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Chincoteague Reaches Agreement With HRSD for Sunset Bay Sewer

By Carol Vaughn

The Chincoteague Town Council at a workshop meeting Thursday, Feb. 17, discussed an agreement for Chincoteague Sunset Bay's sewage facilities to be transferred to the Hampton Roads Service District.

A letter of intent for Chincoteague Sunset LLC to donate the facilities to HRSD was signed this week by Chincoteague's town manager and HRSD's general manager.

"The decision to pursue a limited service area with an existing DEQ-permitted facility and additional permits for expansion allows the town to offer, through HRSD, a partial solution to sewage collection, treatment, and disposal for commercial and public customers that do not have other viable options," said Mayor Arthur Leonard, reading from a prepared statement.

Federal money from the American Rescue Plan Act will help pay for up-

grades to the existing facilities and design and construction of a collection system for a planned service area.

The town also is pursuing other state and federal funding, which Leonard said "will help keep the costs of such solutions primarily within the private sector, without placing undue burden on local taxpayers."

"The town of Chincoteague has been working and studying on sewage disposal for many years ... and we contin-

ue to do so," Leonard said.

Leonard recounted a timeline of recent efforts to address the town's sewage needs, dating to 2011, when a committee was appointed to make recommendations to the council about wastewater needs.

It issued its final report in June 2013, concluding the entire island should not, at this time, transition from individual septic systems and private treatment systems to a single public utility.

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ACCOMACK HEARS FROM ALL SIDES IN DEBATE OVER EXPANDING EMERGENCY SERVICES

By Carol Vaughn

Accomack's Board of Supervisors will continue discussing the 2023 budget Monday, Feb. 28, at 5 p.m., in Accomack, after hearing from 15 people at a town hall meeting Wednesday.

There will be no public comment at Monday's session.

The town hall was to hear public opinion about proposals to add 36 positions to address public safety, including 31 to provide 24-7 fire and emergency medical services from volunteer fire stations in Melfa, Saxis, Tangier, and Wachapreague.

Some speakers spoke against raising taxes to pay for the positions, while volunteer firefighters warned of an aging volunteer force and difficulty hiring and retaining paid EMTs. They urged the board to be proactive in fixing what several called a broken system. Some offered

the prospect of sharing profits from ambulance call payments with the county.

Four more sheriff's deputies and a prosecutor in the commonwealth's attorney's office also are included in the budget.

The cost for the additional fire and EMS employees is \$2.4 million, including \$407,000 for support personnel, according to Accomack Administrator Mike Mason.

That would require a 7.5 cent increase in the real estate tax rate, phased in over three years, and enactment of a 40-cent-per-pack cigarette tax.

An 8.75 cent increase in the real estate tax would be needed without the cigarette tax.

That means the owner of property valued at \$150,000 would pay \$1,125 in taxes by 2024, compared to \$1,002 this year without the new positions.

The annual cost of additional deputies

to address a spike in violent crime and balance the existing workload is \$219,334.

The cost for a prosecutor is \$76,468.

Fire chiefs or presidents from Melfa, Saxis, Wachapreague, and Bloxom spoke at the meeting and Tangier's volunteer fire company sent a written statement.

Other speakers included business owners, retirees, and a former county supervisor, among others.

Brandon Patterson, Melfa fire chief, recalled the station was "a powerhouse" when he joined in 2008.

Compared to 35 active members then, the company now has seven.

"It's 2022 and times have changed a lot between the pandemic and volunteers," he said, noting Melfa previously turned down 24-7 staffing because volunteers thought other stations needed help more.

Melfa's daytime staff is pulled to fill po-

sitions at other stations, Patterson said.

Patterson noted the advancing age of volunteers.

"It's sad to say, we're the last of a dying breed," he said, noting the extensive time and effort to train and respond to calls.

"It's a second full-time job, but we're doing it for free," he said.

Patterson said Melfa ranked fourth in calls last month, responding to 68 EMS calls and more than 30 fire calls.

The district includes Eastern Shore Community College, three schools, the airport and industrial park, Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club, and businesses, Patterson said.

"After 72 years and (being one of) the last two EMS stations to be staffed, Melfa fire and rescue company needs help," he said, adding that, even though the

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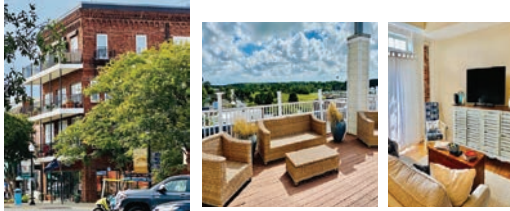
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The committee identified commercial areas of Main Street and Maddox Boulevard as primary targets for initial treatment efforts.

Chincoteague was included in a 2020 Circuit Court decision to include all of Accomack County in an extension of the HRSD service area.

Todd Burbage, of Blue Water Development, approached the town in November 2020 about the town possibly acquiring Sunset Bay Condominiums' sewage facility.

The town manager and an independent engineering consultant began evaluating the facility.

The council was presented with the possibility of the plant's acquisition in executive session in November 2020, but passed on the opportunity in December 2020 due to time constraints that meant the town could not complete proper evaluation of the facility.

In early 2021, the town manager contacted Burbage to determine the company's interest in transferring the facility moving forward.

In April 2021, the council heard that Burbage was still interested in transferring the facility to the town at a reasonable cost.

At a July 2021 public hearing about how to spend \$2.98 million of ARPA funds, 75% of speakers said public sewage service was a priority.

The town then contacted HRSD to propose HRSD assume ownership and operation of the Sunset Bay facility.

HRSD offered to provide a consultant to evaluate the plant and the proposed transfer and to commission a broader study to identify a more permanent solution for sewage needs in northern Accomack County.

HRSD performed onsite inspections in August 2021 and submitted a report in October — the council reviewed the report in executive session at the October workshop meeting.

Chincoteague that month negotiated with Burbage the transfer of the facilities to the town at no cost.

HRSD in October agreed in principle to accept the facility and permits from the town and to operate the plant going forward with the existing customers, and to develop additional capacity to utilize unused permits.

The town agreed to pay for construc-

tion of the collection system and to control approval for connections to the system.

In November, the town agreed to pay for needed upgrades to the facility and to transfer the plant to HRSD.

In December, the town's ARPA committee proposed using ARPA funds for the necessary upgrades and design and construction of a collection system for a planned service area. Blue Water agreed in principle in December to transfer the facilities directly to HRSD to simplify the process.

Councilman Gene Wayne Taylor noted the facilities once built out would handle around 37,000 gallons per day.

"It's not like an end-all, whole sewer system. We still have to expand later on. I think that should be explained," he said, adding, "It's a start. It definitely is a start and it gets you in with Hampton Roads Sewer District."

"This is definitely a step in the right direction for the town," said Councilwoman Denise Bowden.

She said Chincoteague's commercial area "is so desperate for this, so I'm just hoping that, through all of this, we can make it work for everybody."

"I think it's going to be extraordinary what it could do for our downtown, as far as revitalizing that," said Councilman William McComb.

"It's something the citizens want," said Councilman Jay Savage, adding, "I think it's a great start."

Vice Mayor Chris Bott said the agreement is "a pretty big deal, if everything goes through, and it has been done ... at no cost to the citizens, and it's got a lot of potential going forward."

Bott credited council members and Town Manager Mike Tolbert for their work that led to the agreement.

Leonard said information will be put out on what areas the limited service area will include.

The planning commission will take up discussion of the service area, according to Tolbert.

Tolbert in a telephone interview Monday said the town does not intend to require mandatory hookups.

"This will be mainly offered to commercial entities and they will have to pay to connect to it. We won't be making it mandatory for anybody," Tolbert said.

Once the transfer is complete, HRSD will operate and maintain the system, but the town will control approval for connections to it.



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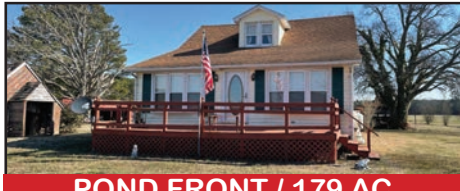
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Black History Month Profile

Married More Than 50 Years, Interracial Couple on Mission To Reduce Impacts of Poverty

By Carol Vaughn

Photos by Jim Ritch

Gerald and Polly Boyd returned to the Eastern Shore, where Gerald Boyd grew up, in 2014 after a lifetime spent working for civil rights, social justice, and individual empowerment.

Still, the couple, married since 1969, did not come back to retire.

Polly Boyd, a licensed clinical therapist, and Gerald Boyd, who holds a Master of Divinity in Transpersonal Psychology and several certifications, including life coach, mediator, alcohol and drug counselor, anger management specialist, and others, are co-founders of Peaceworks Center for Well-Being and Eastern Shore Training and Consulting Inc., both in Exmore.

Their stated purpose is to reduce the impact of poverty on the lives of Eastern Shore residents.

Gerald Boyd has worked in the fields of applied sociology, education, human development, and addiction recovery for more than four decades.

Polly Boyd has worked in a variety of community service fields for more than 50 years.

Gerald Boyd, who is Black, was born in 1943 in Mobile, Ala. His family traveled to the Shore as migrant farm workers, working mainly on the Hastings farm in Johnsonstown.

His mother, Irene Thomas Boyd Harmon, married Howard Harmon, a man from the Shore, and Gerald Boyd grew up in a humble home behind Johnson's Methodist Church, surrounded by strong Black women "who raised me, who taught compassion and love and service."

He attended Machipongo Elementary School and graduated from the segregated Northampton County High School in 1962.

After graduation, he returned to Mobile, where he became involved in the civil rights movement.

His knowledge of the movement stemmed from books he accessed at school.

"I was a reader. We were very poor, so we didn't have much," Gerald Boyd said.

His mother encouraged him "not to sit around and watch other kids eat" when he did not have a lunch at school,



Polly and Gerald Boyd, married in 1969, moved to the Shore in 2014 with a goal of reducing the impacts of poverty. Gerald Boyd was raised on the Shore and graduated from the segregated Northampton County High School.

but to use the lunch hour to read.

The guidance counselor's office at the high school was in the school library, where Gerald Boyd spent many lunch hours. She invited the young man to come in.

The office had a tall bookshelf that was the teachers' reference library. That is where, Gerald Boyd said, "I got my hands on those books," including the writings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., John F. Kennedy's 'Profiles in Courage,' and others.

In Mobile, he was mentored by men like civil rights leaders John LeFlore, Henry C. Williams, the first Black licensed welder in the city, and Freeman Pollard, author of "Seeds of Turmoil."

"Our responsibility was to desegregate the public facilities in Mobile," Gerald Boyd said.

Civil rights organizers would give him and the others \$5 and they would dress in their best clothes and go to Whites-only businesses downtown, "to sit in restaurants to be told we couldn't be served."

He later was drafted during the Vietnam War. As a conscientious objector, he was sent to Paris, where he worked encoding and decoding messages.

Polly Boyd Boyd's background was quite different.

Polly Boyd, who is White, had a privileged youth, growing up in California, the daughter of progressive parents who were involved in the civil rights movement.

Polly Boyd was in college in 1968 when she heard about Dr. King's murder.

"I just couldn't stay in school," she said.

She had become a member of the Baha'i faith and wrote to the Baha'i national youth office, asking to be sent to a service project in the South as a volunteer.

The project turned out to be one headed up by Gerald Boyd.

"I was a very naive 19-year-old. I thought I was going to go down to the South and show them how to live their lives," she said.

Polly Boyd and her twin sister thought White people needed to take more responsibility in desegregation, leading Polly Boyd and several others to enroll in a Black college in Mobile.

"We are responsible for segregation and we're responsible for desegregation," she said.

"That trip at 19 to Mobile changed my life. I learned so much in that Black college

about Black history," Polly Boyd said.

Gerald Boyd and Polly Boyd were married in 1969 in California, one of few states where marriage between Blacks and Whites was legal at the time.

Her parents sent them a credit card to enable them to get from Alabama to California.

"It took us some doing to get our tickets and to get to the airport separately and to get on the plane separately," Polly Boyd said.

Since then, the couple lived and worked in numerous states, including five years in California; a decade in Kansas City, Kan., where Gerald Boyd had been recruited to work in a substance abuse program and where they continued with their community organizing and improvement activities; South Carolina, where Polly Boyd finally was able to finish her college degree; and Georgia.

They have seven children and 14 grandchildren.

Over the years, they visited family on the Shore many times.

They returned to the Shore, in part, because they saw a need to address problems here resulting from poverty and drugs.

"Every time that we would come (visit) and read the Post, we would read about drug busts," Polly Boyd said.

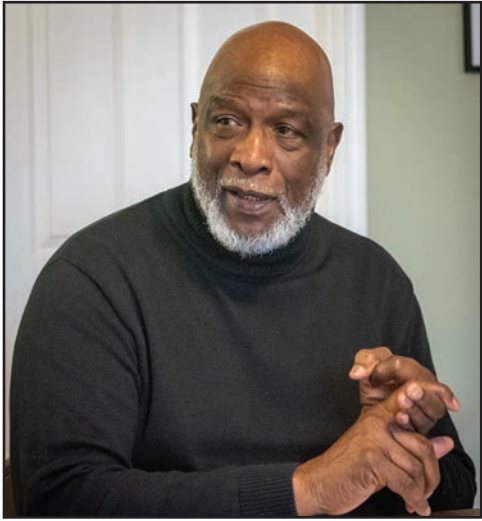
They talked with the social services and community services board directors and with Juvenile and Domestic Relations Judge Croxton Gordon, who is now retired, "about the situation and the resources, and discovered that, basically, poor people just did their time for drug busts; they did their time and got out and people with money paid the fine and got out — and there was no treatment," Polly Boyd said.

The Boyds were working in Atlanta as therapists at the time.

"We knew that there were thousands of therapists there and that we were needed here," Polly Boyd said.

Additionally, Gerald Boyd asked his friends to tell him what topic he talked about most, other than topics like inclusion and the like.

"They said, 'Going home.' ... There was such a big desire on my part to come



Gerald Boyd



Polly Boyd

back here and offer up a hand,” he said, adding, “... I wanted to come back here because we have a few tools in our toolbox and learned a thing or two and wanted to come back here to offer those tools.”

Nowadays, the couple spend their days providing clinical therapy to in-

~ Budget Hearing

station currently is meeting the county mandated response time, “We’re not going to be able to do it for much longer.”

Later, Patterson said Melfa had received five ambulance calls since the meeting began.

Saxis Volunteer Fire Department president Aubrey Justice said while Sax is also is meeting the standard, “Our ambulance is getting out with a 71-year-old man who runs 99% of our calls” and the main ambulance driver is 60.

“So it’s going to come a time ... when that 71-year-old and this 60-year-old are going to go, you know what, age has caught up with me,” he said.

Justice said the station has not had daytime staff it is supposed to have for two years.

Wachapreague’s fire chief, Chief Shawn Fate, fire company president David Fluhart, and Mayor Fred Janci also spoke in favor of funding the positions.

Residents including Karen Gravelle, of Onancock, Anita Johnson, of Accomac, Ace Seybolt, of Mappsville, John Schneider, of New Church, and Barry McGrogan, of Captains Cove, spoke of concerns about raising taxes.

Gravelle said with a tax increase, “It will be even harder to attract teachers; it will be harder to retain young doctors.”

McGrogan said while residents will

dividuals, families, and groups; providing training and supervision to mental health interns; and providing diversity, equity, and inclusion training to groups and organizations.

They currently are working with around a dozen interns.

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appreciate having additional EMTs when they have an emergency, county officials need to look at other solutions beside raising taxes, including cutting expenses.

Johnson said “People can’t pay their taxes now. I think the timing is bad.”

Seybolt said the increase in EMT staff “sounds like a good idea,” but said, “It’s the old question, how do you pay for it?”

He asked whether the county has considered ideas such as cross-training deputies as EMTs or paying volunteer firefighters when they are at the scene of an emergency, as Northampton does.

“Those are two things that might stretch the dollars that we have further,” he said.

Additionally, Seybolt said, “The county has to have a long-awaited discussion with the fire departments that no one particularly wants. I think maybe some of the boundaries need to be changed.”

Former supervisor Grayson Chess-er urged supervisors to “think long and hard before you go against your county administrator’s recommendations.”

Mason included in the budget a plan to pay for additional EMS staff in Saxis, Melfa, and Tangier, but said he does not support that initiative.

