of Nashville. Jaime was raised in Onancock, attended Pensacola Christian College and then Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tenn., from where she earned her B.A. in graphic design. Jaime worked in Nashville, Tenn., then in Cookeville, Tenn. She was a graphic design artist, active in Alcoholics Anonymous, enjoyed expressing herself through art, and playing piano.

In addition to her parents, Jaime is survived by her partner, Alex Caldwell, of Jacksonville; her brother, Jeremy Starkey, and his wife, Katherine, and niece and nephew, Cara Starkey and Grant Starkey, all of Suffolk, Va.; and her beloved dog, Sadie. She was the granddaughter of maternal grandparents, the late C. Brooks and Ruth Hickman Russell, formerly of East Point, Onancock, and paternal grandparents, the late Donald and Doris Starkey, formerly of Chesapeake.

There will be a graveside service at Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock, on Saturday, Dec. 12, 2020, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Jaime's name to Grace

Home, Hebron Colony, P.O. Box 407, Santee, SC 29142, a rehab facility for substance abuse.

Memory tributes may be shared with Jaime's family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Mary Randolph Stuart

Ms. Mary "Randy" Randolph Stuart, 66, a resident of Exmore for more than 35 years, passed away Nov. 28, 2020, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital after a long illness. She was born at Fort Benning, Ga., the oldest daughter of the late Col. James A. Stuart Jr. U.S.A. and Mary Hamilton Walker Stuart.

After graduating from University of Richmond-Westhampton College in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in English, she worked for Cokesbury Religious Books and Church Supplies as a department supervisor and salesperson. She then worked for Doubleday & Co. where one year she was the #1 salesperson for Virginia.

Randy returned to her maternal roots, joining family and friends on the Eastern Shore whom she treasured throughout her life. Here she found great happiness and fulfillment as well in the numerous activities in which she engaged.

She was a dedicated, much beloved teacher who loved her students and gave them her all. At Broadwater Academy she taught middle school and

drama for more than 20 years. At the ESO Arts Center she taught drama for 11 years.

An avid arts enthusiast, she was involved both on- and offstage in many Trawler Dinner Theatre Productions. In addition, Randy enjoyed a lifelong passion for literature.

She served as the director of education for the Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society, where she was instrumental in bringing Kellee Blake's masterful "Stronger than Steel" to the stage. She served on the board of directors of the Northampton Free Library, the Arts Council of the Eastern Shore, and the Northampton Historical Preservation Society. Randy was also very active as a member of the Garden Club of Virginia and the ESC-CDXVIIC Colonial Dames.

Randy was a member of Hungars Episcopal Church where she brought her dedication and enthusiasm to her service on the vestry, altar guild, and as lay reader. She taught Sunday School and (to the great delight of the congregation) wrote and directed the children's Christmas pageants.

She is survived by her mother; four siblings, James Stuart and wife, Suthathip, of Seattle, Wash., Sara Stuart and husband, Karl Stiegelbauer, of Church Neck, Amy Larson and husband, James, of Lakewood, Colo., and Andrew Stuart, of Toledo, Ohio; nieces and nephews, James Matthew Stuart, Karen and husband, Keenan, Mary Isdell and husband, Robert; and grandnephew, Lochlann James Isdell.

On behalf of Randy, her family extends a heartfelt thank-you to the staff, nurses, and doctors who gave her extraordinary care during her stay at Heritage Hall and Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Memorial services will be on hold until it is safe to meet.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Friends of the Northampton Free Library, P.O. Box 729, Nassawadox, VA 23413

Family and friends may sign the guest book at www.hollandfuneralhome.net

"Though nothing can bring back the splendor in the grass, the glory in the flower, we will grieve not, but rather find strength in what remains behind."



Ms. Stuart

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Audrey Teague-Coston

Mrs. Audrey E. Teague-Coston, 72, of Melfa, transitioned from labor to reward on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020, at Shore Health & Rehab. Center in Parksley.

Born in Onancock, Audrey was the daughter of the late Junious M. Teague and the late Louise B. Teague. She was affectionately known as "IJ" by her family and friends. IJ met and later married the love of her life, James Coston, on May 17, 1997, who preceded her in death. Audrey worked for Berg Legal Clinic as **Mrs. Teague-Coston** until her health began to fail.



Mrs. Teague-Coston

Graveside services were held Monday, Dec. 7, 2020, at the Snead's Memorial U.M. Cemetery, Keller, with the Rev. James S. Nock officiating.

IJ is survived by one sister, Louise Teague-Allen; one brother, Dinel Teague; three nieces; three nephews; one brother-in-law; Robert L. Allen Sr.; two sisters-in-law, Ruth Teague and Cynthia Teague; one aunt, Polly Parker; dedicated caregivers until the end, Leah and Bobby Trader; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Arrangements were by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

Shawn Michael Turner

Mr. Shawn "Shawny" Michael Turner, 18, of Bloxom, passed away Dec. 6, 2020, in Bloxom.

Born on July 30, 2002, in Nassawadox, he was the son of Shawn Christopher Turner (Ashley Greer) and April Kelly. Shawny was a recent graduate of Arcadia High School and enjoyed singing in the school chorus. He was a devoted member of the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company and the Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company. He



Mr. Turner

loved baseball, hunting, fishing, and was known for always helping everyone and getting people to smile.

Other than his parents, he is survived by brothers, Christopher, Ethan, and Landon; a sister, Jordyn; his best friend and soulmate, Kaylynn Napoleone; grandparents, Michael Turner Sr. and Lucy Turner; grandparents, Philip Kelly and Terri Kelly; great-grandfathers, Richard Turner Sr., of Parksley, and Wayne Hart, of Bloxom; aunts and uncles, Michael Turner, of Michigan, Kaylen Panchagnula (Teja), of Richmond, Va., and Ashley Kelly, of Parksley; special close cousin, David Turner (Kayla) and their daughter, Ally; and numerous other aunts, uncles, cousins, family members, and friends.

Shawny was preceded in death by an aunt, Nikki Saady Turner, and his cousin, Emma Turner.

A graveside service will be held Friday, Dec. 11, 2020, at 2 p.m., from the graveside of the Liberty Cemetery in Parksley with the Rev. David Sabatino officiating.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company or the Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

Terrez K. Walker

Mr. Terrez K. Walker, 30, of Locust Grove, Va., formerly of the Shore, departed this life on Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

Born in Nassawadox, Terrez was the son of Rebecca Roberts and Donnell Dickerson. After graduation, Terrez joined the U.S. Marine Corps and completed basic training in Paris Island. Staff Sgt. Walker became head of the recruiting station and ran the office from 2017-2018. He actively served his country until his diagnosis on May 29, 2019, where he then became part of the limited duty Wounded Warriors attachment in Bethesda.



Mr. Walker

Graveside services were held on Sat-

urday, Dec. 5, 2020, at the Living Word of Deliverance Cemetery in Parksley, with the Rev. Jazmine Brooks officiating.

Terrez leaves to cherish his memories: wife, Mandy Walker; one daughter, Hayven Mae Leigh Walker; parents, Rebecca Roberts (Thomas Jr.) and Donnell Dickerson (Peggy); three sisters, Sheneka Littleton, Tishiana Walker, and Nylissa Roberts; grandmothers, Ida Walker and Shirley Morton; one uncle, Keith Walker; one aunt, Veronica Morton; father-in-law, Harry Savage; sister-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and several special friends.

Arrangements were by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

Eileen June Watson

Ms. Eileen June Watson passed away Nov. 29, 2020, at Alden Estates of Naperville in Naperville, Ill.

Eileen was born in Norfolk, June 25, 1935, to Charles and Mary Little. She is survived by her son, Rob, and his wife, Lory, and her three grandchildren, Matthew, Mitchell, and Macy. Eileen was predeceased by her parents and a sister, Betty Collins. In addition

to Rob's family, she is survived by her sister, Nancy Street; brother, Charles Little; and nieces and nephews, Michelle, Theresa, Kelly, Cassandra, Patricia, Andrea, Debora, Betty, Louis, and Bill.

Eileen had been married to a naval officer and lived in numerous locations, mostly in Norfolk and Virginia Beach. Before relocating to Naperville where her son and his family lived, she made her home for a number of years in Cape Charles on Virginia's Eastern Shore where she was active in the local Red Hat Society.

Eileen was very creative. She enjoyed spending much of her time in arts and crafts and painting and she and her sister, Nancy, participated several times in the Virginia Beach Boardwalk Art Show and many other shows in the Hampton Roads area. One of the highlights of her life was owning and operating the Seafaire Ladies Boutique in Norfolk along with her two sisters.

It was Eileen's desire to be returned to the Eastern Shore. A family celebration of Eileen's life will be held there in the spring when it is again safe to travel.



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To the citizens of Northampton County,

The Northampton County Salvation Army Unit will be ringing bells for three weekends in December at Food Lion in Exmore and Cape Charles. Please support the efforts of the Northampton County Salvation Army Unit as funds raised support community needs in Northampton during the Christmas Season and the rest of the year. Those wishing to send a check should send it to:

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Ed Stetar, Treasurer

Property Transactions

Accomack County

- From Lillian H. and Frederic C. Gray, trustees
To Amy D. and Steven Gervis
Lot 221 North Hibiscus Drive, Chincoteague
For \$90,000
- From Ralph Ernest Meyer and Lauri Ann Fisher
To Sara Q. and Mark A. Pugh
19164 Lands End Drive, Parksley
For \$150,000
- From Jennifer S. and Joseph C. Wilkinson
To William F. Marlow Jr. and Patricia Farley
29454 South Point Road, Bloxom
For \$565,000
- From Mark Edward Riennerth, executor, estate of Carolyn Duncan Riennerth
To Patricia Annette Brockmeier, trustee
12 King St., Onancock
For \$248,000
- From Robert F. Colflesh Jr. and Tamera M. Mitchell
To Robin and Steven Wilson
3379 Captains Corridor, Greenbackville

- For \$164,422
- From Denise Carol and Neil Lance Huizing
To Susan M. and John R. Rinehart
5399 Misty Meadows Drive, Chincoteague
For \$113,120
- From Shore Properties Inc.
To Carolyn B. and Howard A. Conner
Two lots in Machipongo Shores near Quinby
For \$582
- From Manian Holdings LLC
To BMN, LLC
Parcel on Route 13 near Oak Hall
For \$50,000
- From James W. Elliott, special commissioner, on behalf of Robin Dale Mears and Wanda Spence Mears
To Valentinus R. Brinkmann
21556 Southside Road, Onancock
For \$5,000
- From Betty J. Contino, executor, estate of R. Mark Glackin
To Phillip P. Ettinger and James R. Stevens
8431 Fleming Road, Wallops Island

- For \$270,000
- From Louise T. Johnson, also known as Louise T. Parks
To Paget and Steven L. Rohrer
17 acres, 26493 Evans Wharf Road, Onancock
For \$225,000
- From Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
To Elias J. Castaneda
22252 Northam Drive, Accomac
For \$45,000
- From Janice E. and Andrew R. Fenton
To J.R.R. Holdings LLC
Captains Cove Lot 104 Section 10, Greenbackville
For \$6,000
- From Hopeton Properties LLC
To Rafael V. Martinez
17636 Big Road, Parksley
For \$48,800
- From Carol C. and Timothy K. Evans
To Ellen L. and Paul H. Wolf
6392 Teal Lane, Chincoteague
For \$187,500
- From Mason Oil Co., Inc., Gary C. Mason Sr., and Tyrone Mason
To D,P&T LLC
Three parcels, 3347 Ridge Road,

- Chincoteague
For \$350,000
- From Katherine and James Frank
To Nereo Gonzalez Morales and Dalia Hernandez Hernandez
Lot 28, Woodfield, near Gargatha
For \$18,000
- From Arlene M. and Jack B. Jones, trustees
To Jean L. Perro
Captains Cove Lot 2437 Section 5, Greenbackville
For \$2,000
- From Kelly A. and Ray T. O'Neal Jr.
To Debra D. and Kevin D. Brian
Trails End Lot 21 Unit 1 Sheet 1, Horntown
For \$9,000
- From The Chesapeake Bay Foundation Inc.
To DGM Finance Corporation LLC
Fox Island near Onancock
For \$70,000
- From James G. Kalil
To Sarah Kay and Everette Lee Cherrix II
5.476 acres on Deep Hole Road, Chincoteague
For \$82,000
- From Robin and Lonnie Eugene Carpenter
To Julie G. and David P. Weber
3148 Main St., Chincoteague
For \$750,000
- From Judith R. Wright, Gary T. Richardson, and Diana R. Perry
To Alexander Donaldo Morales Morales
23391 Sand Cove Road, Accomac
For \$55,000
- From Royce Parks and Richard Conner
To Frank C. Auman Jr.
19408 Lee St., Melfa
For \$172,000
- From Mark D. Sinclair
To Lillie A. and Daniel C. Richardson
29609 Bobtown Road, Melfa
For \$95,000
- From Crippen View 14 LLC
To Robin and Lonnie Eugene Carpenter
Lot 14 Crippen View, Parksley
For \$36,000
- From The Pierson Group Inc.
To Kavesha D. and Connell D. Reid Jr.
27346 Whitetail Road, Melfa
For \$187,536
- From William L. Phillips
To Penny Ray and Andrew Jackson Willey
Two parcels, 16302 Lankford Hwy., Nelsonia
For \$29,682

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OE #15 John S. Whealton Ln.

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\$327,000



MLS #51358 Wildcat Ln., Lot #7

Your vacation dream home could be on this beautiful waterfront lot. 3.34 acres overlooking Chincoteague Bay. 3BR septic system installed.

\$225,000



MLS #R52865 Willow St.

This home boasts a large living room, den/sunroom, dining area, eat-in kitchen. The first floor includes 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, a music room/office, craft room, laundry room and pantry, hardwood flooring. There is a 4th full bath on the second floor, a great room/game room/tv room, an additional large room that has multi uses and additional storage space. The home has an attached 2 car garage, detached 3 bay garage, and large workshop.

\$435,000



MLS #51892 Sunset Bay (REDUCED!)

Beyond is part of a luxury waterfront community with 3 bedrooms, Master bath with Jacuzzi, living room, kitchen w/open area for dining, swimming pool, fitness room, large boat slip and dock. This is a 1st floor unit so easy to get to your boat.

