Accawmacke Indian Descendant Suing To Reclaim Ancestral Lands

By Stefanie Jackson

A woman who can trace her genealogy back to the Accawmacke Indians, who lived on and later owned land in Eastville, is suing the Northampton County Board of Supervisors and PNC Bank to return two properties – including county-owned Indiantown Park – to the indigenous family to whom the land originally belonged.

But even though the U.S. District Court Eastern District of Virginia lawsuit – Lisa Cypress v. PNC Bank and the Northampton County Board of Supervisors – may appear to be a divisive action, Cypress intends for the outcome to benefit and bring unity to the entire community.

"This is not a division thing, it's a unifying thing," Cypress said in an Aug. 13 interview with the Eastern Shore Post.

The Accawmacke Indians – many of whom Cypress says were "Negroid" in appearance – were also known as the Gingaskin Indians, but Cypress generally avoids calling the tribe by that name because it has no root in the English language and forms an anagram that contains a racial slur.

An Accawmacke Indian reservation existed in Eastville from 1640 until 1813, when the reservation was legally terminated. According to Northampton court records, the land was divided into 27 lots of 25.5 acres each and deeded to the remaining tribe members in 1814.

Cypress can trace her family history back more than 250 years, to her fifth great-grandparents, Edmund Press and Rachel West, both Accawmacke Indians who were deeded land in 1814. Cypress is a blood relative of six Accawmacke Indians who owned land on the former reservation. However, she is suing for the land of only two family members, Molly West (whose husband was William West) and Ebby Press (who was married several times and was named Ebby Francis when her land was deeded).

The land deeded to Molly West is the current location of PNC Bank's Eastville branch. The lands that belonged to Ebby Press, by both deed and inheritance, are now known as Indiantown Park, approximately 50 acres owned by the Northampton Board of Supervisors.

The Northampton County courthouse contains two plats of the Accawmacke Indian land surveyed in 1813. One is found in Plat Book 2, 1808-1833, and the other is in Plat Book 35, 1808-1816, pages 257-553.

Both plats show Indiantown Road running west and east and its intersection with Seaside Road, running north and south, roughly as they are today. The Accawmacke Indian land appears to be bounded on the west by Courthouse Road and on the east by the water.

If Cypress was granted the PNC Bank lot, its fate would be up to negotiation, but she would favor the bank remaining on the property, as it is economic development, she said.

The Accawmacke Indians have a three-phase development plan for Indiantown Park, which would begin by transforming the existing building into a "historical, economic, agricultural indigenous learning center," Cypress said.

Her long-term vision for the land includes a museum, gardens, a petting zoo, sweat lodges, and a tea shop with tea made from homegrown herbs like sassafras.

Later build-outs could include overnight lodging similar to a longhouse, and additional activities offered could include archery and learning about Accawmacke Indian crafting skills and herbal healing.

She also would like to see an herb-bottling plant similar to a facility currently operating in North Carolina.

The Accawmacke Indians were the "first documented herbologists," she said.

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Lisa Cypress

Two Die in Pair of Accomack Crashes

Staff Report

An Accomack County man was killed Aug. 12 in a single-vehicle crash.

According to State Police, the vehicle crash occurred at approximately 6:20 p.m., on Route 13 north of Baylys Neck Road.

Shelton Leon Watson, 59, was traveling northbound in a 2001 Ford Escape on Route 13 when his vehicle crossed over the median and the southbound lanes of Route 13. The vehicle then ran off the roadway and struck a tree.

Watson was not wearing his safety belt at the time of the incident and was taken to Riverside Shore Memorial hospital where he died from his injuries.

In a separate incident, a 43-year-old Parksley man who was attempting to cross Route 13 on foot south of Evans Road near Parksley died Sunday when he was struck by a vehicle. Abel Antonio Morales-Perez died upon impact, according to Virginia State Police spokesperson Sgt. Michelle Anaya.

The incident happened around 8:32 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15.

Preliminary investigation shows the driver of a 2005 Ford Explorer was traveling southbound on Route 13 when Morales-Perez entered the roadway and walked into the Explorer's path.

After striking Morales-Perez, the vehicle ran off the road and struck an embankment, causing the vehicle to overturn.

The driver, 44-year-old Sain Wilson, of Parksley, and a passenger, Regisma Wilmer, of Florida, both suffered serious, life-threatening injuries and were taken by medical aircraft to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury.

The crash is still under investigation.



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"We want to actually be able to tellthe historical truths and be able to give people an experience they cannot receive any other place in the world," Cypress said.

Eventually there also would be water access for canoeing and other activities. Connection to the water is "essential," said Cypress, who recently participated in an impact study by the University of Virginia on the effects of the Accawmacke Indians being landlocked for decades.

Tourism will play a role in the area's economic growth, but development will be carefully planned to keep tourist attractions and residential areas separate.

"That will protect the agricultural and historic nature of the area because ... tourism is not every day. People come and they leave, which is a good thing."

"It enables you to have a sense of normalcy and it doesn't necessarily invite an influx of people that changes the entire area," Cypress said.

Indiantown Park's existing commitments to host events and activities, such as soccer games, would be fulfilled during the transition period, she said.

The park would become a business incubator, complete with its own credit union so "people can invest in each other," she said.

The community also would have a storehouse – similar to a food pantry – for people in need, but Cypress hopes no one would be in need because everyone in the community would either have a job or own a business.

"The focus ... is to actually grow the area and create opportunities for not just our people but all the people that have not been able to have it for all this time," she added.

The project will be inclusive of all Eastern Shore citizens, particularly the disadvantaged, whether they have darker complexions like indigenous Accawmacke Indians, or they appear European.

"Accawmackes, we love everybody. That's just the way we are."

The legal action being taken "is a mechanism to actually grow the area for everyone. And trust and believe that most of the people who have long genealogies here are related, whatever their complexion or so-called race may be classified as," Cypress said.

"Eastville doesn't get love. ... People are not moving and throwing their money into Eastville," she observed.

"The real goal is to actually bring resources to the area in a way that no one else can. ... The county couldn't do it. No one else can actually do this."

Northampton County court records relating to Accawmacke Indians may appear accurate to someone unfamiliar with genealogy, but many of the documents are "faulty," Cypress said.

Through the years, the land records have been muddled as names were changed (for example, referring to "Mary" as "Molly"), coordinates were rewritten, or boundary lines were redrawn.

But landmarks can't be moved. Indiantown Creek is shown on the plat of the Accawmacke Indian land survey of 1813, bordering the Ebby Francis property, lot number 26. It's the same creek that can be seen from Indiantown Park today.

Both PNC Bank and the Northampton Board of Supervisors have responded to the lawsuit, with the board of supervisors requesting to dismiss the case based on grounds that Cypress deems "frivolous," such as Cypress representing herself.

Northampton supervisors also stated the case was filed in the wrong jurisdiction, but Cypress said the Eastern District of Virginia, a federal court, is the correct court because the case involves parties in two different states – Cypress currently lives and works in Georgia.

She will file an amendment to her claim and the defendants again must respond. Cypress is confident the lawsuit will not be dismissed but proceed.

"The land theft throughout hundreds of years is horrific," she said. Indiantown Park even contains Accawmacke Indian burial grounds. But her lawsuit is a means to "restore some of what was taken ... and also build and move forward," she said.

"I feel like the Eastern Shore is where everything happened ... the world just really starts there. So I feel like when we can get it right, there's hope for everybody else to get it right."

The Accawmacke Indians operate a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, American Indigenous Accawmacke Indians. For more information, visit their Facebook page of the same name or www.accawmacke.org

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Town Hall Encourages Electric Co-Op Members To Participate

By Carol Vaughn

Nearly 70 participants in a virtual town hall held Tuesday, Aug. 10, were encouraged to be active members of Accomack-Northampton Electric Cooperative.

The cooperative's annual meeting is Thursday, Aug. 26, at 7 p.m., at the ANEC offices, 21275 Cooperative Way in Tasley. Sign in begins at 6:30 p.m.

Attendees must register in advance by calling ANEC at 757-787-9750; choose option 3 on the menu. You also can register at www.anec.com Select the tab "2021 Annual Meeting" and fill out the form. Only the person whose name is on the electric bill for the household may attend.

The meeting will be broadcast live on WESR and a recording will be available later.

The agenda is in the August 2021 issue of Cooperative Living magazine.

The town hall, sponsored by Virginia Organizing Eastern Shore Chapter and Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore, included two speakers, Emily Piontek of Appalachian Voices, a grassroots advocacy organization, and Karen Campblin of the Virginia State Conference NAACP.

The purpose was "to provide information and awareness" to ANEC members and to empower them "to advocate for the changes that we want," according to CBES board member Sue Mastyl.

Among topics discussed was how other rural electric cooperatives are providing broadband internet services to their members.

Virginia has 13 electric cooperatives. Piontek, Virginia Energy democracy field coordinator for Appalachian Voices, spoke about what it means to be a member-owner of the electric cooperative, which is a not-for-profit entity governed by a nine-member board of directors elected by members.

Anyone who purchases electricity from ANEC is a member.

Piontek criticized ANEC for what she called a lack of transparency on its website and said ANEC bylaws do not require open meetings and do not require the board to provide minutes to cooperative members.

"A&N doesn't require open board meetings, so member-owners are not permitted to attend those meetings, so it's difficult to know exactly what the decision-making process is like," Piontek said.

Piontek also said permitting proxy voting for board members favors incumbent candidates.

Additionally, Piontek said ANEC board members are compensated, at a rate of around \$11,000 to \$20,000 annually each, through a charge to members.

The compensation figures come from a 2018 IRS Form 990 filed by ANEC, which Piontek found on the ProPublica website. The form shows the lowest compensation to a director that year was \$11,850 and the highest was \$20,000.

Each residential household served by ANEC pays a monthly \$14 access charge in addition to a charge for their electric usage. The access charges are used by the cooperative to cover the cost of operations, including board compensation, according to Piontek.

"They are there to serve you. You are paying their salaries, and so they really should be answering to you, the member-owners of A&N," she said.

Piontek said democratic member control is one of the guiding principles put forward by the national trade association, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

At present, only one of Virginia's 13 cooperatives allows members to attend board meetings, she said, noting by way of contrast the state of Colorado, where electric cooperative board meetings are open to the public, agendas are available ahead of time, public participation is invited, and meeting minutes are posted online afterward.

Piontek also spoke about the role of electric cooperatives in providing broadband, noting the Virginia General Assembly in 2020 authorized the use of existing utility easements to provide broadband.

Senate Bill 794, which was introduced by Sen. Lynwood Lewis and signed into law by Gov. Ralph Northam, declared it is the policy of the commonwealth that electric and communications easements may be used to provide or expand broadband or other communication services.

Five Virginia cooperatives are working with local governments and broadband providers to pursue providing broadband service to members, according to Piontek.

Additionally, Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, the largest in the state, is considering implementing broadband after members put on pressure to do so, she said.

Piontek urged ANEC members to engage with the cooperative and to "let your board of directors know that you want the utility to work with local governments, to work with any broadband providers on the Eastern Shore to take advantage of Senate Bill 794."

Virginia is expecting \$700 million in federal funding from the American Rescue Plan Act to expand broadband access, she said.

"To me it just seems like a clear opportunity for a co-op such as A&N to take advantage of any funding that's available to them, with pressure from you all for them to do that and to help make broadband accessible," Piontek said.

ANEC CEO Responds

ANEC chief executive officer Butch Williamson responded by email to questions about the cooperative's governance and other issues raised during the town hall.

According to the bylaws, the board of directors is chosen by members to represent them on the board, he said.

"The Board recognizes the importance

of a good relationship between Board members and the membership at-large and that the reputation of the Cooperative is affected by the attitudes and actions of its associates. Any Cooperative member or a group of members who have an issue or comments they'd like to bring to the board are urged to contact the Cooperative's CEO and/or board member who represents the district they reside in. Board members' email addresses are all listed on the Board of Directors page www.anec.com/content/board-directors Once contacted, those board members can set up a meeting with the member or group. If that meeting doesn't resolve the issue, the board member can bring it back for consideration by the full board," Williamson wrote.

Asked whether members can attend regular board meetings, Williamson said that, while ANEC is owned by its consumers, who elect the board, "it is still a business, not a government body. Its board is more comparable to a typical corporate board of directors than to a board of supervisors or school board. Because of the nature of its business, particularly as a distribution electric utility, the Cooperative



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Board is responsible for discussing and deciding a broad array of important issues, many of which can be commercially sensitive. Regular board meetings often have sensitive or protected information which may be discussed throughout the meeting. The Cooperative's operations are conducted in a heavily regulated environment and subjects such as Red Flag rules dealing with financial information, detailed sensitive background information, cyber security plans/strategies and physical electric grid assets are considered confidential and present security risks if discussed in an open meeting. Industry strategies and governmental facilities as well as private and public business development are topics that are often discussed that are also confidential in nature."

The way meetings are conducted means directors "operate in a forum that is safe for them to ask questions, debate alternatives and when necessary, hold management and each other accountable, without having to run every thought or word through a political filter," according to Williamson.

The cooperative is not subject to "sunshine rules" that apply to public bodies and its board meetings are not open to the public or even to the membership.

Still, at times a member is invited by the board to address a specific issue and any member who would like to address the board on a specific issue can request to do so by calling the cooperative or by using the "contact us" form at www.anec.com, he said.

Board meetings are typically held the fourth Thursday of each month except for September, November, and December, when meetings are held a week prior.

To view meeting minutes, members can call the cooperative at 757-787-9750 or use the "contact us" form on the website to make a request for the minutes of a particular meeting.

There is a public comment period at each annual meeting, including the Aug. 26 meeting.

Only one member of each account can register for the annual meeting and COVID-19 protocols will be followed.

Members can submit questions prior to the meeting or comment period. Any issues that may be personal in nature are redirected so they are not discussed in a public forum and can be handled one-on-one with the member to protect their privacy, according to Williamson. "Board members live and work in the communities we serve, and they have frequent, informal neighborly chats with the members they represent," Williamson said, adding, "Co-op members have several different avenues they can use to bring issues to the cooperative and its board of directors. In many cases the type of issue may dictate which route they should take.

"In addition to the communication methods mentioned above, the cooperative routinely provides notices, information, and updates through its monthly publication, Cooperative Living, as well as receives responses on a number of diverse issues from the membership through our quarterly member satisfaction survey. Members also reach out to us on a variety of issues daily through phone and email to staff.

"Outside of comments and issues to the Board and Staff, Members also have the option at any time to file a complaint with the State Corporation Commission. A link directly to the commission's online complaint form is posted on the About Us section of anec.com."

Financing Energy Efficiency

Campblin, environment and climate justice committee chairperson for the

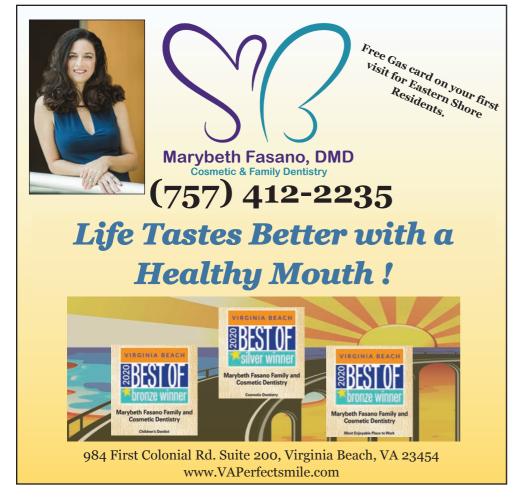
Virginia State Conference NAACP, said Senate Bill 754, also passed in the 2020 General Assembly session, authorizes electric cooperatives to establish on-bill tariff programs under which customers and the cooperative enter into an agreement that provides for costs, including financing, of energy efficiency measures to be paid by or through the cooperative and repaid by the customer by means of an energy savings charge on the customer's monthly bill.

Those measure include heating and air conditioning systems, water heaters, weatherization, insulation, window and door modifications, appliances, and automatic or internet-connected control systems.

"The bill represents an unprecedented opportunity for Virginia electric cooperatives that in the totality serve over 600,000 member-owners to make the transition in Virginia to a clean energy economy," Campblin said.