“How are you going to hire 31 more people when you can’t fill the vacancies that you have?” Chess-er said.

Additionally, the nonprofit ESTACI offers a scholarship program and Empowering Women and Girls programs, among other programs.

ESTACI’s projects include the Eastern Shore Music and Soul Food Festival, Samuel D. Outlaw Blacksmith Shop Memorial Museum, and the Eastern Shore Black History Tour.

Gerald Boyd also serves in a number of volunteer positions, including as organizer and chairman of the board of directors of the Samuel D. Outlaw Blacksmith Shop Memorial Museum; board of directors member of the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce; leadership council member of Virginia Organizing; 200+ Men of Hampton Roads member; NAACP of Northampton County chairman of criminal justice committee; Northampton County Parks and Recreation advisory board member; board of directors member, ESVA Literacy Council; and board of directors member, Rosenwald School.

Asked what is important about Black History Month, Gerald Boyd Boyd wanted to share with readers this statement by author and activist James Baldwin:

“American history is longer, larg-

er, more various, more beautiful, and more terrible than anything anyone has ever said about it.”

Polly Boyd responded to the same question, saying. “As a White person, it’s important for us to look at our history and be honest about it. ... We’re responsible for White supremacy; we’re responsible for healing ourselves, and connecting with each other to do that, and educating ourselves. Really, Black history and Indigenous history and all of the communities in our country should be a part of all our history year-around.”

Asked what Shore residents can do to better recognize Black History Month’s significance, Gerald Boyd said, “Practice cultural humility, which is a lifelong process of self-reflection and discovery in order to build honest and trustworthy relationships by learning about another’s culture — but one starts with an examination of one’s own beliefs and cultural identities.”

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From Alumni to Staff: Four Arcadia Graduates Now Teach There

By Stefanie Jackson

Arcadia High School has created an educational environment that encourages its former students to return as teachers, as four young adults demonstrated during a recent interview with the Eastern Shore Post.

The teachers, who are African American, are all alumni of Arcadia High School who graduated from historically Black colleges and universities and embarked on diverging career journeys, yet they all found something that beckoned them home.

All four of the teachers' lives and careers were influenced by their choices of extracurricular activities at Arcadia High School and their relationships with teachers and family members on the Eastern Shore.

Alyse Justis, who teaches family and consumer science, graduated from Arcadia in 2009, received her bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, and is now a fifth-year teacher.

Justis participated in school activities including Family, Careers and Community Leaders of America, also known as the Future Homemakers of America.

All signs pointed to her becoming a teacher, but initially she "ran from it." Family and consumer science teacher Barbara Taylor "paved the way for me ... made me into the teacher that I am," Justis said.

After graduating from college, Justis worked for an international hotel and resort chain and was working her way up the corporate ladder when her mother, who was an administrative assistant at Arcadia, was complaining about a substitute teacher shortage.

Justis wound up becoming a substitute teacher and learned she loved working with kids.

Then one day, Taylor disclosed her plan to apply for a food service manager position in Accomack schools. She encouraged Justis to apply for her position teaching family and consumer science. Both women succeeded.

Larry Marshall, who teaches technical education, graduated from Arcadia in 2007 and received his bachelor's de-

gree from Virginia State University, about 25 miles south of Richmond.

He didn't go to college with the intent of becoming a teacher; he studied industrial engineering and logistics technology, and after graduation he began working as a sales manager.

Marshall worked in various locations, including the shipyard in Salisbury, Md., and a company called Structural Technologies in Manassas, Va.

He said he'd always wanted to return to the Shore but didn't know what kind of career he could have there. Marshall's mother, who worked at a local poultry processing plant for 35 years, always had encouraged him to follow a different career path than she did.

He first considered teaching when his girlfriend, a teacher at Nandua, let him know about an opening there, but Marshall was an Arcadia "Firebird for life," he said.

He applied for a position at Wallops Island, but the hiring process was lengthy. Marshall submitted an application online for a technical education position at Arcadia High School, and about 20 minutes later, he received a call to schedule an interview.

His first cousin, Tyshawn Marshall, is a second-year health and physical education teacher who graduated from Arcadia in 2011. He also received his bachelor's degree from Virginia State University.

Tyshawn Marshall was heavily involved in high school sports – football, basketball, track and field – "I did it all," he said.

But perhaps the most influential activity in which he participated was the marching band, which he said was "the only reason" he went to college.

Owing to his involvement in marching



From left are Arcadia High School teachers Larry Marshall, Jonta Ward, Alyse Justis, and Tyshawn Marshall. Photo by Stefanie Jackson.

band, at first Marshall considered majoring in music, but his interest in athletics ultimately led him to major in health and P.E. with a minor in sports management. He planned to work with college athletes.

Marshall was in the U.S. Army from 2016 to 2019, and he served nine months at the Camp Casey military base in South Korea.

After he completed his time in the military and was looking for a job, a friend who was a teacher, Dorian Johnson, told him that Arcadia needed a P.E. teacher.

Marshall applied for the position while he was in Ohio, working at a football camp, and "a couple of days later, they told me I got the job," he said.

Jonta Ward, a sixth-year business teacher, graduated from Arcadia in 2007 and received her bachelor's degree from Norfolk State University.

Ward, an honor student who was 11th in the graduating class of 2007, was a member of the FBLA (Future Business

Leaders of America), DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America), and Beta Club. She also participated in basketball and track and field.

Her aunt, Tangela Ames, "always tried to push me to do more," Ward said.

Ames was a business teacher at Arcadia High School and had accepted a new job opportunity in Maryland. She told Ward to apply for a teaching position at the school because "someone was leaving." Ward didn't find out that the someone was her aunt until after Ward was hired.

She named math teacher Donna Killmon, who is now retired, as an influential and beloved educator. (Nandua Middle School Principal John Killmon is her son.) Donna Killmon loved to teach and Ward "wanted to give to someone else what she gave to me," she said.

Justis agreed. Killmon "made math make sense," she said. She was strict

but she didn't yell at students; instead, she used sarcasm to get her point across, Larry Marshall said.

One of her familiar sayings, "That's why your grade looks like it looks now," is used by Ward today, and her peers have similar means of nudging their students back on task.

For these four teachers, the Eastern Shore's rural nature was part of what drew them back home.

Tyshawn Marshall said he prefers "country living" to an urban environment, what his cousin called "street and pavement." Ward agreed and said across the Chesapeake Bay, even the cookouts are not the same.

Larry Marshall likes living on the Shore for the peace and quiet, closeness to family, and familiarity with others in the community.

"There's no place like home," Justis said.

The teachers agreed that "everybody knows everybody" on the Eastern Shore, which makes it easier for them to connect with their students.

For example, a student might discover that one of her teachers and her mother went to school together, and once that connection is made, "it's a done deal," Justis said.

Larry Marshall said when he attended Arcadia, "a lot of teachers ... didn't know who they were teaching," but when he became a teacher he thought the students might "respond better to somebody who sat where they sat."

Having grown up on the Shore helps the teachers relate to their students because they had to deal with the same types of distractions from schoolwork, such as part-time jobs.

Larry Marshall remembers what it was like to be tired at school after working late the night before. He tries to be "lenient but stern" with students and notes that a teacher cannot be a student's friend.

Justis said the key is "the tone you set from the time they walk into class," because they will test the boundaries and "see how far they can go," Ward said.

One of the ways Larry Marshall earns his students' respect is through transparency – the lesson plans he posts in class are the same plans he submits to Principal Shaun O'Shea.

The teachers shared some of the strategies they use to manage their classrooms and keep the number of behavior referrals they write to a minimum.

Tyshawn Marshall said he has curbed foul language in class by making a student do 10 pushups every time he cursed.

Larry Marshall found that the solution to a student who wouldn't stay seated in class was making him stand.

Justis said she doesn't like to embarrass students, and she will often speak to a student after class about a behavior that needs improvement – a strategy that also is popular with the other teachers.

Ward said she often contacts parents regarding student behavior in class. Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't, depending on the student, she observed.

Sometimes a teacher will send an offending student to in-school suspension for the remainder of the class time, but referrals are rarely written.

Larry Marshall expressed his appreciation for Principal O'Shea and the "great job" he does. If a teacher needs help with classroom discipline, sometimes all it takes is for O'Shea to stick his head in the door because he's so well-respected by students, Marshall said.

When asked what advice they want to give their students, Marshall told them to take advantage of their education while it's free, because education is one thing that no one can take away.

Tyshawn Marshall agreed. "Appreciate school while you're here," he said. He also recommended that students consider joining the military after graduation, because it provides life experience, teaches self-reliance, and pushes one's physical limits to levels "that you didn't know you could achieve."

Ward affirmed that different experiences are good – even if it means leaving the Eastern Shore for a while, because it makes one appreciate home, Larry Marshall said.

Another concern the teachers shared for their students is that "everybody wants to be famous," even though fame does not equal success, Justis said. Neither does fame guarantee happiness, Ward added.

Justis tells her students that no matter what they do or become, "be the best one you think you are."

Larry Marshall's advice is to not worry about what others think, and even in the face of failure, "just pick yourself up ... don't stop trying."



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To Daniel P. Czelusniak, trustee
50 acres near Coal Kiln
For \$160,000
- From David L. Derrickson, by Danielle N. Harris, his attorney-in-fact
To Our Five Sons LLC
Lot 5 Wildcat South, Chincoteague
For \$150,000
- From Henrik S. Shelley
To Ernie Gillespie
Lot 3 Pine Ridge Development,
Chincoteague
For \$15,000
- From Joseph G. Walters and Kimberly A. Garton, successor trustees
To Emma Louise and Norman R. Haggie
16 Holly St., Onancock
For \$295,999
- From Irene S. and Andrew P. Killmon
To Donald Motto
1.8 acres on Bradfords Neck Road, Quinby
For \$10,000
- From Chantell L. Spriggs, Floyd C. Spriggs Jr., and McKinley L.A. Spriggs
To Jacqueline M. Horner, Stephen E. Horner Jr., Michael J. Hartford, Stephen Ernest Horner, and Nicholas C. Horner
Trails End Lot 60 Unit 1, Horntown

- For \$24,000
- From Denise L. and Harvey A. Drewer II
To Bryan S. Aycock
1/2 acre, 20425 Saxis Road, Saxis
For \$80,000
- From Peggy Anne and Bruce C. Gordy
To Kayla Rebekah and Nathan Elliott
Crockett
2 parcels on Tangier
For \$75,000
- From June Walker
To Gladys Berta Soto Berduo
26394 Mount Nebo Road, Onancock
For \$16,120
- From Margaret F. Rantz
To Chestnut Stump Tree Farm LLC
39.79 acres near Wachapreague
For \$60,000
- From Jerilynn P. Coyne
To Carrie Timko
6428 Church St., Chincoteague
For \$150,000
- From Kathryn and Thomas Burke
To Olivia F. and Eric A. Littleton
Lot 93 Olde Mill Pointe, New Church
For \$22,000
- From Justin Barnes
To Michael T. Bell
Lot 17 Nocks Landing Phase II, Atlantic
For \$379,000
- From Claire T. and Michael J. Dillenburg
To Janice Findlay and Mark Bjorge
20558 North Shore Drive, Onancock
For \$550,000
- From Kristin C. and Jason A. Birchfield
To Carrie L. and J. Bret Delone
Captains Cove Lot 979 Section 1,

- Greenbackville
For \$610,000
- From Sue N. and Davie G. Hall Jr.
To Tammy E. and Steven C. Brown Sr.
Trails End Lot 89 Unit 3 Sheet 3,
Horntown
For \$25,000
- From Clifford J. Adams Jr.
To Joan M. Moyer and John B. Jones
Trails End Lot 199 Unit 2 Sheet 2,
Horntown
For \$29,900
- From Jessica C. and Matthew J. Laubach
To Arthur Vancil LLC
Lot 4 Pennyville Road, Painter
For \$45,000
- From Norma Brinkley-Staley and Patrick J. Staley
To Julia Ann and Christopher Magdi
Malak
Lot 240B Bunting Road, Chincoteague
For \$70,000

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- From Ronald and Regina Gallihugh, trustees
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Lot 49, Parcel K, Bay Creek, Cape Charles
For \$37,500
- From Benjamin Cabanas
To Victor and Theresa Cabanas
Lots 254 and 255, Vaucluse Shores,
near Machipongo
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Lot 106, Bay Creek South, Cape Charles
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- From Bay Creek Development LLC
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Lot 36, Plantation Pointe, Bay Creek,
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district
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- From T.H.S. Family Limited Partnership
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For \$82,500
- From Christopher and Charlotte Wynder
To Darryl Glennon
Lot 16, Wilsonia Landing, Machipongo
For \$22,000
- From Tod and Elaine Bessery
To Kevin and Catherine Pool and
Thomas and Catherine Lewis
Lot 65, Parcel A-1, Cape Charles
For \$795,000

Tourism Summit Scheduled for Next Week

Submitted Article

The Eastern Shore Tourism Commission's 2022 Tourism Summit will be held Feb. 28 at the Eastern Shore Community College.

Powerhouse speakers like Rita Suiter, from 5 Star Customer Service Strategies LLC; Eric Terry, from the Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, and Travel Association; Staci Martin, of the Virginia Tourism Corporation; and Meredith Lusk, of Moonrise Jewelry, will bring the community together and inspire business owners for the upcoming year.

Attendees will learn tools of the trade, become informed on upcoming trends, hear about upcoming grants

available from the Virginia Tourism Corporation (learn more about those at <https://www.vatc.org/grants/>) and have the opportunity to network while enjoying incredible local food and music. The event will be recorded for those unable to attend.

As this is the first Tourism Summit in several years and also the first summit since the COVID-19 crisis, the tourism commission wanted to create a dynamic event that will encourage, empower, and excite the community as we gear up for the 2022 season. For more information, contact the Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission at 757-787-8268.

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Both Local School Divisions Adopt Mask-Optional Policies for Students

By Stefanie Jackson

After one local school district hit a snag last week, both Accomack and Northampton public schools have implemented mask-optional regulations for students and are in compliance with the new state law allowing parents to exempt their children from school mask mandates.

Gov. Glenn Youngkin signed Senate Bill 739 into law Wednesday, Feb. 16, which took effect immediately through an emergency clause approved earlier that week by the Virginia Senate and House of Delegates. The bill provided schools a deadline of March 1 to comply with the new law.

When Accomack students returned to school Thursday, Feb. 17, at Chincoteague Elementary School they were greeted by police officers and school adminis-

trators handing out face masks to children, according to parent Abigail Brass.

Her 10-year-old daughter, Amaya, whom Brass described as a straight-A student who had never been disciplined in school before, was suspended for five days after removing her mask during the school day with her mother's permission, Brass said.

However, by Friday, Feb. 18, Superintendent Chris Holland had notified parents via letter and a recorded phone message that Accomack County Public Schools would "transition to a mask-optional learning environment for all students in our buildings on February 22, 2022." (Schools were closed Monday, Feb. 21, for Presidents Day.)

Northampton County Public Schools Superintendent Eddie Lawrence issued a letter to parents Feb. 22 also stating

the school district would transition to a "mask-optional learning environment," starting Wednesday, Feb. 23.

Both letters noted that wearing masks will still be required in certain circumstances:

- Federal regulations require that students continue wearing masks on school buses.
 - Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 or any unvaccinated person who had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 must quarantine for five days. That person must wear a mask for five days upon return to school.
 - The Virginia Department of Labor and industry standards require all school employees and visitors to continue wearing masks in schools.
- Both letters stated that wearing

masks in school is still encouraged as a strategy to reduce transmission of COVID-19.

Lawrence's letter noted that school employees will not be asked to enforce parents' decisions on masks. Parents were asked, "Please speak with your children about your decision and expectations about whether they will or will not wear masks in school, and ask that they respect the choices of other students."

Northampton schools will "focus on maintaining a positive and welcoming learning environment in which students feel comfortable wearing a mask if they choose to do so," the letter stated.

Lawrence said Tuesday that to the best of his knowledge, no Northampton student had been suspended for not wearing a mask in school.

DRIVER CHARGED IN FATAL FEB. 14 CRASH ON ROUTE U.S. 13 NEAR PARKSLEY

Staff Report

Justin Soeum, 27, of New Hampshire, also known as Justin Laferriere, was discharged Feb. 14 from Sentara Hospital, in Norfolk, and was subsequently arrested on charges related to a Feb. 8 crash that killed 44-year-old Angela Marie Kellam.

