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Eastern Shore Towns Kick Off Christmas Celebrations
Cape Charles was one of several towns that kicked off Christmas festivities over the weekend. Above, Ava Simms, 6, of Suffolk, Va., chats with Santa during Cape Charles' lighted parade Sunday. Also pictured, from left, are Emmette Claire Bartlett, of Chesapeake, Va.; Reid Jordan, 6, of Portsmouth, Va.; Grady Bartlett, 4, of Chesapeake, and Ellie Simms, 6, of Suffolk. Photo by Jim Ritch. Christmas kickoff photos begin on Page 22.

Eggs and Issues Takes Political Pulse

By Stefanie Jackson

Responding to the waning COVID-19 pandemic that leaves behind struggling economies in localities across Virginia and the U.S., inflation, minimum wage, and affordable housing were among the topics discussed by state and local elected officials at the Eggs and Issues breakfast hosted Dec. 8 by the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce at the Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club.

Inflation

Del. Robert Bloxom noted there is little that the Virginia General Assembly or local governments can do to ease the impact of inflation aside from cutting taxes, a measure that is not without consequences.

Governor-elect Glenn Youngkin has proposed eliminating Virginia's grocery tax, but Bloxom said that idea is problematic since about half or 1% of the 2.5% tax benefits localities, and that

benefit would need to be recovered.

Lowering the gas tax would also not be possible, since that revenue is bonded for building and repairing roads, Bloxom added.

Ron Wolff and Dixon Leatherbury, chairmen of the Accomack County and Northampton County boards of supervisors, respectively, said there was little that could be done at the county level other than maintaining real estate and property taxes at their current levels.

Minimum Wage

The panel of politicians discussed Virginia's minimum wage (which is set to increase to \$11 an hour Jan. 1, 2022, and \$12 an hour Jan. 1, 2023) and if there is anything that can be done to mitigate its potential negative impacts on businesses.

Sen. Lynwood Lewis acknowledged that Virginia's minimum wage is set to gradually increase to \$15 an hour, but

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3 Arrested in Connection With Maryland Crimes

Staff Report

Three people were arrested in Accomack County in connection with an investigation conducted by the Worcester County Bureau of Investigations, according to Accomack County Sheriff Todd Wessells.

Accomack County deputies executed a search warrant Monday related to the Maryland investigation on a residence in the 29000 block of Tyler Drive in New Church. The occupants, Wendy Dawn Taylor, 46, and Gary Joseph Fleig, 45, were arrested. Taylor was arrested for failure to obey a court order and Fleig was arrested for a probation violation, according to Wessells.

Both are being held in the Accomack County jail with bond denied.

The Worcester County Sheriff's Office Criminal Bureau of Investigations notified the Accomack County Sheriff's Office

Tuesday that Fleig, Taylor, and Coy Edward Bailey, 54, were wanted in Worcester County on charges of attempted first-degree murder, assault, arson, burglary, theft, and multiple firearms charges.

Bailey was arrested and also is being held at the Accomack County Jail with bond denied.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Worcester County Bureau of Investigations and the Virginia State Police.

The investigation into this incident is continuing and anyone with information on this or any other incident is asked to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666 and/or www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org or contact Detective Corporal Rob Price of the Worcester County Bureau of Investigations at 410-632-1111 and/or email rprice@co.worcestermd.us.

Police Investigate Suspicious Death

Staff Report

State Police were requested by the New Church Fire Department to respond to a residential structure fire at the 6000 block of Lankford Highway Saturday evening, Dec. 4, at approximately 9:27 p.m. The New Church Fire Department responded to the structure fire and discovered that the resident was still inside the structure, according to a press release from Virginia State Police.

The Bureau of Criminal Investigation also responded and discovered a deceased male, 62 years of age, and identified him as Edward Bruce Mears Jr. Notification to next of kin has been made.

"The residence is in proximity to the Maryland state line, and it was soon

discovered that similar incidents had occurred the same day in Worcester County, Md.," wrote Sgt. Michelle Anaya in the release (see article below).

At this time the investigation is being handled as a suspicious death, possible homicide, and arson investigation.

The Virginia State Police is reaching out to the community for any witnesses in the area of Lankford Highway in Oak Hall or in the vicinity of the area prior to or after the incident, who may have information.

Anyone with information and/or who witnessed suspicious behavior is encouraged to contact the Virginia State Police at 757-424-6800 or by email at questions@vsp.virginia.gov.



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Sheriff's Office IDs Gunshot Victim Found in Oak Hall Field

Staff Report

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office identified a body found Monday in a field in Oak Hall as 43-year-old Maurice Lamont Fidderson, of Temperanceville.

According to Sheriff W. Todd Wessells, the sheriff's office received a report of a body in a field behind a residence in the 9200 block of Lankford Highway in Oak Hall, around 7:58 a.m. Monday.

When deputies arrived, they discovered an unresponsive male suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. The male, identified as Fidderson, was

pronounced dead at the scene.

The body was taken to the Norfolk Medical Examiner's Office to determine the cause of death.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Virginia State Police, Oak Hall Rescue, and the Accomack County Department of Public Safety.

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

Exmore Man Charged in Melfa Shooting

Staff Report

An Exmore man is in jail with bond denied after he was charged in connection with a shooting in Melfa early Saturday.

According to Sheriff Todd Wessells, on Dec. 4, at approximately 12:37 a.m., the Accomack County Sheriff's Office received a report of a gunshot victim in the 29000 block of Lankford Highway in Melfa.

While deputies were en route to the location, they were notified that the victim was being transported to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital and that the suspect was possibly armed.

Upon deputies' arrival at the hospital, they observed a 23-year-old woman suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. She was flown to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital and was listed in critical condition.

An investigation into this incident led to warrants being obtained for Jaylon Calvin Harmon, 22, of Exmore, for aggravated malicious wounding, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, child abuse/neglect, and reckless handling of a firearm causing serious injury.

Harmon is currently incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with bond denied. No other suspects are being sought for this incident.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Onley Police Department.

Anyone with information on this or any other crime is asked to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666 or tips may be submitted at www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org

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Accomack Extends Students' Winter Break

By Stefanie Jackson

The Accomack County School Board voted unanimously Tuesday night to add three days to winter break, which will now begin Monday, Dec. 20, with students returning to school Monday, Jan. 3.

"I feel like it's important, the way the (COVID-19) pandemic is. ... A lot of divisions are doing this, and I feel very strongly about it," said Superintendent Chris Holland.

It's the third time this year that the Accomack school board approved extra breaks from instructional time for teachers. The school board extended Thanksgiving break from three days to a full week, and it approved two-hour early dismissals on two Wednesdays per month for teachers to catch up on planning, grading, and administrative tasks.

Regular 12-month employees are welcome to use personal time if they wish to take off Monday, Dec. 20, through Wednesday, Dec. 22, Holland said.

Accounting for the extended winter break, seven inclement weather days will remain available.

Bonuses

Accomack County Public Schools has planned to give employees bonuses this year similar to the bonuses approved by Accomack supervisors for county employees.

The bonuses approved by Accomack supervisors included \$3,000 for each first responder and \$1,500 for every other employee.

Accomack schools Finance Director Beth Onley proposed bonuses up to \$1,500 for all contracted full- and part-time employees.

To receive the bonus, an ACPS employee must have been employed on Nov. 1, performed job duties for at least 10 days from Sept. 7 through Nov. 30, and remained active in a job position as of Nov. 30.

Each bonus will be prorated based on actual hours worked between Sept. 7 and Nov. 30, at a rate of \$4.64 per hour, with a maximum bonus of \$1,500.

STEM Labs

The Cal Ripken Jr. Foundation has committed its support to Accomack and Northampton public schools to become the first schools in Virginia with science, technology, engineering, and math or STEM labs, said Assistant Su-

perintendent Rhonda Hall.

The STEM centers will provide hands-on learning opportunities to all students.

The first phase of the project will include setting up STEM labs at Accawmacke, Kegotank, Pungoteague, and Chincoteague elementary schools and Chincoteague's middle school.

The first-phase STEM centers should be ready by spring, with a ribbon-cutting and open house at one of the participating schools, Hall said.

The Cal Ripken Jr. Foundation's goal is to provide STEM labs at all 13 elementary and middle schools on the Eastern Shore.

GEAR UP

Accomack will participate in a program called GEAR UP, or Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs, funded by grants from the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) administered in Virginia by the State Council of Higher Education.

The purpose of the DOE program is to increase the number of low-income students who are prepared to attend and succeed at college or another post-secondary school.

The program will be open to all Accomack students of the class of 2027, this year's seventh graders.

Students may opt out, but those who remain in the program through graduation will receive \$2,500 per semester scholarships.

Students who enroll will learn about career and education options available after high school, including two- and four-year college degrees and technical and certification programs.

They will learn about financial aid and how to pay for their education and attend field trips and summer camps at various colleges and other postsecondary schools.

Students also will receive support with standardized testing, college and technical school applications, and financial aid and scholarship applications, and they will participate in tutoring and mentoring programs.

Seventh graders and their parents will attend orientation for GEAR UP. The coordinators at each participating school are Della Jordan, Arcadia Middle; Kim Ferguson, Nandua Middle; and Laura Cody, Chincoteague and Tangier combined schools.

Onancock Considers Placing Security Cameras to Combat Crime

By Carol Vaughn

Onancock police and staff have been looking into measures to help address public safety concerns after several crimes were reported in town recently.

“One of the key things that we’ve been talking about are cameras in the town,” Town Manager Matt Spuck told the Town Council at its November meeting.

Security cameras that use cellular technology is likely the best option, he said.

One quote obtained was \$130 per month for a camera and the cellular subscription, he said.

Staff are looking into what the range of the cameras is, Spuck said.

“Once we get the range of the cameras, then we’re going to figure out how many of them we should have, where they are going to be — and obviously we are going to have to phase this into the budget. At \$130 a month, we can do a few of them now with-

out even thinking about it. I think we should,” he said.

The police chief is working on details including camera placement, functionality, and management.

Mayor Fletcher Fosque raised the issue of privacy concerns related to having cameras in town, saying he would like to hear from residents “whether we should be doing this or not.”

“The other side of it is, they are saying there’s no police protection,” said Councilwoman Maphis Oswald.

Spuck said staff are working to create written plans, including cost summaries and other details about the cameras, which he intends to bring to the council in December.

The public will be invited to comment.

“I would be interested in how other towns have handled the privacy issues,” said Councilwoman Sarah Nock.

Spuck said he will research that.

The number needed depends on where the town wants to install the cameras, according to Spuck.

He said, according to his discussions with the police chief, the purpose is not so much specific human identification. “It’s going to be finding the exit route for where they came from, where they went,” in criminal incidents, he said.

Councilwoman Thelma Gillespie said, “Since we have been having a lot of problems in the downtown area lately, that would be our first concern, to cover that area, and then work our way even further into town.”

The town also has been advertising to hire another police officer.

Councilwoman Joy Marino, who is on the personnel committee, said she has talked with the police chief and an officer, as well as with residents with Sheriff’s Office experience, to gather suggestions about how to improve recruitment and retention of police officers.

“So we have a wealth of information here to draw from,” she said, adding she plans to meet with Spuck and Fosque to share it.

Two new officers are attending the police academy and are expected to complete it in early January, according to Spuck’s town manager report.

Spuck spoke about the project to paint the water tower, which is about mid-way through.

During the project, the tank had to be emptied and the town’s water, instead of coming from the water tower as usual, is being pumped from the well. In order to manage water pressure, pressure release valves were installed on several fire hydrants around town and may be seen releasing water at times.

“We’re trying to keep the waste of our aquifer down to an absolute minimum ... So those guys are in there working as hard as they can work,” Spuck said.

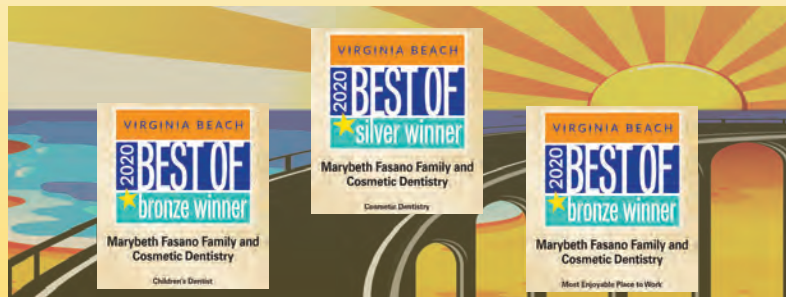


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Onley Unveils Locally Designed Town Crossroads Logo

By Carol Vaughn

The Onley Town Council voted Monday to adopt a new town logo created by local graphic designer Seth Matthews.

"I'm proud of it," said Matthews.

A large group of attendees at the November council meeting saw different potential versions of the logo.

The logo approved Monday features the town's name in script, along with the motto, "Crossroads of the Eastern Shore," and a depiction of three buildings with a train passing in front of them. The logo as depicted was red, white, blue, and gray, but according to Matthews' presentation to the council, it can be used in various formats, including a monochrome version among other possible variations.

The council also continued discussing revisions to the town charter. Another meeting will be held Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. to finalize the version to be presented for public hearing, likely later this month.

The council approved spending up to \$6,304 for lights and other equipment needed to be installed in a newly



Town of Onley logo. Photo courtesy of Seth Matthews.

purchased police vehicle, which replaces one destroyed in a crash.

Deborah Bliss of the planning commission reported the commission is working on short-term rental regulations and expects to bring a recommendation to the council in February.

The council also voted to distribute 50 Food Lion gift cards, in the amount of \$75 each, to five local charitable orga-

nizations to be used for COVID-19 relief.

The cards were purchased using funds that came as result of the federal CARES Act and are left after cards were distributed to town residents, according to the discussion.

The council voted to give 10 cards each to the Food Bank of the Eastern Shore, Lighthouse Ministries, the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the SPCA, and the Onley Baptist Church food pantry.

The intent is for the organizations to use the gift cards themselves to help meet their supply needs.

The council also voted 5-1 to rescind the vehicle decal ordinance, with Councilwoman Billye D. Custis voting against the measure.

