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Former Hallwood Clerk Pleads Guilty to Embezzlement

By Nancy Drury Duncan

Angela Hinman "Angel" Taylor, the former Hallwood town clerk who was charged with 65 felony counts of embezzlement, pleaded guilty to 12 felony charges in Accomack circuit court Thursday in a plea agreement

with the commonwealth. The crimes occurred between Aug. 31, 2011, and Sept. 12, 2017.

During the course of a state police investigation, a Virginia State Police special agent identified 65 instances when Taylor, 48, of Hall Street in Hallwood, committed felony embezzlement by writing checks to herself and paying her personal electric bill with town funds. There were also two misdemeanor charges.



Angel Taylor

Because all the town's financial records were lost when Taylor's car caught fire and burned with the records inside shortly before a town audit was scheduled, the commonwealth was not able to prove other money was taken as well, said Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan. The total amount of money taken from the town uncovered by the investigation was \$24,009.71. This includes \$19,368.19 from 55 unauthorized checks Taylor wrote to herself from the town account and \$4,641.52 in payments to AN-EC for her personal electric bill, Morgan said.

"Taylor was the clerk for the town of Hallwood," Special Agent A.W. Pittman wrote in the court file. "In this position, she was responsible for paying the town bills, maintaining meeting minutes, and other secretarial jobs." Hers was the single authorized signature required on town checks, he added. Her salary was \$350 a month with extra for selling town decals, Morgan told



Antares Spacecraft Honors Katherine Johnson

NASA successfully launched an Antares rocket Feb. 20 carrying 8,200 pounds of cargo that included scientific investigations, crew supplies, and hardware destined for the International Space Station. The spacecraft was named for Black NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson who was one of three women portrayed in the film "Hidden Figures." Above, the rocket begins its ascent. Photo above by Amy Eckard, of Temperanceville. Post photographer Jim Ritch was at Chincoteague's Curtis Merritt Harbor for the launch. His photos are on pages 24 and 25.

the court. She was arrested in January 2019 and later released on bond. She waived a preliminary hearing.

The final instance of embezzlement identified by police was \$208.05 on Sept. 12, 2017. This was just weeks before she was ordered by Hallwood officials

to provide town financial records to an Atlantic bookkeeper for an audit. Those records were in Taylor's car along with other town files when she said the vehicle caught fire on Wessells Farm Road near Hall-

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wood. The car was hauled to a local salvage yard, crushed, and taken away before town officials found out about it, Hallwood Mayor Jackie Poulson said in October 2017.

Taylor resigned from her job by leaving a note in the town office dated Oct. 9. As all town records were destroyed in the fire, investigators only had bank records and electric bills to acquire evidence against her.

In return for her pleas of guilty and having already made full restitution, the commonwealth aggregated all the instances of embezzlement committed over each six-month time period into a single felony count as allowed by the Code of Virginia.

At Thursday's trial, Taylor pleaded guilty to 12 felony counts of embezzlement and has paid the full restitution of \$24,009.71, said Morgan. He said no sentence is specified in the agreement. Morgan said he made the agreement because that is commonly the way embezzlements are charged.

"There is some concern among town officials that cash payments for decals may have been taken also, but there is no evidence," he said, referring to the destroyed records.

He said when he first interviewed Taylor, she downplayed any embezzlement. "There was a fair amount of denial."

Morgan said that he recently spoke with town officials about the case. "Some felt she had not been charged severely enough, and some felt she should only be charged with misdemeanors." He said he sent a letter to the mayor and Town Council explaining the way the case was to proceed because, "There was no consensus among them."

Called to the witness stand by defense attorney Carl Bundick, Taylor said she had worked as town clerk for 13 years. He asked her why she agreed to plead guilty. "I did this for the town and for me," she said. She told the court she has been working for Lowe's for two years driving a tractor-trailer truck. "I drive the truck and deliver product to customers' homes."

She said she finished paying the



Angel Taylor's car after it burned. Mayor Jackie Poulson said in October 2017 that all the town's financial records were in the car when it burned. Submitted photo.

\$24,009.71 restitution last May. She said she has offered her services to her town to make up for what she did. She said she offered to put a roof on their pavilion, "Because I had some leftover shingles." She said she has also offered to do painting and to pick up trash. "I

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will be helping prepare care packages for town residents," she said. She said she will lose her job now that she has felony convictions.

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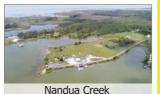
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Governor Eases Some Gathering Restrictions, Announces New Pharmacy Vaccine Partnerships

By Carol Vaughn

Gov. Ralph Northam during a press conference Wednesday announced some restrictions will be eased as COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations continue to fall and the number of Virginians vaccinated rises.

"It is critical that we do this slowly and thoughtfully. We do not want to risk our progress by easing restrictions too quickly," Northam said.

Starting Monday, March 1, the limit on individuals permitted at outdoor social gatherings will increase from 10 to 25. The 10-person limit remains for indoor gatherings.

A midnight to 5 a.m. curfew also will be lifted March 1 — a date Northam noted is six days short of the one-year anniversary of the first COVID-19 case being documented in Virginia.

Outdoor entertainment venues will be able to operate at 30% capacity or up to 1,000 people, whichever is lower. Indoor venues still must operate at 30% capacity or no more than 250 people.

Alcohol sales at restaurants and other establishments will be able to happen until midnight, up from the previous cutoff of 10 p.m.

Additionally, the amended Executive Order 72 includes a provision that overnight summer camps will be able to open as of May 1 "with strict mitigation measures in place." Camps may begin registration now.

Northam last week amended the order to increase the number of spectators allowed at outdoor youth athletic events to 250.

Current guidelines for retail businesses, fitness facilities, large amusement venues, and personal grooming businesses remain unchanged.

The new guidelines will be in effect for at least one month. Measures could be eased further after that if numbers continue to improve.

Northam encouraged Virginians to engage in outdoor activities as opposed to indoor when possible.

The complete text of the amended

executive order can be viewed at www. governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/executive-actions/EO-72-THIRD-AMENDED-and-Order-of-Public-Health-Emergency-Nine-Easing-of-Commonsense-Surge-Restrictions-Due-to-Novel-Coronavirus-%28COVID-19%29.pdf

"We are at a very dangerous but hopeful moment," Northam said, noting the coming of virus variants to Virginia but also increasing vaccination numbers.

Nearly 1.7 million vaccine doses have been administered in Virginia and 1.1 million Virginians, around 13.5%s of the population, have received a first dose.

After bad weather caused shipment delays and event cancellations, 220 vaccination events were scheduled to take place this week, Northam said.

Additionally, the Federal Drug Administration is expected to authorize a third vaccine, from Johnson & Johnson, soon. That vaccine requires just one dose.

The Johnson & Johnson vaccine could add another 50,000 doses per week to Virginia's allocation.

"We could see doses coming to states as soon as next week," Northam said.

Northam said when asked which vaccine is best, "The best vaccine is the one you get."

A statewide preregistration system and call center launched last week resulted in almost 500,000 Virginians being preregistered for vaccination, in addition to 1.2 million who previously preregistered with local health departments.

Preregistration puts people in line to get an appointment, according to Dr. Danny Avula, Virginia's vaccine coordinator.

A federal pharmacy partnership program means another 52,000 vaccine doses will come to Virginia this week, in addition to the state's allocation of around 160,000.

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So far, no Eastern Shore pharmacies have begun offering vaccines.

"Part of our selection of pharmacy chains is their accessibility to hard-toreach parts of the state," Avula said in a briefing last Friday.

Work going on at the state level surrounding the pharmacy vaccination program "will absolutely prioritize getting pharmacies into places like the Eastern Shore that are more geographically isolated," he said, adding, "...When we finalize the locations, we will make sure that everybody knows where those are."

CVS began giving shots earlier in February. Now the state is working with eight different pharmacies that will receive vaccines through the federal partnership. Vaccines will be distributed to around 140 Virginia pharmacies.

Walgreens will start administering vaccinations at some stores this week and Walmart plans to hold off-site clinics in various areas rather than giving shots at stores.

Other businesses that will offer vaccinations in Virginia include Safeway, Kroger, Food Lion, Giant Food, Food

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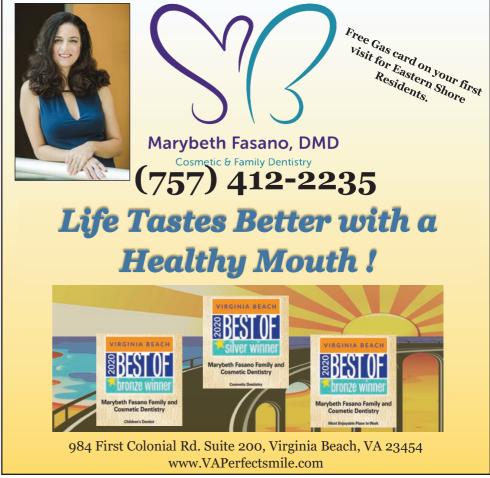
City, and independent pharmacies. Vaccinations are by appointment.

The state call center is making outbound calls to preregistered individuals about pharmacy vaccination appointments for Walmart and Giant events. Northam encouraged preregistered people to answer their phone and check their email.

Other pharmacies agreed to use preregistered individuals to schedule their own appointments.

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Onancock Approves Special Use Permit For Church, Discusses Nonprofit Tax Policy

By Carol Vaughn

The Onancock Town Council Monday approved a special use permit for Onancock Baptist Church to use 67 Market St. (the Shore Electronics building) for church youth group meetings and other ministry use.

The church recently made an offer to purchase the property. The church has been renting the parking lot at the property for some time and is willing to make parking available to the town when it is not being used for services.

The vote included the provision that the church will develop a formal agreement for town use of the parking lot.

The council action takes the property off the town real estate tax rolls because it becomes part of a church—a fact that sparked a lengthy discussion before the council voted 5-1 to approve the permit. Councilwoman Maphis Oswald voted against it.

The tax amounts to around \$550

annually.

Part of the discussion was about the idea the building's front, 2,000-square-foot retail space could be rented out to a nonchurch related business.

"They are very interested in renting that. My concern was that the special use permit would allow the building to transfer to a party that was going to leave it empty, which perpetuates the problem that we all know on Market Street, which is empty storefronts," said Town Manager Matt Spuck.

"The front should be treated differently," Oswald said of the building's proposed uses and the tax-exempt status.

"This is a very muddy area to me," she said.

Spuck said the town needs to look at differing taxation status of several properties owned by nonprofit organizations.

As an example, he said Hopkins

Store, owned by the Eastern Shore Historical Society, has a similar situation, where the building is tax exempt but the restaurant inside does pay personal property taxes.

"We need a consistent plan," Oswald said.

Spuck agreed, saying staff are analyzing which nonprofits are or are not paying real estate taxes.

"We're going to need much more clarity in our zoning and we are going to have to get right with those organizations," Spuck said.

"We need to have a cohesive policy," said Mayor Fletcher Fosque.

There was no public comment on the permit.

Bill Phillips, representing the church, said the church "certainly could pay taxes on that third of the building." He noted the church pays real estate taxes on property it owns, but does not currently use for ministry, on Fairgrounds Road.

"The parking lot is what we're af-

ter; that's our main interest," he said. Historic Onancock School Update

The Friends of Onancock School, while the former school has been closed to the public during the pandemic, installed an elevator to make the building accessible.

The Eastern Shore Community Foundation awarded a \$50,000 grant for the elevator and accessible restrooms project. The town of Onancock contributed \$7,500 to the project.

With events and a planned capital campaign canceled because of the pandemic, the group tightened its budget, Joani Donohoe, FOS executive director, told the town council in the group's annual report to the town.

Making the building accessible opens the way for grant funding, according to the report.

Roof improvements above the community events room were completed in January, and painting and repairs to the interior have continued with



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Historic Onancock School received a \$48,000 grant from the Orr-Smith Foundation for playground improvements and funds from the United Way of the Eastern Shore paid for rubber mulch in the swings/play area.

New playground equipment was delivered earlier this winter and will be assembled in spring.

All studios in the building are rented and there is a waiting list, Donohoe said.

Nearly 9,000 people visited or attended functions at HOS in 2019. The number dropped to 1,200 in 2020 with pandemic restrictions and event cancellations, although many people continue to use the grounds to exercise or for outdoor leisure activities.

The HOS is planning a new, outdoor event — the Creekside Crawl 5K — in April, and a community celebration for LoveWorks (the new LOVE sign), completion of the accessibility project, and the new playground is in the works this fall when it becomes safe to gather.

Fires Devastate Two Accomack County Homes

Staff Report

Two house fires within three days in Accomack County resulted in extensive damage.

A fire Monday severely damaged a house at 26439 Savageville Road in Melfa.

Firefighters from multiple departments responded to the blaze, reported at 12:55 p.m.

Glenn Brundage, fire captain of Wachapreague Vol. Fire Company, was in command.

Firefighters from Melfa, Onancock, Tasley, Painter, Parksley, Exmore, and Wachapreague responded to the fire.

It took firefighters around four hours to extinguish the blaze and do extensive overhaul, according to Brundage.

There were no injuries to the sole occupant of the house or to firefighters.

The Red Cross was notified to provide assistance to the resident, Brundage said.

A friend has organized a fundraiser. Donations can be sent to <a href="https://go-https:

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Units from Bloxom, Parksley, Atlantic, Saxis, New Church, Tasley, and Oak Hall Rescue responded to another house fire, on Corbin Street in Hallwood, Saturday, Feb. 20, which resulted in extensive damage and also destroyed a vehicle.

It took firefighters more than two hours to extinguish the blaze.

No people were injured.

Donations for the family may be dropped off at the Parksley Vol. Fire Company or contact Wayne Marshall at 757-710-9274 or Joetta Collison at 757-894-

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Firefighers respond to a fire on Savageville Road Monday. Photo by Connie Morrison.

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Accomack Considers Budget Requests From Departments, Agencies

By Carol Vaughn

Departments and agencies made their cases for additional funding for fiscal year 2022 at the Accomack County Board of Supervisors meetings Feb. 10 and 17.

Going into next year, the county has an unassigned fund balance of around \$2.3 million, which can be used for one-time initiatives, and available operating funds of around \$937,000, compared to requests from departments and agencies for \$18.5 million in additional funding, Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason told the board during the Feb. 8 meeting, when he presented his proposed budget.

The board voted Feb. 17 to schedule a public hearing in late March on the budget, without making changes to what Mason proposed.

"The budget this year is what it is and we just don't have room to do anything else but what has been presented," said Chairman Ron Wolff.

Discussions about potential new revenue sources, including a meals tax and a cigarette tax, will continue separately and could result in a budget amendment later.

The \$64.4 million budget includes nearly \$4 million in capital expenditures — including \$1.3 million for closure of a cell at the northern landfill and money toward constructing a new cell — and \$56.6 million in the operating budget, along with \$3.8 million for debt service.

No tax or fee increases are proposed.

Accomack County School Superintendent Chris Holland and School Finance Director Beth Onley detailed priorities in the 2022 school board budget at the Feb. 17 board of supervisors meeting.

Highlights include a 4.5% raise for school employees, at a cost of \$1.7 million; nearly \$200,000 for targeted salary scale adjustments for six types of jobs, including IT repair technicians, custodians, and teacher assistants; \$75,000 to increase wages for hourly workers; and \$250,000 for summer school and remediation. among others.

The school district is adopting Virginia Teachers for Tomorrow, a statewide program for recruiting high school students into the teaching profession, at a cost of \$80,000.

Additionally, \$30,000 is proposed for a dual enrollment EMT program in partnership with Eastern Shore Community College.

The school budget includes one new position, a technology repair technician.

The county is set to contribute an additional \$519,282 to the school district next year, according to a longstanding formula.

Jeff Flournoy, Eastern Shore of Virginia 911 Director, highlighted several key requests in his presentation to the board Feb. 17.

Those include \$31,600 to help pay

for equipment needed to process 911 calls. State funds cover around 3/4 of the total cost, he said.

Additionally, the agency requested an assistant director position, money for radio console upgrades, and funds to establish a maintenance agreement for radio infrastructure at tower sites.

Among other agencies and departments making presentations to the board were the following.

Rich Morrison, deputy county administrator of building, planning, and economic development, requested \$20,000 for consultant support for the county's SMART SCALE applications.

The department also requested \$156,700 for dangerous and derelict building abatement.

If the funding is approved, Morrison will come back to the board with a detailed plan, which likely will include "a combination of conventional (Continued on bottom of Page 11)



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Accomack Continues To Grapple With Office Space Needs

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors directed County Administrator Mike Mason to ask the school board for its position on moving school administration offices from the county administration building in Accomac to the Accomac public library building.

The library is slated to move to its new quarters in Parksley later this year.

Mason said a space needs committee is ready to resume work on developing options to address the need for additional office space for county departments and agencies.

"We are seeing demands for space everywhere," including most recently for the commonwealth's attorney office, Mason said.

"A key piece of this puzzle will be the location of school administration offices," he said.

Before spending money on consultants, he recommended the board request an official position from the school board on moving to the library building.

Mason told supervisors a regional Accomack-Northampton application for state broadband funds was not among five projects awarded grants in the first round.

Virginia has invested \$100 million in broadband to date – including \$80 million in the past year – primarily through the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) created by state legislators in 2016.

An announcement about a second round of awards is expected in the coming weeks.

Accomack Participating in Health Equity Pilot Program

Accomack County is the newest locality to participate in Virginia's Health Equity Pilot Program, Mason said.

The county is partnering with the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and the commonwealth's Health Equity Working Group.

The program is aimed at increasing equitable access to personal protective equipment and public health information in underserved and historically disadvantaged communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

Virginia to date has partnered with more than 60 localities on the initiative.

The Department of Public Safety will lead Accomack's effort.

Masks, hand sanitizer, and COVID-19 information pamphlets will be given to individuals receiving food at the Eastern Shore Foodbank in Tasley, according to Mason.

The Accomack County chapter of the NAACP and Foundation of Faith Ministries agreed to help organize and distribute the supplies.

Accomack has been allocated more than 3,000 masks and 3,000 bottles of hand sanitizer for the program.

Public Notice

Northampton County is entertaining bids for surplus vehicles. The bid process will now be handled through an online company called "govdeals.com" To submit a bid for a surplus vehicle, please visit the "govdeals.com" website and search for "Northampton County." There are 2 vehicles available for bid at this time:

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Bids can be submitted until March 8, 2021.

Perdue Gets Another 150 Vaccines for Accomac Plant Workers

By Carol Vaughn

Perdue Farms received an additional 150 doses of COVID-19 vaccine for workers at the Accomac poultry processing facility late last week, according to a spokesperson.

The vaccines were made available immediately, on a voluntary basis and free of charge. The doses were continuing to be distributed early this week, according to spokesperson Madison Scanlan.