"Conservatively, electric cooperatives could invest as much as \$70 million a year in home energy upgrades that could reach...thousands of homes per year," she said, adding the im-

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provements would provide local economic stimulus by generating business for local companies, as well as saving cooperative members money on their electric bill.

The legislation allowed for these "pay as you save" programs to begin as early as January 2021 on condition that each cooperative conduct a stakeholder process at least 120 days before a program is established.

"It's very important for the members to be able to have their voices heard as to how they want this program to be implemented," Campblin said.

Rappahannock Electric Cooperative is the first Virginia cooperative to initiate the stakeholder process with three community sessions, the last of which is set for Aug. 26.

"A lot of the cooperatives around the commonwealth of Virginia have indicated that they are currently in a holding pattern and they would like to see the program that Rappahannock Electric Cooperative develops," Campblin said.

EASTERN SHORE GROUPS RECEIVE TOURISM GRANTS

Staff Report

Three Eastern Shore groups — the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission, and Onancock Main Street — were among 64 local tourism initiatives to receive more than \$860,000 in matching grants to expedite recovery and economic growth.

The Virginia Tourism Commission revised its traditional marketing leverage program to create the recovery program in an effort to support tourism initiatives as they respond to, and recover from, the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a press release.

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

"The tourism and hospitality industries have been among the hardest-hit by the pandemic, experiencing decreased revenue and job loss, along with the temporary closure of many tourism-related businesses," said Gov. Ralph Northam. "These funds will help to revive Virginia's tourism economy, which will help spur new economic activity and inject critical funds back into its communities."

The grant application was open to all Virginia tourism industry partners. The awarded funds will help local and regional tourism programs leverage limited marketing budgets through in-kind matches of state grants, totaling more than \$2.2 million. The program will impact more than 380 tourism entities across Virginia.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission received \$20,000, which it will use to share the Shore with potential visitors. The commission will share the incredible beauty of Virginia's natural coast and the stories of the Shore to help interested tourists plan their trips and encourage tourism in the entirety of the Shore.

"The ESVA Tourism Commission is very grateful to have received this grant, and looks forward to seeing the lasting impact it will have on local tourism to the Eastern Shore," said Robert Sabbatini, executive director of the tourism commission.

The Chincoteague Chamber of Com-

merce received \$10,000.

The Chincoteague chamber will use the funds to enhance the 2022 Visitor Guide & Membership Directory, which will include state-of-the-art digital technologies to complement the print guide.

A digital GoGuide will offer search capabilities, while the interactive iMap will enable visitors to learn more about the area and locate individual chamber members more effectively.

Evelyn Shotwell, executive director of the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, said that while "the tourism industry on Chincoteague Island fared better than most communities in the Commonwealth during the pandemic, it definitely has not been an easy road. Our business community has persevered through major obstacles in recent months to remain viable in a challenging economy. The enhanced digital features of the chamber's marketing materials will significantly impact the visitor experience in a positive way, thus impacting the bottom line of every chamber member."

Onancock Main Street received \$10,000, which will be used to expand the Experience Onancock website.



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Accomack Shares Plan For Spending \$13M in COVID-19 Relief Funds

By Stefanie Jackson

The Accomack school board will hold a public hearing Tuesday, Aug. 24, to receive comments and vote on a plan to spend more than \$13 million from the third round of the American Rescue Plan's Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funding, about a week before the Sept. 1 application deadline.

Two-thirds of the funding, including nearly \$9 million for Accomack, became available April 30.

Karen Downing, of Virginia Organizing, attended the Aug. 17 school board meeting to voice her concern that the school division had not been "proactive" about planning to spend the funds.

An April 30 letter from Virginia Superintendent of Public Instruction James Lane informed all division superintendents that within 90 days of receiving ESSER III funds, each school division must publish on its website a plan for spending the money.

Accomack's plan was not available the morning of Mon., Aug. 16, but it was made public before the school board meeting Tuesday – about three-and-a-half months after the state superintendent's correspondence.

Finance Director Beth Onley reviewed the plan Tuesday night, which proposed purposes for all but \$1.8 million of the \$13.3 million in total allocated funding.

All spending must relate to the COVID-19 pandemic, and at least 20% of the funds must be spent to address learning losses.

Proposed spending under the category of COVID-19 prevention and mitigation included:

- Nearly \$635,000 to continue employing additional parttime custodians for three years.
- About \$521,000 to upgrade health clinic assistants to full time and continue their employment for three years.
- About \$468,000 for additional playground equipment and mulch at the elementary schools.
- Nearly \$133,000 for two cafeteria monitors at each elementary and middle school for two years.
- About \$135,000 for a two-year supply of disinfectant for electrostatic sprayers and other cleaning measures.
- \$100,000 to separate school clinics into two sections for "sick" students (with COVID-19 symptoms) and "well" students (with any other condition).

Other proposed COVID-19 prevention and mitigation-related expenditures included a full-time health assistant, a two-year supply of disposable face masks, personal protective equipment and sanitation for the band and chorus programs, and 16 additional UV water coolers.

Examples of proposed expenditures to address learning losses were:

About \$1.25 million for two additional instructional assistants at each Accomack school

- except Tangier Combined School, which will get one extra instructional assistant – each to be employed three years.
- More than \$1.1 million to pay teachers stipends for after-school programs for three years.
- Nearly \$1 million to pay teachers summer school stipends for three years.
- Nearly \$658,000 to employ a full-time substitute teacher at each Accomack school, except Tangier, for three years.
- About \$435,000 to employ additional assistant principals at Kegotank and Metompkin elementary schools for three years.

Proposed spending on student academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs included around \$362,000 for two additional guidance counselors and \$172,000 for one additional mental health counselor, each for three years.

Other funding uses were proposed, such as \$700,000 for bell, clock, and intercom upgrades, and \$300,000 to install video cameras capable of 360-degree views on school bus stop sign arms.

Virginia Organizing members elaborated on their concerns after the Aug. 17 school board meeting and criticized the spending plan for its late-summer release, incorporating little to no public input, and the unsustainability of the new employment positions over the long term.

The plan can be found at https://go.boarddocs.com/vsba/accomack/Board.nsf/files/C5YMJC5B1951/\$file/American%20Rescue%20Plan_Revised.pdf

The Accomack school board encouraged community participation in the upcoming public hearing and will accept suggestions for spending the \$1.8 million that remains unpurposed.

The public hearing will be Tuesday, Aug. 24, 6 p.m., at Metompkin Elementary.



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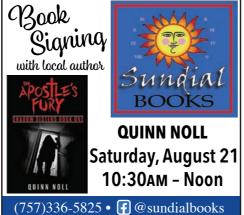
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Centenarian Recalls 100 Years of Life and Prosperity in Onancock

By Carol Vaughn

Onancock resident Agnes West Hancock has a longer perspective than most on the town's history — 100 years long, to be exact.

Hancock celebrated her 100th birthday in June.

She recalled memories from the past century in an interview at her home.

Born at home and raised in the same house, at 3 Lee St., Hancock, an only child, said she "had a wonderful childhood," including playing with the children of her neighbors, the Boggs family, who lived at 1 Lee St., and her cousin Peggy West, who lived nearby.

Her grandfather, William Custis West, lived where Williams Funeral Home stands now.

Her father, who worked as a produce dealer, also was born in Onancock, in the house at the corner of Riley and North streets. He died in his sixties.

Her mother, who lived to age 101, came from Modest Town.

"I feel that I inherited her genes," Hancock said.

Her father started his business at

around age 30. The office was next to the First National Bank on Market Street. Produce from the Eastern Shore was sent north by ship, headed to Atlantic and Safeway grocery stores.

Hancock's mother attended Bloxom High School, traveling from Modest Town by horse and buggy.

Judge Wescott Northam's father, who also lived in Modest Town, sometimes took her mother to school, Hancock said.

Her mother aspired to be a teacher and came to Onancock to take a twoyear training course offered at a building on Kerr Street. She lived with her aunt, who lived on a farm outside town.

That was around 1916.

At lunchtime, the students would walk down to Wises' Drug Store for lunch. That's when she noticed the "older" gentleman at his produce office.

That was in autumn. "By March they were married," Hancock said.

Hancock and her neighbor, Billy Boggs, attended kindergarten at Ker Place, currently the headquarters of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical So-



Agnes West Hancock, of Onancock, celebrated her 100th birthday Sunday, June 13. Onancock Mayor Fletcher Fosque presented Hancock with a proclamation from the town in recognition of her birthday. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

ciety, where the doctor who had delivered her, Dr. Oscar Powell, lived at the time. The two friends walked to school.

One of Powell's daughters taught the class.

She later attended Onancock School on College Avenue, where she had the other Powell daughter as a teacher in third grade.

Her health became poor starting in fifth grade. Still, she later went away to school for three years — the first year, like twelfth grade now, was at Stuart Hall, an Episcopal high school in Staunton, followed by two years of elementary education teacher training in Danville.

Hancock came back to the Shore to teach first grade on Chincoteague, but, still in fragile health, she caught many illnesses from the children, eventually contracting scarlet fever after having taught three or four years.

She decided to instead pursue secretarial work.

"I went to Steyer's Business College one winter in Richmond," then went to work for Carroll Bull at the produce exchange in Onley. She worked there eight years, and spent several more years working for Bull in Florida during the winter and on the Shore in the summer.

Hancock met her husband, Wilson, a widower with one daughter from Pocomoke City, Md., who was living in a house on Market Street; they married in 1957.

Sadly, the daughter, Ginny Lee, who was born with a heart condition, passed away at age 11 after an operation.

Hancock and her husband were married 49 "happy" years, she said.

Hancock is an active member of Holy Trinity Church in Onancock, which she started attending at age seven.

Hancock's memories include dating Navy pilots stationed at Chincoteague during World War II.

She and other women teachers on Chincoteague boarded at the Channel Bass Inn during the week.

The pilots from the Naval air station would come by the inn for visits.

Local newspapers from the 1940s document a number of airplane crashes at the station — one such crash killed a Salem, Va., man she was dating.

Among the greatest changes Hancock has seen in a long life is the faster pace of life now on the Eastern Shore, including more traffic and more people moving to the Shore.







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"I still love to live here, except there is a much faster pace. I accept what comes," Hancock said.

Many of the Onancock area stores and attractions Hancock knew as a child and younger adult no longer exist.

Hancock recalls attending the Tasley Fair, held in August or September on what is now called Fairgrounds Road, including riding on a big Ferris wheel as a young child. There were two separate fairs on opposite sides of the street, one for White people and one for Black people, in those segregated times.

More recently, Fork's Grill, a popular eatery, sat at the fork in the road heading out of Onancock towards Onley, where Fairgrounds Road veers to the left.

Where Four Corner Plaza and Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital now stand, there was a large farm field.

Onancock in Hancock's youth had several independent grocery stores, as well as other shops.

On North Street, there was

Bundick's grocery store; J.S. Mills, a men's clothing store; Mathias' ten-cent store; and Lofland's grocery store.

On the other side of the street, there was another grocery store, Boggs', where The Blarney Stone Pub is now.

Will Bell had a harness shop on the same street, where the men would gather around the potbellied stove to talk.

"That was the meeting place for all the men to find out the gossip," Hancock said.

"He had out near the front a big wooden horse — tall, big, vou know, the whole horse — and the men would bring their children in and sit them on the horse," she said.

She heard the horse later was sent to the Smithsonian Institute.

There also was a restaurant in the vicinity.

Later, the American Store, a chain grocery, was located on the corner where the Red Queen Gallery is now.

R.L. Shield had a dry goods store

Safe Boating Tips from Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12-02

Submitted Article

A man overboard is one of the most frightening boating emergencies. But with a little practice and calm action it will have a good outcome.

If you immediately realize a crewperson has gone overboard, sound five short rapid blasts on your horn, punch the MOB icon on your GPS to give you an exact location, and turn the bow of the boat toward the person. I will repeat that because it is counter intuitive: turn toward the person overboard. This will turn the propeller and engine away from the person.

Assuming you have been listening to these notices and your MOB is wearing their life jacket you now have time for a recovery. If there is another crew person aboard, have them throw a ring buoy, cushion or life jacket to the MOB. If you are alone, turn off the engine, but leave it in gear, and throw the buoy, cushion, or jacket to the MOB. With the engine off but in gear, the prop won't spin, so if the MOB is close, they can swim to the boat without

If he or she is too far away to swim

back, make sure your crew person knows you see them, restart your engine, and travel away a bit so you can line up a recovery. You will need enough distance to make a straight approach, always keeping your MOB in sight. Now begin a slow approach keeping the MOB on the side of your helm so you can see them and keeping your boat downwind of the MOB so the boat is blown away from them. As the MOB comes abreast of your helm, shut down the engine (leave it in gear) and help them back aboard. Safe, but wet.

If you want to get good at this, join the auxiliary. We practice MOB drills all of the time.

Local Aids Notices

On the Western Shore: York River: West range front light and rear passing lights are extinguished.

These boating safety tips are a public service by Flotilla 12-02 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. To learn to become a better boater or to help the Coast Guard, go to www. USCGAux.org.

Remember a life jacket is your on-water seat belt, wear one whenever you are afloat.

farther up Market Street, where Dawn's is now.

Still later, a Pender's grocery store was located across Market Street.

In the building which now houses the Corner Bakery, Hancock recalls license plates being sold. The building is "very old," she said, adding, "It's had everything in it. I remember we used to go in it and dance."

Where North Street Playhouse now stands, there was a movie hall operated by a Mr. Scott, before the days of the Roseland Theatre.

Hancock attributes her long life, de-

spite having had poor health in her earlier years, to inheriting her mother's genes, along with watching her diet, exercising daily, and her lifelong love of gardening, or as she calls it, "digging in the dirt."

Additionally, she reads "a lot of health books."

Asked what advice she has for the Post's readers, Hancock said, "Try to stay healthy by exercising, watching what we eat, reading about what to eat. Thank God for everything he has given us on this beautiful earth. Be happy and make other people happy."

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Commissions	3,000	Personal Property Taxes	5,000		
Salaries	4,300	Auto Decals	0		
Legal	1,500	Litter Grant	1,000		
Meetings	2,100	Fire Grant	15,000		
Printing & Publications	1,000	CATV Tax	4,200		
PO Box Rent and SS Taxes	60	PPTRA	1,050		
Dues	600	Rolling Stock	50		
Auto Decals	0	Interest	200		
Tax Prep	250	Misc- Permits	0		
Insurance	800	ARPA Grant	16,000		
Parade	100	From Reserves	4,860		
Christmas	500	104,360			
Donations	150				
Litter Grant	1,000				
Fire Grant	15,000	PROPOSED LEVY:			
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'Porch Light' Film Concludes Another Successful Experimental Film Virginia

By Adolphus Ames

Production wrapped this week for the artists involved in Experimental Film Virginia. "Porch Light," one of the last films produced, was filmed on Fig Street in Cape Charles at the Clark residence. It is about a young girl who returns to her childhood home and struggles to decide whether to reenter it. The film is a metaphor for the long road home and the road is represented by a game of hopscotch.

It was directed by Ned Farr, a Los Angeles resident and filmmaker. Farr has been involved in film production for over 25 years. He has written and directed several award-winning films, including "The Gymnast" and "A Marine Story." His latest feature, "The Aerialist," was released in 2020 and is about an aerialist rehearsing for a rock tour while battling age, iniury, and a young director who wants to end her career. All of these films are currently available on Amazon Prime.

"Porch Light" was not a one-man show. Filmmaking is a collaborative process and requires individuals from various backgrounds who possess a variety of skill sets. Farr was assisted by Alex Naufel and Cat Rider, two experienced cinematographers. They helped Farr set up shots and capture his vision.

Naufel, another Los Angeles resident, has collaborated with Farr on past projects, most recently on "The Aerialist." He graduated from American Film Institute in 2000 with a master's degree in cinematography. He discovered his passion for filmmaking early in life.

"I'd always watched movies," he said. "But it wasn't until I saw 'Wings

of Desire,' a German film, that I realized films could say something. It was then that I began to appreciate the visual artistry."

Rider, from Cincinnati, Ohio, started out practicing photography and used these skills to transition into film because she has always enjoyed watching and has always been influenced by great films. She has written and directed several short films and worked in the camera department on a few feature films, including "Judas and the Black Messiah," a film about Fred Hampton and the infiltration of the Black Panther Party by FBI informant William O'Neal.

