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## Alumni Plan To Give County's First Secondary School for Black Students a Second Life

By Carol Vaughn

Planning for the future of the former Mary N. Smith School, now called the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, is making strides after Accomack County, on behalf of the MNS Alumni Association, was awarded a \$10,000 grant a year ago.

The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development awarded the preplanning grant in February 2020. Among requirements was to collect information from the community about potential uses for the property.

Since then, meetings were held and a survey conducted to get input about what the community wants to see happen at the former school near Accomac.

Survey results are still being compiled and analyzed, but as of Feb. 18, the project management team had received 132 responses. Of those, the following indicated some top uses respondents want:

- Rental Space — 99
- Senior Activities — 84
- Culinary School — 66
- Fitness and Health — 64
- Business Incubator — 47.

Additional responses were gathered during three virtual meetings in February.

The next step is to apply for another DHCD grant, which if awarded will pay for engineering, architectural, and environmental studies and design.

"As you go through these phases, the amount of grant funds that are available continues to increase, so hopefully we can move into some type of improvement grant towards the end, in the future, to do some of the things that we are trying to identify right now as what

the residents would like to see, what the alumni association wants to do," said Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason, a project management team member, during the Feb. 20 meeting.

The center is owned and managed by the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association and governed by a board of directors.

The alumni organization includes graduates from between 1935 and 1970 — the last year MNS was a high school before it became a middle school after desegregation.

The center — formerly the only high school for Black county residents — holds a fond place in the hearts of alumni, many of whom retain close bonds with former schoolmates.

Lester Williams, who lives near Richmond but who grew up in Bloxom, is among them.

After attending elementary school in Mappsville, Williams came to MNS in 8th grade and graduated in 1961.

There were around 200 students, coming from as far away as Chincoteague, Williams said in a telephone interview.

Entering 9th grade the next year meant they were real high schoolers and could join clubs and participate in school plays, dances, and the like.

"We enjoyed every bit of it," he said, recalling with fondness Mr. Cooper's shop class.

"I just enjoyed woodworking. Even when my parents passed, they still had a couple of end tables and a bookcase that I made when I was there," he said.

"The members of the class, we stay in touch," Williams said.

After college at Virginia Union,

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The former Mary N. Smith High School — now a cultural enrichment center — may soon get a boost from a planning process underway with a grant from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development. Photo by Connie Morrison.

## After 18 Months of Deliberation, Exmore Partners With HRSD To Provide Town's Sewer Service

By Stefanie Jackson

Exmore Town Council members ended their 18-month deliberation Monday night and voted unanimously to partner with the public Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) to provide sewer service to the entire town.

To keep sewer rates as low as possible for town residents and business owners, Exmore officials have negotiated a "good deal" with HRSD, said Town Manager Robert Duer.

The Town Council chose the public option over a partnership with private company Aqua Virginia or building a brand-new sewer treatment plant.

Cost was a driving factor in the decision, since about 57% of Exmore's 1,460 residents live in low-and-moderate income households.

A Virginia Department of Health consent order limits Exmore's existing sewer system from serving more than about 350 customers.

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~ Mary N. Smith ~  
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where he met his wife of 53 years, Williams returned to Accomack County to teach at North Accomack Elementary School. He later taught at Parksley High School and Arcadia High School, mainly science and math, before returning to MNS, by then a middle school, to teach from 1980 to 1997, when he retired.

Williams and his wife return often for events at the MNS center.

“I am so proud of the fact of what they are doing,” Williams said about recent efforts.

Kelvin Pettit, alumni association president, graduated in 1967.

Teachers and other staff let students know they had high expectations for them “to fulfill your full potential,” he said in a telephone interview.

“All that you heard was the need to achieve. ... Being as good, for us, wasn’t good enough.”

Karen Downing, alumni association secretary and publicity chairperson, attended MNS in 8th grade, when it was a middle school.

Among teachers she recalls fondly is the late Doris Doughty, who taught literature. “From that experience, I gained a great love of literature,” she said.

Home economics teacher Peggy Riley (Corbin) “was the one that prepared (us with) life skills,” Downing said.

History teacher Delores Deloatch and assistant principal Franklin Carr also made positive impressions.

Students she met that year “became lifelong friends,” she said.

Downing’s mother and father and other relatives graduated from MNS High School and her brother also attended middle school there.

The school is “near and dear to me personally,” she said.

**The Mission**

“The center’s mission is to “provide a place that will foster an environment where the physical, cultural, educational, and social needs of the community are met. The center will incorporate activities which encourage physical fitness, mental stability, and economic security,” according to its website.

It was Pettit who in January 2011 presented to the Accomack County Board of Supervisors a proposal that the property be turned over to the alumni association.

“We knew initially that we were going to have to, one, prove our worth and that we were indeed going to be steadfast in our commitment,” Pettit said.

Starting out with smaller projects and lots of volunteerism, helped by a grant, eventually led to installation of a commercial kitchen, renovations to the cafeteria (now a multi-purpose room), and installation of heating and air conditioning in the gymnasium, making it a usable facility for events.

“We identified these as the steps we were going to take to kind of embolden ourselves with the community. ... Now that we’ve shown that we can do this, will do this, are committed to it...we will move into the next phase of really making it a functional community center that addresses the needs and the concerns of the citizens,” Pettit said.

He emphasized, although the alumni association holds title to the property, the goal is for the center to serve the entire community, not just alumni.

“We want people to take ownership of it as a community and dispel the notion that you have to be an alumni.

**Mary Nottingham Smith Biography**

(Taken from Arthur K. Fisher’s biography of Mary N. Smith and from MNS Alumni Association Facebook posts.)

Smith was born on Aug. 22, 1882, in Townsend, to John W. and Fannie Wright Nottingham. She married Robert Smith and although they never had children, they raised her niece, Barbara Upshur Mossett.

After graduating from Hampton Institute, Smith taught in Essex County, Va., and Townsend, and later was Supervisor of Schools in Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

Smith returned to the Eastern Shore in 1920, after she was recruited to supervise education of Black students in Accomack County.

Smith thought the county needed a new high school for Black pupils and she started fundraising efforts.

It wasn’t an easy process to get the school built.

Smith raised money by seeking help from Black churches, asking local farmers to donate vegetables, and getting support from teachers in the county’s many one- and two-room schoolhouses, according to Fisher’s book.

Smith got her wish in 1932, when a high school for Black students opened in Accomac. Two years later, the school board named the building for her.

That building by the late 1940s was overcrowded and construction began north of town on a new high school. The name was retained, and the new Mary N. Smith High School, the present building, opened in 1953.

Smith didn’t live to see students in the school — she collapsed on Dec. 30, 1951, as she was about to drive to the school board office, and died the same day. She was 69.

Smith is buried at Ebenezer A.M.E. Church in Capeville.

Smith spent 32 years as an educator in Accomack County.

Prior to Mary Nottingham Smith High School being built, Black children attended classes in one- or two-room buildings heated by potbellied wood or coal stoves. Some of the little schools were named: Jerusalem, Horntown, Oaks, St. John, Watts-ville, Withams, Mappsville, Whites-ville, Onancock, Savageville, Burton, Trower, Belle Haven, Pungoteague, Boston, and Mt. Zion.

...We really want it to be considered a community property that responds to the needs of the community.”

The alumni association at present has agreements with several organizations to use space — including Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency (senior center); the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia-Eastern Shore Branch (Food Hub program); In-Touch Academy (youth mentoring program); Salvation Army; and a home health agency. The Boys & Girls Club is a prospective partner.

The center in the past several years was the site of many activities and events, including the popular Green Book concert in February 2020 — among the last events held there before Virginia shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

While the pandemic put a halt to many activities, the project management team has remained active.

As planning progresses, the team needs additional members, according

to Downing. Additionally, marketing, historic designation, and fund development committees are in the works and need members..

“This is more of a marathon than a sprint. We are in the collection of information phase, then going into the planning phase,” Downing said.

“We want it to be a symbol of what you can do when you work together,” Pettit said.

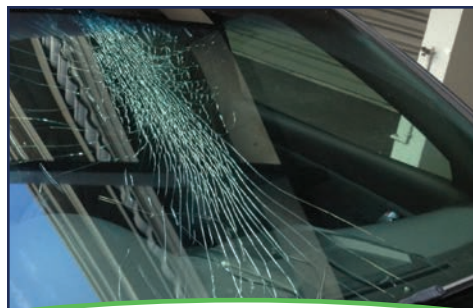
Anyone interested in joining a committee should email [mnsgrants15@gmail.com](mailto:mnsgrants15@gmail.com)

For up-to-date information about the Mary N. Smith Center for Cultural Enrichment, visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/MaryNSmith2011>

The physical location is:  
24577 Mary N. Smith Road  
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### Mary N. Smith School/Cultural Enrichment Center Timeline

**1931:** J. Edgar Thomas, Susie Wharton Thomas, and William H. Bailey sold a .842 acre lot in Accomack to trustees of the Accomack County Colored High School Association for \$750.

**1932:** The first secondary school for Black students in Accomack County was built and named for Mary Nottingham Smith, a trustee of the school and educator. Smith had worked in the Accomack County public school system since 1921 as a Jeanes educational supervisor. The Jeanes Fund, the popular name for the Negro Rural Fund of the Anna T. Jeanes Foundation, sponsored teachers to support the education and vocational training of Black students.

**1953:** A larger high school, also named for Smith, was built on a site farther north in Accomack, near Route 13. The 1932 school building was renamed T.C. Walker Elementary School, named after a Black attorney.

That building was demolished in 1987.

**1970:** Mary Nottingham Smith High School became Mary Nottingham Smith Middle School when Accomack County public schools were desegregated.

**2004:** Mary Nottingham Smith Middle School closed after the school district constructed new middle school buildings.

**January 2011:** The Accomack County Board of Supervisors voted to turn the property over to the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association Inc. for use as a cultural center.

**March 2011:** The alumni association became an incorporated 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

**March 2012:** The alumni association received approval from the Accomack County Board of Zoning Appeals for a special use permit to use the building as a recreational center.

**2014:** Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Foundation awarded \$40,000 to MNS Alumni Association for first phase of renovations; alumni and others also raised \$23,000 towards the effort, which included accessible restrooms, ramps, and HVAC improvements.

**September 2019:** HVAC installation in gymnasium and main hallway was completed.

**February 2020:** Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development awarded \$10,000 preplanning grant to Accomack County on behalf of the MNS Alumni Association.

**2020-2021:** Community meetings were held and a survey conducted to gather information on how residents want to see the center used.

**COMING, April 2021:** Apply to DHCH for a planning grant, which if awarded will help pay for architectural, engineering, and environmental studies and design.

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A partnership with HRSD will allow Exmore to eliminate the consent order by decommissioning the existing sewer treatment plant and sending the town's wastewater to Onancock's treatment plant.

The wastewater will flow through a large underground pipeline called a force main, which will be built in Northampton and Accomack counties to serve Exmore and other towns.

HRSD's original proposal suggested Nassawadox, Exmore, Melfa, Onancock, and Accomack would participate and have wastewater treated at the Onancock plant, which has excess capacity and can process a total of 750,000 gallons per day.

HRSD's "ambitious goal" is for the force main to be constructed and ready to operate by July 1, 2022, less than 18 months from now, Duer said.

Exmore will expand its collection system so the entire town can receive

sewer service, about 900 homes and businesses.

The town intends to pay for the project by obtaining low-interest loan and grant funds from sources such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

Exmore initially was informed by its funding sources that the town would not be allowed to receive government funds for its sewer project if it partnered with HRSD.

That position changed after a preliminary engineering report, or PER, was completed, and it was discovered that Exmore could save money by partnering with HRSD instead of building a new sewer plant.

Exmore's funding partners agreed it would be "foolish" not to choose the more economical option, Duer said.

Exmore will bear the distinction of being the only town in the Hampton Roads Sanitation District to maintain its own sewer system and bill its

customers.

An HRSD pump station will accept Exmore's wastewater outflow, up to 190,000 gallons per day, and direct it through the force main to Onancock's treatment plant.

HRSD won't need to build a new sewer plant in Exmore, so town residents will be spared the financial burden of a multi-million treatment plant.

DEQ offered Exmore a \$17 million loan that will more than cover the entire sewer project, especially since the town is only expanding the collection system, not building a treatment plant.

The total cost of the sewer project likely will be reduced further through DEQ loan forgiveness and additional grant and loan funds from USDA and DHCD.

Public hearings were held in December on Exmore's intent to apply for USDA grant and loan funds and a DHCD Community Development Block Grant up to \$1 million.

The application process for the

block grant is competitive. Only \$8.8 million in block grant funds are available this year, provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or HUD.

Exmore can afford to borrow no more than \$10 million, Duer noted.

The new sewer rates, expected to take effect in 2022, remain unknown. Duer expects to get the actual numbers in the coming months, likely in May.

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# Eastern Shore Health Vaccinates Employees at 81 Businesses as of Feb. 21

By Carol Vaughn

The Eastern Shore Health District in addition to other COVID-19 pandemic-related work has vaccinated employees of 81 local businesses and agencies eligible under Phases 1a and 1b.

There were another 77 businesses waiting for employee vaccinations as of Feb. 21, when the district, in response to a Freedom of Information Act inquiry, detailed which businesses requested employee vaccinations and which already have been vaccinated.

Some clinics were held since then.

"This list grows daily and not all those on the list to be vaccinated are in the current phase," said Jon Richardson, Eastern Shore Health District chief operating officer, in an email.

"We are working as I write this to put together a clinic which will cover the vast majority of those left in the food and ag sector. That will happen later this week," Richardson said.

The list did not name small businesses that have only one or a few employees, in order to not violate health privacy regulations.

Most of those are small agriculture or aquaculture operations, Richardson said.

"I hope this helps illustrate the complexities faced by our team here at the HD and their extreme effort in putting these lists together to try to get our community vaccinated as equitably as possible," he said.