Employees at the Accomac plant started receiving vaccinations Feb. 8, marking the beginning of the company's vaccine distribution to its employees across the United States.

Since then, Perdue has also helped 300 Perdue workers in Maryland be vaccinated last weekend through a partnership with a local health care provider.

Workers who received the vaccine also had appointments made for their second dose.

Additionally, the company facilitated vaccines for more than 135 workers in partnership with local health departments in California.

"In just two weeks, Perdue has made great progress toward its goal of

offering 100 percent of its associates nationwide access to the COVID-19 vaccine free-of-charge. To date, we have made nearly 700 vaccines available to plant associates located in Maryland, Virginia, and California, thanks to the strong relationships Perdue maintains with healthcare providers and local health officials in each community it operates," said Randy Day, Perdue Farms chief executive officer, in a written statement.

According to Day, Perdue last fall, when it became clear COVID-19 vaccines would soon be available, began to plan for distributing the vaccines "as quickly and efficiently as possible to its frontline associates" — including preparing educational materials in multiple languages, advocating for poultry workers to be prioritized in state and national distribution efforts, and training on-site health center staff.

"Perdue's frontline workers continue to help maintain America's food supply during these uncertain times, and we remain committed to doing our part to advocate for our associates nationwide and offer vaccines as quickly and widely as supplies allow in the coming months," Day said.

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enforcement and maybe some nonconventional incentives," he said.

"The cause is great enough to justify a devoted person to that," he said, adding a position currently devoted to Wallops Research Park would be repurposed to work on the derelict building issue if the budget item is approved.

Both items were included in Mason's recommendations for funding.

The Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce requested \$25,000 to support staffing needs, which Mason in-

cluded in his proposed budget.

Executive Director Evelyn Shotwell said the chamber lost 62% of its total annual revenue in 2020 due to cancellation of three festivals because of COVID-19.

Shotwell noted Accomack County generated more than \$222 million in visitor spending in 2019 and was ranked sixth of 133 Virginia localities in travel expenditure growth, representing a 5.6% increase over the previous year.

Around \$600,000 a year in transient occupancy taxes comes to Accomack County from Chincoteague, according to Shotwell's presentation.

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Northampton Education Foundation Gives \$50k in Student, Classroom Support in 2020

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton County Education Foundation (NCEF) donations totaling more than \$50,000 supported students and classrooms in Northampton County Public Schools last year during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It is heartwarming to see how the community stepped up to support our schools in 2020," said Linda Schulz, chair of NCEF.

NCEF is a nonprofit founded in 2006 by volunteers concerned about children's education and well-being. NCEF's members have included teachers and other education professionals.

NCEF helps students and teachers get the items they need that aren't covered in the Northampton school district's annual budget, such as school supplies, and funding for class projects, field trips, and scholarships.

"The COVID-19 crisis made community support all the more important. And, instead of us going to the community for support as we have in the past, the community came to us with unprecedented willingness to make sure that the schools would have what they needed to promote student success in this extremely challenging environment," Schulz said.

For example, one community member was eager to give free yearbooks to all graduating Northampton High school seniors who missed out on many senior-year traditions due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

More than \$15,000 from NCEF provided general support for Northampton schools in 2020, including the purchase of backpacks for Kiptopeke and Occohannock Elementary School students, Wi-Fi hotspots for students lacking home internet access, and indoor soccer goals for OES.

General funds also were used to reward student and teacher achievements by purchasing graduation T-shirts and yearbooks for Northampton High School seniors and supporting NCEF's school staff recognition program.

About \$9,400 in NCEF grants were awarded, including more than \$6,500 for the Kiptopeke and Occohannock Elementary pre-K camps.

The camps are typically held every summer, once a week for four weeks to prepare pre-K students for their first experience in school.

Nearly \$1,300 funded a new teachers luncheon that welcomed the educators to the Northampton school district.

More than \$400 funded a Weather in Poetry project at Kiptopeke, and \$500 covered a field trip to the Palace Theatre in Cape Charles for students in grades six to eight to see "Harriet," the 2019 biographical film about Harriet Tubman.

About \$8,300 went into a special COVID-19 fund, partly used by middle and high school administrators to purchase small gifts and incentives for teachers "working above and beyond during this time," said Liz Jones, NCEF vice chair.

"Having the COVID fund gives us the ability to act quickly when COVID needs arise in our schools," Jones said.

A total of \$6,000 in donations was made to the Kids Closet program, which provides clothing to students in need at all four Northampton schools. The middle and high school lend students attire such as suits, ties, and dresses for formal events and provide personal hygiene products. The elementary schools keep items on hand such as coats, socks, and underwear.

Nearly \$4,300 funded eight projects at all four Northampton public schools through NCEF's Fund-A-Project program: nearly \$2,800 for five Northampton High School projects, about \$1,000 for an Occohannock Elementary second-grade whale-watching trip organized by the Virginia Aquarium, \$450 for a Kiptopeke Elementary sixth-grade tour of Old Dominion University, and \$200 for Northampton Middle School yearbooks.

NCEF's Adopt-A-Classroom program also supported all four schools, with donations totaling more than \$2,200 for the high school, \$1,400 for the middle school, and \$200 for each elementary school. These funds purchased classroom or project supplies for teachers.

Donations totaling \$1,500 provided tutoring for Northampton High School athletes, and NCEF awarded \$2,700 in scholarships to graduating seniors, which can be applied to tuition costs at a four-year college, community college, or trade school.

Schulz expressed her thanks to everyone in the community who supported NCEF and Northampton students in 2020 and said, "We look forward to continuing to strengthen this partnership."

Northampton Has Highest County Vaccination Rate Per 100K in State

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton is the number one county in Virginia for the total persons per 100,000 who have received the COVID-19 vaccine, Eastern Shore Health District Chief Operating Officer Jon Richardson announced Feb. 23.

The number of COVID-19 vaccines administered per 100,000 persons is "the ultimate measure of getting vaccines in people's arms, so we're pretty proud of that," Richardson said during the Northampton supervisors meeting Tuesday night.

Around 18% of Eastern Shore residents have received the COVID-19 vaccine, about the same percentage as Alaska, the number one state in the U.S. for the percentage of its population who have been vaccinated for COVID-19, he said.

The Eastern Shore Health District receives about 500 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine weekly for Accomack and Northampton counties to share, and the health district is working as hard as it can to get the vaccines to as many people as possible as quickly as possible, Richardson said.

No one has missed a second dose of the vaccine and no COVID-19 vaccine appointments have been canceled by providers, "which makes us somewhat unique in the commonwealth," he said.

That feat was accomplished even after the Eastern Shore did not receive its weekly shipment of the vaccine last week, likely due to inclement weather, Richardson said.

Extra vaccines were received this week to make up for the doses not received last week, he said.

Shore employees who have received the COVID-19 vaccine so far include healthcare workers, EMS personnel, firefighters, police and correctional officers, teachers, school staff members, and daycare providers.

Next in line to receive the vaccine are food and agriculture industry workers. Those vaccinations likely will be completed next week, Richardson said.

Nandua High School hosted a vaccination clinic Friday, Feb. 19, and about 800 people were vaccinated in six hours, he reported.

About 1,200 to 1,500 people could be

vaccinated in the same amount of time if necessary. Richardson said.

The total number of COVID-19-related hospitalizations on the Shore was 252 as of Feb. 23, he said.

Supervisor John Coker suggested that the Eastern Shore Health District should distribute more of the COVID-19 vaccines to Eastern Shore Rural Health and fewer to Riverside Medical Group, because ESRH will vaccinate anyone but Riverside vaccinates only its patients.

ESRH provides "excellent service, first class all the way," but Riverside says, "Oh, you're not a client? See you later," Coker asserted.

"We are absolutely looking at that and we are distributing it (the COVID-19 vaccine) equitably ... as far as the vaccine supply is concerned," Richardson said.

The health district also considers that ESRH serves about 75% of Shore residents, and Riverside serves roughly 25%, although there is some overlap, he added.

Riverside will administer the COVID-19 vaccine to anyone who has seen a Riverside clinician anytime since Jan. 1, 2020, and the medical group recently made 2,400 appointment times available, Richardson noted.

That means many people with underlying conditions such as heart disease or cancer will be able to schedule a vaccine appointment with Riverside, he said.

Supervisor Oliver Bennett asked how many people of color on the Shore have been vaccinated for COVID-19.

The percentage is "lower than we want it to be" and does not equal the percentage of the Shore's population that represents people of color, Richardson said.

He has asked for input from friends who are people of color, and they said, "It's going to take time."

Richardson is confident that more people will get the COVID-19 vaccine as local leaders continue to share information on the vaccine's efficacy and safety.

He said, "We want to get ... back to some sense of normal. We've been out of that for a long time, and we're due to get back."



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Property Transactions

Accomack County

- •From Genevieve M. Walker To Thomas Hoyt and Lindsey James 16119 Red Bank Lane, Melfa For \$315,000
- From Lee R. Tessier and Tammy R.

To Ruiz Omar Olvera and Irma F. Ortiz Perez

Lot 11A Dennis Drive, Parksley For \$7,000

•From Kathy M. and William L. Lewis To Louis Taylor Jr.

26005 Saxis Road, Temperanceville For \$320,000

•From Deborah Grady and Christine Federroll

To Diane M. and David P. Kowalski Lot 57 Section 5 Captains Cove, Greenbackville

For \$180,000

- •From Jane Frances Yanniello To Heston Georde and Seana Reed Lot 1083 Section 1 Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$2,500
- •From Ocean Land Trust LTD To Joanna and Adam Season Lot 51 Phase 1 Olde Mill Pointe, Horntown For \$19,900

•From Lauren R. and Dale A. Bryant To Eva Marie and Bart Edward

Lot 2067 Section 4 Captains Cove, Greenbackville

For \$500

- •From Racing Moon LLC To Sandra J. Giardina 32350 Lancy Drive, Atlantic For \$210,000
- •From John Maxwell Bowden To Everett Walter Bell, trustee 4 parcels at 4268 Pine St., Chincoteague For \$145,000
- •From Katherine and James Frank To Angela S. and Curtis L. Walker Jr. Lot 27 Woodfield subdivision near Gargatha

For \$18,000

•From Nancy C. and Paul G. Neal To William R. Friebel Lot 23 Section 1 Schooner Bay,

Onancock For \$338,365.31

•From Mary Lou and Carlton W. Payne

To Thomas S. Seato Jr.

Lot 1470 Section 3 Captains Cove, Greenbackville

For \$5,200

• From Kathie M. and Roger L.

DeGeorges

To Eric K. Tobiassen Lot 2432 Section 5 Captains Cove,

Greenbackville For \$143,000

•From Nature View Properties LLC To Suzanne and Jacob Feinspan 3 parcels, 7783 Eastside Road, Chincoteague For \$345,000

•From Peninsula Merchant Venture LLC To VWP LLC

20387 Warrior Drive, Onley For \$170,000

•From Hollis Fate and Terry K. Parks

To Sahra E. and Benjamin G. Smith 17495 Mitchell Lane near Modest Town

For \$207,000

•From Diane E. Snyder To Agnes C. and Philip J. Reed Lot 42 Section II Nandua Bay, Pungoteague For \$14,000

•From Peggy A. and Andrew W. Koval Jr.

To Benedict Weslowski Lot 2065 Section 4 Captains Cove, Greenbackville

For \$282,000 •From Bessemer Trust Co., trustee To William A. Murphy Jr. and Kendra L. Stearns

14 Market St., Onancock For \$405,000

•From Brenda J. and Julian A. Hurlev Jr.

To Mary Catherine Puleo Lot 2565 Section 5 Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$194,700

•From Valerie L. Porter To Ronald A. Pickenheim Lot 43 Section B-1 Inlet View, Chincoteague For \$19,000

•From Fitzhugh Lee Godwin Jr. To Ralph H. Rack and Paula

Gormly-Rack 3 parcels: 1.9 acres; Gillespie Lot 20; and Godwin lot, Onancock For \$325,000

•From Gordon S. Vincent To Thomas Erol Cherry 25606 East Main St., Onley For \$300,000

•From Tyler Greenley To Harriett Nettles 7245 Oak Ridge Place, Chincoteague For \$209,000

•From Melody A. Mackin and Michael Onufry Jr.

To Sarah Goffigon and Scott Russell Chandler

35 Ames St., Onancock For \$399,000

•From Dennis G. Savage, trustee To Carol Lee and Gerald Lee Farris 29528 South Point, near Modest Town For \$630,000

•From Sarah G. and Scott R. Chandler

To Susan T. and Dennis G. Savage 16161 Red Bank Lane, Melfa For \$375,000

•From Roberta A. and Ronald C. Wasilko

To Stacy L. and Christopher S. Smith 5405 Miflins Marsh Road. Chincoteague For \$330,000

• From Lucila B. and Christopher C. Owens Jr.

To John C. Adkins Jr. and Lydia C. North-Adkins

Trails End Lot 254 Unit 3 Sheet 6, Horntown For \$11,500

• From Patricia H. and Harry T.

To Austin Colburn White 20372 Fairgrounds Road, Onancock For \$260,000

• From Patricia S. and Rodney C. Brown

To John C. Borden III 30364 Holly Shores Lane, Hacksneck For \$324.900

•From Doreen B. Davis Simmons To Bababi Ofunniyin 23531 Parks St., Parkslev For \$5,000

•From BIC Inc.

To Coveside Properties LLC Captains Cove Lot 111 Section 10, Greenbackville For \$4,000

•From Barbara A. and Philip E. Barth

To Brandyn D. Burkholder 3660 Captains Corridor, Greenbackville For \$159,000

•From Fannie Mae To David Neil Andrews 22079 Piggin Road, Melfa For \$14,000

•From Helen M. Gordon To Catherine M. and Stephen W. Hoag 6289 Hancock Lane, Chincoteague For \$689,000

•From James Raymond Smith To Wendy and Robert Huntley Captains Cove Lot 1397 Section 3, Greenbackville For \$399,000

•From Morgan D. Estes, Eric D. Estes, Douglas C. Estes, and S. Noel G. Estes

To Sunshine Rentals of Chincoteague

Parcel A on Chincoteague Road, near Wattsville For \$85,000

• From Collins Family Associates LLC, Harry J. Collins and Doris C. Martin

To Cheryl A. and Anthony Simione 4 parcels, Lots 62, 63, 64, and Tract 5, Ocean Boulevard, Chincoteague For \$125,000

•From Carolyn L. Try To Great House Rentals LLC 19139 Budd St., Lee Mont For \$9,000

• From Jillian A. and Sean M. Stabler To Jose A. Mova Jimenez Sr. 25102 Coastal Blvd., Onley For \$162,000

• From Robert W. Wessells Jr., Barbara W. Brown, and Carol W. Annis To Jean William Catul, Marie Rosenie Catul-Joseph, and John Bloody Catul 2 parcels at 16629 Metompkin Road, Modest Town

For \$199,000

• From Steven E. Thompson and Rex A. Judy

To Pauline L. and Michael J. Stevenson

7144 Mason Drive, Chincoteague For \$400,000

• From Sarah M. and Henry C. Chew To Cleveland B. Johnson Jr. and Danielle B. Montova

24170 Anns Cove Road, Bloxom For \$170,000

• From Nancy E. and Paige D. Fisher Jr. To Roberta J. Iervolino 3 parcels on Paige Fisher Road, Oak Hall

For \$10,000

Cape Charles Gives Watermen a Break on Harbor Rate Increases

By Stefanie Jackson

Cape Charles Town Manager John Hozey responded to concerns of town residents and watermen regarding the proposed new harbor rates and on Feb. 18 presented an alternate proposal that gave them bigger discounts and won the unanimous approval of the town council.

"There are still rate increases, and again I want to make the case that we're not bringing in sufficient revenue to cover all of our operations and the major maintenance required," Hozey noted.

The purpose of the private Cape Charles Yacht Center taking over management of the public harbor starting Jan. 1 was to help the harbor become financially "self-sufficient," he said.

The harbor rates proposed Feb. 18 would result in smaller overall increases for watermen and town residents compared to the rates proposed in January.

The proposed discount for watermen was increased from 40% to 50%. Instead of watermen paying nearly 15% more to dock at the harbor, they would pay about 7% more.

The proposed discount for Cape Charles residents who are seasonal slip holders was increased from 20% to 30%. They would pay overall docking rate increases of about 9%.

As for the matter of watermen refueling at the harbor outside of regular business hours, Hozey said he discovered that was not permitted under current state code unless an attendant was on duty.

The watermen had fuel access cards that allowed them to refuel at the harbor overnight, but those cards were deactivated after the yacht center took over management of the harbor and a computer software incompatibility was discovered, meaning the harbor would no longer be able to track how much fuel each waterman was pumping after hours.

The watermen now must make arrangements to refuel at the harbor during regular business hours.

Hozey indicated the change should

have a minimal impact because records showed that only two watermen refueled at the harbor overnight a total of six times in 2020.

The proposal for new electricity rates at the harbor had not been changed since January. The proposed new rates were \$5 a day or \$35 a month for 30-amp service, \$15 a day or \$105 a month for 50-amp service, and \$25 a day or \$175 a month for 100-amp service.

The only significant increase in any of the electricity rates was the monthly rate for 50-amp service, which increased from \$50 to \$105. Hozey said the rate of \$50 a month never had been approved by the town council, and the rate of \$105 a month was based on actual electricity costs.

The town council approved the new electricity rates with one condition requested by Mayor Smitty Dize: the town will investigate how much it would cost to repair the electric meters at the harbor so boaters can be required to pay for the exact amounts of electricity they use.

The harbor loses money by charging flat rates for electricity, Dize said.

He noted that The Oyster Farm marina charged each client around \$5 or \$10 a month for electric hookup, which covered the cost of meter maintenance.

The town council unanimously approved all the new harbor rates, with several corrections or changes, including the mayor's suggestion regarding the electric meters.

Other changes included giving a waterman a seven-day grace period before charging the rate of \$30 a week to use a 20-foot by 20-foot storage area for nonmotorized commercial fishing equipment and gear.

There also will be no charge for pressure washing; a rate of \$10 per pressure washing had been proposed.

In another matter, the town council unanimously voted to appoint Katie Nunez as a part-time, interim zoning administrator.

Nunez was Accomack's deputy director of planning and zoning and before that she was Northampton's county administrator.



OBITUARIES

John Walter Baier

The family of Mr. John Walter Baier, 83, are sad to announce that he passed away peacefully on Monday, Feb. 1, 2021, at his daughter's home in Fredericksburg, Va. John was born May 6, 1937, in Newark, N.J., and grew up in Irvington and Springfield, N.J.

Mr. Baier lived an incredibly full and meaningful life. As a teenager, he

took flying lessons and earned his pilot's license, and he ended up being able to fly a plane before he could even drive a car. John enjoyed flying so much, he joined the U.S. Air Force for four



Mr. Baier

years and became an air traffic controller at MacDill Air Force Base.

