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Rocket Lab Chooses Wallops Island for Neutron Rocket Manufacturing

By Carol Vaughn

Rocket Lab announced Monday it has selected Wallops Island as the location for its first launch site and manufacturing and operations complex for Neutron, the company's new 8-ton reusable rocket.

Rocket Lab will launch the Neutron from a new Virginia Space-owned launch pad at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport.

The 250,000-square-foot manufacturing and operations complex will be built on a 28-acre site adjacent to Wallops Island. The property was purchased by the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority in 2021.

Up to 250 engineers, technicians, and support staff may be based at the complex, according to a press release from Gov. Glenn Youngkin.

"Virginia's industrial and innovation ecosystem and skilled workforce make the Commonwealth an optimal location for industry leaders like Rocket Lab," Youngkin said, adding, "This important project reinforces the Eastern Shore's legacy as an aerospace hub that offers the infrastructure for manufacturing and developing new technologies, and we look forward to a long partnership with Rocket Lab."

Rocket Lab founder and chief executive officer Peter Beck during a press conference Monday said the entire launch vehicle will be manufactured and assembled at the Eastern



An artist's rendering of the Neutron manufacturing and operations complex to be build adjacent to Wallops Island. Business Wire graphic.

Shore complex.

"We've got no time to lose here. We need to get Neutron flying. The stake in the ground is 2024, so we will be looking to break ground here extremely shortly," Beck said.

Maj. Gen. Ted Mercer, chief executive officer and executive director of the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority, said Virginia Space already has begun to prepare the 28 acres for construction, including doing required environmental work and clearing the land.

Beck called Wallops "an ideal location for Neutron," noting its location

on the eastern seaboard and the fact that Virginia is one of only four states with an FAA-licensed spaceport.

"We've enjoyed strong support," he said.

NASA Wallops Flight Facility Director David Pierce said the agency "is moving the United States into a new era of space exploration and through the deep commitment of the Commonwealth and Accomack County, we at Wallops are working strategically with Peter Beck and Rocket Lab to advance commercial space here on the Eastern Shore as well as in the United States."

Wallops' program management expertise and capabilities, along with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport providing "an ample range of availability," makes Wallops "the perfect fit" for Rocket Lab's United States launch operations, Pierce said.

Pierce said Rocket Lab's legacy at Wallops "will be to transform the space economy on the Eastern Shore, promote manufacturing and aerospace supply chain jobs."

"This is the first time that rocket manufacturing capabilities will be de-

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Masks on Buses Optional for Accomack Students, Still Mandatory for Some Staff

By Stefanie Jackson

The Accomack school board voted 8-1 Tuesday night to make face masks optional for students on school buses, following new mask guidelines issued Feb. 25 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Superintendent Chris Holland noted that, according to Virginia Department of Labor and Industry requirements, bus drivers and other school staff still must wear masks on buses and in school buildings.

However, the school division's position on face masks for employees could change. DOLI posted a response on its frequently asked questions page March 2 stating that unless otherwise noted, employees do not need to wear masks if their COVID-19 community levels, as defined by the CDC, are low or medium.

As of Feb. 25, the COVID-19 community level for Accomack County was low, according to the CDC at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>

The school board's decision to make

masks optional for students on school buses occurred one week after Accomack schools implemented a measure making masks optional for students in school buildings.

Holland also reported that as of Feb. 15, Accomack schools had only nine students and two staff members who had tested positive for COVID-19.

Director of Secondary Education Karen Taylor discussed Accomack schools' work with Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC) to implement two new programs, the Passport and the Uniform Certificate of General Studies, which are a 16-credit program and 32-credit program, respectively.

Starting with the 2022-2023 school year, any senior who graduates with 16 to 32 credits will receive one of the two certificates, and any dual-enrollment course (a class taken through the partnership of Accomack schools and ESCC) will be transferable to any public Virginia university or college.