Soeum has been charged with one count of involuntary manslaughter, two counts of DUI maiming, one count of second offense DUI with elevated blood-alcohol content, and one count of reckless driving. Soeum received no bond.

State Police reported last week that preliminary investigations reveal that a 2021 Toyota Camry driven by Soeum was traveling at a high rate of speed in

the southbound lanes of U.S. Route 13 near Parksley.

"Soeum lost control of his vehicle, ran off the roadway and struck a 2013 Chrysler 200 head-on, causing the Chrysler to flip into the southbound lanes," said State Police spokesperson Sgt. Michelle Anaya in a press release.

Kellam, the driver of the Chrysler

200, died upon impact. Soeum's Camry became fully engulfed in flames after impact. Soeum was pulled out by citizens and flown to Norfolk General Hospital.

After the initial crash, the driver of a 2003 Yamaha motorcycle, traveling in the southbound lanes, laid his motorcycle down (intentionally slid-

ing low on the motorcycle to stop) and struck the Chrysler. Two other motorcyclists traveling in the southbound lanes laid their motorcycles down but did not strike any other vehicles.

The three motorcyclists all suffered injuries that were not life-threatening and were transported to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Anaya said.

Court Postings

By Nancy Drury Duncan

Accomack Circuit Court

A plea agreement was reached with Heather Renee Corbin, 35, of New Church, charged with robbery and distribution of cocaine.

According to the terms of the agreement, Corbin pleaded guilty to three counts of accessory after the fact of a robbery and one count of conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan said he entered into the agreement because Corbin was the victim of "significant physical abuse" by her husband Jarrell Corbin. He was already a convicted felon when he robbed three Shore convenience stores at gunpoint in late 2019 and early in 2020. He is currently serving a 15-year prison sentence for those crimes.

Morgan said Renee Corbin, who drove Jarrell Corbin to the scene of the

robberies, was not involved in the planning of the robberies and received no proceeds from them. "The commonwealth believes she has a substantial defense of duress by Corbin," he said. "Her drug abuse was associated with living with Corbin. The commonwealth has elected to make these amendments and hopes not to see her again. This was a very dark period in her life."

Defense attorney Tucker Watson said his client was currently enrolled in the re-entry program at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and asked that she be evaluated for the Community Corrections Alternative Program. She is set for sentencing on June 9.

Antwine Jermaine Johnson, 32, of Painter, pleaded guilty to felony assault and battery of a household member, third or subsequent offense, in

a plea agreement with the commonwealth. He was sentenced to one year in jail with all that time suspended.

In June 2020, Johnson got into an argument with his mother. When his father attempted to intervene, Johnson struck him in the face. He was highly intoxicated at the time, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Baker.

According to the terms of the agreement, Johnson will be on supervised probation for two years and on good behavior for five years. In addition, a protective order was issued ordering him to have no contact with his parents or go onto their property during his period of probation.

A special condition of that probation is that he is to refrain from the use of alcohol, marijuana, or any illegal drugs and will follow all instructions given to him by the office of probation and parole. His parents did not want to see their son go to jail for a long time and hoped that probation and its accompanying requirements would help him, Baker said.

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OBITUARIES

Richard Irvin Burford

Local educator and entrepreneur, **Mr. Richard “Mr. Ricky” Irvin Burford**, 71, of Bloxom, passed away Feb. 19, 2022, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Born on April 30, 1950, in Nassawadox, he was the son of the late Alfred Coleburn Burford Sr. and the late Helen Jenkins Burford.

A graduate of Parksley High School’s class of 1968, Mr. Burford was a member of the 4-H All Stars and was fortunate enough to win the ANEC essay contest. The prize was a trip



Mr. Burford

to Washington, D.C., to meet President Lyndon B. Johnson. Mr. Burford often noted that President Johnson had the softest hands he had ever felt. According to Burford’s father, this meant Johnson had never done a hard day of work in his life.

During his high school career, Mr. Burford worked at Jaxon’s in Parksley where his coworker and dear friend, Aileen Hopkins, gave him the nickname “Sweet Taters.”

He earned a bachelor’s degree from Virginia Wesleyan University and a master’s degree from Old Dominion University. During his summer months home from college, Mr. Burford held a position at NASA.

Mr. Burford was a dedicated educator for Accomack County Public Schools for 32 years. He worked as a general education teacher in various elementary grade levels as well as a math teacher at the middle school level. He also spent many years working in special education and often taught music classes during the summer. He retired in 2004.

In his spare time, Mr. Burford owned and operated the Bloxom floral shop and beauty salon, “Mr. Ricky’s.” He met everyone with a smile and a hug. He poured his heart and kindness into everyone around him. From catering special events such as weddings and parties to delivering senti-

mental flowers for birthdays or funerals, Mr. Burford was passionate about ensuring his customers and friends were pleased.

Mr. Burford is survived by his beloved niece, Connie Burford, and her children, Coleby and Caleb Burford, of Bloxom, who were the apples of his eye; a nephew, Richie Burford (Linda), of Princess Anne, Md.; a dear sister-in-law, Dottie Turner, of Hallwood; two great-nephews, Kyle Burford, of Salisbury, Md., and Ryan Taylor, of Parksley; his great-niece, Ashley Padgett (Matt), and children, Tyler and Hailey Padgett, of Hallwood; and his great-niece, Lauren Taylor, of Hallwood.

He doted on his family. Whether watching his great-niece’s volleyball games, attending his great-nephew’s swim competitions, or traveling to Buckingham Correctional Center to pick up and adopt a dog for his niece, Mr. Burford loved the time he spent with his family.

He was a member of the Calvary United Methodist Church for many years. Most recently, he attended Hallwood Baptist Church. He played the organ at both places. Mr. Burford was involved in civic organizations, the Accomack County Nursing Home Board, and Area 19 Special Olympics.

Always the activist, Mr. Burford rallied for and got the teachers in the county one of the largest raises in the county’s history after he discovered that “the dog catcher” made more money than the majority of the teachers at the time. Mr. Burford could only surmise that the county cared more for the surplus population of stray cats and dogs than it did for the county’s children.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Burford was preceded in death by his brother, Alfred “Coleburn” Burford Jr.; his sister, Connie Coleburn Burford; his niece, Teresa “Tessie” Taylor; and his dear friend, George “Jim” Turner.

A funeral service will be held Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022, at 3 p.m., at Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley, with Pastor Milton Bunting officiating. Interment will follow in the Parksley Cemetery. A reception will be held following the interment at the Parksley Firehouse.

The family will receive friends Saturday evening, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the

funeral home.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the Eastern Shore Chapter of the Special Olympics Area 19 via SOVA Area 19, c/o Sandy Taylor, P.O. Box 1062, Cheriton, VA 23316. This is a cause that Mr. Burford was devoted to and annually raised money for, along with his longtime friend and coworker, Susan Wilder.

George Arthur Greenlaw

Yeoman First Class George Arthur Greenlaw, USN (Retired), 84, husband of Grace Beatrice Cramer “Bea” Greenlaw and a resident of Parksley, passed away at home Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022. He was formerly of Virginia Beach and was a native of Maine.

Born May 16, 1937, he was the son of the late Myrtie Loveland, and graduated from Jonesport High School (1955) in Jonesport, Maine. A month after high school graduation, George joined the U.S. Navy, retiring in 1985 after faithfully serving his country for 30 years. He was a member of the national American Legion, including Post #100 in Parksley, and several military groups and organizations during his career.

George was a workaholic throughout his life. He also enjoyed watching television, especially sports, and his favorite teams, the Atlanta Braves and Duke Blue Devils men’s basketball.

In addition to his wife of 66 years, Bea, survivors include two sons, Lawrence Michael “Larry” Greenlaw Sr., of Norfolk, and Thomas George Greenlaw Sr.; a grandson who George and Bea adopted, Thomas George Greenlaw Jr., and grandson, Lawrence Michael “Mike” Greenlaw Jr.; a great-granddaughter, Sierra Caitlin Greenlaw; and a great-grandson. In addition to his mother, he was predeceased by a daughter, Vicki-Lynne Greenlaw.

No public services will be held. Memorial donations may be made to the American Legion Post #100, P.O. Box 48, Parksley, VA 23421, American

Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123, or to the SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Luther Jerome Miller

Mr. Luther Jerome “Bud” Miller, 88, of Atlantic, formerly of Railroad, Pa., passed away Feb. 17, 2022, at his residence surrounded by his loving family.

He was born in Crossroads, Pa., on Feb. 8, 1934, a son to the late Samuel and Flossie Miller.

Bud retired from the American Chain and Cable (ACCO), of York, Pa., as a superintendent.

He was a member of Union Baptist Church Anglers Sunday school class on Chincoteague Island, and was a former member of Turnpike Baptist Church in Shrewsbury, Pa. He served many years as a Republican committee officer. He was the caretaker for the railroad borough water facility. Over the years, he has made many friends with his love of helping others. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, and gardener of fruits, vegetables, and flowers. He was well known for his canned preserves and produce. He was a member of many hunt clubs such as Ducks Unlimited, Jane Brown, and M&S. Bud loved his country and served in the U.S. Army. His love of the Lord and people he met will be greatly missed by all he knew.

Bud is survived by his loving spouse of 23 years, Betty Rae Miller, of Atlantic; son, David J. Miller, and his wife, Edwina, of New Freedom, Pa.; two daughters, Lisa Cooley, of Felton, Pa., and Sharon Kellison, of Horntown; stepdaughter, Ruth Ann Birch, of Chincoteague Island; three stepsons, Gary Daniel Daisey and his wife, Sandy, of Chincoteague Island, Matthew Daisey and his wife, Sherry, of Whithams, and Mark Daisey and his wife, Danielle, of Chincoteague Island; three adopted-in-love daughters, Mel, Mitzi, and Karen; 11 grandchildren, Eric, Justin, Briar, Jeremiah, Avery,



Mr. Miller



Mr. Greenlaw

Joshua, Chris, Todd, John, Tara, and Heather; 15 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two adopted-in-love grandchildren, Seth and Kyle; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Catherine Noll Miller; two brothers, Claire and Truman; and two sisters, Katherine and Hilda.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Feb. 20, 2022, at 2 p.m. (with a visitation from 1 to 2 p.m.), at the Union Baptist Church, Chincoteague Island, with the Rev. Kevin Eley officiating.

There was a second service Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022, at 2 p.m. (with a visitation from 1 to 2 p.m.), at Turnpike Baptist Church in Shrewsbury, Pa., with Pastor Jeffery Feeser officiating.

Burial took place in the St. John the Baptist Catholic in New Freedom, Pa., immediately following the service in Shrewsbury.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Anglers Sunday School Class c/o Union Baptist Church, 6365 Church St., Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Junior Moore

Mr. Belvin M. Moore, better known as Junior, 83, husband of Elizabeth Cropper Moore and a resident of Eastville, passed away Friday, Feb. 18, 2022, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. A native of Oyster, he was the son of the late Belvin Moore and the late Susie Bell Brady Moore. He was a retired farm equipment mechanic, member of Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company, and a member, trustee, and deacon of Cheriton Baptist Church.



Mr. Moore

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by a daughter, Susie Colson, of Suffolk, Va.; two grandchildren, Shaun Dubberly, of Withams, and Courtney Marie Franklin, of Exmore; and two great-grandchildren, Cayden Hatley, of Exmore, and Cameron Franklin, of Craddockville. He was predeceased by a brother, William Lee Moore, and a great-granddaughter, Leigha Nicole Franklin.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022, at 2:30 p.m., at Cheriton Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Peterson officiating. Interment was in Capeville Masonic Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 41, Cheriton, VA 23316, or Cheriton Baptist Church, P.O. Box 227, Cheriton, VA 23316.

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

Arrangements were made by Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home in Cape Charles.

Marietta P. Parker

Mrs. Marietta P. Parker, 87, of Accomac, heard His call and departed this life Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2022, at her residence.

Born in Accomac, Marietta was the beloved daughter of the late Raymond and Bertie Bagwell Pettit. She met and married William Parker and they raised 12 children with the help of her mother. She was a domestic worker until her retirement.

Marietta was a member of Macedonia AME Church in Accomac. She was a servant of the Lord and loved reading God's word and attending Sunday school and Bible study. Marietta served in many capacities of the church. She also loved her church family.



Mrs. Parker

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. DeAngelo Johnson officiating. Interment was in the Household of Ruth Cemetery, Accomac.

Marietta leaves to cherish her precious memories: one sister, Catherine Mason; one sister-in-law, Ora L. Pettit; four sons, William Parker, Curtis Parker, Edward Parker, and Frederick Parker; four daughters, Daisey Parker, Betsy Parker, Stephanie Parker, and

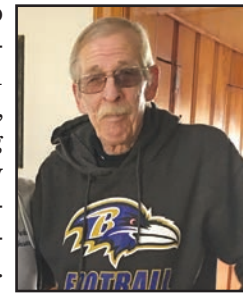
Etta Parker; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

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

John Miles Porter

Mr. John Miles Porter, known as Johnny to family and friends, died Sunday, Jan. 30, 2022, at the age of 70. Born Jan. 18, 1952, in Nassawadox and raised in Saxis, he was the son of the late John Porter and the late Juanita Miles Porter.

Following high school, Johnny enlisted in the U.S. Army National Guard and continued to serve his country for nearly 21 years. In 1970, he began driving a truck for Holly Farms, now Tyson Foods, retiring after 43 years. Johnny always knew how to have a good time, which often came with a few jokes and lots of laughs. He was a longtime member of the Onancock Elks Lodge No. 1766, a diehard Baltimore Ravens Fan, and looked forward to NASCAR Sundays. Johnny's sly grin and loud chuckle were trademarks of his personality, both of which were well known and will be missed by all, especially among his friends at the Elks and Club Car. He wouldn't want a bunch of tears and sadness, but he'd expect everyone to gather to share their favorite "Johnny story" while enjoying a cold Natty Light in his honor.



Mr. Porter

Johnny is survived by his daughter, Amy Porter Leighton, and her husband, Roland; grandsons, Joshua Aaron Taylor and his wife, Ashley, Trevor Miles Drummond, and Nicholas Chase Drummond; brother-in-law, Jimmy Taylor; and nieces, Amy Coffey and Jami Dizon, and their families. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his wives, Jean Elaine Porter and Anne Fitchett Porter; his sister, Susan Taylor;

nephews, Jeffrey and Jonathan Coffey; and his dog and faithful sidekick, Susie.

A graveside service will be held Friday, Feb. 25, at 3 p.m., at the John W. Taylor Cemetery in Temperanceville, with the Rev. Tommy Kellam officiating. A reception and celebration of Johnny's life will follow at the Onancock Elks Lodge in Accomac. In honor of Johnny's love for a good pair of blue jeans, casual attire is requested.

Contributions in Johnny's memory may be made to the Onancock Elks Medical Fund, P.O. Box 219, Accomac, VA 23301.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Estella Taylor Robinson

Mrs. Estella Taylor Robinson, 64, formerly of Onancock, departed this life Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2022, at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond.

Born in Onancock, Estella was the daughter of Dorothy L. Taylor White and the late Edward L. Taylor Sr. She was affectionately known as "Essie" or "Stella Bell" by her loving family and closest friends. Essie was a social worker for over 40 years. She was a 1975 graduate of Onancock High School and received her undergraduate degree and master's degree from Norfolk State University.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, at the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. J.D. Rich officiating and the eulogy by the Rev. Morris L. Allmond Sr. Interment was in the Metropolitan Bayside Community Cemetery, Onancock.

She is survived by her spouse, Ricky Robinson, and his three sons, Marlon Walker, Bryan Robinson, and Javan Robinson; two grandchildren; her mother and caregiver, Dorothy Taylor White; siblings, Phyllis T. Wessells (William), Edward L. Taylor Jr. (Angela), and Vanessa T. Copeland (Randy); brother-in-law, Leander Roberts Jr.; sisters-in-law, Denise Robinson and Zina Robinson; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, special cousins, and friends.

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

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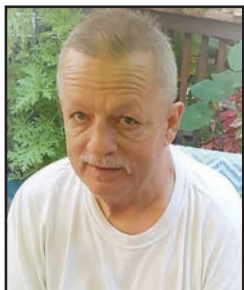
OBITUARIES

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Stewart Scott Jr.