After his time with the military, John moved back to New Jersey to work as an air traffic controller at Newark and JFK Airports. During this time, John was married and had two daughters, Debbie and Pattie. In 1968, John was promoted and moved with his family to the D.C. area until his retirement as acting FAA division chief in 1986. John's career with the FAA allowed him to travel often, which he greatly enjoyed. He was also directly involved in the FAA's project to create the standard flight paths along the East Coast that are still used to this day.

In 1981, John married Juanita M. Baier (deceased). In 1998, they moved to North Port, Fla., where they enjoyed spending time with friends and visiting their favorite restaurant, The Olde World.

John Baier had a generous spirit and love of helping others. He engaged in various kinds of volunteer work through his church, including teaching adults to read and bussing children to school. He was also a dedicated member of the local Moose Lodge. John became a Mason and received his 32nd degree in the Scottish Rite in Alexandria, Va. As a Shriner, he was able to be very involved in serving others, which made him very happy and fulfilled.

This generous, selfless man was a

devoted husband, father, uncle, grand-father, and great-grandfather. For nearly two decades, he and his wife, Juanita, hosted annual family reunions at their home in Chincoteague, to keep their family connected. Grand-children spent many happy summers at their home, with fond memories of crabbing off their dock, going to the beach, and playing in the yard. John's patience and love for his family – not to mention his wonderful sense of humor – will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his daughters, Debra and husband, Kurt Shellhammer, Patricia and husband, Kevin Young; nephew, Daniel Williams, and wife, Gina, and their daughter, Sheana; grandchildren, Lindsey Shellhammer-Pennington, Patrick Young, Nathan Shellhammer, Joseph Young, and Matthew Young; great-grandchildren, Bruce Pennington and Madelynn Pennington.

John Baier was preceded in death by his wife, Juanita M. Baier; parents, Blanche M. and John Baier; and his brother, Arthur Baier.

A service will be held at a later date on Chincoteague Island. The date will be announced in the coming months.

John's family would love for donations to be made on his behalf to the Alzheimer's Association.

Thomas Earl Bundick

Mr. Thomas Earl "Tommy" Bundick, 47, of Cashville, passed away Monday, Feb. 22, 2021, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. Born Aug. 31, 1973, in Salisbury, Md., he was the son of Cecil A. Bundick Jr. and the late Bonnie Sue Bundick.

There was never a dull moment when in Tommy's presence, and you

knew he liked you as long as he was giving you a hard time. He was a proud waterman and could fix almost anything. Known to have a bit of a shoe fetish, Tommy had the perfect



Mr. Bundick

sneaker for every occasion. He loved music and made sure his ride was always equipped with the proper stereo and speakers. Tommy will be greatly missed by family and friends, all of whom will forever remember and cherish the memories they shared.

He is survived by his daughter, Brooke Tittermary Parks, and her son; sister, Michelle Hinman; brothers, Marvin Bundick, Robert Bundick, Cecil A. Bundick III, and Stephen Curtis; special friend, Joanne McGovern; two nieces; and several nephews.

A celebration of Tommy's life will be held at the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021, at 2 p.m., where family and friends are encouraged to share their favorite memory of Tommy.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

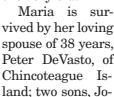
Maria Elaina DeVasto

Mrs. Maria Elaina DeVasto, 62, of Chincoteague Island, passed away suddenly on Feb. 12, 2021.

She was born in Hastings On Hudson, N.Y., on Oct. 12, 1958, a daughter to the late Gaetano and Helen (Calbo) Rufo.

She will be remembered for her big heart, service to others, and being a devoted social worker. She was a kind,

gentle, nurturing soul to all she encountered, from the very young to the very old.





Mrs. DeVasto

seph DeVasto, of Kamuela, Hawaii, and Michael DeVasto and his wife, Danielle, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; three grandchildren, Lucy, Noelle, and Thomas DeVasto; sister, Gerri Holterman, of Middletown, N.Y.; sisters-in-law, Christine Gallagher and her husband, Thomas, of Yonkers, N.Y., and Sue Rufo, of Middletown; and a host of nieces and nephews, Ann, Artie, Madeline, Kevin, Denise, Kurt, Robert, Sarah H., Eric, Matthew, Sarah R., Beth, Cassandra, Elizabeth, Anna, Joseph, Rebecca, Owen, Helen, Jane, Willow, Damian, Kathryn, Andrew, and Claire.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Peter Rufo; brother-in-law, John Holterman; brother-in-law, John DeVasto Jr.; father-in-law, John DeVasto Sr.; and mother-in-law, Joan DeVasto.

Memorial services were held Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021, at Salyer Funeral Home Inc., Chincoteague Island, with the Rev. Maurice Enright officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418. Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home, Inc. on Chincoteague Island.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Mary "Viola" Gladding

Mrs. Mary "Viola" Gladding, 104, wife of late James Franklin Gladding and a resident of Parksley, formerly of Oak Hall, passed away following an extended wonderful life, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021.

Viola was born May 12, 1916, at home in Hopeton, where she was raised on the family farm. Viola would

often share her not so fond accounts of picking flats of strawberries or scratching potatoes before walking to school uphill, both ways, in snow and rain. She was a woman of faith and the



Mrs. Gladding

most family-oriented women around. She worked a long career and retired as a secretary for Kellam Distributing Company. She was a member of Downing's United Methodist Church, where she served in the United Methodist Women. When she moved to Parksley in 1985, she also became a member of the Woodberry United Methodist Church, continuing to serve with the UMW. She had a great love for both churches. While church took priority on Sunday morning, family Sunday dinner took priority Sunday afternoon. For many years she single-handedly cooked a full feast on Sundays, where the entire family gathered. Family was especially important to her, and she was the foundation.

Viola was strong and independent. She was stubborn, so stubborn in fact that she lived on her own until she was 100 years old. Then, in an attempt to keep herself young, she moved in with her great-granddaughter and two of her great-granddaughter. It was her granddaughter's wish that she be surrounded by family and allow

herself to relax a little while she was looked after, as she had spent many years looking after everyone else. She had an extreme love for all her family. She had a family full of girls for many years, as her son blessed her with two granddaughters, who turned around and blessed her with four great-granddaughters. The determined woman she was allowed her to live around to see three great-grandchildren, two of which were finally boys. Her legacy of love lasted throughout the generations, and she truly was an angel on earth.

Viola was preceded in death by her husband, James Gladding; her parents, Bessie and Dorsey Core; brothers, Woodrow Core and his wife, Virginia, and Quinten Core; and her son, Donald Gladding. She leaves behind her granddaughters, Alisa Bishop and her husband, David, of Oak Hall, and Donna Phillips and her husband, Parks, of Parksley; great-granddaughters, Jessica Bonniwell and her husband, Jeremy, Alysen Bozman, Shelby Bishop, and Karrie Phillips; and great-grandchildren, Paityn and Leland Bozman, and McKoy Bonniwell.

A private funeral service was held at the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Monday, Febr. 22, 2021, with the Rev. Albert Crockett officiating, and interment in the Downing's Cemetery.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at <u>www.williamsfuneralhomes.com</u>

Arrangements were by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Dolores Gravatt

Mrs. Dolores Bell Ramos Gravatt, of Richmond, died peacefully at the age of 90 on Feb. 14, 2021, at Cedarfield, her home for the past 25 years. She was proud of being a "Cedarfield Pioneer," having moved in when the facility first opened.

She was born in Richmond to Richard Stuart Bell and Martha Dixon

Bell, and graduated from John Marshall High School in 1947.

For many years Dolores was a member of Battery Park Christian Church in Richmond. She was a certified



Mrs. Gravatt

professional secretary and held several positions as confidential secretary prior to her retirement. She had a great love of books and reading, and would take on crocheting and quilting projects from time to time.

Dolores was predeceased by her husband, Basil E. Gravatt, of Bowling Green, Va. He had an extended family of nieces and nephews, of whom she remained very fond.

She is survived by her brother, Charles "Charlie" Edward Bell, his wife. Betsy, and their children and grandchildren; and by four children, Bette Ramos White, Peggy Ramos Nottingham and her husband, Butch, N. Haskins Ramos Jr. and his wife, Leigh, and Evelyn Ramos Whitley and her partner, Tim Sage. She is lovingly remembered as "Mamoo" by her grandchildren, Laura Parsley, Jerome Nottingham, Errin Sullivan, Claire Rotruck, Sara Whitley, Becky Herndon Hogge, and Douglas Herndon; and 11 great-grandchildren. She is also fondly remembered by two dear friends, Jay Whitley and Raymond Brooks.

During her retirement years, she volunteered at St. Mary's Hospital, St. Mary's Hospice, University of Richmond Women's Resource Center, and Cedarfield, where she applied her interest in creative writing by regularly contributing to resident publications.

A private service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to the Dementia Society of America (www.dementiasociety.org).

The family would like to express their appreciation to the care team at Heartland Hospice and to the dedicated staff of Cedarfield for their care and support. They will always appreciate the loving attention she received throughout her time there.

An online guest book is available at www.affinityfuneralservice.com

Patrick James Johnson

Mr. Patrick James Johnson, 44, of Horntown, passed away Monday, Feb. 22, 2021, at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional in Salisbury, Md. Born July 27, 1976, in Nassawadox, he was the son of Patricia Burdette (Pony), of Mears, and the late Richard James Johnson.

As a longtime Eastern Shore wa-

terman, Patrick loved being outdoors, whether it was for work or play. His greatest passion was muddin'. Nothing brought him more joy than days spent with his children and



Mr. Johnson

the Boondock MudSlingers kicking up some mud. He was a member of Bethel Baptist Church and was grateful to have found his way back to the Lord. Patrick lived for his children, always going above and beyond to ensure they knew how very much he loved them.

In addition to his mother and stepfather, Patrick is survived by his wife, Cari Lynn Johnson; his children, Richard James "Ricky" Johnson and his wife, Hollie, of Bloxom, Taylor Marie Gardner, of Horntown, Warren Scott "Pooter" Johnson, of Bloxom, and Kylie Lynn Johnson and Bristol Lynn Johnson, both of Horntown; sister, Patricia Voss, and her husband, Joshua, of Mears; paternal grandfather, James R. Johnson, of Parksley; grandchildren, Kailynn Marie Gardner, Riley Grace Johnson, and Piper Dawn Johnson; niece, Alanna Woods; nephew, Asher Voss; many extended family members; and countless friends. Other than his father, he was predeceased by his first wife, Angie Dawn Johnson, who was the loving mother of his three eldest children.

Funeral services will be conducted from the graveside at the Edgehill Cemetery on Friday, Feb. 26, 2021, at 1 p.m., with the Rev. Mark Layne officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Williams Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1, Parksley, VA 23421, to assist with funeral expenses.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at <u>www.williamsfuneralhomes.com</u>
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Curtis Kellam

It is with great sadness that the Kellam family announces the death of **Mr. Curtis Kellam**, who passed away Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021, in Pompano Beach, Fla., after a long and courageous battle with leukemia at the age of 72. Born in Nassawadox and reared in Onancock, Curtis was the son of the

late Melvin Curtis Kellam and the late Hilda Kellam.

Following graduation from Onancock High School, Curtis moved to Pompano Beach in 1968 where he met the



Mr. Kellam

love of his life, Sandra, to whom he was

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married in 1972. Curtis worked in the elevator business and has been a long-standing member of the International Union of Elevator Constructors Local 71 in Miami. Curtis enjoyed all sports such as hunting, golf, and softball, in which he won many trophies.

Curtis is survived by his wife, Sandra, of nearly 50 years; their son, Spencer; brothers, Bruce and Thomas Kellam; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews, to include his cousin, Doris Collins, who was more like a sister.

Funeral services will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Bobby Parks officiating. Interment will follow in the Mount Holly Cemetery. There will be a visitation at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Michael Allen Marshall

Mr. Michael Allen Marshall, 74, of Saxis, passed away Feb. 18, 2021, at his residence.

Born April 22, 1946, in Nassawadox, he was the son of the late E. Allen Marshall and the late Pauline Wessells Marshall. Michael graduated from the College of William & Mary and Salisbury State University. He was

a retired English teacher with Northampton County Schools.

Michael is survived by a brother, Darrell Dean Marshall, of Saxis; a sister, Maxine Marshall McCready; two



Mr. Marshall

nephews, Ryan McCready and Travis Marshall; a niece, Christy Marsh; a great-nephew, Benjamin Marsh; and a great-niece, Elexis.

A celebration of Michael's life will be held Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Saxis Vol. Fire Dept.

Arrangements are by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

Florence Stratton

Mrs. Florence V. White Stratton, 75, of Wachapreague, departed this life on Monday, Feb. 15, 2021, at Riverside Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born in Onancock, Florence was the beloved daughter of the late Matthew and Minnie White. She was the eldest of 11 children. In 1962, she married the love of her life, Edward L. Strat-

ton Sr. After 33 years of service, Florence retired from Perdue and began working as a missionary full time. She was the assistant pastor at Grace Independent Methodist Church, Wachapreague.



Mrs. Stratton

Private funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021, at the Chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with Bishop Otis L. Terrell Jr. officiating. Interment was in Burton's Cemetery, Melfa.

Florence leaves to cherish fond memories: her loving husband, Edward Sr.; five children, Stephen Sr., Tina, Anthony, Felicia, and Marc; daughter-in-law, Bessie; 17 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; four sisters, Zelma, Chenita, Doreen, and Sherry; four brothers, William Jr., Neuman, Bernard Sr., and Kevin; three sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

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

Samuel D. Tankard III

Mr. Samuel Dunton Tankard III, of Virginia Beach, passed away Feb. 20, 2021, after a brief illness. He was born in Hickory, N.C., July 9, 1941, and is predeceased by his parents, Samuel D. Tankard Jr. and Myrtle Bell Tankard; his sisters, Elizabeth Tankard Neal and Mary Kee Tankard White; and his wife, Virginia Goff Tankard. He is survived by his nephew and nieces, William K. Neal III and Susan Neal Price, of Franktown, Betsy Neal McCray, of Richmond, Kee Schuth Mar-

shall, of Charlotte, N.C., and Melanie H. Rankin, of Raleigh, N.C.

Sam grew up in Franktown on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, graduated from Northampton High School, and always looked forward to his high school reunions. He attended

Washington and Lee University and even though his studies were cut short due to illness, Sam fully participated in life, never slowing down. He settled in Virginia Beach where he



Mr. Tankard

was employed by Norfolk Botanical Gardens and was an active member of Haygood United Methodist Church and the Lions Club. Sam enjoyed a good book, eating out, and going to the movies. He loved all sports and was the guy you wanted on your trivial pursuit team.

Sam relied on family for help, but in the old adage of "it takes a village," his village included many friends in Virginia Beach. Sam's neighbors on Wakefield Drive and the members of Haygood UMC lovingly looked out for him for many, many years. He will be remembered as friendly, having never met a stranger, and was always interested in others. Jenro's Diner welcomed him almost daily with the nickname "Sam I Am." The family wishes to express a deep and sincere gratitude to Christine, his caregiver and companion, whom Sam truly loved. Through her and her family, Sam was never without someone who loved and cared for him dearly. They also wish to thank Suzette and her family for providing such a compassionate and loving home for Sam in his final days.

A private graveside service will be planned at a later date. Donations may be made in his memory to Haygood United Methodist Church, 4713 Haygood Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455, or Franktown United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 130, Franktown, VA 23354.

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

Arrangements were made by Holland Funeral Home in Nassawadox.

Jack Thomas

Mr. Jack Thomas, 67, husband of Janey Roehm Thomas and a resident of Exmore, entered safely into the arms of his Savior Jesus Christ Friday, Feb. 19, 2021.

Born April 8, 1953, he was the son of the late Jackie Thomas and the late Mary Wilson Mears. Jack was a 1971 graduate of Northampton High School.

Upon graduation, he proudly chose to serve his country in the U.S. Navy. After he retired in 1993, he was employed by the Northampton County Sheriff's Department and worked for Ac-



Mr. Thomas

comack County Department of Social Services until 2016.

In addition to his loving wife, Jack is survived by four children, Shawn Thomas and his companion, Toni Davenport, Nathan Thomas and his companion, Meghan Wickman, Greg Allman and his wife, Jaclyn, and Ashley Buscher and her husband, Robert; a sister, Trish Harismendy; a brother, Jeffery Mears; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and his beloved dogs, Gracie and Piper. He was predeceased by a granddaughter, Paige Stinnelt.

In 1997, Jack's life changed completely when he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. He loved to share how he was once a lost soul but then Jesus saved him and that changed everything.

Passionate about music and wanting to use his gifts and talents to glorify the Lord, he began leading worship at Exmore Baptist Church. Jack started a Christian group called Practicing Praise in which he sang and played a variety of instruments. The group's name was significant because he wanted to remind people that he was just practicing praise until the day that he would praise Jesus forever in all His glory for eternity.

Jack was also dedicated to the saving of the unborn. In 2001, he and the group Practicing Praise began to hold concerts in churches up and down the Eastern Shore of Virginia and beyond,

to bring awareness to the value of human life. The pro-life mission of the Accomack-Northampton Pregnancy Center was important to Jack. During the concerts, a love offering was collected and given to the ANPC. Neither Jack, nor anyone in his group, ever received a penny for all of their hard work and dedication. The group raised thousands of dollars over the course of 20 years for the ministry. The concerts were also an opportunity for Jack to share his testimony of God's goodness and transforming power, which he did, unashamedly.

In 2019, Jack was diagnosed with cancer. Even that did not stop his passion for Christ, life, the unborn, and his music. As soon as he was able, he became the weekly worship leader for Cape Charles Baptist Church.

Jack played at many churches and venues throughout the years, enjoying crowds of people who came to the concerts. No matter how many were there, he never lost sight that this was all just practice and that he was really singing to an audience of One. His desire was to see Jesus glorified through it all.

Friends and family are invited to celebrate Jack's life Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021, at 2 p.m., at the Exmore Baptist Church Outreach Center, 11624 Occohannock Road, Exmore, VA, with Pastors Jonathan Carpenter and Russell Goodrich officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Exmore Baptist Church, 11624 Occohannock Road, Exmore, VA 23350 or Cape Charles Baptist Church, 501 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310.

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

Arrangements were made b Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

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Jennie Lee Thornes

Mrs. Jennie Lee Thornes, 91, beloved wife of the late Carroll Lawrence Thornes and a recent resident of Commonwealth Senior Living in Onancock, formerly of Parksley, passed away at Commonwealth Senior Living on Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021.