As of the 2023-2024 school year, seniors will be able to graduate from high

school and receive both a diploma and an associate degree.

Taylor reported that an EMT instructor is still needed to teach in Accomack County, preferably in a central location.

ESCC found an instructor who lives in Northampton County and can teach EMT courses at Northampton Middle School, but that would be "a long hike" for Chincoteague and Arcadia high school students, and the classes will be at night, Taylor noted.

The goal is to start the EMT program, which is in "high demand," next school year, she said.

Taylor also discussed Junior Achievement, a nonprofit that teaches young people financial literacy, workforce readiness, and entrepreneurship. The organization has an Eastern Shore branch in Salisbury, Md.

Taylor said the Accomack school division has worked with Junior Achievement previously, but that partnership was interrupted due to COVID-19.

This year Accomack's eighth graders — about 400 students — have the opportunity

to participate in Junior Achievement's Inspire Experience, which provides students hands-on activities associated with careers of interest to students, who get to try equipment or tools that would be used on the job.

For example, a student interested in nursing may take a blood pressure reading, or a student interested in welding can practice walking across a beam from one welding site to another.

Accomack's day for eighth graders to participate in the career simulations, to be held at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center, is Wednesday, March 30.

Assistant Superintendent Rhonda Hall presented the school board with a chart comparing Accomack students' current grade levels with the last grades in which they experienced a "normal school year." — before the COVID-19 pandemic.

For example, third graders, who will take the cumulative Standards of Learning or SOL tests for the first time this year, haven't had a normal school year since kindergarten, Hall said.

She wanted to show the school board

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In 2012, Willie Randall's Board of Supervisors took aim at this county's rural future by appointing a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee, chaired by Bill Parr. That committee recommended a complete (and arguably illegal) zoning overhaul aimed at creating another Virginia Beach or Ocean City on the lower Shore. We marched, picketed, sang, spoke, wrote, and finally voted out the supporters of that potential travesty while beating the county in court.

Ten years later, Bill Parr hasn't given up. He and Angelo Manuel (Axios, LLC) propose to place 12 motel units and a large home on 48 acres of farmland off Seaside Road in Townsend. Parr argues that once they get this approval, other developers will be able to do the same. The proposal clearly violates Northampton's zoning ordinance and 2021 Comprehensive Plan by putting more than **SIX TIMES the permitted dwellings on the property.**

On March 1st, the Planning Commission recommended denial of the application, ruling it was not compliant with density limits and zoning law. **On March 8, the Board of Supervisors will take this issue up and render a final decision on the Axios plan.**

Please remind the Board of Supervisors that we live here because many of us have seen what unchecked development does to raise taxes, despoil drinking water and clean air, escalate crime rates, clog roads, and strain public services. That is why we fight to maintain the rural character and natural resources of the lower Eastern Shore.

We need our elected officials to respect the *will of the people*, as expressed in our Comprehensive Plan which reflects the input of hundreds of citizens over many years. We hope they will do that next Tuesday.

We will be watching.

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~ Rocket Lab ~

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livered from the Eastern Shore,” Mercer said.

Mercer noted Virginia Space already has a relationship with Rocket Lab related to the company’s previous choice to launch its Electron rocket from the spaceport.

“We hope to see the first launch for that later this year,” he said.

“We are moving the world in a new direction in terms of space lift capability and what can be done from MARS,” Mercer said.

A proposed \$45 million in state funding, if approved by the General Assembly, will include \$15 million for construction of the manufacturing and operations complex and \$30 million for launch pad construction, Mercer said.

Mercer noted the launch pad, while geared toward Neutron launches, also may be used for other launches.

According to Beck, the company’s cost to develop the Neutron is at least \$200 million.

Federal, state, and local officials commented on Rocket Lab’s announcement this week.