Decal sales were suspended during the pandemic and staff reported only around half of residents purchased a decal in recent years before that.

The council also voted to purchase a used Ferris lawn mower with around 200 hours on it for \$7,500.

Application has been made to the Virginia Department of Transportation to take the required steps to allow golf carts in town, according to Councilwoman Rose Pierson, who serves on the golf cart committee.

The council previously agreed to pursue the idea but has not voted yet on whether to allow the slow-moving vehicles, which would be allowed only on roads with 25 mph or under speed limit.

The council voted to rescind its previous acceptance of contractor Jim Wert's bid to build a new town office, after efforts were made to contact him by telephone and after the town re-

ceived no response to a certified letter sent to the contractor.

The council voted in March to accept the \$579,867 bid to build a 2,500-square-foot town office on property next to the current office.

The council agreed with Councilman Brian Corbin's proposal to speak with Ted Bliss of Tasley Volunteer Fire Company about possibly modeling a town office on Tasley's new fire station, a pole building which Bliss, who was in attendance, said cost around \$850,000 and is rated to withstand 145 mile per hour winds.

Bliss invited council members to visit the building, which he said is larger than what the town needs for a town office.

The town is continuing to explore constructing more sidewalks, including a focus on the area around the intersection of Coastal Boulevard and Main Street, according to Councilman Brian Corbin.

Corbin said he spoke with VDOT's Chris Isdell for a perspective on the need for more sidewalks in town.

"We decided to focus on Coastal from the intersection of East/West Main to Route 13 on the southbound lane," he said.

Bliss, who serves on the sidewalk project committee, suggested the council consider adding a push-button crosswalk at the intersection to stop traffic coming from all four directions when a pedestrian is crossing in order to improve pedestrian safety.

Bliss said since he has been a Tasley Volunteer Fire Company member, "I don't think we've gone six or eight months we haven't had some sort of accident right there at the intersection."

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with “a couple stops along the way.”

The 2022 and 2023 increases already have been authorized, but minimum wage increases to \$13.50 per hour on Jan. 1, 2025, and \$15 per hour on Jan. 1, 2026, will not occur unless they are enacted by the General Assembly by July 1, 2024.

Workforce Housing

Leatherbury said affordable or workforce housing is the top priority of every incorporated town in Northampton County, which has tasked its planning commission with reviewing its zoning ordinance for any impediments to the development of affordable housing.

Wolff noted a townhouse development of 142 units has been proposed close to Captains Cove (near Greenbackville), which is in the “largest growth district” in Accomack County.

Teacher Retention

Lewis observed there is a “glaring disparity” between the Eastern Shore and nearby Maryland counties when it comes to teacher pay – a difference of \$10,000 to \$11,000 in starting salaries.

He will work this year to obtain permanent funding for Accomack and

Northampton from the Cost of Competing Adjustment or COCA funds, which help localities fill in the wage gap for teachers.

This year, the counties received one-time COCA funding of \$2 million, of which Northampton’s share was \$362,000.

Wolff said the counties are depending on the COCA funding becoming permanent, otherwise they will be “left holding the bag” for the salary increases.

Broadband

The panelists seemed to agree that competition in providing high-speed internet on the Shore is actually holding up progress in making it available throughout the region.

Internet providers such as the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority (ESVBA), Spectrum, and Neubeam won’t share information about the areas they serve, even on ESVBA’s \$12.5 million grant application to the Virginia Telecommunication Initiative or VATI, Wolff said.

That leaves some parts of the Shore with multiple broadband providers, while others have none.

The speed at which technology becomes outdated also makes it difficult to obtain funding for internet infrastructure.

For example, Neubeam offers download speeds of 25 megabits per second, but that

“doesn’t cut it” anymore, as 100 megabits or more are needed, Leatherbury said.

Bloxom added that mobile internet is fast becoming a competitor in the realm of broadband and perhaps future investments should focus on cell towers.

Top Priorities for 2022

Bloxom emphasized the importance of infrastructure as a driver of economic development and noted that the Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) is investing \$25 million to expand sewer service on the Shore.

The cost to developers to build low-income housing is reduced when infrastructure like water and sewer is already in place, he added.

Bloxom will pursue state funding to match HRSD’s investment and further support extension of sewer service to localities in need such as Wachapreague, Accomac, and Parksley.

Lewis agreed that “the HRSD project is huge.” Other topics of concern for Lewis in 2022 include rails to trails, COCA, and legislation that will support aquaculture as past “freedom to farm” bills have supported agriculture.

He is also interested in forming a state flood board to improve coastal resilience to sea-level rise due to climate change.

Leatherbury will continue to support the HRSD project and affordable housing, which are linked, as sewer infrastructure will be built where higher housing density belongs – in and around towns.

Northampton school capital improvement projects also will be featured in 2022. Occohannock Elementary School will have energy efficiency improvements and other work done next summer as was completed at Kiptopeke Elementary this summer.

Additionally, preparations for a major renovation and construction project at Northampton’s middle and high school will continue in 2022.

Wolff’s top priority in 2022 is to support Rocket Lab, in Wallops Island, the company that gives “the biggest bang for the buck” in terms of driving the local and regional economy.

Rocket Lab’s launches are expected to double through 2030, from about eight to 15 launches to 20 or 25 launches annually – about two every month, he said.

Rocket tourism draws people who spend money in Shore hotels, restaurants, and shops, but they don’t require local services such as public education.

Wolff said the Shore should follow the example of Florida, which has been profiting from rocket tourism for many years.



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Beach Find Is Fossilized Crab Claw

By Carol Vaughn

A woman walking on Assateague beach in October found an unusual-looking object, which turned out to be a fossilized crab claw.

The fossil can be seen at Toms Cove Visitor Center on Assateague.

Sharon Conn, who found the item while picking up trash on the beach, contacted the Smithsonian Institution for help indentifying the object, which looked to her as though it had teeth and an eye socket, according to information posted on the Assateague Island National Seashore Facebook page.

An paleontologist at the Smithsonian identified it as a fossilized crab claw.

“Given the nature of other fossils found in your area the fossil is likely Pleistocene in age (2 million to 12 thousand years ago). The extra rock around it is a very well consolidated matrix that was so hard it didn’t readily erode. The claw did erode a bit though — which is why it isn’t immediately distinguishable as a claw. The tips are gone and parts of the infilled area where the original flesh would have been has shown through, making the whole specimen

look a bit odd,” the scientist explained in his response to Conn.

He also told her fossils found on public land are protected by the 2009 Paleontological Resources Preservation Act and advised her to return it, which she did.

The fossil is now displayed along with others in a small collection at the visitor center.

As of Dec. 1, the Toms Cove Visitor Center is open Fridays through Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The visitor center is on the south side of Beach Road prior to the beach parking areas. The address is 8586 Beach Road, Chincoteague.

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY SAFE BOATING TIPS

Submitted Article

To complete the series on boater Christmas gift ideas, here are a few stocking stuffer suggestions for under \$50: solar powered devices such as lanterns and chargers; survival items such as micromirrors, signal whistles, waterproof storage bags, a folding razor saw, emergency ponchos, or multi-use folding survival tools; navigation tools such as di-



A fossilized crab claw, bottom, found on Assateague, compared with a modern crab claw. Assateague Island National Seashore photo.

viders, locking parallel plotters, and nautical slide rules; marlinspike tools such as fids, sailor’s palm, wax cordage, and needles; or other useful items for all things nautical such as paracord, carabiners, bungee cords, sailing gloves, and reusable hand warmers. Also, as a backup to your horn, horns with air in a can are available for purchase, or even better, there are small mouth horns that are loud and

sound like a real horn when you simply blow through them. They don’t fail and are less than \$10.

Some costlier suggestions that will fit in the stocking might be VHF handheld radios or GPS devices, bluetooth headsets, or a monocular.

It is hoped that these suggestions help or at least spark an idea for gifting that mariner in your life.

ATTENTION NORTHAMPTON COUNTY TAXPAYERS

The staff of the Northampton County Treasurer’s Office is working diligently to process all tax payments which were due by Monday, December 6, 2021. **If your payment is postmarked on or before December 6th, there will be no late fee assessed.** The payments have to be processed manually this year rather than through the bank lockbox; this accounts for the reason why your check may not have cleared as promptly as in the past. Please do not stop payment on your check. This may result in a “bad check charge” if your original payment is then processed.

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Exmore Holds Public Hearing on Sewer Grant Funding Application

By Stefanie Jackson

The Exmore Town Council held a public hearing Monday night on its application for U.S. Department of Agriculture grant funding for its sewer project.

The project will include the installation of new sewer pipes throughout town, followed by the decommissioning of Exmore's sewer treatment plant, which will no longer be needed since a Hampton Roads Sanitation District force main will transport the town's wastewater to Onancock's treatment plant, which has capacity to spare.

Exmore will be relieved of a Virginia Department of Health consent order and can provide sewer service to the whole town instead of the 350 customers to which it is currently limited.

Exmore is seeking grant funding from multiple sources, including U.S. Economic Development Administration disaster funds, since the town cannot afford to borrow more than \$5 million of the project's total cost, which is ever climbing, said Town Manager Robert Duer.

According to November meeting minutes, the town is \$5 million short of the funds needed to complete the project.

Congresswoman Elaine Luria also is seeking federal funding for the project on Exmore's behalf.

Duer said the "day of reckoning" is near, and Exmore should receive news about grant funding within 45 to 60 days.

Police Report

Police Chief Angelo DiMartino reported that Exmore has been experiencing issues with drivers speeding in town.

Earlier this month, Officer Eddie Diaz responded to a motorist driving 67 mph in a 35 mph zone on Main Street. When Diaz stopped the vehicle, the driver failed to identify himself correctly, then sped off but crashed near the intersection of Seaside Road and Oakland Drive.

Also recently, Officer Brandon Parks stopped a driver traveling 72 mph on Main Street, and Officer Tyler Hinman caught a driver speeding at 93 mph on Belle Haven Road.

"We're getting some crazy speeds in town," DiMartino said. He advised cit-

izens to call the police department if they observe speeding so Exmore officers can monitor the location.

Diaz also was involved in a Nov. 14 vehicle crash in Exmore on Route 13, near McDonald's. He had a green light and was turning northbound onto the highway from Broadwater Road when a pickup truck traveling northbound ran a red light and struck another vehicle and Diaz's police car.

Diaz was uninjured but there's a "99% chance" the police car was totaled because the frame was bent in the accident, Duer said.

He warned the Town Council to expect an upcoming expenditure to replace the police car, a 2014 Chevrolet Impala. But that's "why we have the capital improvement fund," he said.

DiMartino added that the driver who was at fault in the crash is insured, so the driver's insurance will help pay to replace the police car.

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Court Postings

Accomack County Circuit Court

By Nancy Drury Duncan

Frederick Marvin "Ricky" Barnes Jr., 34, of Exmore, entered pleas of not guilty at his arraignment in Accomack County Circuit Court to 12 charges, including first- and second-degree murder and attempted murder.

Barnes is charged with the July 3 murders of his mother, 75-year-old Brenda Barnes, and Dean Reid, 53, of Parksley, and the attempted murder of his sister Christina Green. Green lives at the Deep Creek home where the shootings occurred. All were gathered for a family and friends birthday cook-out. Barnes is also charged with several firearm charges, including carrying a concealed weapon while under the influence of alcohol.

Barnes stood next to his defense attorney Brandon Wilder as the clerk

read each of the 12 charges. Barnes replied "Not guilty" to each in a soft voice barely audible through his mask. He told Judge W. Revell Lewis III he wished to be tried by a jury. He is being held in jail with bail denied. The jury trial has been set for June 22-24, 2022.

Taylor Parks, 27, of Melfa, charged with possession of Eutylone, a Schedule I drug, opted to participate in the first offender program. She will be on probation for one year and must refrain from the use of alcohol, marijuana, and illegal drugs during that time. She must pay all court costs and complete 100 hours of community service. If she satisfactorily completes the program, her felony charge will be dismissed.

Kimberly Erin Carey, 31, of Greenbackville, will serve one year and eight months in jail for taking a credit card belonging to another and making \$4,694.26 in illegal charges and for

possession of cocaine and public intoxication. She was ordered to spend 10 additional days in jail days for failing to appear for an earlier court date.

On the witness stand she said she had a longstanding problem with drug addiction and wished to get out of jail and get a job so she could begin making restitution. She was ordered to be on supervised probation for three years and to be on good behavior for ten years. "Since 2008, you have had 49 charges," said Judge Lewis before her sentencing. She will receive credit for the six months she has been in jail since her arrest.

William Nicholas Scott, 39, of Tasley, was sentenced to six years on each of eight charges of forgery with five of those years suspended on each. The sentences are to run concurrently. He will spend one year in jail. Scott was living with and caring for his ill father when he forged his father's name to eight checks in September and October of 2020, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Baker. The total amount of money taken was \$1,655. His sister, who had their father's financial power of attorney, noticed something amiss and contacted police. Scott's father has since died.

Keshawn Terrell Kellam, 33, of New Church, was sentenced to three years with all but time served suspended for failing to register as a sex offender. He told the court it was the first time he missed registering in five years and that he did not realize he had to do it, though his address had changed. His two-year post-release supervision was suspended but he must wear an ankle monitor.

Accomack County Indictments

By Carol Vaughn

A grand jury meeting in Accomack Monday handed down a dozen indictments, including:

- Angela Marie Kellam, no age given, of Greenbush, attempt to obtain money by false pretense.
- Abraham Elon Gomez, 29, of Washington, D.C., forgery, giving false identification to a law enforcement officer.
- Rymarr Tyquan Rideout, 35, of Cambridge, Md., possession of methamphetamine, attempted second degree murder, abduction, malicious maiming, robbery.
- Ricky Lee Howard Jr., 35, of Chincoteague, possession of heroin.
- Sheena Jackson, 36, of Exmore, burglary.
- Ronnie Jerome Barnes, 65, of Chesapeake, making a false statement in an application to the DMV, obtaining a DMV document unlawfully.
- Antwine Jermaine Johnson, 32, of Painter, assault and battery of a household member, third or subsequent offense.
- Antonio Cux Saquic, 30, of Onley, possession of cocaine.
- Kenneth Howard McMillon, 28, of New Castle, Del., felony eluding a law enforcement officer.
- Wendy Dawn Taylor, 46, of Hallwood, possession of cocaine.
- Desmer Lamar Brown, 24, receiving a stolen firearm, receiving a stolen vehicle, credit card larceny.
- Benito Thomas Flores, 36, of Bloxom, grand larceny, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, possession of cocaine, larceny.