\$379,000



MLS #52154 Miles Rd., New Church

Wonderfully spacious lot in this upscale gated Community of Baywatch on Pitts Creek. Ideal building location for a new home. Deeded water access for all your kayaking, fishing and other boating activities. Equestrians, this development has a community riding area.

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•From Bonnie Byrd Broadwater
To Erika M. and Phillip E. Snyder II
24045 Saxis Road near Sanford
For \$199,000

Northampton County

•From Richard and Irene Dawson
To Christopher and Kristin Malone
Lot 6, 7148 Kellam Dr., Silver Beach
For \$285,000

•From Taylor Basnight
To Clelia and John Sheppard Jr.
Lot X and part of adjacent lot, Butlers
Bluff
For \$43,500

•From Alan and Julie Fink
To Aaron and Michele Sigler
803 Turnberry Arch, Unit 25-803,
Cape Charles
For \$319,000

•From Charlestowne Holdings VA LLC
To Jack Russell Properties LLC
Lot 97, Marina Village East, Cape
Charles
For \$675,000

•From Timmy and Karen Shrum,
trustees
To Heather and Christopher
Williams
Lot 3, 635 Jefferson Ave., Cape Charles
For \$515,000

•From Michael Hamill
To Oluseyi and Folasade Adegoye
Lot 31, Heron Pointe
For \$135,000

•From Glenn Davis
To Kathleen and Louis Fraas
Lot 47, Marina Village East, Cape
Charles
For \$35,000

•From Linda Rogers
To Juan Gomez
Lot near Exmore
For \$12,000

•From K. Colleen Kelley
To Kevin and Catherine Pool and
Catherine and Thomas Lewis
614 Tazewell Ave., Cape Charles
For \$521,000

•From Nancy and James Bott Jr.
To William, Brigitte, Charles, and
Caroline Bott
Parcel 2, 4.72 acres, near Jamesville
For \$100,000

•From Wilmington Savings Fund So-
ciety, trustee
To Stephen Bunce
0.569 acre, near Weirwood

For \$35,500

•From MLT Enterprises LLC
To David and Wanda Crenshaw
Unit 504, Nectarine St. condominium,
Cape Charles

For \$325,000

•From William Neal III, Elizabeth
McCray, and Susan Price, co-trustees
To Laura and William Neal III,
co-trustees

Parcel, 15 acres, near Stewart's Wharf
For \$83,200

•From William Neal III, Elizabeth
McCray, and Susan Price, co-trustees
To Laura and William Neal III,
co-trustees

2 parcels near Stewart's Wharf
For \$63,520

•From Donna Sebacher
To John and Pamela Reinhard
Lot 294, Vaucluse Shores, Church Neck
For \$25,000

•From Bruce and Eleanor Downing
To John and Lynda Kaspem
Lot 299, Vaucluse Shores, Church Neck
For \$24,900



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PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT

Public Notice Announcing the Availability of an Environmental Assessment

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Rural Development

Town of Exmore, VA: Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service (RUS), USDA

ACTION: Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the RUS, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act, is issuing an environmental assessment (EA) in connection with possible impacts related to a project proposed by the Town of Exmore, VA (Town). The proposal is for construction of a new wastewater collection system and wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The project area is located throughout the Town of Exmore as well as the existing New Roads Community drainfield site off of Belle Haven Road and will encompass approximately thirty (30) acres. The Town will be submitting an application to RUS for funding of the proposal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Jordan, Area Specialist, RUS, 22329 Main Street, Southampton Office Building 2, Courtland, VA 23837, (757)346-3158, peggy.jordan@usda.gov.

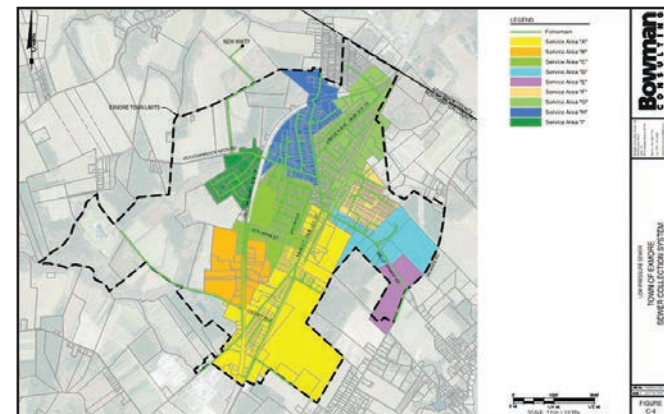
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Town proposes to construct a new, low-pressure wastewater collection system that will consist of installation of 87,500 linear feet of forcemain pipe, 651 grinder pumps, and all related appurtenances, and construction of a new wastewater treatment plant at the existing New Roads Community drainfield site that will consist of dual sequencing batch reactors, a post equalization tank, two (2) aerobic digesters, a tertiary filtration system, a UV disinfection system, a rapid infiltration basin that consists of six (6) basins, a septage receiving facility, sludge dewatering facility, an effluent dosing tank, and a storage pond.

Bowman Consulting Group, LTD, an environmental consultant, prepared an environmental assessment for RUS that describes the project, assesses the proposed project's environmental impacts, and summarizes as applicable any mitigation measures used to minimize environmental effects. RUS has conducted an independent evaluation of the environmental assessment and believes that it accurately assesses the impacts of the proposed project. No significant impacts are expected as a result of the construction of the project.

Questions and comments should be sent to RUS at the address provided. RUS will accept questions and comments on the environmental assessment for fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Any final action by RUS related to the proposed project will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant Federal environmental laws and regulations and completion of environmental review procedures as prescribed by 7 CFR Part 1970, Environmental Policies and Procedures.

A general location map of the proposal is shown below.



YES! Virginia, There is a Santa Claus

By Dr. Patrick Tompkins and Bill LeCato

At the end of a very difficult year, Your Eastern Shore Community College asks, “Do you believe in Santa?”

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Bishop David Sabatino was always a bright student and his teachers saw a bright future for him. But after high school, he just stopped. One teacher in particular, Mrs. Matthews, would see him time to time around the Shore and ask, “David, have you gone college yet?” He’d shake his head, and she’d shake hers and say, “What a waste.”

Encouraged by Mrs. Matthews, Bishop Sabatino enrolled in a class at ESCC. Then he enrolled in a certificate program. Then an associate degree. Then he earned a bachelor’s degree. And then he became a teacher himself.

At one point, he almost fell off the path when he worried that he would be 35 years old before he finished his degree. Then Rev. Mapp, a friend, said to him, “David, you can be 35 with a bachelor’s degree or without a bachelor’s degree, but either way, you’re go-

ing to be 35 one day.” And now, Bishop Sabatino has been teaching for 27 years.

Bishop Sabatino likes to say, “A vision without an action plan is only a fantasy.” The holiday fantasy that children experience only happens because others put in place action plans to turn the fantasy into reality.

Let’s ask the opening question a little differently: Will you say “YES!” to walking through the doors at ESCC and gift yourself a positive new start in 2021?

You know how giving works, right? Giving gives giving. Give yourself the promise of a brighter future, and Your Eastern Shore Community College will give you programs that lead directly to work, college transfer, or opening a new business. Our Santa’s workshop is filled with programs like health-care, business, education, technology, trades, truck driving, and hair weaving.

At ESCC we also give almost every student a grant or scholarship. Many of our students attend for free. It’s called the ESCC YES! Tuition Promise.

The generous donors of our community have built a successful educational foundation that provides thousands of dollars in scholarships each semester. At the same time, the feds and the Commonwealth are



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Sea Level Rise Drives Chesapeake Bay Foundation To Sell Fox Island

By Carol Vaughn

After more than four decades, the recent sale of Fox Island marked the end of an era for educational programs held there by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Willy Agee, CBF's vice president of administration, said the foundation is "desperately heartbroken" to lose the island.

"Fox was a really magical place," he said, adding, "It was a place that touched" those who spent time there.

"It's really a sea level rise issue more than anything that's driven us out of there, because we have lost a lot of our barrier islands that have protected the center for so many years," Agee said.

The island lies between Tangier and Pocomoke sounds.

Visits there for educational programs were highlights of their high school years for many students from the Eastern Shore and elsewhere.

CBF held its last student programs on the island in summer 2019, he said.

"It was a safety issue. We stopped running trips because we didn't feel like we could be 100% ensured (of) the safety of these students — and that's not an acceptable place for us to be."

According to a deed recorded Nov. 23 in the Accomack County Clerk of Circuit Court office, the island was sold

for \$70,000 to DGM Finance, LLC, a Delaware-registered company with a Baltimore address listed on the deed.

Fox Island when it was surveyed in 1773 was 426 acres, according to the deed.

It actually was made up of seven or eight separate islands, according to Agee.

When CBF had the property appraised a year ago, there were only around 34 acres left above water, he said.

A facility on the island was built as a private hunting lodge in the 1920s.

The group of "gentlemen hunters," most of whom were from Baltimore, employed local residents as guides and cooks when they hunted throughout the winter season, according to Agee.

CBF acquired the property in the mid-1970s "and ran programs there pretty continuously" until last year, Agee said.

According to the deed, CBF acquired the property from Fox Islands Inc. in November 1975.

The property prior to that was conveyed to Fox Islands, Inc., by Fox Island Rod and Gun Club Inc., in 1942.

CBF still owns Port Isobel, near Tangier, and also has centers on Smith Island and at Bishop's Head in Maryland.

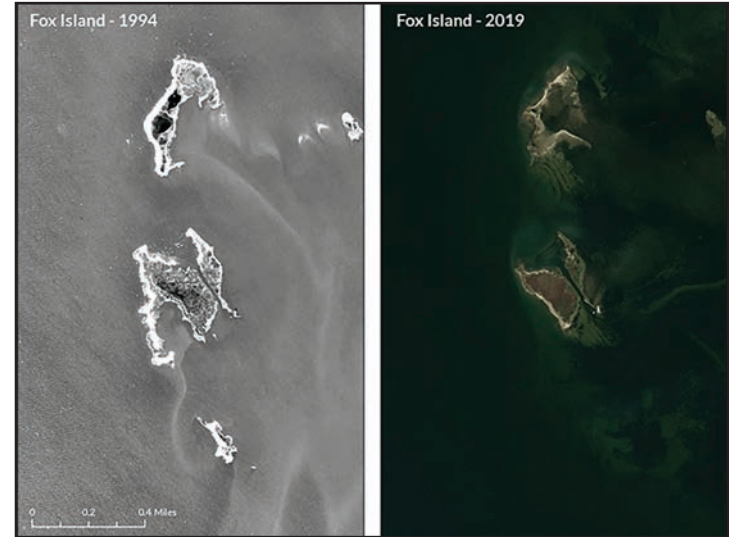
"Port Isobel has typically operated as a single program facility, but we have a second facility on the property — and, in fact, for the past couple of years during bad weather events we would run our Fox Island program out of Port Isobel. ... The students that would have come to Fox will now all go to Port Isobel," Agee said.

Proceeds from the sale of Fox Island will go into CBF's general fund. Still, "it will certainly help support some of our educational opportunities," Agee said.

The thought of students no longer having the chance to spend time on Fox Island learning about the Chesapeake Bay "is an emotional sort of deal,

but there is also a...business aspect to it. We can't maintain a center that we can't take kids to," he said.

The registered agent for the property's purchaser, DGM Finance, LLC, declined to give information about the company or the purchase.



Aerial views of Fox Island show significant land loss between 1994 and 2019. Photo courtesy of CBF.



Chesapeake Bay Foundation recently sold its educational facility on Fox Island. Photo courtesy of CBF.

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NORTHAMPTON SUPERVISORS BRIEFED ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO COMP PLAN

By *Stefanie Jackson*

Northampton County Planning Commission Chairman Glen Anders updated Northampton supervisors on the new draft of the county's comprehensive plan Dec. 8, noting that the two groups had not met since May.

The section on "livable communities" is one of the new features of the comprehensive plan that Anders deemed noteworthy.

Livable communities offer residents a variety of housing, transportation options, and other amenities. They are mixed-use communities that are compact and walkable, with plenty of open space.

The comprehensive plan will promote the creation of livable communities by encouraging new development in towns and town edges but not villages, hamlets, or waterfront communities.

Multi-family housing will not be permitted in waterfront villages and hamlets, Anders added.

He noted that there has been some confusion over the comprehensive plan and emphasized one particular point: "the comprehensive plan is not a zoning ordinance."

Northampton's future land-use map is not identical to its zoning map, al-

though they look similar, Anders pointed out.

The purpose of the future land-use map is to show general areas where the county desires certain types of development or uses – not specific parcels where those developments or uses are permitted, he clarified.

The updated comprehensive plan also will contain some new definitions of terms that have caused disputes among planning commissioners, such as "sole-source aquifer," Anders said.

In normal circumstances, the public would view and comment on the comprehensive plan at an open house.

Due to COVID-19, large meetings will not be possible, and public presentations on the comprehensive plan may need to be virtual, Anders said.

Details on a virtual open house are not yet available. However, the Berkley Group consulting firm, which has been helping the planning commission write the comprehensive plan, has experience engaging the public through live video on Facebook, which can be replayed later, Anders noted.

Northampton's comprehensive plan should be finished by the end of December and available for public review by February, he said.



First Snow Brief but Beautiful

Parts of the Eastern Shore saw the first snow of the season, a light dusting before the precipitation turned to rain Monday, Dec. 7. Above, Nandina berries and greenery glisten with a light dusting of snow. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

Court Postings *By Nancy Drury Duncan*

CBBT Lawsuit Testimony Ends

Testimony in the wrongful death lawsuit filed by the widow of Joseph Chen, 47, whose truck went off the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Feb. 9, 2017, concluded late on Thursday, Dec. 3.

When all the testimony was heard, Judge Les L. Lilley said he was not going to make a decision that night. "This is a very complex case," he said. "Was there negligence on the part of the CBBT by lowering the wind restriction level from (level) 4 to (level) 1 and was there contributing negligence by Chen?" He ordered the lawyers from both sides to prepare closing argument briefs and told them exactly what he wanted to be in them before he makes a decision on the case.

He read a list of the specific topics he wanted covered in the briefs. He asked each side to address the proximate cause of the accident. He asked them to address CBBT's policy concerning wind gusts and wind speed. He noted that the police use two of the four wind reporting stations to determine restriction levels. "If any one of the stations is high, why would you consider anything less than the highest level?" he asked.