"I really like the challenge filmmaking presents," Rider said. "In the future, I would like to direct more of my own short and feature films."

Actors are equally as important to the filmmaking process as the camera crew. Lauren Raynor, a 6-yearold from Melfa, starred as the childhood version of the main character. Although Raynor had no previous acting experience, she had no trouble tapping into the youthful innocence required for the role.

Mya McClellan, a dancer from Chicago, starred as the older version of the protagonist. She gave a passionate performance, one filled with raw emotion and rhythm that perfectly captured the struggle of returning home. McClellan has been dancing since she was 5.

"I took a dance class in my local community and immediately fell in love with it," she said. "I majored in dance at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and am currently pursuing a professional dance career.



Ned Farr and Alex Naufel set up shots for the experimental film "Porch Light." Photo by Adolphus Ames.

I would love to work with Kyle Abraham, a dancer and choreographer in New York that incorporates elements of hip-hop and R&B into his work."

McClellan was coached by Kelly Bartnik, a multi-talented choreographer and performer from New York City. She helped McClellan choreograph her dance routine and tap into the emotions required for the role. Bartnik, a graduate of James Madison University, teaches movement for actors at NYU and participates in immersive theatre

performances all along the east coast. She was an original cast member of the off-Broadway hit, "Sleep No More."

This was Bartnik first year participating in Experimental Film Virginia. She directed one short film called "Tmesis." "I was nervous because I don't come from a filmmaking background," she said. "But Renata has the program set up in a way where it's able to live up to everyone's vision. This festival has definitely surpassed all my expectations."



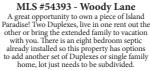
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Total population for cities and town on the Eastern Shore of Virgina, 2000, 2010 and 2010									
				Numeric	Percent				
				Change	Change				
				2010 to	2010 to				
Geography	2000	2010	2020	2020	2020				
Accomac town, Virginia	547	519	519	0	0				
Belle Haven town, Virginia*		532	543	11	2				
Bloxom town, Virginia	395	387	387	0	0				
Cape Charles town, Virginia	1,134	1009	1178	169	17				
Cheriton town, Virginia	499	487	486	-1	0				
Chincoteague town, Virginia	4,317	2941	3344	403	14				
Eastville town, Virginia	203	305	300	-5	-2				
Exmore town, Virginia	1,136	1,460	1473	13	1				
Hallwood town, Virginia	290	206	202	-4	-2				
Keller town, Virginia	173	178	144	-34	-19				
Melfa town, Virginia	450	408	396	-12					
Nassawadox town, Virginia	572	499	533	34					
Onancock town, Virginia	1,525	1,263	1169	-94	-7				
Onley town, Virginia	496	516	532	16	3				
Painter town, Virginia	246	229	272	43	19				
Parksley town, Virginia	837	842	816	-26	-3				
Saxis town, Virginia	337	241	172	-69	-29				
Tangier town, Virginia	604	727	436	-291	-40				
Wachapreague town, Virginia	25	11							
Source: 2000 and 2010 Data from U.S. Census Bureau,									
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By William P. O'Hare, President, slight O'Hare Data and Demographic tion:

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 $Special\ to\ the\ Eastern\ Shore\ Post$

The first detailed data from the 2020 census, released Aug. 12, provides evidence of recent demographic changes on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. This article examines changes in county population since 1900 and looks at changes in towns since the 2010 census.

The total population for Accomack County in the 2020 census was 33,413 which is well below the peak figure of 38,305 in the 2000 census. The population in Northampton County is 12,282 compared to a peak in of 18,565 in the 1930 census.

There was very little change in the two counties since 2010. Between 2010 and 2010 there was a slight increase (1%) in the population of Accomack County and a slight decrease (1%) in the population in Northampton County.

Population counts in the 2010 and 2020 censuses for the towns in the two counties on the Eastern Shore are shown in Table 1. Some places grew in population while other decreased. In numeric terms the place that grew the most between 2010 and 2020 was Chincoteague which increased by 403 residents. The place that had the largest population decline was Tangier where the population fell by 291 people between 2010 and 2020.

In terms of percent change, the town with the largest increase was Painter with an increase of 19% and the town with the largest decrease in percentages terms was Tangier Island, with a decrease of 20%.

The data released last week also allows examination of changes by race/Hispanic origin and by age (adults and children).

Northampton Rolls Out Opening Plans for 2021 School Year

By Stefanie Jackson

The Northampton school board was presented a plan Aug. 12 to reopen its schools in September, providing all students in-person learning five days a week with COVID-19 mitigation strategies in place.

Earlier that day, Virginia State Health Commissioner Dr. Norman Oliver had announced a mask mandate for "all students, in all K-12 schools, both public and private," rendering moot all previous discussions about face masks, said Superintendent Eddie Lawrence.

The school division had already planned to follow the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and require all students and staff to wear face masks, regardless of vaccination status, so the plan did not need to be updated before the school board meeting that evening.

School Buses

Northampton students also will be required to wear face masks on the school bus, and no student who has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will be permitted to board the bus.

A student must have a normal temperature for 24 hours without taking medication before the student may re-

turn to school and ride the bus.

Lawrence noted that temperature checks did not appear to help detect COVID-19 last school year, but they did keep children with other illnesses out of school, and administrators were "adamant" about continuing the practice.

Food Service

Student participation in school breakfast increased after the implementation of the Grab & Go breakfast program, which will continue this year in all Northampton schools.

Lunch will be served in each school cafeteria, with additional custodians cleaning and sanitizing the cafeteria between lunch periods. Lawrence noted the lunch schedules may need to be more staggered to allow as much social distancing as possible between students.

Playgrounds

Teachers once again may take students to the school playgrounds for recess, since the CDC does not require face masks to be worn outdoors.

The Occohannock Elementary School playground will be open on the first day of school, but the Kegotank Elementary School playground may be closed in September while facility upgrades are completed, Lawrence noted.

Vaccinations

Lawrence asked the school board to consider what action it will take when the CDC lifts its current guidance on face masks.

He recommended that Northampton schools continue to require the wearing of face masks until at least 70% of students and staff are vaccinated for COVID-19. His rationale for the recommendation was that a 70% vaccination rate is often used as an indicator of herd immunity.

School board member Liz Jones asked if there was anything the school division could do to help students get vaccinated, such as offering the COVID-19 vaccine at a back-to-school night event.

Lawrence said that may be possible, but if the Virginia Department of Health offered the COVID-19 vaccine in Northampton schools, a permission slip would not be sufficient and no child would be vaccinated without a parent present.

"Even though the chance of a serious reaction is minuscule – if it's your child, it's not minuscule," he said.

Lawrence reminded school board members also to consider that students and staff would need to show documentation that they had been vaccinated if his recommendation is implemented.

Jones asked how COVID-19 contact tracing protocols had changed since last school year.

Lawrence noted that when vaccinated teachers or students come in close contact with a person who has COVID-19, they do not need to quarantine if they have no symptoms of COVID-19.

However, an unvaccinated teacher or student who is found to have been a close contact of someone with COVID-19 must be sent home to quarantine.

Teachers or students who are infected with COVID-19 must isolate at home, and they may return to school 10 days after they first experienced symptoms if they have not had a fever for 24 hours.



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Ethel M. Sample

Mrs. Ethel M. Sample, 90, of Nelsonia, departed this life Friday, July 30, 2021, at Citadel Virginia Beach in Virginia Beach.

Born in Hacksneck, Ethel was the beloved daughter of the late John Thomas and the late Berlie Doughty Sample. In April 1957, Ethel entered into holy matrimony with Claude Sam-

ple, who preceded her in death. Ethel was a homemaker who loved to cook.

Private funeral services were held Saturday, Aug. 14, 2021, at Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac,



Mrs. Sample

with the Rev. DeAngelo Johnson officiating. Interment was in the Star East Cemetery, Accomac.

Ethel leaves to cherish fond memories: one son, Darry Sample; five grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; one brother, Ben Sample; three sistersin-law, Mary Johnson, Doris Sample, and Emily Sample; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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

Hazel Bennett Justis

Mrs. Hazel Bennett Justis, 95, wife of the late Lawrence Gilbert Justis, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2021, with her daughter by her side. Born March 9, 1926, she was the daughter of the late Otho and Roxie Bennett.

Always with a smile, Hazel had the kindest of hearts, which perfectly

matched her unwavering faith in the Lord. She was a longtime member of Independent Pilgrim Church in Greenbush, and she remained a dedicated member over the years.



Mrs. Justis

Left to cherish her memory are

her daughter, Lauren Esther Justis, of Loveland, Ohio, and sister-in-law, Margaret Bennett. In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by her brothers, Carlton and Wilson Bennett.

Funeral services will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Friday, Aug. 20, 2021, at 11 a.m., with Mike Barnes officiating. Interment will follow in the Liberty Cemetery. There will be a visitation at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

Contributions in Hazel's memory may be made to Independent Pilgrim Church, 19422 Greenbush Road, Greenbush, VA 23357.

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

Arrangements by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Send Obituaries to angie@easternshorepost.com

Alvin Lee Walker

Mr. Alvin Lee Walker, 90, husband of the late Sue Genene Walker, a resident of Commonwealth Senior Living, formerly of Concord Wharf, passed away Sunday, Aug. 15, 2021, at Commonwealth Senior Living on the Eastern Shore in Onancock, A native of Michigan, he was the son of the late Charles J. Walker and the late Caroline

Matilda Stranch Walker. A retired pilot with the rank of major for the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Walker served during both the Korean War and Vietnam War.

He is survived

by three children,



Mr. Walker

Laura Crawford, of Clifton Forge, Va., Leesa Walker, of Cedarview, and Terry Walker, of Concord Wharf; four grandchildren, David Lee Parks, Monte Lynn Crawford, Lee Walker, and Tyler

Crawford; and numerous great-grandchildren. Mr. Walker was predeceased

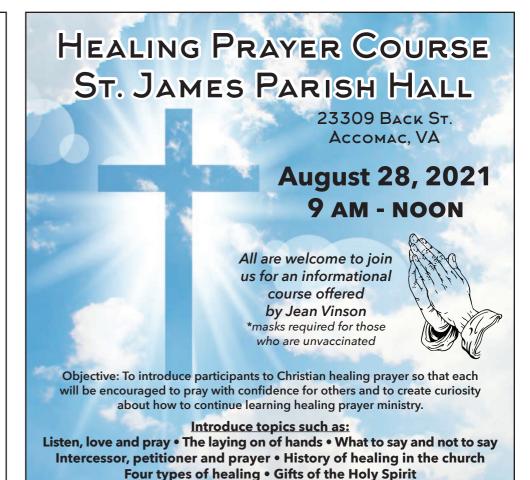
by one sister and four brothers.

SECTION 8 WAITING LISTS OPENING IN AUGUST

The Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority (A-NRHA) will open the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program Waiting List Monday, AUGUST 30, 2021 through Friday, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021. Any low- and very low income person requiring rental assistance in order to find safe, decent, affordable housing may pick up an application at the A-NRHA Section 8 Office located at 23372 Front Street, Accomac, VA or call (757) 787-2800 ext. 122 to have an application mailed. The Section 8 office will be open Monday August 30, 2021 9:00am to 5:00pm, Tuesday August 31, 2021 through Friday September 3, 2021 from 8:30am to 5:00pm during the application period. Valid Photo Identification for all persons over 18, Social Security Cards for all household members and Birth Certificates/ Birth Records for all minors and Proof of Residency (911 address) must be returned with each application. DEADLINE for all applications with accompanying documentation MUST BE RETURNED IN PERSON by close of business day Friday, September 3, 2021. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

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A graveside service with military honors will be conducted Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021, at 2 p.m., at Belle Haven Cemetery with Pastor Rob Kelly 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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Katey Higgins Wilson

Mrs. Katey Higgins Wilson departed this earthly life on Aug. 13, 2021. Her life was cut short by an aggressive form of cancer. She fought a

hard battle, only like Katey could do.

Despite much strife early in the formative years of her life, Katey did not let that define her. Never using it as an excuse or crutch.



Mrs. Wilson

In fact she used that strife to form strong character in herself. Her attitude towards life should be an example to us all. Katev had a full and adventurous life. Born in Norfolk, her dad, being in the Navy was stationed overseas, where she spent her early years in Japan and the Philippines, returning to Norfolk where she finished elementary school. She would then move to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where she made lifelong friends. She was one of the sweetest people you could ever meet, her husband overwhelmed by this sweetness called her his "Sweet Katey Lou." Katey loved and cherished her family and friends, especially her babies Lou and Mad (Lukas and Madison). In addition to her children and grandchildren, she took on the role as a stepmother and stepgrandmother to four other children and loved them as her own. She also includes her pal Pee Wee as family, who she adopted from the SPCA. If you saw Katey you saw Pee Wee, two of the cutest things you'll ever see in one place.

As a family, there was always an

adventure. One of her favorite places to go was on the beach. She has been on the beaches of the Atlantic coast from Rhode Island to Florida, Pacific coast California and Oregon, and tropical islands of the West Indies. She had a heart of gold and loved doing for others. From planning a wedding for her best friend, making care packages for the homeless, or passing out kindness cards just to make a stranger smile. Katey not only obeyed but is a perfect example of the Lord Jesus' last commandment to "love one another, just as I have loved you." She was proud to call herself a homemaker. She could make any home feel warm and cozy. Katey was a highly skilled crafter. Her work was exceptional to say the least. She thoroughly enjoyed making things for family and friends. Her last wish was to have everyone come together in love and peace to celebrate her life on earth and her new life in heaven.

Katey leaves behind her husband, Christopher Wilson; son, Lukas Higgins, and wife, Heather; daughter, Madison Petty; her grandchildren, Jordan, Isabella, and Kashton Higgins, and Owen Kemper; her father, Edward Higgins, and wife, Janet; her constant companion and beloved Pee Wee; and her many extended family members on her husband's side as well as her life-long friend, Shanda Brady. Her mother, Eileen, preceded her in death.

A memorial service for family and friends will be held for Katey Saturday, Aug. 21, at 11 a.m., at St. Charles Borrormeo Catholic Church, 550 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles. This will be followed by a celebration of her life at 1 p.m., at Steve and Jennifer Fitchett's home, 10004 Rogers Drive, Nassawadox. Katey's wish was for all to have fun, smile, make peace, love one another, and come as you are.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the American Cancer Society or the local SPCA in her name.

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

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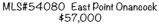
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Court Postings

Staff Report

The Eastern Shore Drug Task Force conducted Operation "Masked Man" Aug. 11 and 12 to attempt to arrest multiple individuals on sealed indictments in Accomack and Northampton counties for distribution of various controlled narcotics, including cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, and fentanyl, according to a press release.

Multiple law enforcement agencies from Maryland and Virginia, including the Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Marshals Service, Maryland State Police, Virginia State Police-Area 31, Division 1, 5, and 7 Tactical Teams, DES-Chesapeake, Virginia Marine Police, Virginia Department of Corrections - Probation and Parole District Four, Accomack and Northampton County Sheriff's offices, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester County Sheriff's offices and the Exmore Police Department collaborated to serve sealed indictments in Accomack and Northampton counties, as well as attempting to locate multiple individuals being sought for outstanding probation violations.

As result, 25 people were arrested and charged with 41 felony distribution offenses and one probation violation.

Arrested and charged were:

- Ambrose Anthony Cuffee (1 count)
- Kamal Yamani Cuffee (2 counts)
- James Rashaun Bundick (1 count)
- Marquie Lovell Tankard (3 counts)
- Anton Tankard (3 counts)
- Dwayne Lawrence Sample (2 counts)
- Steve Allen Lyons Jr. (1 count)
- Jaymese Meshine Turner (1 count)
- James Patrick Bowen (1 count)
- Heather Rene Corbin (2 counts)
- Robert Edward Giddings Jr. (2
- Kerwin Antwan Harmon (1 count)
- Corey Lamont Newkirk (2 counts)
- Robert Knoulton Bradley (2 counts)
- Shauntae Arnez Giddens (2 counts)
- Keron Andrae Matthews (3 counts) Antalf Manu Nottingham (1 count)
- Bernard Anthony Brickhouse (3 counts)
- Brianna Brookshire (probation violation)
- Pierce Scanlan (3 counts)
- Clifton Townsend (3 counts)

- Rvan Fitchett (1 count)
- Benito Flores (2 counts)
- William Antonio Davis (3 counts)
- Maurice Williams (5 counts).