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Eastern Shore Sports



Nandua's Hunter Rippon prepares to take Noah Montalvo, senior from Nandua, locks up Northampton's J.T. Applegate setting him-down his opponent moments before winning his opponent from Green Run before taking self up for the pin during a hard fought match with a pin.

him down.

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Nandua Takes Top Spot in Season's First Wrestling Tournament

Story and Photos by Whitney Metz

Nandua High School hosted the first wrestling tournament of the 2021-22 season Saturday, Dec. 4. A host of teams attended the tournament including Northampton High School, Windsor, Green Run, Nansemond Riv-

er, and Norview.

The Warriors took first place as a team, with majority of their wrestlers placing in the top three. The first place finalists for Nandua were: Hunter Rippon in the 220-pound weight class, Trey Warren at 195, David Gastelum

at 182, Noah Montalvo at 152, Colin Ford at 145, and Joe Prendergast at 126. In second place was Odin Bolster at 170 and in third place were Tyler Green at 160 and Ben Stodghill at 138.

Northampton recorded a few second-place victories as well: J.T. Apple-

gate at 145, Tanner Feltes at 160, and Gibson Hubbard at 220.

The Warriors will compete again at Norfolk Academy Dec. 11, and the Yellow Jackets will travel to Franklin High school on Dec. 8 for their next match.



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Nandua Middle School cheerleading team poses for a group photo after winning the cheer competition. Submitted Photo.

Nandua Wins Middle School Cheerleading Competition

By Adolphus Ames

A middle school cheerleading competition was held at Arcadia High School last Thursday, Dec. 2. Cheer teams from Northampton Middle School, Nandua Middle School, and Chincoteague Middle School participated in the competition.

Each team had three minutes on the floor to perform its routines. Nandua finished in first place with a score of 136 points. Northampton finished second with 98 points, its best placement in over 10 years. Chincoteague came in third with 64 points.

Yellow Jackets Fall to Lancaster

By Adolphus Ames

The Northampton Yellow Jackets varsity boys basketball team played its first game of the season last Friday, Dec. 3. The team traveled to Lancaster, Va., to face the Red Devils. The Yellow Jackets lost 73-63.

The first half of the game was a close contest. The Yellow Jackets walked into the third quarter trailing the Red Devils by four points. In the third quarter, the Red Devils outscored the Yellow Jackets 23-7, placing the Jackets in a

51-36 hole. The Yellow Jackets showed signs of life in the fourth quarter. They outscored the Red Devils 27-16, but it wasn't enough to pull off the victory.

Quayshawn Washington had 21 points, two rebounds, and one assist. Ronyell Coston had 14 points, one rebound, and five assists. Ellajah Miller had 13 points, 10 rebounds, two assists, and one steal. Ronrico Bugg had 8 points, five rebounds, and two assists. Jaylen Anderson had 7 points, two rebounds, and two assists.

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Nandua Boys Fall to Salisbury in Overtime



By Adolphus Ames

The Nandua Warriors varsity boys basketball team opened its season at home last Thursday, Dec. 2. The Warriors battled the Salisbury Dragons in an intense game that came down to the wire. In the end, the Warriors came up short 60-63.

Early in the first quarter, the Warriors trailed the Dragons until Ny'Zir Dix hit a 3-pointer that tied the score at 8. Jeremiah Riley closed out the quarter with his second 3-pointer of the night, one that gave the Warriors a 16-15 lead.

The Warriors entered the second half with a 4-point lead and attempted to maintain their lead through defensive pressure. They stripped the ball from the Dragons multiple times and threw them off balance by disrupting their offensive schemes. Eventually, the Dragons regained their composure and the Warriors

Ny'Zir Dix passes the ball to a teammate. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Salisbury Tops Nandua Girls

By Whitney Metz

The Warriors varsity girls took the court for the first time in two seasons on Thursday night against The Salisbury School. Nandua recorded its first loss in a defensive battle with a final score of 33-18. Reghan Hintz dominated the game on both offense and defense, scoring 13 of Nandua's 18 points. The Lady Warriors play their next game Tuesday, Dec. 15, at Windsor High School.

entered the fourth quarter behind 40-37.

The fourth quarter was a back-and-forth contest. With two minutes left in regulation, the Dragons led 53-49. A 3-pointer by Dix and two clutch free throws by Riley tied the score at 54 and sent the game into overtime. In overtime, the Warriors were outscored 9-6.



Nandua's Reghan Hintz powers to the basket. Photo by Whitney Metz.

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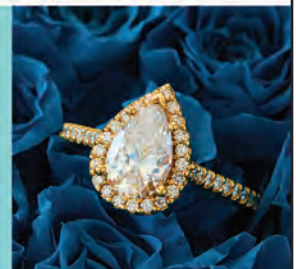
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Yellow Jackets Fall in Season Opener



By Adolphus Ames

Northampton varsity girls basketball season has returned. Last Friday, Dec. 3, the Yellow Jackets hosted the Lancaster Red Devils in front of an energetic home crowd. The Yellow Jackets lost 37-3.

In the first half, the Yellow Jackets fell behind 22-0. In the third quarter, Jayden Jenkins hit a 3-pointer to place the Yellow Jackets on the scoreboard. Jenkins' shot gave the team a burst of momentum and they began to slow down the Red Devil's offense with stronger defensive pressure. Throughout the rest of the game, the Yellow Jackets struggled to generate points offensively.

Left: Courtney Smaw dribbles the ball down the court during a fast break. Photo by Adolphus Ames.



Three Vikings Selected for All-Star Game

Three Broadwater Academy seniors were selected to represent the state of Virginia in the VISFL-NCISAA Senior All-Star Game. Pictured above from left are Bradyn Washington (1), Sawyer Johnson (44), and Garrett Miles (90), who were chosen to play in the Inaugural All-Star Game (Virginia vs. North Carolina) held Nov. 20 at Dinwiddie Sports Complex in Sutherland, Va. North Carolina won the game 36-22. Photo by Lee Johnson.

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Johannah Ashworth scans the paint for an open teammate. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Viking Girls Win First Game of Season

By Adolphus Ames

The Viking girls team hosted its first varsity basketball game of the season Monday, Dec. 6. The Vikings faced a hungry Nandua Warriors team looking to bounce back from a loss to the Salisbury Dragons. The Vikings won 45-23.

The Vikings jumped on the scoreboard first and dominated most of the first half with their fast-paced offense. At halftime they led 27-7. In the second half, the Warriors gained momentum and fought gallantly to keep themselves in the game. They slowed the Vikings down with suffocating defense, but couldn't generate enough offense to steal the victory.

Taylor Leland led the Vikings offense with 11 points and two steals. Molly Brown had 8 points, one rebound, and three steals. Faith John-

son had 8 points, two rebounds, one assist, and two steals. Suzanna Long had 6 points, six rebounds, and two steals. Leah Smith had 5 points, three rebounds, and one steal. Hayley Nalls had 4 points, two rebounds, and one steal. Elizabeth Price had 2 points, one rebound, and three steals. Johannah Ashworth had 1 point, two rebounds, and one steal.

Warriors head coach Lynn Williams saw several positives during the game. "We did not handle their press very well in the first half and allowed many easy baskets off of turnovers," he said. "But our energy was better in the second half and going man-to-man slowed them down."

Reghan Hintz led the Warriors offense with 9 points. Kallie Williams had 5 points. Imani Berryhill had 4 points. Brittany Dennis had 3 points. Bo Braxton and Keira Wheatley each had 2 points.

The Vikings played again on Thursday, Dec. 9. They traveled to Oak Hall to face the Arcadia Firebirds. Their next home game is Dec. 16 against Worcester Prep School at 4 p.m.

The Warriors played again on Wednesday, Dec. 8. They traveled to Chesapeake to face Great Bridge High School, where they lost, 73-6.

Their next home game is Saturday, Dec. 18, against Northumberland High School at 1:30 p.m.

Public Notice

FOOD & BEVERAGE TAX

Accomack County has imposed a food and beverage tax of 5%. This begins January 1, 2022. More information is on the County of Accomack website.



Jeremiah Riley hangs in midair while he shoots a fadeaway jump shot. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Vikings Grasp Win Over Warriors

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings varsity boys basketball team hosted their first home game of the season earlier this week. They faced the Nandua Warriors Monday, Dec. 6, in front of a packed crowd. Both teams were coming off close losses. The Vikings won 74-66.

The Vikings jumped to an early 17-11 lead. At the beginning of the second quarter, Jeremiah Riley intercepted Brayden Washington's inbound pass to briefly swing momentum back into the Warriors' favor. However, the Vikings refused to give up their lead and entered halftime on top 37-25.

Ny'Zir Dix and Riley continued to keep the team within striking distance throughout the rest of the game. They outscored the Vikings 41-37 in the second half, but it wasn't enough to steal the victory. The Vikings rallied behind Willie Holden's hot hand and Brayden Justice, who was unstoppable in the paint all night, to maintain their lead and win the matchup.

Holden led the Vikings offense with 24 points, three rebounds, and one steal. Justice had 17 points, six rebounds, and one assist. Levin Smith had 17 points, four rebounds, and one steal. Washington had 6 points, five rebounds, and five assists. Malik Battle had 5 points, one

rebound, and two steals. Kolby Evans had 3 points. Colvin Willis had 2 points.

Warriors' head coach Trelle Warner saw several positives during the game. "I loved our energy and effort in the fourth quarter," he said. "If we had played the first three quarters the same way I believe the outcome could have been different. As a team we have to become more disciplined on both ends of the court. It was a great test and learning experience early in the season."

Dix led the Warriors' offense with 24 points, six rebounds, and one assist. Riley had 19 points, four rebounds, six assists, and one steal. Kajoure Pettit had 11 points and one assist. Brandon Giddens had 3 points and six rebounds. Diesel Frisch had 3 points and five rebounds.

The Vikings will participate in the Nandsemond-Suffolk Academy Holiday Classic Tournament this weekend. They will face Nansemond-Suffolk on Dec. 10, at 8:30 p.m., and Hampton Roads Academy, 1:30 p.m., the following day. The Vikings next home game is Dec. 16 against Worcester Prep School at 5:30 p.m.

The Warriors next game is Monday, Dec. 13, against at Veritas Collegiate Academy. Their next home game is Saturday, Dec. 18. They will host Northumberland High School at 4:30 p.m.

ACCOMACK COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



WHO IS ELIGIBLE? Accomack Co. businesses operating with 20 or fewer employees that were in business prior to March 12, 2020 and that were adversely impacted by COVID-19.

WHAT HELP IS AVAILABLE? Funds are available for PPE and retooling expenses to reduce risk of COVID-19. Affected businesses may also be eligible for six months of rent or mortgage principal and interest payments.

HOW MUCH ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE? Small businesses within Accomack County are eligible to receive a maximum of \$15,000 each in total assistance.

IS THERE A DEADLINE TO APPLY? YES.

Applications must be submitted by December 31, 2021.

WHAT ARE ELIGIBLE EXPENSES?

- Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) and Retooling expenses to minimize COVID-19 impact.
- Retooling and technology expenses will be reimbursed once the business submits documentation of expenditures via invoices and proof of payment.
- Rent or Mortgage Principal and Interest Payments (post March 12, 2020):
 - I. For rent reimbursement, the applicant must supply an up-to-date written lease agreement in its entirety including signatures from both parties and proof of payment.
 - II. For mortgage reimbursement, the applicant must supply a current mortgage statement and proof of payment. Principal and interest are the only eligible expenses. Taxes and insurance and other items are not allowed.

Note: Rescue squads, fire departments and/or entities that perform purposes of government, are eligible for assistance if they are designated 501 (c) (3) organizations.

HOW TO APPLY: A fillable online application is available on the NEWS & EVENTS page of the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission website (A-NPDC.org). Or stop by to pick up an application at the A-NPDC offices at 23372 Front Street in Accomac (next to the Post Office). PH: 757-787-2800

Print & Submit or email application to:

Hugh Hennessy, A-NPDC
23372 Front St, Accomac, VA 23301
Email: hhennessy@a-npdc.org

OBITUARIES

Eric G. Ames Jr.

Mr. Eric G. Ames Jr., of Nacogdoches, Texas, formerly of the Shore, departed this life Sunday, Nov. 28, 2021, in Greenbush.

Born in Nassawadox, Eric was the beloved son of Eric G. Ames Sr. and Sonya D. Reid. He was affectionately known as "EZ" by his family and friends. He was currently employed at his family business, Waffles with a Twist, in Texas.

Private funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with Min. Darry Ames Sr. officiating. Interment was in the Wharton Cemetery, Parksley.

Eric leaves to cherish his loving memories, his mother, Sonya Reid;



Mr. Ames

father, Eric Ames Sr.; daughter, Emani Ames; son, Jakhylan Blakeley; sisters, Erica Ames and Heather Ayres; brothers, Terrence Reid, Jordan Ames, and Hakeem "TJ" Johnson; three nephews; one niece; five aunts; five uncles; maternal grandmother, Rose Savage; maternal grandfather, Warner Byrd; paternal grandmother, "Sweetie Pie"; special friend, Jamar "J Dunk" Duncan; and a host of cousins and friends.

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

Joanna Biddle Barton

Mrs. Joanna Biddle Barton died Dec. 2, 2021. She had been a resident of Belle Haven for over 30 years.

She was born in Stamford, Conn., in 1925, the daughter of Harry Mead and Joanna Eckert Mead. She grew up in Arizona and California and moved to Mexico with her family in 1941. After graduation from the American High School, she worked at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City for four years. Upon returning to the U.S., she worked for the U.S. Department of State in Wash-

ington, D.C. She married Richard Wyndham Barton, an attorney for the District of Columbia government, in 1953 in Alexandria, Va. After leaving the Department of State, she worked at the Smithsonian Institution, first at the Renwick Gallery and later at the Air and Space Museum.