“Wallops Island is a prime site for aerospace and aviation operations, and it is an honor to officially welcome Rocket Lab to the Eastern Shore of Virginia,” said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Caren Merrick, adding, “The Commonwealth has a strong aerospace and unmanned systems industry workforce, which is forecast to grow 8.5% over the next decade, and is well-positioned to provide the skilled talent that Rocket Lab will require for its Neutron launch site, manufacturing, and operations.”

“General Ted Mercer and his team at Virginia Space are the best in the business. This commitment from Rocket Lab is further testament to the quality of personnel and facilities the Commonwealth has developed at Wallops Island,” said Virginia Secretary of Transportation Shep Miller. “We are excited to welcome Rocket Lab to Virginia, and look forward to future developments in the aerospace industry that

will bring engineers, technicians, and families to the Eastern Shore.”

“Rocket Lab’s new manufacturing and launch facilities in Accomack County represent a tremendous win for the region and the Commonwealth, building on the Eastern Shore’s rich history in the aerospace sector,” said Major Employment and Investment Project Approval Commission Chair Senator Janet Howell. She added, “We are pleased that the company recognized Virginia as the optimal location for this important project, and are proud the MEI Commission could play a role.”

“Rocket Lab is a significant addition to Virginia’s booming aerospace sector, and I am pleased the MEI Commission could collaborate with our state, regional, and local partners on this important project to get it across the finish line,” said Delegate Barry Knight, chair of the House Appropriations Committee.

“The addition of 250 new jobs is transformational for the Eastern Shore of Virginia, which has emerged as a hub for aerospace and aviation op-

erations,” Knight said.

“On behalf of Accomack County, I want to thank Rocket Lab for selecting the county as the location to manufacture and launch the Neutron Rocket,” said Accomack Board of Supervisors Chairman Billy Joe Tarr. “This is a tremendous opportunity for all involved and a huge economic boost for Accomack County. We look forward to watching Electron and Neutron rocket launches from Virginia Space’s MARS Facility on Wallops Island.”

“Rocket Lab’s launch and major manufacturing complex in Accomack County is an exciting opportunity that will bring 250 good-paying jobs to the Eastern Shore and advance Coastal Virginia’s position as a national leader in the space industry,” said Rep. Elaine G. Luria. “I am proud to support initiatives that create economic opportunities and expand the Commonwealth’s role in the space industry.”

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Accomack County is a game changer for the Eastern Shore and the Commonwealth,” said Sen. Lynwood Lewis. “We are thrilled that Virginia was selected for this expansion, which will spur even more economic activity, and look forward to building a lasting partnership with this industry-leading company.”

“Rocket Lab’s selection of Virginia for this major project is a tremendous win, and I appreciate the hard work by all sides,” said Del. Robert Bloxom. “Rocket Lab is a welcome addition to Virginia Space and Accomack County, and I am confident the great workforce and infrastructure offered by NASA Wallops Flight Facility helped the company make its decision to expand on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.”

The Virginia Economic Development Partnership worked with Accomack County, the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority (Virginia Space), and the General Assembly’s Major Employment and Investment (MEI) Project Approval Commission to secure the project for Virginia.

Support for Rocket Lab’s job cre-

ation will be provided through the Virginia Talent Accelerator Program, a workforce initiative created by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership in collaboration with the Virginia Community College System and other higher education partners, with funding support from the governor’s administration and the Virginia General Assembly. Launched in 2019, the program accelerates new facility startups through direct delivery of recruitment and training services that are fully customized to a company’s unique products, processes, equipment, standards, and culture.

Program services are provided at no cost to qualified, new, and expanding companies as an incentive for job creation.

Rocket Lab is currently working with NASA to secure all necessary agreements and certifications for launches from Wallops Island.

Then-Gov. Ralph Northam announced in January that Accomack County was a finalist for the proposed manufacturing and operations facility.

Pony Penning Returns to Island

By Carol Vaughn

The Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company announced Pony Penning week activities and the carnival will be held this year, after two years of a virtual-only pony auction and no carnival due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Pony Penning week will be business as usual with the beach walk, the swim, and the auction,” according to an announcement on the fire company’s Facebook page.