Several people are still being sought. Still at large are:

- Fred Anthony Upshur (2 counts)
- Terrell Termaine Sample (2 counts)
- Devonte Leshawn Sample (2 counts)
- Nicholas Keshon Drummond (3 counts)
- Marquis Orville Giddings (1 count)
- Jose Ramon Negron (4 counts)
- Sando M. Simon (1 count)
- Frank Nick Piliro (probation violation)
- Kendrell L. Davis (3 counts).

During the operation, sheriffs from Wicomico, Somerset, and Worcester counties in Maryland, as well as Accomack and Northampton counties met with Virginia State Police Bureau of Field Operations and Bureau of Criminal Investigations to discuss current distribution issues and how to support each other during investigations that span multiple jurisdictions. A combined effort has resulted in numerous narcotic investigations, arrests, and convictions, and that effort continues.

Anyone with information about the whereabouts of the remaining individuals or related to ongoing drug activity may call the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force at 757-414-0746.

If you have information related to other criminal activities, you may also contact the appropriate sheriff's office or Virginia State Police at the following numbers:

- Accomack County Sheriff's Office 757-787-1131
- Northampton County Sheriff's Office 757-678-0458
- Virginia State Police 800-582-8350 (toll free)
- Virginia State Police-Melfa 757-787-5813.

Callers may remain anonymous with their information.

The Accomack and Northampton County Sheriff's offices and the Virginia State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Drug Enforcement Section — Chesapeake make up the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force.



Court Postings By Nancy Drury Duncan

Accomack County Circuit Court

The case against 27-year-old Brian Richard Baylis Jr., of Painter, was dismissed on a defense motion to strike the commonwealth's evidence.

Baylis was charged with obstruction of justice and the assault and battery of a police officer. He was originally also charged with the larceny of a horse but a general district judge did not find probable cause to certify that charge to a grand jury.

On Dec. 8, 2020, deputies responded to a report of an altercation at a Pungoteague Road address in Painter. The people there were in a heated dispute over a horse.

Both parties agreed that Baylis was boarding the horse for the owner and that she had not paid money she owed, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Baker. "The owner owed quite a lot of money," he said. He said the deputies told them their disagreement was a civil matter and advised the owner to take her horse and told Baylis he could get a civil warrant for the money he was owed. Baylis did not want her to take the horse and the situation escalated. Baker said.

"He did not want her to take the horse without first paying," said defense attorney Patrick Bales. When Baylis reached across the paddock gate to try to stop her, the deputies each took one of his arms in an attempt to restrain him. Baylis continued to resist and pushed one of the deputies. The other deputy used a Taser on Baylis and threatened to do it a second time if he continued to resist.

The entire almost-three-hour incident was recorded on the body cameras worn by the two deputies. Baker showed portions of the video pertinent to the case in the courtroom. When Baker rested his case, Bales moved to dismiss the evidence. He said Baylis had a lien on the horse by right according to Virginia law.

He read the code section aloud to the court. As to the charges of obstruction of justice and assaulting a law enforcement officer, Bales said, "It is a citizen's right to avoid unlawful arrest."

Baker responded saying the deputies thought Baylis was going to assault the horse owner. Bales refuted that by saying Baylis just wanted to be paid. "How difficult is it to pay for the horse?" Baylis asked the woman.

Bales said the deputies were advising the woman to violate the law when they told the owner to take her horse. He said Baylis ordered the owner out of his paddock. "When he told her she could not be on the property, he was well within his legal right. This was an unlawful arrest. The case should be dismissed," Bales told the court.

"This is a situation that got way out of hand," said Judge W. Revell Lewis III. "It escalated as time went on. There are not many cases where it is all on video."

He explained that the right to lien applies to someone who repairs a car and is not paid and it also applies in this case. He said Baylis had a right to keep the horse until he was paid.

Judge Lewis noted that it was unfair to expect law enforcement officers to know civil law. "The facts are Mr. Baylis agreed to board the horse. She wanted the horse back without paying. He said no. The deputies tried to get them to work it out for several hours," the judge said. "When law enforcement officers tell you to do something, you

should comply," he told Baylis. "But," he added. "I don't think it is appropriate for you to be convicted of a felony."

He granted Bales' motion to strike the evidence.

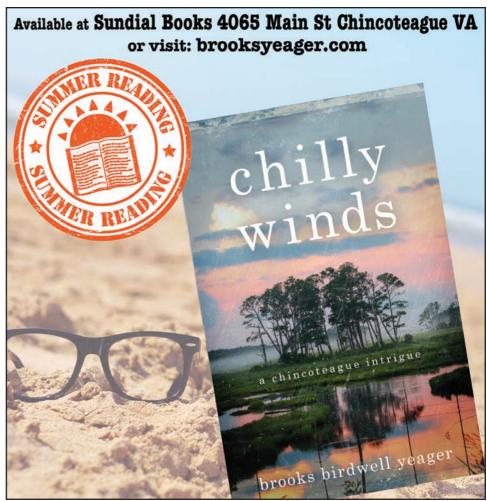
A plea agreement was reached between Daniel James Zahn, 27, of Onley, and the commonwealth. His charge of felony embezzlement was reduced to a misdemeanor. Zahn was a part-time employee at the Belle Haven post office. He was charged with taking more than \$3,500 of stamps.

"Full restitution has been paid," said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Baker. He said he made the agreement because restitution has been made and because Zahn had no prior no criminal record.

Defense attorney Thomas Northam asked that his client receive a suspended sentence. Judge Lewis sentenced Zahn to 12 months in jail with all but 10 days suspended. He ordered him to be on six months probation supervised by Community Corrections and six months of good behavior after that. He told Zahn he could serve his time on weekends.







Property Transactions

Northampton County

•From Ronald and Mary Gordon and Charles Price

To Donald Middagh and Kathryn Werner

24149 Lankford Highway, near Dalbys For \$220,000

•From Forrest and Terry Belote To Jason and Amanda McConathy Lot 4, Heron Pointe, Cape Charles For \$107,000

•From Steven and Cathryn Luscinski To Stephen and Sharon Asam Lot C, Wilsonia Harbor, Eastville district For \$325,000

•From Michael and Lori Rowe, trustees To Trevor and Nicole Ragland Lot 115, Vaucluse Shores, Church Neck For \$20,660

•From Elizabeth Robins To Consuelo Gonzalez 10091 Rogers Dr., 1/4 acre, Nassawadox For \$129,900

•From Bradlee and Amanda Downs To Kevin and Katherine McGrath Lot 62, The Colony at Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$122,000

•From Stephen and Deborah Mitchell To David and Shea Graney Lot 6B, Guy's Neck, Capeville district For \$130.000

•From Pamela McWhorter To Natalie and William Etheredge Jr. Lot J, Pleasant Cove Village, Occohannock Neck For \$42,000

•From Bay Creek Development LLC To Paul and Deborah Miller 506 Walbridge Bend, Lot 26, Bay Creek South, Cape Charles For \$734,995

•From Jason Kirby To Michelle and Ray Wicker Jr. Lot 7, 2.45 acres, Old Neck, Franktown district For \$23,000

•From Charles Perzynski and Christina Currier
To Cynthia and William Figgers
Parcel A, 4445 Willis Wharf Road,
Willis Wharf
For \$210,000

•From 15601 Smith Beach LLC

To Mark and Teresa Figgs 15601 Smith Beach Road, Eastville For \$171,200

•From David and Lindsay Forrest To Michele Reed-Giddens Lot 6, Mill Street Estates, 21077 Mill St., Cheriton For \$240.500

•From IBH LLC

To Michael and Amy Young Lot 2, 5 acres, Wilsonia Plantations, near Machipongo For \$64.000

•From Bay Creek Development LLC To Beacon at Bay Creek LLC Lots 14A and 14B, Fairways III, Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$150,000

•From Bay Creek Development LLC To Beacon at Bay Creek LLC Lots 1A and 1B, Fairways III, Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$150,000

Accomack County

•From Aaron M. Reliford and Jennifer J. Cole
To David G. Swain
Captains Cove Lot 45 Section 2,
Greenbackville
For \$196,500

• From Charlene W. and James E. Crockett
To Patrick J. Bonner and Maria F.

Garcia Rincon 16072 Main Ridge Road, Tangier For \$33,500

•From Oliver B. Donovan To Cathy Jo and Calvin T. Lilliston III Lot 10 Seaside Acres, Mappsville For \$18,000

• From Nicholas Frank Greif, by Nicholas William Greif, his attorney-in-fact To Debbie J. and Thomas L. Standard 7200 Pine Drive, Chincoteague For \$315,000

•From Sherry A. and Randolph H. Fisher To Loai Owies

Lot 27 Nocks Landing, Atlantic For \$14,500

•From Cecilia Bonilla Franco To Donika Todorova 21407 Mt. Vernon Lane, Onley For \$263,000

• From Gregory E. Hart To Madeline Martin and Calvin Custis 21545 Lankford Highway, Parksley For \$157,500

•From Sheri A. Kanipe To Marykay and Donald D. Wakefield 27230 Turkey Run Road, Mears For \$118,000 •From Charles Wooten and Roxanne Little To Eileen B. and Richard J. Valenia Sr. Trails End Lot 10 Unit 2 Sheet 9,

Horntown For \$30,000

•From Oscar L. Everett III To Christopher M. Rhodes and Ellen C. Rowe

27.79 acres near Hopkins For \$799,000

• From Rachel Evans and Joan H. McCarthy

To Luke Christopher Lockwood 6687 Megan Drive, Chincoteague For \$198,000

•From Shirl and Pieter Francke To Christopher Robin Berry 14380 Ridge Road, Bloxom For \$320,000

• From Jeanne M. Holden To Robin Brennan and John Bodnar 4406 Main St., Chincoteague For \$315,000

• From Mill City Mortgage Loan Trust 201-GS2, by Newrez LLC, formerly known as New Penn Financial LLC To WWT Properties LLC 21251 Mink Farm Road, Onancock For \$30,000

•From Carolyn B. and Adam T. McGavock To Arthur J. Mendez and Elizabeth F. Lohr

20 Brooklyn Ave., Wachapreague For \$149,000

• From Patricia A. and Thomas E. Mason To Ingrid and Timothy Harris Parcel 84, 1.5 acres, North Main Street, Chincoteague For \$25,000

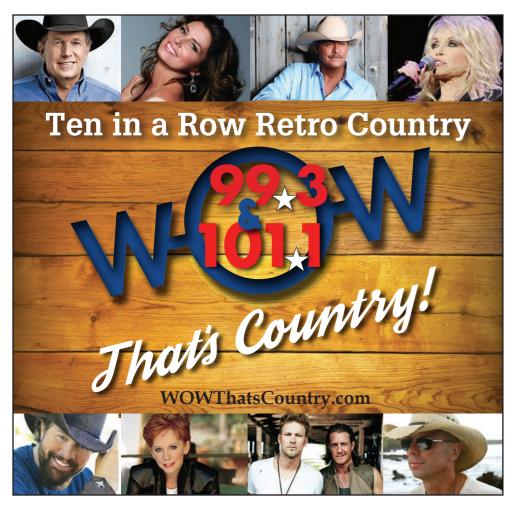
•From Samuel L. Miller To Melissa and Benjamin J. Dolan 3215 Amidship Drive, Greenbackville For \$185.000

•From James R. Nalls To Michael Manning Hartman and Mark Sanders Wilson Lot 1, Little Mimosa Drive, Onancock For \$115,000

•From Monopoly House II LLC To Amanda C. Heinbaugh 32020 Lankford Highway, Painter For \$137,000

•From Diane Lorraine Minor To Peggy C. and Charles E. Gosnell 3758 Willow St., Chincoteague For \$205,000

• From Roland A. Mumford To Robert A. Romani 35509 Northam Road, Quinby For \$85,000



Accomack Supervisors Approve 12 Positions for EMS, EMS Support

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors approved amending the county budget to fund an additional seven EMS staff, to be stationed at the Greenbackville fire station to provide 24/7 paid staffing.

The board in a separate vote approved amending the budget to cover the cost of an additional five positions to support EMS staffing and training needs for all the fire stations. The positions include three backfill positions, a training coordinator, and a human resources position.

The cost of the first action is \$450,000 a year, which this year will come from the EMS fund balance.

The second group of positions added will cost \$344,239, with \$294,239 to come from the EMS fund balance and another \$50,000 from general fund savings.

An EMS tax increase would be required in fiscal year 2024 to pay for the additional staff, although county supervisors Wednesday briefly discussed the option of using a proposed meals tax to help foot the bill.

Accomack County Director of Public Safety Charles R. Pruitt said the need to staff Greenbackville 24/7 is urgent. Data showed Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department last year had station reliability of just 34% in answering EMS calls, compared to all other stations that handle EMS calls in the county, which had reliability between 82% and 100%.

Pruitt said the additional five positions, including a training coordinator, are needed to make the staffing plan work.

"I still stand firm ... it's proven, if you have a good training program, you have good providers," he said.

After the votes Wednesday, the only stations in Accomack that will remain without 24-hour county EMS staffing are Melfa and Saxis.

Colby Phillips, senior general manager of Captains Cove, the large community near Greenbackville, spoke in support of adding the positions during public hearings held before the board voted. She noted Cap-

tains Cove has 1,300 homes and is growing.

"We can't rely on the volunteers... because the community has changed. The residents no longer work where they live," said Greenbackville resident Haydon Gordon. He noted volunteer fire departments in the county buy and maintain their equipment as well as providing the stations.

Brandon Patterson, of Melfa Volunteer Fire and Rescue, spoke in support of 24/7 staffing for Greenbackville. He said Melfa, which has daytime county EMS staff, pays stipends out of its own funds to provide additional coverage.

"One day those volunteers and those funds will run out. I just ask this board that when that time does happen, if it does happen, that ambulance must be staffed at Melfa firehouse. We have one of the highest running stations on the Shore," he said.

Aubrey Justice, Saxis Volunteer Fire Department president, also spoke in support of Greenbackville's request.

He said Saxis has dedicated volunteers and needs only daytime help from the county at present, but the time could come when he comes before the board of supervisors with a similar request to Greenbackville's.

"Just because we don't live in a — as I was told — a high tax-paying community, that doesn't make us any less than it does for those people that live in Captains Cove," he said.

"Don't forget in the future, that

we stand up here and ask, that we kind of would expect the same consideration," Justice said.

Public Comment

Owners of property near where a rocket manufacturing and processing facility is proposed to be built on the road leading to Wallops Island expressed concern about the effect construction noise could have on horses kept on the property.

"It greatly affects our life," said Charles Etheridge, speaking during the public comment period at the Accomack County Board of Supervisors meeting Wednesday.

The horses have been on the property nearly a decade, he said.

Etheridge also expressed concern about hazardous chemicals that would be present at the completed facility.

His son, Charles "Rusty" Etheridge, said he recently purchased property in Assawoman and planned to take in additional horses from a Salisbury, Md., rescue group.

"I have a big fear of that property being a disturbance," he said.

Library Roof Funding

The board of supervisors voted to use federal American Rescue Plan Act money to pay for a roof for part of the new library building under construction in Parksley.

The board previously appropriated \$215,493 in library project funds for the additional roof work, of which \$7,000 came from the 2022 county budget contingency because the library project's contingency fund had

been exhausted.

Supervisor Paul Muhly asked the board to instead obligate ARPA funds to pay for the roof.

The use is allowed under the category of "revenue replacement," whereby funds may be used for provision of government services to the extent the local government's revenue was reduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The U.S. Treasury guidance says spending for new infrastructure is a permitted use of revenue replacement funds.

"We need to solve this problem... We need to get the building done," said Chairman Ron Wolff.

Supervisors Robert Crockett and Donald Hart sparred over Crockett's proposal to revisit using the ARPA funds for the library project later, if the library project, after using all its contingency money on the roof work, still needs additional funding.

"We need to clean this up. ... This is just dirtying it, to me," Hart said of Crockett's proposal, made in the form of a substitute motion.