Employers whose employees were vaccinated include doctors; dentists; optometrists; physical therapy businesses; home health businesses; sever-

al pharmacies; and funeral homes — all eligible in Phase 1a.

Also vaccinated were Perdue Farms and Tyson Foods employees; volunteer fire company members; state, county, NASA Wallops, and town law enforcement agencies; Accomack and Northampton sheriff's office and jail staff; daycare providers; preschools; counseling and behavioral health care organizations; public and private school teachers and staff; Accomack and Northampton Department of Social Services; and National Park Service employees.

A complete list of employers that requested vaccinations for their employees and those whose employees had been vaccinated as of Feb. 21 can be viewed at <https://www.easternshorepost.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/employer-vaccinations-02-21.21.pdf>

Phase 1a included healthcare personnel and residents of long-term care facilities.

Phase 1b, in addition to people age 65 and over and younger people with certain medical conditions, includes people in correctional facilities, homeless shelters, or migrant labor camps.

Frontline essential workers in Phase 1b, to be vaccinated in this order, are: police, fire and hazmat; corrections and homeless shelter workers; childcare and preschool staff and teachers; food and agricultural workers; manufacturing; grocery store workers; public transit workers; mail carriers; officials needed to maintain continuity of government; clergy; and janitorial workers.

Half of doses received will go to peo-

ple age 65 and over and half to people in the other Phase 1b categories, according to the VDH.

The timeline for vaccinating people in Phase 1c, including younger adults and other essential workers, is not known. Those people can preregister now.

They include workers in:

- Energy
- Water, wastewater, and waste removal workers (includes recycling removal workers)
- Housing and Construction
- Food Service
- Transportation and Logistics
- Institutions of Higher Education Faculty/Staff
- Finance
- Information Technology and Communication
- Media
- Legal Services
- Public Safety (engineers)
- Other Public Health Workers.

## How Do I Get in Line for Vaccination?

Virginians should preregister at [www.vaccinate.virginia.gov](http://www.vaccinate.virginia.gov) or by calling 877-VAX-IN-VA, or 877-829-4682 from from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily, available in English and Spanish, with call-back service in more than 100 other languages.

Individuals who preregistered will be called or emailed when it is their turn to receive vaccine.

People who previously preregistered with their health district do not need to register again but can check their status on the website.

You will not be asked for a Social Security number or immigration status and there is no cost for the vaccine.

Employees also should preregister in the statewide system, which allows them to identify themselves as frontline essential workers so they can be contacted for vaccination.

Employers can continue to work with the health department to coordinate employee clinics. Phase 1b employers who do not have a plan in place who have not heard from the health department should call 757-787-5880.

Riverside Health System and Eastern Shore Rural Health schedule appointments for eligible people, although vaccine supply does not yet meet demand.

Riverside will vaccinate its patients, either primary care or patients in active treatment with a Riverside specialty care provider, on or after Jan. 1, 2020.

Riverside notifies patients by MyChart, email, or phone when the opportunity to schedule an appointment becomes available. Riverside recommends patients sign up for MyChart. Those needing another option should call the support center at 757-442-6600.

Information is at [https://www.riversideonline.com/covid\\_19/COVID-19-Vaccine.cfm](https://www.riversideonline.com/covid_19/COVID-19-Vaccine.cfm)

Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital has conducted several "closed pod" clinics for groups, according to John Peterman, RSMH president, speaking to the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce Feb. 25.

Nick Chuquin of Riverside said an analysis indicated there likely are around 24,000 adults on the Shore who will want to be vaccinated.

"We have been able to provide 6,656 vaccines; almost 4,000 of those are first doses," he said, adding, "That means we have already vaccinated about 16.5% percent of the population (for the first dose)," Chuquin said. Additionally, 11.7% has received the second dose.

The Shore as a whole has received more than 12,000 doses, he said.

Adding Riverside's statistics to those of other providers, "We're already at almost 40%" of the Shore's willing population having received one dose, he said.

"If you compare this to national numbers, the U. S. as a whole is slightly above 13% of the population receiving the vaccine. ... When you look at ... total population of the Shore, which is what the news is reporting, the Eastern Shore is already at 20.9% of residents that have received the first dose," Chuquin said.

In comparison, 15.5% of Virginians have been vaccinated with at least one dose.

"We're only receiving 500 doses of vaccine a week on the Shore, and we're







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hoping that those numbers increase; (but) when you take it all in and look at the bigger picture, we have been able to vaccinate a higher percent on the Shore than the rest of the state has," he said, attributing that in part to the ability to accept the Pfizer vaccine, which requires ultra-cold storage. RSMH has that capability.

ESRH does not require a person to be a primary care patient to be vaccinated at its centers. Shore residents in Phase 1a or 1b should call a center. Information is at <https://www.esrh.org/covid-19/>

ESRH has been giving around 400 first doses per week, but is capable of giving 1,750 vaccines per week if supply increases, CEO Matthew Clay told Chincoteague chamber members.

ESRH currently uses the Moderna vaccine.

ESRH centers, as federally qualified health centers, could receive additional doses under a separate federal program but have not yet been included in the program, which started with 25 centers across the nation and recently expanded to 250.

"We have plans in place if the doses come," Clay said.

ESRH as of Feb. 25 had administered more than 4,500 doses, including 3,200 first doses, with zero wasted doses and call lists at each center.

"We've given everything out that we've gotten; we've done that every week," Clay said.

ESRH created three videos to reach out to minorities and speakers of other languages about vaccination.

"We want all citizens on the Shore to know we are here to serve each and every one of you in a caring and compassionate manner," Clay said in the videos, which also feature Dr. Betty Bibbins, Marissa Sanchez, and Tobbee Gregoire. Information is given in English, Spanish, and Creole.

All three videos can be viewed on the ESRH Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/esrhrs>

Richardson said Wednesday Shore Pharmacy in Exmore (the former Lloyd's) is participating in the federal pharmacy vaccine partnership. The pharmacy is working from health department pre-registration lists to schedule vaccination appointments. Appointments can not be scheduled by individuals directly.

"We are still working with them on

their process (who will they vaccinate, how will they schedule, etc)," he said in an email.

### Third Vaccine Authorized

The Food and Drug Administration issued emergency use authorization Saturday for a third vaccine, made by Johnson & Johnson.

Virginia was expected to receive 69,000 doses this week, which were prioritized for mass vaccination clinics, according to a press release from the Virginia Department of Health.

The Eastern Shore Health District requested 1,000 doses, Dr. Danny Avula, Virginia vaccine coordinator, said in a briefing Wednesday. The health department and ESRH are holding a by-appointment-only clinic using those doses, Richardson said.

Additional doses are being sent to pharmacies in the federal program.

The Johnson & Johnson vaccine is easier to store and requires just one dose. Its efficacy, although lower in clinical trials than the others, is still well above the flu vaccine's, Peterman said.

Two previously authorized vaccines, from Pfizer and Moderna, require two doses.

It is unlikely people will be able to choose which vaccine they receive, although Avula said people contacted about vaccination events are told which vaccine is being used.

While the Johnson & Johnson vaccine in clinical trials had a somewhat lower efficacy in preventing mild to moderate COVID-19 — 72% in the United States, compared to 95% for Pfizer and 94.1% for Moderna — Peterman noted all have a significantly higher efficacy rate than the 50% considered acceptable for influenza vaccines.

All three vaccines are proven extremely effective at preventing COVID-19-related hospitalization and death, Avula said.

More than 70% of Virginians now say they will take a vaccine when offered one, up from around 50% earlier, according to Peterman.

### Shore Vaccination Statistics

As of Wednesday, Accomack County had 9,757 vaccines administered, including 6,441 first doses and 3,316 people fully vaccinated, according to the VDH.

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# Accomack School Board Approves Varsity Spring Sports Season

By Stefanie Jackson

The Accomack school board unanimously approved Superintendent Chris Holland's recommendation Tuesday night to allow students on varsity teams to play spring sports starting March 8.

Accomack students missed out on the opportunity to play sports last spring when Virginia schools closed in mid-March due to COVID-19.

Holland's recommendation applies only to varsity baseball, softball, soccer, and track and field.

Students in both the hybrid and virtual learning programs may participate if they have grade-point averages of 2.0 or higher in at least three out of four subjects.

Holland would like to hire another coach to assist the head coaches and noted that due to social distancing guidelines, four buses will be required to transport two baseball or softball teams to and from games. Three buses may be needed for soccer teams.

He also wants to hire a nurse who can spend about 30 minutes before

each game taking temperatures and checking for symptoms or signs of exposure to COVID-19.

There will be a limit of two spectators per student athlete, and each high school will host no more than one game per day.

The games will not be open to the public; guests will attend "by invitation only," school board Vice Chairman Ronnie Holden clarified.

The limit of two spectators per student seemed to be stricter than Gov. Ralph Northam's executive order allowing up to 250 spectators per outdoor youth sporting event, school board member Lisa Johnson pointed out.

But that order could change, and Accomack schools need to be flexible, Holland said.

No concessions will be offered and no money will be collected at games, he noted.

Some sporting events will be held on Fridays and Saturdays and the season will be short, around nine games.

There will be no travel to Maryland or across the Chesapeake Bay and no

stops at restaurants, Holland said.

Charts will be kept showing which students will ride each bus to and from sporting events.

As an additional precaution, players will not shake hands after games.

"We're going to be running it pretty tight," Holland said of the sports program.

Since all the spring sports are played outdoors and strict guidelines will be followed, Holland is confident that students will be able to participate safely.

He will take "full responsibility" for the sports program and also expects the high school principals "to be on top of their game" and the athletic director to "take charge."

School board member Gary Reese, who was on the committee that discussed the school sports issue, said, "This was not something that we rushed into ... I think everyone in the community will feel very comfortable with this program that we've set up."

The school board also voted unanimously to add March 29 and 30 to spring break, giving students and

teachers a full week off.

Holland called the extended break a "thank-you" to school employees for all their hard work.

Accomack schools Coordinator of Student Health Services Tonya Martin had more "good news" for the school board Tuesday night.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention school metrics March 3, the number of cases of COVID-19 in Accomack per 100,000 persons in a 14-day period was about 238, a number that has been decreasing for 49 days, Martin said.

Accomack's COVID-19 test positivity rate for the last 14 days was 9.7% and has been decreasing for 27 days, she said.

According to the Virginia Department of Health, Accomack had three new cases of COVID-19 and a seven-day average of five new cases per day as of March 3.

There were two Accomack students and no teachers or school staff members who were positive for COVID-19 as of March 3.





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# Northampton Schools Finding Equilibrium After COVID-19 Spike

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton County Public Schools navigated through a spike in COVID-19 cases after winter break temporarily closed classroom doors to in-person learning, but now COVID-19 numbers are steadily declining and many students are back in school two days a week – and some grades are offering in-person learning four days a week.

“Our parents have done a phenomenal job of helping us about getting kids back in school,” Superintendent Eddie Lawrence said at the Feb. 25 school board meeting.

He was referring to parents who are driving their children to and from school, freeing up school bus capacity – which is severely limited by social distancing rules – for children who have no other way of getting to school.

Northampton school administrators have been doing some creative thinking to get as many students as possible back in schools four days a week while adhering to COVID-19 guidelines.

For example, a cafeteria may not be used to serve breakfast and lunch right now, due to social distancing requirements, but it can be used as a large classroom where students can be spaced apart six feet or more.

Pre-K through second grade already have the option of a four-day school week, and third and seventh grades began offering that same opportunity since Monday, March 1.

Lawrence said the fourth and eighth grades will be offered a four-day school week next, and he also is considering allowing seniors back in schools four days a week starting Monday, April 12.

School board Chair Maxine Rasmussen noted parents have been “anxious” to get their kids back in the classroom, but they also have been “patient and understanding.”

Lawrence assured parents all students will be able to go back to school in person four days a week “as soon as it’s practical.”

## School Sports

Northampton High School is the only public school on the Eastern Shore that has offered football this school year, Lawrence said.

Northampton students currently are participating in football, volleyball, and cross-country running.

Due to COVID-19, the Virginia High School League changed this year’s schedules for sports that are traditionally played in fall, winter, or spring, including football, which began in February and will end in early April.

Upon Lawrence’s recommendation, the school board approved stipends for two junior varsity football coaches who have been assisting the varsity football coaches and are now coaching several eighth and ninth graders who are new to the sport.

They will play only one or two games this season since few schools are allowing the sport during the COVID-19 pandemic.

More than 30 Northampton students currently are participating in football, Lawrence said.

## Cost of Competing Adjustment

The Cost of Competing Adjustment (COCA) is state funding that helps schools offer competitive salaries to teachers and is currently given only to Northern Virginia counties that compete with the Washington, D.C., area for hiring teachers.

State Sen. Lynwood Lewis introduced Senate Bill 327 to the Virginia General Assembly last year to make COCA funding available to Accomack and Northampton schools, which compete with bigger counties and cities in Maryland and across the Chesapeake Bay when hiring teachers. The bill passed the Finance and Appropriations Committee in a 15-0 vote but was continued to 2021.

Gov. Ralph Northam may have anticipated that the bill will pass this year, because he included full COCA funding for Accomack and Northampton in his proposed state budget for 2020 through 2022.

Nine localities already receive full COCA funding and another nine localities receive partial COCA funding.

Accomack and Northampton would be the first counties outside of Northern Virginia to receive COCA if Lewis’ bill passes and becomes law.

Lawrence said, “I’ve got my fingers crossed. I think that would be, longterm, a great thing for Northampton County.”



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# Exmore Residents Exasperated With Repeated Flooding

By Stefanie Jackson

When Exmore residents from Monroe Avenue asked the Town Council Monday night for help with flooding issues caused by heavy rain and poor drainage, the advice they received was likely a bit unexpected.

“Flood insurance” was the answer supplied by Councilman G.W. Adkins. “We have the best rates on the Eastern Shore,” he said.

Connie Simpson was the first Monroe Avenue resident to state her case before the Town Council.