After she and her husband retired, they moved to Belle Haven, having become greatly attached to the Eastern Shore from their frequent trips to visit the area. She and her husband were both active members of the congregation of St. George's Episcopal Church for many years. Richard Barton died in 2001. Her elder son, Charles Edward Stuart Barton, died in 1971. Her surviving children are Joanna Maria Barton and Ian Locheil Barton.

Her children wish to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the workers at Riverside Hospice for their care and kindness during her final months as well as to those at Commonwealth Senior Living, where she spent her last few weeks.

Arrangements are by Fox Funeral Home, Temperanceville.



Mrs. Barton

Jacqueline Ellen Bennett

Mrs. Jacqueline Ellen "Jackie" Bennett, 65, beautiful bride of Colie Robert Bennett III, passed away Sunday, Dec. 5, 2021, at her home on Chincoteague Island. Born May 23, 1956, in Baltimore, she was the daughter of the late John Wallace Grammer and the late Isabelle Watt Grammer.

Jackie grew up on Jones Creek in Baltimore County, Md., and spent many family vacations visiting their property at Virginia Landing in Quinby. As a skilled phlebotomist, Jackie was among the best in her field, working many years at Central Labs in Timonium, Md., as well as for numerous nursing homes from Pennsylvania to North Carolina. In 1992, while visiting the Eastern Shore, she found what many never experience ... love at first sight. From that day forward, she and Colie were inseparable, and Jackie wouldn't have had it any other way. The wife of a trucker, she was always at his side and looked forward to their next adventure no matter where it led them. Jackie was the kind of person who was content in any situation, instantly making all around her feel at ease. She especially adored children, having been named "Ocean Nana" by the many kids who visited the campground over the years. Jackie often told folks how much she loved her life, and it was evident in all the joy and kindness she shared with those fortunate enough to have known her.

In addition to the love of her life and best friend of 30 years, Colie, she is survived by her son, James Milton "Jamie" Schultz Jr., of Chincoteague; sister, April Grammer, of Baltimore; brother, Montgomery Grammer (Kathy), of Baltimore; grandchildren, Hannah Marie Bennett and Carlee Renee Bennett; sisters-in-law, Tina Wessells and her husband, Robert, and Lori Shreaves and her husband, Bryan; brother-in-law, David Bennett, and his wife, Tam-



Mrs. Bennett



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my; furbabies, Cleo and Scardy Kat; and several nieces and nephews. Other than her parents, Jackie was predeceased by her sons, Jason Montgomery Schultz and Colie Robert "C.R." Bennett IV; sister, Vicki Grammer; and nephew, Blaine DeBarbora.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, at 1 p.m., at Modest Town Baptist Church, with the Rev. John Cullop officiating.

Contributions in Jackie's memory may be made to the National Kidney Association, 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016 (www.kidney.org/support).

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Peggy B. Brown

Mrs. Peggy B. Brown, 83, passed away Nov. 15, 2021, with her family by her side in Fredericksburg, Va., at peace and reunited in death with her beloved husband, Conrad I. Brown.

Peggy was born in Cape Charles to Edna and Walter Bowen. She always said Cape Charles was a great place to grow up.

A woman who loved everything about learning and traveling, Peggy overcame a deep fear of flying to travel to Europe and see the world. She loved her garden and her cats, and



Mrs. Brown

was always cooking and entertaining friends and family. Classical music filled her home, astrology kept her eyes on the stars, and she couldn't wait for Christmas every year.

Peggy was predeceased by her parents and husband. She is survived by her brother, Aaron Lee Bowen (Sandy); her daughters, Denise Golinowski (Joe) and Deanna Shenn; grandson, Carl P. Brown Jr. (Erin); great-grandchildren, Lucas, Alanna, and Nikolas; and great-great-grandchild, Cayden; as well as nieces and nephews.

The family will have a private celebration of Peggy's life and memorial donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association or Cat Alliance of Central Virginia.

Thomas Kenneth Bush

Mr. Thomas Kenneth Bush, 93, died Nov. 29, 2021, peacefully in his sleep after a long illness.

He was born in 1928 in Pomonkey, Md., to George and Agnes Bush. He was a dedicated member of St. Andrew Catholic Church and enjoyed his woodworking activities.

He is survived by his significant other, Pauline Mathews, and by his three children, Michael Bush, Michele Bush Carson, and David Bush Wells; five grandchildren; three loving siblings, Elvie Bush, Wilmer Bush, and Joyce Brown; and other loving relatives and friends.

A memorial service will be held Jan. 15, 2022, at 11 a.m., at St. Andrew Catholic Church on Chincoteague Island.

Norris Gray Colona

Mr. Norris Gray Colona, of Federalsburg, Md., passed away Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, at his home surrounded by his family. He was 89.

He was born Oct. 11, 1932, in Hope-ton, the son of the late Herbert Lilliston Colona and the late Margaret Betty Gray Colona.

He served in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged. He returned home and married Betty Jo Matthews Colona on Aug. 10, 1956.

He worked as an exterminator for most of his life for Hygenic Extermination Company and later retired from Terminix after 20 years of faithful service.

In his free time, he enjoyed everything outdoors. He loved to grow a garden and share his harvest with his family and friends. He also loved flowers, mowing the grass until dusk, and was a big believer in Gorilla Glue to fix anything. He attended Park Lane Church of God in Federalsburg and loved to spend time with his wife, family, and friends.



Mr. Bush



Mr. Colona

He is survived by his wife, Betty Jo Colona, of Federalsburg; a son, Norris Keith Colona, and his wife, Deena, of Federalsburg; two grandsons, Chris Smullen and his wife, Debra, of Seaford, Del., and Nicholas Colona; two great-grandchildren, Adrianah Smullen and Brantley Ray; a sister, Regina Taylor, of Easton, Md.; and two cousins, Annabelle Ross, of Assawoman, and Louis Justis, of Parksley.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Angela Starr Widdowson.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 9, 2021, at 1 p.m., at Park Lane Church of God in Federalsburg with the Bishop Ray Parsons officiating. The family received friends from noon to 1 p.m.

A graveside service will be held Friday, Dec. 10, 2021, at 1 p.m., at Liberty Cemetery in Parksley.

Contributions may be made in his memory to the Framptom Funeral Home, 216 North Main St., Federalsburg, MD 21632.

Share memories with the family at www.framptom.com

Debbie Lynn Crowson

Mrs. Debbie Lynn Crowson was born Dec. 23, 1947, in Nassawadox, and entered into eternal rest Nov. 23, 2021; peacefully slipping away just 10 days after her beloved mother. Debbie was the daughter of Pastor Blanche Alverta Dix and Delmas Beckett, and she was the bonus daughter of Deacon Wilbert Dix.

Although her health was challenged for the last several years, she maintained her personality and would greet you with a smile and an "I love you."

Debbie received her education in the public schools of Accomack County and graduated from Mary N. Smith. She also attended Norfolk State College. She was employed as an educational assistant in Accomack County before joining Roses Department Store as inventory manager. She joined them at the opening of their first Eastern Shore store and continued to work for



Mrs. Crowson

over 30 years until her health prevented her from continuing.

She married the love of her life, William Richard Crowson, and was saddened by his early death.

Debbie accepted Christ at an early age. She joined Mt. Zion Holy Church and served faithfully under Bishop Helen O. Gillis and her mother and pastor, Elder Blanche Dix. Debbie was instrumental in the implementation of the Church Anniversary and Pastoral Anniversary. Whenever Pastor Dix had to minister and or participate in a service, Debbie was there. Even in the midst of her health challenges, she continued to praise and worship God. Through it all, she trusted God and held on to His unchanging hand.

Debbie was a lady of many gifts, talents, and interests. Her style was vivid, elegant, and lavish. She enjoyed traveling, spending time with family and friends, and watching and participating in drag races. She loved race cars and was even known to issue a challenge to a race. Debbie was a devoted daughter, cousin, and friend and will be missed.

Debbie leaves cherished memories with her father, Delmas Beckett (Cleo), of St. Albans, N.Y.; one aunt, Margaret Poole, of Salisbury, Md.; two brothers, George Ames (Linda), of Onancock, and Michael Beckett (Mary), of Westbury, N.Y.; one sister, Carole Beckett-Washington (Dwight), of Willow Grove, Pa.; devoted cousins, Wayne (Alphine), Kelvin (Carolyn), and Chester Pettit III (Eileen), all of Parksley, Rodney Pettit (Rhonda), of Leesburg, Ga., Colette Pettit Douglas, of Onancock, Sharon Grant (Frederick), of Snow Hill, Md., Thalia White (Lee), of Lawrenceville, Ga., and Robin Pettit, of Kissimmee, Fla.; god sister, Marilyn Williams, of Fairview; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

In addition to her mother, bonus father, and husband, she was preceded in death by one aunt, Luellen Pettit; grandparents, Chauncey and Maggie Fletcher; and special cousins, Robert Pettit, Robert Leander "Lee" Pettit, Breon Fitzhugh, and Steven Pettit.



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OBITUARIES

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Blanche Alverta Dix

Pastor Blanche Alverta Dix was born Oct. 17, 1930, in Accomac, a daughter to the late Chauncey and Maggie Fletcher and departed this earthly life Nov. 12, 2021. Early that morning, God called to His servant and she answered; peacefully slipping away to rest eternal.

Blanche was educated in the public schools of Accomack County and graduated from Mary N. Smith High School. She continued her education at Nasawadox Nursing School and completed studies to become a licensed practical nurse. She worked as a nurse for 32 years until her retirement from Shore Memorial



Pastor Dix

Hospital.

In 1969 she married the love of her life, Deacon Wilbert Dix, and remained a devoted wife for 46 years until his death in 2015.

Blanche is the mother of one daughter, Debbie Crowson, with whom she shared a deep and abiding bond.

Pastor Dix accepted Christ in 1949 and her testimony was that she never turned back. As a senior in high school she listed reading as her hobby and becoming a missionary as her ambition. From then until her last days, she continued to profess Christ, serve God, and work in His vineyard.

A career in nursing coupled with a loving spirit led her devotion to caregiving. She was named Nurse of the Year in 1979. Pastor Dix was a devoted caregiver to her husband during his illness and to her daughter, Debbie. She worked with determination to provide the best possible care for both of them – doing all within her ability and beyond. She never forgot she was an excellent nurse and continued to monitor with great care all that was being done.

Pastor Dix leaves cherished memories

with one daughter, Debbie Crowson, of Accomac, who passed away 10 days after Pastor Dix; one sister, Margaret Poole, of Salisbury, Md.; one sister-in-law, Emily Dix, of Chesapeake; four nephews; Wayne (Alphine), Kelvin (Carolyn), Chester Pettit III (Eileen), all of Parksley, and Rodney Pettit (Rhonda), of Leesburg, Ga.; four nieces, Colette Pettit Douglas, of Onancock, Sharone Grant (Frederick), of Snow Hill, Md., Thalia White (Lee), of Lawrenceville, Ga., and Robin Pettit, of Kissimmee, Fla.; one goddaughter, Marilyn Williams, of Fairview; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one sister, Luellen Pettit; two nephews, Robert Pettit and Robert Leander Pettit; two great-nephews, Breon Fitzhugh and Steven Pettit; and one godson, Mark Anthony Wynder.

Larry L. Handy Sr.

Mr. Larry L. Handy Sr., of Bloxom, departed this life Monday, Nov. 22, 2021, at his residence.

Born in Accomack County, Larry was the beloved son of John H. and Ann Handy Ayres. He was affectionately known as “Big Larry” or “Earthworm” by his family and friends. Larry was a hardworking man who worked countless jobs to provide for his family until he retired from Tyson Foods in 2012.

Private funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. Tamela P. Wise officiating. Interment was in the Macedonia Baptist Church Cemetery, Bloxom.

Larry leaves to cherish his loving memories, his wife, Shirley Toppin; three sons, Larry Handy Jr., Xavier Toppin, and Zacchues Toppin; seven grandchildren; six sisters, Thelma Holden, Vana Dennis, Bonnie Hinmon, Sandra Bailey, Mae Davis, and Shirley Lilliston; two brothers, Henry Handy and Donnie Ayres; two sisters-in-law; two brothers-in-law; best friend, Randy Clayton; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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



Mr. Handy

Barbara Jean Holland

A memorial service to celebrate the life of **Mrs. Barbara Jean Holland**, of New Church, will be held Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, at 11 a.m., at the Beaver Dam Christian Church, 345 Makemie Road, Pocomoke City, Md.



Mrs. Holland

Her full obituary is available at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com, where memory tributes may be shared with the family as well.

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Susan Louise Johnson

Mrs. Susan “Sue” Louise Johnson (née Greene), 67, fell asleep in death Monday, Nov. 29, 2021, in Greenbackville. She is survived by her loving husband, Fred Johnson; brother, Robert Greene; children, Eric Emmerling Jr. (Carlina), Melinda Hair (Jarret), and Joshua Emmerling (Sasha); stepgranddaughter, Lorelei Nunke; and many cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Sue was born in Pompton Plains, N.J., and raised her three children in Sparta, N.J., with her then-husband, Eric Emmerling Sr. In 1999, she met Fred, with whom she shared a love of 22 years. They were married in 2000, and moved to Virginia in 2007. For the past seven years, Sue ran a quaint shop on Chincoteague Island – Blue Crab Treasures – that featured local artists and fun souvenirs. Sue was a loving, spiritual person, who was actively involved in the community, and her presence will be missed by all.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, Dec. 12, at 2 p.m., at the Lynnhaven Baptist Church, located at 1200 Lynn Haven Drive, Pocomoke City, Md., with the Rev. Laurie Zimmerman officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the



Mrs. Johnson



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Services are entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc., on Chincoteague Island, and condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Mary T. Meehan

Mrs. Mary T. Meehan, 93, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family Friday, Dec. 3, 2021.