Mr. Stewart Scott Jr., 69, of Yeo Neck in Melfa, went to work his “Scotty” charm on the angels Sunday, Feb. 20, 2022. Born Feb. 9, 1953, in Nasawadox and raised in Onancock, he was the son of Ann Williams Scott, of Onancock, and the late Stewart Scott.

Scotty graduated from Onancock High School and attended North Carolina Wesleyan College, where he received his bachelor’s degree in mathematics. Over the years, his myriad of occupations ranged from owner and operator of the former Townhouse Restaurant to supervisor with Verizon, and of course, his all-time favorite, grass cutter extraordinaire. Never one to beat around the bush,



Mr. Scott

Scotty preferred to tell it like it was and did so with just enough wit and charisma to get by with anything. He was a friend to all and never went anywhere that he didn’t have someone laughing and several blushing. Though he accomplished much in his life, he was most proud of his boys, the beautiful lives they’ve built, and especially the perfect grandchildren they gave him.

In addition to his mother, Scotty is survived by his wife, Carrie Elizabeth “Beth” Scott; sons, Robert “Chase” Scott and his wife, Katey, of Eastville, and William “Luke” Scott and his wife, Kristen, of Parksley; brother, Davis Scott, and his family; grandchildren, Lily, Camden, Lucas, Trower, and Carrie Ann; in-laws, Willie Edward and Jackie Mears; and many lifelong friends.

To honor his wish for everyone to remember him the way he was, no public service will be held.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

GeKeia A. White-Justis

Miss GeKeia A. White-Justis, 39, of Atlantic, gained her wings Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2022, at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional, Salisbury, Md.

Born in Crisfield, Md., GeKeia was the beloved daughter of Carmel White and the late Glen Collins Sr. She was affectionately known as “Gi Gi” by her family and friends.

Gi Gi graduated in the top five of her class from Arcadia High School in 2000. She matriculated at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore and was a magna cum laude honors graduate in 2004. She was employed by the Central Intelligence Agency for the last 16 years.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. Gregory Duncan Sr. officiating. Interment was in the St. John’s U.M. Church Cemetery, Atlantic.



Miss White-Justis

Gi Gi leaves to cherish her loving memories: her loving and devoted parents, Carmel and Alvin Justis; two sisters, Alyese Justis and Aneshia Manuel; four brothers, Anaias White, Allen Justis, Glen Collins Jr., and Brandon Collins; two grandfathers, Brantley Hinmon and James Wilson; godmother, Sandra Justice; special caregiver, Pamela McKyer; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, other relatives, and friends.

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

William Thomas Wilkins

On Monday, Feb. 7, 2022, **Dr. William Thomas Wilkins**, at the incredible age of 93, was finally called home. His family and the world have lost a great son, husband, father, soldier, doctor, and leader. His family rejoices in the abundance of his life but truly mourns his absence. He will serve again in immortality, humble and committed.

William was born in Capeville on Aug. 6, 1928. Only son to William Fitchett Wilkins and Sallie Ruth Whitehead, he was raised on a small farm during the Great Depression. He attended Northampton High School, graduating in 1945. He joined the Army in 1950, serving as a medical corpsman in the Korean War with the 5015 ASU unit. During his service, he was greatly moved by the wounds of the fallen soldiers and as a lifelong man of faith, he was compelled to serve the suffering and heal the sick. In 1953 he attended the University of Richmond and Medical College of Virginia, graduating in 1959. He continued by completing his residency in internal medicine and cardiology at Johnston Willis Hospital by 1963.

His career in medicine began by serving his fellow soldiers as section chief of medicine at McGuire Veterans Hospital in 1963. In 1965 he was recruited into the pharmacological medical research department of AH Robins Pharmaceutical Company, by the founder, A.H. Robbins him-

self. Robbins saw “something special” in William as he would become the personal physician of the family up until their passing. William’s service in the company continued as he was promoted to the director of preventative medicine in 1972, the corporate medical director in 1984, and vice president in 1988.

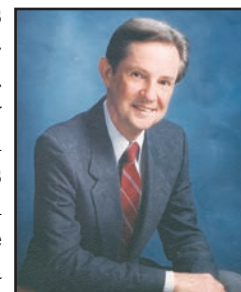
In 1995 he met his wife-to-be, Carolyn Parsley Wilkins. To their families’ happy surprise, they eloped and wed on May 17, 1997. For the next 25 years, they lived happily together in Richmond and traveled the world.

William’s greatest accomplishment wasn’t just his military service, medical legacy, or his healthcare career. It was being a father. Having no children of his own, he adopted Carolyn’s three sons, Paul, Brian, and Jonathan, as his. He then became the grandfather of Brian’s son, Andrew. In his later years, he helped raise and inspire Andrew to pursue his college degree and become an officer in the U.S. Army. His other passions included sailing in the Chesapeake Bay or playing jazz music with his close friend, Dr. Walter Drapier. His life was a celebration of service to his country, his family, his faith, and to those in need.

In all of the names he was recognized, Dr. Wilkins, Sargent Wilkins, Bill, William, and “Pop” ... he will always truly be missed.

He was an active member of the American Medical Association, American Association of Cardiologists, American Association of Internal Medicine, and MCV Alumni Association.

William is survived by his cousins, William Talmadge Wilkins, John Dean Wilkins, Odell Raymond Wood, Anne Wood Bryant and wife, Carolyn. He will be remembered and celebrated at Reveille United Methodist Church Saturday, March 5, 2022, at 11 a.m., 4200 Cary Street Road, Richmond, VA 23221. Family will receive friends one hour prior. Interment will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery, 4000 Pilots Lane, Richmond, Henrico County, VA 23222.



Dr. Wilkins

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Parents Express Preferences for Next Northampton Superintendent

By Stefanie Jackson

When the Northampton school board held a public hearing Tuesday on its search for a new superintendent, parents and other community members learned that the process to hire a superintendent, as determined by state law and the Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA), might not be as transparent as they would prefer.

School board chair Charlena Jones opened the public hearing and invited those present to share what qualifications they want a superintendent to have.

Ericka Willke, of Cape Charles, said that if the superintendent has children, they should attend the county's public schools, and school board members should be held to the same standard.

Nancy Proto, also of Cape Charles, said the new superintendent should have a doctorate degree and experience analyzing educational data and problem-solving.

Victoria Daniels, of Machipongo, said the superintendent should have lived in Northampton County for at least one year, be familiar with local weather conditions and how they affect travel on secondary roads, and demonstrate a good relationship with the community by visiting individual schools and community events.

Terry Custis, of Nassawadox, added that the right candidate will have a vision for the community and possess good values and moral character.

Bill O'Hare said the superintendent should recognize untapped skill and talent in the community and give older retirees the chance to volunteer in schools.

Members of the public also were permitted to ask questions about the search process.

Proto was the first to speak and asked how the community will be involved. Jones noted the two methods of public involvement recommended by VSBA already had been implemented: a survey and the public hearing currently in session.

This did not appear to satisfy several citizens in attendance, who further questioned the process.

O'Hare asked how the survey data would be analyzed and if the analysis would be publicized; Jones said the

school board would request that information from VSBA.

Willke asked if the public ever had been directly involved in choosing a school superintendent.

School board member Jo Ann Molera explained that according to Virginia code, a school board basically has three jobs: forming school division policy, setting the budget, and hiring a superintendent. These are the jobs the school board is elected to do, school board member William Oakley later added.

Molera said VSBA has a "very thorough process" for finding superintendents, and after VSBA eliminates applicants who lack the qualifications required by the state, "the rest is up to us."

Jones explained that the public is not allowed to be directly involved in the selection process to protect the privacy of the job candidates, whose current positions may be negatively impacted if it was known that they were applying for a new position elsewhere.

Yuridia Lynch, of Machipongo, was concerned that the search process lacked transparency. Willke asked how anyone will know if the school board implements public input in its decision-making process.

"Respectfully, you're going to have to trust us," Jones said.

Lynch asked if the public could be informed about the job candidates without revealing their identities; for example, listing the candidates' qualifications and labeling each A, B, C, D. However, that is not how VSBA's superintendent search process is conducted, the school board explained.

Suzanne Conrow cautioned school board members that a superintendent "could look awesome on paper," but they also need to know if the candidate has a good relationship with the community. This could be determined by talking to people including PTA members, parents, and church members. "It's not hard to do research," she said.

Jones noted that any recommendations for candidates for superintendent should not be made to the school board but to VSBA's executive director, Gina Patterson. She can be reached by emailing gina@vsba.org or calling 434-295-8722.

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Northampton School Board Contemplates Tough Budget Choice

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton schools are at risk of having to turn down more than \$667,000 in state funding because the local match required is so high that the school division's proposed fiscal year 2023 budget would reach a deficit of \$1.4 million.

Northampton schools would have to ask the board of supervisors for local funding of more than \$10.4 million for FY 2023, about 15.5% more than last year's local funding request.

Northampton's composite index is 0.47, meaning that for every dollar the state proposes spending on local public education, the county is expected to pay 47 cents, and the state pays 53 cents.

Therefore, of the \$1.3 million in additional funding Virginia lawmakers proposed for Northampton's educationally at-risk students, nearly half would be paid by the county.

Superintendent Eddie Lawrence explained it's an "all or nothing" proposal; Northampton must accept or reject the entire funding package.

If the at-risk funding proposal is accepted, the \$1.3 million would be spent as follows:

- Full-time instructional assistants would be provided for kindergarten through eighth grade. The kindergarten's current six instructional assistants would be upgraded from part-time to full-time; first and second grade would get 12 instructional assistants, or one per classroom; third through eighth grade would get one instructional assistant per grade level. The total cost would be about \$840,000.
- Two student success coaches would be employed for about \$52,000 each; Occohannock and Kiptopeke elementary schools would share one and Northampton middle and high schools would share the other.
- One-and-a-half social worker positions would be added for nearly \$136,000, a total of three social workers or one per school building.
- Two behavior specialist positions would be added for about \$173,000, a total of three behavior specialists or one per school building.
- One student support coordinator would be added for about \$80,000.
- The alternative education center would be restructured, adding a coordinator/teacher for \$80,000 and a special education teacher for \$72,000. The additional resources will cost about \$175,000 more than the proposed total funding, meaning some of the extras must be cut or covered by an alternative funding source.

During the public hearing, former school board member Nancy Proto commended the addition of social workers and behavior specialists.

However, special education teacher Katie Pittman preferred the additional instructional assistants and asserted that if teachers have assistance in the classroom, student behavior will improve and extra social workers and behavior specialists will not be needed.

Lawrence noted that all the positions listed had been requested by principals.

He observed that there is little else that could be cut from the budget, and several cost increases are unavoidable. For example, items like vehicle, building, and grounds materials, supplies, and services, as well as electricity and

water, had to be budgeted 20% higher due to inflation.

That leaves the issue of salaries, and raises cannot be withheld if Northampton expects to qualify for the Cost of Competing Adjustment or COCA, state funding that traditionally has helped Virginia localities offer teachers higher salaries and compete in the labor market with Maryland and Washington, D.C.

The proposed budget includes a 5% salary increase for teachers and an extra \$40 a month toward the cost of health insurance for eligible employees.

The 5% salary increase will be achieved through a 4% raise and a 1% step increase.

The raise will be calculated by the midpoint method, meaning 4% will be added to the middle step on the salary scale, and every teacher will receive that same dollar amount.

With a raise of more than \$2,000 each, the salary range for Northampton teachers will be about \$45,000 to nearly \$66,000.

But Lawrence said the unprecedented budget deficit places Northampton schools in "uncharted territory."

Coast Guard Auxiliary Safe Boating Tips

Submitted Article

To complete the discussion of boat capacity, we should cover load distribution.

Every boat has two points of stability. One point, the center of gravity (COG), is located just above the waterline. The second, the center of buoyancy (COB), is just below the water line.

These points are not fixed, and uneven weight distribution causes them to move. Put all your gear or passengers on the starboard side and the COB

moves to starboard, so the boat will list to that side. Put all your gear or passengers on the fly bridge and the COG rises above the cockpit. Both situations can make the boat unstable.

For example, if the capacity plate reads "8 passengers," and you have five passengers, although the math should be in your favor, if all five climb up onto the fly bridge the boat may become unstable. That occurrence happened in the Chesapeake Bay a couple of years ago, and the 25-foot vessel capsized.

Another example: If all the weight is moved aft, the boat may take on water over its transom. That happened when several 200-pound fishermen ran to the stern and attempted to haul in a 200-pound shark. The boat sank at the stern with one very irritated shark — and no this wasn't a movie.

Hence, when you load your boat keep everything toward the center and in the cockpit.

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Accomack Board Sends RV Ordinance Back to Planning Commission

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors at the Feb. 16 meeting sent a proposed ordinance about using recreational vehicles for habitation back to the Department of Planning for possible changes.

The board voted to continue the matter after Supervisor Harrison Phillips asked about the possibility of permitting RVs for temporary habitation on property automatically when a building permit is issued for home construction, without requiring a special use permit, as is the case now.

Three people spoke at a public hearing in January about the ordinance, which as written would have limited use of travel trailers for habitation on a construction site to one year unless the Board of Zoning Appeals approves an extension, with a special use permit required.

Planning staff last fall, at the request of the BZA, began work on amendments to the ordinance to limit extended habitation in travel trailers.

Most recent cases before the BZA related to people living in a travel trailer on the property during construction of a home, resulting in the planning commission recommending tying long-term habitation in travel trailers to construction of a residence and that the travel trailers must be licensed and inspected for safety.

Supervisor Comments On School Budget

One Accomack County Board of Supervisor member commented on the school district's ratings on a website and called the proposed school budget's use of funds for facilities instead of personnel "misdirected" at the Feb. 16 board of supervisors meeting.

Supervisor Paul Muhly said a real estate website used by people considering a move to the county shows low ratings for the school district compared to nearby Maryland schools.

He mentioned in particular people coming to work in the Wallops area.

On a scale of one to 10, half of Accomack schools rated below average, 40% rated average; and 10% rated above average on the www.greatschools.com website, as referenced by the real estate website www.zillow.com, according to Muhly.

Chincoteague High School was the

highest rated high school, at six out of 10; Nandua High School was rated four; and Arcadia High School was rated two, Muhly said.

"If this is a report card on the school system, which I think in a way it is, the monies that you are asking for for buildings are being misdirected. The money should be put into upgrading the teaching, getting teacher's assistants, better teachers," he said.

Muhly noted the same website showed the high school in neighboring Snow Hill, Md., rated eight of 10, the middle school rated six, and the elementary school rated eight.

"Where would you send your kids?" Muhly said.

School Superintendent Chris Holland responded, saying students who graduated from Accomack schools have done well.

"Our kids are going to great schools," he said.

"This year, we want to invest in human capital," Holland told the board in a presentation prior to Muhly's remarks.

The proposed school budget includes \$1.8 million for the local share of a 5% pay raise.

The budget also includes more than \$252,000 for two music/band teachers and two art teachers; nearly \$190,000 for three secondary English teachers; around \$63,000 for a career and technical education teacher; \$50,000 for additional coaching and activity supplements; \$53,200 for an additional position in the finance department; and \$50,000 for a study of classified and administrative staff salaries, among other additions.

Included on the revenue side is around

\$1.2 million in cost-of-competing-adjustment funds from the state, which the General Assembly must approve.

The school district has 790 full-time employees, according to Holland.

Other proposed expenditures include textbooks, vehicles, and items to maintain facilities.

Accomack County Schools Finance Director Beth Onley said the cost-of-competing adjustment, if approved, "should go to great lengths" to address salary shortfalls with Worcester County, Md., "which is very hard to do because they have Ocean City."

She noted last year's one-time CO-CA funding, \$1.6 million, went entirely to increasing pay for teachers and assistant principals.

Onley said if a NASA engineer were considering a move to Accomack County, "I would think that possibly if I was looking to move here with my family I would look beyond a real estate site and I would look at the DOE (Virginia Department of Education) — we have report cards, we have accreditation status statistics, and we have a variety

of measures at the Virginia level."

Reassessment: Real Estate Values Up From Previous Estimate

The projected increase in real estate values from the 2022 reassessment has increased from 8.96% to 9.51%, according to Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason.

That means around \$60,000 more tax revenue for the county, with around half of that going to the school district in accordance with a longstanding formula.

The percentage is the average increase countywide.