After heavy rain, her property is always flooded and the water has severely damaged her home underneath, she said.

“I can’t deal with it. Every time I go out to my door, I have to walk in a puddle of water ... I’m soaked. I shouldn’t have to do that,” Simpson said.

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is responsible for maintaining drainage ditches on public roads, but that task is rarely prioritized and ditches often fill up with debris and trash for years before they’re

cleaned or dug out.

Simpson suggested the town should take over cleaning the ditches, but Councilman Bradley Doughty answered, “No, the town’s not going to take it over. It’s the state’s job.” Other town officials agreed.

Simpson said she has spoken to a lawyer, and she asserted that something should be done about the flooding because her foundation has been “ruined.”

Adkins told his own story about flooding at his Exmore home and said that two years ago after a heavy rain, his basement was filled with four to five feet of water, in which his washing machine was floating and his furnace was immersed.

But he had flood insurance that covered all the damage after he paid a \$500 deductible, Adkins said.

A six-month waiting period must pass before a new owner of flood insurance may make a claim, but the premium is inexpensive, he noted.

“I feel your pain,” said Adkins, who has had problems with flooding in Ex-

more as long as he’s lived there – more than 40 years.

He later advised Simpson that after she gets flood insurance and the six-month waiting period is over, she should call the insurance company and as much as \$15,000 could be spent for FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) to raise the house and protect it from further water damage.

Purchasing flood insurance is “one thing that you can do tomorrow,” Adkins said.

Director of Utilities Taylor Dukes explained Simpson’s property is particularly subject to flooding because there is no pipe under the road to allow water to flow across.

Exmore cannot install the pipe because the town does not own the road; it’s the property of VDOT, which has not responded to the town’s previous requests for road work, Dukes said.

Deborah Kirby, also of Monroe Avenue and Simpson’s neighbor, wrote to the town council about the flooding issue, and Adkins read her written com-

ments into the record.

Kirby is particularly concerned about the drainage ditches because she is 65, disabled, and depends on her neighbors and family to help her when her property floods.

“I’m in it with you guys,” Adkins told Simpson. “And the public works and everybody, they’re going ... to make the best of a bad situation.”

Christina Sanderlin, a home health-care worker who has clients in Exmore, asked if a letter could be sent to residents notifying them of the situation so they all could complain to VDOT and “maybe the squeaky wheel will get some oil.”

After heavy rain on two different occasions, her vehicle got stuck in a client’s driveway, she said.

Sanderlin said she was willing to sign a petition or help out in any other way possible to persuade VDOT to clean the ditches.

Adkins thanked the speakers for their input and said, “The town wants to help everybody if you’ve got a problem. Come see us.”

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# OBITUARIES

## Margaret Ann Colburn

**Mrs. Margaret Ann Harmon Colburn**, 85, wife of the late Quinton Douglas Colburn Sr. and a resident of Exmore, passed away Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021, at her home. A native of Melfa, she was the daughter of the late George D. Harmon and the late Margaret Walker Harmon. She was a retired secretary for Northampton County Public Schools.



**Mrs. Colburn**

Margaret is survived by her children, Margie C. Bialkowski, of Richmond, and Quinton D. Colburn Jr. and his wife, Debbie, of Exmore; two brothers, Butch Harmon and his wife, Mary Paul, of Melfa, and Ronnie Harmon and his wife, Claudia, of Onley; five grandchildren, Alexandria Settle, Victoria Colburn Smith and her hus-

band, Brandon, Adam Bialkowski, Aaron Bialkowski, and Anna Bialkowski; and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 6, 2021, at 1 p.m., at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Bobby Carroll Huether officiating. Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.doughtyfuneralhome.com](http://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

## Samuel Keyhia Dennis

**Mr. Samuel Keyhia Dennis**, 34, of Bloxom, departed this life Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021, at Riverside Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

"Yammie" as he was known by family and friends, was born in Nassawadox. He is the beloved son of Samuel J. Dennis and Vana L. Handy Dennis. He was educated in the public schools of Accomack County. Samuel was a truck driver for Dennis Trucking, and a member of the Rated X motorcycle club.

Private funeral services were held

Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021, at the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, Accomac, with the Rev. Tamela P. Wise officiating. Interment was in the Macedonia Baptist Cemetery, Bloxom.

Samuel leaves to cherish fond memories: his daughters, Danae Dennis and Danasia Dennis; parents, Samuel Dennis and Vana Dennis; sisters, Tikisha Dennis, Senora Dennis, Tiffany Dennis, and Kentoya Sample; brothers, Sedrick Dennis, Arren Dennis, Antoine Dennis, and Kevin Cropper; eight aunts; six uncles; one great-great aunt; one nephew; one niece; godparents, Eddie Savage, Leroy Townsend, and Mitchell Townsend; and a host cousins and friends.

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

## Margaret Vianna Nedab

**Mrs. Margaret Vianna Nedab**, 88, of Wachapreague, departed this life Thursday, Feb. 18, 2021, at Riverside Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born in Wachapreague, "Vie" as she was known by family and friends, was the beloved daughter of the late John E. Beach and the late Margaret Kellam Beach. She was the third eldest of eight children. She married the love of her life, Dorsey "Nick" Nedab (deceased). While raising their four sons as a loving stay-at-home mom, Vie's entrepreneurial spirit and her love for children led her to start a daycare business.

Private funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 26, 2021, at the Chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. Percy James officiating. Interment was in Burton's Cemetery, Melfa.

Margaret leaves to cherish fond memories: her sons, Alvin, Dorsey, Douglas, and Edward; five grandchildren; two great-granddaughters; three daughters-in-law; three sisters, Gladys Davis, Molly Parker, and Alice Alex-

ander; three brothers, Clifford Beach, Rufus Beach, and Willard Beach; two brothers-in-law; one sister-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and special friends.

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

## George Vernon Podelco

**Dr. George Vernon Podelco** passed away Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, at his residence in Onancock. His wife, Mary Lou, survives him. Born on May 14, 1932, and reared in Piedmont, W.V., he was the son of the late Mary A. and Peter Podelco.

Dr. Podelco graduated from Potomac State College receiving an A.A., West Virginia University receiving his B.A., and a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland. His employment career consisted of serving as an administrative assistant to the mayor of Nashville, Tenn.; executive director of the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission #22; and chief executive officer of the Eastern Shore Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency.

He was a member of the Onancock Kiwanis Club, where he served as president of the organization; was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow by the Onancock Rotary Club; a member of the Onancock Elks Lodge B.P.O.E. No. 1766 and the Loyal Order of the Moose; and served on the board of directors of the Virginia Blood Bank of Delmarva; the board of directors of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging; the board of directors of the Southern Gerontological Society; the board of directors of the Eastern Shore Community College; and the board of directors of Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project. He is a veteran of the armed forces, having served in the U.S. Army in Japan during the Korean War.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughters, Jill P. Parks and her husband, Christopher, and their son, Tucker, and Amy L. Yates and her husband, A.C., and their children, Olivia and Isaac, all of Charlottesville, Va.



**Mr. Dennis**



**Dr. Podelco**



**Mrs. Nedab**

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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.

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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.

Also surviving are a nephew and several nieces.

A private graveside service will be held at the Philos Cemetery in West-ernport, Md.

Contributions in George's memory may be made to the Onancock Volun-ter Fire Department, P.O. Box 28, Onancock, VA 23417 or to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

Local arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

## Collins Snyder

**Mr. Collins Snyder**, 94, husband of the late Joanna George and beloved by his family, died Feb. 23, 2021, of natu-ral causes. He is survived by his com-mitted partner of the past seven years, Patricia Moody; as well as his sons, George, Baird, and Henry; and grand-children, Laura, Charlie, Harry, Baird, Kate, Helen, Scott, George, and Lizzie.

Collins was the son of the late Lydia C. Nichols and the late Baird Snyder III. He was born in West-field, N.J., on Dec. 21, 1926, which, according to his mother, was the most important day of the year. Collins attended the Wardlaw School, Washington Friends School, the U.S. Naval Academy, and the University of Virginia Darden School of Business, where he was the senior graduate in the first class. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega.

Collins enlisted in the U.S. Navy at age 17 during the Second World War. After graduating from the Naval Acad-emy in 1950, he served on submarines, including the Pom-Pom. While living in Norfolk in the late 1950s, he helped start the Republican party there, after witnessing the denial of voting rights to minorities. On the Eastern Shore of Virginia, he was president of Shore Savings and Loan Association for many years, where he enjoyed making it possible for people to own a home. He was also the owner and principal broker of Shore Properties. He and his family restored and lived in Seymour House, circa 1791, in Accomac.



**Mr. Snyder**

Collins received his nickname, Shatzie, meaning "little dear," from his German nursemaid, Hanna Week-man. His legendary sweet tooth was the result of being allowed behind the counter at the local bakery, which was owned by Hanna's friend.

A private memorial service was held at St. George's Episcopal Church in Pungoteague. A public service will be held at a later date. Donations are suggested to the Eastern Shore SPCA in memory of Mei Ling and Zoe. Con-dolences may be sent to P.O. Box 38, Craddockville, VA 23341.

Arrangements by the Williams Funeral Homes, [www.williamsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.com)

## Irene Teresa Surran

**Mrs. Irene Teresa Surran**, 96, be-loved wife of the late Richard B. Surran and a resident of Commonwealth Senior Living in Onancock, formerly of Melfa and Blenheim, N.J., passed away Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021.

She was raised in Blenheim and was predeceased by her parents, Jo-seph Dintino and Susie Dintino. Irene graduated from Haddonfield High School in 1942. Irene retired in 1989 from Kraft Heinz after many years as person-nel manager. She was also a lifetime member of Blen-heim Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary. She was also an active member of St. Agnes Roman Catholic Church, in Blackwood, N.J., and a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Onley.

She is predeceased by a brother, Justin Dintino (wife, Doris); and two sisters, Rosemarie Gartner and Flo-rence Kovacs (husband, Ray).

Irene had one son, Richard William Surran (wife, Margaret), of Melfa. She is also survived by one brother, Jo-seph, of Hammonton, N.J. Irene has six grandchildren, Richard (Kristie), of Fallbrook, Calif., Linda (Fred), of Park-sley, Monica (Kenny), of Pocomoke City, Md., Michael (Maribel), of Fountain Springs, Colo., David (Patti), of York, Va., and Peter (Michelle), of Ruther-fordton, N.C. Irene also had 21 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren that called her G3.



**Mrs. Surran**

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Thursday, March 4, 2021, at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 25236 Coastal Blvd., Onley, with Father Mi-chael Imperial presiding. Interment was held at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Chews Landing, N.J.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.doughtyfuneralhome.com](http://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

## Jemel Lydell Toppin

**Mr. Jemel Lydell Toppin**, 34, of Bloxom, departed this life Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021, at Riverside Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

"Mel" as he was known by family and friends, was born in Nassawadox to Bruce Bag-well and Shirley Toppin. He was educated in the public schools of Accomack Coun-ty. He made an everlasting im-pression as a fa-ther, son, brother, friend, and as



**Mr. Toppin**

an irreplaceable member of the Top-pin, Mason, and Handy family. Jemel worked as a domestic worker.

Private funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021, at the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, Accomac, with the Rev. Tamela P. Wise officiating. Interment was in the Mace-donia Baptist Cemetery, Bloxom.

Jemel leaves to cherish fond memo-ries: his three sons, Braedyn Ayres, Jase Riley, and Jesai Stratton; parents, Bruce Bagwell, Shirley Toppin, and Larry Handy; three brothers, Zacchue-us Toppin, Xavier Toppin, and Larry Handy Jr.; three aunts, Diane Ran-dall, Mabel Tyler, and Beatrice Mason; and a host of other relatives and close friends.

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

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## Property Transactions

### Accomack County

- From John Robert Ponikvar  
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12200 Atlantic Road, Assawoman  
For \$175,000
- From Kristine A. and Edward W. Kraus  
To Sean Crum  
Captains Cove Lot 1136 Section 1,  
Greenbackville  
For \$20,000
- From Jo Ann and John L. Williams  
To Shawn J. Smith  
5129 Serenity Lane, Chincoteague  
For \$179,000
- From Mary Ellen and Thomas F. Kalil  
To Kimberly A. and Wesley T. Olson  
Captains Cove Lot 1228 Section 1,  
Greenbackville  
For \$80,000
- From Dan Hinkley and Martha  
Hinkley, by Melanie Sellick, her  
attorney-in-fact  
To Robin R. and John M. Kline  
Trails End Lots 149 and 150 Unit 3  
Sheet 5, Horntown  
For \$40,300
- From Kristen L. Schad and Charles  
Niederhofer  
To Brandy Strite and Toby McCarty  
Captains Cove Lot 1151 Section 1,  
Greenbackville  
For \$4,500
- From Accomack Storage LLC  
To Nandua Storage LLC  
10.69 acres, 21999 Taylor Road, Tasley  
For \$1,187,500
- From Patricia P. Nottingham  
To Matthew D. Hart  
2 parcels on Main St., Onley  
For \$48,000
- From Lori L. and Stuart K. Colonna  
To Devon Fairhurst and Angela Taylor  
4.19 acres, 23427 White Lane,  
Onancock  
For \$815,000
- From Cameron Linton  
To Denise S. and Richard T. Conklin Jr.  
Lot 19 Conklin Farm, Holland Farm  
Road, Assawoman  
For \$254,182.49
- From Nikki Lynn Andreoni  
To Bernadette M. and Gregory P. Palaski