She was born in Bronx, N.Y., Nov. 1, 1928, a daughter to the late Margaret and Francis O'Loughlin. Mary attended St. Benedict's Parochial and also graduated from Cathedral High in New York City. After marrying, she raised a family of



Mrs. Meehan

10 children, eventually settling in Lake Carmel, N.Y. As the children grew older, she went back into the workforce, eventually retiring from her position as a data entry operator for the County of Putnam. Upon retirement, she moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where she was genuinely and warmly welcomed into St. Andrews Parish. She had always been active in her New York parishes and continued the tradition in her new church community, serving at one time as president of Three C's Club. Mary was the proud manager of The Just Us Singers, helping to coordinate visits to area nursing homes where she performed with the group, bringing entertainment to the residents and brightening their days.

As a former New Yorker, Mary was a lifelong fan of her favorite team, the Yankees. Her father instilled the love of his favorite team in his little girl at an early age, spending many wonderful afternoons with her at the ballpark. Following her team on TV was a favorite pastime right up to the last weeks of her life.

She is survived by her beloved brother, Francis O'Loughlin; her children, Thomas, Kathleen, Robert, Mary Therese, Anne Louise, Patrick, Margaret, and Joan; as well as numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents; brother, Donald; sister, Margaret; much-loved sons,

Daniel and Richard; and an infant grandchild, Laura.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at St. Andrew's Church Saturday, Dec. 11, at 11 a.m., with reception to follow in the parish hall.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, any who wish to may make a donation in her name to the charity of their choice, and wishes to express profound gratitude to the caregivers from Intrepid HomeCare, Dr. Mary Fleury, and the I.C.U. team at Atlantic Hospital for their dedication and excellent care.

Services are entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc., on Chincoteague Island, where condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Margie Windsor Phillips

Mrs. Margie Windsor Phillips, 93, wife of the late Harrison Warren Phillips Sr., passed away peacefully at her home in Parksley, Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2021. Born Oct. 4, 1928, in Onancock, she was the daughter of the late Charles Hugh Windsor Jr. and the late Carrie Lee Nottingham Windsor.

As the matriarch of the Phillips family and a beloved icon in the town of Parksley, Margie led by example through her endless devotion to loved ones, her invaluable contribution to the family businesses and her community, and her resolute faith in the Lord. Margie graduated from Onancock High School, class of 1946. Shortly thereafter, she married the love of her life, Harrison Warren Phillips. Over the next decade, they welcomed the births of their four children, and in September of 1956, the inception of Jaxon's Department Store, now Jaxon's Inc. Throughout the years, their family continued to grow, along with the business. Margie loved spoiling her grandbabies and great-grandbabies and anxiously awaited the next ballgame as much as she looked forward to spending countless hours making sure the store ran smoothly and lived up to their motto: "If Jaxon's doesn't have it, you don't need it." As busy as she was,



Mrs. Phillips

Margie rarely missed a Sunday service at Grace United Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday school for 25 years and was a member of the United Methodist Women. Though Margie never really retired, she and Harrison enjoyed traveling when he could talk her into it, which often involved a trip to Lancaster, Pa.

Margie proudly and confidently leaves to continue her life's work and honor her legacy, her children, Betty Phillips Hart, of Parksley, Jane H. Phillips, of Manakin Sabot, Va., Janice Phillips Hart and her husband, Michael, of Parksley, and Harrison "Warren" Phillips Jr., of Parksley; grandchildren, Ginger Hart Villanueva, Eric Hart (April), Devon Hickman (Justin), Harrison Warren Phillips III (Shannon), Paul "Trae" Revelle (Mandi), and Allison Leigh Hart; great-grandchildren, Addison, Spencer, Tyler, Lindsey, Cassidy, Harper, Hayven, Ramsey, and Gavin; nephew, Albert LeCato Jr.; Judy Upchurch, who was like a daughter; and her caregiver and dear friend, Rosemary Hill, whose care and com-

passion was a true blessing. She also leaves behind her precious "granddogs," Heidi, Josie, Harleigh, and Major. In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by her grandson, Christopher Kerr Hart, and sister, Beulah Belle LeCato, and her husband, Albert LeCato, as well as their sons, Jerry, Charles, and Johnny LeCato.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Monday, Dec. 6, 2021, at 1 p.m., with the Rev. Wayne Asbury officiating. Interment was held in the Fairview Lawn Cemetery.

Contributions in Margie's memory may be made to the Eastern Shore Public Library Foundation, P.O. Box 554, Accomac, VA 23301 (www.esplfoundation.org/donate), Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 14, Parksley, VA 23421 (www.parksleyvfc.org), or to Grace UMC, P.O. Box 156, Parksley, VA 23421.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

SECTION 8 WAITING LISTS OPENING IN JANUARY 2022

The Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority (A-NRHA) will open the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program Waiting List **Monday, January 3, 2022 through Friday, January 7, 2022.**

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. 100 to have an application mailed.

The Section 8 office will be open Monday January 3, 2022 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesday January 4, 2022 through Friday January 7, 2022 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm 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, January 7, 2022. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.



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CHRISTMAS ON THE SHORE: SAXIS CRAB POT TREE LIGHTING



Children gather for a photo in front of the Saxis lighted crab pot Christmas tree.

Right: This year saw the introduction of the first in a series of commemorative Christmas ornaments. This year's etched glass ornament features "Merry Christmas 2021 Saxis Island" on the front and an egret on the back. Anyone interested in purchasing an ornament can contact Katie Morrison at 757-894-5361 or Donna Crushore at 610-283-5769.



Story and Photos by Connie Morrison

Saxis kicked off the Christmas season Dec. 5 with an afternoon of crafts, caroling, and cocoa inside the Saxis Volunteer Fire Co. and a hayride around the island. Santa visited

in the afternoon.

The event began at 3 p.m., culminating with the tree lighting.

Attendees were invited to grab an ornament and hang it on the tree. This year marked the event's sixth year.

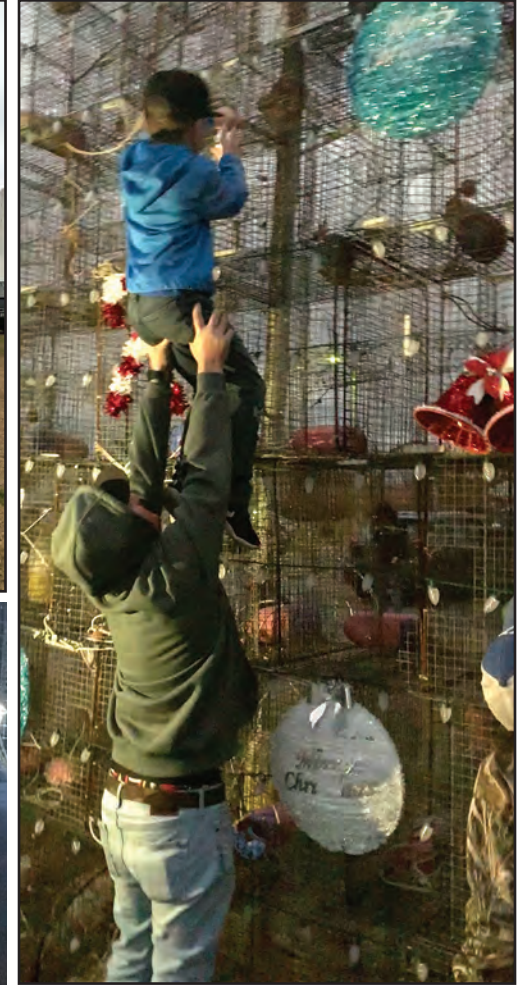


Top: A large switch painted like a candy cane awaits this year's honorary tree lighters.

Above: From left, Stefanie, Chloe, and Cory chance pose in the glow of the lighted tree.

Right top: Both children and adults were encouraged to hang ornaments on the tree.

Right: Dorothy Chelton and Minnie Yoder smile after throwing the switch to light the tree.



CHRISTMAS ON THE SHORE: PARKSLEY OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS



Passengers enjoy a hayride through town.

Parksley Old-Fashioned Christmas photos by Stefanie Jackson unless otherwise noted.



Santa greets children in Parksley's historic train station. Photo by Frank Russell.



Allison Perez-Perez (left) and Angie Perez-Perez enjoy hot cocoa in the dining car.



Left: Guests at Parksley's Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration toast marshmallows for s'mores over an open fire.

Right: Dawn Bloodsworth helps kids at the craft table as they make Christmas tree decorations.



Above: Parksley's Christmas tree is the centerpiece of its holiday decor.



Left: People gather in front of the train station to toast marshmallows or wait in line to meet Santa Claus.

Right: Parksley Mayor Frank Russell and Councilwoman Janice Welch pause for a photo under the pavilion.



CHRISTMAS ON THE SHORE: CHINCOTEAGUE OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS PARADE



Riders on the Neversink Bay Meadows Farm float greet the crowd. The float won second place in the commercial division.



The Museum of Chincoteague Island gnomes wave to the crowd from their float.

Chincoteague Celebrates Old-Fashioned Christmas

Story and Photos by Carol Vaughn

The 41st annual Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 4, had the theme, "A Season of Thankfulness."

Mistress of ceremonies Rebecca Hudson, of NASA Wallops Flight Facility, kept the crowd's holiday spirit going as the 66-entry parade wended its way down Main Street — Hudson even led the crowd in a sing-along during a pause in the parade.

Judges were Pastor Jon Woodburn, of Christ United Methodist Church; Rose Moot, of Pico Taqueria; and Lee Chisholm, of Taylor Bank.

Winning parade entries are on Page 25.



Aiden Woods, 7, of Parksley, gives Santa Claus a big hug as Chincoteague Carnival Queen Holly Jane Tull looks on.



A New Church Volunteer Fire Company truck passes by the judges' stand. The company won the Best Company Overall award.



Dancers from All About Dance Academy perform during the 41st Annual Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade.



The Northern Virginia Firefighters Pipes and Drums Band performs.



Equestrian Maureen Freeman rides her festively decorated horse.



Members of Scout Troop 323 greet the crowd. The troop received the Best in Show award.



Santa Claus arrives on a Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department truck at the end of the 41st Annual Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 4.

Chincoteague Announces Parade Winners

Winning entries in Chincoteague's Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade were:

Commercial

- First Place – Lowes of Pocomoke
- Second Place – Neversink Bay Meadows Farm

Non-Commercial

- First Place – Museum of Chincoteague Island
- Second Place – Union Baptist Church

Junior Marching Unit

- First Place – All About Dance Academy
- Second Place – Chincoteague Island Boy Scout Troop 323

Marching Bands

- First Place – Northern Virginia Firefighters Pipes and Drums Band
- Second Place – Northampton Marching Band

Decorated Boat

- First Place – Seaside Vacations
- Second Place – USCG Aids to Navigation

Equestrian

- First Place – Chincoteague Pony Drill Team
- Second Place – Maureen Freeman

Miscellaneous

- First Place – Lil Mane Street Farm
- Second Place – Classic Cruisers

Judges' Award – Best in Show

(Best represented "A Season of Thankfulness" theme)

- Chincoteague Island Boy Scout Troop 323

FIRE COMPANY AWARDS

Most Firefighters in Line

- First Place – Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company
- Second Place – New Church Fire & Rescue

Most Equipment

- Atlantic Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Oldest Equipment (Motorized)

- Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department

Oldest Equipment (Nonmotorized)

- Atlantic Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Longest Distance Traveled

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Best Company Overall

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CHRISTMAS ON THE SHORE: CAPE CHARLES LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE



A mild night attracted throngs to the Lighted Golf Cart Parade in Cape Charles Saturday, as the town ramped up its busy schedule of Christmas celebrations.

The event was combined with the Grand Illumination and boat parade.

Left: Grandparents John Burdiss, center, and Cela Burge, right, of Cape Charles, ride with grandchildren William Green, left, and Maria Quinn, center. **Right:** Members of the Cape Charles Town Council and friends turn out to judge the parade. From left is councilman Andy Buchholz and his wife, Hattie; L.D. Davis, of Cape Charles; and councilwoman Tammy Holloway.



Jane and Lloyd Wenzl, left in front row, ride with grandchildren Riley, Reese, and Avery Carroll, from left in second row.



Three generations of Cape Charles' McKinney family participated. From left in front are Olivia and Tessa Saunders, ages 4 and 3, of Richmond. In second row are Gary McKinney, Luke Saunders, Ward Saunders, Sarah Saunders, and Sheila McKinney.



Left: Counting down to the Grand Illumination are, from left, Santa; Police Chief Jim Pruitt; Mayor Smitty Dize; and Senior Chief Adam Witt, officer in charge at Coast Guard Station Cape Charles.

Right: A mobile Christmas tree rode through town with the Severs family. From left are Caleb, John, Annabelle, Sarah, Tiffany, Charlotte, and Chris, of Augusta County, Va.





Above left: Perennial favorites, The Mermaids, bring gleams to the eyes of young girls and smiles to adults. From left are Maureen Welch, of Eastville; Semra Williams, of Chester, Va.; Alison Guinn, of Richmond, Va.; Carol Papillo, of Cape Charles; Krissy Thornbrugh, of Chester; and Lauren Purnell, of Richmond.

Above right: Presents piled high decorate a cart by Blue Heron Realty. From left are Gerry Forbes, of Machipongo; Bartlett Cree, of Cape Charles; Heather Brady, of Machipongo; Montaigne Cree, of Machipongo; Suzanne Conway, of Cape Charles; and Summer Walton, of Cape Charles. The cart won honorable mention.



An inflated Scooby-Doo rides atop the second-place winning Mystery Machine.



A two-cart float with reindeer and elves carried Santa and the Gallagher and Arbuckle families through Cape Charles. From left seated in front are elf Jack Arbuckle and Peyton Gallagher, playing Santa. Standing from left are elf and physician Tom Gallagher, Reilly Gallagher, Bug Gallagher, friends Pat Jacobsen and Steve Bunce, and Allison Arbuckle.

Photos on Pages 26 and 27 by Jim Ritch.

CHRISTMAS ON THE SHORE: WACHAPREAGUE TREE LIGHTING WITH SANTA



Friends and neighbors gather at the Seaside Park pavilion in Wachapreague.



Festive lights span Main Street in Wachapreague.



Britton Parks, 4, son of Hollis and Terry Parks, of Wachapreague, is focused on his candy cane, a gift from Santa Claus.