Born Oct. 7, 1929, in Greenbush, she was a daughter of the late Alfred Thom-

as "Allie" Justis and the late Jennie Leigh Milliner Justis. Jennie Lee graduated from Accomac High School and retired as a teletype operator from NASA. She was a long-time, active, loyal,



Mrs. Thornes

and dedicated member of St. Thomas United Methodist Church, and was a past-president of their United Methodist Women. Jennie Lee was a lifelong member of the Order of the Eastern Star and was Past Worthy Matron of Onancock O.E.S. #82. She took great pride in raising their four children, enjoyed boating, making bread pudding to share with others, and was an excellent homemaker.

She is survived by her children, Wanda T. Smith and her husband, Bryan, of Melfa, Dana T. Bundick and her husband, C.L., of Parksley, Terry L. Thornes and his wife, Carmie, of Silver Spring, Md., and Todd L. Thornes and his wife, Lynn, of Harborton; her grandchildren, Philip Smith (Lori), Curt Smith (Sara), Russell Williams (Karrie), Ryan T. Bundick (Alex), Maureen Morgan (Shane), Andrew Thornes (Erin), and Jessica Mosley (Zack); her great-grandchildren, Levin, Leah and Miranda Smith, Whitt and Beck Smith. Thayne Williams (Kelsey), Colin Williams, Emma Bundick, and Campbell Morgan, Colin and Eileen Thornes, and Aubrey Mosley; her sister, Lillian Justis Bratton, of Newark, Del.; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her loving husband and parents, Jennie Lee was predeceased by her siblings, Dorothy Justis "Dot" Taylor, Alfred Thomas "Al" Justis Jr., Edward Bennett "Truck" Justis, and George Smith Justis.

Her funeral service were conducted from the graveside in the Liberty Cemetery in Parksley, Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021, with Pastor Will Sloan officiating.

Memorial donations in Jennie Lee's memory may be made to St. Thomas UMC, P.O. Box 485, Parksley, VA 23421; Commonwealth Cares (previously the Hermitage Activity Fund for residents), 23610 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417; or to The Arc Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 626, Exmore, VA 23350-0626.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Bruce Stephen Whaley

Mr. Bruce Stephen Whaley, 81, husband of Jeanne D. Whaley and a resident of Accomac, passed away Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. Born March 15, 1939, in Orange, N.J., he was the son of the late Albert Gray Whaley Jr. and the late Mary Sabina Whaley.

Bruce proudly served his country in the U.S. Army, having been stationed in Germany and assigned to the Corporal missile program as a fire control crewman. Following honorable



Mr. Whaley

discharge, he attended Nichols College in Massachusetts, where he played football. He later joined the workforce as a computer equipment and supply salesman, working primarily in North Jersey and New York City throughout his career. Raised in a Catholic home, his devout faith in the Lord led him to serve as an ordained deacon of the Roman Catholic Church for many years.

As a child, Bruce began taking drum lessons and music became a lifelong joy and passion. Bruce was a talented drummer, known in the professional music world as "The Whale." As a young man, he was a member of The Crescents, a cover band that played at universities such as Princeton, weddings, as a house band for a restaurant, and countless venues. Over the years, his career as a professional musician led him to many incredible experiences and famous introductions in New York City. He remained humble and grateful for the opportunity to do

what he loved.

Bruce had a great appreciation for nature and enjoyed being on the water. In 2010, Bruce and Jeanne retired to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where they quickly adapted to the slow pace lifestyle and beautiful surroundings of the small waterfront community. They joined Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, where Bruce shared his musical gifts at the coffee house concerts. As members of the Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club, Bruce looked forward to afternoons and evenings socializing with friends at the clubhouse. At the ESYCC they joyfully celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends. The splendor and serenity of the Shore inspired him to take up photography, often venturing out to capture the day's beauty. He loved taking rides on his boat, going for a walk along one the peninsula's seemingly undiscovered beaches, watching the sun dip into the bay, and listening to the waves crash on Assateague Island, especially with Jeanne at his side.

In addition to his wife of 53 years, Bruce is survived by his children, Bruce Stephen Whaley Jr. and his wife, Pamela, of Teaneck, N.J., Donna Ann Frimberger and her husband, Walter, of Sparta, N.J., Gray Howard Whaley, of Carbondale, Ill., Sharon Joy Franklin and her husband, Michael, of Accomac, and Carleen Haselden and her husband. Michael, of Parker, Colo.; grandchildren, Emily, Walter, Evan, Grace, Benjamin, Devin, Mackenzie, Nicole, Tasha, and Ryan; brother-in-law, Thomas Joseph Hosted; niece, Linda Ann Hosted Moses, and her husband, Charles; and nephew, Thomas Joseph Hosted. Other than his parents, he was predeceased by his first wife, Barbara Ann Guest Whaley; a son, Christopher Michael Whaley; brother, Albert Gray Whaley III; and sister, Ann Meredith Hosted.

A celebration of Bruce's life will be scheduled for a later date.

In honor of Bruce, the family requests contributions may made to the Foodbank of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 518, Onley, VA 23418 (www.foodbankonline.org) or Dos Santos Food Pantry, P.O. Box 758, Accomac, VA 23301 (www.dossantosfoodpantry.org).

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

Arrangements are by Williams Funeral Homes, Onancock and Parksley.

Celebrating Black History Remembering Edgar R. Wharton



Edgar R. Wharton was born on June 18, 1919, in Accomac, VA. He was a hardworking successful mortician, businessman, and humanitarian who won the respect of many people.

He graduated from Mary N. Smith High School in 1938. He went to study agriculture at Virginia State College in Petersburg, VA, for three years. He decided to go to H.E. Dolan College of Embalming in Philadelphia, PA, where he studied anatomy and law, and

practiced embalming for two years. He served a two year apprenticeship at Holland's Funeral Home in Cheriton, VA. He passed the state board on June 28, 1950. He was licensed as an embalmer in the states of Virginia and Maryland. He owned funeral homes in Accomac and New Church, VA.

In 1993-1994, he became an honored member in the National Directory of Who's Who in Executives and Professionals. The association bestowed him with its highest honor for his leadership, loyalty, and friendship. He received numerous awards and honors.

He was a caring person who freely gave of himself to assist others in need. His philosophy of life was "love, care, and share." Edgar Wharton passed on June 16, 2008, two days before his 89th birthday.

He was married to the late Roberta Mosely Wharton. She was an English teacher and a guidance counselor in the public schools of Accomack County, VA. They were blessed with two children, Sandra and Keith. Both are retired and living in Accomac, VA.

He was a member of numerous groups and organizations. He served on the Shore Memorial Hospital Board for twelve years. He was a member of the County's Electoral Board for thirteen years and served as chairman and vice-chairman.

He was a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. He served as a trustee for Macedonia A.M.E. Church, Accomac, VA. He served as a Notary Public. He served on the Virginia Morticians Association and was a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

First Session of Annual 'Kids Count' Focuses on Children in Nature

By Stefanie Jackson

Smart Beginnings Eastern Shore (SBES), an organization that advocates for the health, well-being, and education of children, hosted the first virtual session of its annual Kids Count forum Feb. 23, coordinated by Barbara O'Hare and titled "It's Our Nature – Healthy Outdoor Activities for Kids on the Eastern Shore."

"There's no doubt that outdoor activities help us all stay physically healthy and can have a real positive impact on our mental health, our mood, our well-being, and that exploring and learning about the wonders of nature fosters children's curiosity and creativity," said Roberta Newman, SBES and Kids Count coordinator.

"But an additional benefit for adults is that exploring nature with children often leads to special moments we will cherish for a lifetime," she said.

Four guest speakers shared their ideas on getting kids outdoors to move and learn, even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District Education Director Julie Head

Getting five to 15 minutes of sunlight every day can improve physical and mental health, vision, and sleeping habits, Head stated.

Sunlight helps the body make vitamin D, which is important for bones, blood cells, and a healthy immune system.

A strong immune system helps the body fight off colds, the flu, and even COVID-19.

Vitamin D helps reduce inflammation, which plays a role in health conditions such as high blood pressure and cancer.

Being outside in the sunlight also boosts production of serotonin and endorphins in the brain, improving one's mood and reducing stress and anxiety.

Spending time outdoors actually helps protect the eyes. Studies conducted in Australia and Taiwan compared children who played indoors with children who played outdoors, and the children who played outdoors had lower rates of nearsightedness after both the first and second year of the study.

Sun exposure, especially in the morning, helps the body regulate its internal clock and improves sleeping habits.

Going outdoors also can alleviate mental fatigue and improve memory and concentration.

One study showed that students who took a walk outside performed 20% better on a short-term memory test, and another showed that students with ADHD were able to concentrate better after spending 20 minutes in a park.

Studies also suggest spending time outdoors can improve problem-solving skills by up to 50% and stimulate the imagination.

Head recommended that children should spend one hour a day in active play such as running, climbing, riding a bicycle, or playing ball. There also are fun outdoor activities that can be done in one's own backyard and help young children develop early learning skills.

For example, have children answer the question, "What is all around me?" and describe what they can see, hear, feel, and smell. Or have the children draw pictures of what they see and where each thing is located.

Children can collect sticks, leaves, and other outdoor items and learn basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and probability by counting the items, sorting them into different groups, and discussing and comparing the groups.

Another activity Head suggested is giving the children color sample cards from a store's paint department and have the children match the colors to things outside. Older children can be given more colors with more subtle variations.

Head Start Eastern Shore Lead Teacher Sharon Wilson

Wilson shared ideas for outdoor activities children can do and described the physical and cognitive skills each activity promotes.

Children like taking nature walks, riding bicycles, and having fun on the playground, where they can run, jump, hop, skip, bend, and climb, she said. These activities build gross motor skills, meaning the children move their limbs, especially their legs.

They build both gross and fine motor

skills when engaging in parachute play, working together to wave their arms up and down and shake the parachute and picking up the toy balls that were placed on the parachute and then launched into the air and onto the ground.

Other outdoor activities appropriate for young children include playing with sidewalk chalk, which helps develop writing and drawing skills; playing hopscotch, which gets them jumping, hopping, and counting; and relay racing, which gets kids running, participating in healthy competition, and team-building.

Kiptopeke State Park Ranger Stan Osmolenski

Aka "Ranger Stan," Osmolenski highlighted some of the outdoor opportunities that can be found at the Shore's state park, national wildlife refuges, and natural area preserves.

Kiptopeke State Park offers a visitor center, a beach on the Chesapeake Bay, fishing, hiking, biking, and picnic areas. There are about three miles of beach and five miles of trails, and all trails are accessible by bicycle except the boardwalks. Entrance is free but there is a charge for parking.

Self-guided activities available in-

clude becoming a junior ranger, scavenger hunts, geocaching, and trail quests.

Ranger-guided activities that will be offered this spring and summer (while adhering to social distancing guidelines) include hikes, pirate treasure hunts, owl watching (Owl Prowl), art in the park, and kayaking. All activities except kayaking are free, and a full list of programs can be found on the Kiptopeke State Park website.

Kiptopeke State Park offers field trips with free ranger-guided activities for groups of 10 to 50. Parking for school buses is also free, and activities can be tailored to the Virginia Standards of Learning.

Osmolenski added that not everyone knows visitors can stay overnight in the park. Available rentals include cabins, lodges (for up to 16 people), campsites for tents and RVs, and yurts.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia National Wildlife Refuge at the southern tip of the peninsula has a public boat launch, a lighthouse observation deck, an army bunker, a pollinator garden, and a rails-to-trails site. The trail begins at the refuge and ends several miles north, near the Cape Center.

The Chincoteague National Wildlife

Refuge boasts a beach on the Atlantic Ocean, wild ponies, birdwatching, fishing, crabbing, hiking, biking, and the Assateague lighthouse, which is open to the public.

The Shore also has four natural area preserves, which do not offer public facilities but are recommended for observing and enjoying nature: the Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve, in Cape Charles; Magothy Bay, near the southern tip of Seaside Road; Mutton Hunk, in Accomack County; and Savage Neck Dunes, near Eastville.

The Nature Conservancy's Virginia Coast Reserve Outreach and Education Coordinator Margaret Van Clief

Van Clief said the Brownsville Preserve, in Nassawadox, is free and open daily from sunrise to sunset, with well-marked parking. No facilities are available but the trail is accessible to wheelchairs, strollers, and bicycles. Friendly, leashed dogs are welcome.

The trail, called the Meadow Walk, is a mown grass path that loops onetenth of a mile through a native pollinator meadow.

A second trail of The Nature Con-

servancy (TNC), called the Horse Island Trail, is located in Oyster.

The Brownsville Preserve receives funding for educational programs held throughout the year for students in grades five, seven, and 10.

To conduct their studies, fifth graders get to explore salt marshes, seventh graders go kayaking, and 10th graders boat to Parramore Island.

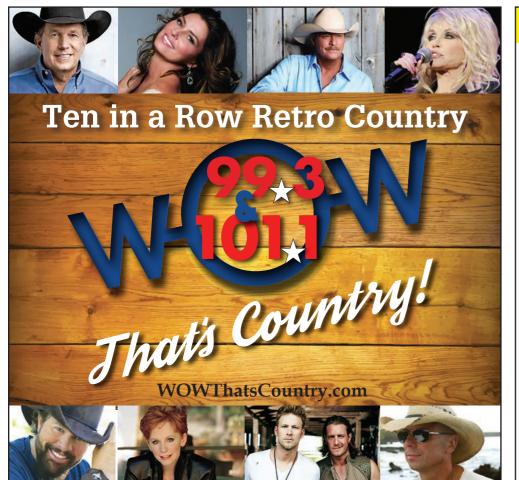
TNC also offers summer nature camps for children ages 6 to 8 and 9 to 12, with plenty of scholarships available, Van Clief said.

She told parents to watch for more information on TNC's Fifth Grade Fridays, coming this spring. (This year's program likely will be held on Wednesdays and open to additional grades.)

The program is free, including a bag lunch, and follows all COVID-19 guidelines.

Fifth Grade Fridays present an opportunity to take a break from virtual learning screen time and explore a local park.

Popular with all ages are the Brownsville Preserve's free public events, Open Farm Day (held every spring) and its Holiday Open House, each attended by about 200 to 400 people.



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Court Postings By Nancy Drury Duncan

Accomack County Circuit Court

Deanna Rochelle Sebastian, 36, of Exmore, entered a guilty plea to felony shoplifting and attempted felony shoplifting, third or subsequent offense.

On June 27, 2019, Sebastian went to Walmart. She filled her shopping cart with various items and left the store without paying for them. The crime was discovered by the store's asset protection staff reviewing surveillance video. The value of the shoplifted items was \$146.27, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney William Fox. Police were able to identify Sebastian from a still photo taken from the video, he said.

On Aug. 24, 2019, Sebastian again went into Walmart. She filled her cart with groceries. She was seen on the surveillance video going to the toy department and placing the groceries in Walmart bags. She was stopped by a member of the store's asset protection staff before leaving the store. The val-

ue of the items she attempted to steal was \$185. Judge W. Revell Lewis III allowed her to remain on bond until her April 1, 2021, sentencing.

Pamela Michell Clark, 34, of Withams, convicted of uttering last October, was sentenced to three years in jail with all but three months suspended.

Clark cashed a \$300 check belonging to her grandmother. She made the check out to herself. When the bank noticed the signatures did not match, her crime was discovered. Clark admitted guilt and said she did it because her electricity had been turned off. At the time of the crime, Clark was on probation for another offense.

Defense attorney Tucker Watson told the court his client had struggled with substance abuse for many years. He said she had made great progress and had had no positive drug screens since 2019. He asked that she be sentenced below the guidelines.

"Her last 14 years have been rough," said Commonwealth's Attorney Spen-

cer Morgan, listing numerous criminal convictions related to her drug and alcohol abuse. He said the fact that she had no positive drug tests was good reason to depart from the sentencing guidelines, but he asked that she continue on probation.

"It seems like you are finally getting it," said Judge Lewis. He remanded her to jail to begin serving her time and ordered her to be on indefinite supervised probation.

Bryan Lee Green Jr., 31, of New Church, was sentenced to 20 years and 12 months with all but three years suspended. He pleaded guilty to two counts of assault and battery of a household member, abduction, and destruction of property in December 2020.

Green was arrested in February 2020 when a deputy responded to a domestic assault call. The woman said Green struck 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, said Commonwealth's Attorney Morgan at the trial. He said deputies responded to the home again on March 28. The woman said she left the night before after an altercation with Green and returned home the next day to get her purse. She said Green grabbed her and threw her out the door and into the mud. Morgan told the court Green argued with the deputy and threatened to kill the woman.

On July 21, a deputy responded to an early morning call from the Sea Hawk Motel on Chincoteague. Two witnesses said the couple was in the swimming pool when they saw Green choke the woman and throw her over a fence then continue to assault her. She was injured and taken to a hospital.

On Aug. 12, the couple was at another motel when police were called. The woman told police Green became intoxicated and began beating her. He destroyed her cell phone and prevented her from leaving the room. Green was arrested and has been incarcerated since that time.

At his sentencing, Morgan said Green's violence was on public display. "He threatened to put a bullet in one of the couple who intervened." He described the assaults as "savage" and



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called Green "a danger to himself and to others."

Defense attorney Carl Bundick presented letters of support from several people, including Green's former employer at Steamers restaurant on Chincoteague where he worked as a cook. Bundick described Green as a hard worker who had strong family support. He said Green had abused drugs and alcohol and failed to take medication for mental health issues.

"This was a very violent situation," said Judge Lewis, noting three different offense dates months apart. He sentenced Green to a total of 20 years for the assaults and battery and abduction and 12 months for destruction of property. All that time was suspended but for three years. He ordered Green to be on indefinite supervised probation when released and to be on good behavior for 15 years.

Carlton Marcus McKinley, 38, of Greenbush, pleaded guilty to assault and battery of a household member, third or subsequent offense.

McKinley and the victim were living together in various places, including his personal training fitness center in space he rented at the former Byrd Foods plant, said Commonwealth's Attorney Morgan. McKinley assaulted the woman there several times during June and July 2020, he said. He said she left and slept in her vehicle in the woods to get away from him. Morgan said McKinley found her and assaulted her again. He has three prior convictions for assaulting a household or family member. Judge Lewis ordered a presentence investigation report and

set his sentencing for May 6.

A case against Roland Milton Sturgis III, 23, of Exmore, charged with shoplifting, third or subsequent offense, was dismissed. Sturgis entered a plea of not guilty in a bench trial. After hearing from witnesses, Judge Lewis granted a motion made by defense attorney Sharri Mapp-Jones to strike the evidence.

Store surveillance video was shown of a man wearing a hoodie and a mask who bought two items, checked out, and received a receipt. He then came back into the store and took two of the same items and went through the garden department and set them outside the gate there. He picked them up later and took them to the returns counter and received a gift card. On the witness stand, the store employee who was seen on video in a transaction with a man wearing a hoodie and a mask at the return counter testified that Sturgis was not the man who returned the items to the store.