- Captains Cove Lot 49 Section 8,  
Greenbackville  
For \$222,000
- From Sidonie J. Reardon by George  
A. Reardon, her attorney-in-fact  
To Katherine R. and Anthony J. Freeman  
3747 Main St., Chincoteague  
For \$330,000
- From James W. Elliott, special  
commissioner on behalf of Mary M.  
Bagwell  
To Pandora Strand  
.292 acre lot near Savageville  
For \$1,980
- From James W. Elliott, special com-  
missioner on behalf of Ray Ted Parks  
To Stephanie and Gene Taylor  
4424 Parker Lane, Tangier  
For \$3,500
- From Catherine M. and Wayne M.  
Hoffman  
To Sonya R. Lorrain  
6165 Marsh Island Drive, Chincoteague  
For \$245,000
- From Betty J. Contino, executor, R.  
Mark Glackin estate  
To Susan L. and Howard J. Taylor  
Trails End Lots 175 and 176 Unit 3  
Sheet 6, Horntown  
For \$61,000
- From Ryan Eberhardt  
To Stephen M. Sprague  
Captains Cove Lot 1105 Section 1,  
Greenbackville  
For \$185,000
- From The Adkins Company  
To Millennium Trust Company LLC,  
custodian  
Lot 15 Creek Bluff, Belle Haven  
For \$260,000
- From Patricia H. and Harry T. Parker  
To CMH Homes Inc.  
7.401 acres on Beacon Road, Melfa  
For \$35,000

- From Suzanne Alexander and Thom-  
as Taylor, successor trustees  
To Dale and Scott Banning  
2 parcels, 17 acres and .2 acre on Wis-  
harts Point Road, Atlantic  
For \$40,500
  - From Amy Lynne Kraemer-Thomas  
To Lindsey M. Beene  
Trails End Lot 284 Unit 2 Sheet 2,  
Horntown  
For \$6,300
  - From Edward Julius Rakowski  
To Ilmer Rudy Escalante Perez  
27467 Phillips Drive, Melfa  
For \$35,000
  - From Robert Stephen Mears  
To Shirley J. and John N. Waskiewicz Sr.  
.5 acre parcel on Chincoteague  
For \$125,000
  - From Taylour and Jordan T. Herrington  
To Blaine Regan  
25405 Blue Heron Lane, Accomac  
For \$199,999
  - From Robert Sparks, Barbara Ber-  
lett, Susan Karcher, and Vivian L.  
Karcher, trustee  
To Bradley William Watson Jr. and  
Taylor Rose McNure  
Captains Cove Lot 107 Section 9,  
Greenbackville  
For \$140,000
  - From Levin D. and Phillip W. Hope  
To Jennifer and Gregory Riegel  
20188 Allen Lane, Deep Creek  
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- From Bellona Arsenal LLC  
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For \$4,200

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To George Pilkington III  
Parcel, 1.64 acres, Brickhouse Road,  
Hare Valley, near Exmore  
For \$3,500

- From Pamela Winterman  
To Martha and Henry Foiles III

Lot 87, Vaucluse Shores  
For \$137,500

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To Danny Sullivan II and Johanna  
Baker  
Lot 581, Cape Charles  
For \$530,000

- From Burt Fazi  
To Edward Pawlowski  
Lot 7, 2.57 acres, Sugar Hill  
For \$414,500

- From Kenneth and Pamela Miller  
To Ernest and Patricia Ashworth  
Lot 33, Nottingham Estates, near  
Cheapside  
For \$28,000

- From Richard and Jeanne Metz  
To Letha Hinman  
Lot 92, Cape Charles  
For \$15,000

## Chincoteague Continues Making Harbor Improvements

By Carol Vaughn

Mike Tolbert and Curtis Meritt Harbor harbormaster Vernon Merritt made a virtual presentation for a Virginia Port Authority grant application Feb. 9, including an update on this year's grant-funded project, which recently was completed.

That project included construction of 20 additional boat slips, with a projected increased annual income of \$14,580, Tolbert said in a report at the Chincoteague Town Council meeting Monday.

"All the slips were rented by the time they were completed. ... We stressed the increased economic activity — that's what it takes to get this grant from VPA," Tolbert said.

This year's project is to replace another pier with a floating dock, at a cost of \$168,945, with the town paying \$42,236 to match the grant if it is awarded. The project would improve safety and accessibility and would add seven new boat slips, with annual slip rentals totaling \$6,150 and a likely increase in fuel sales.

More than 100 people are on a waiting list to receive moorings at the harbor.

The harbor has 142 boat slips ranging from 25 to 50 feet. Twenty-two are reserved for transient boats and 120 are year-round rentals.

The harbor also is used to support NASA and Navy operations, and an

offshore fishing fleet provides charter services. Additionally, 19 boats from six different tour companies operate 50 to 60 tours daily in season from the harbor.

Meals tax collections for February continued to be behind previous years, but transient and occupancy taxes "were well above last February's numbers as well as the three-year average," according to Tolbert's report. The increase is in part due to a 1% increase in the transient and occupancy tax rate that went into effect Jan. 1.

The building and zoning department remains busy, with 38 building permits issued and 67 inspections conducted in February.

"Activity is still high on the island as far as building," Tolbert said.

Playground equipment for the Brianna Kindness Park has been ordered, with construction set to begin in early March, according to Public Works Director Harvey Spurlock.

Construction is underway on the final phase of a multi-modal trail on Maddox Boulevard from Chicken City Road to Eel Creek and the traffic circle.

Chincoteague has had just two new COVID-19 cases since Feb. 15, for a total of 148 since the pandemic began and now has a test positivity rate of around 6%, according to Bryan Rush, director of emergency services.

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## Court Postings *By Nancy Drury Duncan*

### Judge Dismisses Case Against CBBT

A judge dismissed a \$6 million lawsuit against the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel filed by the widow of a man who died when his truck went off the span. The suit alleged Joseph Chen should not have been allowed to cross that day because there were high winds and his 18-wheeler was near-empty. Testimony was that he went off the bridge into the freezing water and died of hypothermia and drowning 35 minutes later.

Chen, 47, was returning home to North Carolina on Feb. 9, 2017, after delivering a load of seafood to Baltimore, a route he had traveled many times.

The lawsuit, filed on behalf of Billie Jo Chen, was heard in Northampton County circuit court in December.

In his Feb. 26 ruling dismissing Chen's suit, Judge Leslie Lilley said the common law principle of sovereign immunity applies in this case, making the CBBT immune from liability.

CBBT attorneys maintained Chen was driving recklessly and too fast for the weather conditions. Judge Lilley refuted this, writing, "There is insufficient evidence to support a finding that Joseph Chen was contributorily negligent."

He said the wind was the proximate, or main, cause of the accident but found the facility's wind restriction procedure was correctly applied by CBBT personnel.

Douglas Desjardins, the attorney representing Chen, said CBBT wind logs show a 47 mph wind gust at the time Chen entered the span. At 12:21 p.m. when his truck hit the guardrail and went into the frigid water, the nearby WeatherHawk gauge showed a 50 mph gust.

The wind restriction level was lowered to Level 1, with a maximum wind speed of 46 mph, at 12:01 p.m. At the trial, CBBT lawyer Jeff Hunn said gusts don't count and that average wind speed is what is used to determine the traffic policy.

In conclusion, Judge Lilley said that while attorneys for Chen raised issues

that the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel Commission must resolve in the interest of the safe travel of the public, there is insufficient evidence that its wind restriction procedure was the cause of the accident.

Desjardins said he and his client are considering their options and will likely appeal.

### Accomack County Circuit Court

Sean Williams, 29, of Salisbury, Md., was sentenced to five years with all but three months suspended.

In October 2020, Williams pleaded guilty to embezzlement. He used a debit card loaned to him by a woman for whom he was working to buy construction supplies needed for the job. He also used her card to make cash withdrawals from her account at various ATMs. Between Feb. 3, 2018, and Feb. 22, 2019, Williams made withdrawals totaling \$34,365, said Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan. He said Williams told police he used the money to support a drug habit and that he was not authorized to make cash withdrawals.

At the trial, defense attorney Thomas Northam said his client had completed two drug treatment programs since the incident. Judge W. Revell Lewis III ordered Williams to be on indefinite probation and to be on good behavior for 10 years.

Keiron Lamar Thomas, 31, of Exmore, who a year ago was charged with possession of cocaine, did not successfully complete the first offender program, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney William Fox. He has completed his community service but still owes more than \$900 in court costs. Judge Lewis found Thomas guilty of felony possession of cocaine and sentenced him to two years in jail with all but 30 days suspended. He ordered him to be on two years of unsupervised probation.

Ronald Joseph Judge Jr., 42, of Chincoteague, charged with possession of heroin and marijuana and ob-

struction of justice, entered into a plea agreement with the commonwealth. The marijuana charge was dismissed in exchange for his pleas of guilt to the heroin and obstruction charges.

Sept. 30, 2019, four officers went to Judge's house to serve a *capias* for a child support matter. When inside, they saw Judge sitting on a sofa with his young son. They asked him to step outside. He refused and there was a scuffle as he resisted the attempt to arrest him. After being taken into custody, a search revealed heroin in wax paper baggies and marijuana.

Since that time, Judge has made dramatic life changes, said defense attorney Tucker Watson. He shares custody with the child's maternal grandmother and is being treated for addiction. Watson said his client would like to participate in the first offender program. He said Judge spent four months in jail when arrested.

Judge Lewis sentenced him to six months for obstruction and suspended all but time served. He explained the requirements of the year-long first offender program and Joseph Judge said he wanted to participate. If successful, the felony charge of possession of heroin will be dismissed.

Two Florida farmworkers argued over the use of a bathroom connected to the defendant's bedroom. Doretha King, aka Doretha Need, 52, of Palatka, Fla., stabbed Loreka Holloman, 28, multiple times with a kitchen knife. King pleaded not guilty but was convicted of malicious maiming in a bench trial.

Both King and the victim came to the Eastern Shore to work on a potato farm in the summer. They shared the mobile home with five other workers. Testimony was that King has worked here every summer for the past 18 years. The housing was provided by the farm that employed them, said Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan. The two women came to the Shore with their boyfriends.

On the witness stand, Holloman said it was on July 7, 2019, when "Ms. King tried to kill me." She said she was stabbed in the back three times and was stabbed "all over." Holloman

stepped down from the witness stand to show the judge her scars from the stabbing. "My boyfriend stopped it," she told the court. "I called police and got in an ambulance then was taken by helicopter to another hospital." She said she has lost feeling in her arm.

A deputy testified he responded at 3:30 a.m. He said he saw blood in areas throughout the residence. He said the suspect could not be found when he arrived. When the deputy returned later that morning, he found King and arrested her. He said King told him, "She stabbed me, so I stabbed her."

King testified that she had to use the bathroom connected to her room and found Holloman in there smoking crack.

"She was always smoking crack," she said. She said Holloman had a "pusher" in her hand made of a clothes hanger and used the tool to scrape her on the side of her face and arm. King said she chased the victim to the kitchen and picked up a kitchen knife there. "She was running and I was trying to stab her back. I was behind, we fell on the floor and she was kicking me, so I stabbed her again. Her boyfriend broke us up." King said she returned to Palatka after being in jail for 100 days.

Questioned by Commonwealth's Attorney Morgan, Holloman admitted to being a convicted felon and using crack cocaine.

Commonwealth's witness John Corley Jr. said he was King's boyfriend. He said he was asleep and did not witness the stabbing but saw the scratch on King's face and arm as she left the trailer before police arrived. "I guess she left because she was scared," he said.

Defense attorney Carl Bundick argued that the stabbing was in self-defense. He asked the judge to consider reducing the charge to unlawful wounding.

"At best, you indicate that Ms. Holloman started it," said Judge Lewis to King. "She was stabbed multiple times and has permanent injuries. The number of times (she was stabbed) says it is malicious." He found her guilty of malicious wounding and ordered a presentence report. He remanded King to jail to await her June 17 sentencing.



# Last Cars from Cape Charles Rail Yard Put Out to Pasture — Temporarily

**Story and Photos by Jim Ritch**

The last residents of the Cape Charles railroad yard — two former Pullman, “heavyweight” passenger cars — will leave town soon.

And they will depart by truck.

The two cars, which sat in the rail yard for decades, will head to a nearby farm to rest on short segments of track being built from remnants of a Cape Charles siding.

“If I had a dollar for every time I sat with a cup of coffee and watched the sunrise over all those boats, I’d be a rich man,” said Chuck Rickman, of Roanoke, Va., a former railroad track maintenance supervisor and owner of the Southern Comfort rail car. Its location on the tracks afforded a view of the Cape Charles Harbor.

Rickman is building the panels on which the cars will rest and moving the cars with John Paffrath, former owner of the Central Virginia Railroad, at a crossing on Stone Road near Cape Charles.

Rickman moved the cars recently, using a backhoe to pull them along a siding behind the Cape Charles Brewery.

In about two weeks, the chassis of each rail car will be separated from the wheeled trucks on which they rest. Larger by two wheels than the standard trucks of shorter and newer cars, the six-wheel trucks better distribute the hulking weight of the two steel cars.

Each car measures 90 feet long or more, just shy of the maximum allowed on Amtrak lines today.

A crane will pick up each chassis and rest one end on the fifth wheel of a truck tractor with an extended frame.

The other end of the chassis will rest on a wheeled dolly, allowing each car to roll down Stone Road.

The cars will make a short trip south on Route 13 to Plantation Lane, along which they will roll to the 400 acres of Bayview Farm, owned by Robert L. Starer, who owns one of the cars and operates a military operations training facility in West Virginia.

Four panels of 30-foot lengths of track spiked to wooden ties will be laid as the foundations for the cars. Gaps of grass will appear between the panels and eventually under the cars.

The trucks will be positioned on the tracks, and the chassis laid on top.

While it appears that the cars are being put to pasture, they will still be used.

The larger of the cars, named the Philadelphia Star, is fully equipped and certified by Amtrak to roll anywhere in the country, said Starer.

To repeat any of the several cross-country trips that he has taken in the roughly 50 years he has owned the car “just takes a phone call and a check. I hope it will some day,” he said.