The motion failed and Muhly's original motion, to use the ARPA money for the roof, was approved.

"I don't like spending money, any more money than we have to, but some money needs to be spent well and this is an excellent way of spending money for the future of this county. Generations after generations are going to benefit from this Eastern Shore Regional Library and Heritage Center," Muhly said.

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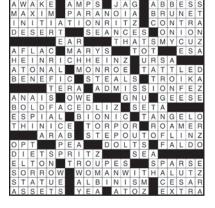
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by Linda Thistle

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- 48 Port on the Gulf of Mexico
- 52 Poet Doolittle "Weeds" who did all of her writing in
- 55 Caspian Sea 20 Figure skater feeder
 - 56 "Don't leave!" 59 Easily spread cheese
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Fishing from the Shore By Bill Hall



Angling action along the Eastern Shore is starting to transition into the usual autumn pattern, with some of the summertime species preparing to begin their annual migration out of the Chesapeake Bay over the next few weeks. Look for cobia to become more structure oriented with fish hanging around bridge pilings and buoys in the lower bay and inshore ocean waters. On the plus side, red drum and speckled trout action should continue to improve well into October, if not November, if it is a mild fall.

Upper Shore - Alan Ring, at the Sea Hawk



Michelle Smith boated this 41.9-pound dolphin (mahi) in the Norfolk Canyon while fishing aboard the Sharshee Dawn. Photo courtesy of Bailey's Bait & Tackle.

Sports Center, described the flounder fishing inside the seaside inlets as okay. He said Spanish mackerel are still hitting Clark Spoons that are being pulled behind planers. Ring said the red drum run is on in the lower bayside from the mouth of Occohannock Creek south, with fresh bunker or spot baits being key to angling success. Rockfish season is open in Maryland waters, with stripers and the occasional speckled trout being caught in deeper water over submerged structures. White/ black perch are being caught in deep holes inside the upper bay creeks on bloodworm and peeler baits, with some anglers enjoying success casting Beetle Spins on light spinning tackle. Catfishing has started gaining in popularity, as the invasive blue catfish has become an attractive target species in the Pocomoke River.

Chincoteague – The folks at Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle reported surf fishermen have their hands full battling sharks from the beach. At least eight sharks measuring six feet or longer have been landed in the last week. They said the flounder bite has been really good in the Assateague Channel and in Queen Sound. Some sheepshead catches have been made in Chincoteague Bay. Flounder action on the inshore ocean wrecks has been very good, with bonus catches of black sea bass.

Wachapreague – Amanda Manzella, at the Wachapreague Inn, said the flounder action inside the inlet slowed during the last week. She said there has been a decrease in the number of anglers on the water in recent days.

Lower Shore - Dez Louie, at Oceans East -Eastern Shore, said cobia are still being caught in the lower bay but anglers need to concentrate their efforts near the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel where the cobia will stage before their migration out of Virginia waters. Sheepshead are hitting crab and shrimp baits around and over pieces of submerged structure. Several have come from around the concrete ships off Kiptopeke. Flounder catches are also coming from around the concrete ships for anglers drifting Berkley Gulp and squid strips. Spanish mackerel, bluefish, and ribbonfish are still being caught on trolled Clark Spoons. In the bayside creeks and along the shorelines, speckled trout are being caught on soft plastics fished on jigheads. A few puppy drum have been mixed in with the trout. Catches from the local piers include ribbonfish, croakers, spot, and sand mullet (whiting).

Jeb Brady, at Bailey's Bait & Tackle in Cape Charles, said anglers braving the heat last week caught a mixed bag of species. Triggerfish and spadefish action was described as good around the third and fourth islands of the bridge-tunnel, while action around the Plantation Light and the Cell was a little slower. Anglers jigging cut bait and Gulp around the pilings of the bridge-tunnel were enjoying decent success on flounder, according to Brady. Cobia fishing has slowed, but some fish have



Korrin Nash caught and released her first red drum while fishing in the lower bay. Photo by Gregory Harman.



Trevor Senn gets an assist holding up this nice red drum. Photo courtesy of Bailey's Bait & Tackle.

been taken off of Cape Charles. Large red drum are hitting cut bait in the evenings from the mouth of Nassawadox Creek down to Cape Charles. Anglers fishing live baits along the bayside creeks are enjoying success with larger speckled trout. Puppy drum are hitting artificial grubs fished under popping corks on the seaside. The Kiptopeke and Cape Charles piers are producing small croakers, mullet (whiting), and ribbonfish, Brady added.

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

Random Facts About ... Changing Our Change (Pennies, Nickels)

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes for cleaning this week, a bunch of pennies fell out and we weren't sure what to do with them. Pennies are of so little value that people drop them in those leave-a-penny, take-a-penny containers on retail counters, put them in jars to gather dust, or even throw them away. While one survey found that seven in 10 Americans over 55 would pick up a penny on the sidewalk, not even four of 10 millennials would bother stopping for a lousy penny. (Millennials!)

According to the New York Times, "The United States Mint manufactured more than seven billion pennies in the 2019 fiscal year, at loss of nearly \$70 million." With the penny costing more than twice as much to make as it is worth, the arguments for stopping penny production make a lot of cents (and that's the last one of those we'll do):

- Saves time and money not only the government's \$70 million production costs but all the time and money spent in dealing with pennies at retail outlets and banks.
- Easier on the environment. Pennies are made of 97.5% zinc and 2.5%

copper, which includes the outer plating of pure copper. The zinc especially can be a nasty metal to mine if it leaches into the ground and water supply.

• Gets rid of something that is virtually without value. You can't buy anything for one cent, and if you show up to pay for something with a pile of pennies, you might be told to get lost — or worse. In 2017, according to the New York Daily News, a man tried to pay his traffic ticket with pennies, creating such a ruckus that he ended up being choked by a court officer and defecating on himself.

Nearly all the reasons for getting rid of the penny can also be used against the nickel, which also cost more to produce and distribute than it is worth. In a world without pennies and nickels, prices would be rounded to the nearest 10 cents.

So why not get rid of the penny?

- With retail prices rounded up to the nearest dollar, eliminating the penny will constitute a hidden tax, especially on the poor who tend to pay in cash.
- Charities use penny-collection campaigns to raise money.

since 1909 and some Illinois legislators have opposed anti-penny legislation to keep this Illinois president in circulation.

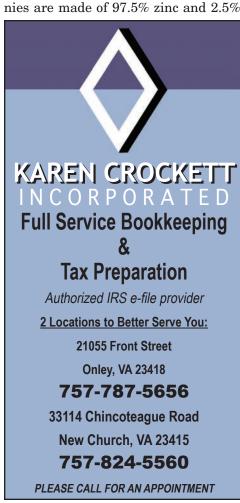
- Copper has anti-microbial properties. This seems a reach. Is the argument that pennies keep your pockets germ-free?
- Finally and really the argument that carries the day people have a sentimental attachment to the penny even though they don't value it.

If we're stuck with the penny, one use for it: stick it on your floor. It has become a thing, floors made out of pennies. A square foot of cents apparently is around \$2.50 in pennies, depending on how the cents are arranged. Whatever you do with coins isn't illegal unless the activity mutilates the coins or is fraudulent. A stunning example of a penny floor can be found at The Office in Belle Haven, a shared workspace in a building that was originally a bank.

Finding the right penny could make you rich. To save copper for the war effort, the U.S. Mint started making pennies from steel in 1943, but a few copper blanks were left in the machines and got made into 1943 pennies. If you find any of these 1943 copper pennies, you'll make a lot of money. If you find one from the Denver mint, you're rich. The only known 1943-D (for Denver) Bronze/Copper Lincoln Wheat Cent was sold at auction 11 years ago for \$1.7 million.

Pennies, we're told, bring good luck if you find them heads up. And if you start finding several coins over a period of a few days, that's fate telling you good news or a change of fortune is coming your way. If you find a penny in an unusual place, that's your guardian angel sending you a message that he or she is still watching over you.

We're holding out for our guardian angel to send us a message via Bitcoins.







The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest

Last Week's Runners-Up

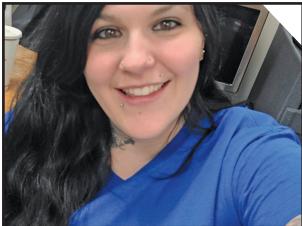


First-time player Uniqua Wise, of Greenbackville, didn't come up a winner, but this picture did: her 5-year-old son and 6-month-old daughter. "They are the best of friends."

Last Week's Winners

Of the 49 players last week, 29 found all nine oil containers and were in contention for a free oil change. Theresa Lattimore, of Bloxom, and Diane Smith, of Onancock, are regular players known as the Dream Team and last week these sisters were randomly selected to win the free oil change from Shore Tire & Auto in Onley. Only one of them has a car, so it works out perfectly!





We had a lot of new players last week, and Lauren Parks, of Parksley, was one of them. First time out, she found all the clues!



Amy Eckard, of Temperanceville, wondered how many cans of oil this Antares launch, August 10, required. She hoped they didn't mix up the pizza kit with the slime mold experiment!



Another new player, Sheila Godwin, of Parksley, also found all the oil containers. She sent this picture: "The Godwin Family from VMI's May 2021 Graduation."



Yet another new player, Melissa Reynolds, of Exmore, didn't win but was happy to show off her dogs: "4-month-old Galen (left) and our old girl, 13-year-old, Tully, enjoying the Bay!"



Jim and Kim Granger, of Cape Charles, are regular players who team up but Jim said it is ... "My beautiful wife who finds most of the clues."



Here is big brother Christopher eyeing Cooper's catch with an expression that asks, "How did that happen?" From Anabel Beatty, of Silver Beach.

Last Week's Contest: Time for Change, an Oil Change!

A little more than half of last week's players were able to find all nine oil containers on pages 20, 21, 24 (motorcycle picture), 25, 26, 31, 35, 42, and 46. The quantity hint was petroleum — nine letters, nine oil containers. Theresa Lattimore, of Bloxom, and Diane Smith, of Onancock, playing as a team, were chosen at random to win a free oil change from Shore Tire & Auto in Onley.

This Week's Contest: Find Diamonds, Win Money

Diamonds are forever and that's how long it might take you to find these diamond rings our editors have so deviously hidden in the pages of this edition. From among those osprey-eyed readers who find all or most of the

diamond rings, one lucky person will be randomly selected to win a \$25 gift certificate to C.D. Marsh Jewelers in Onancock. You must identify each ring by page number and location on

Photos

We'd love to publish a photo of you, your children, your pets, your friends, your hobbies, and your life on the Shore. We have room for only a few photos each week, but please feel free to send a picture along with your osprey-eyed entry.

the page. Remember, you are looking for d-i-a-m-o-n-d-s.

The rules:

- 1. Identify the clues by page number AND location on the page.
- 2. Send this information to david@ easternshorepost.com.
- 3. Deadline is noon on Monday, Aug. 23.
- 4. Entries MUST have first and last names and your town.
- 5. No multiple entries.
- 6. Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

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OTHER RUNNERS-UP Gushers!

These osprey-eyed players found all nine oil containers and were in the running for the free oil change from Shore Tire & Auto in Onley.

Janet Leigh Cooper,
Onley
Richard Marshall,
Atlantic
Teresa Rudiger,
Melfa
Pamela Jones,
Hallwood
Shawanda Tankard,
Nassawadox
Kimberly Rice,
Bloxom
DeCola Johnson, Accomac

Jeanette Bell, Onley
Na'Pria Brown,
New Mexico
Sara M. Fetterman,
Bloxom
Mary Carey,
Cape Charles
Delane Brown,
Philadelphia
Allison Burton,
Eastville
Patty Schmale,
Cape Charles

Anne Gregory,
Belle Haven
Carol Wehner,
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Doug Wehner,
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Anne Beatty, Exmore
Patricia M. Voss,
Bloxom
Jenny Templeton,
Nassawadox
Bonnie Porter, Bloxom
Joesette Jones, Hallwood

The Under-Nine Club

Amanda Delmont,
Machipongo
Christine Ross,
Onancock
Jessica Thornes,
Bloxom
Shannon Evans,
Modest Town
Brenda Graves,
Painter
Malcolm White,
Painter
Nichole Cottrell, Bloxom

Mary Lou Lynn,
Chincoteague
Jesse Long,
Belle Haven
Laura McDonough,
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Mary Coston, Exmore
Melissa Sample-Wharton,
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Bonnie Davis,
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James Lamberth,
Cape Charles
Carolyn Weatherly,
Painter
Sarah Ross,
Chincoteague
Charity Thomas,
Kiptopeke



Eastern Shore Boys Travel Soccer Team Takes Down Beach Football Club



Jose Palacio dribbles around an opponent.

Story by Adolphus Ames. Photos by Adolphus Ames and Jim Ritch

The Eastern Shore Soccer Club U14 boys team defeated Beach Football Club 8-4 Saturday, Aug. 14, in Nassawadox. The team is coached by Joe Aigner, a former player for the Chowan University Hawks.

"The boys worked hard," said Aigner. "They did everything we've been working on in practice. They executed well, all the basic fundamentals. Today was all about the players."

Several players are on the Nandua Middle School soccer team and are eagerly awaiting their moment to join Paul Nolz's varsity squad. Nolz, who recently led the Warriors to a championship this past season, has already coached some members of the U14 team. They participated in his annual youth soccer camp.

In early September, the team will travel to Richmond to participate in a travel soccer tournament. "The goal is to play ball year-round," said Aigner. "We want to develop these players' skills so they can potentially earn college scholarships and further their athletic careers in Division 1 or Division 2 sports."





Coach Aigner gives a halftime pep talk.

Jose Palacio races down the field.

Guyan Buiju prepares a throw-in.

Arcadia Looks to Develop Inexperienced but Motivated Team



The goal for the Firebirds in 2021 is to play a full season and see their young athletes learn with each passing game.

Story and photo by Matthew Yoder

Coach Alan Hall and his assistants at Arcadia High School face a number of challenges beyond their control headed into the 2021 football season. Typically, coaches know the personnel they are working with well in advance of the first live action, but the loss of last season, the slow rollout to practices this season, and a forever changing academic situation from the previous school year that has left a number of athletes ineligible has made the coaches' approach unique. But, being professionals, their focus is always on the kids in front of them. What they'll have to work with is a young, inexperienced group but also a squad motivated and eager to learn and a good foundation when all else is fresh and fluid for Hall and his coaches.

"These guys are motivated, and they want to learn. They're soaking it up. I love these guys to death, and we're just praying we get a whole season," said Hall.

The 2019 Firebird team that went 5-5 had as many as 67 players between varsity and junior varsity, and was heavily populated with seniors at a number of key positions. At Tuesday's practice, fewer than 40 kids were running drills, having only started their conditioning less than three weeks ago. It's atypical, and it represents one of the challenges facing the Firebirds as they take on competition who have had more time to

prepare.

"When you don't have kids all year long doing this stuff it's hard on them. You need an all-yearlong conditioning program to get them in shape," Hall said.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes came through again for Hall and his players, sponsoring 22 kids for a weeklong camp at Eastern Mennonite University, and Hall believes his players did very well with it.

Hall thinks he has some leaders headed into the season with a group he estimates is composed of 75 percent of kids who have never played football. Leading the offense will be quarterback Brock Cooper, who showed much promise for JV in 2019, and the defense will be anchored by Brooks Mariner and Jalik Downing. Downing will look to continue his dominant focus from two years ago.

Adjustments will be inevitable along the way, and coach Michael Hatcher is fully aware of the task at hand. "All we can go by is two years ago from JV but we lost a lot of that crowd through academics. We're trying a lot of different little things with positioning, but they're going to have to play ironman football," said Hatcher.

The coaches are fully aware of what these kids have had to deal with for 18 months now, and they are laser focused on the well-being of both the ones who won't end up playing, as well as the group who will compete for 10 games. The coaches are working on getting gear for the kids, assessing their health, and teaching a very young group new skills. They want to see their kids play.

"Hopefully they let these kids keep playing some sports and we have fun with it. This year it's not about trying to go out and win. I mean, you're always trying to win districts, trying to win period, you play sports because you have a competitive edge. But this year we're building. We're going out to show young guys what we can and can't do and what we need to learn on," said Hall.