The pony auction will be live and in person, but the fire company anticipates also having it coincide with online bidding, which proved popular during the pandemic.

Two fireworks shows are planned, one on July 4 and one on the final night of the carnival, July 30.

“We ask you to be patient. Not being open for two years means we have to get back ‘in the saddle,’ no pun intended. There will be new members and new volunteers learning the ropes,” at the carnival, the Facebook post said.

The carnival opens July 1 at 6:30 p.m.

with an opening ceremony, and continues July 2 and July 4, opening at 7 p.m. July 4 fireworks will be at 10 p.m.

The carnival will again be open July 22 at 7 p.m., July 23 at 7 p.m., and July 25-30, at 7 p.m.

The beach walk for the ponies will be July 25 starting at 6 a.m.

The Pony Swim will be July 27, with the time to be announced later.

The pony auction begins at 8 a.m. July 28 at the corral at the back of the carnival grounds.

The ponies’ swim back to Assateague will be July 29, with the time to be announced later.

“We cannot hardly wait to see everyone, welcome everyone back, see the laughter and smiles on the kid’s faces and see everyone meet up with their old friends for the Chincoteague Homecoming Week, smell the fritters frying, tasting those good pony fries, seeing the whirl of the ferris wheel and just enjoying some good old fashioned, down home Chincoteague fun,” the post said.



Grant Accountant

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission (A-NPDC) has been the Eastern Shore of Virginia’s regional planning organization since 1970. This is an exciting opportunity, with benefits, for a driven professional to gain experience in the accounting field.

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“a visual of what challenges our teachers are dealing with.”

Hall also updated the school board on the Olveus Bullying Prevention Program. Students in third through fifth grade have completed a questionnaire that will help the bullying prevention team determine the percentage of students being bullied or bullying others and where bullying is happening. “That’s a big question,” she said.

Early Childhood Education Coordinator Belinda Rippon announced that Accomack elementary schools’ new science, technology, engineering, and math or STEM centers, made possible by the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation, will open within the next few weeks.

Teachers can sign up their classes to use the STEM centers, which also will be available after school.

Rippon said her department is considering adding STEM and computer lab time to the next school year’s weekly rotation of specials, which has previously included art, music, physical education, and the library.

Accomack County Public Schools has agreed to the request of the Virginia

Space Flight Academy in Wallops Island to be included in a grant proposal the organization is writing.

The grant would allow 10 Accomack students in fifth through eighth grade to be enrolled in three STEM Academy modules on astronomy, aerospace, and coding and robotics.

The students also would take a field trip to meet STEM professionals during behind-the-scenes tours of the NASA Wallops Flight Facility and the Rocket Lab facility and do hands-on STEM activities at the NASA Visitors Center.

Five of the 10 students would be selected to receive a full scholarship to the academy’s Space Adventure Camp.

Virginia Kindergarten Readiness Program data revealed that about 46% of Accomack kindergarteners are ready for kindergarten, compared to about 57% of kindergarteners statewide.

The kindergarten-readiness rates are based on assessments including the Phonological Awareness Literacy Screener or PALS and assessments in math, self-regulation, and social skills, Rippon said.

Accomack elementary schools started after-school programs in February, which target varying ranges of grade levels based on each school’s needs. The numbers of students participating are 12 at Chincoteague Elementary, 54 at Kegotank Elementary, 59 at Accawmacke Elementary, 80 at Pungoteague Elementary, and 124 at Metompkin Elementary.

Metompkin’s after-school program has attracted more students by including a wide variety of clubs for topics such as STEM, Lego robotics, and even Pokemon cards – which incorporates math and reading skills. There also are clubs for science, history, music, and manners and etiquette, Rippon said.