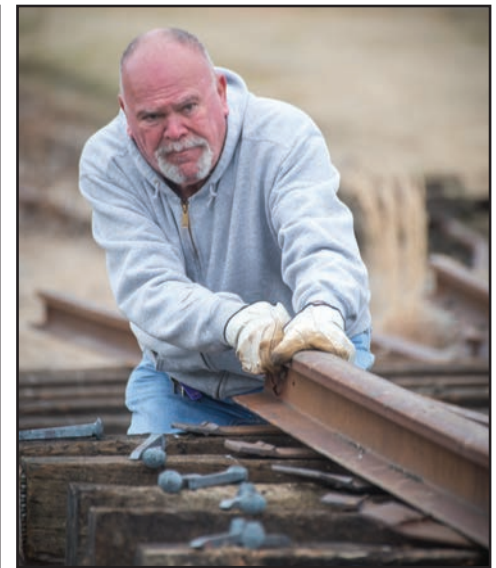
Rickman plans to repaint the Southern Comfort and continue using it as a fishing camp. The car sleeps up to six people.

He estimates that the car has at least 30 years of life left.

“It will be around when I’m long gone,” he said.



**Chuck Rickman steps down the stairs of his 90-foot-long rail car.**



**Above left: Garnesey Sanders, of Cape Charles, lifts a 90-pound jack hammer into position before driving a railroad spike into place. Holding the track and ties in position are, from left, Michael Sample, of Treherneville; John Paffrath; Sanders; and Chuck Rickman, of Roanoke, Va.**

**Above right: Chuck Rickman pulls a rail into place. The rail was attached to cross-ties Saturday to form one of four portable, 30-foot-long panels on which two private passenger cars will soon rest.**



**New portable, track panels lie under construction alongside Stone Road outside Cape Charles. The panel will support the cars at left when they are moved.**



**Chuck Rickman relaxes in the redesigned interior of his former Pullman heavyweight rail car, which spent decades in the Cape Charles rail yard. Soon, the car will move to private property at Bayview Farm on Plantation Creek.**

# Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest: Sharp Eyes Take the Cake!



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## Last Week's Winner



Last week, the prospect of a Bojangles Super Tailgate dinner sharpened the eyesight of a record-breaking 52 osprey-eyed contestants. From that group, Sarah Ross, of Chincoteague, was randomly chosen to win the Bojangles dinner. To represent her winner's status, Ross sent in this picture of her son, James, sporting his great-grandfather's hat.

### Last Week's Contest: The Winner Gets a Chicken Dinner

Last week we hid little chicks on pages 24, 25, 26, 30, 35, and 44. A whole flock of readers found the chicks, establishing a record of 52 contestants. We think this had something to do with the prize, a Super Tailgate dinner from Bojangles in Onley, which went to the randomly selected Sarah Ross, of Chincoteague.

### This Week's Contest: Find the Chefs, Get a Cake

In recognition of this week's sponsor, we have placed six chefs in this edition of the newspaper. 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 his or her choice of a Becca's Smith Island Cake. See sponsor box on this page.



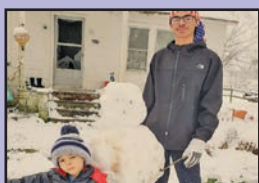
The rules:

- To become a contestant, find the six chefs 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.
- Entries will be accepted until noon on Monday, March 8. Entries arriving after noon on the 8th will not be en-

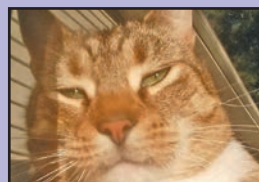
tered in the contest.

- 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 an old pop-top, the last of your potato crop, or even a fable from Aesop. Just no feet.

## Runners-Up



**Kimberly Rice, of Bloxom, sent in this picture of her two nephews Jordan and DeVante along with their cold and soon-to-be-gone friend, the snowman.**



**Runner-up Marina Bell, of Birdsnest, called this furball of wide-eyed alert energy her "furry baby Clyde."**



**We don't know for a fact where Thomas and Juanita Godwin, of Cape Charles, were chillaxing in this picture but we're guessing it was "home."**



**Chelsey Barker, of Belle Haven, sent in this picture of Autumn and Ali Justis. We didn't find out until later that they are the granddaughters of the Post's ad manager, Troy Justis.**



**Sarah Morgan, of Oyster, sent this photo of her grandson's first ride on Barney the Wonder Pony, who never won the Kentucky Derby.**



**According to Sara Blankenship, of Parksley, this is: "Sadie, McKenzie, and Connor enjoying their first snow day on Feb 12th at our new house in Parksley!"**

### Runners-Up Not Pictured:

Jeanette Bell, Onley  
Nadine Chrzanowski, Strange Creek, W.V.  
John Chrzanowski, Melfa  
Jimmy Targett Jr., Strange Creek, W.V.  
Richard Marshall, Atlantic  
Sara M. Fetterman, Bloxom  
Virginia Manzione, Exmore  
Jerome Schaum, Machipongo  
Carolyn Weatherly, Painter  
Patricia Willey, Quinby

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# Random Facts About ... an Artifact Called the Pop-Top

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes for cleaning this week, out popped a triangular metal tab about the size of the top half your little finger; attached to the tab was a metal ring big enough, or nearly so, to fit on that little finger.

From the mid-1960s to the mid-1970s, soda and beer cans were opened with the pop-top, also known as the pull-tab. It was an ingenious device. You pulled up on a little ring to release pressure, then used the ring to pull off that tab, leaving a triangular opening in the can. The problem was, what do you then do with the tab and ring? People simply dropped them on the ground. Unless you were alive back then or have seen photographs, it's difficult to imagine how pervasive discarded pop-tops were. Roadsides. Playgrounds. Beaches. Parks. Sidewalks. Trails. Cutting your foot on a pop-top was a summer rite of passage. When the outcry against pop-top littered landscapes became loud enough, people reacted by ... wait for it ... dropping the tabs and rings into the cans after opening them.

Let's examine the logic of that act. You are on a beach picnic with friends, gulping beverages, laughing uproariously, not paying attention, and you have in your hand a sharp, shiny tab and ring of metal small enough to fit in your mouth but large enough to catch in your throat. What do you do with that perfect choker? You drop it into your can and continue gulping the beverage. Surely, people didn't really do that. Yes, everyone did. According to an article in the New York Times, environmentalists even recommended it. It

was what you did instead of littering. Back then, it was the woke thing to do. "Remember, little Johnnie, after you open that can of Coke, drop the tab in the can so some poor sea gull doesn't pick it up and choke. That's a good boy. Johnny? Are you okay? You're turning blue! Johnny!"

Inevitably, there were trips to the emergency room to have tabs removed from esophagi. Because the tabs were aluminum, they were difficult to detect on X-rays, making their removal even more difficult.

In spite of the drawbacks, pop-tops were popular because they solved a problem. Before pop-tops, you had to open a canned beverage with an opener that cut a triangular-shaped slot in the can. Back when all cans were steel, this was a difficult undertaking. It got easier when can tops were aluminum, but you still had to have the opener — the church key — with you. No church key, no beverage. Or you had to improvise with a pocketknife or screwdriver.

Now we have stay-tabs that allow you to pop open a beverage by pressing the triangular tab down. You don't need a church key and nothing comes loose to litter the landscape or choke you.

Still, progress is not unalloyed. No longer needing a church key means you don't have one to hang around your neck and be cool like Paul Newman. With pop-tops, you were pulling the triangular tab away from the can so the tab couldn't contaminate the drink, assuming, of course, you didn't drop the tab into your beverage. Now, with stay-tabs, you're pushing the tab and whatever filth had been sitting on top of the

can (we don't want to mention rodent urine) right down into your drink.

A couple other things lost with the demise of pop-tops: Late at night, the ring from a pop-top could be used to pledge love, fidelity, and promises in a way that was often sufficient for that night but did not carry the force of law once the sun came up. Also,

elaborate pop-tab necklaces could be made by creative people (stoners were people too).

But, wait, if you become in the slightest way nostalgic for pop-tops, we have the cure. Next time you go fishing, pop open a cold one and drop a fishhook in your beverage. Ah, the good old times. Bottoms up!

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	Chinco. Channel	H 12:55 p.m. L 7:14 a.m.	H 1:59 p.m. L 8:20 a.m.	H 3:09 p.m. L 9:20 a.m.	H 4:09 p.m. L 10:23 a.m.	H 5:08 p.m. L 11:20 a.m.	H 5:44 a.m. L 12:11 p.m.	H 6:45 a.m. L 1:18 p.m.
	Gargatha Neck	H 1:47 p.m. L 7:54 a.m.	H 2:51 p.m. L 9:00 a.m.	H 4:01 p.m. L 10:10 a.m.	H 5:10 p.m. L 11:20 a.m.	H 5:54 a.m. L 12:24 p.m.	H 6:49 a.m. L 1:15 p.m.	H 7:37 a.m. L 1:58 p.m.
	Folly Creek	H 1:40 p.m. L 7:39 a.m.	H 2:44 p.m. L 8:45 a.m.	H 3:54 p.m. L 9:55 a.m.	H 5:03 p.m. L 11:05 a.m.	H 5:47 a.m. L 12:09 p.m.	H 6:42 a.m. L 1:00 p.m.	H 7:30 a.m. L 1:43 p.m.
	Wachapreague	H 1:14 p.m. L 7:23 a.m.	H 2:14 p.m. L 8:23 a.m.	H 3:21 p.m. L 9:24 a.m.	H 4:31 p.m. L 10:26 a.m.	H 5:30 p.m. L 11:24 a.m.	H 6:14 a.m. L 12:16 p.m.	H 7:01 a.m. L 1:04 p.m.
	Quinby Inlet	H 12:51 p.m. L 6:54 a.m.	H 1:55 p.m. L 8:00 a.m.	H 3:05 p.m. L 9:10 a.m.	H 4:14 p.m. L 10:20 a.m.	H 5:15 p.m. L 11:24 a.m.	H 5:53 a.m. L 12:15 p.m.	H 6:41 a.m. L 12:58 p.m.
	Machipongo	H 1:21 p.m. L 7:23 a.m.	H 2:25 p.m. L 8:29 a.m.	H 3:35 p.m. L 9:39 a.m.	H 4:44 p.m. L 10:49 a.m.	H 5:45 p.m. L 11:53 a.m.	H 6:23 a.m. L 12:44 p.m.	H 7:11 a.m. L 1:27 p.m.
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	Muddy Creek	H 5:12 p.m. L 11:56 a.m.	H 5:57 a.m. L 1:06 a.m.	H 7:10 a.m. L 2:19 p.m.	H 8:27 a.m. L 3:27 p.m.	H 9:35 a.m. L 4:27 p.m.	H 10:31 a.m. L 5:18 p.m.	H 11:19 a.m. L 5:24 a.m.
	Guard Shore	H 5:04 p.m. L 11:52 a.m.	H 5:49 a.m. L 1:02 p.m.	H 7:02 a.m. L 2:15 p.m.	H 8:19 a.m. L 3:23 p.m.	H 9:27 a.m. L 4:23 p.m.	H 10:23 a.m. L 5:14 p.m.	H 11:11 a.m. L 5:59 p.m.
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	Onancock Creek	H 4:53 p.m. L 11:24 a.m.	H 6:01 p.m. L 12:34 p.m.	H 6:51 a.m. L 1:47 p.m.	H 8:08 a.m. L 2:55 p.m.	H 9:16 a.m. L 3:55 p.m.	H 10:12 a.m. L 4:46 p.m.	H 11:00 a.m. L 5:31 p.m.
	Pungoteague Creek	H 4:09 p.m. L 10:38 a.m.	H 5:17 p.m. L 11:48 a.m.	H 6:07 a.m. L 1:01 p.m.	H 7:24 a.m. L 2:09 p.m.	H 8:32 a.m. L 3:09 p.m.	H 9:28 a.m. L 4:00 p.m.	H 10:16 a.m. L 4:45 p.m.
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
 Unlisted clue hint: AN ESTABLISHED CUSTOM

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### Last Week's Answers

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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## Super Crossword

### STICKY SITUATIONS

#### ACROSS

- 1 Plates, e.g.  
 6 "Star Wars" villain — the Hutt  
 11 Longtime fashion mag  
 16 "Got it!"  
 19 Muslim god  
 20 Has left the office, say  
 21 Bilbao locale  
 22 "Whether — nobler ..."  
 23 Sudden-death extra in a golf tournament  
 25 Supermodel Klum  
 26 Hi-fi platters  
 27 Cook gently  
 28 Behave obsequiously  
 31 Secretive U.S. org.  
 32 Redding of song  
 36 Opp. of horizontal  
 37 Film preview  
 38 Sort who's at hand whenever needed  
 42 Part of a hunting outfit  
 43 Lucy of "Kung Fu Panda"  
 44 French painter Rosa  
 45 Narcissists  
 48 Bone: Prefix  
 50 Insult, informally  
 51 YWCA part  
 54 Yule, briefly  
 57 Small Vlasic offering  
 63 Domestic  
 67 Explorer  
 68 Glossy surface  
 69 "As above," in a footnote  
 70 Morning joe, maybe  
 75 Tear to bits  
 76 Gambols  
 78 Inventory  
 79 Board, as a ship  
 81 One who's distraught with feelings  
 86 1/16 ounce  
 87 Perfectly  
 88 "— aboard!"  
 90 Baker's unit  
 94 Pec-building exercises  
 98 Tilling tools, to Brits  
 101 King, in Caen  
 102 Old Peruvian  
 103 Connections making people feel close  
 108 Big name in hygiene products

#### DOWN

- 1 Does a fist bump, colloquially  
 2 Chicago's home  
 3 Close loudly  
 4 The Caribbean's — Islands  
 5 Slipper, e.g.  
 6 Peanut butter brand

- 7 Volcano stuff  
 8 Startling cry  
 9 Light source in a socket  
 10 Had dinner at a friend's house, e.g.  
 11 Note equivalent to 66-Down  
 12 Not necessarily against  
 13 Spoke  
 14 In the — of (during)  
 15 In readiness  
 16 Map-filled references  
 17 Most with it  
 18 Alleges  
 24 Ice-cream alternative, for short  
 29 "Scream" director  
 30 Sitarist Shankar  
 33 Weight unit  
 34 With a sharp picture, briefly  
 35 Shrek creator William  
 38 "Gigli" co-star, familiarly  
 39 Certain nuclear weapon, for short  
 40 "Be silent!"  
 41 Adolescent  
 46 Country's econ. measure  
 47 Suffix of medical conditions  
 49 Free (from)  
 51 Plump bird  
 52 "— From Muskogee" (1969 hit)  
 53 Annoys  
 55 Circle part  
 56 Ionian, e.g.  
 58 Upper crust  
 59 Purity of a color  
 60 Razor-sharp  
 61 Advanced  
 62 Lead-in to skeleton  
 63 Give a job to  
 64 Former Laker Lamar  
 65 Office letter  
 66 Note equivalent to 11-Down  
 71 Do a tax task  
 72 J.D. Salinger title girl  
 73 "— be my pleasure"  
 74 Baby of a boomer  
 77 In — (as first found)  
 80 Big name in beer brewing  
 82 "Alley —!"  
 83 Condé —  
 84 Mall lure  
 85 Spill clumsily  
 89 Guitar's kin  
 91 Con artists  
 92 Abridge  
 93 Took cover  
 94 Patchy horse  
 95 Vague  
 96 Plague  
 97 Fit as a fiddle  
 98 Sound of falling hail  
 99 F-J link  
 100 One of two in "crocodile"  
 104 Wading birds  
 105 R&B singer — Badu  
 106 — Mahal  
 107 Accuses  
 109 PLO head Mahmoud  
 110 Brimless cap  
 115 "The Godfather" score composer Nino  
 116 Some med. scans  
 118 All-night bash  
 119 Comic Laurel  
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 124 Bonn article  
 125 TSA requests

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# EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

## Broadwater's Clay Wardius Named Conference Player of The Year



Senior Clay Wardius was Metro Player of the Year with a double-double average of 14.2 points and 10.8 rebounds, and one block per game.