Three districts, Captains Cove, Chincoteague, and Onancock, showed much higher increases in value than the average after the reassessment.

Values in Captain Cove increased 30.8%; in Chincoteague, values increased 19.2%; and in Onancock, values increased 18.8%.

No districts showed a decrease in value.

The significant increases in real estate values resulted from the escalation of sales prices starting in the latter months of 2020 and continuing through 2021, according to Hurdle.





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Rylee Coates pole vaults. Submitted photo.

Broadwater Student Participates in State Track and Field Indoor Championship

Submitted Story

Broadwater eighth grader Rylee Coates participated in the 2022 VISAA (Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association) State Track and Field Indoor Championship Saturday, Feb. 19, in Richmond.

Coates came in fifth place, clearing the 8-00.00 or 8-foot mark for the pole vault. She came in sixth place and set a new personal record of 16 feet, 1.75 inches in the long jump. For the 55m semifinals, she came in fourth place and set a new personal record of 7.63 seconds. For the 55m finals, Coates came in 5th place with 7.66 seconds. In the triple jump, Coates earned third place with 32 feet, 7.25 inches. Overall, she came in ninth place for the women's team with her scores.

Coates first started competing in track and field in March 2021 at the age of 12. Last year,

she attended the 2021 USATF (USA Track & Field) National Junior Olympic Track and Field Championships in Jacksonville, Fla., and competed in the age group 13-14 in pole vault (11th place in USA), triple jump (10th place in USA), 100m (76th place in USA), and 200m (99th place in USA).

Coates is currently listed as the number one United States middle school girls leader in triple jump for her 34-foot, 11.25 inch jump as an unattached athlete at the 757 Showdown meet held at Virginia Beach Sports Center on Jan. 1.

She was able to qualify in some AAU meets for the 2022 New Balance Nationals Indoor as a "Rising Star" in triple jump where she will compete with athletes up to 12th grade. At that meet, she will compete unattached (not for school). It will be at the Armory in New York City on March 12.

Vikings Win Last Home Games

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings girls varsity basketball team hosted its last home game of the season Friday, Feb. 18. The Vikings faced Gateway Christian Academy. The Vikings won 34-13.

The Vikings' defense opened the game with a strong showing, forcing Gateway to commit multiple turnovers. This allowed the Vikings to go on a 16-0 run, before the opposing team put points on the scoreboard. At halftime, the Vikings led 24-4. In the second half, the Vikings outscored Gateway 10-9 to close out the game and wrap up their season with a 10-7 record.

Suzanna Long led the offense with 7 points, one rebound, and one steal. Taylor Leland had 6 points, one rebound, and two steals. Haylely Nalls earned 5 points, three rebounds, and one steal. Leah Smith had 4 points and two rebounds. Faith Johnson earned 4 points and one rebound.

Following the girls game, the Vikings boys varsity basketball team also faced Gateway Christian. The Vikings jumped out to a dominant first half, taking a 55-21 lead. In the second half, the Vikings outscored Gateway 21-16 to win the game with a final score of 76-37. The boys conclude their season with an 18-6 record.

Bradyn Washington led the offense with 21 points, four rebounds, one assist, and one steal. Willie Holden had 13 points, five rebounds, and one steal. Levin Smith earned 13 points, four rebounds, and one assist. Braden Justice had 9 points, eight rebounds, and one assist. Malik Battle earned 9 points, two rebounds, and three steals.

On Thursday, Feb. 24, the girls varsity team faced Gateway once again in the Metro Conference First Round Regional Tournament. That same evening, the boys varsity team faced Stonebridge in a first round regionals matchup.



The Nandua swim team poses for a photo at the VHSL Class 2 Swimming and Diving Championship. Submitted Photo.

Nandua Competes at VHSL Swimming and Diving Championship Meet

Submitted Story

The Nandua Warriors swim team made an impressive showing at the VHSL (Virginia High School League) Class 2 Swimming and Diving Championship Thursday, Feb. 17 in Richmond.

Thirty-four teams participated in the meet. The Nandua boys team came in 14th place with a small roster of eight swimmers. The team scored 44 points in individual and relay events.

The Nandua girls team took the fourth place spot. The girls finished with a score of 192 points, coming in 7 points shy of a second-place trophy. This is the best performance from the Nandua girls in the history of the team. In 2019, the girls finished 25th and in 2020 they finished 17th.

The top score for the Nandua boys

team was Patrick Lilliston with 18 points, and the top scorer for the Nandua girls team was Grace Bentley with 30 points.

Coaches K.J. Bentley and MacKenzie Lucy are extremely proud of both teams for their strong performances this season.

Championship Results

200 Medley Relay:

Boys: 14th (Elias Casteneda, Dylan Brockmeier, Blaise Siegrist, and Austin Wert)

Girls: second (Lacy Gouldin, Madison Johnson, Emma Cathey, and Grace Bentley)

200 Free Relay:

Boys: 12th (Alban Cuba, Camden Lewis, Austin Wert, and Patrick Lilliston)

Girls: second (Taylor Thornes, Em-

ma Cathey, Madison Johnson, and Grace Bentley)

400 Free Relay:

Boys: 10th (Alban Cuba, Camden Lewis, Austin Wert, and Patrick Lilliston)

Girls: sixth (Meya Charnock, Elena Buckner, Lacy Gouldin, and Taylor Thornes)

Seniors

Patrick Lilliston:

sixth in 200 freestyle
12th in 50 freestyle

Lacy Gouldin:

16th in 100 freestyle
13th in 100 backstroke

Madison Johnson:

15th in 50 freestyle
sixth in 100 breaststroke

Taylor Thornes:

12th in 100 butterfly

10th in 50 freestyle

Sophomores

Dylan Brockmeier:

16th in 200 freestyle

Grace Bentley

fifth in 200 individual medley
third in 100 backstroke

Emma Cathey:

10th in 100 butterfly
11th in 100 backstroke

Freshmen

Blaise Siegrist:

16th in 100 butterfly

Camden Lewis:

10th in 500 freestyle

Meya Charnock:

11th in 200 freestyle
eighth in 500 freestyle

Morgan Johnson:

15th in 200 freestyle
13th in 100 breaststroke



Aly Clark drives past Essex defender during regional game. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Ponies Fall in Close Game to Essex

By Whitney Metz

The Chincoteague girls basketball team was named first in the region after its impressive 10-2 regular season. The Ponies were awarded a home game to start off regional play taking on Essex High School.

Chincoteague came out hot at the start of the game, going on a 9-0 run. Essex was able to get some offense started, but the Ponies kept the lead going with 13-7 into the second quarter. The Ponies continued to score while pressuring Essex with strong defensive play. Chincoteague was up going into the half with a score of 25-13.

As the second half began, Essex switched its defense to a full court press in an effort to slow the Ponies offense. It wasn't enough to give Essex the lead, but it allowed them to get back into the game, down by 7 points. The fourth quarter was off to an intense start as Essex continued to challenge the Ponies. With 2:31 left in the game, Essex took the lead for the first time in the game. Emma Jackson quickly

responded for The Ponies, driving hard to the basket making the score 43-42.

The lead changed once again in Essex's favor but another 2 points and blocked shot by Jackson gave Chincoteague momentum with 44 seconds left on the clock.

Desperate for a last second chance, Essex called a timeout to game plan its next possession. Essex was able to put up another shot, taking the score to 46-45. Chincoteague attempted to respond again, but was unsuccessful inbounding the ball. Essex pulled away with a last minute win, 48-45, ending The Ponies hard fought season.

Chincoteague's senior Emma Jackson dominated on offense recording 23 points on the night. She was assisted by Aly Clark and Lindsay O'Shea, who both scored 8 points for the Ponies. Chincoteague girls basketball will return next season with all but two players from this year's squad: leading scorer Jackson and Megan Horner.



Warriors girls basketball teams poses for a team photo prior to the Warriors' game against King William. Submitted Photo.

Warriors Defeated in Regionals

By Whitney Metz

The Nandua girls basketball team traveled to King William Friday, Feb. 18, for a regional tournament matchup. The Lady Warriors were unable to take down the Cavaliers, losing 70-28 and ending the season with a final record of 6-10 and second in the Eastern Shore District.

Nandua's girls basketball will bring back most of its starters next season, except senior Bo Braxton. The Lady Warriors were led on offense this season by sophomore Reghan Hintz.

The boys basketball team competed

against Brunswick in Lawrenceville, Va., Friday, Feb. 18, for the first round of regional play. The Warriors were defeated by the Bulldogs with a final score of 67-47, bringing its season to an end.

Jeremiah Riley led the team in scoring this season, averaging 21 points per game. He averaged 3.7 assists and two steals per game, leading the team in those categories as well. Ny'zir Dix led the Warriors in rebounds this season with an average of five rebounds per game. Both Riley and Dix will be returning to the Warriors next season.

Firebirds Basketball Season Comes to an End

By Whitney Metz

The Firebirds traveled to Amelia County Friday, Feb. 18, for a boys basketball regional tournament game.

Arcadia kept the game close throughout, trading off points back-and-forth. The Firebirds held the lead in the fourth quarter going into the final three minutes of the game up by 6. A series of steals and turnovers brought Amelia County back into the game and allowed Amelia to pull away with the win.

Coach Armstrong reported that the team

played a solid four quarters, never backing down. Arcadia closed out its season with a 59-55 loss.

Senior Kevin Cropper recorded 27 points with eight rebounds and three steals. Anthony Taylor added 14 points, 12 rebounds, and five steals. When asked about his overall thoughts of the season, coach Armstrong said he saw a lot of progress, hard work, and resilience from his team this season. The Firebirds finished second in the Eastern Shore district with a final record of 7-12.

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Yellow Jackets Fall to Middlesex in First Round

By Adolphus Ames

The Northampton Yellow Jackets participated in the first round of the Virginia State Region 1A tournament Monday, Feb. 20. They faced the Middlesex Chargers and lost 62-54.

Ronyell Coston led the offense with 18 points, seven rebounds, two assists, and one steal. Ronrico Bugg had 13 points

and four rebounds. Ellajah Miller earned 8 points, 14 rebounds, and three assists. Jaylen Anderson had 6 points, two rebounds, and three steals. Mekhi Spady earned 4 points, one rebound, one assist, and one steal. Quayshawn Washington had 3 points, four rebounds, two assists, and three steals. The Yellow Jackets finish their season with a 12-5 record.



Pictured above are the 2022 Shorebots at the Stem Gym. From left are Ashley Zodun, Abby Zodun (co-captain), Nick Fernandez, Tyler Zodun (captain), Skyler Outten, Dev Patel, and Oscar Melendez-Vera. Submitted Photo.

Shorebots Travel to Newport News

Submitted Story

The Shorebots, FIRST Robotics Team 1908, traveled to Newport News, Sunday, Feb. 20, to visit the Peninsula Stem Gym.

The Shorebots were invited to the Stem Gym by fellow FIRST Robotics Team 2363 Triple Helix. The team was able to test drive its robot on a full-sized game field, allowing the team to make adjustments to the programmed code and mechanical specifications.

The Shorebots will travel to the Richmond area March 5 and 20 for week 1 and week 3 FIRST Chesapeake Competitions. The competitions will be live-streamed at <https://www.twitch.tv/firstchesapeake>

The Shorebots are sponsored by Northampton County Public Schools, NASA Wallops Flight Facility, and Ace Hardware. For more information on FIRST Robotics, visit www.firstinspires.org

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Northampton's Tanner Feltes, second from right, is awarded third place. Submitted Photo.



David Gastelum, left, and Colin Ford pose for a photo after states. Submitted Photo.

Local High School Wrestlers Place in State Tournaments

Submitted Story

The class 1 and 2 VHSL State Wrestling Tournament was held at the Salem Civic Center in Salem, Va., this past weekend Feb. 18 and 19. Nandua, Arcadia, and Northampton each participated in the tournament.

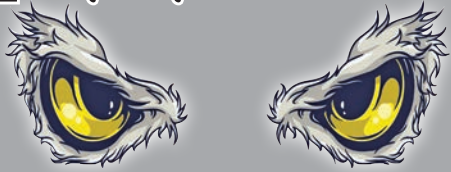
Three wrestlers placed in the top six. Nandua's David Gastelum earned third place at 182 pounds and Colin Ford came in sixth place at 145 pounds in Class 2. Northampton's Tanner Feltes came in third

place at 160 pounds in Class 1.

Nandua's Joey Pendergast won two matches at the state tournament. Ben Gutierrez won one match. Arcadia's Winchino Verdieu won two matches.

Broadwater wrestler William Wehner participated in the VISSA (Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association) State Wrestling Championship this past weekend. He earned third place at 120 pounds, qualifying him for Prep Nationals this upcoming weekend.

The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest



Last Week's Runners-Up



Here's Linda Robinson, of Parksley, reading the Post on the page where the answer to the elusive first question was found.

Last Week's Contest and Winner



The answers to last week's questions: Buchanan Subaru, Page 44; Kiwanis, Page 29; Can't keep their mouths shut, Page 28; and John Floyd at the Eastern Shore Community College, Page 12. We had so people miss the first question that our pool of qualified contestants was down to only 30. Jeanette Bell, of Onley, got all the answers right, and she was randomly selected to win the \$25 gift certificate to Panzotti's Pizza in Onley. The photograph is the message Bell received from her husband on Valentine's Day.



We didn't even know what a charcuterie was until Tessa Hawley, of Exmore, explained it with this delicious offering.



Here's the family of Nicole Landon, of Painter, visiting the Cherrystone Camping Resort near Cape Charles.



Teri Collins, of Bloxom, is a regular player who regularly sends us photographs of these two renowned brothers, Killer and Bubba.



Sarah Ross, of Chincoteague, took this powerful photograph of the Antares NG-17 launch on Feb. 19.



If there's any picture more iconic than this, we can't think of it: A man (Albert Paschall, of Cape Charles) holding a fish.



Stormy and Sensi were best friends and Anne Betty, of Exmore, said she still misses "them both so much!"

This Week's Contest: Five Questions

This week, we're asking five questions, the answers to which can be found in the pages of this edition. Find the answers to the questions and tell us the page on which you found each answer. From among the readers who correctly answer all five questions, one person will be randomly selected to win the Super Tailgate dinner from Bojangles in Onley. See sponsor box on this page.

The Questions

1. What does SH175 get you?
2. What does On Demand programming depend on?
3. What does 54591 get you?
4. What's available Friday, Feb. 25, by the pint and only by the pint?
5. From Coyne to Timko — how much?