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Southeast Crescent Regional Commission Poised To Start Making Grants

By Stefanie Jackson

Ava Gabrielle-Wise, who is known for her leadership and work with Exmore's New Road community, opened the 2022 conference of the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission Coalition, BRIDGES (Building Regional Resilience and Regional Readiness for Investment and Growth in the South) online Feb. 17.

The Eastern Shore belongs to the region of the U.S. known as the Southeast Crescent or Black Belt, so called because it hugs the southern portion of the East Coast, from Virginia to Mississippi, and is home to the majority of the nation's African American community.

Some aspects of the region that make it unique also may affect the persistence of poverty: less than 60 years of voting rights for African Americans, a lack of generational wealth, and socioeconomic and political division (social stratification), according to the Southern Economic Advancement Project and Roosevelt Institute (SEAP-RI).

The Southeast Crescent Regional Commission was created by the 2008 U.S. Farm Bill to direct federal funding to the

region to help it lift itself out of the poverty that has impacted the region for decades.

The economic challenges of the South were recognized at least 70 years prior, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt called them "the nation's number one economic problem," according to SEAP-RI.

Even after the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission was created, its work was stalled for years because no U.S. President had appointed a federal co-chair to the commission.

But the coalition of the same name, formed in 2019, had successfully contacted the office of President-elect Joe Biden, which led to the U.S. Senate finally confirming the commission's first federal co-chair, Jennifer Clyburn Reed, in December 2021.

Reed, a retired educator, taught for 28 years and directed the University of South Carolina's center for the education and equity of African American students.

The Southeast Crescent Regional Commission's leadership also will include a state co-chair and the governors of seven southern states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North

Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.

The commission "will focus on targeted strategic investments that have the potential to stimulate growth in economically resistant areas of the southeast region of the United States," Gabrielle-Wise said.

Those investments will be in the form of federal grants given to states, local governments, Indian tribes, public organizations, and nonprofits for needs including:

- Basic public infrastructure
- Transportation infrastructure
- Telecommunications infrastructure
- Job skills training, employment education, technology, and business
- Health care and public services for severely distressed areas
- Promoting conservation, tourism, and open space
- Promoting renewable and alternative energy sources.

As economic development strategies helped the South transition from an agriculture-based economy in the 20th century, so do new strategies aim to transition the region to a knowledge-based economy in the 21st century, according to SEAP-RI.

The Southeast Crescent Regional Commission originally was authorized for \$30 million, which was reduced to an annual federal budget appropriation of \$250,000, but its coalition "knew we were finally being heard" in 2020, when the budget appropriation was increased to \$1 million, Gabrielle-Wise said.

The appropriation was increased to \$5 million in the 2022 federal budget, giving Reed "not a lot of resources for grant-making" but enough "to stand up the institution and get ready for business and operations," Gabrielle-Wise said.

She said the coalition will continue to support the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission "in helping the Congress to understand how important it is ... that the commission has the appropriation that it needs – the meaningful appropriation that it needs – in order for it to be truly effective in the region."

To learn more, watch the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission Coalition's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmrRxnhLFibWwW-hOtv-g20w> or contact Ava Gabrielle-Wise, P.O. Box 1413, Exmore, VA 23350.



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Finalized Accomack Budget Won't Include 31 New Public Safety Positions

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors Monday finalized the fiscal year 2023 county budget to be advertised for public hearing.

The budget does not include funding for 31 new Department of Public Safety positions requested to provide 24-7 coverage for volunteer fire and rescue stations at Melfa, Saxis, Tangier, and Wachapreague.

The volunteers requested help from the county, citing decreasing numbers and the advancing age of volunteers, among other problems they face.

Supervisor Ron Wolff made the motion that the board follow Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason's recommendation to not include the positions in the budget.

"Throwing money at it is not going to fix it. ... They are asking for our help; they are asking for our guidance. We need to make the move now to provide them with the help that they need that can prolong the system as we move forward," Wolff said, joining other supervisors in calling for a plan to fix the county's hybrid volunteer-professional fire and rescue system.