Santa "Paws" snuggles with one of two dogs that came to visit him at the Seaside Park pavilion.



Above: JoAnn (left photo) and John Eschleman (right photo) take turns telling Santa their Christmas wishes.



CHRISTMAS ON THE SHORE: CHERITON CHRISTMAS PARADE



Cheriton's Christmas light tree illuminates for the first time this holiday season.



A member of the Peninsula Tractor Organization, which won a first-place award for its parade decorations, waves to onlookers.



Santa helps lead everyone gathered in Cheriton Town Park in singing "Jingle Bells."



A Cheriton firetruck decorated with a Christmas wreath rolls down the streets with lights flashing. Photo by Stefanie Jackson.

Photos by Stefanie Jackson.



Northampton Marching Band drummers march along Sunnyside Road.



Grand Marshal Lawrence West, who served with the Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company for more than 70 years and on the Cheriton Town Council for 20 years, greets the crowd.



U.S. Coast Guard members present the color guard.



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	Chinco. Channel	H 1:06 p.m. L 6:55 a.m.	H 2:07 p.m. L 8:00 a.m.	H 3:07 p.m. L 9:05 a.m.	H 4:02 p.m. L 10:09 a.m.	H 4:50 p.m. L 11:08 a.m.	H 5:33 p.m. L 12:00 p.m.	H 6:03 a.m. L 12:44 p.m.
	Gargatha Neck	H 1:58 p.m. L 7:35 a.m.	H 2:59 p.m. L 8:40 a.m.	H 3:59 p.m. L 9:45 a.m.	H 4:54 p.m. L 10:49 a.m.	H 5:42 p.m. L 11:48 a.m.	H 6:15 a.m. L 12:40 p.m.	H 6:55 a.m. L 1:24 p.m.
	Folly Creek	H 1:51 p.m. L 7:20 a.m.	H 2:52 p.m. L 8:25 a.m.	H 3:52 p.m. L 9:30 a.m.	H 4:47 p.m. L 10:34 a.m.	H 5:35 p.m. L 11:33 a.m.	H 6:08 a.m. L 12:25 p.m.	H 6:48 a.m. L 1:09 p.m.
	Wachapreague	H 1:37 p.m. L 7:04 a.m.	H 2:38 p.m. L 8:09 a.m.	H 3:38 p.m. L 9:14 a.m.	H 4:33 p.m. L 10:18 a.m.	H 5:21 p.m. L 11:17 a.m.	H 5:54 a.m. L 12:09 p.m.	H 6:34 a.m. L 12:53 p.m.
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	Machipongo	H 1:32 p.m. L 7:04 a.m.	H 2:33 p.m. L 8:09 a.m.	H 3:33 p.m. L 9:14 a.m.	H 4:28 p.m. L 10:18 a.m.	H 5:16 p.m. L 11:17 a.m.	H 5:59 p.m. L 12:09 p.m.	H 6:29 a.m. L 12:53 p.m.
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	Muddy Creek	H 5:53 p.m. L 11:52 a.m.	H 6:18 a.m. L 1:02 p.m.	H 7:24 a.m. L 2:10 p.m.	H 8:22 a.m. L 3:11 p.m.	H 9:13 a.m. L 4:05 p.m.	H 9:57 a.m. L 4:52 p.m.	H 10:37 a.m. L 5:34 p.m.
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Random Facts About ... Nativity Scenes and Christmas Ornaments

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes for cleaning this week, so many strange Nativity scenes and Christmas ornaments were revealed that we couldn't figure out if we should be offended or impressed by the creativity of it all.

The standard Nativity scene depicting the birth of Christ traditionally contains a stable in which Mary and Joseph are looking into a straw-filled manger where the baby Jesus lies. An-

cillary figures include shepherds, the Magi (three wise men), an angel or two, a donkey, and maybe a few other animals such as a sheep or cow.

Some historians argue that the stable setting is wrong to start with because of a mistranslation from the Greek. Joseph and Mary probably would have stayed with Joseph's extended family in Bethlehem. The Greek word that has been translated as "inn" really means "guest room." Christ's birthplace was likely the

ground floor of a peasant's house where animals were brought in at night, so having animals in the traditional Nativity scene is probably accurate.

But zombies? A Cincinnati couple built a zombie-themed Nativity scene, complete with undead Magi. Neighbors were upset, the couple was fined, and the ghoulish scene was not recreated after a four-year run ending in 2017. But for 35 bucks you can buy a zombie Nativity scene from Nerdtalk toys.

Other Nativity scenes are not nearly as gruesome but still strange. There are Nativity scenes in which dogs, cats, bears, mice, and rubber duckies are depicted as all the various figures. You can buy a hipster Nativity scene in which Mary and Joseph in modern clothing are taking selfies with baby Jesus while the Magi arrive, on Segways, carrying Amazon packages. Someone posted a picture of a Nativity scene made out of Spam and also one made of chocolate. There's a mermaid-merman Nativity scene.

And speaking of mermen, you can get one as a Christmas tree ornament (bare chested and wearing either a construction or firefighter hat). Also available are Christmas tree ornaments as a bratwurst, a unicorn wearing lederhosen, a Santaur (half Santa, half horse), Freddy Krueger, a pig in a grass skirt, a naked Santa (beard thankfully covering the explicit parts), Santa as Sasquatch, and of course a zombie Santa Claus.

This year we're not wishing for a white Christmas — we're hoping for one that is free of zombies.



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Last Week's Contest:

We asked you to count all instances of "Eastern Shore Post" that were in last week's edition. Fifty of you gave it a shot. Remind us not to do this contest again. There was too much confusion about what counted as the name of the paper and what didn't. Our total, counting the name in emails and websites, was 71. Two instances of Eastern Shore Post were found on pages 9, 17, 18, 20, and 29. Multiple instances of Eastern Shore Post were found on the following pages: Page 14 (3); Page 16 (3); Page 25 (7); Page 35 (3); Page 38 (4); Page 40 (4); Page 43 (5). The rest of the pages had single instances of our name: pages 1-8, 10-13, 15, 19, 21-24, 26-28, 30-34, 36-37, 39, 41-42, and 44. Because of possible confusion over which names counted, we qualified those readers who found 71 and those who found within one of 71. There were 20 of you. Here are the 18 runners-up: Tessa Hawley, Exmore; Richard Marshall, Atlantic; Diane Smith, Onancock, and Theresa Lattimore, Bloxom; Cheryl Wengerd, Crisfield, Md.; Mary Carey; Laurie Paschall, Cape Charles; Teri Collins, Bloxom; Barbara Blair, Wachapreague;


Jan Neville, Cape Charles; Kit Fechtig, Pungoteague; Janet Leigh Cooper, Onley; DeCola Johnson, Accomac; Linda Goodwyn, Virginia Beach; Joan Selby, Chincoteague; Celestine Smith, Exmore; Patricia M. Voss, Bloxom; Kim and Jim Granger, Cape Charles; Sarah Ross, Chincoteague.

Last Week's Winners

We had two prizes to give out last week. Melissa Sample-Wharton, of Nassawadox, was randomly selected to win the \$25 gift certificate to C.D. Marsh Jewelers in Onancock. Constance Buege, of Exmore, was randomly selected to win the \$25 gift certificate to the Onancock Deli. To past winners who are wondering if you can ever win again — yes, you can. Sample-Wharton won in August and is back in the winner's circle this week.

This Week's Contest:

Find Christmas Trees

This week we're going back to the traditional contest and asking you to find eight Christmas trees. This one specifically:  And include this one in your

The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest



count. Give the page number and a description of where on the page you found each tree. This is another holiday week with TWO winners for the gift certificates from our sponsors: Blue Crab Bay and Sage Diner. We will decide which winner gets which prize. See sponsors' boxes on this page.

The Rules

1. Find the eight Christmas trees and give us the page number and location on the page for each tree you find.
2. Entries MUST have first and last names and your town.
3. Send your entry to david@easternshorepost.com.
4. Deadline is noon Monday, Dec. 13.
5. No multiple entries.
6. Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

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.



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Off the Shelf: News From Eastern Shore Public Library



By Charle Ricci, Eastern Shore Public Library

Holiday E-Reading

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For help with PINs or getting set up with Libby, Freading, or JLG Digital, Accomac library staff members are available at 757-787-3400 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday to Friday.

The Eastern Shore Public Library System has four libraries: Accomac, Cape Charles, Chincoteague, and Nasawadox. ESPL library cards can be used at any of the four libraries.

To learn about the regional library building project and ESVA Heritage Center in Parksley opening in 2022, or to donate, visit www.esplfoundation.org For more information about library services, library hours of operation, or your library account, visit www.espl.org, like us on Facebook and Twitter, or call the library at 757-787-3400.

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Eastern Shore Master Naturalists Class Graduates – First Since Pandemic

The Eastern Shore Chapter of the Master Naturalists of Virginia welcomed the new master naturalists class. This is the first class of new master naturalists since the pandemic. Additionally, this is the first class to have not only a new chapter advisor, Shannon Alexander, but also the long-time former chapter advisor, Dot Field, who served as an expert lecturer on several occasions during the classes.

The new master naturalists have

successfully completed 10 weeks of science-based lectures including the geology, ecology, botany, and fauna of the Eastern Shore. Each of the master naturalists have completed a research project and presented the results to the class.

The graduated class will now begin their active volunteer service in stewardship, citizen science, and educational outreach projects benefiting our area's natural resources.



Northampton High November Students and Teacher of the Month

The Northampton High School November students of the month are pictured above from left: Katherine Widgeon, Jyasia Graham, Gabrielle Duffman, Sebastian Shrieves, Jennifer Leon Lopez, and Deisy Gonzalez-Ortiz; not pictured: Joseph Brown.

The Northampton High School November teacher of the month is Cathy Doughty, pictured at right. She teaches PE and health and is the department chair and head volleyball coach.



Timm Speaks to Christian Businessmen

Pictured at right is Nathan Timm, right, the Coastal Virginia Area director for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, who spoke recently to the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association. Timm was a teacher and coach in Montgomery County, Md., for 11 years before joining the FCA. He works with local athletes and coaches, stressing core values such as integrity, serving, teamwork, and excellence while sharing his Christian faith. Timm has helped numerous local athletes attend summer camps sponsored by the FCA. At left is George Bryan, president of the ESCBA, a group that meets monthly to promote Christian principles and ethical decisions in all business dealings.



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Community Notes

Science and Philosophy Seminar

The Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore of Virginia will hold a seminar, "Overshoot in the Anthropocene: The Human Footprint in the 21st Century; Part 3," Friday, Dec. 10, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., in Room 113 of the Academic Building of Eastern Shore Community College, 29300 Lankford Highway, Melfa.

John Durmick will conclude his series on Overshoot with Part 3, The Economics of The Great Acceleration. He will be reviewing recent economic history and discussing the economic stress fractures now apparent as we reach the Age of Limits.

Free Flu Shots

Eastern Shore Rural Health System Inc. will offer flu shots at the Manna Café at Christ United Methodist Church Monday, Dec. 13, from 11

a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at 6253 Church St., Chincoteague Island. No appointment is required. A copay may be required depending on your insurance. Uninsured individuals will be charged a \$10 administration fee.

Frozen Food and Bake Sale

The Soroptimist of Accomack County will host a Frozen Food and Bake Sale Saturday, Dec. 11, from 8 to 10 a.m., at the Onley United Methodist Church on East Main Street.

There will be frozen casseroles, soup, chili, and baked goods. Stock up for the holidays. Proceeds will support Children's Harbor and Malawi Water Project.

Holiday Sip & Shop

The first annual Holiday Sip & Shop will be Sunday, Dec. 12, from 1 to 4 p.m., at the American Legion Post 56 event hall, 21210 N. Bayside Road, Cheriton.

There will be gifts available with local artists and vendors. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. There will be a 50-50 raffle. This event will support Post 56 and local veterans.

Greens, Gifts, and Goodies Sale

The Woman's Club of Accomack County will hold its annual Greens, Gifts, and Goodies Sale Saturday, Dec. 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the clubhouse on Richmond Avenue in Onley. Ready-made fresh flower arrangements, centerpieces, wreaths, and swags will be available. Jewelry, Christmas items, and table runners will be featured. There will also be numerous homemade cookies, cakes, pies, soups, frozen casseroles, and specialty items. Local vendors include Debbie Bridges, Linda Duncan, B.J. Rogers, and Tomeka Watkinson.

Festive Fridays

Festive Fridays is back in downtown Cape Charles. Come for all the shopping and festivities Fridays, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17, beginning at 5 p.m. Experience Cape Charles' holiday charm

and enjoy many free festivities for the whole family. There will be special entertainment, discounts, door prizes, restaurant specials, and much more. Each Friday will feature community entertainers, shops open until 8 p.m., and activities along Mason Avenue and Strawberry Street, all sponsored by the local businesses in Cape Charles.

Santa on the Firetruck

Santa will leave the fire station Monday, Dec. 20, at 6 p.m. Santa and his elves will travel through Nassawadox to say hi to all the girls and boys.

His route includes: Pine Avenue, Rogers Drive to Bayside Road, Bayside Road through Franktown, Rogers Drive to Lankford Highway (east side of Pine Avenue), Rogers Drive to Seaside Road, Seaside Road to Franktown Road, Bayside Road to Brickhouse Drive, including Stanley Trailer Park, Silas Court, and Riggins' Trailer Park.

The rain date is Dec. 21.

Mary N. Smith Alumni Association Meeting

The Mary N. Smith Alumni Association invites the community to Meet the Board Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m., at the Mary N. Smith Cultural Center in Accomac.

The association seeks to provide a social and informational opportunity for the community and prospective board and committee members to meet the current board, hear about the mission, vision, and goals, and to ask questions about the center and to get a tour. Contact mnsgrants15@gmail.com for information. It is an in-person event and attendees are asked to wear a mask.

Kiwanis Updating Phone Book

The Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague is now updating the residential phone book. Any resident who has not been listed, changed their number, or has changed

service from Verizon should send their name, address, and phone number to Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague, P.O. Box 23, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

Revival

A revival will be held Friday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m., at Refuge Temple Outreach Minisny, 30540 Depot St., New Church. The guest preacher will be Bishop Vernon Mines from Bethlehem Church of Praise in Newport News.