Hall will get a solid look at what his Firebirds are made of tonight, as they travel to Isle of Wight for a competitive scrimmage.

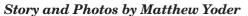
"We'll be game ready, but we've got so many kids untested," said Hall. He expects to play his starters in the first half, substitutes in the third quarter, and JV in the fourth to fully assess what he will have going into week one, hoping to find a diamond in the rough.

One thing is perfectly clear when talking with the coaches and observing the players practice in muggy conditions: They all just want to play, and at the top of that list is coach Hall, who said, "I love what we have here. We'll have some fun with it."

Sponsors of Basketball Camp Collaborate With Church for Backpack Giveaway



Members of New Beginnings UMC gather for a picture.



New Beginnings UMC, in collaboration with All Kids Matter, held a backpack giveaway and community picnic Sunday to usher in the new school year.

While the Rev. Harold E. White Sr. led a spirited sermon to a devoted congregation inside the walls of the church on Chincoteague Road, Marvin "Hardhead" Mason tended to his hand built, all-encompassing barbecue station on wheels, igniting a woodfire to cook hamburgers and hot dogs for those leaving the sermon.

As noon struck, kids exited the church, carrying new backpacks and sporting professionally styled numbered and named jerseys from Deverick Henderson's basketball summer camp. Music spilled outside, adults migrated to gather sights and smells from Mason's one-of-a-kind grill, and kids of all ages showcased the basketball skills they've gained from two successful years of coaching from Henderson, Charles Baines, and a multitude of dedicated parents.

R.J. Tull was front and center, sharing the court with his friends. Tull, who graduated from Arcadia High School in June, represents the first generation of alumni from Henderson's camp. Tull is enrolled at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, where he will study criminal justice and continue to run track.

Watching the activity of the day,



Marshall Cropper and Charles Baines share a laugh in between talking with kids.

a couple of professional athletes, past and present, shared reflections of the place where they grew up, and roads ahead. Marshall Cropper grew up steps from the church, went to school just beyond view behind a tall cornfield, and spent a number of seasons playing in the NFL for the Pittsburgh Steelers in the late '60s. Cropper looked at the fields and at the church where he worshipped and spoke about the power of the place.

"This little place will allow you to do anything you want to," said Cropper.

Baines, who is awaiting word of returning to competitive basketball overseas, joined Cropper on the tailgate of his truck, educating teenagers with firsthand knowledge of what it takes to achieve your goals. Baines smiled as Cropper spoke both reflectively with candid language, and directly with plain truth.

"Education is, once you get it in your head, they can't take it away," Cropper said.

The two made themselves accessible, and the scene unfolded with the feel of a family homecoming, wrapped together with a sending away.

To further support the kids, on Sept. 5, from 3 to 5 p.m., Julius Cropper will open the doors to his barbershop at 8305 Lankford Highway for "Barbers Back to School free haircuts for kids."

To advertise in the Sports section of the Post, call Troy at 757-789-7678.

Mezick Swim Relay Finally Held After Weather Delay



From left: Jay DeBeradinis, Mark Booth, Kevin Mezick, Jim Trauger, Erin Dudley, and Bobby Robinson stand near the shoreline in Virginia Beach. Submitted photo.

By Adolphus Ames

The Delmarva Dogfish swim team, based out of the Richard A. Henson Family YMCA in Salisbury, Md., gathered once again Aug. 6 to swim a relay route from Cape Charles to Virginia Beach.

The event was planned in memory of Erik Mezick, who used to train and swim with the team. Mezick died in a vehicle accident on the morning of Dec. 29, 2020. He was heading north on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel when his box truck crashed through the guard rail and went off the bridge.

The relay was initially set to occur July 31, at 6 a.m., near the Sunset Beach Hotel, but the U.S. Coast Guard placed the team under a weather advisory delay. The relay would have featured four teams of six swimmers taking 20-minute turns swimming an 18-mile route that followed the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. Each team would have been accompanied by the Coast Guard, a boat filled with Mezick's family and friends, and a kayak to support the swimmers in the water.

Jim Trauger, a Masters swimmer

who came up with the idea for the memorial swim, saw a perfect weather window Aug. 6. He called Erik's brother, Kevin, and a small group of swimmers for a second relay attempt.

With Kevin as boat captain, Trauger, along with Mark Booth, Erin Dudley, Bobby Robinson, and Jay DeBeradinis, set out from Salisbury at 3:30 a.m. Around 6:10 a.m., the first swimmer entered the water near Sunset Beach. At 15-minute intervals, the five swimmers made 29 swimmer exchanges and arrived at Virginia Beach at 3:26 p.m. The relay was 19.33 miles total.

The team enjoyed 1-foot seas and favorable winds all day. Currents seemed to help maintain a steady pace for the swim. The only challenge came in the last hour as swimmers approached the shore with a strong current pushing toward the bridge. Swimmers were also entertained by several pods of dolphins and an occasional cobia rising to the surface.

Captain Ben Shepherd, from Virginia Beach, visited the team mid-swim during a fishing charter. Shepherd was amazed by the favorable water conditions. "Must have been Erik," he said.

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A Letter From Accomack Schools Superintendent W.C. Holland

Welcome to Accomack County Public Schools for the 2021-2022 academic year. It is an honor and privilege to continue to serve as your superintendent.

As stated in the Five Year Strategic Plan, our vision is that Accomack County Public Schools will be a community of diverse learners where all



Superintendent Holland

members are valued, challenged, and expected to grow. Our mission is to provide a safe, engaging, student-centered environment where all learners are encouraged, and supported to maximize growth and be prepared for future education, citizenship, and career choice.

This past 2020-2021 school year proved to be very challenging for all of us as it was overshadowed by the pandemic. But there were many positive outcomes and accomplishments. The elementary BETA teams participated in the state and national conferences virtually and received many awards. Our high school Hi-Y Clubs took

part in the Virginia Model General Assembly, and a student from Nandua High School served as Youth Governor. In addition, our student athletes excelled with Nandua High School's soccer team winning the state Championship and a Chincoteague Combined School student winning a state title in the hundred meter in track and field.

Parental support is key to a child's success in learning and in life. We believe it is essential to develop strong communication between home and school throughout the year. We invite parents/guardians to be actively involved in their child's education and extend an invitation to the entire community to join us at school activities and events as often as possible. We value your talents, ideas, involvement, engagement and support for learning. Together, we can encourage ACPS students to achieve success. The most powerful tool to change the world is education.

For the first time, Accomack County Public Schools offered summer school to all grade levels, Pre-K through grades 12. Our Pre-K students were invited to participate in a Summer Encounter Experience to provide them with continued learning in a safe and fun environment. Students in grades K-12 participated in rigorous, skill-based instruction for six weeks. The opportunity for continued learning from our highly-qualified teachers was appreciated by ACPS families.

I am proud to acknowledge that ACPS has some of the finest administrators and staff in the state of Virginia. I appreciate all the support and cooperation from our community, knowing that we are all on the same team and share the same goal which is to provide what is best for our students. Our students will attend school five days a week and have the opportunity to participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities. I have great expectations for what we will accomplish in the 2021-2022 school year.

W. C. Holland Division Superintendent

2021 - 2022 OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

Parents of Accomack County students are invited to visit their children's school on Sept. 1 through 3 to meet with teachers, pick up class schedules, and pay the necessary fees for the school year. The school nurse will answer any questions concerning medical care and medication procedures. The Parent-Teacher Association will have representatives present for its membership drive, which will take place during the month of September. Information on bus stops and schedules will be available.

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE TIMES

Accawmacke Elementary School

Wednesday, Sept. 1: ECSE and Pre-K - grade 2, last names A-M, 9 - 10:30 a.m.; N-Z, 1:30 - 3 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3: Grades 3 - 5, last names A-M, 9 - 10:30 a.m.; N-Z 1:30 - 3 p.m.

Arcadia High School

Thursday, Sept. 2: Freshman Orientation, 10 a.m. until noon; lunch, noon - 1 p.m. ACPS Employees: 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3: Parents and students, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Arcadia Middle School

Thursday, Sept. 2: ACPS employees, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Grade 6 Orientation, outside event, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3: Parents and students, grades 6-8, outside event, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Chincoteague Elementary School

Thursday, Sept. 2: 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Chincoteague Combined School

Wednesday, Sept. 1: 10 a.m. - noon (9th grade orientation).

Friday, Sept. 3: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Kegotank Elementary School

Friday, Sept. 3: Early childhood, Pre-K, K, 11 a.m. - noon;

grade 1, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.; grade 2, 2 - 3 p.m.; grade 3, 3 - 4 p.m.;

grade 4, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.; grade 5, 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Metompkin Elementary School

Tuesday, Aug. 31: K-grade 2, 9 a.m. - noon; Pre-K, ESCE, and grades 3-5, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1: ECSE and Pre-K-grade 2, 9 a.m. - noon; grades 3-5, 1 - 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2, evening hours: Pre-K-grade 2, 3 - 5 p.m.; grades 3-5, 5 - 7 p.m.

Nandua High School

Thursday, Sept. 2: Drive-thru Open House. All students and parents are welcome to come and participate.

Session I – 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Session II – 3 - 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3: 9th Grade Orientation; freshman students limited to two parents ONLY, 10 a.m. – noon.

Nandua Middle School

Friday, Aug. 27: Grade 6 Orientation, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sept 2: Grades 7 and 8, students and parents 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3: 8:30 - 11 a.m. and 1:30 - 3 p.m.

Pungoteague Elementary School

Friday, Sept. 3: 9 - 11:30 a.m. and 1 - 3 p.m.

Tangier Combined School

Thursday, *Sept. 2:* 9 - 11 a.m. and noon – 3 p.m.



Marriage Licenses Issued



- Michelle Lynn Ciniello, 52, and Kenneth Michael Gilfoyle, 57, both of Temperanceville
- Iesha Marie Crippen, 21, and Adrian Demetrius Savage, 22, both of Painter
- Jenny Wolf Crockett, 38, and Jason Thomas Taylor, 40, both of Wallops Island
- Paula Marie Dabella Dove, 56, and Jeffrey Roland Cogan, 59, both of New Church
- Linda Hart Ayres, 71, and Ronald Eugene Wiliams, 79, both of Bloxom
- Angea Canesha Borden, 31, and Angelo Emilio Knox, 41, both of Accomac
- Heather Bothelho, 47, and David Evans Guy, 47, both of Willis Wharf
- Taylor Deni Cullison, 23, and Spencer Carmen Rubin, 23, both of Weirton, Pa.
- Lea Rose Asen, 34, and Christopher William Wey, 38, both of Chincoteague
- Melissa Coleen Matthews, 44, and Edward Carroll Chance Jr., 46, both of Greenbackville
- Madison Paige Cunha, 23, and Tyler Michael Krebs, 24, both of Pocomoke City, Md.
- Roshonda Denise Nock, 45, and Alvin Lee Reid, 47, both of Painter
- Alexa Sabrina Everett, 25, and Jesse Daniel Boyer, 26, both of Palmerton, Pa.

- Eulalia Escalante Lopez, 44, and Martin Marquez Rivera, 37, both of Onancock
- Janell Starr Holden, 42, and Nathaniel Renardo Harmon Sr., 45, both of Quinby
- Betty Jean Searles, 64, and John Wayne Harmon, 67, both of New Church
- Lynda Jo Wiland, 58, and David Dwayne Dickerson Sr., 48, both of Wallops Island
- Mallary Virginia Mae Granger, 28, of Grantsville, Md., and Darrien Luke Kristiansen, 26, of Port Tobacco, Md.
- Lilia Rosario Perez Perez, 33, and Geronimo Lopez Roblero, 41, both of Greenbush
- Alicia Beth Maddox, 40, of Hallwood, and Jeffrey Thomas Niblett, 40, of Salibury, Md.
- Jean Marie Nicksick, 31, and David Allen Spurlock, 28, both of Mooreville, N.C.
- Erica Sierra Penney, 27, and Riley James Wilhoit, 25, both of Asheboro, N C
- Karen Downing Orlandi, 56, and Dirk Adrian Moore, 60, both of Lewes, Del.
- Amy Carol Ratzlaff, 46, and Maxwell Elmo Marshall Jr., 55, both of Hallwood
- Sydney Lynn Murdock, 25, of Bloxom, and Ramsey Timothy Rivera, 27, of Chincoteague



Crutchley/Giddens Wedding

Megan Crutchley and Donald Giddens, both of Melfa, joined one another in holy matrimony Tuesday, Aug. 17, in Melfa.

She is the daughter of Kathy and Billy Crutchley, of Melfa.

He is the son of Sheila Giddens, of Melfa, and Donald Harmon, of Keller.



Ross Receives Central Masonic Lodge Scholarship

Wayne Hickman Lewis, master of Central Lodge No. 300, presents a check for \$500 to Ryan Ross, recipient of a scholarship award from the lodge at its August meeting. Ryan is a rising junior at the University of Virginia. He is the son of Ricky and Dorine Ross.





Sims Recognized by Norfolk PD

Norfolk Police Officer James Sims. son of Julia Sims, of Birdsnest, and the late James Sims, was recently recognized by the Norfolk Police Department, for his response to a crash involving two teenage boys. "He showed respectful authority and explained the rules of driving to both boys. ... I was impressed with his overall attitude," wrote the mother of one of the teens. "He had so much patience and a fun personality. So many young kids involved with police on any level feel threatened or scared. Officer J. Sims is a perfect example of what great police officers are."

Sims is a graduate of Northampton High School.





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If you or someone you know wants to register to vote, please call Bob Toner at 757-787-2753 or email mbtoner@verizon.net.

Community Notes

Sonny Moore Car Show

The Tasley Vol. Fire Co., in conjunction with The Eastern Shore Cruisers car club, will host its annual car show in memory of support member and avid car enthusiast Charles "Sonny" Moore. The event will be Saturday. Aug. 21, from 3 to 7 p.m., at the Tasley VFW post on Daugherty Road. Burgers, hot dogs, wings, clam fritters, sodas, and water will be on sale, with entertainment provided by Hit & Run Mobile Music Service. Beautiful antique, classic, and tricked-out cars, trucks, and tractors will be on display. Trophies will be awarded with the first 30 entries receiving a free dash plaque. Registration is \$15 per car (\$10 for Eastern Shore Cruisers members), and registration will open at 2 p.m. the day of the event. All proceeds will benefit the Tasley Vol. Fire Co.

Crab Crackin' at Ker Place

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society will host the third annual Crab Crackin' at Ker Place Saturday, Aug. 21, from 4 to 8 p.m. (rain or shine), on the front lawn of the Onancock landmark.

Tickets for are \$60 each. Visit www.shorehistory.org/ticketsales to buy. For more information on sponsorships, call 757-787-8012 or email marketing@shorehistory.org.

Lecture About Hungars Episcopal

The Northampton Historic Preservation Society will present another in its series of Lectures on the Lawn – but this program will be a "Lecture at the Church," Sunday, Aug. 29, at 2 p.m., at Hungars Episcopal Church, 10107 Bayside Road, Machipongo. It is one of the few colonial churches still in active service on the Eastern Shore, but old as it is, it is only the third and latest building to bear the name and serve Hungars Parish.

The program will be presented by three members of NHPS with special interest in early Hungars history. The public is invited to attend. There is no charge to attend, but donations toward the current NHPS restoration of Northampton's Historic 1907 Jail for use as a museum will be welcome.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Painter Flotilla will meet Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m., at the Exmore VFD Community Room. Anyone interested in the Coast Guard Auxiliary is welcome to attend.

Home-School Practicum

A home-school practicum hosted by Eastern Shore Classical Conversations will be Friday, Aug. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Red Bank Baptist Church.

Participants will spend the day practicing classical tools of learning with an emphasis on at-home best practices and tips. In addition, attendees will gain new insights into Classical Conversations' Essentials Program. Register at https://members.classical-conversations.com/events/get-event/node/248220 or contact Jordan Dail for more information, at 757-754-5362.

Back-to-School Giveaway

Mentoring our Men will host a free back-to-school giveaway Saturday, Aug. 28, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., in the Arcadia High School parking lot. There will be free backpacks and school supplies.