He asked if the CBBT wind policy was properly interpreted between 12:01 p.m., when the facility reopened to all tractor-trailer trucks, and 12:15, when Chen's truck went off the bridge. "Was that interpretation consistent with policy?" he asked. Attorneys for the plaintiff and for the CBBT presented expert wind engineers as witnesses. Judge Lilley asked them to address the opinions given by both, noting the two opinions were "diverse and different."

The case presented by Jeffrey Hunn, of Pender and Coward, representing the CBBT, maintained the CBBT District followed its wind restriction policy when it opened the bridge at 12:01 p.m. to all tractor-trailers. He said Chen's speeding and reckless driving, rather than the

wind, caused the accident. He presented three witnesses who were in a car returning to Virginia Beach from an Alzheimer's Association meeting in Onancock that morning. All testified that the truck driven by Chen was driving fast when it pulled alongside them and cut in front of their car with only 8 or 10 feet of clearance.

"If I had not defensively moved, we would have been involved in the accident too," said Deborah Davis, driver of the red Nissan. "He barely missed me, cutting me off," she told the court. She said the truck and trailer jackknifed and went off the bridge directly in front of them. She said she was in the left-hand lane since going past the toll and never exceeded the reduced 35 mph speed limit.

The defense also presented a friend of Chen's, a truck driver on the bridge at the same time and who saw the accident. He said he and Chen were "bullcrapping" on a CB radio when he heard Chen say, "holy s---" and saw his truck go through the guardrail and into the water.

Douglas Desjardins and Amanda Dure of the Washington, D.C.-based Pangia Law Group, represented Billie Jo Chen, the plaintiff. They said Chen was returning home to Greenville, S.C., after delivering a load of seafood to Baltimore. They said the high winds and the district's restriction procedures were to blame for the accident.

"It should have been a level 2 restriction," said Desjardins. Level 2 would have prohibited a lightly-loaded trailer such as Chen's from going across. Desjardins said Chen went off the bridge into the freezing water. "He died of hypothermia and drowning 35 minutes later. He never should have been able to cross. He should have been able to trust that the wind restriction level reflected the data."

Desjardins said he believed the CBBT was negligent in reopening the bridge at 12:01 p.m. after being closed to all 18-wheelers for several hours. Hollis A. Brickhouse, a lieutenant retired from CBBT police, was working that day but said he did not

impose the wind restriction because he was in meetings.

Brickhouse testified at length about the four weather stations and how they are interpreted and how the restriction level was decided. He said they took the average of the two highest average wind speeds, but when the judge asked about that, Brickhouse said they did not actually average the two numbers. He appeared to describe a more subjective wind analysis.

Judge Lilley asked him many questions about averaging wind speeds and the official CBBT written policy. "It doesn't list it exactly on here," Brickhouse said. "But that's the normal protocol."

Chen's employer and owner of Evans Seafood testified Chen had worked for him for eight years and called him a good employee and "a superb driver."

"Everyone is working for the right answer," said Judge Lilley, "This is a very important case, and we are going to try and get it right."

He instructed the lawyers to get their briefs to him by Jan. 14, 2021.

Accomack County Circuit Court

Jerry Corbett Kellam, 40, of Parkside, originally charged with felony abduction, pleaded guilty to three misdemeanors in a plea agreement with the commonwealth.

On June 6, Corbett and his wife got into an argument over dinner preparations. He threw his cellphone across the table, striking her child in the face. He attempted to block his wife from taking the child to the hospital. He admitted he was angry but did not intend to hit the child, said Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan.

Kellam pleaded guilty to two counts of assault and battery of a family member and violation of a protective order. He was sentenced to 30 days, all suspended, for the protective order violation and 60 days

on each assault and battery, all suspended but for time served. He is required to be on good behavior for three years.

Bryan Lee Green Jr., 31, of New Church, pleaded guilty to two counts of assault and battery of a household member, third offense, and abduction. Commonwealth's Attorney Morgan told the court the details of the assaults. On Feb. 20, Green was arrested when Erica Huff told a deputy who responded that Green assaulted her and she fell into a table, hit her head, and lost consciousness. She said he destroyed her bedroom and pulled a door off its hinges. Green had multiple injuries to his hands and knuckles, Morgan said.

On March 28, deputies responded again to their home. Huff said she left the night before after an altercation with Green. She said she returned home the next day to get her purse and he grabbed her and threw her out the door and into the mud. Morgan said Green was argumentative with the deputy who arrested him and threatened to kill Huff when released from jail.

On July 21, a deputy responded to an early morning 911 call from the Seahawk Motel. Two witnesses there said the couple was in the swimming pool, then they saw Green choke the woman and throw her over a fence and then continue to attack her. When officers arrived, they saw Huff was injured. She was taken to a hospital.

On August 12, the couple was at another motel when police were called. Both were drinking and Huff told officers Green became intoxicated and began beating her. He destroyed her cell phone and prevented her from leaving the room, Morgan said. The responding officers said Huff was injured.

"Mr. Green has significant mental issues," said Morgan. "But that is not a defense." Green will remain in jail until his Feb. 18, 2021, sentencing.

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Chincoteague Gnomes Gather for ‘The Year We All Stayed Gnome’

Submitted Article

Due to recent restrictions related to the pandemic, the Museum of Chincoteague has made changes to its planned Christmas Tree Village and A Gathering of Island Gnomes.

While the museum will not be able to display the beautifully decorated trees in the Legacy Pavilion and invite the public to gather inside, organizers have changed the name and reorganized the event.

This year, it will be called “The Year We All Stayed Gnome.”

You see, gnomes are immune to COVID-19 and protested that canceling their gathering infringed on their rights. We all need a little whimsy in our life right now and this is it.

A Gathering of Island Gnomes will still take place outside in the museum courtyard (some featuring island characters, past and present).

The Island Gnomes will be on display from Dec 1 - 31. Visit them anytime for your holiday entertainment pleasures.

This allows for plenty of social distancing, keeping us all safe while enjoying A Gathering of Island Gnomes.

Currently present in the display are Miss Diane’s Nursery School for Kind-hearted Gnomes, Ole Man Tom Reed, Captain Barry Frishman, Team Brianna - Kindness Matters, Esmarelda, a Hippie Biker Chick, Be Kind, Mr. Pots, Gnome Garden Party, Chincoteague Police, CI Community Cats, Spunky, and Honey Bee. More gnomes are expected to arrive daily, including from the U.S. Navy and the Coast Guard.

The museum hopes to make this gathering of homemade gnomes a new tradition.

Some of the gnomes tell a story of Chincoteague history and characters, past and present. As an example, Mr. Tom Reed was known for catching snapping turtles and being a market game hunter and a poet. The gnome made in his memory displays those bits of history that really pertain personally to him. Anyone who knew him would be able to guess who the gnome represents.

Additionally, the museum will sponsor a virtual celebration of its 50th anniversary, called “Giving Thanks for 50 Years.”

The celebration will start Dec. 10 and continue until Dec 17. The virtual celebration will feature island historian Cindy Faith narrating interesting displays in the museum for 2020.

All during the week there will be a silent auction. Some items featured in the auction will be artwork by Jenny Somers, John Hamberger, Cindy Faith, Cheryl Taylor, and Erick Sahler; a Chincoteague four-night getaway package; an antique rocking horse; a sea glass Christmas tree; an Island Creamery gift certificate for one quart of ice cream a month for 12 months; a cruise for two with Capt. Barry; and other fun and unique items.

The Museum of Chincoteague Island is delighted to announce a pretty little elf by the name of Melissa Pirkle will be baking some goodies to share with our gathering of Island Gnomes and others.

Melissa will be offering beautiful and very tasty petit fours (four to a box) for \$10 and a three-flavor box of cookies (one dozen) for \$10 — the flavors are chocolate chip, peanut butter, and chocolate chip peanut butter cinnamon.

Orders must be received by Dec. 12 for pick up at the museum or delivery on the island Dec. 18 and 19.

Preorders can be placed on the Museum of Chincoteague’s Facebook page under the post about the online bake sale; by emailing museumofci@gmail.com; or by phone at 757-336-6117. These delicious baked goods are made with love and taste magical. They make a nice gift for yourself or a friend or neighbor.

First Annual Gathering of Island Gnomes collector’s trivets are available in limited quantities from the museum. They were created by local artist Cheryl Taylor.

The original artwork reproduced on the trivets will be offered for sale in the online auction.

P.S. In their protest, The Island Gnomes have kindly asked for all registration fees to be waived — “The more the merrier,” they say.

Everyone is invited to create and add gnomes to the courtyard display throughout the month.

The gnomes will be outside, so they must be able to survive in all types



“The Year We All Stayed Gnome” display is in the courtyard of the Museum of Chincoteague Island from Dec. 1-31. Many of the handmade creations depict characters from Chincoteague’s past and present, such as this display depicting Capt. Barry. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

of wind and weather with no shelter. Gnome life can be tough. They will also have no security, so we suggest nothing

valuable be left in their care. They simply are not all trustworthy. Sad but true; we hope they all get along well.



Donna Leonard's gnome, Hippy Dippy Biker Chick Miss Janie Smiley, is one of many gnomes on display in the courtyard of the Museum of Chincoteague Island. Photo by Carol Vaughn.



This gnome display depicts beloved preschool teacher Miss Diane and some of her students. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY OLD DOMINION ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE FOR APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRIC FACILITIES: WALLOPS-CHINCOTEAGUE LINE NOS. 6745 AND 6746 69 KV TRANSMISSION LINE REBUILD CASE NO. PUR-2020-00227

On October 30, 2020, Old Dominion Electric Cooperative ("ODEC" or "Cooperative") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for approval and certificates of public convenience and necessity for electric facilities: Wallops-Chincoteague Line Nos. 6745 and 6746 69 kV Transmission Line Rebuild ("Application"). ODEC filed the Application pursuant to § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") and the Utility Facilities Act, Code § 56-265.1 *et seq.*

Specifically, the Cooperative proposes to (i) remove an approximately 0.5-mile segment of its existing overhead Wallops-Chincoteague Lines 6745 and 6746 just east of Wallops Flight Facility ("WFF") Runway 35 ("Existing Facilities"); and (ii) relocate and replace the lines underground in a new duct bank within existing and new right-of-way in Accomack County, Virginia ("Relocated Facilities") (collectively, "Rebuild Project").

The Cooperative states that the Rebuild Project is needed as the Existing Facilities' structures are nearing their end of life and need to be replaced. ODEC states that the Rebuild Project is necessary to continue providing reliable electric transmission service consistent with the Cooperative's obligation to provide generation and transmission service to its Members who in turn provide retail electric distribution service to their member-customers. ODEC further states that while Lines 6745 and 6746 generally follow a direct-line path along Virginia State Route 175 ("Rt. 175") in the area of the Rebuild Project, the Existing Facilities veer away from the road into marshland to avoid proximity to the flight path of WFF Runway 35. ODEC states that it cannot replace these structures in their current right-of-way due to conflicting requirements for the height of the structures. The Cooperative states that the Relocated Facilities will be placed underground and will follow a shorter, direct-line path along Rt. 175. ODEC represents that it will acquire two new 100-foot width right-of-way easements in properties paralleling Rt. 175.

The Cooperative states that the desired in-service date for the Rebuild Project is May 31, 2023. The Cooperative represents that the estimated cost of the Rebuild Project is approximately \$3.8 million.

The proposed route for the proposed Rebuild Project is approximately one-half mile long and is adjacent to Chincoteague Road, State Route 175 for the entire length of the route. The proposed route begins one-quarter mile north of the Wallops Island National Wildlife Refuge sign at Structure No. 65 and travels northeast parallel to Chincoteague Road until it terminates slightly northeast of Structure No. 76. Structure 76 is one-quarter mile southwest of NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center. The two structures in this Route are seventy feet tall.

All distances, heights, and directions are approximate. A sketch map of the proposal accompanies this notice. A more detailed map may be viewed on the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Transmission-Line-Projects, and a more complete description of the Rebuild Project may be found in the Cooperative's Application.

The Commission may consider a route not significantly different from the route described in this notice without additional notice to the public.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled a public hearing on ODEC's Application. On April 27, 2021, at 10 a.m., the Commission will hold a telephonic hearing, with no witness present in the Commission's courtroom, for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses. On or before April 23, 2021, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting; (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov; or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting.

On April 28, 2021, at 10 a.m., either in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or by electronic means, the Commission will convene a hearing to receive testimony and evidence related to the Application from the Cooperative, any respondents, and the Commission's Staff. Further details on this hearing will be provided by subsequent Commission Order or Hearing Examiner's Ruling.

An electronic copy of the Cooperative's Application also may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Cooperative, Garland S. Carr, Esquire, Williams Mullen, 200 South 10th Street, Suite 1600, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or gcarr@williamsmullen.com.