The Rules

1. Answer the five questions and tell us on what page you found each answer.
2. Entries MUST have first and last names and your town.
3. Send this information to david@easternshorepost.com.
4. Deadline is noon Monday, Feb. 28.
5. No multiple entries.
6. Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

RUNNERS-UP IN ADDITION TO THOSE WITH CAPTIONS

Beth McHenry, Parksley
Janet Leigh Cooper, Onley
DeCola Johnson, Accomac
Barbara Whealton,
Chincoteague
Patricia M. Voss, Bloxom
Laurie Paschall, Cape Charles
Melissa Sample-Wharton,
Nassawadox
Kit Fechtig, Pungoteague
Marion Basford,
Alum Bank, Pa.
Janice Gladysiewicz,
Greenbackville
Anabel Beatty,
Silver Beach

Valerie Merritt, Atlantic
Betty George, Jamesville
Ruth LeMoyne,
Cape Charles
Frances and Terry,
the Guilford Girls, Guilford
Bonnie Porter, Bloxom
Lola Bailey, Cape Charles
Margaret McAllen,
Cape Charles
Tommy McCready,
Sanford
Mary Carey,
Cape Charles
Ernie Swisher, Parksley
Carolyn Weatherly, Painter

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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	Chinco. Channel	H 3:14 p.m. L 9:35 a.m.	H 4:22 p.m. L 10:44 a.m.	H 5:24 p.m. L 11:48 a.m.	H 6:05 a.m. L 12:44 p.m.	H 6:58 a.m. L 1:32 p.m.	H 7:47 a.m. L 2:16 p.m.	H 8:32 a.m. L 2:57 p.m.
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	Folly Creek	H 3:59 p.m. L 10:00 a.m.	H 5:07 p.m. L 11:09 a.m.	H 5:51 a.m. L 12:13 p.m.	H 6:50 a.m. L 1:09 p.m.	H 7:43 a.m. L 1:57 p.m.	H 8:32 a.m. L 2:41 p.m.	H 9:17 a.m. L 3:22 p.m.
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| 1 Sci-fi zapper | 49 Optimistic attitude | 103 Defendant's opponent | 10 "Awright!" | 50 Old railroad watchdog agcy. | 80 Acquired the film rights to |
| 10 "Flashdance" star Jennifer | 55 Give and take | 104 Part of LAPD | 11 Dig out from the ground | 51 — Bo | 81 Army meal companion |
| 15 1,152, to Caesar | 57 False appearances | 105 "Necktie," "bathrobe" or "jumpsuit" | 12 Impose — on (outlaw) | 52 Age-verifying cards | 82 As a team |
| 20 Stateside | 58 Flaky dessert | 108 College bigwig | 13 Some nobles | 53 Top dentures | 83 "So yucky!" |
| 21 U-shaped bend in a river | 59 Restricted entry | 110 Furry foot | 14 Affirms solemnly | 54 Food fish from Africa | 85 Do some lawn work |
| 22 Protest shout | 62 USMC rank | 113 Taken together | 15 Suburb of D.C. in Virginia | 56 Eye squintingly | 86 Add- — (peripherals) |
| 23 Gave spirit to | 63 Frat dude | 114 Great values | 16 Wheat — (cereal) | 59 A DJ might spin them | 90 Pupil-widening drug, e.g. |
| 24 Chicago airport | 66 Soon-to-be adolescents | 115 Subsequent stage | 17 Judge of the O.J. Simpson trial | 60 Furiousness | 93 Young salmon and sea trout |
| 25 See 42-Across | 67 Inquire into | 117 Coup — | 18 Owing | 61 Gene stuff | 94 Clerk on "The Simpsons" |
| 26 Bad grade | 69 One of 100 in D.C. | 118 Omit, as a syllable | 19 "Don't worry, things are going to work out" | 62 Co. big shot | 96 Tristan's love |
| 27 Causes wonder in | 70 Monk's title | 119 Balsam or turpentine | 30 "You're preaching to the choir" | 63 Gold-winning figure skater Brian | 97 Surgery assistants |
| 28 Subcompact car of the 1980s | 71 Stuff applied to the wall of a room | 120 Blissful spots | 31 Lung cell | 64 Hotfoot it | 98 TV magnate Turner |
| 30 Naughty kid | 76 School org. | 121 Doles (out) | 34 Pen maker | 65 Sluggish Mel | 99 Olympic athlete, e.g. |
| 31 Saroyan's "My Name Is —" | 77 Certain Ukrainian | 122 Maker of the eight programs that are the theme of this puzzle | 35 Egg cells | 67 Burned a bit | 102 She sang "Hello" |
| 32 Mex. miss | 78 Fine riverbed sand | DOWN | 36 Boat-rowing guys | 68 Sentimental pop songs | 106 Strategize |
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by Linda Thistle

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ANTARES LAUNCH DRAWS SPECTATORS TO GARGATHA LANDING

Story and Photos by Jim Ritch

An Antares rocket carrying 8,300 pounds of scientific experiments and cargo, lifted off from Wallops Island Saturday, Feb. 19, at 12:40 p.m., and shook windows and spectators across Accomack County.

The rocket successfully docked with the International Space Station early Monday morning.

Among the items shaken were the front deck and guests of Jeff Hickman, whose home at Gargatha Landing enjoys a wide view of surrounding marshes and an unobstructed view of the Wallops Island launch pad.

With the Hickman home located slightly farther away than other viewing locations, the Antares rocket rose higher in the sky before the roar of the rocket shook his deck and the guests on it.



A Northrop Grumman Antares rocket rises over the marshes north of Gargatha Landing Saturday. At this point in the flight, the rocket's roar had not yet reached spectators there.

The experiments aboard the rocket will explore skin deterioration in microgravity, growing plants without soil; testing hardier lithium-ion batteries, and other topics.



Jeff Hickman, of Gargatha Landing, second from left, hosted the launch-watch party, which was ... a blast. The front deck of his home affords a wide vista across marshes and a clear view of the launch pad. With him, from left, are Vicky Duncan, of East New Market, Md.; Hickman; his daughter Rachel Byerly, of Calvert County, Md.; and her husband, Andrew Byerly.



Left, top: Steve and Mary Ehmann, of Cape Charles, look up from prime seats at the end of the short public pier at Gargatha Landing.

Left: Charles and Maria Castelluzzo, of Temperanceville, enjoy porch seats to join the party.

Above, middle: Moments before the launch, spectators at Gargatha Landing carefully study the launch pad.

Above, right: Kathy Roe, of Onancock, watches with her husband, Charlie.



AMERICAN LEGION POST 56 CELEBRATES 100 YEARS



Story and Photos by Jim Ritch

American Legion Northampton Post 56 celebrated its 100th anniversary Saturday with oysters, prime rib, and a packed house of guests. More than 100 people attended the event, which filled the main meeting room and spilled into a seating area near the bar. The featured speaker of the evening was Past National Commander Brett Reistad, who served during the centennial year for the entire American Legion.

Far left: Brett Reistad, past national commander, center, gave the keynote address at the dinner. With him, at left, are Bill Stramm, past post commander, and Glenn Purvis, current post commander. Left: Bill Lewis, second vice commander, pauses from a busy night directing the event to display a cake appropriately decorated as an American flag.

Right: Bob Church, leaves with his wife, JoAnn, both of Eastville.

Middle: Charlie DeMarino, of Oyster, center, hugs two friends, Michele DiBlasi, of Ashland, Va., left, and Susan Miller, of Cheriton, right.

Far right: Cheriton Mayor Jackie Davis, smiles with her husband, Michael.

Below: Cooking oysters behind the post are, from left, Keith Miller, of Cheriton; Sean Dixon, of Kiptopeke; Aaron Hofmeister, of Oyster; and Brian Kelehar, of Drake's Branch, Va. Kelehar, who catered the dinner, steeply discounted his price to help the Legion.



Above left: In keeping with the historical theme of the night, the post honored Elsie Tatem, seated center, who for 20 years operated Cheriton Supermarket in what is now the post's building. With her, seated in front, are, left, Joyce Seccia, of Exmore; Tatem; and Carolyn Lewis, of Cape Charles. Standing, from left, are Dawn Nevill, of Cape Charles; Cindy Tatum, of Eastville; Ben Mears, of Eastville; and Roger Seccia, of Exmore.

Above right: Helping to prepare the meal were, from left, Sue Lewis, of Townsend; Joanna Ewell, of Cape Charles; Kristi Worley, of Cape Charles; and Mark and Christine Snook, of Cape Charles.

With Ribbon-Cutting, Children's Harbor Progresses Toward Opening

Story and Photos by Carol Vaughn

Children's Harbor and Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce officials cut a ribbon Friday to officially recognize the upcoming opening of Children's Harbor Eastern Shore.

The facility, in the former Fairgrounds Restaurant near Onancock, is not yet open — inspections and licensing required for child care centers still have to be completed, as well as some construction work.

Still, attendees got a look at the new facility's interior and at the new playground during tours after the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"This transformational facility will impact families, businesses, and communities in such a positive way for years to come," said Robert Sabbatini, chamber of commerce executive director.

"It has been a lot of hard work, been a lot of dollars spent, but at the end of the day, when we open our doors and we start impacting the lives of children here on the Eastern Shore, it's going to make this society better as a whole,"



Center Director Trina Cooper introduces staff members of Children's Harbor Eastern Shore during a ribbon-cutting ceremony in Tasley Friday, Feb. 18.

said Wayne Bell Jr., Children's Harbor executive director and a Shore native.

Ann Williams, a consultant on the project, said since coming to the Shore 25 years ago, "I've known from day one

that we needed more affordable, quality child care on the Shore."

Williams said she approached Bell with the idea of getting Children's Harbor to expand to the Shore.

The nonprofit organization has four other centers in Hampton Roads and has been in operation since 1911.

Bell said he "bought into that concept immediately" but had to clear it with his board of directors and staff.

The board gave Bell the go ahead to pursue the idea, but indicated financial resources could have to come from outside the organization.

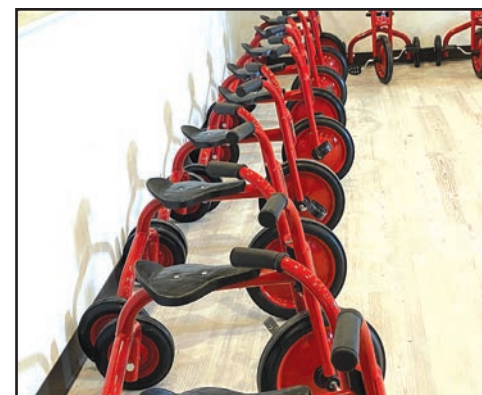
Williams did a needs assessment survey and brought findings to local and state officials, seeking funding.

Former Gov. Ralph Northam included \$250,000 for the center in the state budget, a measure the General Assembly approved.

The cost to get the center up and running is nearly \$500,000, according to Bell.

The center also has received funds from the Perdue Foundation, the Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Foundation, and individual donors. The organization also is applying for a grant through Accomack County, which is using some federal funding received through the American Rescue Plan Act to address child care needs.

Bell said those involved with Children's Harbor "do not think of our-



Left: Tricycles are lined up ready for play. Right: Playground equipment stands outside Children's Harbor Eastern Shore on Friday, Feb. 18, after a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new business.

selves as a daycare center. ... We actually provide education using a curriculum. ... Our whole goal is to make sure that our students are equipped and ready for kindergarten."

Center director Trina Cooper introduced staff members who will be working at the center, including assistant director Genee Drummond.

The center has classrooms for infants (6 weeks to 12 months), waddlers (ages 12 to 15 months), toddlers (16 to 24 months), 2-year-olds, 3-year-olds (also called preschool), 4-year-olds (or pre-K), and school-age children (ages 5 to 10).

At capacity, the center will be able to serve between 80 and 100 children, as determined by licensure.

Information about the center is at <https://childrensharbor.cc/>

The phone number is 757-302-0700. The email is cheasternshore@childrensharbor.cc.

The center is at 20250 Fairgrounds Road, near Onancock.

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Time to Schedule Non-Urgent, Preventative and Routine Chronic Appointments!



We are scheduling these visits as COVID-19 positivity rates decrease. Some existing appointments were postponed and new ones were not made as cases rose and patients with COVID symptoms needed to be seen. Call your center to make an appointment!

March 9 COVID Booster Event – Participants to Receive Free Boosters and N95 Masks

A boosters only clinic will be held Wed. March 9 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Onley Community Health Center at 20306 Badger Lane.

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Random Facts About ... a Wee Little Animal That Can Drink You Under the Table

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes for cleaning this week, out tumbled some staggering statistics about animal drunkenness. (Staggering ... get it?) We're not sure how researchers come up with these ideas. Sitting around the lab, not much to do, and one of them says, "Hey, let's get a monkey drunk!" In this case, according to the website Animalogic, it was researcher-student Kori Radcliffe who convinced a psychology professor at the University of Alaska Anchorage to check out the alcohol tolerance of a hamster, specifically the Syrian or golden hamster.

The professor, Gwen Lupfer, wasn't intoxicated by the idea because animals usually don't like the taste of alcohol and it's a pain to train them to ingest booze. Earlier research on animal tolerance to alcohol, back in the 1950s, used rats, but rats had to be bred to drink alcohol or had to have the booze mixed in with sugar solutions. But a hamster, according to Danielle Gulick, a University of Flori-

da addiction researcher, could be taken right from a pet store and it would "happily drink" grain alcohol.

In fact, offered both water and alcohol, the hamster will skip the water and drink the alcohol. In the Alaska experiment, one hamster, named Bacardi, was so eager for the booze that it would perform tasks to get a drink.

So after giving all this Everclear to hamsters, you have a bunch of inebriated rodents fighting at the exercise wheel and falling over in their cages, right? No. Without showing signs of intoxication, hamsters can drink an amount of alcohol-per-weight that would make you reach for that button and announce to the world, "Help, I've fallen and I can't get up."

Why is the hamster so immune to the effects of alcohol?

Wild hamsters store seeds during the summer months and then feed on those seeds in the winter. Some of these seeds and other stored foods will ferment as the cold months continue and will become alcoholic in the depths of winter when the hamsters

need the food the most. Speculations is that getting accustomed to and even developing a taste for alcoholic goodies is an evolutionary result of equating fermented-alcoholic food with survival.

The hamsters' tolerance for the effects of alcohol is based in its digestive system and specifically the ability of the animal's liver to process alcohol. When researchers injected alcohol so that it went into the hamsters' bloodstream, bypassing the digestive system and liver, the wee lit-

tle animals became New Year's Eve tipsy, drunk-dialing exgirlfriends and rereading I-love-you texts from exboyfriends. Pitiful. Not exactly true but still pitiful.

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Copy of 13th Amendment on Display at Ker Place

Submitted Article

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society recently received a copy of the 13th Amendment, the first of the three “Reconstruction amendments” and the one that abolished slavery in the United States.

Many think the Emancipation Proclamation ended slavery during the Civil War, but it only applied to the states that left the Union, said Luke Kelly, collections manager at ESVHS. The Eastern Shore of Virginia was occupied by the Union for most of the war, so the Emancipation Proclamation didn’t technically affect the Shore. Slavery in Virginia ended in 1865 after the 13th Amendment was passed.

The copy ESVHS has received was printed by Western Bank Note & Engraving Co. of Chicago. It was printed in 1868, three years after the amendment had passed. The three-year gap happened for a few reasons, Kelly said.

“First, there were several copies of the amendment made,” he said. “Some copies have President Lincoln’s signature, some don’t. Some have signatures by Lincoln’s vice president and the leaders of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and some don’t.”

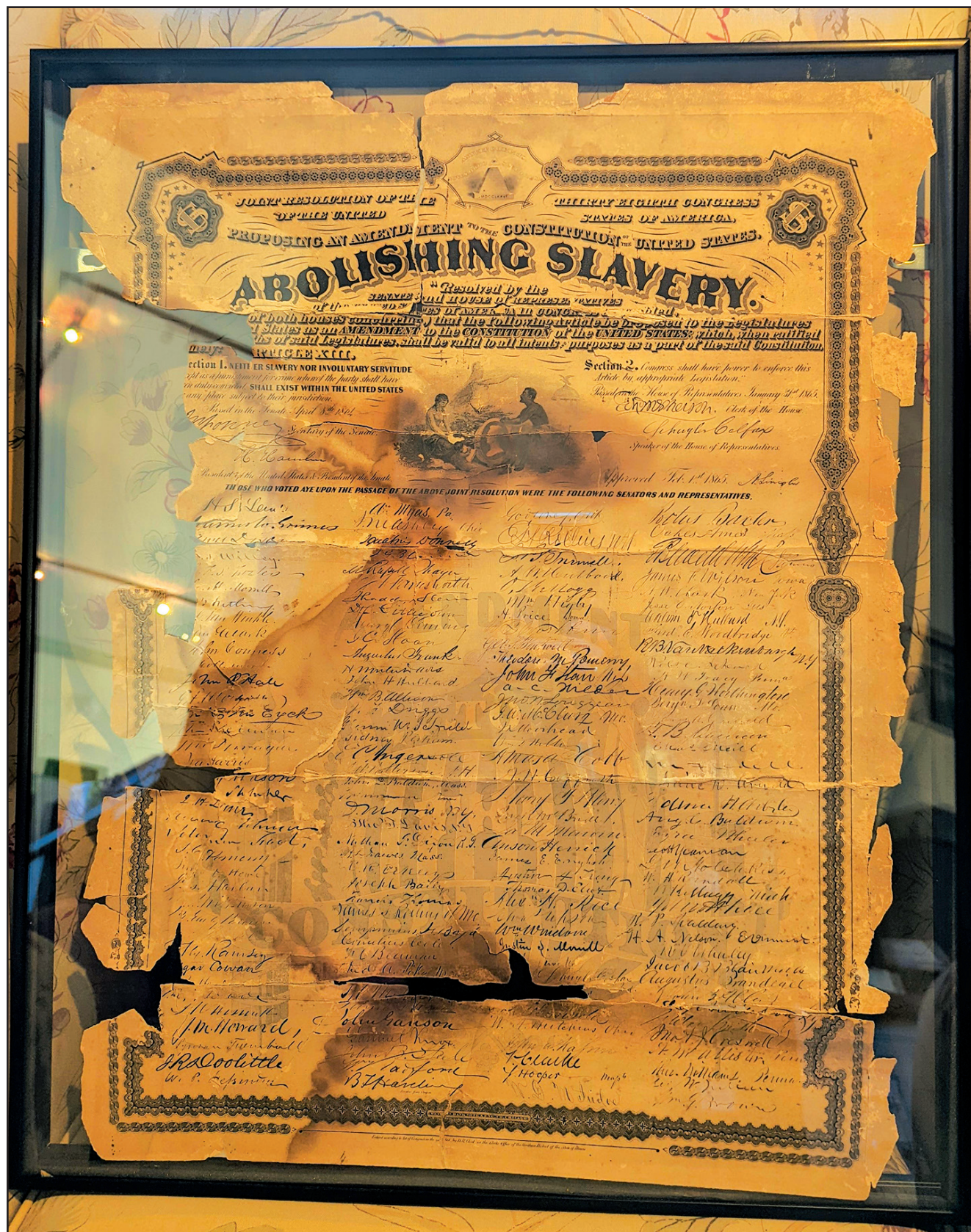
In 1868, someone at Western Bank Note located a copy that had Lincoln’s signature and the signatures of his vice president and the leaders of the Senate and the House. The company made copies, this one included, to sell. Nobody knows exactly how many copies Western Bank Note made, but they are very rare.