Judge Lewis dismissed the case against Sturgis saying the defendant was not identified as the shoplifter.

Marques Jarue Searles, 23, of Parksley, was convicted in a bench trial of felony eluding and abuse and neglect of a child.

An Accomack County deputy testified he was looking for Searles and said he left messages with family members telling them he had outstanding warrants for Searles. He said he soon realized Searles was avoiding him. When he went to a home frequented by Searles, he saw his silver Crown Victoria parked

behind the house like it was being hidden. He said he knocked loudly on the door but no one answered. He said he could hear people moving about inside and dogs barking. He and a member of the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force decided to park in nearby locations and waited for Searles to leave the house.

Both officers testified about their part in the chase. When Searles finally left the residence, he passed the officer who was waiting for him. The officer said he pulled behind him and activated his lights and siren. "He sped off like a bullet," he told the court. He said Searles reached speeds of 80 and 90 mph during the early part of the Aug. 27, 2020, pursuit. The officer described a lengthy pursuit at high speeds. He

said Searles was driving faster than 100 mph when he passed a white minivan on Metompkin Road toward the end of the chase, Searles headed home, pulled into his driveway, got out of his car, and put his hands over head. A few minutes later, the officers saw the car's passenger door open. A young female got out and ran into the house. An interview with her revealed she was only 16 years old, he said. Both officers said they had no idea the girl was in the car. Testimony was that they would have seen her if she had been in the passenger seat and wearing a seatbelt.

Judge Lewis heard the evidence and found Searles guilty of the two charges. He ordered a presentence report and set sentencing for May 27.

COAST GUARD AUXILIARY SAFE BOATING TIPS

Submitted Article

Which life jacket is best? The answer is simply the one you will wear on the water.

Life jackets come in a wide array of styles. What you need to consider is the type, buoyancy, and your planned use.

The weight rating on a life jacket is based on turning you faceup and keeping your head above water in specific sea types. A 15-pound rated jacket is designed primarily for inshore bays and smaller waves. A 22-pound jacket is for open ocean and larger waves. A 22-pound jacket offers protection in the bay, but a 15-pound jacket might not be enough in the ocean.

Inflatable jackets have the same ratings. The manually inflated jackets are very inexpensive but you must be conscious to inflate them. Automatically inflating jackets cost a bit more but they will inflate once they get wet even if the wearer can't pull the cord. If you are boarded by law enforcement, inflatable jackets and belt pack jackets will count as life jackets only if they are being worn.

Personal watercraft riders and skiers must wear a life jacket that must be rated to function after hitting the water at 50 mph. Also, those using paddleboards, kayaks, or canoes must wear a life jacket at all times. Federal law requires that children under 13 must wear a life jacket whenever the vessel is underway and they are not in an enclosed cabin.

Once you are in the water you are dependent on your life jacket to keep you afloat and on the Coast Guard to find you. The key is making yourself visible.

The human adult head is the size of gallon milk jug; that is what we are searching for in the bay or the ocean with the waves, wind, and rain making it harder. So the key is visibility.

Every jacket and hat should have shiny SOLAS (reflective) tape on the shoulders of the jacket and somewhere on the hat. All jackets should have a whistle and a safety mirror attached to the jacket with a 36-inch lanyard. In the water, use the whistle — you can blow a whistle much longer than you can scream and rescuers can hear it farther away. Planes can see a mirror flash from several miles. Whistles and mirrors are how we will find you.

If you have a locator beacon, attach it to your shoulder with Velcro (and a lanyard). You might also include sweet snacks, candy, and some water to help keep your energy up.

Police Seek Information in Nelsonia Stabbing

Staff Report

A 43-year-old Nelsonia man was injured in a stabbing Friday, Feb. 19, according to Accomack County Sheriff Todd Wessells.

The sheriff's office received a report of a stabbing on Metompkin Road in Nelsonia at around 9:18 p.m.

When deputies arrived at the scene, they were told a man had been stabbed and then had fled the scene.

Deputies located the victim at a nearby residence on Quail Circle, according to a press release. The victim was transported to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital and subsequently was transported to TidalHealth Peninsula Regional Hospital for further treatment.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Accomack County Department of Public Safety.

Investigation into this incident is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666 or tips may be submitted at www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org

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Wind, Cold: Nothing Deters Fans From Watching Antares Launch



Story and Photos by Jim Ritch

Saturday's launch of an Antares rocket to resupply the International Space Station became a sales opportunity for 10-year-old Roxanne Waggoner, of Wallops Naval Housing.

The intrepid Girl Scout Junior pulled her red wagon loaded with Girl Scout Cookies through the crowd of visitors at Curtis Merritt Harbor in Chincoteague, offering a sweet source of calories to spectators shivering through mid-30s temperatures and piercing ocean wind.

Sales were brisk before the lunchtime launch, which went off smoothly at 12:36 p.m.

Her mother, Melanie, co-leader of

Troop 348 in Pungoteague, said the sales helped empty the last bit of inventory left after what has been a successful cookie campaign.

The food source also rounded out the services at one of the area's preeminent launch viewing sites in the COVID-19 era.

With the closing of the NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center due to the pandemic, Curtis Merritt Harbor and the small park around the towering, wooden cross of the Chincoteague Island Waterman's Memorial is perhaps the best known launch viewing area and a top choice among visitors.

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Left: The Antares rocket rises from the trees as spectators watch from Curtis Merritt Harbor.

Bottom left: Girl Scout Roxanne Waggoner, left, and her family tout Girl Scout Cookies before the Antares launch Saturday. From left are Roxanne; family friend Style Dycus; Jonathan; Melanie; and Tristan. The family resides in Wallops naval housing.

Bottom right: Chincoteague Police chief Robby Fisher directs traffic after the launch.









Above left: Alex and Kris Benitez bundle against piercing winds. The couple spend about one-third of the year at their Chincoteague home, which they purchased in 2013. Alex is an engineer specializing in aerospace systems.

Above right: "Wind is your enemy," said Ryan Bagby, right, of Leesburg, Va. The Raytheon engineer watched his fourth launch almost at the foot of the towering Chincoteague Island Waterman's Memorial.

Bottom left: Eyes and lenses turn south toward the Wallops Island launch pad. Bottom right: Spectators spread out across the small park adjoining Curtis Merritt Harbor at the southern tip of Chincoteague Island. Public Works staffers watch from the pickup at left.



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Located at the southern tip of Chincoteague, the area affords a view almost due south toward the launch pad, which is approximately 5 miles away.

This is roughly twice as far away as the closest viewing areas, the VIP and press viewing areas on Wallops Island.

Also, while on the launch pad, the rocket is obscured by trees when seen from the harbor.

The harbor is also quieter, with no loudspeakers broadcasting the official launch countdown from mission control.

Instead, a "two minutes" announcement swept through the crowd, person to person, on a wave of excitement.

Eyes and lenses trained on the distant water tower approximately marking the launch pad's location, and the rocket rose from the trees. The winter sun shining on the opposite side of the rocket made the rocket look like a long, slender shadow riding atop an intensely bright flame.

The rocket rose silently, its roar needing time to catch up before growing into a growl that gently shook the crowd. It is an impressively loud sound that is both felt and heard.

The launch "was great. It got off" despite the wind, said Chincoteague Chief of Police Robby Fisher, who has helped implement several changes to make the harbor area safer.

To maintain social distancing, the town limits the number of cars in the harbor's parking lot and posts public works staff to help keep parties apart.

Also, once the roughly 135 parking spaces fill, entry to the lot is closed. Prior to COVID-19, town officials had allowed as many as about 240 cars to fill every nook of the lot, said Chief Fisher.

Closing the lot caused cars to park along Main Street almost to Captain Bob's Marina, which complicates the post-launch congestion.

The last of the departing spectators left the lot around 1:25 p.m. and started a roughly 30-minute amble along Main Street to the bridge where they left the island. All told, the walk to the car, wait to leave the lot, and 3-mile drive to the bridge took as much an hour and 20 minutes.



Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest: Peck Your Favorite Piece!

Last Week's Contest: Giddyup Little Seahorse

Last week, the wee little seahorses were on pages 20, 21, 22, 26, 38, and 41. The winner chosen at random for the \$25 gift certificate to Sting-Ray's restaurant outside of Cape Charles was Jimmy Targett, of Strange Creek, W.V.

This Week's Contest: The Winner Gets a Chicken Dinner

Recognizing the ever-popular Bojangles sponsor, we have put six chickens in this issue of the paper. They look like this:



Readers who find all six will become contestants and, from that pool, one lucky osprey-eyed reader will be randomly selected to win the Super Tailgate dinner from Bojangles in Onley. See sponsor box on this page.

The rules:

- To become a contestant, find the six chickens 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.

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- Do not submit multiple entries.
- Include a photograph if you choose to submit one and tell us a little something about the picture.
 - Anyone submitting a photograph

must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

• 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 some biscuit dough, a boat you have to row, or maybe even a March snow. Just no feet.

Last Week's Winner



Last week's randomly selected winner of the \$25 gift certificate to Sting-Ray's restaurant outside of Cape Charles was Jimmy Targett Jr., of Strange Creek, W.V. Targett's connection to the Shore is through his life partner, Nadine Chrzanowski, whose father, John, lives in Melfa. According to Targett, "We have been to Sting-Ray's in the past and look forward to visiting again."

Runners-Up



Virginia Manzione, of Exmore, thanks osprey "for a nice rainy-day puzzle!" This is her with her daughter and son at a Capitals hockey game in D.C., "more than a few years ago!"



This is the Antares launch from Saturday, Feb. 20. According to Amy Eckard, of Temperanceville, no seahorses were harmed during the launch (that she knows of).



This wood stork and Rob Moore, of Cape Charles, were in Port St. Lucie, Fla., last week. "In the 80s and sunny and hard to come back home!"



Marion Robinson, of Chincoteague, sent in this picture, which if it was hanging in a modern art gallery, might be labeled, Big Dog and Little Dog Sitting On the Same Step.



Runner-up Sarah Ross, of Chincoteague, shares this picture of her sons, Samuel and James, sharing some sweet treats for Valentine's Day.



Beth McHenry, of Parksley, grows milkweed just for monarch caterpillars. "I enjoy watching the butterflies visit the orange milkweed and then leave their eggs."

Runners-Up Not Pictured:

Jeanette Bell, Onley
Sara M. Fetterman, Bloxom
Richard Marshall. Atlantic
Helen Harmon Rowley, Cape Charles
Kim Rice, Bloxom

Janet Leigh Cooper, Onley
Allison Burton, Eastville
Patricia Willey, Quinby
Jerome Schaum, Machipongo
Barbara Whealton, Chincoteague
Nadine Chrzanowski, Strange Creek, W.V.

Cindylou Nelson, Myrtle Beach, S.C. Charity Thomas, Kiptopeke Mary Carey, Cape Charles Jessica and Levi Thornes, Guilford Anabel Beatty, Silver Beach

Random Facts About ... Microwave Radiation for Heating Popcorn and Humans

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes this week, we stood back because microwave radiation came pulsing out.

Microwaves don't emit gamma rays or make you or your food radioactive. Instead, your microwave oven emits electromagnetic radiation or high frequency radio waves similar to but much more powerful than those used by your cellphone. That might not be much of a comfort since studies have linked cellphone radiation with cancer in rats, leading the International Agency for Research on Cancer to conclude that radio frequency radiation like that in cellphones is "possibly carcinogenic to humans." The IARC did not answer the question we had: do rats call only other rats or do they make interspecies harassment calls to cats, for example?

All the way back to the 1930s, with the development of shortwave radio and vacuum tubes, radio waves were known to heat things. But during the development of radar in World War II, the cavity magnetron was invented — a tube that puts out microwaves. And then things started to really heat up.

According to a story in Popular Mechanics, the microwave oven was

invented or discovered in 1946 by a self-taught engineer, Percy Spencer, who was working on a magnetron for the Raytheon company when he realized that a peanut cluster bar in his pocket had melted. (It should be noted that like all good origin stories, this one has its naysayers.) In the following days, Spencer experimented with popcorn, which popped, and a raw egg, which exploded. A year later, the first microwave oven was offered for sale: 750 pounds, nearly 6 feet tall, costing \$20,000 in today's dollars, and running so hot it had to be water-cooled. Obviously, microwave ovens got smaller, more efficient, cheaper, and are now in 95% or more of all American homes.

Microwave ovens have metal screening on the walls and window to keep the waves contained but the advice is to keep your head (or any other body part you value) at least a foot away from the oven. If the oven is old, in disrepair, and especially if the door doesn't close the way it should, don't use it.

Not that good advice ever stopped enterprising scientists. According to an article in NewScientist, researchers have experimented with using microwaves as a method of home heating. Well, not really home heating. Human heating. Why waste money and energy heating air and furniture when you and your family could be individually heated like so many pieces of bacon in a microwave oven? Researchers for Litton Microwave Cooking, which shockingly went out of business, actually built a room heated with an 800-watt transmitter, the room clad in metal to keep the microwaves contained, and then tested the heating system on themselves. Apparently, the scientists found the microwave room comfortable except for constantly spinning on that glass turntable.

If you're not yet sufficiently concerned about microwaves frying your brains or replacing your oil furnace, maybe you should worry about superheated water. Water boils when vapor bubbles find their way to the surface, in effect releasing pressure. These water vapor bubbles usually form around nucleation sites — tiny scratches or imperfections in a container or dissolved solids and gases in

the liquid. But let's say you put a cup of water in an especially smooth container with few imperfections. And let's say you have previously heated this water, driving out dissolved gases that would have provided nucleation sites. Now you put this cup of water in a microwave where it sits quietly, nothing to disturb it, and it heats and heats, shows no signs of bubbling, no boiling, but in fact its temperature is rising well above the boiling point. The liquid is in a dangerous state of superheating or boiling retardation and all it needs to set it off ... you remove it from the microwave ... you pour in a spoonful of instant coffee ... the moment the granules of coffee touch the water ... the cup of superheated water EXPLODES into a boiling, steaming mess and you're lucky to escape without serious burns.

Don't reheat water in a microwave. Wear three masks. Keep six feet away. And whenever you think of microwave popcorn, wash your hands.





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Last Week's Answers



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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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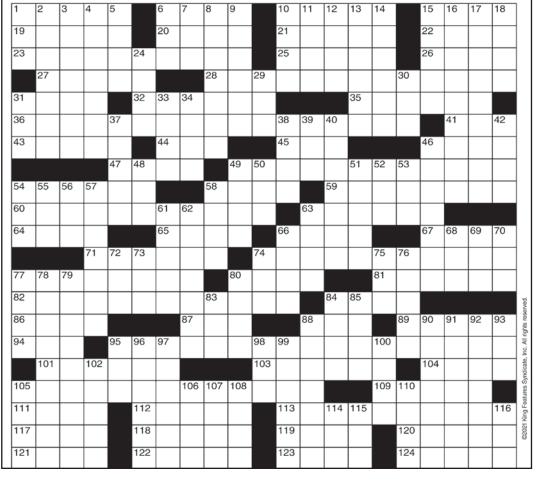
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EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

Eastern Shore Street Hockey League Game Summaries







The Ducks have epitomized a total team effort all season.

Story and Photos by Matthew Yoder

The players of the ESSHL have competed admirably through a cold, blustery winter, but the past couple weeks were wet enough to keep even the heartiest of hockey enthusiasts indoors. This past Sunday, as the clouds opened, teams began the process of making up for lost time, playing three games apiece. The Bruins, who sit within striking distance of the top of the standings, played with a lean bench but managed to sweep by their opponents on the day and firmly cement their team as a strong competitor for the league title. The day was again full of spirited play.

Game 1: Bruins vs. Knights

The Knights, who have been utterly unstoppable of late, entered the day's games without starting goaltender, Alex McCullough. Not only that, they faced an inspired team effort from the Bruins, who were looking to climb in the standings. The Bruins opened the scoring courtesy of a quick pass from Donnie Williams to TR Hoyt, who directed the ball to the top side of the net. After finding themselves in an early hole, the offensive-minded Knights upped their pressure, but Mark Stapleton would provide a solid effort in net for the Bruins. Goals from Caleb Clark and Hoyt in the second period gave the Bruins a commanding 3-0 lead. The Knights brought it in the third but managed to only slightly chip into the lead. Derek Hail registered the Knights' lone goal, but Williams quickly answered for the Bruins, effectively closing the door on any comeback hopes, giving the Bruins a 4-1 win.

Game 2: Red Wings vs. Harambe

The second game had all the passion and action that is synonymous with hockey. Harambe absolutely demoralized the Wings with a flurry of goals in the first period. Zach Webb was the recipient of a pair of great passes from Guy Shover for the first and third goals of the game and, sandwiched between Preston Shover, added a goal from his defense position. Harambe did not let up in the second, as goals from Guy Shover and Josh Taylor extended the lead to five and forced the Wings into a timeout. Following some adjustments in the timeout, Etan Ayer scored to get the Wings on the board, but after Webb's hat trick goal, Harambe's lead again hit five and led to some heated exchanges on the court. In the third, Ayer secured a hat trick of his own for the Wings, but it was not enough to match a solid team effort from Harambe in its 8-4 win.

Game 3: Blues vs. Ducks

Today would not be the day the Blues snapped a season-long winless streak. The high-flying Ducks completely dismantled the Blues with a total team effort. Forwards Anthony Taylor, Dustin Aigner, Thomas Hart, and Cole Chapin all scored for the Ducks, who additionally benefited from goals by backliners, Jesse West and Owen Chew. The final score was 10-1.

Game 4: Bruins vs. Harambe

The Bruins employed a similar formula of solid stickwork that worked in their earlier contest. A pair

of goals from Matt Yetter and one from Caleb Clark helped the Bruins build a 3-0 lead in the first period. From there, they hung on as Harambe chipped away at the lead. Though Mark Stapleton made some outstanding saves for the Bruins, Zach Webb continued his strong offensive effort for Harambe, scoring its first goal of the game off a quick slapshot. Four seconds into the third period, Guy Shover bettered Stapleton and a later power play goal from Johnny Irvin leveled the score. The Bruins did not appear rattled, and a composed Donnie Williams scored from midcourt to give his team the lead they had worked so hard to build. The close to the game was thrilling, as Robbie Washington appeared to score a game-tying goal for Harambe with six seconds remaining, only to have it overturned as a result of a high stick on his follow-through, allowing the Bruins to eke out a one goal victory.

Game 5: Knights vs. Ducks

While the Knights' offense continued to come up dry, the Ducks again peppered goals with great regularity. A 7-0 shutout gave the Ducks 17 goals in two games and two more wins to extend their lead at the top of the standings.

Game 6: Wings vs. Blues

The Wings atoned for an earlier loss, getting strong efforts from Brandon Stapleton, Gabriel Nock, and Ethan Aver, en route to a 5-1 win.