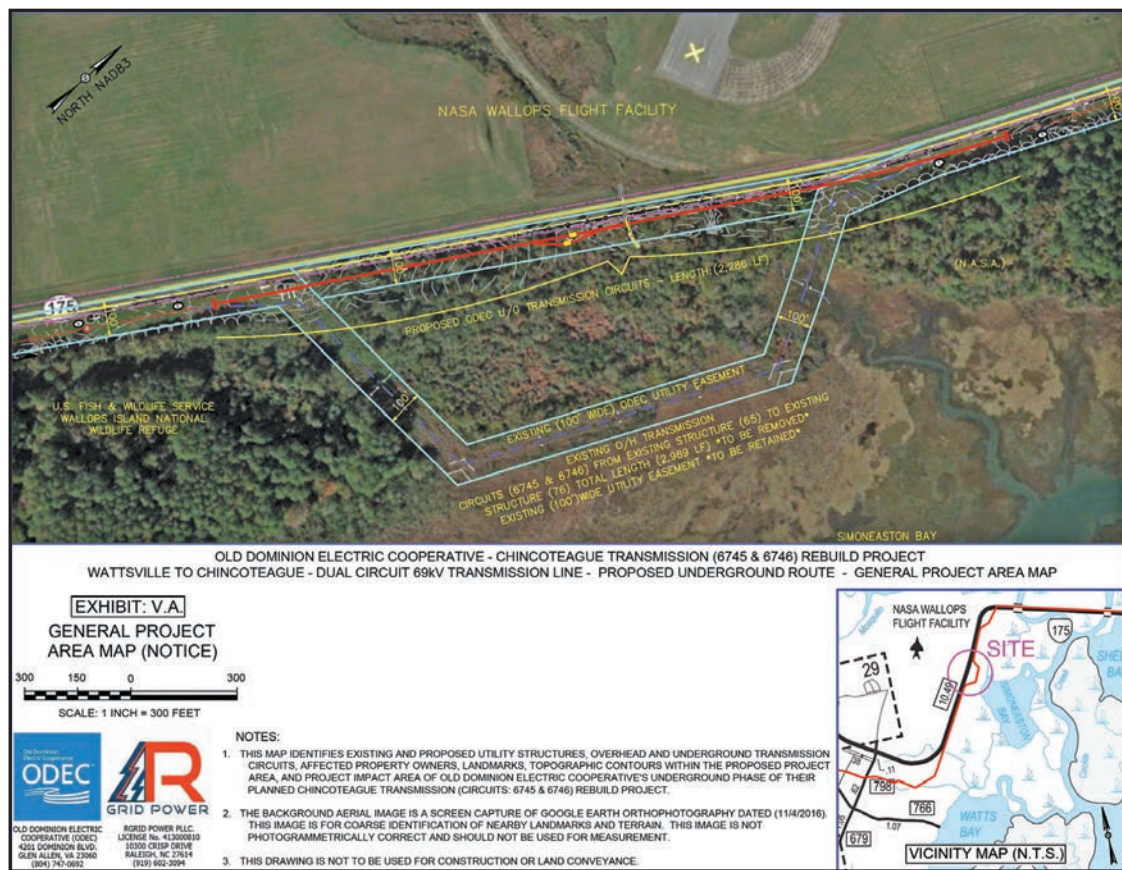
Any person or entity may participate as a respondent in this proceeding by filing, on or before January 29, 2021, a notice of participation with the Clerk of the Commission at: scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling. Notices of participation shall include the email addresses of the party or its counsel. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Cooperative. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice"), any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00227. For additional information about participation as a respondent, any person or entity should obtain a copy of the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing.

On or before April 26, 2021, any interested person may file comments on the Application by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments. All such comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00227.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

The Cooperative's Application, the Commission's Rules of Practice, the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, and other documents filed in the case may be viewed at: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

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Onancock, Virginia Water Trails Each Get \$20k in Grants to Spur Tourism

Submitted Article

Onancock Main Street and the Virginia Water Trails initiative have each received a \$20,000 grant from the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Recovery Marketing Leverage Program. The grant program is designed to help local and regional tourism entities attract more visitors by leveraging limited local marketing dollars through a local match of the state grant funds.

Onancock Main Street will use its grant funds to inspire travelers to choose Onancock as their getaway destination in all seasons. Funds will be used to enhance marketing, increase awareness, and specifically target travelers within a 200-mile radius.

The water trails initiative was created by Virginia coastal regional planning commissions with support from NOAA and the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program. The grant will be used for web content management services including newsletters, blogs featuring water trails and Virginia Oyster Trail sites, events, and trip itineraries.

More than \$1.9 million in matching grant funds were awarded to 161 local tourism initiatives through the grant program. This funding cycle, local partners will provide more than \$5.6 million in-kind value to match the VTC grants. The grants will ultimately impact 483 statewide tourism entities.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a devastating impact on the tourism and hospitality industries in Virginia. As the commonwealth reopens for business, VTC offered these grant funds as a first step to re-entry into the marketplace to spur economic activity and future travel across the commonwealth.

"Tourism is a crucial section of the Virginia economy and when we invest in this industry, we support local job creation and drive regional economic growth, which is desperately needed now due to the pandemic," said Gov. Ralph Northam in a press release. "These funds give localities and businesses access to critical marketing resources that will help bring more travelers to our Commonwealth, increase visitor spending, and grow demand for Virginia products."

Tourism is one of the commonwealth's largest economic engines, with visitors to Accomack County spending more than \$222 million in 2019, supporting 2,223 work opportunities, and contributing over \$17 million in local and state tax revenue. The tourism and hospitality industries have al-

so been among the hardest-hit by the pandemic, experiencing decreased revenue and job loss, along with the temporary closure of many tourism-related businesses. A revived tourism economy can help spur new economic activity and inject critical funds back into Virginia communities.

Library Featured in Microsoft News

Submitted Article

Eastern Shore Public Library may be a small library system in rural Virginia, but it has attracted national attention with its work breaking down the digital divide.

Cara Burton, library system director for the four-library regional system, was recently interviewed by Microsoft for an article called, "Bridging the Digital Divide: A New Chapter in the Life of the Public Library." The online article interviewed librarians about the transformation of libraries to meet the digital access needs of their communities during the pandemic.

"It was quite an interesting inter-

view," reports Burton. "The writer lives in England. It was fun to chat with someone from the other side of the pond during a time when our traveling is so limited. Isn't technology wonderful?"

ESPL received several grants this year because the Shore's online access needs are high, including an American Library Association Digital Lead Grant, supported by Microsoft that provided ten mini-laptops. The laptops were also used at outreach events for the 2020 Census.

Read the Microsoft article at <https://news.microsoft.com/on-the-issues/2020/10/20/digital-divide-public-libraries-airband-covid-19/>

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Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest: I'm Melting, I'm Melting!



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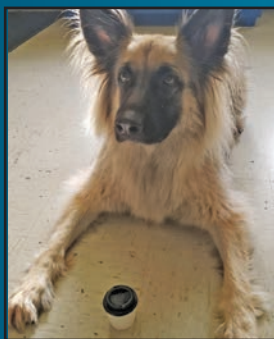
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**Last Week's
Winner**



Randomly chosen from among last week's 20 contestants who found all six rings, Victoria Taylor, of Parksley, submits evidence of Zeus enjoying a cup of coffee (with whipped cream, natch) from his favorite coffee shop, Slack Tide, in Wattsville. Taylor won a \$25 gift certificate to C.D. Marsh Jewelers in Onancock.

**Last Week's Contest:
With This Ring...**

We placed rings on pages 4, 8, 22, 27, 31, and 33. Victoria Taylor, of Parksley, was chosen at random from all the contestants who found the six rings, and she won a \$25 gift certificate from C.D. Marsh Jewelers in Onancock.

**This Week's Contest:
Find Snowmen Before They Melt**

In recognition of December snow possibilities, we have hidden snowmen. These two specifically:



There are six of these snowmen (three happy ones and three scary ones) in this issue of the paper. From among the osprey-eyed readers who find all six, we will randomly choose one reader to receive his or her choice of a Smith

Island cake from Becca's Smith Island Cakes. See sponsor's box on this page.

The rules:

- Find the snowmen and tell us where you found them (page number and location on the page). Send this information to david@easternshorepost.com.
- You can start sending your entries now. Entries MUST have your first and last names and your town.
- Include a photograph if you choose to submit one and tell us a little something about the picture.
- Entries will be accepted until noon on Monday, Dec. 14. Entries arriving after noon on Monday the 14th will not be entered in the contest.
- Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.
- Do not submit multiple entries.

The winner and as many runners-up as possible will get their photographs in the paper. If you don't want to use your own picture, you can submit a photo of your child or a pet — or a cake you baked, piles of leaves you raked, or a drain you snaked. Just no feet.

Business owners, charities, fundraisers: if you want to raise awareness, advertise, and get on the good side of puzzle lovers up and down the Shore, consider sponsoring a weekly prize in the osprey-eyed reader contest. The prize value must be a minimum of \$25 but can be in any form you decide: merchandise, tickets, services. Readers of the Eastern Shore Post love the osprey-eyed reader contest — get in on the fun and contact Troy Justis at ads@easternshorepost.com.

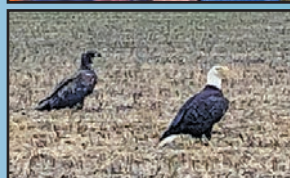
Runners-Up



Although she didn't win the contest, Judy Brunk, of Jamesville, wins admiration for combining the diamond ring clue with some Eastern Shore crabs.



Brooke Byrd-Joynes, of Wachapreague, celebrates Friendsgiving with her childhood friends Susie Perkins, Carla Custis, Julie Kellam, (Brooke Byrd), Erin Perkins, Helen Pruitt, and Susan Kellam.



On Monday, Nov. 30, runner-up Kendall Combs, of Capeville, "captured" this pair of bald eagles on Plantation Drive in Capeville.



This is the first entry for Courtney Chance, of Temperanceville, but she had help from Ashe, who "loves the osprey-eyed contests."



We suspect that runner-up Arienne Townsend, of Eastville, doesn't mind not winning as long as she can give — and get — hugs.



Deidre Brown, of Cape Charles, took a quick picture before heading to school: Kiptopeke Elementary School first grade teacher Darlene Brown with nephew Trenton and niece Paris.

Runners-Up Not Pictured:

Teresa Rudiger, Melfa
Cathy Jo Tapman, Bullbeggar
Rob Moore, Cape Charles

Theresa Lattimore, Bloxom
Debra Fox, Machipongo
Cheryl Turner, Bloxom

Brittany Pettit, Parksley
Angela de Cardona, Hallwood
Jimmy Nickerson, Parksley

Annie Schu, Saxis
John Downing, Dingley's Mill
Patricia M. Voss, Bloxom
Brittney Parks, Pocomoke City, Md.

Random Facts About ... Things You Remember Wrong

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes for cleaning last week, a bunch of memories spilled out. All of them wrong.

The South African civil rights leader Nelson Mandela died in 2013, but when news of his death circulated, a great number of people were shocked. They thought Mandela had died in prison during the 1980s. Some people even “remembered” watching his funeral a couple decades before he actually died. This phenomenon of masses of people misremembering events or cultural details is

known as the Mandela Effect, named by paranormal researcher Fiona Broome.

An example is the 1990s movie “Shazaam,” starring Sinbad, the comedian. People have fond memories of the bumbling genie helping two children. Except it doesn’t exist. People will tell you they love Jiffy peanut butter, except it’s Jif peanut butter. A surprisingly large number of people will swear they were taught that Alaska and Hawaii were the 51st and 52nd states.

Our memories are not recordings that can be played back like so much unal-

tered videotape. Instead, they are stories that we tell ourselves and that we edit over time. If, the day after a national disaster, you were to ask people where they were and what they were doing when they heard about the disaster, they can give you an accurate response. Ask that same question years later, and the stories of where they were and what they were doing will have changed — and perhaps become wildly inaccurate — due to the memory being edited over the years. People “remember” watching the 1986 Challenger Space Shuttle disaster happening in 1984. They can even tell you what high school class they were in and who the teacher was. These vivid, detailed memories have one profound flaw: the remembered event never happened.

Let’s see if you are suffering from the Mandela Effect. Compare your responses to each of the following with the answers at the end.

1. In the movie “Risky Business,” Tom Cruise danced to “Old Time Rock and Roll” while wearing a white shirt and sunglasses. True or False?

2. What did you think of those lovable

cartoon characters, the Berenstain Bears?

3. Did you ever wear Fruit of the Loom underwear that had the symbol of a bunch of fruit tumbling out of a cornucopia?

4. “Life is like a box of chocolates,” according to Forrest Gump. True or False?

5. You’re careful when you camp out, because Smokey the Bear warned you. True or False?

6. Were you shocked when Darth Vader announced, “Luke, I am your father”?

7. Were you frightened when Hannibal Lecter saw the FBI agent for the first time and said, “Hello, Clarice”?

1. False. Light pink shirt, no sunglasses.

2. No, it was the Berenstain Bears.

3. No cornucopia, just the fruit.

4. False. He said, “Life was like a box of chocolates.”

5. False, it was Smokey Bear who warned you. No “the.”

6. “No, I am your father,” is what he actually said.

7. “Good morning” – what he actually said upon meeting Clarice for the first time.



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EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

Vikings Double Down on Season Opener



Senior captain Hannah Davis gets ahead of the defense on a fast break for an easy layup.

Story and Photos by Brennan Waldorf

The Broadwater Vikings tipped off their basketball seasons this week on Tuesday, Dec. 8. The Lady Vikings played on their home court against Gateway Christian while the boys traveled to the Crusaders' court in Virginia Beach. The Crusaders entered the match with a win already under their belt and will move to 1-1 as the Viking boys won 70-22 and the Lady Vikings won 34-18.

The Lady Vikings varsity squad hasn't suited up since the 2018-19 season after injuries and low numbers prevented them from rostering a varsity team last year. This year senior Hannah Davis will be guiding the young squad as the team's captain. Davis and Suzanna Long will act as the team's veterans with the most time logged on the court since the 2018 season. They'll lead a young group of starters



Taylor Leland was the Vikings' leading scorer with 10 points. She struggled early with finishing at the rim but improved with both hands as the game progressed.

composed of mostly sophomores who have mainly seen JV action.

Practice for the Lady Vikings began right after volleyball ended as the majority of the players attacked the net in the season prior. With only nine practices to build on, the Lady Vikings took the court causing turnovers and fighting for rebounds. Coach Benji Rew has a team similar to his volleyball team. The basketball team doesn't have much height but makes up for it with several interchangeable scrappy guards. Cailey Sexton was the Crusaders' center piece. The offense ran through her and the Vikings were relentless in stopping the ball when she was in motion. They generated 15 steals against 14 turnovers by picking pockets and getting to loose balls on their way to the first victory of the year.

Taylor Leland led in points, recording 10, and Molly



Eighth grader Leah Smith attempts a free throw in the fourth quarter. She led the team in assists with four.

Brown finished with nine points and five rebounds before fouling out in the fourth. Hannah Davis added eight points and five rebounds. Suzanna Long led in rebounding with 11 while Faith Johnson led the defense with five steals. The Lady Vikings will take on Greenbrier Christian tonight, Dec. 11, at 5 p.m., at the Hall Center.

The Viking boys dismantled the Crusaders on their home court in Virginia Beach, building a 42-9 lead at the half. They coasted to their 70-22 victory with four players finishing in double digits. Willie Holden was the game's leading scorer with 17 points and four steals, Levin Smith followed with 15 points, eight rebounds, and seven assists. Clay Wardius had a double-double with 14 points and 10 rebounds, while Brant Bloxom added 11 points and five rebounds. The boys travel to Chesapeake Friday, Dec. 11, for a 5 p.m. tipoff against Greenbrier Christian.