The other reason this was printed in 1868 instead of 1865 is because the 14th Amendment, which guaranteed citizenship of African Americans, was ratified in 1868. So this copy of the 13th Amendment could have been used to help bring awareness to the 14th Amendment’s passing.

This 13th Amendment copy is believed to have hung at the Northampton County Courthouse in Eastville. It may have been displayed with copies of the 14th and 15th amendments to tell enslaved people they were free, that they were guaranteed citizenship of the United States, and that African American men could now vote.

Because this copy was possibly on public display more than 150 years ago and was exposed to the elements, it is not in pristine condition. But appraiser Tim Smith, of Timothy Smith & Sons in Onancock, has worked to preserve it, supporting it with a special archival tape used for documents and framing it under glass to keep it safe.

Now housed at Ker Place for the public to view, it will be kept in a climate-controlled environment and away from dangerous levels of light.



This copy of the 13th Amendment is believed to have been hung in the Northampton County Courthouse, in Eastville. It is on display at the Historical Society’s Ker Place. Submitted photo.

Church News

Bridgetown

Ash Wednesday Service will be Wednesday, March 2, at 6 p.m., at Hungars Episcopal Church, with the Rev. Janet Wheelock presiding. All are welcome.

Hungars Episcopal Church will host a chili dinner Monday, March 21, at 6 p.m., in the Hungars Church Parish House. The cost will be \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, and \$25 for a family. This is a fundraiser for the Hungars Cure Outreach Committee. Sign up by calling the church office at 757-678-7837 or by email at hcparrish@gmail.com.

More information can be found at <https://www.hungarscure.org> and on the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/HungarsChurch>

Cape Charles

Emmanuel Episcopal Church will celebrate the Holy Eucharist Sunday, Feb. 27, at 9 a.m. Beginning in March, church services will be conducted every Sunday at 9 a.m.

Eastville

Christ Episcopal Church will host a Shrove Pancake Supper Tuesday, March 1, at 6 p.m., in the parish house behind the church. All are welcome. Breakfast for adults is \$10, children \$5, and families \$25. Takeout will be available.

Ash Wednesday Service will be Wednesday, March 2, at noon.

More information can be found at <https://www.hungarscure.org> and on the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/HungarsChurch>

Melfa

There will be a chicken salad by-the-pint sale Friday, Feb. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m., at Oak Grove UMC. Chicken salad will be sold by the pint (only) for \$10. For more information or to place an early order, call 710-4920 or 787-1508.

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Ash Wednesday services will be March 2, at 7 p.m., at Melfa United Methodist Church, 19444 Main St.

Pungoteague

The food pantry will be open Wednesday, March 9, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Pungoteague Community Church community center.

Pastor office hours will be Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to noon. Call 757-710-1095 to schedule an appointment.

Ash Wednesday services will be March 2, at noon and 6 p.m.

Adult Bible study will be Tuesdays, at 6 p.m., in the Huether home.

Quinby

The thrift shop will be open Saturday, March 12, from 8 to 11 a.m., at Smith Chapel UMC. The thrift shop will also be open Thursdays in March, from 9 to 11 a.m.

Bible study for the Seaside Charge will be Wednesdays (except Ash Wednesday) in March, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., at Painter-Garrison's United Methodist Church.

Ash Wednesday service for the Seaside Charge will be March 2, at 7 p.m., at Painter-Garrison's United Methodist Church.

The annual auction will be Sunday, March 27, at 4 p.m., at Smith Chapel UMC.

Homeschool

Classical Conversations homeschool community is wrapping up the school year in seven weeks. This is a Christian community of homeschoolers that meets weekly using the Classical Method of Education. For those thinking about joining next year, this is the opportunity to visit and see the community in action before the end of the year. Contact Jordan Dail for more information about scheduling a visit, 215grayson@gmail.com or call 757-754-5362.

There will be an information meeting about Classical Conversations Monday, March 7, at 6:30 p.m., in Marionville (sign-up below for address.) Sign up here for more information: <https://classicalconversations.com/events?id=xweG>

Planning for Your Future

How much does senior living cost and how do people pay for it?

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Families pay for senior living in a variety of ways. If you have invested in Long Term Care insurance, this is the time to reach out to your insurance provider and ask about qualifying for benefits. Many families sell the home and use part of the sale to pay for senior living. Finally, if

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This benefit combined with social security payments and savings often covers the cost of senior living.

Ultimately, the formula of how senior living is paid works out to be different for every family. But just like any decision you make for the future, it is worth the time and effort to plan ahead, choose the right community, and design a plan that makes sense for you.

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Community Notes

Spaghetti Fundraiser for Vazquez-Ortiz Family

There will be a spaghetti dinner fundraiser Friday, March 4, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the American Legion, 21210 N. Bayside Road, Cheriton. Dinners include spaghetti and meatballs, bread, salad, and dessert, and cost \$12 for adults or \$6 for children (eat in or take out). All proceeds go to the Vazquez-Ortiz family, who recently lost two young daughters in a car accident. Cash and checks only; no credit cards.

Accomack Democratic Meeting

The Accomack County Democratic Committee's monthly general membership meeting will be a virtual platform via Zoom Wednesday, March 2, at 6 p.m. The meeting will be facili-

tated by Patricia Smiley, ACDC chair. Join the Zoom meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/568513637> (Meeting ID: 568 513 6379; One tap mobile +13126266799,,5685136379# US [Chicago] or +16465588656,,5685136379# US [New York])

For more information, contact: Joy Kellam Tyler, secretary, at 757-607-7736 or joykellam8@gmail.com.

ESCSB Meeting

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board will hold a meeting Tuesday, March 8, at 9 a.m., at the administration building, 24233 Lankford Highway, Tasley.

Pocomoke Library

Parachute Games will be Tuesday, March 1, at 10:30 a.m., at the Pocomoke Library in Pocomoke City, Md. Come play fun and active parachute games (ages 2 to 5).

The Pocomoke Book of the Month Club will meet Thursday, March 3, at

2 p.m., to discuss "Abundance by Sena" by Jeter Naslund. This is facilitated by Cindy Hanagud.

Free COVID-19 Booster Clinic

A COVID-19 boosters-only clinic (with free N-95 masks) will be held Wednesday, March 9, from 6 to 8:30 p.m., at Onley Community Health Center. Call 757-787-7374 for an appointment.

Orchestra of the Eastern Shore

The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore will perform Friday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m., at the Market Street Methodist Church in Onancock. (Note the new venue.) The second performance will be Sunday, March 6, at 4 p.m., at Hungars Episcopal Church in Bridgetown.

The concert, entitled "Passion," will include Purcell's "Dido" and Aeneas' "When I am Laid in Earth" featuring

Marilyn Kellam, mezzo soprano. Other works to be performed are Haydn's Symphony No. 49 "La passione," Schubert's "Ave Maria," and Weber's "Clarinet Concertino" with Kevin Schwenk playing the clarinet.

Masks and full vaccinations are required per protocols of the orchestra. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated.

O'Nancock St. Patrick's Parade

The 7th Annual O'Nancock St. Patrick's Parade and Festival will be Saturday, March 19, from noon to 8 p.m. The event is supported by the Onancock Business and Civic Association. Annual favorites include the Pipe and Drum Corps, floats, bands, walking units, and annual kilt contest.

The parade begins at 3 p.m. on Market Street with the theme, "Shamrock by Shamrock, Spring Begins." Street closures will occur and will be an-

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nounced on the Town of Onancock website. The day will begin with a classic car and tractor show at Ker Place from noon to 3 p.m. North Street will be closed from 2 to 8 p.m. for music, shopping, dining, and refreshments.

The OBCA event committee is looking for sponsors and participants. For sponsorship information, contact Bob Burk, sponsorship chair, at bobburk0497@charter.net. For more parade information, contact Bob Spoth, parade chair, at 703-232-0258. For all other inquiries, send an email to onancockparade@gmail.com.

Al-Anon Meeting

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

February Freeze

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity will hold its 25th Annual February Freeze Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Cape Charles Beach. The proceeds from the February Freeze are

used to help provide vital housing for those in need on the Eastern Shore.

Participate as an individual or as a team in raising pledges to take the plunge with fellow dippers. Alternatively, you can support the “Celebrity Dipper” David Brannon, of Bay Creek and Preserve Communities, if you choose not to brave the cold water but would like to contribute as a sponsor. Brannon will lead the dippers into the bay Saturday at noon.

Prizes will be awarded to individuals (18 and younger) and teams that raise the most sponsorship dollars.

Teams and individuals are asked to pre-register Friday, Feb. 25, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., at Chesapeake Properties in Cape Charles.

Arrangements can be made to have the registration forms and money picked up Friday by calling 757-641-9753 to schedule a pickup time. Anyone who pre-registers Friday will receive a February Freeze T-shirt and lunch ticket. Teams that register at the beach on Saturday, Feb. 26, will receive a lunch ticket. T-shirts will only be distributed at pre-registration.

For questions, contact the Eastern

Shore Habitat Office at 757-442-4687 or by email at eshabitat7@gmail.com.

Social Security Update Webinar

The New Year has started and Social Security has been updated. On Feb. 25, the Eastern Shore Public Library and Northampton Free Library are hosting a free informational webinar about the changes in Social Security and the basics of the program. Registration is free and open to the public, but registration is required to obtain the Zoom link. The registration link can be found at the Northampton Free Library Facebook page or <https://espl.org/2022/01/21/social-security-101/>

For questions, additional details, or to make arrangements to attend at the library, email librarian Hannah Swimley at nfl@espl.org or call 757-414-0010.

Island Theatre Reopens This Month

The Chincoteague Island Arts Organization announced that the historic Island Theatre is re-opening in Febru-

ary to observe Presidents Day and commemorate Black History month.

“The Butler” will play Friday, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30), and admission is free.

A live, on-stage, stirring performance of “Left Behind - Stories of the Underground Railroad,” will be Saturday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30), and admission is \$5. Master storyteller Sheila Arnold will educate, enlighten, and entertain through story, song, and audience interaction. Arnold looks at the fugitive slaves from the Underground Railroad and shares what they left behind.

Chess Club

School-age students interested in playing chess are welcome to attend meetings every Sunday, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague.

Membership is open to fourth through 12th grade students, beginners or experienced, whether private-, home-, parochial-, or public-schooled. For more information, call Faith at 757-336-1993, or email execdir@easternshorechess.org

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Taylor Celebrates 70 Years with Eastern Star

At the Temperanceville Chapter 88, Order of the Eastern Star meeting held Feb. 7, Anna Ruth Taylor was presented a 70-year membership pin. She began her membership with Eastern Star with her initiation into the Temperanceville Chapter on Feb. 18, 1952.

Due to much traveling around the country over the 13 years following her initiation, Taylor wasn't able to take an office until she settled back down on the Eastern Shore. Since March 1965, she has held an office each year, including 10 out of the possible 16 offices. She served as worthy matron twice, first from 1971 to 1972 with her late father, William Harry Tyndall, as her worthy patron, and then from 1980 to 1981 with her late husband, John A Doughty.

Taylor has been the soloist at many meetings and has served as the installing officer for many installations of officers. In addition, she served as assistant lecturer for the Eastern Shore District 42 for five years. She has continued to be a very active member, attending every meeting and function and she is always willing to serve pro tem in another office whenever needed.

Temperanceville Chapter 88, Order of the Eastern Star meets the first Monday of each month at the Temperanceville Masonic Lodge, 10268 Lankford Highway, Temperanceville.



Timmy Brown and Jeff Walker lend a helping hand at the Oyster Roast Dinner in September 2021. Photo by Susan Harris.

Walker and Brown Retire from VES Board

The Virginia's Eastern Shore Land Trust's two longest serving board members, Jeff Walker and Timmy Brown, retired in 2021.

Walker joined Harry Holcomb, Suzanne Wescoat, Steve Parker with The Nature Conservancy, Ed Tankard, Lucius Kellam, George Savage, and Denard Spady with Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore in starting VES Land Trust. Walker remembers the first planning meetings led by Holcomb. "Harry had the idea and plans to assist landowners in protecting their property for future generations by starting a local land trust. Thanks to his efforts and leadership, The Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust was formed in 2003," said Walker.

Walker is an Eastern Shore native from Nassawadox. He served as a pilot in the U.S. Navy, retiring with the rank of commander. He also flew for the Virginia Marine Resources Commission and was a captain with Continental Airlines. He is active in the community and has served on many boards and commissions. As a VES Land Trust board member, Walker served as president and represented Northampton County.

After Brown retired as president of Old Dominion Peanut Corp., a confectionary manufacturer, he relocated with his family to their farm on Hunting Creek. Since then, he has dedicated his efforts to restoring habitat for wild-

life and waterfowl. Brown and his wife, Susie, have the unique distinction of being the first to donate a conservation easement to VES Land Trust.

In 2003, the Browns donated an easement on their 633-acre Hills Farm near Greenbush. "Hills Farm has been a farm for over 300 years. Out of respect for the land, the farm needs to stay a farm. The Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust helped accomplish my goals by keeping my land in agriculture forever," said Brown.

By conserving Hills Farm, the Browns also preserved extensive marsh front on the Chesapeake Bay and protected habitat for waterfowl and migrating birds.

Brown is an active community member and has served on many boards and committees. He served as a board member of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Foundation. He is active with Ducks Unlimited and is a past board member of the Barrier Islands Center. Brown served as president and treasurer of VES Land Trust and chair of the Oyster Roast Dinner committee.

President Karen Terwilliger commended them for their service and commitment to conservation: "VES Land Trust would not be the strong organization it is today, protecting 14,069 acres, without these two generous, conservation and community-minded individuals."

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LABORER/EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

The Town of Chincoteague, Inc. is accepting applications, until Friday, March 11, 2022, for an experienced Laborer/Equipment Operator position within the Public Works Dept. Candidates must have a valid VA driver's license. Salary range is \$12.10 to \$18.87 per hour with excellent benefits. Applications can be downloaded from the Town website or obtained at the Town offices at 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336. EEO.

Project Horizons Coordinator Eastern Shore Community College

Project Horizons is a college-track mentoring program that is part of, and funded by, the Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC) Foundation for high-risk middle and high school students on the Eastern Shore. The program provides an extra academic, social, and cultural boost for economically disadvantaged students in grades 7 -12 and exposes them to the post-secondary education environment. Project Horizons also coordinates with and receives funding from Project Discovery of Virginia.

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Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements and application form at https://co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings. Please submit completed county application form to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 or in person to 16404 Courthouse Road by **March 11, 2022**. Northampton County is an EOE.

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

Certified Law Enforcement Officer

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

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

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

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Location: Eastville, VA 23347

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Position Number: L00002

Hiring Range: \$45,591.00 – depending upon qualifications & budgetary constraints

Location: Eastville, VA 23347

Application Deadline: Position open until filled.

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For more information on these positions, please visit <https://jobs.agencies.virginia.gov>. Applications for these positions must be submitted electronically through this website (<https://jobs.agencies.virginia.gov>). Mailed, emailed, faxed or hand-delivered applications and resumes will not be accepted.