The motion was approved 7-2, with Supervisors Donald J. Hart and Reneta Major voting no.

Hart said, "I disagree because it's going to take years to get this through. ... It has taken over a year just to get Greenback (staff for the Greenbackville fire station), so for Melfa, it's going to take another year and a half, and then for Saxis, Tangier, or Wachapreague, it's going to take another year and a half. So you're talking at least three to four years down the road if we start the ball rolling now."

He said it is unfair that southern Accomack has only two stations with 24-hour coverage for 15,000 residents, while the northern area has four stations with 24-hour coverage for 15,000 residents.

"The southern end can not wait much longer. Melfa is to the point now of breaking," Hart said.

He said the entire tax increase needed to pay for the positions would not need to be implemented at once.

Major agreed, saying the positions and tax increase could be phased in.

"We need to recruit everybody," she said, recommending the board revisit with the school board the idea of a high school EMT program

Supervisor Jackie Phillips said he could not "with a clear conscience" vote for a tax increase for the positions and said the board needs to work with Public Safety Director C. Ray Pruitt and to "find some money so he can retain and recruit."

Supervisor Harris Phillips said, "We need more coverage, but I can not do this without fixing some of the problems we've got."

He recommended the county consider volunteer incentives, such as tax breaks or stipends.

Harris Phillips and Supervisor Robert Crockett both said the county's 20-minute response time benchmark for ambulance calls is being met by the departments that requested staff.

"Let's solve the problem of why people are leaving and why it's hard to get people to apply — let's address that first," Crockett said.

Crockett asked DPS staff to bring the board a recommendation "as far as

what we should do with what we have now," potentially including consolidating stations.

He noted past studies recommended consolidation.

"Let's have a plan first and then work toward that plan," Crockett said.

Part of the issue is that ambulances from Accomack at times answer calls in Northampton, Crockett said.

Last year an Accomack ambulance was dispatched to Northampton 252 times and transported to the hospital 127 times, compared to Northampton being dispatched to Accomack 19 times, according to Pruitt.

"I'd like staff, during this planning, to find out what's going on. Is Northampton ... staffed well enough so that we don't have to cover their area?" Crockett said.

Supervisor Vanessa Johnson said, "Everybody on this board knows that something just needs to be done," but said she does not support raising taxes at this time.

Supervisor Paul Muhly said past studies made 60 recommendations, adding, "but I don't think any one of

them was ever implemented."

"The system needs to be fixed," he said.

Chairman Billy Joe Tarr said, "The heart of everybody in here would like to have an ambulance in every town in this county; however we know with our heads ... that we can't afford it."

Adding 31 positions won't help "because it would take all (Pruitt's) time to try to fill them and not try to fix what is broken," Tarr said.

The board directed Mason and the finance director to look into volunteer incentives and directed Pruitt to bring to the board a plan "to correct the problems that we have at hand and how we need to go forward," as Crockett said.

Pruitt said about the idea of station consolidation, "You have to make unfriendly decisions that benefit the people by population density and demand. You place the people where they need to be. ... It's all out there. Everybody knows the answers."

See Carol Vaughn's related budget story, "40-Cent Cigarette Tax Moves to Hearing," on Page 10.

Man Arrested for Feb. 25 Club Car Burglary

Staff Report

A Parksley man was arrested after a break-in the Club Car restaurant in Parksley Friday, Feb. 25, according to police.

According to Sheriff W. Todd Wessells, the Accomack County Sheriff's Office received a report at around 5:16 a.m. Friday of a person attempting to enter the rear entrance of the restaurant.

When deputies arrived, they observed damage to the rear entrance of the building and discovered that an

undetermined amount of money was missing from an office.

An investigation into the incident led to warrants being obtained for Tyler Nathaniel Humphries, 26, of Parksley, for possession of cocaine, grand larceny, breaking and entering with intent to commit a felony, and possession of burglarious tools.