Game 7: Bruins 3, Ducks 2
Game 8: Knights 6, Red Wings 2
Game 9: Harambe 7, Blues 1

New Scholarship Available to Student Athletes in Honor of Shore Local

Story and Photo by Matthew Yoder

A new scholarship will soon be accessible to student athletes on the Eastern Shore. Set up to honor the contributions of Scott Webb, who died as a result of an automobile accident in 2019, the scholarship aims to provide funds for future endeavors and for current athletic activities. The scholarship will be for one male and one female student athlete on the Shore to receive financial help with college or trade school. The scholarship will also provide aid to athletes who would like to improve their skills by competing on travel teams but are sidelined by financial reasons. Applications open March 1.

The scholarship was brought to the board by Tim Holloway, who served on the board of the Randy Custis Memorial Park with Scott for a number of years. Holloway said while there is no shortage of people who tell you why you can't do something, Webb, and his wife, Tabitha, personified a much more unifying perspective of optimism and perseverance.

The committee to oversee the scholarship is in place. The four-person board includes Ray Wells, baseball coach at Northampton, Mike Purvis, who is involved with Shore Soccer and Northampton high school soccer, Matt Brahma, who coaches Little League groups in baseball and soccer, and Cathy Doughty, who has been an educator and coach in the Northampton School District for three decades.

Doughty has coached a number of talented athletes over the years who have looked to further their careers at the collegiate level. He has now completed a lot of the application process legwork. "I've had my share of seniors go through this process. My assistant coach is the access scholarship sponsor here at the school so she's got a ton of information and will be a great re-



From left to right, Scott Webb, Michael Holland, and Webb's brother, Kirk. Photo courtesy of Taylor Webb.

source for me, and I've been through the scholarship file that we have in our guidance office. I've chosen my favorite ones and tried to model it," said Doughty.

The new scholarship blends diligence to academics with an ability to demonstrate principles of commitment. Interested athletes will need a minimum GPA of 2.75 and will have to write an essay on how they plan to use the money and how it would be beneficial to them. The athletes will need two letters of recommendation, one from a coach and one from a nonfamily member.

Holloway believes the guidelines speak to the spirit of why this scholarship came to be.

"We're looking for good people who do good things and exude great character. It's wrapped around somebody who excels in the field, classroom, and community — that's the three pillars that we built this around," said Holloway.

Scott Webb's niece, Taylor Webb, along with her sister, Kennedy, were star athletes at Northampton. Taylor was close with her uncle and her cousins and spent a lot of time either at his house or at Randy Custis Park with him. She described a man willing to go the extra mile.

"He was always super caring. He wasn't a selfish person at all. He was at the ballfield a lot, either cutting grass or just really doing anything he could to help other people. Anything he could do for other people he would do it," said Webb.

Scott was influenced profoundly by Phil Custis, and wife, Barbara, who started Randy Custis Park more than 30 years ago. That torch, picked up by Scott, burns brightly now with his nieces. The Webb sisters represent the next generation of the park, having recently been voted onto the board. They not only bring a perspective of youth but also a direct link to what the park had to offer them.

Additionally, Taylor's insight on the second aspect of the scholarship, providing funds for those in need at all levels now, comes with a firsthand perspective for such a need. She believes it will be a defining feature of the scholarship. Participating on travel teams is expensive but the experience

is critical, as Taylor explained. "That's usually a reason people on the Shore can't go play at college — because they don't have the money to start travel and without that it's kind of hard to get recruited," said Webb.

Taylor has stepped up directly to assist in making funds available. She set up a GoFundMe page and raised over \$3,000.

Webb said, "The goal was 500, which is kind of crazy because I didn't even think we'd reach 500 honestly. The amount of support from the community was really cool to see."

To date, funds are nearing \$8,000 with hope the program will span beyond just one cycle.

"I don't think we are going to award all of that money this year. We're going to hold some back and hopefully roll over this award for a little while so we can have some longevity in it," said Doughty.

The scholarship, just like Randy Custis Park, is and will continue to be dependent on community support. "It's been very encouraging. You don't have to sell it when you have good people investing time, energy, and sweat equity into the community," Holloway said.

Sweat equity was what Scott Webb did best. He was president of the Randy Custis Park for a good stretch and steered it through some lean times, according to director of Shore Soccer, Liz Jones. Along the way, he always kept the well-being of kids squarely in mind.

"He ran the park when we were in real financial trouble. He completely turned it around. He always stood for faith and kindness and was always first to help with kids in sports," said Jones.

His influence continues. The scholarship is open across the Shore. Those interested in more information can find it on the Randy Custis Memorial Park Facebook page.

If you would like your ad to run in the Post's Sports Section, call Troy Justis at 789-7678.

Boys & Girls Club Joins With Northampton Fire and Rescue To Provide Student Support

Story and Photos by Bill Sterling

The Boys & Girls Club of the Eastern Shore, with the help of the Northampton Fire and Rescue Station, located in Nassawadox, has recently been providing academic support, guidelines on health precautions, and socialization skills for about 15 children twice a week under the guidance of Executive Director Kathy Custis.

The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly disrupted school schedules, creating stressful situations for parents and children who depended on schools for not only education but also nutritious meals and supervised activities while the parents are at work. In the past year schools have either offered virtual instruction only or adopted a hybrid schedule, where students would attend classes two days a week.

To help fill that void, the Boys & Girls Club has offered its members inperson academic instruction and provided youth a safe place to be while parents were at work.

In pre-pandemic times, the Boys & Girls Club met after school at Occohan-

nock Elementary School and had an average daily attendance of 70 kids. Youth received a hot meal, academic tutoring, and lessons on life skills in the areas of health, finance, and responsibility.

"I have missed our children so much since the club had to stop meeting due to COVID-19 concerns," said Custis, now in her 16th year as director of the local Boys & Girls program. "Meeting here at the firehouse is like going back home again for me and my staff. We are so appreciative to Jim LeCato and the Northampton Fire and Rescue Station for allowing us to use the firehouse."

Jim LeCato, chief and president of the Northampton Fire and Rescue Station Inc. for the past 35 years, said, "We are a community organization happy to help another community organization doing something positive. We are not able to hold bingo games with COVID-19 concerns and were only using the building for a monthly meeting, so this is a good use for the space we have. I wish we could provide the station without any cost, but we are a volunteer organization that depends on donations,

so we do need to have to charge for the added costs in utilities."

LeCato added, "I was impressed with the dedication Kathy Custis has for the Boys & Girls Club and the love she has for those kids."

The youth attending the Boys & Girls Club program start arriving at 7:30 and can stay as late as 5:30, allowing many parents to drop their children off going to work and pick them up following work. Every child and staff member entering the building has their temperature checked three times daily and wears

masks at all times. Tables are wiped clean every hour. Children bring their own school-supplied computers, and the Boys & Girls program has additional computers available. The youth also bring their own lunches, but the club has lunches for those youth who arrive empty-handed and also provides all the children two snacks a day.

Youth attending the Boys & Girls program come on days when they are not going to school on the hybrid schedule. The program currently operates Mondays and Thursdays with students from elementary to middle schools attending. High school students are attending two-hour sessions at the YMCA two evenings a week. The B&G staff helps the students with their virtual instruction by working with the schools.

Jaylyn, 6, said she misses the friends she has made at the fire station on the days when the program is not operating. "I like playing with everyone and learning," she said.

Derrick Bell, 20, and one of the five staff members assisting 18 children on this day, said, "We missed the kids and are happy to see them again. Now we are teaching them about social distancing and the importance of wearing masks in addition to helping with classwork assignments and also just letting them have some fun together."

In addition to Bell and Custis, Boys & Girls Club staffers Roneka Byrd, Desiree



Boys & Girls Club members are pictured in front of a club bus that delivers lunches to about 65 youth twice a week. These members attend a program at the Northampton Fire and Rescue Station in Nassawadox that provides academic instruction, supervised activities, and lessons on health precautions in a safe setting.

Kellam, and Ivy Bundick share the various tasks involving educating and supervising the youth in a safe environment.

In addition to providing the two days of instruction and supervised activities at the station, the Boys & Girls Club delivers lunches to members in various neighborhoods two days a week. Broderick Custis prepares the lunches and loads a club bus with about 65 lunches on Tuesdays and Fridays and travels the Eastern Shore, handing out lunches and academic worksheets to members — and also nonmembers of the club — who are in need of nutritious meals. Staff members pick up the worksheets on the next trip, handing out more.

"We know about the effects of COVID-19 on adults, especially the elderly, but our children are also greatly affected because not all parents can work from home. What do they do when schools are closed?" asks Custis. "The Boys & Girls Club is a place where members can learn in a safe place. That's what we are trying to provide here," motioning to two large rooms where some youth were working one-on-one with staff members on academic subjects and others were playing a board game of Sorry or enjoying a video game together.

To donate to the Eastern Shore Boys and Club, send a check payable to BGC-SEVA, P.O. Box 101, Melfa, VA, 23410.

All donations are tax deductible because BGCSEVA is a 501(c)(3) entity.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by the Northampton County Board of Supervisors that an application for renaming of the "Northampton Nature Preserve" to the "Edward S. Brinkley Nature Preserve" has been received.

Comments pertaining to this application should be provided to the County Administrator's Office, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, Virginia 23347, or sent via email to: **jwilliams@co.northampton.va.us**, **no later than March 25,2021**, which is the conclusion of the required 30-day public notice period.

If you have previously submitted comments on this matter, there is no need to send them again. They are already a part of the public record of this application.

Small Blessings Make Big Difference in Lives of Those in Need

Story and Photos by Jim Ritch

Blessing boxes outside Eastern Shore churches in Chincoteague and Cheriton are allowing congregations to minister to the needy without risking exposure to COVID-19.

"We get to continue being a presence in the community" as donors deposit food stuffs, hygiene products, and Bibles, and persons in need take them, said the Rev. Virginia Grier, pastor of Cheriton United Methodist

Church and two other churches at the Shore's southern tip.

"Leave what you can, take what you



Rev. Grier

need" shows prominently on the fronts of the boxes and summa-

rizes the operating principle.

Although displayed on church grounds, the boxes are used by donors and recipients of all walks.

"I see people in the community stopping in and bringing things, people I don't even know," said Bonnie Lewis, who found the idea for the box in a doctor's office magazine.

The boxes, elevated on posts, are slightly larger than popular micro-lending libraries for books.

Glass doors show the boxes' contents, "common things that we all take for granted until we're in need," said Rev. Grier.

In Cheriton a core group including Bonnie Lewis, Stephanie LeMond, and Vince Conroy restocks the box and scans donations from others.

For safety reasons, the volunteers check expiration dates and remove perishable items



Eagle Scout Gary Hollingsworth displays the blessing box that he built for Christ United Methodist Church, Chincoteague.



Stephanie LeMond, of Cheriton, examines the contents of the blessing box at Cheriton United Methodist Church, Cheriton.

and dented cans.

Even in a small town, the box has drawn significant usage.

"You can drive through town and it's full, and come back and it's half full," said Lewis.

A blessing box at Christ United Methodist Church in Chincoteague began as an Eagle Scout project led by Scout Gary Hollingsworth, of Troop 323, which is sponsored by the church.

His mother, Ulli, found the idea online in December 2018, and it appealed to her son.

"I wanted to make something that would make a lasting impact," he said.



Gary Hollingsworth

From the beginning, the project engaged outside contributors.

Stephanie Hale donated the an-

tique door that became the front of the box, after being refurbished as a donation from Church Street Supply.

"One reason the box is so well used is that he was able to get so many people involved from the beginning," said the Rev. Jon Woodburn, pastor of the church.

Although many Chincoteague Scouts helped with the project, including car washes held as fundraisers, Hollingsworth credited three Scouts as key to the project:

Reece Powers, Evan Mason, and Miles Holcomb, all of Chincoteague.

Their work has given the church a highly accessible outlet for its food pantry, making food



Rev. Woodburn

available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, said Rev. Woodburn.

Community Notes

CIAO Presents Virtual Black History Movie

The Chincoteague Island Arts Organization will commemorate Black History Month by sharing a virtual film, "M & M Smith: For Posterity's Sake," which began Thursday and will run through Wednesday, March 3.

Marvin and Morgan Smith, twin brothers with amazing artistic talent and driving ambition, left rural Kentucky in 1933 and headed to New York where they learned professional photography. In 1939 they established a photography studio adjacent to Harlem's legendary Apollo Theatre, and it quickly became a hub for leading Black entertainers, musicians, artists, and writers. The Smiths' stylish portraits and films include the rich, the famous, and the influential, as well as the everyday people of the neighborhood. They provided a stunning visual record of rising social movements, and they captured for posterity the extraordinary vitality and energy of Harlem in its heyday and its lasting influence on American arts and culture.

Independent filmmaker, Heather Lyons-Long, allowed CIAO to use her film.

Go to the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization Facebook page, click on the program announcement, and it will take you to the performance on YouTube.

If you prefer, or if you are not a Facebook user, you can use this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Br396841Fn4

If you want to watch it on your smart TV, set up instructions can be found at: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=FrRRDlKspu0

American Legion Monthly Meeting

The American Legion Northampton monthly meeting will be Tuesday, March 9, at 6 p.m. Meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month.

Social Security Virtual Program Social Security benefits help se-

Social Security benefits help secure a comfortable retirement. Retirees and their family need to be aware of the ways to protect this financial benefit. Eastern Shore Public Library is hosting a free virtual program by the Shore's Social Security Administration's Public Affairs Specialist Friday, April 2, at noon. This 30-minute program focuses on fraud prevention, survivor benefits, SSA's online services, and concerns about the solvency of Social Security trust funds. The program is specifically designed for those already receiving Social Security benefits.

Registration is required and attendance can be by phone or online. To register, go to https://tinyurl.com/4fqdwsqm or call the library at 757-787-3400.

ESCSB Meeting

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board will hold a meeting Tuesday, March 9, at 9 a.m., at the administration building, 24233 Lankford Highway, Tasley.

Accomack Democratic Meeting

The Accomack County Democratic Committee's monthly general membership meeting will be a virtual platform via GoToMeeting Wednesday, March 3, at 6 p.m.

All members interested in attending the meeting should contact Executive Chair Lisa LaMontagne at 703-623-0690 for a code to access the virtual meeting.

ESCC Registration

The second eight-week session of the 2021 spring semester at Eastern Shore Community College will begin March 15. The addition of eightweek sessions has accommodated more start times for students and introduced more flexibility for busy schedules and job commitments.

The college's culture of "YES!" (Your Eastern Shore) has solidified

sustained efforts of customer services like the "Registration Rally Days" that will be held Tuesday, March 2, and Thursday, March 4, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. These events recognize social distancing with masks required and offer a convenient one-stop delivery of advising, class selection, scheduling, help with financial aid, registration, and payment.

Students who haven't yet registered for either short-term or long-

term programs can make the most of their time on campus on either day, with additional resources available to help them through the process. No appointments are needed. Those requiring assistance are asked to report to the reception desk at the entrance of the new Academic Building at 29316 Lankford Highway, Melfa. For additional information, email studentservices@es.vccs.edu, or call 757-789-1720.

Church News

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A Public Service of Healing is held every Thursday at noon at the St. James Church, Drummondtown, rectory front lawn on Back Street or at www.stgeorgesesva.org

Cheriton

Holmes Presbyterian Church will host "The Pursuit" Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18, and 25, at 5:30 p.m.

Join the church online for an informal discussion of a brief, historical reading in Christian ethics each week. People of all faiths or no faith are welcome to join. For a copy of the reading and instructions on finding the discussion on Zoom, visit https://pursuit.holmespresby.org

All in-person meetings at Holmes Presbyterian Church have been suspended due to COVID-19. Join parishioners for an online worship experience Sundays at 11 a.m. on their Facebook page or on Zoom with Meeting ID 972-3754-2625. People may also join by calling +1 929 205 6099 and entering Meeting ID 972-3754-2625.

For more information, visit https://madness.holmespresby.org

Easton, Md.

The Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra resumes its "Season Reimagined" on Thursday, March 4, with a performance of Joseph Boulogne's Violin Concerto, a work that brought critical acclaim to the talented son of an African slave.

The program, which begins at 7:30 p.m., at the Church of God in Easton, Md., also includes Dmitri Shostakovich's Chamber Symphony, and features the Orchestra's principal cellist, Jacques-Pierre Malan, in Joseph Haydn's riveting Cello Concerto No. 1 in C Major. New York City Ballet Concertmaster Kurt Nikkanen will be guest soloist for Boulogne's Violin Concerto Op. 7 No. 2.

Tickets to attend the performance as a member of the live, socially distanced audience of up to 150 individuals are \$45, while supplies last. Tickets to view the concert livestream are \$15. Both in-person and virtual tickets include special pre- and post-concert events hosted by Maestro Benichou, as well as on-demand replays of the concert through March 14.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.midatlanticsymphony.org

Pungoteague

The food pantry will be open Wednesday, March 10, from 6 to 8 p.m., and Saturday, March 13, from 8 to 10 a.m., at Pungoteague Community Church. The teen youth group (ages 9 to 16) will meet Fridays, March 12 and 26, at 6 p.m., in the church social hall. Women's fellowship will be Thursday, March 4, at 6 p.m., at the Huether home. Men's fellowship will be Thursday, March 4, at 6 p.m., at the church social hall.



George William Stevens **Stevens Nominated for** The Congress of Future **Medical Leaders**

George William Stevens, an 11th grader at Nandua High School, will be a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders March 20 and 21.

The congress is an honors-only program for high school students who want to become physicians or go into medical research fields. The purpose of this event is to honor, inspire, motivate, and direct the top students in the country interested in these careers, to stay true to their dream and, after the event, to provide a path, plan, and resources to help them reach their goal.

Stevens's nomination was signed by Dr. Mario Capecchi, winner of the Nobel Prize in medicine and the science director of the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists to represent Nandua High School based on his academic achievement, leadership potential, and determination to serve humanity in the field of medicine.

During the two-day congress, Stevens will join students from across the country and hear Nobel laureates and National Medal of Science winners talk about leading medical research; be given advice from Ivy League and top medical school deans on what to expect in medical school; witness stories told by patients who are living medical miracles; be inspired by fellow teen medical science prodigies; and learn about cuttingedge advances and the future in medicine and medical technology.



FIVE GENERATIONS OF FAMILY

At a recent family gathering, five generations of the family were able to spend time together. Pictured above from left are mom, Elsie Allen, of Eastville, holding her great-great-grandson, Myles, of Jacksonville, Fla.; her son, Alvin Allen Jr., of Chesapeake; granddaughter, Shoannette Mc-Donald, of Jacksonville; and great-granddaughter, Asia McDonald, of Jacksonville.