Sophomore Levin Smith averaged 8.6 points, 5.8 rebounds, and 1.1 blocks per game.



Back row (left to right): Assistant coach Curt Smith, Caleb Floyd, Brant Bloxom, Clay Wardius, Levin Smith, Bradyn Washington, Willie Holden, head coach Eddie Spencer, and assistant coach Marvin Johnson Sr. Front row (left to right): Gunnar Gustafson, Marvin Johnson, Aidan "Duke" Brown, Carson Savage, and Colvin Willis.



Junior Bradyn Washington averaged 14.6 points, 4.1 rebounds, and 1.3 steals per game.



Junior Willie Holden averaged 10.6 points, 3.2 rebounds, and 2.9 steals per game.



Junior Suzanna Long averaged 8.6 points, 8 rebounds, and 2.5 steals per game.



Sophomore Taylor Leland averaged 8.5 points, 2.7 rebounds, and 2.1 steals per game.



Senior Hannah Davis averaged 8.6 points, 4.4 rebounds, and 1.9 steals per game.

### By Brennan Waldorf Submitted Photos

The Broadwater Vikings landed seven players on this year's All-Metro teams after successful seasons. Along with those seven players, the Vikings also had the coach of the year in Eddie Spencer and the player of the year in Clay Wardius.

When asked about the coach of the year, Spencer replied, "It's the coaching staff. (I) had a lot of help, so it's the coaching staff, not me." He also noted that Wardius was an outstanding player for the Vikings but wasn't your typical post player. He said Wardius had a soft touch around the basket but was multidimensional in the game as he could step out and shoot short range

but also pass just as well. "(I) felt like he was the best player in the conference. He does a lot of things," Spencer said of the Metro Player of the year.

The Lady Vikings went 8-7 in the regular season, finding success playing small ball with an all-guard lineup that finished third place in the Metro. Their efforts landed them the eighth seed in the VISAA state tournament. The low seeding placed them against the top team in the state, Virginia Academy out of Ashburn, Va. The Patriots ended the Vikings' postseason run on Feb. 22 in a landslide victory 69-18. The Lady Vikings landed three players on the All-Metro team in senior Hannah Davis, junior Suzanna Long, and sophomore

Taylor Leland.

The boys team went 13-1, achieving a perfect season before dropping the final game to Atlantic Shores Christian Academy. The Vikings' efforts landed them in a tie for first place in the Metro conference with the Seahawks and a fifth seed in the state tournament. COVID-19 testing was required prior to participating in the state tournament for every player. The Vikings were forced to forfeit their opportunity to play at the state level due to a symptomless player testing positive on Feb. 17. Coach Spencer acknowledged that his staff and players were disappointed in their postseason end but understand that safety is the priority.

Their outstanding year didn't go unrewarded as they almost made a clean sweep of the All-Metro team, with four players achieving first-team status, something that rarely happens. Players making the All-Metro team include sophomore Levin Smith, junior Willie Holden, junior Bradyn Washington, and senior All-Metro Player of the Year Clay Wardius. "Great season, proud of the kids, and proud of the coaches, looking forward to next season," said Eddie Spencer of the season. He and his staff have a tremendous building block to start from next year, potentially returning three All-Metro players.

### Where is Tadder Now?



**Samantha Tadder**

By Bill Sterling

Samantha Tadder, the daughter of Dottie Taylor Tadder, a 1987 graduate of Northampton High School, and the granddaughter of Sam Taylor of Craddockville, won all four of her events to lead First Colonial High School to a second consecutive state Class 5 swimming state title last week. Tadder won the 500-yard freestyle in an automatic All-America time of 4:45.99. Tadder, who has committed to swim at Stanford, also earned an automatic All-America clocking as she won the 100-yard in a state record 1:00.35, beating her nearest opponent by almost four seconds. Tadder also anchored two winning relay events for First Colonial to give her a total of 12 state swimming titles in her high school career. Tadder has qualified for the USA Olympic Swimming Team Trials to be held in Omaha, Neb., this June.

# Randy Custis Memorial Park Shows Great Improvements



Rotarians and board members of the Randy Custis Memorial Fund gather Saturday to paint refurbished restrooms, part of a Shorewide Rotary project involving clubs in Onancock, Exmore, and Cape Charles. From left in front row are Kennedy Webb, of Nassawadox; Bob Church, of Eastville; Tommy Taylor, of Painter, president of the Exmore Rotary Club; Scott Schreiber, of Onancock; and Phil Custis, of Exmore; second row, Heather Lusk, of Quinby, president of the Custis board; Taylor Webb, of Nassawadox; Randy Diamond, of Machipongo; Courtney Nottingham, of Franktown; William Hughes, of Capeville; and Jennifer Rippon, of Nassawadox; third row, Andre Elliott, of Painter, president of the Onancock Rotary Club; and Tom “Rip” Rippon, of Nassawadox.



**Tom Arnold, of Franktown, rolls paint on a wall.**

## **Story and Photos by Jim Ritch**

Children in three Shore sports leagues will be able to practice indoors this year at Randy Custis Memorial Park in Nassawadox.

In addition to the new facilities, players in Shore Little League will also benefit from free registration this year.

Thanks to a constellation of donations and an active board of directors, volunteers are building a new equipment storage building and improving space in

another, larger building.

After the equipment is shuttled between the two buildings, players in Shore Little League, Shore Volleyball, and Shore Soccer will have more and safer space to practice in inclement weather.

Heather Lusk, president of the Randy Custis Memorial Fund, said that the improvements are just the first of three phases being planned.

As part of the first phase, a new heating and air-conditioning system has been installed.

Restrooms also have upgrades, as well as new coats of paint applied Saturday by members of three Rotary clubs and board members of the park.

The improvements were funded through a \$15,000 donation from Rotary clubs in Onancock, Exmore, and Cape Charles, and an additional \$10,000 given by an unnamed donor, Lusk said.

In the second phase, which will also finish soon, board member Thomas James is leading other volunteers in assembling a 36-foot by 40-foot, steel frame building.

The pad and frame of the building are already in place.

The building, donated by Coastal Precast Systems in Cape Charles, had originally been a boiler room and had already been moved once by a prior owner of the plant, said James, who is employed at Coastal Precast.

With the help other plant workers, James disassembled the building and removed the parts.

Tom and Jennifer Rippon, Michele Ferebee, Tim



**Thomas James, of Birdsnest, assembles a steel frame building where maintenance equipment will be stored at Randy Custis Memorial Park in Nassawadox. The 36-foot by 40-foot building, a former boiler room, was donated by Coastal Precast Systems, Cape Charles.**

Holloway, and others affiliated with the park helped repaint the frame.

Phase three, which is still in the planning, will be to install a new floor in the practice building.

Little League registration fees, which will not be charged this year, will be paid with funds raised last year before the spread of COVID-19 forced cancellation of the season.

Registrations are under way at [www.shorelittleleague.org](http://www.shorelittleleague.org) or by calling 757-693-1896.

# CAPITAL LETTERS



**By Del. Rob Bloxom**

This week's report is in two sections. The first is about the budget that the House of Delegates and the Senate agreed to

and is now off to the governor for his approval. I will only provide specifics pertaining to the 100th District and not the entire budget.

The first and probably most important appropriation that made it into the final budget is the increase in teacher salaries, also known as "the cost of competing." This increase acknowledges that Maryland salaries are higher and that we must be competitive to retain our teachers. The budget also included a \$2 million allocation to Northampton County for a community center. This cultural and recreational center will also double as a hurricane evacuation shelter.

The budget also included \$250,000 for seed money to support the Children's Harbor expansion from the Hampton Roads area to the Eastern Shore. The conferees recognized our need for affordable, quality daycare, so this important funding made it into the final budget. Another appropriation that will directly affect the Shore is the increase in funding for cost share money for agricultural best management practices. This will help our farmers put into place practices that will reduce nitrogen and phosphorous runoff into the bay. Also, money was directed to the wastewater plants to upgrade some of them and close others to help reduce their nitrogen flow into the Chesapeake Bay. The other two measures that should help meet our 2025 clean Chesapeake Bay goals are a grant program to help low-income households repair faulty septic systems as well an elevated septic systems pilot program for a cheaper alternative to engineered systems.

The second section of my report relates to the policy portion of this year's session. I was on the losing side of most

votes. We legalized the recreational use of marijuana late in the evening the last night of session. The bill goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2024. It sets up the framework for the growing, processing, distributing, and the selling of cannabis.

We also passed a law stating that mobile gambling sites do not count as casino locations or require casino licenses. Officially, there is still a limit of five casino licenses available in Virginia.

We also passed the "trifecta" of electric vehicle legislation. That is the patron's verbiage, not mine. The first bill, HB1965, dictates vehicle emissions and dictates the percentage of zero emission cars to be sold in Virginia. I mentioned this bill before but the Senate amendment clarifies that we are adopting the California standard. The second, HB1979, is a tax credit for zero emission cars. However, the tax cred-

it was not funded. The last, HB2282, studies the electrification of the transportation system. This bill studies the viability of the cost to setup charging systems throughout Virginia.

The General Assembly also passed legislation to make it mandatory for an employer to sign up an employee in the Virginia Saves Program. The employer would deduct at least 5% of employees' pay and remit it to the State. The 529 college prepayment program would administer the program. The employee retirement plan would follow that person from job to job.

There were a few pieces of legislation dealing with firearms and the second amendment. HB1909 permits school boards to deem any building or property that it owns or leases, whether or not the property is in a school zone, a gun-free zone. HB2081 forbids possessing a gun within 40 feet of a

polling place. The last bill, HB2295, started out prohibiting firearms in and around the Capitol. However, I believe a late-night, last-minute amendment changed the language in the bill to include all state-owned or leased buildings, or any building where a state employee works, as a gun-free zone. This was not the intent of the patron, but in their haste, I think it might be interpreted as such.

The budget and these bills now await the governor's approval, and Gov. Northam may amend or veto legislation as he sees fit.

As always, I am truly honored to continue to represent the 100th District. You may reach me at my home office in Mappsville at 757-824-3456, email me at delrbloxom@house.virginia.gov and on Facebook @electbloxomfordelegate if you have any questions or concerns.

## Habitat for Humanity Dedicates 50th Shore Home



Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity dedicated its 50th home Feb. 21. Michelle Bell is the new homeowner and will live there with her three children. She completed more than 379 hours of sweat equity working with Habitat and was scheduled to close on the no-interest mortgage Feb. 24, 2021. For more information about Habitat for Humanity, call 757-442-HOUS (4687). Submitted image.



# Health Matters Special Open Enrollment for Health Insurance

## Courtesy of State Corporation Commission

**A** Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to enroll in health plans under the ACA opened Feb. 15 and will remain open through May 15. Participants may submit a new application or update an existing one on [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov). If you are currently enrolled, you can change to any available plan in your area. For this SEP, no proof of a qualifying event is required. As in prior years, you can shop, compare, and enroll in plans. Visit the CoverVA website at <https://coverva.org/assistance/> to find free personalized help with enrollment from local assisters.

### Updated information for Special Enrollment Period (SEP):

You are not required to answer any new application questions beyond what is normally required to determine eligibility and enroll in coverage.

You will not need to provide any docu-

mentation of a qualifying event (e.g., loss of a job or birth of a child).

If you are eligible and enroll during this time, you can select a plan with coverage that starts prospectively the first of the month after plan selection.

You have 30 days after your application is submitted to choose a plan.

If you are currently enrolled, you can change to any available plan in your area.

You will not be restricted to the same level of coverage as your current plan.

To use this SEP, current enrollees must step through their application and make any changes needed to their current information and submit their application to receive an updated eligibility result before continuing on to enrollment.

Deductible and out-of-pocket maximum accumulations are not required to be transferred to the new plan chosen; and will start over.

Consumers found eligible for Medicaid or FAMIS will be transferred for en-

rollment in those programs.

### How can I find someone to help me enroll for this SEP?

- You can apply or update an account at [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov) or call 1-800-318-2596 (TTY 1-855-889-4325).