Donations may be dropped off at Matthew's Market in Mappsville or Ocean Deli in Wallops. Monetary donations may be made at paypal.me/mentoringourmen.com

Free Back-to-School Haircuts

Local hairdressers and barbers will offer free haircuts for Northampton and Accomack county school-aged children, ages 5 to 18, Sunday, Aug. 29, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Historic Onancock School.

While not mandatory, donations in the form of approved school supplies are encouraged and appreciated.

The group will offer a diverse presence of hairdressers and barbers appealing to many different kinds of families.

NCSO Back-to-School Event

The Northampton County Sheriff's Office will host a free back-to-school event Saturday, Aug. 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Exmore Town Park, and Saturday, Aug. 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Cheriton Town Park. There will be free supplies, games, food, and fun. Come play on the bounce house, waterslide, and game truck, and enjoy food and drinks.

For additional information or to donate supplies, contact Kelvin Jones, of the NCSO, at 757-678-0458.

Free Concert

The Citizens For Central Park and the Town of Cape Charles will present The Harbor For The Arts Summer Festival. Good Shot Judy will play Saturday, Aug. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Central Park in Cape Charles. Food vendors will be on-site for the concert. Bring lawn chairs or blankets.

Visit the HFA Summer Festival website at www.hfa-festival.com or the Citizens for Central Park Facebook page for more information.

Al-Anon Mtg.

Al-Anon and Alateen groups will meet Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 9 a.m., at Refuge Inn, 7058 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague Island.

Revival

A revival will be held at Sawmill Park, 24387 Joynes Neck Road, Accomac, Aug. 23 through 27, at 7 p.m. Good old-time gospel music and preaching by Pastor Gary Wiliams of Mission Tree Ministries. For more information, call 757-894-8001.

Additional P-EBT Benefits To Be Issued August 25

The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) will issue additional Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) benefits to eligible households this summer to further assist students in meeting their nutritional needs while schools are out of session. Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, students who qualified for free or reduced-price meals during the 2020-2021 school year, regardless of the learning method (fully remote, hybrid, or in-person), will receive a one-time, lump sum benefit of \$375 on Aug. 25. Benefits for each eligible student will be loaded onto existing P-EBT cards or mailed to newly qualifying households.

Virginians in need of additional food resources can call 2-1-1 or visit the 211 website for available programs.

For more information or assistance regarding the summer P-EBT benefit, visit www.PebtVA.com or contact the P-EBT Call Center at 1-866-513-1414 Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

57th Annual Crab Cooking Contest Calls for Entries

Do you have a favorite Chesapeake Blue Crab recipe? If so, it may be a winner. Local cooks can enter their dishes in the 57th Annual Crab Cooking Contest Sept. 3, at the 74th National Hard Crab Derby in Crisfield, Md. Prizes will be awarded in

four categories: appetizer, soup/salad, main dish, and crab cakes.



The 2020 top prize winner was Marge Loyd, of Westover, Md., for crab wontons. Find Marge's recipe at www.nationalhardcrabderby.com, as well as a copy of the contest rules and an application. Enter now to ensure a place in the contest.

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Announcements

In Loving Memory of Bill Hickman Fune 1, 1936-August 16, 2011 10 Years Gone but Never Forgotten A million times we've needed you A million times we've cried, If love alone Could have saved you you never would have died. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still. In our heart you hold a place, No one else can ever fill. It broke our heart to lose you, But you didn't go alone Part of us went with you, The day God took you home. Yvonne and Family





Help Wanted



BELL & ALLEN SERVICES, LLC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are seeking candidates for employment for our new Therapeuti Residential Group Home program located in Northampton County. Child Care Staff will provide a safe, structured, and nurturing environment that meets the needs of all children at our facility. Behavioral Health and Child Care experience required.

EMAIL RESUMES TO: BELLANDALLENLLC@GMAIL.COM

Help Wanted

Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Office Associate II (Accomack)

Position # L0042

Hiring Range - \$23,343 (May be higher depending on qualifications.)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit http://www.dss.virginia.gov. Accepts only online applications; job close date 08/27/2021.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Office Associate III (Accomack)

Position # L0041

Hiring Range - \$25,025 (May be higher depending on qualifications.)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit http://www.dss.virginia.gov. Accepts only online applications; job close date 08/27/2021.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Accomack County Social Services-Local (765-01) Family Services Specialist I/II (Accomack)

Position # L0010

Hiring Range - \$36,993 (May be higher depending on qualifications.)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit http://www.dss.virginia.gov. Accepts only online applications; job close date 08/27/2021.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Director of Parks & Recreation

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Director of Parks & Recreation. The primary duty of this position is to oversee and direct operations of the Parks & Recreation Department. The position is responsible for supervising staff, establishing long-range plans, developing policy and procedures, managing recreational activities and events, equipment and public facilities of responsibility, preparing budgets, and evaluating, documenting and reporting on events and activities to senior management and elected or appointed officials. The position develops and implements programs within organizational policies; reports major activities to executive level administrators through conferences and reports.

This position requires an associate's degree in recreation administration, public administration, business management, or a closely related field. Requires ten (10) years of related experience.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements and application form at https://co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings.

Please submit completed county application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 or in person to 16404 Courthouse Road by September 3, 2021.

Northampton County is an EOE.

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

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Deputy Clerk I | F/T with benefits | Open Until Filled Salary: \$25,364 - \$28,538 based on experience

Accomack County is currently recruiting for a full-time Deputy Clerk I position in the Commissioner of Revenue's office. The position is responsible for performing a variety of clerical and customer service duties for the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office. Employees in this classification perform skilled clerical work. Duties involve assisting taxpayers with questions concerning their accounts, data entry, file maintenance, and processing corrected assessments, routine abatements and refunds.

Minimum qualifications are high school diploma or GED; supplemented by vocational/technical training in business or secretarial science; supplemented by one (1) to three (3) years previous experience and/or training involving administrative, clerical or data input work; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience. Preferred qualifications: bilingual capabilities; more than three years of experience in banking, tax preparation or related field. Familiarity with Excel and reporting tool software a plus.

Satisfactory completion of a background check and preemployment drug screen are required prior to employment. Job description and details are available online: http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities **Review of applications will begin Thursday, September 9, 2021.**

Accomack County is committed to an inclusive and diverse workforce.

RESEARCH SPECIALIST, SR.

Eastern Shore AREC, Virginia Tech, Painter, VA is seeking a Research Specialist Sr. to conduct weed science research leading to efficient and effective weed control in grain, oilseed, fiber, and vegetable crops for the farmers of Virginia through a better understanding of herbicide activity. To view the full position description and to apply online visit www.jobs.vt.edu and refer to job number 516753.

Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following position: **Full-Time Animal Control Attendant** at the Eastern Shore Regional Animal Control Facility. Applications may be obtained from the Accomack County Sheriff's Office or online at www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org. Applications must be returned to this office by Monday, August 23, 2021, at 4:00 pm. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Great Machipongo Clam Shack

Great cooks, Back-of-the-house staff: come join our fun team. Cooks/prep cooks. Our Clam Shackers are positive, motivated, and love working in our family atmosphere. Top pay. Apply in person.

ACCOMACK C UNTY Virginia

Deputy Clerk I – Treasurer's Office F/T position w/benefits | Salary: \$25,364 – \$28,538 based on experience

Accomack County is currently recruiting for a full-time Deputy Clerk I position in the Treasurer's office. The position is responsible for performing a variety of date processes and customer service duties for the Treasurer's Office. The position's starting salary will be determined by the extent of demonstrated knowledge, skills, and abilities: Specifically, Excel proficiency, ability to write report queries and extract data, experience with relational databases and understanding of data integrity. Excellent problem solving skills and ability to maintain confidentiality in an office setting; a balance between basic operational/technical skills and strong proofing and accuracy abilities for reconciling financial transactions.

Minimum qualifications are: High school diploma or GED; supplemented by vocational/technical training in business or data processing; supplemented by 1 to 3 years previous experience and/or training involving data input work; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience. *Preferred qualifications* are: bilingual capabilities, strong data management skills and prior handling of cash and credit card transactions. Experience with bank statement reconciliation also a plus.

Satisfactory completion of a background check, and pre-employment drug screening are required prior to employment. Application and instructions can be obtained from the County's website: http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities
Electronic applications are preferred. First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2021.

Accomack County is committed to an inclusive and diverse workforce.

Shipping Manager needed for produce packing house located in Cheriton, VA. Oversees packaging & shipping of product; supervises forklift drivers; maintains inventory of product, packaging, & supplies; creates load plans; adheres to food safety policies; assists Plant Manager with quality control. Must be competent with Microsoft Excel, Word, & Outlook; proficient in simple math skills and problem solving; have the ability to operate forklift & experience loading 53' trailers. Must be dependable, professional & willing to travel to FL seasonally (Mar-May / Nov-Dec). \$14-\$16 per hour depending on experience; health benefits; paid vacation; per diem, transportation & lodging paid during travel; paid vacation; annual seasonal bonus. Call 757-678-5097 to apply.

Maintenance (Full-time and Part-time)

Experienced maintenance technicians needed for apt complexes in Belle Haven and Eastville, VA, and Snow Hill and Pocomoke, MD.

Must have valid driver's license, own transportation, live within 20 miles and be available some evenings & weekends.

Competitive salary & benefits package.

Visit our website at www.eastcoastmgt.com to view the full job description.

Resumes can be emailed or faxed to: vsmith@ecpmgt.com (302) 422-8260

Part-Time Civil Engineer for Avatar Self Storage Expansion:

Looking for an Engineer to oversee the expansion for next 6 months. You can set your own working hours. Please call or text Rajkumar at 703-582-9092 if interested.

Hiring Full-Time Kennel Manager for SPCA - No phone calls. Applications at SPCA office 26528 Lankford Hwy., Onley. 787-7385.



NUTRITIONIST ASSISTANT (WIC) Position #ES024

The Eastern Shore Health District has an opening for a Nutritionist Assistant to support the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). For detailed job information or to apply, visit http://jobs.virginia.gov/. Virginia Department of Health (VDH) accepts only online applications; apply by Thursday, August 26, 2021. EEO.

Full-time and Part-Time Communications Officers

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for full-time and part-ttime Communications Officers. Job does require shift work, nights, weekends and some holidays.

Qualifications: over the age of 18 and have obtained high school diploma or GED

Applications may be obtained from Northampton County Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or County's website at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings

Deadline for applications: August 31, 2021.

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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

Certified Law Enforcement Officer

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

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

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

Deadline for applications: August 31, 2021.

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Get your paper Thursday night at www.easternshorepost.com

Help Wanted (Cont'd)



LIFE CENTER TEAM MEMBER

Bay Creek Resort is currently looking for sociable, energetic, and customer service driven individuals interested in recreation, health, and fitness to be a Life Center Team Member. This position provides a memorable experience for club members and guests by creating excitement and value to our members' and guests' perception of our resort and what it offers. Primary responsibilities include providing service and basic facility maintenance. Guest service duties include greeting guests, assistance and facilitation of daily scheduled activities, and basic customer service needs. Operational duties include maintaining a clean and organized fitness center and basic facility maintenance as necessary.

Call us today or apply at www.baycreeklife.com/jobs or email a resume to jobs@baycreeklife.com

Experienced Class A CDL Driver needed for hauling produce from field to packing house. .60 per mile / \$16.00 per hour. Weekly pay + expense reimbursement. Seasonal Bonus. Current CDL & Medical Card. Clean driving record. Daily Per Diem paid during seasonal travel to FL. Excellent equipment. Competitive pay. Medical plan available. Call 757-678-5097.

Town of Cape Charles Accountant 2

This is a dynamic time for the town, and the treasurer/finance team is looking for an enthusiastic and innovative individual to fill a new position. The ideal candidate will have a degree in finance or accounting and have 3-5 years minimum work experience in a higher level accounting or finance position. Prior experience in the public sector or local government is preferred. Sharp attention to detail, superb customer service skills, and a strong work ethic are a must. Previous supervisory experience, process improvement training, and CPA certification are not required but are desirable.

Job duties include, but are not limited to:

General ledger maintenance and reconciliations, statistical data mining, accounts payable backup, grant administration, tax account research and maintenance, DMV stop program administrative work, outside agency liaison, budget planning and administration, and other tasks in support of the treasurer.

This is a full-time, exempt, benefited position with state retirement and generous PTO. A part time arrangement will be considered for a highly qualified candidate. Salary is dependent upon qualifications and experience.

Please submit a cover letter, resume, and Town employment application (available at www.capecharles. org or by calling 757-331-3259 x 11) to Human Resources, 2 Plum St., Cape Charles, VA 23310 or email to humanresources@capecharles.org. Resumes without a Town employment application will not be considered. Open until filled. We are an equal opportunity employer and value diversity. All employment is decided based on qualifications, merit and business needs.

Hatchery Technicians: Full-Time

Cherrystone Aqua Farms, a large cultured shellfish producer located on Virginia's Eastern Shore, is seeking highly motivated individuals with strong work ethic and willingness to learn in a fast paced, dynamic environment to fill positions in our commercial hatchery located in Willis Wharf, VA.

Hatchery Technicians report directly to the hatchery's manager and work both independently and as part of a team in all aspects of larval husbandry. Duties may include, but are not limited to:

- Daily maintenance and care of larval, indoor and outdoor nursery systems.
- Daily culling, feeding, cleaning and microscopic inspection of shellfish at various stages.
- Collecting water on appropriate tidal cycle cleaning of tanks and all associated equipment.
- Operation of pumps for the transfer of water and food to larval and nursery systems.
- Assisting in other areas of the hatchery as needed.

Requirements:

- · Attention to detail.
- Ability to carry out repetitive tasks.
- Excellent time management skills.
- Ability to lift 50lbs and climb stairs multiple times per day.
- Willingness to work in both indoor and outdoor environments during all seasons depending on the needs of the facility.
- Reliable transportation to and from work.

This position has a seasonal requirement to work weekends, evenings, and/or holidays as requested, and promptness is critical.

BS in Biology or related field preferred, but not required. Experience will be considered in lieu of education.

Compensation commensurate with experience.

To apply, please email your resume and brief description of why you are interested in the position to hatcheryjobs@clamandoyster.com

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

Part-time Driver
Developmental Disabilities Aide (\$11.25/hour- \$2.50/hour-weekend differential)
Clinician

Coordinator of Mental Health/Substance
Abuse Outpatient Services
Coordinator of Substance Abuse Outpatient
Services

Fiscal Services Specialist
Supervisor of Community Based Services
Psychosocial Rehabilitation Supervisor
Residential Counselor
Licensed Practical Nurse

Participant in the Substance Use Disorder
Treatment and Recovery (STAR) Loan
Repayment Program (LRP) that will pay up to
\$250,000 to awardees in exchange for 6 years of
full-time employment that involves direct treatment or
recovery support of patients with or in recovery from
a substance use disorder

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

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TECHNOLOGY/SOCIAL MEDIA SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Creative, detailed person needed to work with Pastor and church office in Onancock, VA. Flexible 10 hours per week, can be remote.

Update and maintain Social Media platforms that include Facebook, Weebly hosted Website. Produce weekly PowerPoint presentations and slide announcements, convert videos for use in worship.

Knowledge of Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Movie Maker, YouTube, Uniconverter or equivalent technical software.

Send resume and cover letter by September 3, 2021, to mktstumc@verizon.net.

Jail Medic

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

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

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

Deadline for applications: August 31, 2021.

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Algae Technician: Part-Time, Seasonal

Cherrystone Aqua Farms, a large, cultured shellfish producer on Virginia's Eastern Shore, is currently seeking a part-time, seasonal Algae Technician for our seaside hatchery in Willis Wharf, VA. Candidate should possess a strong work ethic and willingness to learn in a fast paced, dynamic environment.

The Algae Technician reports directly to the hatchery's Algae Production Manager and works with batch, semi continuous, and continuous reactors to meet the ever-expanding needs of the commercial shellfish hatchery. The candidate will work both independently and as part of a team in all aspects of algae growth including, but not limited to general quality control, cleaning tanks and glassware, preparing and sterilizing media, using chemicals and transferring algae under sterile conditions.

Requirements:

- · Basic understanding of algae.
- Attention to detail.
- · Ability to carry out repetitive tasks.
- · Excellent time management skills.
- Ability to lift 50lbs and climb stairs multiple times per day
- Willingness to work in both indoor and outdoor environments.
- · Reliable transportation to and from work.
- · Assist in other areas of the hatchery as needed.