E.S. Street Hockey League Game Summaries



Ray Johnson acknowledges the tremendous effort Alex McCoullough displayed in goal for the Knights.



The Ducks connect on one of their 4 goals against the Blues.

Story and Photos by Matthew Yoder

Following a break for the Thanksgiving holiday, the six teams of the ESSHL returned to Stapleton Rink Sunday and showed no signs of rust in their quest of a league championship. Staying at rest against the chill in the air was not an option, and competitors took note, often finding another gear to press the issue on forechecks and odd-man rushes. As the teams' cycle through the round robin format, rivalries increasingly become more definable, both in team play and individual matchups. Here is a recap of week four's action.

Game 1 Knights vs. Bruins

Knights' goalie, Alex McCoullough, provided arguably the best individual performance of the day, albeit in a losing effort. McCoullough made 33 saves on 34 shots, many of which drew applause from spectators for the sheer brilliance of the skill he displayed. The Bruins' forwards were relentless in their attack for all three periods, with TR Hoyt, Donnie Williams, and Caleb Clark passing the ball with great precision. Additionally, Madeline Cornwell provided scrappy play along the boards for the Bruins. The combination yielded high percentage scoring chances, but McCoullough's positioning in the net

was impeccable. For the first 23 minutes of the match he was impenetrable, finally succumbing to the Bruins' pressure in the final minute of the game as Williams broke the plane.

Game 2 Wings vs. Harambe

In what has become an Achilles' heel for the team, Harambe started the game goalie-less again, and the Wings' Brandon Stapleton made them pay 20 seconds in with a goal from the right boards. Harambe settled with an early timeout, and responded with a tying goal: Josh Taylor on a rebound. Stapleton put the Wings ahead with a breakaway goal and nearly helped extend the lead with a tremendous pass to Ethan Ayer for a good look. In the second period, that lead would be extended with a hat trick goal from Stapleton, and from there the game was played at a very tense, physical level, with a number of penalties being called on both teams. The Wings' Jack Smith made Harambe pay for one of their penalties, with a power play goal, moving the lead to 3 at the end of the second period. Harambe made a concerted effort to up the pressure in the third, but Guy Parks played very solid in the net for the Wings. Both teams notched two goals apiece in the third period, and the Wings stepped away

victorious, 6-3. Stapleton finished the game with 4 goals.

Game 3 Ducks vs. Blues

The Ducks continued a three-pronged attack of stable goaltending from Justin Wheeler, consistent play from back-line defenders, Jesse West and Own Chew, and timely goals from a host of capable forwards. The formula has put the Ducks atop the league standings and was instrumental in helping to dismantle the Blues, 4-1. To their credit, the Blues matched the Ducks for two scoreless periods, but goals from Anthony Taylor, Cole Chaplin, Thomas Hart, and Dustin Aigner propelled the Ducks to victory. Bradley Colonna scored the lone goal for the Blues.

Game 4 Bruins vs. Harambe

The day's fourth game was another well-contested affair that could not be decided by three periods of play. Harambe's goalie, Sean Justice, did well to fight off a strong Bruins' attack in the first period to keep the game scoreless. In the second, Harambe's Robbie Washington, who played the game at a speedy, yet controlled level, worked hard to get the ball past Mark Stapleton for the first goal of the game. Later in the period, Hoyt scored on a roller from the right faceoff circle for the Bruins. The third period was not short of scor-

ing chances for either team, but goals did not follow. Stapleton made a spectacular shoulder save with six seconds to play, sending the game to a shootout. Justice stopped all three shooters from the Bruins, and Washington scored for Harambe, helping his team end the day level with a win and a loss.

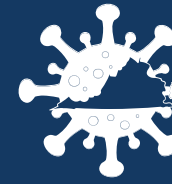
Game 5 Knights vs. Ducks

A shortened roster put the Knights at a heavy disadvantage against a surging Ducks team. Aigner registered a hat trick and was complemented with goals from Chaplin, West, and Taylor, all leading to a 6-0 victory for the Ducks. Wheeler posted another shutout, as the Ducks really begin to assert a solid plan moving forward.

Game 6 Blues vs. Wings

A hard-fought, 3-2 win gave the Wings their second victory of the day. This time, a hat trick was supplied from Ayer, as he showed all the passion of a player up to the challenge of any competition. Ayer was the benefactor of some spectacular passes from Gabriel Nock. The Blues did not back down and made Parks work really hard in net, with saves on toe saves, sliding saves, and even saves on his back to preserve the win for the Wings.

All teams will be back in action this Sunday in Parksley.



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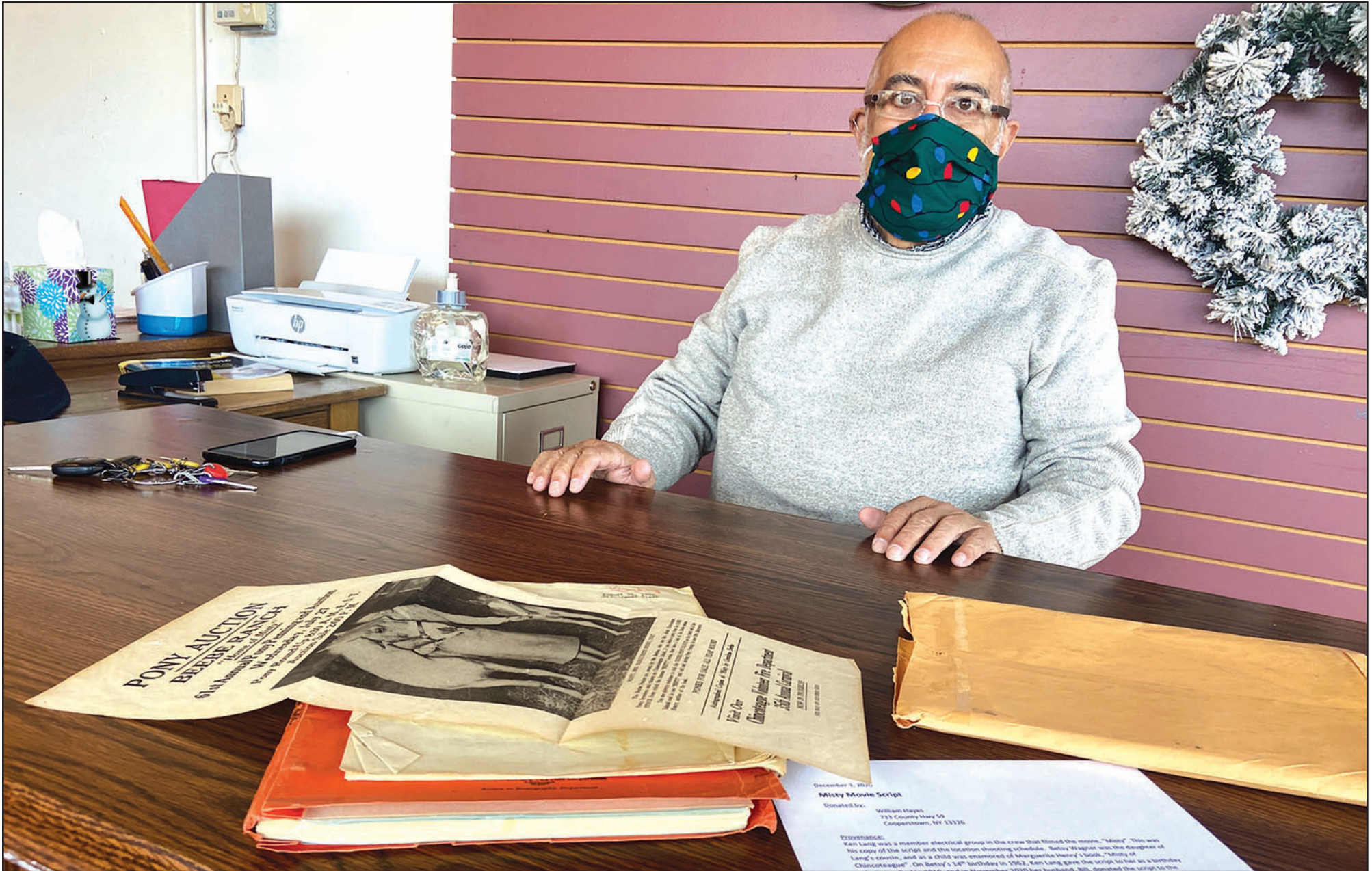
Inaugural Lights on the Lawn Festival at Ker Place Wows Crowd

Trying to instill holiday spirit in a COVID-19 restricted season, two Onancock nonprofit groups partnered to produce “Lights on the Lawn,” which opened at Ker Place Saturday. The groups, the Onancock Business and Civic Association and Eastern Shore Historical Society, purchased 20 trees and found sponsors to pay for and decorate them. Photos by Jim Ritch



(1) Volunteer Kim Moore, of the Onancock Business and Civic Association, inspects the decorated trees of “Lights on the Lawn” during a test run about an hour before the official lighting last week. (2) Elizabeth Moulds, 9, of Onancock, adjusts her favorite ornament on a tree sponsored and decorated by The Charlotte Hotel & Restaurant. Moulds, daughter of Jeff Moulds and Brent Anderson, of Onancock, assisted in the initial decorating of the tree. (3) The Grinch appeared atop a tree decorated by The Charlotte. (4) Strategically wrapped pool noodles made up the enormous lollipops surrounding a tree decorated by the Eastern Shore Historical Society. The theme of the tree is, “We’re sweet on history.” (5) Volunteers from the Onancock Business and Civic Association and Ker Place gather on the opening night. From left are Rick Turner, Bob Spoth, Hilary Hartnett-Wilson, Matt Spuck, and Kim Moore. (6) Maegan and Pete Smith, sponsors of a tree for the Corner Bakery, prepare to add a tree decorated by Trinity Episcopal Church to their ballot. Ballots allow voters to rank their three top picks. (7) Meg Jaudel photographs her father, Onancock Mayor Fletcher Fosque, and husband, J.P. Jaudel, holding two family dogs. The dogs are patients of Atlantic Animal Hospital, which sponsored the tree. (8) Hilary Hartnett-Wilson, executive director of the Eastern Shore Historical Society, smiles moments after throwing the breaker switches to officially illuminate “Lights on the Lawn.”

Original 'Misty' Script 'A Real Treasure' for Chincoteague Island Arts Organization



Bill Borges, chairman of CIAO's board of directors, sits behind a desktop displaying a script of the film "Misty" and other items that were donated to the arts organization recently. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

By Carol Vaughn

The Island Theatre on Chincoteague received an early Christmas present — the original script for the movie "Misty."

It was Ken Lang's copy of the script for the movie, which was based on Marguerite Henry's 1947 novel, "Misty of Chincoteague."

Lang was a member of the electrical group on the film crew.

The donation included a location shooting schedule detailing, for each scene, the principal cast members, description of extras, animals need-

ed, props, and production notes.

Also included was a poster from the 61st annual Pony Penning, with a map of Chincoteague on the back, likely used by Lang to find his way around the island.

William Hayes, of Cooperstown, N.Y., a few weeks ago contacted the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization, which owns the theater, to ask if its board would be interested in having the script.

The story of how Hayes came to own it is an interesting one.

Lang's cousin had a daughter,

Betsy Wagner, who was enamored of Henry's book, "Misty of Chincoteague." On Wagner's 14th birthday in 1962, Lang gave her the movie script, which she kept all these years and which remains in very good condition.

After Wagner died in 2019, her husband, Hayes, donated the script last month to the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization and the Island Theatre, where the "Misty" movie premiered in 1961 and where it typically is shown during Pony Penning week.

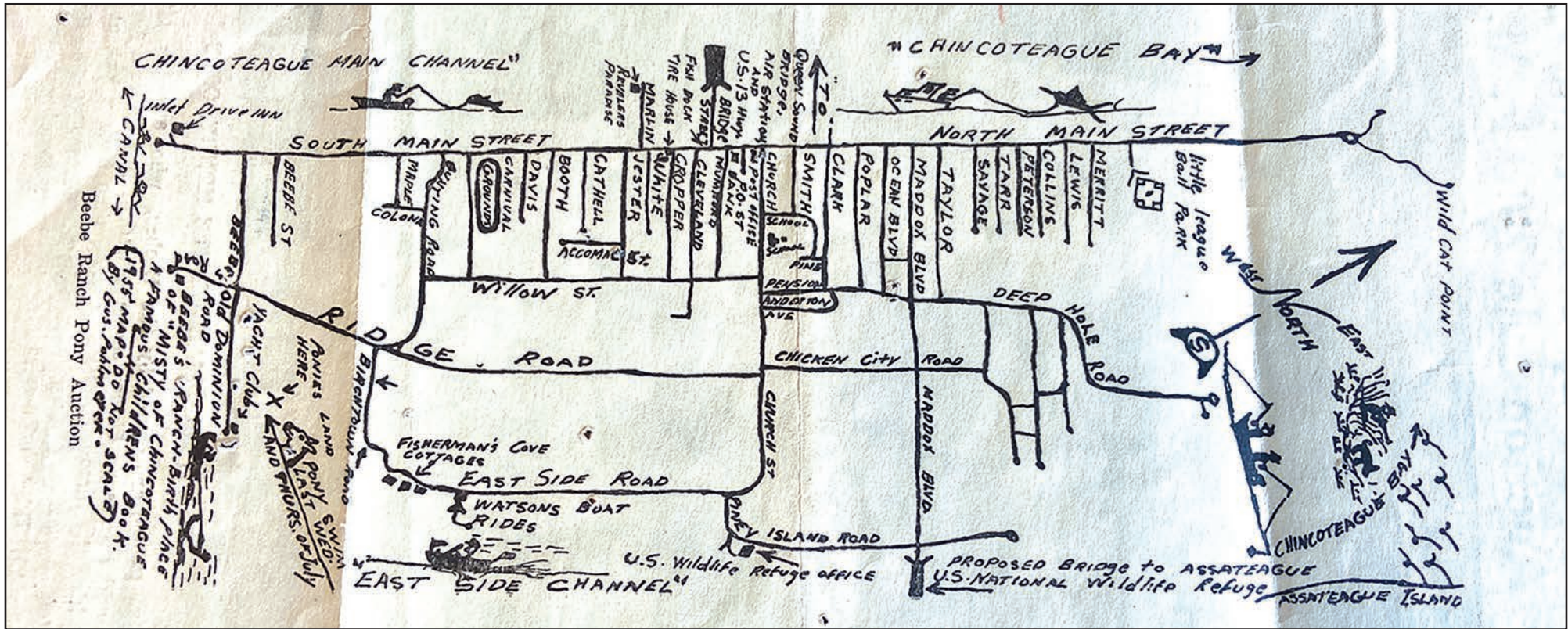
The script is signed "K. Lang, Electrical Dept." and marked "Strictly Confidential."