At the time of Humphries' arrest it was discovered that he had active warrants for failure to appear on a traffic offense and failure to appear for a bur-

glary offense in Talbot County, Md.

Humphries is currently incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with bail denied.

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

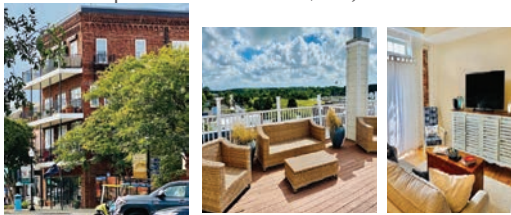
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40-Cent Cigarette Tax Moves to Hearing

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors in budget discussions Monday approved instituting a 40-cent per pack cigarette tax.

The board at the end of the meeting voted unanimously to schedule a public hearing to take comment on the fiscal year 2023 budget, which includes changes the board made to the version proposed by Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason last month.

Hearings on the budget and proposed tax rates will be held Monday, April 4, at 6 p.m., at Metompkin Elementary School.

The cigarette tax could bring in around \$422,000 in annual revenue, Mason told the board.

The tax originally was proposed to help pay for additional emergency medical services positions, but the board by consensus put it in the proposed budget as general fund revenue.

“Anything we can do to increase (revenue) like that will take some pressure off of real estate (taxes),” said Supervisor Donald L. Hart Jr.

Unfunded mandates from the state, such as a proposal to eliminate the grocery sales tax, put increased pressure on localities to raise the real estate tax rate, according to Hart.

Supervisor Harris Phillips noted travelers and visitors to the county as well as local residents will pay the cigarette tax, adding to county revenue.

Other budget-related actions approved Monday include adding funding for a second exit at the Circuit Court Clerk’s Office, for safety reasons.

The board also added a camera and secure locked door that was requested for the county attorney’s office, at a cost of \$2,000, which is in addition to \$2,000 already in the budget to install doors with windows in other county offices.

While some supervisors questioned \$2.5 million in the budget for the county’s share of a new school board office, the board left the item in.

The school board office currently is in the county administration building.

A meeting room in the proposed school board office could also be used by the board of supervisors.

The school budget includes \$4 million for the project.

Supervisor Harris Phillips asked about instead renovating the Accomack library to use it as a school board office and Supervisor Paul Muhly said the schools should use the \$4 million in the classroom. He noted the new library in Parksley, when completed, will include a large meeting room, which could serve the board of supervisors as a meeting space.

The board asked staff to return with more information about space needs, but left the item in the budget.

Supervisor Ron Wolff asked to include Accomack’s share for an additional position requested for the Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 center, which the board consented to.

Supervisor Donald L. Hart Jr. asked to include \$20,000 requested by the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence for increased operational costs, which the board consented to.

Supervisor Robert Crockett agreed, saying, “What would it cost us if we didn’t have them?”

Finance Director Reports on General Assembly Actions

Accomack County Finance Director Margaret Lindsey told the board a cost of competing adjustment for Accomack public schools was not included in either the House of Delegates or Senate budget bill.

The COCA is intended to help the school district offer higher teacher salaries to better compete with neighboring districts.

Still, the Senate version does include a one-year, \$1.649 million supplemental allotment for Accomack schools and also an allotment for Northampton schools, Lindsey said.

Additionally, the legislature has proposed \$15 million be included in the budget for statewide teacher recruitment incentives for teachers hired after Aug. 15.

The budget has not yet been finalized by the General Assembly, which is scheduled to adjourn March 12.

Lindsey said the House and Senate budget versions both include eliminating the grocery sales tax. In the House version, the full 2.5% is eliminated; in the Senate version, 1.5% is eliminated but the local portion remains.

If the tax is eliminated, Accomack could lose around \$864,000 in fiscal year 2023 and \$970,000 in fiscal year 2024, according to the Virginia Department of Taxation.