Gingerbread and Cookie Contest

The Virginia Cooperative Extension will hold its annual Virtual Gingerbread House or Cookie Decorating Competition. Entries will be accepted until Friday, Dec. 17, and results will be announced Dec. 22.

The contest is open to youth ages 5 to 18. Only one entry per participant is allowed. The participant may only enter in one contest: gingerbread house or cookie decorating, not both. Multiple pictures of entry will be accepted (three max). To register, go to <https://forms.gle/HE3vBLZuXZUpromxS>

For questions, contact Marcus Riley, 4-H agent, at 757-787-1361. Submissions must be emailed to marcusr19@vt.edu.

Christmas Trees and Gathering of Island Gnomes

The Museum of Chincoteague Island will show its Christmas Tree Village again this year. The gathering of Island Gnomes and online auction are also back. Christmas trees will be decorated and donated by island businesses and families. They will then be on display in the Museum of Chincoteague Island's Legacy Pavilion Dec. 10, 16, and 17, from 5 to 8 p.m. The Gathering of Island Gnomes will take place in the museum courtyard and be available for viewing through the month. Admission to the Christmas Tree Village is free but you can vote for your favorite tree for \$1 per vote or \$20 for 25 votes.

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The online auction will be available on the museum's BetterUnite page. Look for a link on the museum's Facebook page to participate in the auction.

Those interested in having a tree or gnome in this year's event should contact the museum at 757-336-6117 or by email at museumofci@gmail.com.

Chili & Chowder Fundraiser

The Tasley Volunteer Fire Company 7th Annual Chili & Chowder Fundraiser will be Saturday, Dec. 11, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or until sold out), at the Tasley Fire Station, 23395 Tasley Road. There will be clam chowder for \$7.50 a pint or \$14 a quart; clam fritters sandwich for \$5; and chili for \$5.50 a pint or \$10 a quart. There will be drinks and baked goods for sale also.

For more information, call 757-787-7870 or 757-710-1996 or email tasleyfireco@gmail.com.

Cokesbury Christmas Music Festival

The Cokesbury Music Festival will be Saturday, Dec. 11, from 2 to 5 p.m., at Historic Cokesbury Church, 3 Market St., Onancock.

The schedule is as follows:

2-2:30 p.m. Orchestra of the Eastern Shore; Dr. Paul Kim, Conductor

2:45-3:15 p.m. Metropolitan UMC Youth Choir

3:15-4 p.m. Circle of Friends; Natasha Smoot, accompanist

4-4:30 p.m. Market Street UMC Choir; Michelle Marsh, accompanist

4:30-5 p.m. Accomack Community Band Carol Sing-A-Long

Admission is free. For further information, call 757-787-4873 or 757-710-9321.

Orchestra of the Eastern Shore

The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore will be participating in the Cokesbury Music Festival Saturday, Dec. 11, at Historic Cokesbury Church in Onancock.

To herald in the festivities, the orchestra's wind players will provide a brief outdoor concert from 1:30 to 1:45 p.m. at the Onancock Town Park adja-

cent to the church. Selections include Christmas fare for saxophone quartet and "Christmas Bells" for flutes, clarinet, and horn.

Inside, at 2 p.m., the orchestra will start the festival program with all string presentations.

Cookie Trail

The Historic Cape Charles Cookie Trail will be Saturday, Dec. 11, from 2 to 5 p.m., throughout the quaint town of Cape Charles. Get decorating inspiration while getting an inside look at beautiful historic homes. Entrance to this event is free with a donation to the Cape Charles Food Pantry.

Begin at Cakes Charles, 309 Jefferson Ave., and get a map to the participating homes and drop off donations. Participants may choose to visit one or all the homes on the tour, enjoying cookies along the way.

Fab Fridays

Visit downtown Onancock for Fab Fridays, Dec. 10 and 17, to take advantage of special shopping and dining hours, offerings, and events. On Fab Fridays, participating merchants will remain open until 7 p.m. and offer: special deals on food, drinks, clothing, and gifts; pop-up stores; wine and cheese tasting; refreshments; music, entertainment, and more.

ESCSB Meeting

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board will hold a meeting Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 9 a.m., at the administration building, 24233 Lankford Highway, Tasley.

Al-Anon Meeting

The Al-Anon meeting will take place every Wednesday, at 7 p.m., at Franktown United Methodist Church, 7551 Bayside Road.

Pocomoke City Library Events

December Holidays Across Cultures will be Friday, Dec. 10, at 6 p.m., at the Pocomoke City Library. Explore December celebrations and traditions from around the world. A light sampling of foods will be provided. Consider bringing an ethnic treat or dish to share from your own heritage. There will be crafts and various activities for children. Call

the library at 410-957-0878, or visit <https://worcesterville.org/branches/pocomoke> to register.

The STEAM program, "Snowflake Science," (ages 8 to 12) will be Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 4:30 p.m., at the library. Participants will complete science and art projects to learn about symmetry in nature and the unique artistic beauty of snowflakes.

ZOOM with Your Baby program will be Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 10:30 a.m., via ZOOM. Babies under 2 and caregivers can join them on ZOOM for songs, rhymes, and stories. Optional: have a scarf and rattle/shaker handy for interactive rhymes. Register at www.worcesterville.org under events.

Santa's Train

The Delmarva Discovery Museum will present Santa's Train Wonderland Dec. 11 and 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 2 Market St., Pocomoke City, Md. There will be train displays and decorations. Santa will arrive on the dock of Cypress Park by boat Saturday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m.

Firetruck Santa

The Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company will help Santa make his annual trip around the island on top of the firetruck on Wednesday, Dec. 15, on the north end of the island and Thursday, Dec. 16, on the south end of the island. Both evenings the ride will begin at approximately 5 p.m.

Master Gardener Training Class

The Eastern Shore Master Gardener Program is accepting applications for the 2022 Master Gardener Training Class. The classes will be held in Painter beginning Jan. 12, 2022, and will continue every Wednesday until April 27, from 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the AREC classroom in Painter.


For more information and the application, call 678-7946 ext. 29, go to the website at www.esvmg.com, or email esmgva@gmail.com. The fee is \$100 for materials and lectures by local experts. Applications must be received by Dec. 30.

The Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company will be accepting forms to apply for 2022 Ambulance Insurance. The cost is \$96.00 per year and covers everyone in the household that is claimed on the applicants income taxes.

This insurance is open to all Chincoteague residents or those Chincoteague property owners from other states. The form may be picked up at the Chincoteague fire station or downloaded and printed from the CVFC website.

We ask that you provide your insurance information on the form as your insurance carrier will be invoiced. With CVFC Ambulance Insurance any extra charges will be written off of your invoice. Please don't hesitate, this is a wise coverage to have with the rising costs of health care.

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Help Wanted

Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Benefit Program Specialist I/II/III (Accomack) Position # L0028

Hiring Range - \$32,415 (May be higher depending on qualifications.)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov>. Accepts only online applications; open until filled.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POSITION: Police Officer POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #2021-2-2111

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District will be accepting applications for a Certified Police Officer from December 1, 2021 thru December 17, 2021 @ 2:00 p.m. Applicant must be a Certified Police Officer in the Commonwealth of Virginia in accordance with regulations of the Department of Criminal Justice System. Applicant must be 21 years of age or older, and have a good driving record, and possess a valid Virginia Driver's License. Applications may be obtained from the District's personnel office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, by telephone (757) 331-2960, or online at www.cbbt.com/employment.html. The annual salary range for this position is \$40,406.00 to \$64,787.00 and includes a complete benefits package. EOE

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Police Officer
Full-Time with Benefits
Open Until Filled
Salary: \$44,000 - \$50,000 (depending on experience)

Town of Onancock is currently recruiting for a full-time Police Officer.

Virginia DCJS law enforcement certification is preferred. Applicants must meet the minimum requirements as outlined in section §15.2-1705.A of the Code of Virginia.

Applications may be obtained at Onancock.com or during normal business hours from the Onancock Town Office, 15 North St., Onancock, VA 23417. Applications will be accepted until filled.

A full job description and application instructions can be obtained on the Town's website: www.Onancock.com/jobs.

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DESTINATION DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST Chesapeake Bay and Eastern Shore Regions of Virginia

The Virginia Tourism Corporation (VTC) is seeking a Destination Development Specialist to serve the Chesapeake Bay and Eastern Shore Regions of Virginia.

Working with tourism industry partners, the specialist will facilitate the development of community-based tourism programs, new product, and tourism-related businesses. Responsibilities include providing tourism strategic planning, technical assistance, product development guidance, cooperative marketing advice, and consulting services to communities and small tourism-oriented businesses, as well as connecting tourism industry representatives and small businesses with VTC services.

All candidates must apply through our website <https://www.vatc.org/administration/employment/>. Application deadline: December 21, 2021.

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Hiring Two Full-Time Positions: Electrician and Mechanic

Coastal Precast Systems, LLC is seeking an Electrician and a Mechanic. Great Pay.

Full-time with benefits. Apply online at [Careers\(cpsprecast.com\)](http://Careers(cpsprecast.com)) or in person at 1134 Bayshore Road, Cape Charles, VA.



Director of Administration
Full-Time with Benefits
Open Until Filled
Salary: \$48,000 - \$55,000 (depending on experience)

Town of Onancock is currently recruiting for a full-time Director of Administration.

Description: The position performs a variety of administrative and customer service tasks. The position involves intricate detailed financial management and record keeping, municipal tax and grant administration, payroll and human resources, Town Council minutes and administrative support, billing and accounting and computer system oversight, and many other assignments as directed by the Town Manager.

This professional reports directly to the Town Manager, sits on the Town's management leadership team, and is engaged in every detail of town administration. There is significant exposure to town residents, businesses, and other localities and state agencies.

Qualifications: A Bachelor's Degree in a related field and a significant amount of office and administrative experience. Experience with municipal operations and systems is preferred.

A full job description and application instructions can be obtained on the Town's website: www.Onancock.com/jobs.

First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4PM on December 10, 2021.

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Customer Service/Shipping Specialist

Wholesale nursery business in central Accomack Co. looking for individual to work in Customer Service, Logistics and Shipping. Must be able to multi-task and thrive in a busy seasonal office. Strong communications skills required working with customers and trucking companies. Must be competent with Microsoft Office. Plant knowledge a plus. Salary commensurate with experience. Benefits include Health Insurance, Life Insurance, paid holidays, and vacations and Profit Sharing Plan. Submit cover letter and resume to rrinaca@esnursery.com



Propane/Fuel Oil Service Technician Tasley, VA

Experienced service technician applicants must be service-oriented, friendly, honest, and able to work in a fast-paced environment. Applicants must be willing to work nights, weekends, and holidays on an on-call rotation. CDL with a HAZMAT Endorsement is a plus. Starting salary commensurate with your experience. Benefits available: Health insurance, uniforms, vacation, life insurance, company discounts, vehicle and phone for company use. Use the appropriate application and/or a resume.

Access our application forms online at www.pepupinc.com. Please send to P.O. Box 136, Onancock, VA 23417.

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

Position # L0010

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

For detailed job information and to apply, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov>. Accepts only online applications; open until filled.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following positions: **Full-Time Certified Law Enforcement Officer and Full-Time Correctional Officer**. 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 Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 4:00 pm. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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; open until filled.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

9-1-1 Communications Officer

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

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

Applications may be obtained at the Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Communications Center, 23201 Front St., P.O. Box 337, Accomac, Va. 23301 or by visiting www.esva911.org. **Applications are due by 3 p.m., December 27th, 2021.** The ESVA 9-1-1 Commission is an equal opportunity employer.

ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Solid Waste Facility Manager I
Fulltime position w/ benefits
Salary Range: \$33,943-\$45,270
Open Until Filled

The County of Accomack is accepting applications for the position of Solid Waste Facility Manager. The position is responsible for direction and oversight of transfer station operations in Melfa. This is a working management position responsible for managing, monitoring, planning and directing all operations at the transfer station.

Minimum Qualifications: High school diploma or GED; supplemented by five (5) to nine (9) years previous experience and/or training that includes heavy equipment operation, maintenance, repair, and managing solid waste operations; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience. Possession of a Class A Commercial Driver's License with tanker endorsement, Class II Waste Management Facility Operator License issued by the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation. **Preferred Qualifications:** Ability to use mobile devices for texting and email functions; supervisory experience and current certification in CPR and First Aid.

Satisfactory completion of a background and DMV records check, physical and drug screening prior to employment are required. Annual driving records check thereafter. A job description and application instructions can be obtained from the County's website: <http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities> **First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 2021.**

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ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Utility Driver & Operator
F/T position with benefits | Starting Salary: \$28,737 - \$35,929 (based on experience)

Accomack County is currently recruiting for a full-time Utility Driver & Operator in the Department of Public Works. The position's primary responsibility is to drive and operate a variety of trucks and equipment. Employees in this classification perform skilled and manual work. Position is responsible for operating roll-off trucks, tractor/trailer trucks, dump trucks, heavy equipment (e.g. loaders, excavators, and dozers), portable power equipment, and hand tools. Minimum qualifications are: High school diploma or GED; supplemented by one (1) to two (2) years previous experience and/or training involving the operation of heavy automotive equipment; or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience. Possession of a Class A Commercial Driver's License with tanker endorsement.

Satisfactory completion of a background check, medical exam including drug screening and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. DMV records check will be performed annually thereafter. Electronic applications are preferred but paper versions will be accepted. **First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 2021.** Additional details may be found online: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities>

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ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Convenience Center Attendants – Weekends
P/T position | Rate: \$ 10.76 hourly

Are you looking for a second job, or a weekends only shift? The County of Accomack is seeking applications for the part-time position of Convenience Center Attendant, in the Public Works Department. We have positions for a standard shift for Saturdays or Sundays only or both! This is a great opportunity to earn some extra money for the holiday season and beyond!