The 119-page typewritten script of the screenplay written by Ted Sherdeman is dated July 26, 1960.

Bill Borges, CIAO board chairman, called the script "a real treasure," saying Hayes' offer "just came out of the blue."

"We eventually want to put it in some sort of exhibit," he said, noting the theater already has an original poster from the movie.

The theater has been closed to the



A map of Chincoteague at the time is on the reverse side of a poster from Chincoteague's 61st annual Pony Penning. The poster recently was donated to the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization along with a script from the movie "Misty." Photo by Carol Vaughn.

public for most of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the board has used the time to work on the building and plan for the future, as well as offering virtual programs.

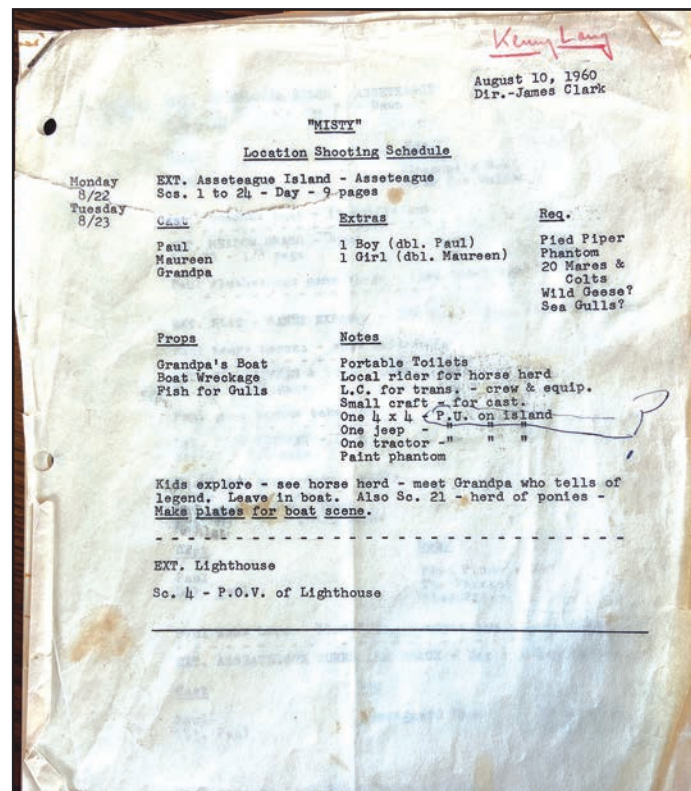
The movie, directed by James B. Clark and produced by Robert B. Radnitz, featured actor David Ladd in the role of Paul Beebe; Arthur O'Connell as Grandpa Beebe; Pam Smith as Maureen Beebe; and Anne Seymour as Grandma Beebe.

It also included a number of Chincoteague residents as extras.

One of them, John Jester, spoke with Borges about the experience.

"All the kids on the island, they closed the school for three days and the kids were bused to the fairgrounds when they did the fair scenes," Borges said, adding, "They were told you can go on all the rides, eat all the hot dogs you want, all the popcorn. At the end of the day, they each got a dollar."

"It's a sweet movie," Borges said.



Above: This shooting schedule was included in a recent donation of an original script from the movie "Misty," which was given to the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization.

Right: A Pony Penning poster recently donated to the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization along with a script of the film "Misty of Chincoteague."



Community Notes

Christmas Parade

The mayor of Chincoteague is having a Pop-Up Christmas Parade Saturday, Dec. 12, at 6 p.m., starting at the high school then heading to Beebe Road, then Ridge Road to Chicken City Road, and the parade will split at East Side Road, go around the circle and end up back at the high school. See story on Page 10.

Brownsville Holiday Open House

The Brownsville Virtual Holiday Open House will be Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 6 p.m. Staff members of The Nature Conservancy's Volgenau Virginia Coast Reserve invites everyone to join them for a new take on an old tradition. Guests may join them via Zoom or by calling in. For log in information, contact Outreach and Education Coordinator Margaret Van Clief at mvanclief@tnc.org or 757-414-9227 or visit the event page at www.nature.org/virginia

Gingerbread/Cookie Decorating Contest

The Virginia Cooperative Extension is hosting a virtual gingerbread and cookie decorating contest. Contestants may win prizes for decorating the best cookie or gingerbread house. Entries will be accepted until Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 1 p.m.

Age groups are 5-8, 9-12, and 13-18 and contestants may enter only one entry (either cookie or gingerbread, not both). Entries must be submitted via mail or email. Participants can register at <https://forms.gle/XzM6DZdMLFtnMamV8>

For questions or concerns, contact Marcus Riley at 757-787-1361 x16 or via email at marcusr19@vt.edu.

Chili and Chowder Fundraiser

The Tasley Volunteer Fire Company will hold its 6th Annual Chili and Chowder Fundraiser Saturday, Dec. 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the fire station at 23395 Tasley Road. Clam chowder is \$7 for a pint or \$14 for a quart; clam fritters are \$5 a sandwich; chili is \$5.50 a pint or \$10 for a quart; and there will be baked goods and drinks (carry-out only). For more information or to pre-order, call

757-787-7870 or 757-710-1996.

Cute Pet Contest

The Northampton Branch NAACP is sponsoring a virtual cute pet contest. Dress your pet in a cute outfit and mail the entry form, a picture of you with your pet, and the \$10 entry fee to: Northampton County Branch NAACP, Attn: Deborah Griffin, P.O. Box 333, Nassawadox, VA 23413-0333. Entries must be post-marked by Friday, Dec. 11. To receive an entry form, email sandbag71@hotmail.com or janecabarrus@aol.com. For more information, call Joyce at 757-442-1309.

Onancock Holidays

The Town of Onancock is festooned with holiday lights and decorations along the streets, bridges, historic buildings, and homes. On Saturday, Dec. 12, from 4 to 6 p.m., take a driving tour of the town starting at the Historic Onancock School (6 College Ave.) through two miles of themed holiday decorations including live characters and a nativity. Kids are encouraged to bring their letters for Santa and drop them in the special North Pole Express Mailbox.

Check the Onancock Main Street website at <https://www.onancock.com/community> for a full list of business hours and specials and discounts.

Hunters for the Hungry Deer Donations

The Eastern Shore Chapter of the Hunters for the Hungry announced the start of receiving deer donations to the program this year. Since 1997, the program has received and processed nearly 5,000 deer donations, processed into over 500,000 servings of meat to the clients of The Food Bank of the Eastern Shore and other agencies. There is no charge to the hunter to donate the deer. The deer must be properly harvested and registered, field dressed, and taken to one of the processors or collection points. The goal this year is 200 deer.

The program raises funds to pay the cost of processing a deer (\$50). The processors help the program by processing the deer at almost half their regular cost. Processors have the right to refuse any deer donation that has not been field dressed or cared for in a manner that ensures high quality usable meat.

The processors this year are (from north to south): Brent Powell, Powell Processing, 21397 Trower Road, Wachapreague, 787-7107, and Scott Hines, Eastern Shore Outfitters, 4306 Main St., Exmore, 442-4009. Collections points include the food bank at 24530 Coastal Blvd., Tasley, 787-2557, and B&B Market, 13001 Lankford Highway, Machipongo, 678-7236.

The program is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and donations are deductible as allowed by law. The program is a listed agency for the local United Way campaign. There currently is a dollar-for-dollar match for donations from businesses, civic organizations, and Ruritan clubs. Donations, made out to "Hunters for the Hungry" may be sent to 22271 Lee Mont Road, Parksley, VA 23421. For further questions, to arrange a speaker, or to help out, call or email the local director, Worth Saunders, at 757-710-0049 or worth@baysiderehab.com.

Frozen Food Sale

The Woman's Club of Accomack County will be having a frozen casserole, soup, and baked goods sale Saturday, Dec. 12, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the clubhouse on Richmond Avenue in Onley.





Cape 26507 Lankford Hwy. Center Cape Charles

Open 7 days a week
7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
email: capecntr@msn.com
757-331-1541

Week of Dec. 12 - Dec. 18, 2020

Saturday	
Fresh Trout Platter	\$15 ⁹⁹
Sunday	
Hot Roast Beef Sandwich	\$9 ⁹⁹
Monday	
Homemade Meatloaf	\$10 ⁹⁹
Tuesday	
Hot Turkey Sandwich	\$10 ⁹⁹
Wednesday	
Broiled or Fried Pork Chop	\$10 ⁹⁹
Thursday	
Spaghetti w/Giant Meatballs	\$9 ⁹⁹
Friday	
Petite Crab Imperial	\$14 ⁹⁹

ESVA Libraries Return to Curbside Pickup

As COVID-19 cases increase on the Shore, the Eastern Shore Public Library will return to curbside pickup by appointment beginning now. Library users cannot enter the buildings until further notice.

Outdoor Wi-Fi is available in the parking lots.

Curbside pickup of library materials placed on reserve will be available at the Accomack library Monday to Friday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Curbside pickup will be available at Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox, Monday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Chincoteague Island Library will have curbside pickup Tuesday through Saturday, at the times posted at www.espl.org Library staff will be available to answer calls during these hours, as well. Curbside delivery times will be posted on the library's website and on each library's telephone message machine.

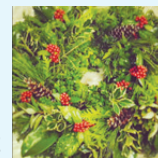
Residents can browse, borrow, and enjoy even more ebooks and digital audiobooks through the Libby Reading app. Go to the library website for more information.

Boating Safety Holiday Wishes

In observance of the holiday season, your boating safety minute is standing down for a month. We will resume our weekly announcements with new topics in January 2021. All of the Eastern Shore members of the U.S. Coast Guard active duty, reserve, and auxiliary wish everyone a happy holiday and a healthy and safe 2021. While the minute is standing down until January if you need us we'll be semper paratus!

The boating safety minutes are produced by Flotilla 12-02 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. We hope you will consider joining us in 2021.

~ Happy Holidays from Russell Vreeland and Flotilla 12-02 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary ~





United Way Raises \$345,000 for Nonprofits

The United Way of Virginia's Eastern Shore announced the total for the 2019 Campaign. Amanda Kamm (left) and Jennifer Annis (right), chairs of the campaign, raised over \$345,000 for nonprofit organizations on the Eastern Shore. Kim Savage, president of the UWVES board, presented plaques that read "Thank you for your Outstanding Achievements in Fundraising." The 2020 United Way Campaign is ongoing and would appreciate community support. If interested in helping those in need, please visit www.esunitedway.org



Teens Donate Surgical Masks to Riverside

Teens Brogan and Emerson Land recently donated funds to purchase 4,000 medical-grade procedural masks for the use of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital's patients and team members. The twin daughters of Lawrence and Ellen Land are juniors in high school and were inspired by their parents' donation earlier in the year, which funded 10,000 procedural and N95 masks for the Shore hospital. Pictured above is the Land family.

Community Fire Company, Inc. (Station 13) 2020

"Santa on the Exmore Fire Engine"

Santa Claus will be escorted by the fire department for two nights soon visiting streets in the Town of Exmore (and some areas just outside of Exmore). Santa Claus will be on top of the fire engine with kids/families coming out to see Santa Claus on the fire engine as it is driving by. This year Santa Claus will not be getting off the fire engine and meeting with kids; will be wishing them a Merry Christmas from the fire engine. Kids (with their parents) are asked to step outside to see Santa Claus, keeping a safe distance from the fire trucks, as he is visiting your neighborhood; each night starts around 5:30 p.m.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE SCHEDULE FOR EACH NIGHT - ONLY PRIMARY STREETS IN EACH AREA ARE LISTED TO PROVIDE A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF AREAS BEING COVERED EACH NIGHT.

Tuesday, December 15 - Areas west of Main Street, including the following general areas – Jefferson Street – Washington Street – Jackson Avenue – Roosevelt Avenue – Popular Avenue – Adron Street – Thurgood Marshall Road – Harriet Tubman Drive – Madame C. J. Walker Lane – Hadlock Lane

Wednesday, December 16 - Main Street and areas east of Main Street, including the following general areas – Lincoln Avenue – Crown Avenue – Houston Street – Tower Road – Belle Haven Road – Virginia Street – Myrtle Street – Willis Wharf Road – Willis Wharf Community – Seaside Road – Ballard Road – Hog Island Lane – Oakland Drive

Thursday, December 17 - Thurgood Marshall Road – Harriet Tubman Drive – Madame C. J. Walker Lane – Virginia Street – Myrtle Street – Willis Wharf Road (to Seaside Road)

Wednesday, December 18, is a make-up night (if needed for weather and/or fire incidents occurring during other nights)

SANTA CLAUS PLANS TO VISIT ALL STREETS IN THE AREAS LISTED ABOVE - PRIMARY STREETS IN EACH AREA ARE LISTED TO PROVIDE A GENERAL IDEA OF AREAS BEING COVERED EACH NIGHT - IF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS NEEDED PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMUNITY FIRE COMPANY, INC. AT 757-442-7813.

When stepping outside to see Santa Claus driving by, parents and kids are asked to take all necessary precautions as we continue through this pandemic, including maintaining appropriate distance from others, not congregating in groups, and as appropriate, wearing masks or other face coverings.

Eastern Shore Trading POST

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

Announcements



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12/13/70 - 04/30/20

We think about you always,
We talk about you still,
You have never been forgotten,
And you never will,
We hold you close within our hearts
And there you will remain,
To walk and guide us through our lives,
Until we meet again.

-unknown author-

HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY
WE LOVE AND MISS YOU
ALWAYS



Our children need you now more than ever.

Start the Process Today!

*We are taking every precaution to get you
trained and certified during this time.*

Become a Foster Parent!

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Fantonis.Warner@embracetfc.com

Get your paper Thursday night at www.easternshorepost.com

**The Eastern Shore Area
Agency on Aging/
Community Action Agency
is seeking volunteers to
assist with the Volunteer
Income Tax Assistance
Program (VITA). Training
is provided.**

*FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL
MARSHA BUNTING
AT 757-442-9652 EXT.21.*

Baby's First Christmas 2020
Hansen James Crutchley

**Born: Oct. 12,
2020, 5:55 a.m.**

**Weight: 7 lbs.,
12 oz.**

Length: 20 in.