- Navigator groups offering free assistance: Enroll Virginia at [www.enrollva.org](https://www.enrollva.org) or 1-888-392-5132

- To locate free assistance from a navigator or certified application counselor, visit [www.coverva.org/assistance/](https://www.coverva.org/assistance/) (Español - [www.CubreVirginia.org/findhelp/](https://www.CubreVirginia.org/findhelp/))

- For an agent, visit [www.localhelp.healthcare.gov/](https://www.localhelp.healthcare.gov/) To verify that an insurance agent, agency or company is licensed in Virginia, visit: [www.scc.virginia.gov/pages/Consumers](https://www.scc.virginia.gov/pages/Consumers)

- Free translation services are available. Call the exchange hotline at 1-833-740-1364 or the [Healthcare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov) hotline at 1-800-318-2596 for assistance. (Español - [www.CuidadoDeSalud.gov](https://www.CuidadoDeSalud.gov) and [www.CubreVirginia.org](https://www.CubreVirginia.org))

### Who is eligible to purchase coverage through HealthCare.gov?

To be eligible to buy health insurance through the exchange, an individual must be lawfully present in the United States; reside in and/or be a resident of Virginia; and not be imprisoned.

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# Community Notes

## 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.

## 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.

## Eunice Fisher Morris Scholarship

The Scholarship Committee of the Accomack-Northampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. is accepting applications for its 2020/2021 Eunice Fisher Morris Scholarship. The scholarship is open to graduating seniors in the public high schools

of Accomack and Northampton counties who will be continuing their education. Applications are available from the high school guidance department or by contacting [anacd96@gmail.com](mailto:anacd96@gmail.com). All applications must be mailed to P.O. Box 192, attn: LaCourtney Bundick, Onley, VA 23418 and postmarked by March 22, to be eligible for consideration.

## ESSWCD Poster Contest

The Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District announced that it is time for the annual conservation poster contest. The theme for the 2021 contest is "Healthy Forests, Healthy Communities." Students are encouraged to create a poster showcasing the importance of healthy forests. The local contest is open to any public, private, or homeschooled student in Accomack and Northampton in grades K-12.

Students may also enter through other groups such as Scouts, 4-H, or church youth groups. Any Girl Scout or Boy Scout who creates a poster and submits it to ESSWCD for judging can earn the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts Poster Contest Patch.

This contest is held every year and is divided into five categories: K-1, 2-3, 3-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Posters that win first place in each of these categories are sent to the VASWCD state competition. The deadline for entries is Friday, April 30, by 4:30 p.m. First through fourth place entries in each category receive a cash prize and the first place entry in each category will advance to the state competition.

For more information about this year's contest and to get an entry form, contact Julie Head at 757-302-4433 or [julie.head@esswcd.org](mailto:julie.head@esswcd.org).

ESSWCD programs, activities, and

employment opportunities are available to all people regardless of disability, race or color, national origin, traits historically associated with race or religion including traits associated with hair, religion or creed, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, pregnancy status, childbirth or related medical conditions, marital status, veteran status, whistleblower status, or genetic information.

## Loyal Thomas Grimes Jr. Memorial Scholarship

The Loyal Thomas Grimes Jr. Memorial Scholarship honors the legacy of Loyal Thomas "Tommy" Grimes Jr. and his pursuit of excellence in multiple endeavors, both in his professional and his everyday life. The scholarship offers a one-time scholarship to students who display academic achievement, a commitment to serving others (in school, their community, or at home), a strong work ethic, and leadership qualities. Student(s) will be chosen from the four Eastern Shore of Virginia high schools: Arcadia, Chincoteague, Nandua, and Northampton.

Go to <https://tgjrscholarship.com> to apply or donate. The application deadline is April 2. Call 757-231-5538 for more details and information.

## CVFC Clamtastic Chowder Lunch

Cheriton VFC will host David Long's Curbside Pick-Up Clamtastic Chowder Lunch Saturday, March 20, from noon to 3 p.m. (11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for carry-out quarts only) at the fire company.

The cost is \$10 for a whole meal or \$9 for each quart.

The menu includes clam chowder, steamy grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, corn on the cob, and homemade cake.

## Chincoteague Island Senior Luncheon

There will be a drive-thru senior luncheon Wednesday, March 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided by Don's Seafood Market & Restaurant, Chincoteague Island, the drive-thru will be set up in the parking lot. Deliveries will be made to homebound seniors. This is a pre-order event, whether drive-thru or delivery. Call the police department at 757-336-3155 to participate. This event is open to Chincoteague Island seniors, aged 55 and up.



## Home School Meeting

Cape Charles Classical Conversations is moving. The pre-school to high school homeschooling program will be meeting in Marionville starting this fall. For those currently homeschooling or considering it for the fall, come to the next information meeting in Marionville Saturday, March 20, at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Jordan Dail at [215grayson@gmail.com](mailto:215grayson@gmail.com) or 757-754-5362. Register to get more details about the event: <https://members.classicalconversations.com/events/get-event/node/238779>

## VA Sheriffs' Institute Scholarships

The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute Scholarship Program is underway. Applications will only be accepted online and must be completed and electronically signed by May 1, via the VSI website [www.vasheriffsinstitute.org](http://www.vasheriffsinstitute.org) for scholarship consideration. A letter of recommendation from the sheriff is required to be considered a recipient of the scholarship program. All requests for recommendation letters must be emailed to the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at [kbarrett@co.accomack.va.us](mailto:kbarrett@co.accomack.va.us) no later than Friday, April 9.

## Accomack County School Board Extends Spring Vacation

Superintendent Chris Holland announced that the school board approved to extend the spring vacation for two more days, Monday, March 29, and Tuesday, March 30, for all Accomack County Public Schools employees. All schools will be closed for all students and staff starting Monday, March 29, and ending Monday, April 5. A regular schedule will resume on Tuesday, April 6



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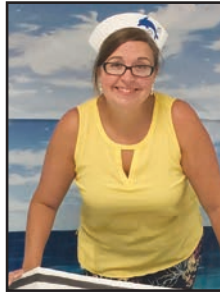
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**Kaliyah Weatherly**



**Michelle Slusser**



**Mary Manjikian**

## NeuBeam Recognizes ESVA Teachers and Frontline Health Workers

In December, NeuBeam asked its customers to provide it with the name of an ESVA teacher or frontline health worker doing an extraordinary job during these challenging times. The company learned of many teachers and frontline health workers who are going above and beyond during the pandemic and recognized four of them through social media and with \$100 gift cards.

Kaliyah Weatherly, who works at A Friend in Need Home Healthcare in Exmore, was nominated by Kimberly Petry. Petry said, “Kaliyah works long hours with me doing every task I need assistance with. She puts up with my bad attitude on days I am down. She has been like a daughter to my husband and I since she was placed with me a long time ago. I can’t speak highly enough about her.”

Nandua Middle School English teacher Julie Elliott was nominated by Sheimeshious Jackson. Jackson said, “She is definitely shining. She has a warm and caring attitude for her students. She has gone above and beyond to help make sure my daughter is learning the best ways possible during these very difficult times.”

Mary Manjikian, a resident of Machipongo and professor at Regent University, was nominated by her husband, Ara Manjikian. Ara Manjikian said, “She has not stopped teaching. In fact, she has increased her workload. She has used the current crisis to mentor and guide students through this difficult time. Prior to the COVID crisis, many students had traditional education paths, with the hopes of finding appropriate jobs. The COVID crisis changed the direction of both education and employment. Dr. Manjikian, through her flexibility and dedication to students, has guided hundreds of students through this crisis. She is just an example of the many people who have pushed through this crisis. I wish we could acknowledge all the professors and frontline workers.”

Kegotank Elementary School Media Specialist Michele Slusser was nominated by a former student’s parent who wished to remain anonymous. The nominator said Slusser “has overcome the obstacles, even going so far to offer to drop off packets and books to virtual students. [She is] always there for her coworkers as well.”

## Public Notice

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

**2001 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 5597, Gray, 188,294 miles**

**2007 GMC Sierra, VIN 0822, White, 123,912 miles**

Bids can be submitted until **March 8, 2021.**

# MILLE Marriages Births Awards POSTS



## Marriage Licenses Issued

- Sheryl Leona Hinmon, 50, and Reco Martel Kellam, 48, both of Parksley
- Bryana Natali Deeds, 27, and Christopher Robert Manzella, 26, both of Melfa
- Icenia Corina Roblero Ramirez, 41, and Ocael Perez Roblero, 34, both of Bloxom
- Veronica Tenika Matthews-Rich, 45, and Thomas Randolph Edwards, 53, both of Coram, N.Y.



## McMath Speaks to CBA

George McMath, right, was the guest speaker at the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association held at the Island House Restaurant recently. McMath, 88, founded the organization in 1989 and talked about the group’s purpose of making ethical business decisions using Christian principles. There were 100 charter members. McMath served as the ESCBA’s first president and invited prominent business and political leaders from around the state to speak on ethics. At left is current ESCBA president, George Bryan.

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**Yee Yee**



# Help Wanted

## 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.cbtt.com/employment.html](http://www.cbtt.com/employment.html). EOE



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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](http://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.

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](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.

### Bay Creek Resort & Club

Hiring for PT (seasonal) Groundskeeper - 40 hours a week with possible FT option at end of season (4/1/21-12/1/21)

Apply in person at 111 Palmer Dr., Cape Charles, VA 23310 or call Assistant Superintendent, Ryan Custis (757)710-6096 or email resumes to [rcustis@baycreekclife.com](mailto:rcustis@baycreekclife.com).

### Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. is seeking a Chief Nursing Officer

The Chief Nursing Officer (CNO) is responsible for providing leadership, direction, and administration of activities relating to patient care, nursing practice, nursing education, and clinical development across the organization. The CNO is responsible for driving, supporting, and modeling a culture focused on employee engagement, quality, patient safety, fiscal responsibility, and the overall patient experience. The CNO shall perform all duties in strict compliance with federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations, including the prompt reporting of any incident in which the rights of employees, patient and visitors or other practitioners may have been violated.

#### Job Requirements:

- Registered Nurse with a Master's Degree, licensed in the state of Virginia
- 5 years of clinical and supervisory experience required
- Previous experience in a community health center setting preferred

For further information and/or to apply for this and all open positions, visit our website [www.esrh.org](http://www.esrh.org), click on the tab "Careers with us." Deadline to apply for this position: March 19, 2021.

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## ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

### Convenience Center Attendants P/T position Rate: \$ 10.76 hourly

The County of Accomack is seeking applications for part-time positions for Convenience Center Attendant, in the Public Works Department.

The position is responsible for operating and maintaining convenience center facilities and assisting customers as needed. Applicants must be able to work weekends and holidays. Attendants may be assigned to any location within the County.

**Qualifications:** A high school diploma or GED is preferred; A valid driver's license and satisfactory completion of a background check and drug screening prior to employment are required. A job description and application instructions can be obtained from the County's website: [http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job\\_opportunities](http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job_opportunities).

**First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2021.**

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### Part-Time Bike Tour Coordinator

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## Help Wanted (Cont'd)

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

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

**Qualifications:** over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED.

Applications may be obtained from the Northampton County Sheriff's Office located at 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or the county's website [https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs\\_opportunities/job\\_openings](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings)

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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/government/jobs\\_opportunities/job\\_openings](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings)

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### Family Services Specialist I/II (Re-Advertisement) Northampton Social Services

Position Number: L00060  
Hiring Range:\$30,828.00 – depending upon budget  
Location: Eastville, VA 23347  
Application Deadline: March 19, 2021 at 11:59PM

### Family Services Specialist I/II Northampton Social Services

Position Number: L00063  
Hiring Range:\$30,828.00 – depending upon budget  
Location: Eastville, VA 23347  
Application Deadline: March 19, 2021 at 11:59PM

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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 077BOA000002400

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

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of 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 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

### TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE, INC. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Chincoteague Town Council will hold a Public Hearing commencing at 7:00 PM on Monday, April 5, 2021, in the Council Chambers of the Town of Chincoteague, 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague, Virginia, to afford interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments concerning the following proposed Ordinance to vacate property lines of a recorded plat of subdivision in the Town of Chincoteague, Accomack County, Virginia.

### AN ORDINANCE VACATING PROPERTY LINES OF A SUBDIVISION PLAT

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of a municipality may vacate part of a recorded plat after the sale of a lot shown on said plat pursuant to Section §15.2-2272 (2) of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended; and,

**WHEREAS**, an Application has been filed by Anthony Simone and Cheryl A. Simone to vacate a part of a recorded plat of a subdivision in the Town of Chincoteague Island, Accomack County, Virginia," which plat is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, in Plat Book 4, page 60.

**WHEREAS**, the basis of said vacation is that:

1. Applicants are the fee simple owners of Lots 62, 63, and 64 and the property lines sought to be vacated lie within these lots.
2. That the said Anthony Simone and Cheryl A. Simone desire to remove the side lot property lines of Lot 63 between Lot 63 and Lot 62, and between Lot 63 and Lot 64, so that the three lots can become one new lot of record.

### THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE:

1. That the division or property lines between Lots 62 and 64, being the side lot lines of Lot 63 as shown on that certain plat of survey entitled "Ocean Boulevard Development, Chincoteague Island, Virginia," dated April 16, 1935, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Plat Book 4, page 60 be and are hereby vacated, as shown on the plat attached to the Application. The "new plat."
2. That as the result of said vacation of property lines, former Lots 62, 63, and 64 shall result in one new parcel of land as shown on new plat.
3. That the Town Manager after the time for an appeal of the adoption of this Ordinance has expired, or if appealed the action of counsel is upheld, shall cause a copy of this Ordinance to be recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County.
4. That the effective date of the Ordinance shall be upon adoption by the Town Council for the Town of Chincoteague. Handicapped assistance available by calling (757)336-6519.