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

Qualifications: A high school diploma or GED is preferred; A valid driver's license and satisfactory completion of a background check and drug screening prior to employment are required. A job description and application instructions can be obtained from the County's website: <http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities> **First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 21, 2021.**

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The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:
Developmental Disabilities Aide (\$11.25/hour-\$2.50/hour-night & weekend differential)
Part-Time Driver
Part-time Health Information Technician
Licensed Practical Nurse
Peer Recovery Specialist
Clinician
Coordinator of Mental Health/Substance Abuse Outpatient Services
Coordinator of Substance Abuse Outpatient Services
Psychosocial Rehabilitation Counselor

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

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Help Wanted

DRIVER NEEDED Must have experience and a clean driving record. Must have a CDL license. Please contact us at (757) 824-3912.

HVAC-R HELPER WANTED – Must have mechanical abilities & dependable transportation. Call 757-442-4428.

OFFICE ASSISTANT
Part-time (potential for full-time). Must have Quickbooks and Microsoft Office experience. Daytime, Mon-Fri. **DOUGLAS REPAIRS, INC., SNOW HILL, MD.** Call 410-632-1346.

CARPENTER RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

L.J. Kellam Construction, L.L.C. is seeking framing and trim carpenters for high-end, custom residential projects on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Experience and desire to maintain highest quality work a must. Excellent pay and benefits. Contact Luke at (757)710-2587.

AUTO MECHANIC
Looking for full or part-time mechanic. Must have own tools & experience. Call 757-787-8630
CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF ACCOMAC
Part-time position becomes available January 2022. Interested party call 757-787-3046

HOUSEKEEPER

Part-time/seasonal housekeepers wanted for small 16 room motel near Cape Charles. Call 757-331-1111 www.capemotel.com

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Living Estate Sale of Gerald Bono & the late Carolyn Bono at 3415 Willis Wharf Rd., Exmore, VA

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A Few Vintage Pieces including an Antique Mission Commode Chamber Pot Chair Potty Toilet Box Wood Seat, Mock Wooden Cook Stove for Bread, Taters & Onions, Small hand Carved Storage Chest, Old School Desk Chair marked "BULL" on Back, Old Sewing Machine & Pedestal, Sewing Machine in Cabinet

GLASSWARE:

Depression, Cut Glass, Fenton, Fostoria, Ruby, Avon, Several Pieces of Blue Carnival, 1930s Washbowl & Picher with a Chamber Pot & Water Vase, Blue & White Pottery & Plates

OTHER HOME COLLECTABLES/DECOR:

Occupied Japan Figurines, 24kt Gold Trimmed Pcs., Lamps, Wall Sconces, Oriental Bowls, Plates & Vases, Lenox, Silver Plate, Brass, Old Wall Pictures, Variety of Longaberger Baskets & More

LINENS:

Comforter Sets, Sheets, Decorative Pillows, Table Cloths & Napkins

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KITCHEN ITEMS:

Pewter Serving Platters & Bowls, Glass Fruit Bowls & Candy Dishes, Dessert Goblets, Tea Pots, Canisters, Small Appliances & more

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The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District is seeking bids from licensed AOSS Installers for its Project to modify the Welcome Center Alternative Onsite Sewage System, allowing for surge volumes associated with time of the year traffic spikes. This project generally involves installing addition tanks, pumps and controls. For more Project details, please go to <http://www.cbbt.com/request-for-proposals/>

All bids will be received electronically, no later than 2:00 p.m. on January 11, 2022, in the office of the Director of Maintenance, CBBTD, 32386 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles, Virginia 23310, Attention: Mr. Timothy R. Holloway, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

INVITATION TO BID

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission is soliciting bids on behalf of Accomack County from licensed Class A or B general contractors, with experience in house moving and elevation, and Class A or B house moving contractors, for the elevation of seven single family residences located in Accomack County. Bids will be received until 10:00 A.M., Friday, January 14, 2021 local prevailing time, in the offices of the:

Accomack-Northampton
Planning District Commission
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at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The plans, drawings, specifications and qualification documents are available at no charge and may be picked-up at the offices of the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission at the above address. There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday December 21, 2021. For more information, contact Eric Luchansky @ (757) 787-2936 Ext.118.

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**ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**

Case No. CL21000928-00
Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126,
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301

MATTHEW JOSEPH FRIES
v. **CASEY JESSICA FRIES**
The object of this suit is:
TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

It is ORDERED that CASEY JESSICA FRIES appear at the above-named court and protect her interests on or before JANUARY 12, 2022, at 9:00 A.M.

November 12, 2021
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

Legal Advertising (Cont'd)

**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
31495 OLE ROAD, MELFA, VIRGINIA 23410
COUNTY OF ACCOMACK**

This Property will be sold subject to a 1 year Right of Redemption by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

In execution of a certain deed of trust dated 10/30/13, in the original principal amount of 97,500.00 recorded in the County of Accomack, Virginia, as Instrument No. 201304937, as amended by an instrument appointing the undersigned as Substitute Trustee, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the building housing the Circuit Court of the COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VA located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia, 23301 on **January 11, 2022, at 3:00pm**, the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address, with improvements thereon and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE, NEAR THE VILLAGE OF LOCUSTMOUNT ON THE NORTH AND EAST BY OTHER LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF THE SAID ORA MAE MATTHEWS AND LEROY MATTHEWS; ON THE SOUTH BY WHAT WAS FORMERLY THE MAIN STATE HIGHWAY BETWEEN THE TOWNS OFF KELLER AND WACHAPREAGUE NOW VIRGINIA STATE ROUTE 741 ALSO KNOWN AS ON OLE ROAD; ON THE WEST BY THE LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF SARAH RAWLES, MORE OR LESS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THAT DEED RECORDED IN ACCOMACK COUNTY, VA. TERMS OF SALE: Neither the Substitute Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust will deliver possession of the property to the successful bidder. The purchaser at the sale will be required to pay all closing costs. Real estate taxes, water/sewer fees and other public charges will be prorated as of the date of sale. The risk of loss or damage to the property passes to the purchaser immediately upon the conclusion of the Substitute Trustee's sale. Terms: A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent price (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject deed of trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within 20 days at the office of the Substitute Trustee. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to suspend bidding prior to completion of the sale. Time is of the essence as to the closing date and the payment of the purchase price. If payment of the balance does not occur within twenty days of the sale date, the deposit will be forfeited. Seller shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by the purchaser in connection with their purchase or settlement, including, without limitation, state and local recording fees, title insurance or research, or any other costs of purchaser's acquisition. Trustee shall have no duty to obtain possession for purchaser. All risks of casualty pass to successful bidder at conclusion of bidding. The property and the improvements thereon will be sold "AS IS" and without representation or warranties of any kind. The sale is subject to all liens, encumbrances, conditions, easements and restrictions, if any, superior to the mentioned deed of trust and lawfully affecting the property. Sale is subject to post-sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower(s) entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of the Purchaser's deposit without interest. Additional terms to be announced at the sale. For more information contact: Abby Moynihan, Esq., member of Surety Trustees, at 301-490-3361 or www.mwc-law.com.

TRUSTEE SALE

**7288 Seaside Road, Nassawadox, VA 23413
Northampton County**

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of **\$60,000.00**, dated **December 14, 2007**, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the **Northampton County, Virginia**, in **Document No. 070003230** and modified in **Document No. 110000368**, at the request of the holder of the Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the **front entrance of the Northampton County Courthouse, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville**, on **January 4, 2022, at 11:00 AM**, the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 9, Nassawadox Estates, with any improvements thereon

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH: A deposit of **\$20,000.00** or 10% of the sales price, whichever is lower, cash or certified check will be required at the time of sale, but no more than \$10,000.00 of cash will be accepted, with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. Sale is subject to post sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale which affects the validity of the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of his deposit without interest. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Pursuant to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, we advise you that this firm is a debt collector attempting to collect the indebtedness referred to herein and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., Substitute Trustee

This is a communication from a debt collector.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C. (78682)
596 Lynnhaven Parkway Suite 200
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

757-457-1460 - **Call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.**
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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 22594 LEE MONT RD, PARKS-LEY, VA 23421. In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated July 13, 2004, in the original principal amount of \$70,810.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 200404658. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA on January 7, 2022, at 3:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF LEEMONT, METOMPKIN MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH, BY STATE ROUTE 669; ON THE EAST, BY THE LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY DINAH R. FOLINO; ON THE SOUTH, BY THE LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY KARA B. JONES; AND ON THE WEST, BY THE LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY PAIGE F. WESSELLS AND BY THE LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY TRENT P. LEWIS. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. **BIDDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO WEAR A COVER OVER BOTH NOSE AND MOUTH AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING AT THE AUCTION.** Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com. VA-333650-1.

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**JOINT PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMISSION**

**TOWN OF ONANCOCK, VA
December 20, 2021 7:00PM
15 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417**

The Town Council and Onancock Planning Commission for the Town of Onancock, VA will conduct a public hearing on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Onancock Town Hall at 15 North Street. The purpose of this hearing is to solicit public comment regarding the rezoning of the property located at 7 Hartman Ave. This property is being proposed for rezoning to match its current and proposed use as R-2, Residential 2, which allows for multifamily residential dwellings. Copies of the zoning application and staff report are available in Town Hall during normal business.

Questions or comments may be directed to Matt Spuck, Town Manager, at 757-787-3363, or via email at Matt.Spuck@Onancock.com.

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**JOINT PUBLIC HEARING
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**TOWN OF ONANCOCK, VA
December 20, 2021 7:00PM
15 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417**

The Town Council and Onancock Planning Commission for the Town of Onancock, VA will conduct a joint public hearing on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Onancock Town Hall at 15 North Street. The purpose of this hearing is to solicit public comment regarding the rezoning of town owned properties to match the current and proposed use as Cultural, Recreational, and Community Facilities. The parcels in question are 85A4-A-8A and 85A2-9-28 (green space on Jefferson Street, former Fireman's Park), 85A3-A-27 (the sliver of land at the corner of Fairgrounds and Market where the entry sign is located), 85A2-A-39 (Parker Street where the original water tower was located), 85A1-A-40 through 85A1-A-43 (Onancock Waterfront).

Questions or comments may be directed to Matt Spuck, Town Manager, at 757-787-3363, or via email at Matt.Spuck@Onancock.com.

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, you are hereby notified of a Public Hearing that will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23292 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia at 10AM, Thursday, December 16, 2021, on the wetlands applications of:

Michael Woodby – VMRC# 2021-2159

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed restoration of navigational access to an 20 feet by 70 feet man-made boat basin, located on Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, tax map#(s) 30A3-A-60A.**

Blue Camp Inlet View LLC – VMRC# 2021-2371

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed installation of an 175 foot long by 10 foot wide community campground multiuser pier to a 24 foot wide by 100 long "T" Platform, located on Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, tax map#(s) 45-A-2.**

All interested parties will be afforded the opportunity to be heard or to present written statements. Applications are on file and may be examined in the Office of the Environmental Programs in Accomack, Virginia. Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5728.

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VIRTUAL FARMERS MARKET



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ANEC Power Outage Leads to Information Outage

Dear Editor:

The submitted article in the Dec. 3 Eastern Shore Post describing the power outage that hit the Shore Dec. 1 was about as useful as blank space. The article tells us how many customers Accomack-Northampton Electric Co-op has, that two-thirds of them lost electricity for three hours, that ANEC's employees worked to fix it quickly, and that ANEC's CEO feels outages "are not acceptable in any fashion."

Like we didn't already know that stuff?

What it doesn't tell us is why we lost power, other than to say it was "a transmission issue." That's like saying a horrific plane crash was caused by a "landing issue" without mentioning that the plane's wheels fell off because the landing gear was badly manufactured.

As the owners of the ANEC co-op, you'd think we'd be entitled to know WHY we lost power?

**Al McKegg
Onancock**

Consider Before Donating

Dear Editor:

One can search to see how your donation will be spent, but, also, whether or not your info will be shared with other charities or organizations. You can request that it not be shared.

I used to donate through Dining For Women to local or global causes, but COVID-19 put a stop to meetings so I gave to things I thought mattered, only to now find my mailbox full of requests from groups I'd never heard of. This might seem like a trivial matter given current problems, but a look at the carbon footprint generated by all this mail

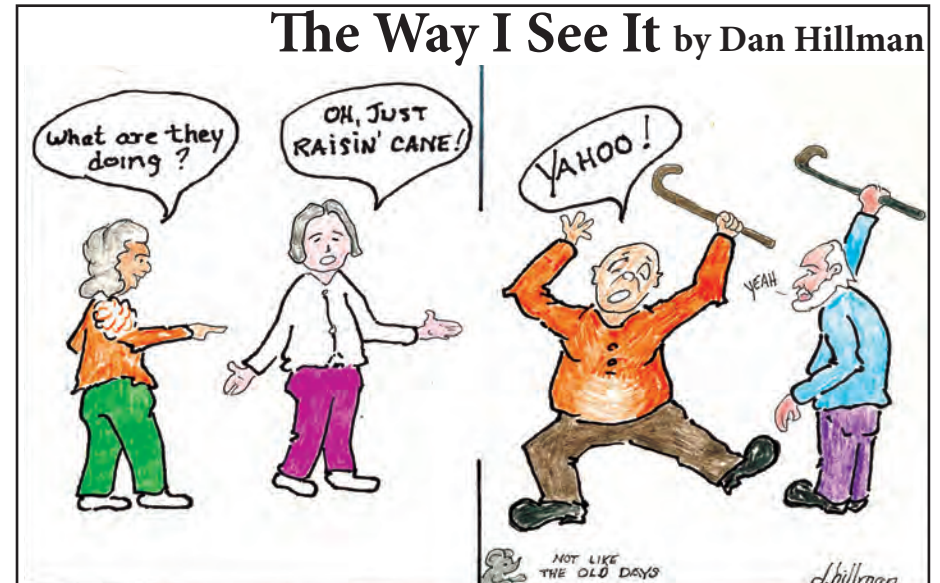
is more than sobering.

I have been discouraged from donating further as I spend part of most days writing groups to request no more snail mail.

You can apply to stop this practice, but I understand you may be asked for your social. I wish this sharing/selling practice were not legal, but there it is.

**Ann Violi
Harborton**

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