**Born to:
Katy and Matthew
Crutchley**



Help Wanted

Emergency Medical Services Provider Part-Time, The Town of Chincoteague, VA, is accepting applications for EMTs and Paramedics for part-time emergency medical care from first aid to advanced life support, drive equipment, administer medications, prepare and maintain written reports. Candidates should have good communicative skills, computer skills, high school diploma, and minimum VA certification of: EMT or Paramedic (if paramedic TEMS sanctioned preferred, ACLS and PALS), valid driver's license and EVOC 2 at minimum. Send resume, application, certifications, driving transcript, and references, by **5:00 PM, December 18**, to: Director of Emergency Services, Town of Chincoteague, 6150 Community Dr., Chincoteague, VA 23336. Applications can be obtained at the Town Office or at www.chincoteagueva.gov.

Full-Time Sales & eCommerce in Pocomoke City
HIRING IMMEDIATELY. Base + commission. Jewelry store or banking experience preferred. Proficient in Word and Excel preferred. Knowledge of posting to eBay and Facebook helpful.

Email resume with references to eileenkirkwood@yahoo.com

LIBRARY SPECIALIST OPENING

Eastern Shore Public Library seeks a book delivery van driver & public service desk specialist. 16 hours/week. Basic computer skills, ability to lift 30 lb., and valid driver's license required. Applications at Accomac library or find at espl.org. ESPL is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer.



**Want to wish your customers
or friends and family a
Merry Christmas?
Baby's First Christmas?
Get your Christmas Wishes in
the Eastern Shore Post.
Email
angie@easternshorepost.com**

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Office Coordinator

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Office Coordinator in the Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department.

The essential function of the position is to assist the Director of Planning, Permitting and Enforcement with the timely execution of legally mandated duties. The position is responsible for coordinating administrative support for the enforcement of County Codes relevant to the Department and issuing permits. This includes preparing agendas, public notices required by law and production of minutes for groups including but not limited to Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Wetlands Board, and the Agricultural Forestal Committee.

Excellent communication skills are essential with two years' experience in customer service. Requires high school diploma or GED, and one year of college or vocational school education in business administration or a closely related field.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job descriptions, requirements and county's application form https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 by December 28, 2020. Northampton County is an EOE.

Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following position: **Full-Time Correctional Officer**. Applications may be obtained from the Accomack County Sheriff's Office or online at accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org. Applications must be returned to this office by Monday, December 28, 2020, at 4:00 pm. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Secretary/ Bookkeeper

Part-time position in Parksley. General bookkeeping skills required using QuickBooks and Microsoft Office. Good communication skills needed and ability to maintain church website and Facebook page. Send resume to : graceesumc@gmail.com

Permit Technician/ Administrative Assistant Town of Cape Charles

The Town of Cape Charles is accepting applications for a full-time Permit Technician to join the Code Enforcement Team. This position serves under the direction of the Building Official and must interact daily with the public. The ideal candidate will possess excellent customer service and organizational skills, be detail oriented, and have the ability to multi-task in a fast-paced office environment. Candidate must be certified as a Permit Technician or become certified within 18 months of employment. Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook is required. Any previous construction experience is a plus. Salary DOQ/DOE (hiring range: \$14.50-\$16.90 hourly), plus a full benefit package including state retirement. Submit a cover letter, resume, three current professional references, and Town employment application (available at www.capecharles.org or by calling 757-331-3259 x 11) to Human Resources, 2 Plum St., Cape Charles, VA 23310 or email to jodi.outland@capecharles.org. **Resumes without a Town employment application will not be considered.** Open until filled. *We are an equal opportunity employer and value diversity. All employment is decided on the basis of qualifications, merit and business needs.*

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS VACANCIES – IMMEDIATE OPENINGS 2020-2021

- Administrative Assistant-Human Resources
- Administrative Assistant-Special Programs Compliance and Records Management Assistant
- Art Teacher-Elementary
- Behavioral Support Aide
- Bus Monitor
- Bus Drivers (paid CDL training will be provided)
- Cafeteria Workers
- Car Driver
- Custodians
- Elementary Teacher
- Family & Consumer Science Teacher
- School Psychologist
- School Secretary-Part-Time & Full-Time
- Secondary Mathematics Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Substitutes-Teachers, Custodians, Cafeteria Workers, Nurses, etc.
- Technology Lab Assistant
- Tutors-Math & Reading
- Xtreme Reading Teacher

For job descriptions, qualifications, salaries, and to apply go to www.ncpsk12.com

Inquiries may be directed to:
Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services
(757) 678-5151 ext. 2013 or mphillips@ncpsk12.com

Northampton County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities.

9-1-1 Communications Officer

The Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Commission is now accepting applications for 9-1-1 Communications Officers for part-time openings, including individuals' potentially interested in future full-time advancement. The qualified applicant will work rotating shifts, including weekdays, weekends, and holidays, as well as fill in shifts as needed. Communications Officers are responsible for answering 9-1-1 calls, verifying the callback number and address of the emergency, determining the nature of the emergency and transferring the call or dispatching the appropriate emergency response unit as required, as well as other associated duties.

Minimum qualifications are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in keyboarding or typing. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions, act quickly and effectively during emergencies, and operate complex telecommunications equipment. Desirable qualifications include two years experience in law enforcement, fire, or emergency medical services, and/or public safety dispatching. Applicants selected for employment will be subject to a background investigation and drug screening.

Applications may be obtained at the Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Communications Center, 23201 Front St., P.O. Box 337, Accomac, Va. 23301 or by visiting www.esva911.org. Applications are due by 3 p.m., December 28th, 2020. The ESVA 9-1-1 Commission is an equal opportunity employer.

Certified VA Inspector Wanted Immediate Opening

- **MUST HAVE VA INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION**
- STOP BY TO PICK UP AN APPLICATION MON-FRI,**
- 8AM-5PM, AT MOORE'S TOWING & REPAIR**
- 15442 MERRY CAT LN., BELLE HAVEN, VA 23306**
- 757-442-2734**



Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Policy and Management Team

The CPMT is the responsible entity for all Children Services Act (CSA) policies and program to ensure accordance with all state mandates and local CSA policies. The CPMT is responsible for the following task:

- Establish policies and procedures that govern the provision of services to children and families in the community and access to CSA funds.
- Develop and appoint members to subcommittees, including the Family Assessment and Planning Team, in order to accomplish CSA requirements.
- Collect and report data to the Office of Children's Services, State Executive Council, and Department of Behavioral health & developmental Services regarding youth and families served through CSA.
- Manage and administer CSA funds for the respective locality.
- Coordinate planning that ensures the development and procurement of resources and services needed by children and families in the community.
- Establish quality assurance and accountability procedures for program utilization and funds management.

The CPMT of Accomack and Northampton is looking for a **Parent and Private Provider**, to serve on Accomack/Northampton FAPT (Family Assessment & Planning Team).

Parent Rep Description/Duties:

Parent Reps are a valued member of the FAPT team as they add their first-hand knowledge of the FAPT process from the perspective of a parent. Parent Reps are expected to: attend scheduled FAPT meetings, take an active role in the development of individualized service plans for families, introduce themselves to the parents and assist them when they attend a FAPT meeting, and assist in ensuring parents are notified of meeting dates and times. This parent rep is a volunteer position with a stipend for attending scheduled meetings.

Private Provider Rep Description/Duties:

Private Provider Reps are a valued member of the FAPT team as they provide their expertise in the field in which they provide services. Private Provider Reps are expected to: attend scheduled FAPT meetings, take an active role in the development of individualized services plans for families exploring all appropriate community services for the child and family, and share their expertise as an additional resource for the child and family when discussing services and placement.

If interested, please contact Mozella Francis, CPMT Chair via email at Mozella.Francis@dss.virginia.gov. The deadline to inquire is December 28, 2020.

**The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:
Developmental Disabilities Aide (\$11.25/hour- \$2.50/hour-weekend differential)
Peer Recovery/Engagement Specialist
Clinician**

**Part-time Peer Recovery Specialist
Mental Health Facility Technician**

For more information or to apply, please visit the ESCSB's website at www.escsb.org

*"We passionately believe in the potential of all."
Innovative, Inclusive, Caring, Professional*



Help Wanted (Cont'd)

APPRAISAL DATA COLLECTOR

This is a Part-Time (TEMP) Position
Starting mid - January through April, 2021.

JOB SUMMARY:

General duties include field work for the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office, Real Estate Division. This position involves inspecting, photographing, verifying, and gathering data and other pertinent information on all taxable real property.

This position provides support to the Property Appraisal staff.

This is an entry-level part-time position.

Must have own vehicle.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

High school graduate or equivalent. Good communication skills needed. Experience in technical functions related to property appraisal and assessment, sketching/drawing preferred. Good knowledge of basic arithmetic; some knowledge of building materials and construction; ability to record figures accurately and legibly; ability to conduct effective, cooperative, and professional working relationships; observation skills; and mental alertness.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job descriptions, requirements and county's application form https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings

Salary starting \$14.00 per hour.

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 by December 28, 2020.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity is seeking applicants for a part-time Assistant Executive Director. Duties include office management, correspondence, and other clerical duties. Good computer, organizational skills, and references are required. QuickBooks and knowledge of Grant procedures experience a plus. Applications are due by December 21, 2020, for a starting date Mid-January. Contact Nancy Gonzalez at 757 442-4687 or eshabitat@verizon.net.

Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Human Services Assistant III (Accomack)

Position # L0080

Hiring Range: \$24,765 (May be higher depending on qualifications and budgetary considerations.)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov>. Accepts only online applications; job close date 12/31/2020.

Equal Opportunity Employer

Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Office Supervisor (Accomack)

Position # L0073

Hiring Range: \$28,187 (May be higher depending on experience)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov>. Accepts only online applications; job close date 12/31/2020.

Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted

SEEKING mature, reliable, self-motivated adult for PT hourly gardening/lawn care and simple handyman/woman work 5-10 hrs./week and more hours in summer. References. Call or txt 301-704-1330.

SERVICE MANAGER wanted immediately at Coastal Tire and Auto in Exmore. Salary based on knowledge and experience. Call 757-710-2866 for an appointment.

CDL DRIVER NEEDED w/two-years experience. See Karen Gray at T&W Block, 21075 Washington Street, Onley, VA.

FLAGGER - Traffic Plan is hiring FT Flaggers to set up & control traffic around construction sites. Must be able to pass a drug test and have a driver's license. We offer competitive pay, scheduled raises, and benefits. Apply online www.trafficplan.com

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* MIG - TIG - STICK

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* Exp'd only. * Valid

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Transportation. Day shift

and night shift positions.

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INC., SNOW HILL, MD.

Call 410-632-1346 or

443-783-4125.

LOOKING FOR MASONS & CARPENTERS - Pay based on experience. Call 757-710-9376.

Boats, Etc.

20-FT. AVALON PONTOON BOAT - Loaded. 50 HP Mercury w/15 hours. Like new. \$12,000 OBO. 757-693-2154.

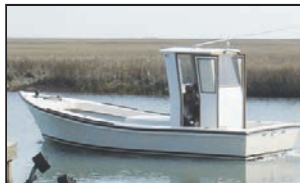
1992 GRADY WHITE 190 TOURNAMENT - 175 HP Johnson. \$6,000. Call 724-601-3695. See in Chincoteague.

BOAT, MOTOR, & TRAILER - 14-ft. Carolina Skiff w/a deep hull, 25 HP 4-stroke Yamaha motor, and aluminum trailer (all new wiring & lights). For location/info., call 665-6565.

JET SKI PACKAGE - 1996 Yamaha Wave Blaster II - 760 twin carb, 8-ft., 9-in. long AND 2001 Kawasaki 900 STS - needs work, 10-ft., 1-in. long, with trailer. \$1,550 OBO. 757-894-8561.



'86 27.2-FT. O'DAY SAILBOAT - 9.9 Yamaha, 4-stroke. Sails good, sleeps 4. Galley & toilet. Trailer & new winch. Draws 2'11". **PRICE REDUCED: \$5,000 OBO.** Call Don at 757-656-8986.



'84 21-FT. KEN CRAFT - Pilot house, fresh water cooled, V8 inboard, pocket drive w/galvanized trailer. **\$10,500.** 757-665-6564.

2001 HYDRO 21-FT. SPORT Walk-around Cuddy. 150 HP Evinrude. Original owner. \$5,000 Firm. Call 757-302-0047 after 2 p.m.

2014 60 HP MERCURY OUTBOARD MOTOR - Low hours; needs a lower unit. Asking \$1,000. 757-894-9168.



27-ft. McGregor Sailboat - With sails, tiller, retractable skag, depth recorder for shallow water, trailer w/electric mast, wench. Exc. cond. **Reduced: \$2,100.** 757-710-7146

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

ANTIQUUE 1956 MERCURY outboard, electric start w/0 hours, 8-pt. over haul! \$1,995 or buy a 1950s 16-ft. (or so) run-about and keep sailing! Jim: 757-789-5141.

BOAT WHEELS - 4-blade, 1 pair, 19" x 23-1/2" shaft. JUST REDUCED \$300. Call 757-999-3437 & leave msg.

FREE 26-FT. RANGER SAILBOAT in cradle w/ sails, rigging, cushions. Needs to be moved & repaired. 757-331-0315.

'90 22-FT. SEAPRO CUD-DY CABIN - Rebuilt OMC 225. 160-gal. fuel tank, 22-ft. aluminum trailer w/brakes (Grady White clone). ~~\$10,300~~ **REDUCED: \$6,000.** Pat-757-442-4635.



FORMULA 233 THUNDERBIRD - 23-ft. 5-7 350 V8 (less than 50 hrs.) New stern drive (less than 10 hrs.) Great open deck, Cuddy Cabin, Loadrite trailer w/ pwr. winch, well kept, exc. cond. **Reduced: \$4,500.** 757-710-7146.

SUZUKI OUTBOARD ENGINE - 115 h.p., like new, less than 30 hrs. running time. \$7,500! Call 757-710-4263.

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

'01 18' TROPHY - Very good cond. + extras. Can be seen at K & E Marine, across from Perdue plant. \$11K. 757-678-3622.