This position requires a seasonal requirement to work weekends, evenings and/or holidays as requested. Arriving to work on time is crucial.

Position will be classified as seasonal (November to June) with the potential for a permanent position.

Compensation commensurate with experience.

Bachelor's degree in a relevant field is preferred, but not required.

To apply, please email your resume and brief description of why you are interested in the position to hatcheryjobs@clamandoyster.com

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

EASTERN SHORE RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

PROJECTS DIRECTOR

Eastern Shore of Virginia Resource Conservation and Development (ES RC&DC) Council seeks a part-time (16-20 hours/week) Projects Director to assist with the application, coordination, and administration of agricultural, environmental, and community based grants. Strong technical writing skills and working knowledge of agriculture, natural resource conservation /restoration and grants administration is desired. Must be able to work with all Social Media platforms, web design & set up, word processing and Google nonprofit services. Job description is available.

Send resume to ES RC&DC Chair: Edwin R. Long, P.O. Box 309, Belle Haven, VA 23306 PH: (757) 442-9126. Email: edwinrlong@msn.com Leave messages on answering machine. Resumes are being reviewed and job posting will stay open until filled. EOE.

Correctional Officer

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

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

Applications may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or the Eastern Shore Regional Jail Office located at 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or online at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs opportunities/job openings

Deadline for applications: August 31, 2021.

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Help Wanted

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

RN, LPN, CNA POSI-TIONS AVAILABLE... Are vou compassionate, dedicated and want to work in a long-term care environment with a dynamic, high-energy culture that's all about resident-Shore centered care? Health & Rehab. Parksley, VA is hiring RNs. LPNs, CNAs at our facility. FT,PT,PRN all positions available. Sign on bonuses offered. Please come in and fill out an application. 26181 Parksley Rd. Parksley, VA 757-665-5133 26181. www.saberhealth.com/locations/shore-health-andrehab

HANDYMAN OR WOM-AN Varied duties in and around Chincoteague. Call 757-894-8148

SOMEONE SEEKING WITH POOL EXPERTISE to restore and open indoor pool. Call 757-442-7504 after

HVAC HELPER - Must have own transportation.

PART-TIME LABORER - The ESVBA has a job opening. Apply through the website at www.esvba.com
EXPERIENCED CLASS

A CDL PRODUCE MAR-KET DRIVER - Needed for delivering produce to the fresh market on the East Coast. Pay is 25% of freight. Potential to gross \$1500 - \$3000 weekly. Year-round full-time employment. Must have current physical, clean driving record. Drug free workplace, good equipment. Medical available. Send resume to C&E Farms, Inc., PO Box 315, Cheriton, VA 23316 or call 757-678-5097, ask for Chris

Special Assistant to the Town Manager

The Town of Cape Charles is seeking a highly motivated individual to serve in a multi-faceted, fast paced position, to assist the Town Manager with oversight of day-to-day operations, to provide support to various departments as needed, to serve as the Town's liaison to other community organizations, and to help coordinate Town events.

DUTIES AND SKILLS:

Special Assistant to the Town Manager

Reporting directly to the Town Manager, the Special Assistant will assist in monitoring Town operations, perform administrative and clerical duties, maintain calendars, conduct research, and compile data/reports. This position will assist the Manager with contract administration, procurement processes, budget monitoring, and in coordinating interdepartmental requirements. The Special Assistant will be the primary liaison between the Town Manager and various community and Town organizations as assigned.

Office and Team Coordinator

This position will provide general operational support such as ordering office supplies, acting as a point-of-contact for technical support, and overseeing grants and associated reporting. The Special Assistant will provide support to the Town Clerk and may be asked to assist the Clerk during public meetings. During certain times of the year, additional assistance may be provided to Human Resources during open enrollment, the Finance Department during tax season and budget preparation, and to pinch hit for other departments as may be needed.

Community Outreach & Events

The Special Assistant will work closely with the Public Works and Police Departments to coordinate and manage Town events (like the 4th of July and the Dropping of the Crab Pot on New Year's Eve). This position will manage all scheduling and coordination for use of Town facilities and will oversee seasonal employees for the beach attendant and litter patrol programs.

Requirements

The ideal candidate will possess a superior work ethic, be versatile with a positive attitude, and have had experience working with the public, preferably in the public sector. He or she must have the ability to handle customer complaints in a professional and courteous manner. The candidate must be a team player and get along with all personalities and be open to learn, grow, and contribute. A college degree is preferred, although applicable work experience may be substituted. Must be proficient in Microsoft Office, especially Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. The candidate must also be available to occasionally work weekends, evenings, and holidays.

This is a non-exempt position with excellent benefits that is subject to receiving overtime. The hiring range is \$40,000-\$44,500 DOQ. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and Town employment application (available at www. capecharles.org or by calling 757-331-3259 x 11) to Human Resources, 2 Plum St., Cape Charles, VA 23310 or email to humanresources@capecharles.org. Resumes without a Town employment application will not be considered. Open until filled. We are an equal opportunity employer and value diversity. All employment is decided based on qualifications. merit and business needs.

TRACTOR TRAILER Experienced DRIVER CDL Driver needed. Clean driving record. Local hauls. Home most nights. Contact Twin Cedar Farms at 757-630KITCHEN AND RESTAURANT HELP - Seekdependable kitchen help, and front end servers for kitchen and restaurant. \$13 - \$18 an hour + weekly cash bonuses. Apply in person at Cape Charles Brewing or text (812) 878-7238

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FOR SALE OR TRADE -'92 38-ft. Beneteau 390 sailboat w/main, furling, genoa, spinnaker, Bimini & dodger, Volvo diesel, A/C. \$27,000 or trade of comparable value: smaller sailboat or cabin cruiser. 757-331-0315.

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

SKIDOO TRAILER - Needs work. \$100. Call

717-578-0378

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

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

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Misc. - For Sale

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FOR SALE: NordicTrack ski machine and exerciser. 21-speed Magna Bicycle. Please call for information: 410-957-2771

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for pricing: 757-709-5327.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 AT 10 A.M. IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

A. VAR-000223-2021: Douglas Strand – Tax Map # 92A-2-1

A hearing initiated by Douglas Strand to request two variances:

1. A variance of 2.72 feet pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-58(a) which states the minimum side yard for each main structure shall be 15 feet. The proposed home will be located 12.28 feet from the northwest side lot line;

2. A variance of 3.82 feet pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-58(b) which states that each main structure shall have a rear yard of 35 feet or more. The proposed home will be located 33.54 feet from the rear lot line.

The applicant is looking to replace the home on their property due to a fire destroying their previous home earlier this year. The new home that the applicant has purchased is not in keeping with the same footprint of their previous home and will be increasing in size from a total of 1,228 square feet to 1,568 square feet. The property is located at Tax Map # 92A-2-1 located at 226439 Savageville Road, Melfa, VA and is zoned Agricultural.

Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Office of the County Zoning Administrator at 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room 105 – Accomac, Virginia or http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

Handicapped Assistance available, call: (757) 787-5726 or 824-5223.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Case No. 21CL000673-00 Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301

LANDON SHOAL WOOD v. STEVEN KEITH WOOD The object of this suit is to: PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE.

It is ORDERED that STEVEN KEITH WOOD appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before OCTOBER 15, 2021.

August 5, 2021 Caretta S. Duncan, Dep. Clerk

NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of Charles W. LeVecque, 28249 Saxis Rd., Temperanceville, VA 23442; Tel. 757-894-1416.

Description of watercraft: Star Boat Co., White Fiberglass '15, HIN SAT152371073, Manufactured 1973.

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

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Samuel Pineda Cruz, (2021038) has applied for approximately 25.25 acres of oyster planting ground in Smith Island Bay situated in Northampton City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-07.8875 / W75-54.9854

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2021038): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Harvey Spurlock and Vernon Merritt, James Justice Jr., (2021040) have applied for approximately 4 acres of oyster planting ground in Queens Sound situated in Accomack City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-55.0941/W75-24.2405

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2021040): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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

Public Notice

The Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Chincoteague will hold a public hearing on Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following zoning matter:

Appeal V210810-1 A request from Peter & Kathleen Becker 6024 Lewis Street, Parcel 330A7-A-58, for a variance from Article III, section 3.9.3 (2) of the zoning ordinance of the Town of Chincoteague. The applicant wishes to construct an addition to the existing non-conforming home on said parcel. The new addition would be placed 8' from the rear property line. Current zoning requires a minimum 25' rear yard setback. The property is zoned R-3.

INVITATION TO BID

The Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency (ESAAA/CAA) is notifying public, private, and non-profit organizations of their eligibility to submit proposals for the delivery of services to elderly persons residing in Accomack and Northampton Counties (Planning District #22).

Proposals will be accepted for the provision of the following services: Frozen Home-Delivered Meals and Shelf-Staple Meals.

Complete proposal application packets will be available on August 20, 2021. If your organization wishes to receive a packet, please contact the CEO at the address below. The deadline for submission of completed bid applications is September 20, 2021 by 4:30 p.m. Request for application packets should be sent to the attention of:

Donna Smith, CEO ESAAA/CAA 5432 Bayside Rd Exmore, Virginia 23350

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A. SUSE-000200-2021: David & Dorie McCaleb - Tax Map # 119-A-36

A hearing initiated by David and Dorie McCaleb to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-179. The applicant is looking to construct a double-sided lighted billboard, each side eight (8) feet high by sixteen (16) feet wide, a total of 256 square feet total both sides. The property is located at Tax Map # 119-A-36 located at the intersection of Lankford Highway and Coal Kiln Road, Painter, VA and is zoned General Business.

Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Building and Zoning Office at 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room 105 – Accomac, Virginia or http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

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Alice Theresa Bliss, Artistic Director 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 or 800-552-3200.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION STATE OF FLORIDA

Case No. 2021-DR-364 Division: Family Circuit Court of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, In And For Desoto County, 115 E Oak St., Arcadia, FL 34266

JOSE MANUEL TRUJILLO BENITEZ, STEPPARENT, CLAUDIA MARISOL LOPEZ ESCALANTE, MOTHER, v. FRANCISCO JOSE MENDOZA ALMARAZ, FATHER, The object of this suit is to:
JOINT PETITION FOR ADOPTION BY STEPPARENT.

It is ORDERED that FRANCISCO JOSE MENDOZA ALMARAZ appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before SEPTEMBER 6, 2021.

August 4, 2021 Desiree Dennison, Dep. Clerk

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE 505 Arnies Loop, Cape Charles, VA 23310

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust from Sophie A. Chrostowski ("Borrower") to RBC Centura Bank ("Lender"), dated September 23, 2004, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton, Virginia at Instrument No. 040003390, said Deed of Trust and accompanying debt instrument having since been assigned to Greyt Estates, and default having occurred under the terms thereof, and at the request of the party secured thereby, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Circuit Court for Northampton, Courthouse Door, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347, on:

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 10:00 AM

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SUBJECT TO all rights of way, easements, restrictions and reservations of record affecting the said property.

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THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

CBKN Trustees, LLC, Substitute Trustee. FOR INFOR-MATION CONTACT, Council, Baradel, Kosmerl & Nolan, PA c/o Brian Gallagher, 125 West Street, 4th Floor, Annapolis, MD 21401, 410-268-6600

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On Tuesday, August 24, 2021, The Accomack County School Board will hold a public hearing on the use of ARP ESSER III funds and the plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Instruction. The hearing will be held at Metompkin Elementary School starting at 6:00 p.m.

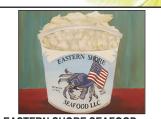
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COURT ORDERED AUCTION, LOT #83A1-1-125 AT 622 JEFFERSON AVE., ĆAPE CHARLES

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POST OP-ED PAGE

Little League Softball World Series Coach Had Start on Shore

By Bill Sterling

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Local residents took special interest in the Little League Softball World Series this week as the Chesterfield Little League 10-12 All Star team advanced to the national championship game in Greenville, N.C., under the guidance of manager Bill Fiege.

Fiege, a 1991 Nandua High School graduate, holds a doctorate degree from Old Dominion University and is the vice president of learning and student success at John Tyler Community College in Midlothian.

And it was his positive leadership that guided the Chesterfield girls to a successful run, winning district, state, and Southeast Regional championships before defeating four other regional champions in World Series play until Oklahoma stopped them 9-1 in the title game Wednesday night. All total in postseason play, the softballers racked up 16 wins over three weeks of action.

Fiege was mic'd up on the ESPN broadcast for the World Series and could be heard encouraging his team with three principles: "Control what you can control, give 110%, and have fun."

Fiege's daughter, Erika, was the team's leadoff hitter and hit .500 in World Series play despite going 0-3 in the title game. She also played a stellar centerfield, making several outstanding plays the ESPN broadcasters called "web gems," and pitched an inning. During one visit to the mound, Fiege could be heard telling his daughter to enjoy the moment and that he loved her.

Games were televised this week on various ESPN stations with the manager Fiege and his daughter showcasing their juggling talents prior to one game. A profile of Erika also stated she practices yoga before games and wants to be a physical therapist.

Fiege, 48, comes from a family of educators. His father was John Fiege (deceased), longtime president of the Eastern Shore Community College, and his mother, "Kitty," taught in Accomack County and resides in Onancock. His brother, John, is a financial advisor on the Eastern Shore and was this year's fundraising chairman of United Way of the Eastern Shore.

What Is ANEC's Obligation to Its Members-Owners?

EDITORIAL

By Connie Morrison

Virginia Organizing Eastern Shore Chapter and Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore held an open house last week to encourage members of the Accomack-Northampton Electric Cooperative to become more active in the coop's oversight. (See article on Page 4).

Anyone who has had a power outage knows the responsiveness and dedication of the ANEC linemen. This is not about them or their work.

Virginia's 13 electric co-ops are member-owned and exist for the benefit of their members. Their very name — co-op — suggests inclusion. Unlike other nonprofits, which individuals can choose to join or not, anyone who wants to buy electricity on the Shore becomes an ANEC member.

Despite ANEC's second principle being "democratic member control" (ANEC 2020 Annual Report), members are largely kept in the dark about the inner

workings of the organization they pay into each month. They aren't permitted to attend board meetings, and meeting minutes and agendas aren't posted.

And the co-op isn't exactly inviting participation.

ANEC CEO Butch Williamson says there are plenty of avenues for participation: just look up your board member and set up a meeting. Or have a casual conversation with a board member. If the issue can't be resolved, maybe the board member will take it to the full board.

But if the board of directors really wants to hear from its members, it could to open its meetings and allow public comments, as government bodies do.

Williamson says ANEC isn't a government body.

"Its board is more comparable to a typical corporate board of directors than to a board of supervisors or school board," Williamson wrote in an email response to questions posed by Post reporter Carol Vaughn. "The Cooperative Board is responsible for discussing and deciding a broad array of important issues, many of which can be commercially sensitive. Regular board meetings often have sensitive or protected information which may be discussed throughout the meeting."

Boards of supervisors and school boards also deal with a array of sensitive matters, and they manage to walk that line with the judicious use of closed sessions. With will and commitment, any public body or private organization can be transparent if it chooses to be.

Ultimately, those who want more transparency can run for ANEC's board of directors, but it might be an uphill climb. The existing board nominates a slate of candidates and posts it "at the Cooperative's principal office and on the Cooperative's website" and publishes "the Nominating Committee Nominations in 'Cooperative Living' magazine."

Members may nominate additional individuals to run for the board of directors, providing they deliver to the board secretary at least 75 days prior to the member meeting a nominating petition with the nominee's name and the position for which the nominee will run.

A recent bylaw amendment added a requirement for the printed names, addresses, and original signatures of at least 200 members in good standing residing in the district from which the member seeks election. I'd be curious to know the reason for the additional requirement. Were they overwhelmed by bogus applications?

After verifying the member-submitted applications, "the Cooperative shall post the Member Petition Nomination in approximately the same location as the Nominating Committee Nominations." Why not the exact same locations: the cooperative's principal office, the cooperative's website, and publication in Cooperative Living magazine.

ANEC and other electric co-ops make a point of conveying how much they love their members. Giving members a say in the organization would be a concrete demonstration of that love.



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