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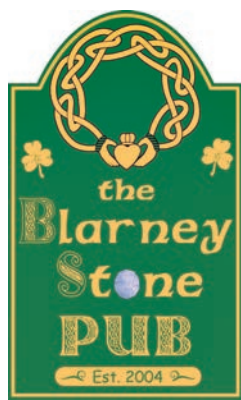
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Part-time Communications Officer

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

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

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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, February 28, 2022, at 4:00 pm. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



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Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist
Substance Abuse Prevention Aide
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Other duties include:

- Conducts inspections for compliance with County zoning ordinances; resolves non-compliance issues.
- Serves as Subdivision Agent.
- Accepts and reviews application for zoning permits.
- Issues plan approval and permits specific to the codes and programs the Zoning Administrator administers.
- Provides suggested input to Director for updating applications for the programs and codes that the Zoning Administrator administers.

Candidates must have excellent communication and organizational skills, be self-motivated, have ability to work with a team environment. This position requires a Bachelor's degree in public administration or a closely related field. It also requires valid Virginia Driver's License and a Virginia Association of Zoning Officials' certification.

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources. Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, P.O. BOX 66, Eastville, VA 23347. Position is until filled. Northampton County is an EOE.

To review the full job description please see website https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings.

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

Position #1093657

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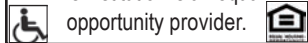
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Public Notice

The Town of Chincoteague Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday March 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following zoning matter:

CUSE 22020101 Reginal Stubbs Parcel 30A7-A-51, A public hearing request for a Conditional use permit from Article III, section (c) section 3.7 of the zoning ordinance of the Town of Chincoteague. The applicant wishes to construct a Mini -storage facility located at Tax Map# 30A7-A-51 Located off Daisy Street. The property is zoned R-3.

Mark Bowden
Zoning Administrator

PUBLIC NOTICE


The Northampton County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the following petition on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia:

Petition by Property Owner (Mark F. Garcea on behalf of King's Creek Properties, LLC) and Contract Purchaser (D. Jon Dempster) for removal of certain proffers accepted by the Northampton County Board of Supervisors in its consideration of Zoning Map Petition 95-06, and recorded in Deed Book 275, Page 39 on June 19, 1995. The proffers were submitted by Donald C. Appenzeller, Sr. and Mary E. Appenzeller, and address uniform signage, limitation of access, and central water/sewer for property described as Parcel 59A, Tax Map 84, which is zoned TE-CG (Town Edge-Commercial General).

The request is on file in the Office of the County Administrator, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, and may be viewed during normal business hours.

Handicap assistance available: Please telephone 757-678-0440 at least 48 hours in advance.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 24104 ALLENTOWN ROAD, ACCOMAC, VA 23301. In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated March 26, 2010, in the original principal amount of \$120,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 201001385. 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 March 21, 2022, at 11:00 AM, 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 WITH ITS BUILDINGS AND APPURTENANCES SITUATE AT OR NEAR THE TOWN OF ACCOMAC, ACCOMACK COUNTY (VIRGINIA, IN LEE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS BEING LOT #16 AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF J.B. GIBB, COUNTY SURVEYOR, WHICH SAID PLAT IS FILED WITH, A DEED FROM JAMES T. NOCK AND WIFE, ET ALS TO MARY CURTIS AND GEORGE CURTIS, DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 1948, AND RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, SAID PLAT BEARING THE LEGEND "PROPERTY OF THE HEIRS OF H.P. NOCK DECEASED, LOCATED IN OR NEAR THE TOWN OF ACCOMAC, ACCOMACK COUNTY VIRGINIA, SURVEY COMPLETED SEPTEMBER 16, 1948," THIS SAID LOT #16 BEING A PART OF THE LAND CONVEYED TO PARRAMORE M. ALLEN BY JAMES T. NOCK AND WIFE, ET ALS BY DEED OF MARCH 21, 1950, RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE COUNTY AFORESAID, IN DEED BOOK 201 AT PAGE 233 AND BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS; ON THE NORTH, BY THE LAND OF GLENWOOD GREENE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 171.35 FEET; ON THE EAST, BY THE PUBLIC STREET, FOR A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; ON THE SOUTH, BY THE LAND OF GEORGE CURTIS AND MARY, FOR A DISTANCE OF 170.07 FEET AND ON THE WEST, BY THE LAND OF EMALINE WATKINSON, FOR A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET. 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-353519-1.



**ACCOMACK COUNTY
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BUDGET WORK SESSIONS
LOCATION CHANGE**
Board of Supervisors' Chambers
23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room 104
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The Accomack County Board of Supervisors will hold Work Sessions for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget on:

1. Monday, February 28, 2022 at 5:00 p.m
2. Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

There is no Public Comment during the Work Sessions, but the meetings are open to the Public.

Any citizen having questions or needing special assistance for the disabled may contact the County Administrator's Office by contacting Jessica Hargis at 787-5700 / 824-5444 or by email: administration@co.accomack.va.us

County's electronic Board Agenda at:
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The Town of Parksley is taking sealed bids to purchase 450 5/8"x34" GIS water meters, software, reading equipment and installation. Bids will be accepted until 2PM on Monday, February 7th, 2022, at the Parksley Town Office. Please contact the Town Office for more detailed specifications.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Provided that the Northampton County Planning Commission has rendered its recommendation, the Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the following petition on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia.

Major SUP 2022-03: Axios Partners, LLC is applying for a major special use permit to construct one (1) two-story single-family home at approximately 3,064 square feet, and twelve (12) one-story tourist cottages with a porch, each at approximately 788 square feet. The property is zoned as A/RB (Agriculture/Rural Business). The property is situated near Cedar Grove, Capeville District, between Lankford Highway and Seaside Road, and is further described as Tax Map 112-A-32.

The application is on file and open to public inspection in the office of the County Administrator located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA. Anyone wishing to comment on the above is invited to attend the meeting and make their comments known. Written comments can be submitted to the County Administrator's Office, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347.

Handicapped assistance available: Please telephone (757) 678-0440 at least 48 hours in advance.

Town Hall Public Meeting for the Town of Wachapreague

Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 7pm
1 High St, Wachapreague – 1st Floor Firehouse

Main Agenda

Raise the Meals tax to 5%
Raise the Transient Tax to 5%

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the Code of Virginia Section 15.2-2507, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors will hear public comments on the following proposed amendments to its Fiscal Year 2022 County Budget on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia.

A budget appropriation increase in the amount of \$988,300 representing an award of USDA funding under an Emergency Rural Health Care Grant to purchase an ambulance, quick response vehicle, EMS equipment and HVAC equipment. The County's match is \$329,481 for a total project cost of \$1,317,781.

Handicapped assistance available: 757/678-0440.

Charles Kolakowski, County Administrator

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 10:15 a.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, for the purpose of considering the following wetlands/coastal primary sand dunes matter under public hearing and to conduct regular business. A site visit to the property will be conducted on the same date, prior to the commencement of the Board meeting.

VMRC 2022-0304: Gregory Scott Stewart is applying for a permit to remove a failed bulkhead, including backing system, and construct an approximately 200' Navy style bulkhead/timber framed-vinyl sheathed, 14-foot landward of failed bulkhead. It will connect to neighboring bulkheads with a 26-foot return wall at the southwestern end, and a 14-foot reverse return wall at the northeastern end, with a no cap. The total overall length of the bulkhead will be approximately 240 feet, return walls included. The property is located at 9466 Westerhouse Road, Machipongo, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 28-1-1, along the shoreline of the Chesapeake Bay.

Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the scheduled public hearing. The application may be viewed in the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. Written comments can be submitted to the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office P.O. Box 538, Eastville, VA 23347.

Handicapped Assistance Available: Please call (757) 678-0440 extension 516 at least 48 hours in advance.

NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of Dawn Lloyd, 17136 Big Road, Bloxom, VA 23308. Her phone number is 410-591-5569.

Description of watercraft: 14' Steury fiberglasss, white, HIN: SRO7404-7M-79H.

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

Legal Ads

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, to consider leasing of the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain main floor of the Eastville Inn located in Eastville. The Board proposes to renew its lease with Louise Oliver, doing business as Kitchen Sync.

Any party interested in leasing the above mentioned property should contact the County Administrator's office for detailed specifications. The County of Northampton reserves the right to lease the property to best serve the County's interest.

HANDICAPPED ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE: Call 757/678-0440.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**

Case No. JJ014227-01-00
Accomack County J&DR – Juvenile Division Court, P.O. Box 299, 23371 Front Street, Accomac, VA 23301

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
v. IN RE: CHRISTOPHER KUHN
The object of this suit is:
CHILD DEPENDENCY AND CUSTODY TRANSFER.

It is ORDERED that CHRISTOPHER KUHN appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before APRIL 26, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

February 10, 2022
Celia J. Burge, Judge

The County of Northampton, Virginia, is accepting sealed bids to furnish and deliver a 1,000 kW, 480 V, 3 Phase Emergency Standby Generator. Equipment shall be readily available to be delivered to the County by May 2022. Bids will be received at the office of the County Administrator, 16404 Courthouse Road, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347, until 3:00 PM, Monday, February 28, 2022. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. Interested vendors can obtain copies of the complete bid specifications by emailing their request to cthomas@co.northampton.va.us or calling 757-678-3377. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bidding.

All bidders are subject to and must comply with the provisions of Northampton County's Equal Employment Opportunity Policy and applicable State and Federal anti-discrimination laws.

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Exmore Mini Storage - Belle Haven

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TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES

Notice of Public Hearing – Variance Request

The Cape Charles Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 10:00 am in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Avenue, to receive public comment on the following:

A. An application from David M. Gammino of Cape Charles Ventures, LLC, proposed contract purchaser, for a height variance of 8 ft for the entire roof deck and an additional 10 ft. for the elevator shaft only from CC Zoning Ordinance Section 3.6 (D) which has a height requirement maximum of 40 ft. at Tax Map #83A3-1-617B, 83A3-1-620B, and 83A3-1-621B at 7 Strawberry Street for an expansion of Hotel Cape Charles with a 3-story addition to add a maximum of 12 hotel rooms. Said application is being filed with consent from the property owners, Betis Group, Inc.

The application is available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org. Please contact Interim Town Planner/Zoning Administrator Katie Nunez at 757-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org, if you have any questions or require additional information. Anyone interested in attending and needing special assistance contact the Town at least 48 hours before the hearing.

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Those Under 65 Need Help Too

Dear Editor:

It's like a jungle sometimes. It makes me wonder what keeps people from going under.

I read the newspapers and look at Facebook. It always has something for people 60 and over. What about the people 50 or even 55? No, you have to be 60.

The way young people are dying now, a lot of people don't reach age 60.

The Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging will be giving out gift cards if you received your COVID-19 booster shot after November 2021. The recommendation is you have to be 60 years old to receive it. What is the difference between 60 and being disabled, if you don't make it to 60?

People 55 to 60 still have to live, too.

Sam Gray, Melfa

Mandate Ended Career

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to an article written by Carol Vaughn, dated, Jan. 28, concerning the transfer of Onancock's wastewater treatment facility to Hampton Roads Sanitation District.

Town Manager Matt Spuck correctly pointed out that of the three town employees at the plant, two transferred over to HRSD and the third employee — me — retired. To add detail to the story or statement, I feel compelled to write this letter.

I was going to be one of the three transferring over. It was a done deal, with the help of Spuck negotiating on our behalf with various persons within HRSD. He did his part and I am grateful to him and the town for their efforts to see it through. Everything was set to go and I was looking forward to this new venture.

However, there were rumors of mandates being adhered to. Finally, after months of preparing for the transfer, a meeting was held with HRSD at the plant, and I was informed that I must be

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vaccinated for employment with HRSD. I and another employee declined and stated reasons for not getting vaccinated. It was an ultimatum: get the shot or walk.

The other employee left the job and had to find other employment, because he did not know when HRSD would take over. There was no grace period for us.

I decided to stay after much back and forth, until the takeover or my planned exit Jan. 23, after my two week "on call" shift ended. The plant needed my help until then and I felt I owed them and my supervisor the help as long as possible.

I would like to thank the town of Onancock and town manager for the many years of employment. It has been a journey, for sure.

HRSD should not be governed by politics and they lost some good people in their organization.

Dean Savannah, Melfa

Politics Trumps Science

Dear Editor:

You would think by now we would have learned the tragic consequences of politicizing the strategies to mitigate this horrific pandemic which has taken a MILLION American lives! The anti-vaccination, anti-masking, and anti-science pushback on the means to stop COVID-19 has extended the life span of this virus at the cost of far too many lives. But the politicizing has continued and will impact families on the Eastern Shore.

During this session of the General Assembly and the advent of Gov. Glenn Youngkin taking office, our elected leaders have rushed pell-mell to end the existing mask mandates for our public schools. Despite the courageous stands of the school boards in Northampton and Accomack counties to continue the mandates to protect the health and safety of our school children, teachers and staffs, Del. Rob Bloxom and Sen. Lynwood Lewis voted to support legis-

lation giving parents the option to send their children to school without masks.

Even as the CDC urges caution not to prematurely end mask mandates, the bill was rushed to the governor's desk so he could sign it and immediately end the mandate geared to protect our schools. Even as our kindergartners do not have a vaccine, even as children can expose their elderly grandparents to the virus, even as teachers have to endure another stressful action, and even as the legislation adds to the divisiveness rather than unity in our public discourse, politics has once again trumped science. At what cost? Is waiting

CAPITAL LETTERS



By Del. Rob Bloxom

Both budgets have now been unveiled. The House budget has Gov. Glenn Youngkin's tax rebates and tax cuts embedded in it to the tune of \$5.2 billion. The Senate followed former Gov. Ralph Northam's budget and only included a small tax reduction. The two budgets are over \$3 billion with three weeks remaining to bring a consolidated budget forward. It is somewhat like scrapple — the end results taste good, but no one wants to watch it being made. There is plenty of support for the 100th District, but it is too early to celebrate any appropriations slated for us just yet.

Six of my bills made it to the Senate for consideration. Two, HB175 and HB177, pertain to absentee voting. My HB179 deals with farm use tags, creating a program similar to permanent trailer tags. HB182 directs the State Corporation Commission on the criteria to use when setting water and sewer rates. HB180 creates a fund to pay localities for revenue lost from property taxes on land use valuation of forestry land. My last bill to make it to the Senate is HB1261, which restricts the permit-is-

uing authority of citizen boards at the Department of Environmental Quality. The one bill that did not make it to the Senate was HB843, in reference to income tax and housing opportunity tax credits. The bill never was officially voted down in the House. It was referred to the Appropriations Committee and the chairman chose not to docket the bill. This effectively kills the bill for the year. There is a similar bill coming from the Senate.

The Rev. Rick Willis, Chincoteague

The last bill of interest is on the recreational use of marijuana. Last year we passed a bill which was more than 300 pages that legalized the recreational possession of marijuana. I voted against that bill. However, that bill did not create a path to legally grow, process, and/or sell cannabis. It incentivized the illegal market. Now the Senate has passed a bill that is coming to the House side to help eliminate the illegal market. I think we need to figure out a way to ensure the quality and safety of these products in the marketplace and to keep the product out of the hands of minors. I am just uncertain as to how this is going to be accomplished.

Contact me at my district office at 757-824-3456, in Richmond at 804-698-1000, or by email at delrbloxom@house.virginia.gov.

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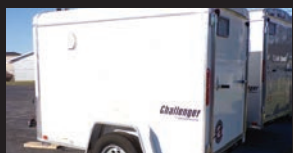


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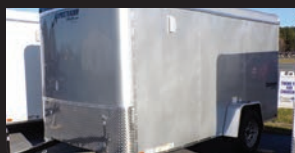
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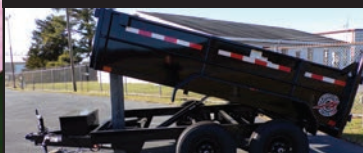
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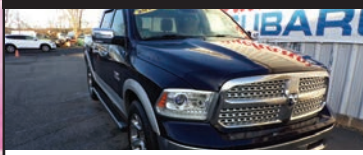


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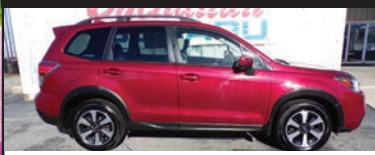


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