ESCC Provides Care Packages for Students

Eastern Shore Community College added another facet to its support of students this week by implementing a community service project, "Be the Love," guided by the ESCC Foundation and the ESCC Educational Supports Committee. Complementing existing efforts, such as the Healthy Snacks Program and the monthly food pantry, "Be the Love" provides additional student support by giving away care packages that include practical everyday items, ranging from hygiene products to notes of encouragement during the challenging days of the pandemic.

These packages will be made available to students on campus, much like the healthy snacks, in both the academic and workforce facilities. Students and staff members teamed together to fill the packages, which are unique for male and female students. Nearly 400 are ready to be distributed as needed.





Marriage Licenses Issued

Center

• Timothy Prettyman, 65, and Sherri Brown, 65, both of Exmore

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Week of Feb. 27 - March 5, 2021						
<u>Saturday</u>						
Fresh Trout Platter	\$15 ⁹⁹					
<u>Sunday</u>						
Hot Roast Beef S/W w/2 Sides	\$9 ⁹⁹					
<u>Monday</u>						
Homemade Meatloaf	\$10 ⁹⁹					
<u>Tuesday</u>						
Hot Turkey Sandwich	\$10 ⁹⁹					
<u>Wednesday</u>						
Smoked Chicken w/BBQ Sauce	\$9 ⁹⁹					
<u>Thursday</u>						
Spaghetti w/Giant Meatballs	\$9 ⁹⁹					
<u>Friday</u>						
Fresh Rockfish Platter	\$19 ⁹⁹					

Eastern Shore Trading POST

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

Announcements



Thank You

Larry and Nina Thornton would like to thank everyone for the wonderful cards and letters we received.

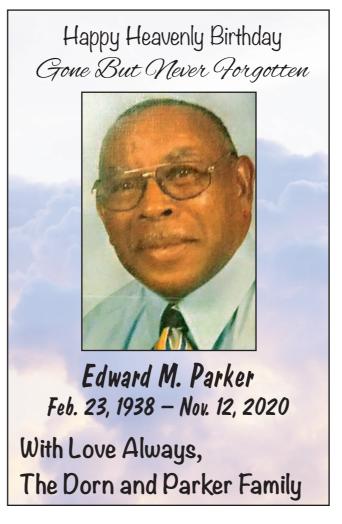
Thank you for helping us celebrate our fiftieth anniversary – we reached our goal of 50 plus cards. God bless you all.

THANK YOU

The family of the late Auletha Bell Jones would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown during the loss of our loved one. The prayers, calls, texts, cards, flowers, and donations did not go unnoticed and were a huge support to help get us through this difficult time. May God bless you all!

With Sincere Gratitude, Orlander, Saadia, Natasha, Marva, and Family





"The Greatness of a Community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

The community of the Eastern Shore of Virginia.....my community....our community...has humbled our family beyond words. Thank you for your kind and generous support. Your thoughtfulness is something that we will never forget. The spirit of your giving can not be compared to anything else we have ever witnessed. The items that were donated for auctions, the monetary donations and the buying of wings was shocking, amazing and phenomenal. ESVA folks helping each other is what makes our little piece of heaven unique. Words will never be able to describe our feelings for the outpouring of love that you provided. Please know we love each and every one of you. We are overwhelmed by this outpouring of love. Jerry, Adam and I are looking forward to helping the next recipient at the 2022 Tyson Ticktown Wingfest!

The BPOE 1766 Onancock Elks Lodge is truly community focused and made up of some of the most spectacular people I have ever met! There are so many to name but Barry Mears and Wayde Fowler are the Masterminds behind this event. I could never count the hours that they put in during this fundraiser. Each night I would log into Facebook and giggle at the on goings between Barry and Wayde! Then I would sit speechless looking at the auction items. Please know how blessed we are to have these gentlemen serving our community and putting others first! The folks who made the wings, boxed the wings, delivered the wings, organized the donations, judged the wings....thank you! And even though Barry has said it doesn't happen magically, it's been a magical experience for our family!

With Sincere Thanks, Michelle, Jerry, and Adam

Help Wanted

PERDUE FARMS IN ACCOMAC. VA WILL BE CONDUCTING A JOB FAIR

TUESDAY, MARCH 2ND 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM 22520 LANKFORD HWY ACCOMAC, VA 23301

Now hiring for general labor, maintenance mechanics, CDL Drivers and many other positions.

We offer competitive wages, great benefits, and now up to \$5000 Incentive Pay for Full Time hires!

> All applications are done online at www.perduecareers.com

Our recruitment team is available to help you in submitting your application if you desire assistance.

FOR MORE INFORMATION. PLEASE CALL 757-787-5359 OR 757-787-5294.



Help Wanted

CARPENTER – Carpenter wanted for general contractor company. Valid license and 5+ years experience required. Most worked located on Chincoteague. Call

ence preferred, not required and will train. Spanish bilingual a plus. Part-time positions. Drop off resume at Family Dentistry, 24277 Cooke Street, Parksley. 757-665-7729.

GUEST SERVICE REP. Hampton Inn & Suites Full Time Apply Within 4179 Main Street Chincoteague, VA

CHICKEN FARM TEN ANT 8 house chicken farm in Accomack County, VA looking for a tenant. Experience is not required but would be preferred. Serious inquires only. Please call or text 757-894-8456

FLAGGER Full-Time Flagger Traffic Plan seeks FT Flaggers to set up & control traffic around construction sites. A valid driver's license is a must, good pay & benefits. If interested, please fill out an application

online at trafficplan.com

www.trafficplan.com

757-894-2807.

DENTAL ASSISTANT & SECRETARY - Experi-

Full-time, year round position for wholesale ornamental nursery. Duties include, but not limited to irrigation, applying pesticides and herbicides. Experience preferred, but willing to train the right individual. Weekend work required on a rotating schedule. Pay base on experience. Send resume to briani@theivyfarm.com office #757-787-4096. LOOKING FOR MASONS

DELIVERY DRIVER -

Delivering nursery plants

in Mid-Atlantic. Must have

or be able to obtain D.O.T.

medical card. CDL pre-

ferred but not required. Must have clean driving re-

cord. Call 787-4096.
ASSISTANT GROWER

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

WINDOW & DOOR IN-STALLER - Must have experience - Pay based on exp. Must have DL & a vehicle.

Call 789-3333. PART-TIME LABORER - The ESVBA has a job opening. Apply through the

website at www.esvba.com MILLWRIGHTS-PIPE FITTERS/WELDERS MAINTENANCE MECHANIC * MIG - TIG - STICK

* FT - PT and Weekends

* Exp'd only. * Valid Driver's License and Transportation. Day shift and night shift positions. DOUĞLAS REPAIRS, INC., SNOW HILL, MD.

Call 410-632-1346 or 443-783-4125.
CDL DRIVER NEEDED

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

Parks & Recreation Referee

Northampton County, Virginia

Northampton County is accepting applications for a part time Sports Activities Referee for the Parks & Recreation Department. Referee certification is preferred and previous experience is required. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered. An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link (https://www. co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job openings). Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than Friday, February 26, 2021, by 5pm. Northampton County is an EOE.

Jail Medic

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

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

Applications may be obtained in person from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Virginia 23347, or online at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/gov- ernment/jobs opportunities/job openings

Deadline for applications: February 28, 2021.

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Program Monitor

Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation department is currently accepting applications for a part-time program monitor position. The position will be responsible for regular attendance and punctuality of all Parks and Rec. programs, including opening and closing Parks & Rec. facilities during program practices and games, set up and break down of necessary equipment needed for programs. Minimum qualifications for this position are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in athletics. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered. An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link (https://www. co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job openings). Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than Friday, February 26, 2021, by 5pm. Northampton County is an EÓE

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

Developmental Disabilities Aide (\$11.25/ hour- \$2.50/hour-weekend differentral) Peer Recovery/Engagement Specialist Clinician

Part-time Peer Recovery Specialist Mental Health/Substance Abuse Case Manager-**Outpatient Services**

Director of Finance and Administration Developmental Services Case Manager Office Manager

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

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Correctional Officer

Job will require shift work, nights, weekends and some holidays.

Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED. Certifications must be obtained within one year of employment.

Applications may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or the Eastern Shore Regional Jail Office located at 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or online at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/gov- ernment/jobs_opportunities/job_openings

Deadline for applications: February 28, 2021.

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Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Recreation Score Keeper I

Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation department is currently accepting applications for a part-time Recreation Score Keeper. The position will be responsible for regular attendance and punctuality of all Parks and Rec. programs, including keeping accurate time, score and statistics for various sport programs.

Minimum qualifications for this position are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in athletics. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered.

An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link above, obtained thru the Human Resources office, or by clicking the link (https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings). Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than Friday, February 26, 2021, by 5pm. Northampton County is an EOE.

TROLLEY DRIVER

We are looking to fill final Trolley Driver positions. Apply if you have a valid CDL license with passenger-endorsement and want a part-time seasonal Trolley Driver position. Applications can be picked up at the town office or obtained from the Town of Chincoteague website. Your completed applications should be returned to the Director of Transportation, 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336. EEO



NUTRITIONIST ASSISTANT (WIC) Position #ESX21

The Eastern Shore Health District has an opening for an hourly Nutritionist Assistant to support the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). 24-40 hours per week. For detailed job information or to apply, visit http://jobs.virginia.gov/. Virginia Department of Health (VDH) accepts only online applications; apply by February 28, 2021. EEO.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POSITION: Police Officer POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #2021-1-2111

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District will be accepting applications for a Certified Police Officer from February 17, 2021, thru March 3, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. Applicant must be a Certified Police Officer in the Commonwealth of Virginia in accordance with regulations of the Department of Criminal Justice System. Applicant must be 21 years of age or older, and have a good driving record, and possess a valid Virginia Driver's License. Applications may be obtained from the District's personnel office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, by telephone (757)331-2960, or online at www.cbbt.com/employment.html. The annual salary range for this position is \$39,801.00 to \$63,832.00 and includes a complete benefits package. EOE.

Full-Time Sales & eCommerce in Pocomoke City HIRING IMMEDIATELY. Base + commission. Jewelry

store or banking experience preferred. Proficient in Word preferred. Knowledge of posting to eBay and Facebook and online sales needed.

Email resume with references to eileenkirkwood@yahoo.com

EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE is currently recruiting for a

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The mission of The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce is to serve, promote, and connect the businesses and communities of the Eastern Shore.

ESVA Chamber is seeking to fill the position of **Executive Director**, which is a key representative and advocate for business owners and employers in a community. As the chief executive officer of the chamber of commerce, the Executive Director is responsible for the daily operation of the chamber office and staff. The E.D. will furnish leadership within the chamber and the community in order to help support the chamber's mission statement. The E.D. will help develop and guide programs intended to improve business and civic conditions. The E.D. of the Chamber will also serve as the part-time E.D. for the ESVA Tourism Commission.

Qualifications/Requirements:

Knowledge of: Marketing and public relations techniques; word processing, database management; working knowledge of accounting and finance; principles of volunteer management, program administration and strategic planning; and operation of a board of directors.

Ability to: Handle multiple tasks and projects, develop and motivate volunteers, communicate effectively, review and appraise complex issues; supervise personnel; establish and maintain strong working relations with others.

Education: Bachelor's degree in business administration or related field from an accredited institution is a minimum requirement.

Experience: At least five years of recent progressive administrative experience in a chamber of commerce or closely related organization.

Special Requirements: Must be able to work a flexible schedule to accommodate the organization's needs.

A person in this position must be a visionary with supervisory and administrative experience, mature judgment, and sound leadership principles. Must have strong interpersonal skills and the ability to foster teamwork. Excellent communication skills required.

This is a full-time position with benefits.

For more information, visit our website at https://www.esva-chamber.org/. If you are a community-driven person looking to make a difference, kindly forward your resume to:

Mr. Will Russell PO Box 460 Onley, VA 23418 will@easternshoreradio.com

Resume must be submitted via email or postmarked by March 1, 2021.

ESVA Chamber of Commerce offers a competitive benefits package.

If a reasonable accommodation is needed for the interview process, please contact Will Russell will@easternshoreradio.com

The Commonwealth's attorney office is now hiring for a as needed basis Temporary Office Assistant, with limited hours. The primary responsibilities include assisting the Office Administrator with file organization and data entry, and when the Office Administrator is absent, providing clerical assistance as requested by the Commonwealth's and Assistant Commonwealth's Attorneys, serving as office receptionist, answering and directing telephone calls, and directing inquiries from the public, law enforcement or Court. Must possess knowledge of and abilities in general office procedures. Must maintain confidentiality of sensitive information. An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link above, obtained thru the Human Resources office, or by clicking the link (https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings). Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than Friday, March 12, 2021 by 5pm. Northampton County is an EOE.

Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following positions: Full-Time Certified Law Enforcement Officer and a Full-Time Dispatcher. Applications may be obtained from the Accomack County Sheriff's Office or online at www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org. Applications must be returned to this office by Monday, March 29, 2021, at 4:00 pm. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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- · CLEAN DRIVING RECORD
- CURRENT DOT PHYSICAL
- Two Years Experience Required
- Competitive Salary And Benefits

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OR EMAIL JOHN.ANNIS@MOORESCOMPANIES.COM

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

Recreation Score Keeper 2

Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation department is currently accepting applications for a part-time Recreation Scorekeeper. The position will be responsible for regular attendance and punctuality of all Parks and Rec. programs, including keeping accurate time, score and statistics for various sport programs. Minimum qualifications for this position are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in athletics. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered. An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link (https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings). Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than Friday, February 26, 2021, by 5pm. Northampton County is an EOE.

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Packing House Equipment Technician

Responsible for operation of Veryx Optical Sorter and other equipment. Training provided; candidates should have mechanical experience. Assistance with other equipment and farm maintenance. Other skills required include proficiency with basic computer user interface, problem solving, good communication, good retention of learned concepts. Wage will be based on experience. C&E Farms, Cheriton, VA. (757) 678-5097.

Help Wanted: Forklift Operator for produce packing company. Loading trucks, moving product to storage. Must be able to do simple math and have prior forklift experience. Full-time employment. \$11.40 per hour / time and a half over 40 hours. Must be willing to travel seasonally to Florida. C&E Farms - Cheriton, VA. Call (757) 678-5097.

DENTAL HYGIENIST

Morrison Dental Group is seeking a full or part time Dental Hygienist. Enjoy working in a practice with state-ofthe-art technology, competitive pay and benefits! Submit your resume to: <u>ilewis@morrisondentalgroup.com</u>

DENTAL ASSISTANT

Morrison Dental Group is seeking a full time Dental Assistant. Previous experience working in a dental or medical office is required. Training provided! Submit your resume to: ilewis@morrisondentalgroup.com

OFFICE ASSISTANT

Morrison Dental Group is seeking a part-time Front Office Assistant to help answer phones, schedule and confirm appointments, and more! Enjoy working with a fabulous team! Submit your resume to: <u>jlewis@morrisondentalgroup.com</u>

Shellfish Hatchery Technician JOB DESCRIPTION – Will participate in all activities associated with shellfish culture on a commercial scale. This will include conditioning, spawning, larval and juvenile culturing, algal production, land-based nursery culturing and maintenance. We can train however independent study will be expected. Bagwell Enterprises Inc. Eastville, VA 757-678-5806.

Clam Aquaculture Worker

Work includes planting, maintenance, and harvest of clam beds. Must have good driving record and capable of driving a 10-wheel flat-bed truck. Solid boat handling skills essential. Handyman skills a plus (will be used when unable to work on the water). Weekend work may be required to meet production needs. Bagwell Enterprises Inc., Eastville, VA 757-678-5806.

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POSITION: MIS Field Technician POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #2021-1-3341

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District will be accepting applications with resume for MIS Field Technician from February 18, 2021 to March 11, 2021. This position performs difficult technical and skilled task related to the installation, operation and maintenance of the District's various computer, communication and electronic systems. Applicant must be 18 years of age or older, must have a good driving record, and must possess or obtain a valid Virginia Commercial Driver's License (CDL), Class B or ability to obtain in 6 months. Salary range \$38,068.00 to \$61,053.00 and includes a complete benefit package. Application and position description may be obtained from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District's personnel office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, by telephone (757) 331-2960, or online at www.cbbt.com/employment.html. EOE

Boats, Etc.

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

SUZUKI OUTBOARD ENGINE - 115 h.p., like new, less than 30 hrs. running time. \$7,500! Call 757-787-8680.

'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 RĚDUCED: \$6,000. Pat-757-442-4635

00 MAXUM 2800 SCR twin 4.3L V6 engines. Exc. cond. w/recent (2014) maintenance record. Many extras. \$16K OBO. Call 540-287-5047.

1992 GRADY WHITE TOURNAMENT -190

175 HP Johnson. \$6,000. Call 724-601-3695. See in Chincoteague

BOAT WHEELS - 4-blade, 1 pair, 19" x 23-1½" shaft. JUST REDUCED \$300. Call 757-999-3437 & leave msg. 2014 60 HP MERCURY

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

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

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

MOTOR, BOAT, 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.



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



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



'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.



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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.

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

34' DELTAVILLE DEAD-RISE \$28,500 OBO -Charter Fishing Boat. 2012 Re-Power Cat 3208T (757) 678-3718. dat556@verizon.net

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

Farm & Lawn Equipment

LAWN MOWER - John Deere with 84 hours. Zeroturn, 54-inch cut, \$4,000. Call 757-894-0669 or 757-665-5040

1953 ANNIVERSARY JU-**BILEE 600 FORD TRAC-TOR -** \$3,500. 442-7507.

NEW TRAILER - 6' x 12', back and side gates, \$1,800. Call 757-894-0669 or 757-665-5040

Feed & Seed

HORSE HAY for sale (\$6 per bale) and STRAW (\$4 per bale). Call 757-824-3930 or call 757-894-1339 (cell).

Firewood

Firewood 757-442-7540

Misc. - For Sale

FOR SALE: 2 Miles Hancock blk ducks, v. good cond.; 1 Doug Jester blk duck mint cond. Serious inquiries only. \$1,025 firm. 757-710-7287. **STAGE EQUIPMENT**

FOR SALE - Stage lights/ cords, CD burner equipment, microphones, old trunk. Call for pricing: 757-709-5327

150-YEAR-OLD BOER WAR ENFIELD RIFLE Exc. condition. \$1,000 OBO. 410-245-0152

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LIKE NEW: 2 INDIAN HEAD PENNIES - \$6 a set. Call 757-442-4252

WHIRLPOOL PROPANE WATER HEATER TANK Exc. cond., \$275. Located on Chincoteague. 804-218-1090

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MAPLE ANTIQUE HARDWOOD KITCHEN TABLE w/leaf & 4 chairs, \$150. Located on Chincoteague. 804-218-1090.

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ENTERTAINMENT **CENTER** - Includes 42" flat tv (Pioneer 5.1 surround sound), receiver, Sony compact disk player, Bose speakers. All sold as 1 unit: \$800 OBO. 757-693-2154.