3 POMPANETTE DECK CHAIRS with fighting gimbals. \$300. Call 443-477-2407.

'87 26-FT. SHAMROCK - With anchor puller, never been used, lots of extra equipment. Call 757-891-2426.

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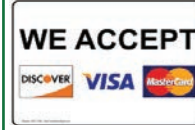
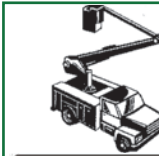
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The Town of Chincoteague is accepting sealed bids for the lease of hunting land on parcel 78-A-73B located near Wattsville, Va., just South of Wallops Flight Facility's main base. Interested parties may request a bid form by calling (757) 336-6519 or by visiting the Town office during normal working hours.

This serves as a notice that on January 4, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., at the premises of KC Auto Sales, 13522 Lankford Hwy., Machipongo, VA 23405, the undersigned will sell at a Public Auction for cash, reserving into itself the right to bid on following vehicles:
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ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
Metompkin Elementary School Cafetorium
24501 Parksley Road,
Parksley, Virginia 23421

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors will hold Public Hearings beginning at 6:30 p.m. on December 16, 2020, to solicit input concerning the following matters:

1. AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA, CONFIRMING AND RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY ISSUED BY THE ACCOMACK COUNTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES ON MARCH 2, 2020, MADE NECESSARY BY COVID-19, AND IMPLEMENTING EMERGENCY PROCEDURES TO ENSURE CONTINUITY OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Second extension to the March 2, 2020 ordinance to extend for an additional six-month period from December 16, 2020.

While this meeting will be in-person and open for public attendance, citizens have the right to submit oral or written statements on the proposed plan and priorities to the County Administrator's Office (PO Box 388 - Accomac, VA 23301 or administration@co.accomack.va.us) no later than 3:00 p.m. on December 16, 2020. Any citizen having questions or needing special assistance for the disabled may contact the County Administrator's Office by calling 787-5700 or 824-5444.

County's electronic Board Agenda at:
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ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Case No. CL20000917-00
Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126,
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301

HONG LI
v. SI YU LIU
The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

It is ORDERED that SI YU LIU appear at the above-
named court and protect her interests on or before
JANUARY 25, 2021, at 9 a.m.

December 1, 2020
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. and Mrs. David Krzak have applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct 20 linear feet of bulkhead no more than two feet channelward of existing failing bulkhead adjacent to 4425 Main Street along Lewis Creek in Accomack County.

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

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Bailey, John W.	111A202C0000700
Copes, John E.	02600A000009200
Cropper, Preston L.	069C0A0000001A0
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Finstad, Michael J.	023A0A000002200
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Giddens, Margaret L.	109A0A000003400
Halbry Properties LLC	014000300009400
Hamilton, Wesley C.	09200A0000059B0
Higgs, Thomas J.	029A20500019100
Hoffman, Frances P.	030A3A000012000
Hong, John	005A20100021800
Jester, Grace A.	030A5A0000035600
Mahoney, Daniel C.	029A201000034800
Marshall, Beatrice B.	005B0A000002600
Nock, Evelyn	086A1A000003000
Ridley, Isaiah	026000600002400
Schell, Diana M.	030A20800002500
Spady, Frank E.	05500A000004700
Voss, Devan J.	05400A000014300
Walker, Dorothy F.	077B0A000002400
Walker, Markebus	109C00100000700
Wheatley, Grant	062A1A000022600
Williams, Phillip W.	03900A000004500

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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TREASURER
ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA

JAMES W. ELLIOTT
Attorney at Law
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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 19326 MAIN ST, MELFA, VA 23410. In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated August 23, 2007, in the original principal amount of \$78,500.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 200704696. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA on January 15, 2021, at 12:30 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF MELFA, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA BEING A PORTION OF LOT 9, BLOCK 2, DESIGNATED ON A CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY ENTITLED "MELFA, ACCOMAC [SIC] COUNTY, VIRGINIA. JOHN W. MARTIN'S EST., LOTS WEST OF RAILROAD", DATED MAY 3, 1926 AND MADE BY FRED E. RUEDIGER, C.S., WHICH IS RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA IN PLAT BOOK 3 AT PAGE 42, AND REFERENCE TO SAID PLAT IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE LOT HEREIN CONVEYED. SAID LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND FRONTS ON STATE VIRGINIA ROUTE 626 FOR A DISTANCE OF SEVENTY FEET (70'), AND IS BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY VIRGINIA STATE ROUTE 626; ON THE EAST, BY THE REMAINDER OF LOT 9, BLOCK, 2, NOW OR FORMERLY OF IRMA T. BELOTE; ON THE SOUTH BY LOT 11, BLOCK 2, NOW OR FORMERLY OF WOODROW C. GASKINS AND RUTH G. GASKINS; AND ON THE WEST, BY LOT 10, BLOCK 2, FORMERLY BY BURLEIGH S. DOUGHTY AND VONDA K. DOUGHTY, NOW OR FORMERLY OF MONA J. GEORGIANNA. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. **BIDDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO FOLLOW CDC GUIDANCE AND WEAR A COVER OVER BOTH NOSE AND MOUTH AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING AT THE AUCTION.** Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com. VA-347731-2.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in accordance with 2013 Virginia Code Title 15.2 - COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS. Chapter 54.1 - Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act, Section 15.2-5431.25 - Rates and Charges, on February 25, 2021, at 2PM, the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority ("ESVBA") will hold a public hearing concerning proposed rates and charges for the use of ESVBA services at its offices located at 4174 Lankford Highway, Exmore VA 23350. Copies of the proposed rate structure can be obtained from the ESVBA website (www.esvba.com).

The Town of Exmore will hold a public hearing January 4, 2021, at 7 pm, at 3305 Main Street, Exmore, VA 23350, to solicit public input on local community development and housing needs in relation to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for a project in our community.

Information on the amount of funding available, the requirements on benefit to low-and moderate-income persons, eligible activities, and plans to minimize displacement and provide displacement assistance as necessary will be available. Citizens will also be given the opportunity to comment on the Town of Exmore past use of CDBG funds. All interested citizens are urged to attend. For additional information, contact Taylor Dukes-Public Utilities Director at 757-607-7188 or tdukes@exmore.org.

Comments and grievances can be submitted in writing to Town of Exmore at 3305 Main Street, Exmore, VA 23350, by mail at P.O. Box 647, Exmore, VA 23350 or by phone at 757-442-2476 until January 15, 2021.

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

ATTN: Town of Onley Residents

(1) The Town has several openings on the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) beginning January 1, 2021. (2) The Town has several openings on the Planning Commission beginning January 1, 2021. Please contact Jamy Salazar, Town Manager at 757-787-3985 or jsalazar@townofonley.org if you are interested in serving.

Legal Advertising and Auctions (Cont'd)

ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Case No. 20CL836
Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126,
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301

ANTHONY M. BUTTERS
v. WILLIAM S. BULL & VIRGINIA BULL and unknown
heirs of WILLIAM S. BULL & VIRGINIA BULL
The object of this suit is to:
ESTABLISH TITLE BY ADVERSE POSSESSION TO
REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS TAX MAP NO.
075A0A000011900 NEAR ONANCOCK, ACCOMACK
COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

It is ORDERED that WILLIAM S. BULL & VIRGINIA
BULL and unknown heirs of WILLIAM S. BULL &
VIRGINIA BULL appear at the above-named court and
protect their interests on or before FEBRUARY 5, 2021.

December 7, 2020
Caretta S. Duncan, Dep. Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. and Mrs. Scott Harvard have applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct 220 linear feet of riprap revetment by constructing an access pathway using the stones and then placing them on the slope of the bank, and plant native wetland vegetation channelward of the revetment at 24364 Swan Lane along Leatherbury Creek in Accomack County.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

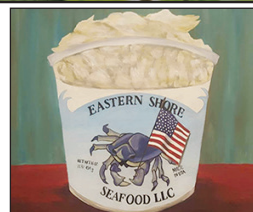
Notice is hereby given that Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Motley have applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct 24 linear feet of bulkhead no more than two feet channelward of existing failing bulkhead adjacent to 4427 Main Street along Lewis Creek in Accomack County.

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

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Local Health Organizations Have Coordinated COVID-19 Strategy

By Matt Clay, John Peterman, and Jon Richardson

Immunization with a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine is a critical component of the United States' strategy to reduce COVID-19-related illnesses, hospitalizations, and deaths and to help restore societal functioning.

The goal of the U.S. government is to have enough COVID-19 vaccine for all people in the United States who wish to be vaccinated. Early

in the COVID-19 vaccination program, there may be a limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine, and vaccination efforts may focus on those critical to the response, providing direct care, and maintaining societal function, as well as those at highest risk for developing severe illness from COVID-19 (www.CDC.gov)

Eastern Shore Rural Health System Inc., Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, and the Virginia Department of Health Eastern Shore Health

District have been in collaboration throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. This partnership has been vital to prevent COVID-19, reduce harmful effects of the disease, and treat COVID-19 patients on the Shore. We are making every effort to ensure our people here on the Shore are safe and educated, and that we communicate with the public when changes occur.

Please know we are currently planning for the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine when those vaccines become available here on the Shore. This will be done in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as is

is the authority on the distribution of the vaccine. We will continue to monitor and make changes as necessary when more information becomes available. Eastern Shore Rural Health System Inc., Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, and the Eastern Shore Health District will continue to work together to provide the best healthcare for our citizens of the Shore.

Matt Clay is chief executive officer, Eastern Shore Rural Health System Inc.

John Peterman is president, Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Jon Richardson is chief operating officer, Eastern Shore Health District.

Thornton Expressed Thoughts of Many

Dear Editor:

Thank you, Art Thornton, for expressing so clearly the feelings and thoughts of many of us who supported President Trump ("Republicans Have Long Memories," letter to the editor in the Dec. 4 edition).

It's laughable that Joe Biden and other Democrats invite us to be one big happy family after what Republicans, and especially President Trump, have experienced for the past four years. I shudder to think what will happen if Joe Biden and Kamala Harris take over in the next four years. I hope I'll be wrong.

Anne Rolander, Modest Town

Science, Religion Can Be Powerful Together

Dear Editor:

I read the attack letters praising Trump and damning various Democrats with both sorrow and amusement. None of them mention the heroic actions of our front-line health-care workers and professionals whose efforts are insulted everyday by those self-centered individuals, including Trump, who won't even do the simple things such as masking, social distancing and

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avoiding indoor crowds. As the vaccine draws closer, do these fools want to be among the last to die in a war?

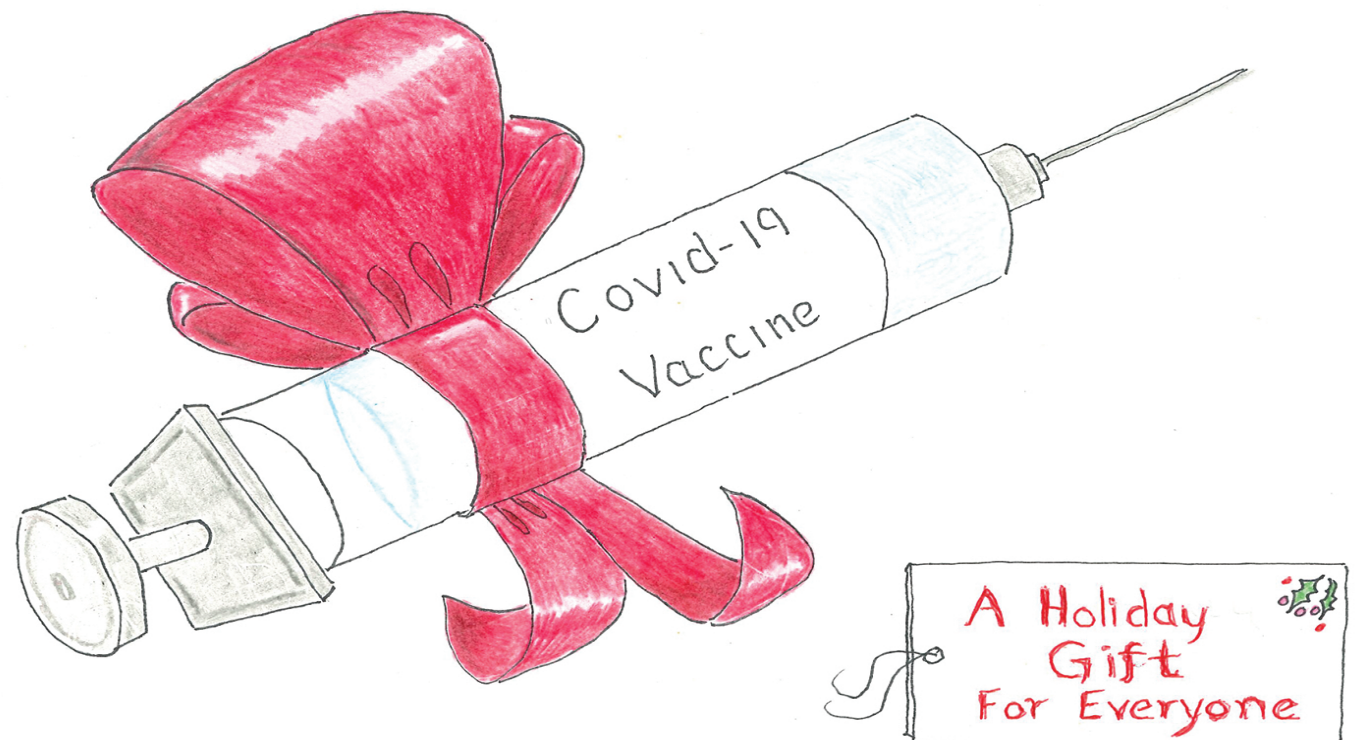
The clergy by and large is missing

in action. They have a bully pulpit, and should use it to promote the common values of "love thy neighbor as thyself" and being "thy brother's keeper."

If we are all created in God's image, then science and religion should not be at odds with each other. Imagine the possible powerful impact of a joint effort by Dr. Fauci and several prominent religious leaders.

Rick Saunders, Chincoteague

The Way I See It by Dan Hillman



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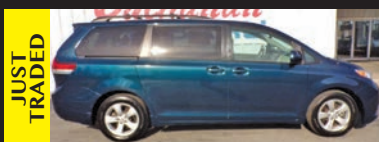


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