*Mr. Michael Tolbert  
Town Manager  
Town of Chincoteague*

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

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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 Code of 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  
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Notice is hereby given that Oceanview Eleven, LLC has applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct a 6-foot wide by 20-foot long extension to an existing private, open pile pier and relocate existing appurtenances of the pier (20-foot by 10-foot L-head, 20-foot by 10-foot floating dock and appurtenant 16-foot ramp) 20-feet channelward at property (25341 Oceanview Ct) along Folly 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](mailto:jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov).

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sherman have applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct 68 linear feet of bulkhead, three feet channelward of existing failing bulkhead, at property (3411 Blackbeard Road) along Chincoteague Bay 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](mailto:jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov).

The Accomack County School Board is accepting sealed bids on used school buses and used kitchen equipment. Buses are available for inspection at the School Bus Shop, 26119 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA, weekdays from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. A list may also be obtained from this location specifying buses to be sold and minimum bid requirements.

The kitchen equipment is available for inspection at the Building and Grounds Office, 26350 Lankford Hwy., Onley VA, weekdays from 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. A list may also be obtained from this location specifying the kitchen equipment to be sold and minimum bid requirements.

All bids are due in the School Board Office at 23296 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA by 10:00 AM on Monday, March 15, 2021. All bids must be in a sealed envelope marked "School Bus Bid #202102" or "Kitchen Equipment #202103" on the outside. Successful bidders must remove awarded buses or kitchen equipment within seven (7) calendar days of bid award.

BEACH MARKET, INC., Trading as  
Beach Market, 2130 Stone Road,  
Cape Charles, Northampton County, Virginia 23310-2706

The above establishment is applying to the  
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CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY  
for a Wine and Beer On and Off Premises/Delivery  
Permit, Limited Mixed Beverage Restaurant license to  
sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Regina Butler, President

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at [www.abc.virginia.gov](http://www.abc.virginia.gov) or 800-552-3200.

# Legal Advertising

(Cont'd)

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff  
CIVIL CASE NO. 20-312

vs.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON f/k/a THE  
BANK OF NEW YORK AS SUCCESSOR TO JP  
MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR  
THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF  
POPLAR ABS, INC. MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH  
CERTIFICATES SERIES 2005-3

GARY ONLEY  
DEMOND HARMON  
TOWN OF EXMORE, VIRGINIA  
BANK OF AMERICA

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

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

All that parcel of land situate at Exmore,  
Northampton County, Virginia, known as Lot 34  
on a map recorded as Instrument Number 060002205  
and designated as tax map number  
010A1-12-BLK-00 000000A  
LESS AND EXCEPT a conveyance recorded as  
Instrument Number 060002538.

standing in the name of The Bank of New York Mellon,  
pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of  
Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence  
has been used to ascertain the location of Gary Onley,  
whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 303,  
Exmore, VA 23350; and that due diligence has been used  
to ascertain the location of Demond Harmon, whose last  
post office address is unknown.

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  
April 9, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the  
Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia,  
and do what may be necessary to protect their interests  
in this suit.

ENTER: This 1st day of March, 2021  
Traci Johnson, Clerk

I ask for this:  
JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q.  
Attorney at Law  
P.O. Box 1410  
Yorktown, VA 23692  
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**CDBG Public Hearing Notice (second)**

The Town of Onancock will hold a virtual public hearing on March 22, 2021 beginning at 7:00 PM, visit [www.Onancock.com/meetings](http://www.Onancock.com/meetings) to access the meeting. This meetings intent is to solicit public input on the proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to be submitted to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for the Northeast Neighborhood of Onancock Revitalization. Residents of the Town of Onancock are encouraged to attend. The Northeast Neighborhood of Onancock Revitalization will include the following activities:

*Rehabilitation of 5 Single Family Homes. Demolition of 6 derelict structures. Improvements in stormwater drainage. Upgrades to neighborhood lighting and sidewalks.*

The draft CDBG proposal will be made available for comment along with information on projected beneficiaries, including the number of low-and moderate-income residents to benefit from the project, and plans to minimize displacement. Citizens will also be given the opportunity to comment on the Town's past use of CDBG funds. A fact sheet on the proposed project and draft proposal is available at the A-NPDC, 23372 Front Street, Accomac, Va. For more information, contact Eric Luchansky at (757)787-2936, extension 118.

Comments and grievances can be submitted in writing to Accomack County at P.O. Box 388, Accomac, VA 23301, or by phone at (757)787-5700, TDD at 7-1-1, until noon of the day of the hearing. If you plan to attend and have any special needs requirements, please call the number above.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

A public hearing will be held by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday March 23, 2021, to consider an application submitted by Terry Windsor to construct 460 linear feet of riprap revetment adjacent to 14255 Barn Woods Road along Pungoteague Creek in Accomack County. Copies of the application may be examined at <https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/>. Further meeting information can be found at <https://mrc.virginia.gov/calendar.shtm>

**Send comments/inquiries prior to the Hearing to:  
Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management  
Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Building 96, Fort Monroe,  
Virginia 23651 or [jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov](mailto:jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov).**

Town of Onley  
Invitation for Bid  
George N. McMath Park Grounds & Maintenance Services

The Town of Onley will receive bids for Grounds and Maintenance Services at George N. McMath Park for the period of one year. Bid packages can be picked up at the Town Office, 25559 E. Main Street, Onley, VA. Bids should be delivered to the Town Office at 25559 E. Main Street, Onley, VA by 4:00pm April 2, 2021. The Town of Onley is an equal opportunity employer.

# Legal Advertising (Cont'd)

## 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-00-0057  
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 1/2 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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# Legal Advertising (Cont'd)

## Notice of Taking Proof of Debts and Demands of the Estate of Robert S. Bloxom

At the request of Patricia K. Bloxom, Executor of the estate of Robert S. Bloxom, I have fixed Tuesday, March 30, 2021, at 2:00 P.M. as the time, and the office of Custis, Dix, Lewis & Custis, L.L.P., 23345 Counsel Drive, Accomack, VA 23301, as the place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the said decedent or his estate.

Given under my hand this 26th day of February, 2021.

Henry P. Custis, Jr.  
Commissioner of Accounts  
of the Circuit Court of  
Accomack County, Virginia

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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.

## 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 Code of Virginia 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.

## Construction at Accomack County's South Transfer Station Invitation for Bids #734

The County of Accomack is seeking **sealed bids** from contractors holding a Virginia license for construction to be performed at the County's South Transfer Station located at 16640 Hollies Church Road, Melfa, VA 23410.

This IFB consists of two parts: **Bid Item 1)** roof replacement on the baler building (approximately 7,700 sq.ft. in area) and **Bid Item 2)** repair of the "push wall" in the transfer building. The County reserves the right to award both bid items to one contractor, or to two contractors, whichever is in the County's best interest.

All bid documents may be found on the Accomack County website at [www.co.accomack.va.us](http://www.co.accomack.va.us) by clicking "Departments>Finance>Procurement>IFBs and RFPs"; documents may also be found on the eVA website (VBO/ Business Opportunities): <https://eva.virginia.gov/index.html>.

**Sealed bids may be delivered** to the Accomack County Administration Building (conciierge's desk) at 23296 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA 23301 **or may be mailed** to the Accomack County Finance Office, c/o Lucy Huffman, P.O. Box 620 Accomack, VA 23301 **until Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 12:00 PM. All bids received by the due date and time will be publicly opened and read aloud at 3:00 PM on same day via "Zoom" meeting.** Bids received after the due date and time will be returned unopened. Interested parties wishing to join the live bid opening via "Zoom" must contact the Finance Department at [huffman@co.accomack.va.us](mailto:huffman@co.accomack.va.us) or 757-787-5709 to receive login information.

Withdrawal of Bids shall be according to procedure § 2.2-4330 of the Code of Virginia, as amended. Bidders must be licensed as a Contractor in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as required, and the Bidder's attention is directed to the requirements of Title 54.1, Chapter 11, of the Code of Virginia.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to contact any Bidder prior to award for explanations or clarifications. The County does not discriminate against any Bidder on any basis.

For more information, please contact the Accomack County Finance Department, Lucy Huffman, Procurement Specialist, at 757-787-5709 or [huffman@co.accomack.va.us](mailto:huffman@co.accomack.va.us).

## 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.

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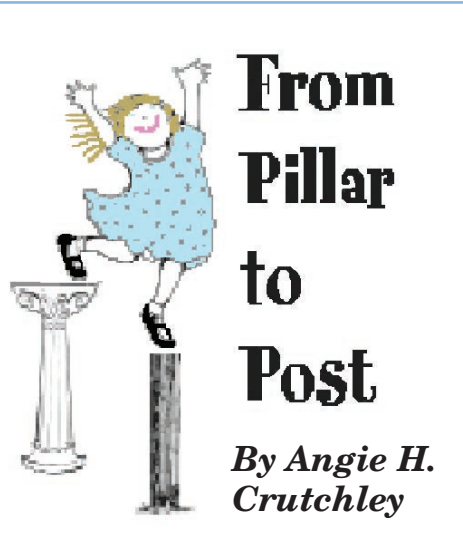
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In 2009, my husband, Doug, came home with triplets. He had saved three moles from a construction site. Inky, Blinky, and Stinky Crutchley were pink, blind, and adorable. We fell in love with them. But we were unable to care for them, so we called Kathy Cummings, of Pungoteague, and begged her (we didn't have to beg very hard) to save the moles. Cummings was the one to see on the Shore if you had any animal rescue needs.

The Shore mourned this week after hearing that she had died Friday, Feb. 26.

Cummings leaves her loving husband, Jack Cummings, and beautiful

daughter, Shannon Colonna, to share the stories of her amazing life and her service to all the creatures of the Shore.

"She would give you the shirt off her back," said Bonnie Wallace, owner of Eastern Shore Pets. Wallace called Cummings on several occasions, including for a bat rescue in front of the store.

As owner of Shore Wildlife Rescue, she handled some exotic and sometimes slithery creatures. When Doug and I delivered Inky, Blinky, and Stinky to her, she gave us a quick tour. There were snakes. She said she didn't rescue many of those at the time, but take my word for it: there were snakes.

I didn't know her well, but she al-

ways told me stories about my late father, Mike Huether, and as anyone who has lost a parent can tell you, that is the light in your day — the stray story you never heard, the photo you had never seen. Well, Shannon, I hope Mike and Kathy are hanging out today, running with the horses and Chesapeake Bay retrievers, somewhere over the rainbow.

And as a final gesture of remembrance for all of the four-legged, two-legged, and winged creatures she dedicated her life to, memorials may be made in Kathy Cummings' name to 3 Palms Zoo & Education Center, 1060 Vandyke Greenspring Road, Townsend, DE 19734.

## Riverside All-In on Vaccination Efforts

Dear Editor:

After a difficult year, vaccinations offer the hope of returning to "normal." It is understandable that the limited supply of available vaccines is frustrating to many.

Riverside has been the Shore's unwavering resource for COVID-19 prevention and treatment, and now for vaccinations.

Riverside has allocated significant human and financial resources to treating patients and to keeping our community safe. All team members are directly treating or indirectly supporting COVID-19 patients. Riverside invested in ample personal protective equipment, we modified our facilities, and we reinvented our procedures, all to prevent COVID-19 transmission. Our providers never suspended appointments, so care was always accessible for anyone who needed it.

Before vaccines were even available, Riverside invested in ultracold storage freezers so there was no obstacle to distributing the vaccine. The first vaccine doses to be allocated to the Shore required the ultracold storage which Riverside provided for all vaccinating entities.

To quickly vaccinate as many patients as possible despite limited doses, Riverside used its electronic health records to identify and schedule patients who fit the strict 1a, and later, 1b criteria. This efficient process allows the patient to choose a convenient time and date.

In addition to vaccinations administered in our offices, Riverside has provided thousands of vaccinations to providers from other health systems, EMS workers in both counties, essential school personnel, Tangier Island residents, aquaculture workers, social workers, and residents of Community Services Board congregate housing. Riverside offered 11 mass vaccination clinics including seven conveniently on Saturdays.

Late last year, Riverside was able to directly source doses of vaccine, but today doses are allocated by the Virginia Department of Health to its local health districts based on percent of population. The Eastern Shore Health District splits its allotment among Riverside, Eastern Shore Rural Health, and the health department, but the small weekly allotment cannot keep up with demand. Even with these limitations, Riverside on the

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Shore has administered more than 7,000 doses which is nearly

50% of all doses on the Shore.

We look forward to the day when enough vaccine is available for anyone who wants it. Until then, Riverside is carefully and efficiently following the CDC's guidance in distributing limited vaccine to protect the most vulnerable in our community.

**Robert Crockett, RSMH Board Chairman**

## John Peterman, RSMH President Town Manager Weighs In on Utility Sale

Dear Editor:

I would like to address recent letters to the editor regarding the unsolicited proposals Cape Charles has received that seek to potentially acquire the town's water and wastewater utilities. First, I would like to thank the writer for expressing a genuine interest; and second, to apologize for not doing a better job of keeping everyone informed.

The writer's comments and concerns were reasonable, as I'm sure it must be very unsettling to hear that this possibility is floating about, but not have the information to pass judgment.

But the fact of the matter is, the town is still a very long way from reaching any decision on this; quite frankly because we don't have the information to pass judgment on it yet either. We also need much more expertise to properly evaluate the consequences of the different possibilities. So the town is currently soliciting for a third-party consultant who can help us (and the public) sort through it all. What all that means is that there is a huge amount of due diligence still left to do.

I anticipate this process may still take several more months before we can know enough to come before the public with enough detail and specifics to ask for their thoughts and input. We'd certainly be very shortsighted to consider anything as consequential as the sale of our public utilities without significant communication with and input from our residents and stakeholders. So please know that such public interaction will have to be an integral part of the process going forward, long before any decision is made.

Thank you all for your understanding and patience as we navigate these unfamiliar waters.

**John Hozey  
Cape Charles Town Manager**



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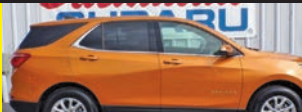
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