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302-846-9739

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff CIVIL CASE NO. 21CL234

vs.

The heirs and devisees of DOROTHY F. WALKER

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that certain tract of land in the County of Accomack, Virginia, designated as Tax Map Number 077B0A000002400

standing in the name of Dorothy F. Walker pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Dorothy F. Walker, also known as Dorothy Francis Tyler, but without effect; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Dorothy F. Walker. It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before March 19, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 19th day of February, 2021 Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. David Mason has applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct 120 linear feet of marsh toe sill adjacent to 24311 Bailey Neck Drive along Onancock 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.

NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the municipal property of Cape Charles, 11 Marina Rd, Cape Charles VA 23310, phone number 757-331-3100 (extension 1).

Description of watercraft: Bertram 31, year unknown, VIN: BER G1373 1173-316, Registration: VA 1714 BT.

Application for Watercraft Registration/Title will be made in accordance with Section 29.1-733.25 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u> if this watercraft is not claimed and removed within 30 days of first publication of this notice. Please contact the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources with questions.



SEALED BID SALE SALE OF REAL ESTATE 34267 HORNTOWN ROAD, HORNTOWN, VIRGINIA, 23395 Parcel # 076, PMI #9684

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in the office of the Assistant Program Manager, Property Management located at 7511 Burbage Drive, Suffolk, VA 23435, until, but no later than, April 15, 2021, at 11:00 a.m., for the following property:

For that certain parcel of land (Parcel 076), located in Horntown, Virginia, on the north side of Horntown Road. The residue property has generally flat topography and is rectangular in shape with road access to Horntown Road. Subject property contains 56,255.061 square feet or 1.291 acres. Zoning for subject property has been determined to be R-Residential. Property is located in Flood Plain Zone X. Tax Map #51001C0255G.

Bids must be submitted in the manner prescribed in the "Instruction to Bidders" available from VDOT, accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or money order in the amount of 10% of the bid as a deposit. The successful bidder's deposit will be applied toward the purchase price. All others will be returned. Closing shall occur within 30 days after approval of sale. The value placed on this parcel is \$18,000.

Employees of VDOT, their immediate families or any person employed with the valuation and/or acquisition of this property are ineligible to bid. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. The property is being sold "as is" with conveyance by deed without warranty. For further information and proposals, contact VDOT at the above address or call Jacqulyn M. Lane at (757) 759-3917 or send an email to Jacqulyn.Lane@VDOT.Virginia.gov.

All bids must be submitted on the Bid Proposal Form by the stated deadline for consideration.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff CIVIL CASE NO. 21CL233

vs.

JOHN HONG MOLLY HONG PAUL M. BOBAK CAPTAIN'S COVE GOLF & YACHT CLUB, INC.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that certain tract of land in the County of Accomack, Virginia, designated as Tax Map Number 005A20100021800

standing in the names of John Hong and Molly Hong pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the <u>Code of</u> Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that John Hong and Molly Hong are non-residents of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 4411 73rd Avenue, Landover Hills, Maryland, 20784; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Paul M. Bobak, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 97, Greenbackville, Virginia, 23356.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before March 19, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit

ENTER: This 19th day of February, 2021 Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

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

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Notice is hereby given that Mr. Lance Manlove has applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct replacement bulkhead no more than two feet channelward of existing failing bulkhead adjacent to 24227 Thicket Point Lane along Onancock 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.

The County of Northampton is accepting bids for the construction of a dedicated water supply system to serve fire hydrants. Bids will be accepted by the Public Works Department until March 8, 2021. For a complete set of specifications, please contact Chris Thomas, Director of Public Works, at cthomas@co.northampton.va.us or 757-678-0414. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bidding.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES COMBINED NORTHAMPTON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, EASTVILLE, VIRGINIA

PUBLIC NOTICE

The County of Northampton is soliciting sealed proposals to establish a contract through competitive negotiations for construction project management services for the renovations and additions to a Combined Northampton Middle/High School located in Northampton County, VA. The successful vendor works in the best interest of the County and the School Board. Construction Management services will include representing the County and School Board during conceptual project design development and overseeing construction, resulting in the successful construction, occupation, and operation of the enhanced Combined Northampton Middle/High School.

The term of this contract is for the duration of the completion of the Combined Middle School/High School Enhancement Project which comprises both renovations and additions. The Design Phase is anticipated to last from February 2021 through February 2022. The Bidding/Procurement Phase is anticipated to last from February 2022 through April 2022, and Construction is expected to last 24 months, from May 2022 to May 2024. There will be an option to continue the contract services for the construction of other associated projects that may be required.

Sealed Proposals will be received until March 12, 2021, at 3:00 PM. Failure to submit proposals to the correct location by the designated date and hour will result in disqualification. Any proposal received after this date and time, whether hand-delivered, submitted via U.S. Postal Service, or submitted via any other delivery service, will not be accepted or considered.

Proposals should be mailed or hand delivered to: County of Northampton Administration Department, 16404 Courthouse Road, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347. Reference the Opening Date and Hour, and RFP Name in the lower left corner of the return envelope or package.

All inquiries for information regarding this solicitation should be directed to: Charles Kolakowski, County Administrator, Phone: (757) 678-0440, ext. 515, Fax: (757) 678-0483, email: ckolakowski@co.northampton.va.us.

The full text of the RFP can be downloaded from the County's website (www.co.northampton.va.us). It is the responsibility of the vendor to make sure that they have received any and all addenda which will also be posted on the website.

The County reserves the right to amend or cancel this RFP at any time if it is in the best interests of the County. The County reserves the right to reject any or any part of all proposals; to waive informalities and technicalities; and to accept that proposal which the County deems to be in the best interest of the County, whether or not it is the lowest dollar cost proposal.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE 10311 Lankford Highway, Temperanceville, VA 23442

By virtue of the power and authority ontained in a Deed of Trust dated January 19, 2009, and recorded at Instrument Number 200900295 in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court for Accomack County, VA, securing a loan which was originally \$222,000.00. The appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC will offer for sale at public auction at main entrance of the Accomack County Circuit Court, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue on:

March 11, 2021 at 1:00 PM

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the town of Temperanceville, (erroneously refer to as Temparanceville in Deed of Trust) Accomack County, State of Virginia, containing by estimation One Acre (1) (A), more or less, and bounded and described as follows, et wit: West, by the main State Road, North by the land of said Julius G. Matthews, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an iron post (erroneously refer to as poet in Deed of Trust) on State Road, running East direction seventy (70) yards, more or less to an iron post, thence South Seventy (70) yards more or less to an Iron post thence West to point of beginning on the State road, Bounded on North, East and South by land of said Julius G. Matthews.

Less and Except that certain piece or parcel of land as conveyed to the Commonwealth of Virginia by Deed recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, State of Virginia, in Deed Book 809, page 627, and as more fully described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: The property will be sold "AS IS," WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements, rights of way, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust to be announced at the time of sale. A deposit of \$20,000.00, or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required at time of sale, in the form of certified check, cashier's check or money order by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price, with interest at the rate contained in the Deed of Trust Note from the date of sale to the date said funds are received in the office of the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale. In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses of sale and Substitute Trustee's fee. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges, whether incurred prior to or after the sale, and all other costs incident to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes, any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of sale at the time of settlement. Purchaser agrees to pay the seller's attorneys at settlement, a fee of \$465.00 for review of the settlement

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

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Rosenberg & Associates, LLC (Attorney for the Secured Party) 4340 East West Highway, Suite 600 Bethesda, MD 20814 301-907-8000 www.rosenberg-assoc.com

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Northampton, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at the Northampton County Court House, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347 at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

PARCEL 1: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TYNIA GENENE HILLIARD MAP NO. 00030-0A-BLK-00-057 On Joynes Road

All that parcel of land near Birds Nest, Northampton County, Virginia, being 1.60 acres, more or less.

PARCEL 2: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TYNIA GENENE HILLIARD MAP NO. 00030-0A-BLK-00-0000059 10152 Joynes Road

All that parcel of land near Birds Nest, Northampton County, Virginia.

PARCEL 3: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. JOSEPH A. ARIZMENDI, JR. MAP NO. 083A1-16-BLK-00 0000049 30 Bridgeton Drive

All that parcel of land in the Town of Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, known as Lot 49, Marina Village East, as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 34, page 22.

PARCEL 4: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. VIVI ULYSSES AVGEROS MAP NO. 0009B-02-BLK-00 0000006 3257 Eden Meadows Drive

All that parcel of land near Wardtown, Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, being lot 6, Country Meadows, on a plat recorded in Plat Book 18, page 27.

PARCEL 5: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. NELIA S. BENNETT MAP NO. 010A1-06-BLK-0G 0000001 11538 Occohannock Neck Road

All that parcel of land in Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, designated as Lot 1 and the western most 19 ½ feet of Lot 2 in Block G on a map captioned "Belmore" recorded in Plat Book 5, page 28.

PARCEL 6: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TOMMY BOOTH MAP NO. 010A1-0A-BLK-00 0000098 3120 Lee Street

All that parcel of land in the town of Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, fronting on Lee Street, shown on a plat recorded in Deed Book 218, at page 589.

PARCEL 7: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. CLEAR HOT DEVELOPMENT LLC MAP NO. 0020B-01-BLK-00 0000006 and 0020B-01-BLK-00 0000007 On Bayford Road

All that parcel of land in Northampton County, Virginia, designated as Lots 6 and 7 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 139, page 435.

PARCEL 8: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. CLEAR HOT DEVELOPMENT LLC MAP NO. 0020B-02-BLK-00 0000016 and 0020B-02-BLK-00 0000017 On Bayford Road

All that parcel of land in Northampton County, Virginia, designated as Lots 16 and 17 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 139, page 435.

PARCEL 9: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. CLEAR HOT DEVELOPMENT LLC MAP NO. 0020B-02-BLK-00 0000018 and 0020B-02-BLK-00 0000019 On Bayford Road

All that parcel of land in Northampton County, Virginia, designated as Lots 18 and 19 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 139, page 435.

PARCEL 10: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. MARY LEE CUSTIS MAP NO. 0068B-01-BLK-00 0000004 Off Meadow Drive

All that parcel of land near Eastville, Northampton County, Virginia, known as Lot 4 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 55, page 346.

PARCEL 11: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. MARY LEE CUSTIS MAP NO. 0068B-01-BLK-00 0000005 Off Soloman Lane

All that parcel of land near Eastville, Northampton County, Virginia, known as Lot 5 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 55, page 346.

PARCEL 12: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. MARY LEE CUSTIS MAP NO. 0068B-01-BLK-00 0000006 On Soloman Lane

All that parcel of land near Eastville, Northampton County, Virginia, known as Lot 6 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 55, page 346.

PARCEL 13: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. SYLVESTER F. ELMANDORF MAP NO. 15C-1-B12 Off Brickhouse Drive

All that parcel of land near Hare Valley, Northampton County, Virginia, measuring approximately one hundred feet in width along the Northeast and Southwest boundary thereof and approximately one hundred fifty eight feet in depth along the Southeast and Northwest boundaries thereof.

PARCEL 14: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. ALFONIZA O. JOHNSON MAP NO. 00084-0A-BLK-00 000114A 22738 Bayview Circle

All that parcel of land near Bayview, Northampton County, Virginia.

PARCEL 15: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. JAMES R. O'FARROW MAP NO. 0009B-03-BLK-00 0000025 On Eden Meadows Lane

All that parcel of land near Wardtown, Northampton County, Virginia, designated as Lot 25, Eden Meadows, recorded in Plat Book 18, at page 28.

PARCEL 16: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TRINITY FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC MAP NO. 00090-05-BLK-00 0000033 On English Court

All that parcel of land in the Town of Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, Lot 33, Bay Creek, Phase K, plat recorded in Map Book 28, pages 64-73.

PARCEL 17: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TRINITY FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC MAP NO. 00090-05-BLK-00 0000089 On Foster Circle

All that parcel of land in the Town of Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, Lot 89, Bay Creek, Phase K, plat recorded in Map Book 28, pages 64-73.

PARCEL 18: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TYCO HOMES, LLC MAP NO. 68-11-13 On McCotter Lane

All that parcel of land in Eastville District, Northampton County, Virginia, Lot 13, The Landings, plat recorded in Plat Book 36, at page 68.

PARCEL 19: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TYCO HOMES, LLC MAP NO. 68-11-24 On McCotter Lane

All that parcel of land in Eastville District, Northampton County, Virginia, Lot 24, The Landings, plat recorded in Plat Book 36, at page 68.

PARCEL 20: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs. TORREAN VITONIA WASHINGTON MAP NO. 40-10-B Off Victory Lane

All that parcel of land near Birdsnest, Eastville District, Northampton County, Virginia, being 4.15 acres, more or less, shown as "Parcel B" on a plat recorded in Plat Book 38, at page 39.

The terms of sale require a deposit of 25% of the bid price with the balance due in ten days.

Additional terms will be announced at the sale.

Each sale shall be subject to confirmation by the Court.

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Parksley will hold a public hearing at 6 p.m. on March 8, 2021, at the PVFC Banquet hall to discuss the future of residential trash pick up. All citizens are invited and welcome to participate. Masks are required.

$\frac{\text{NOTICE}}{\text{JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE}}$

On March 29, 2021, proceedings will be commenced under authority of Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia to sell the following parcels located in the County of Accomack, Virginia for payment of delinquent taxes:

Curtis, Elizabeth B. Mills, Dawn E. Reed, Roy Thomas 022B2A000013900 029A20100005700 041B0A0000010B0

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.

JAMES A. LILLISTON SR. TREASURER ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA

JAMES W. ELLIOTT Attorney at Law 7100 Route 17 Yorktown, VA 23692 (757) 898-7000 www.vataxsale.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Cal and Barbara Klausner Family, LLC have applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct 82 linear feet of replacement bulkhead with a 16 foot return wall, no more than 2 feet channelward of existing failing bulkhead at commercial property (Tax Map Number 31B2-A-53B, Tom Reed Ln) along Oyster Bay in Chincoteague. Send comments/inquiries within 15 days to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg 96, Hampton, VA 23651 or jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov.

NOTICE FOR DBE/WBE SUBCONTRACTORS & MATERIAL SUPPLIERS

Branscome Eastern Shore is currently soliciting subcontractor and material proposals on the following project:

VDOT Order 552 – PM5G-001-723,P401;PM5G-001-724,P401 Bid Date: Wednesday, March 24, 2021 10:00 AM We request quotes by 5:00 PM on March 17, 2021 on the Following bid items:

Pavement Markings & Signage, Rumble Strip Asphalt, Flexible Pave Planing, Maintenance of Traffic, Saw Cutting & Enclosed Cable, Eradication and Trucking

We encourage minority and/or female subcontractors and suppliers to contact Wes Parks at 757-787-4801 or fax a quote to 757-787-8149.

Proposal and specifications may be purchased from the owner (VDOT).
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 AT 7:30 p.m. AT METOMPKIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CAFETORIUM located at 24501 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA 23421 TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

A. Ordinance Amendments pertaining to Lighting Regulations.

Proposed amendment to the Accomack County Zoning Ordinance regarding the Lighting Regulations, specifically Section 106-139 - Industrial Zoning District; Section 106-412 - General Business Zoning District; Section 106-226 - Zoning Permits by adding a section to allow for certain building mounted lights such as wall packs; and Section 106-230 - Off-street parking, stacking, and loading.

Additionally, to consider an amendment to Article X. – General Provisions by adding Sections 106-241 and 106-242 to require Special Use Permits and Conditional Use Permits to comply with the lighting regulations, and to regulate excessive lighting in all districts.

This Planning Commission meeting will be held as a Hybrid - Electronic (Conference Call) and In-Person Meeting due to the restrictions put in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Accomack County Planning Department, 23296 Courthouse Avenue - Room 105 - Accomac, Virginia and on the County's website at http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

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Cape Charles Water and Wastewater Plants: Still Looking for Answers About Sale

Dear Editor:

On Thursday, Feb. 18, the Cape Charles Town Council considered a request to advance the two conceptual proposals (AQUA and Virginia American Water) to the detailed stage of the town's PPEA (Public-Private Education and Infrastructure Act) guidelines. In my statement read into the record before this deliberation, I asked "Why haven't these two conceptual proposals been available to the public on the town's website?"

I thought that the planning commission would be responsible to bring this request to the Town Council. To my surprise, Mr. Panek, project manager, spoke, telling the council that the proposals were available by request. That's not what the law requires: section V.B.5.a. of the local PPEA guidelines requires that solicited and unsolicited proposals shall be posted to the town's website within 10 days of acceptance.

Following the PPEA guideline is not a suggestion; it's the law (https://vacode.org/2016/56/22.1/), codified in Chapter 22.1 of the Code of Virginia, titled "The Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act Of 2002," part of Title 56, "Public Service Companies." My review of the meeting minutes shows that the planning commission has not discussed this project, even though this project meets the legislative intent (section 15.2-2200

of the Code of Virginia) "to encourage localities to improve the public health, safety, convenience, and welfare of their citizens and to plan for the future development of communities ..." Why isn't the planning commission involved in this project?

Indeed, I did request, and receive, electronic copies of the nonconfidential sections of the two conceptual proposals on Monday, Feb. 22. The accompanying email indicates that these proposals would be posted to the town's website, as required by

the law. As of Tuesday, Feb. 23, I could not find them on the town's website.

What did I learn when I read the "nonconfidential" part of these conceptual proposals? Here's a quick synopsis: these bidders are in full sales mode, touting who they are and how much they care about their customers, the community and their employees.

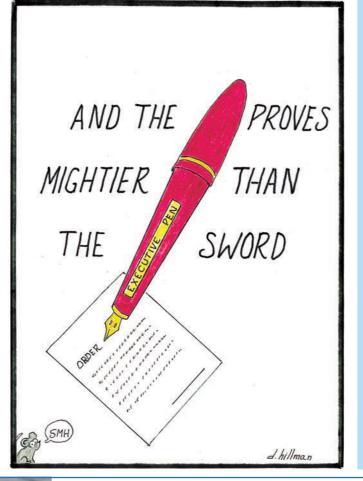
What's most important and meaningful: recent Virginia law requires that the minimum purchase price be the AVERAGE Fair Market Value (FMV); the town needs to hire the best valuation consultant they can find to ensure that the average FMV is equal to or higher than the actual valu-

ation of the Cape Charles assets.

Unfortunately, the public's only opportunity to get answers about the impact of this action is the public hearing that must be held before the town can finalize any commitment. I urge every property owner and business operator in Cape Charles to understand the impact of this decision and voice your concerns about why the town wants to sell the water and wastewater plant.

Loraine Huchler, Cape Charles

The Way I See It by Dan Hillman



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