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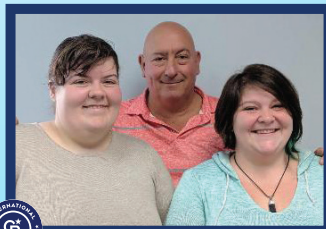
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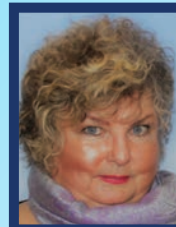
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Nandua Graduate Jamar Walker Nominated for U.S. District Court Judge

Staff Report

Nandua High School graduate and Eastern Shore native Jamar Walker has been nominated by Virginia Senators U.S. Senators Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine to fill the vacancy on the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. The vacancy was created when Judge Raymond A. Jackson took senior status in November 2021.

Walker was nominated along with Virginia Beach Judge Kevin Duffan.

Walker has served as assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District

of Virginia since 2015 where he prosecutes financial and public corruption crimes.

He began his legal career as a law clerk for Judge Jackson in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

While an assistant U.S. attorney, Walker co-founded an officewide Committee on Race, Policing, and Prosecution. He is a current member of the Old Dominion Bar Association, the National LGBT Bar Association, the Department of Justice Association of Black Attorneys, and DOJ Pride.

“Together, these experiences qualify Mr. Walker for this nomination and we are honored to recommend him,” the senators said in a joint press release.

Judge Duffan has been a Circuit Court Judge on the 2nd Judicial Circuit in Virginia Beach since April 2020. Prior to joining the circuit court, Judge Duffan served as a judge in the Virginia Beach Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. Judge Duffan is engaged in the community and with young lawyers as a mentor. He has served on the Virginia Beach African American Cultural Center Board as

vice president, The Governor’s School for the Arts Foundation Board, and was president-elect of the Virginia Beach Bar Association before ascending to the bench.

“These experiences give us confidence that Judge Duffan would make an excellent nominee for this seat,” the senators wrote in their press release.

In 2020, Walker was named to the National LGBT Bar Association’s and the National Black Lawyers Association’s “Top 40 Under 40” lists.

Walker was contacted for this article but declined to comment.



Slammin' Clams Get Ready for June Special Olympics Tournament

The Slamming Clams, the Eastern Shore’s Special Olympics basketball team, is playing in a series of tournaments as it gears up for June’s Special Olympics USA Games where the team will represent all of Virginia. The team played two weekends ago at the regional tournament at Hampton’s Boo Williams Sports Complex. State games are this weekend in Stafford, Va., followed by a (mostly) Delmarva-area tournament. Area Coordinator Sandy Taylor said she is grateful for several large donations that help to offset team expenses. The group is still taking donations for its June trip, which can be sent to Special Olympics of Virginia Area 19, attn. Sandy Taylor, P.O. Box 1062, Cheriton, VA 23316. Team members will also be selling Slamming Clam T-shirts (pictured bottom right) at area retail establishments, so Taylor asks the public to “keep an eye out.”

Above, left: Surrounded by Slamming Clams team members, Laura Moore, right, presents Taylor with a check from the Onancock Elks Club (photo by Wayde Fowler). Top right: Stephen Stratton flashes a hand sign during the competition in Hampton. Photos of Stratton and the T-shirt by Joyce Topping.

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- From General Builders LLC
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Lot 19, Nottingham Estates, near
Cheapside
For \$340,000
- From Beacon at Bay Creek LLC
To Thomas and Kimberly Richbourg
Lot 4B, Fairways III, Bay Creek, Cape
Charles
For \$545,907
- From John and Rosalie Cotter
To Lauren and Sean Sullivan
Lot 52 and 53, near Silver Beach, Oc-
coghannock Neck
For \$370,000
- From Margaret Marks and Anne Bell
To Southern Shore Holdings LLC
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- From Kimberly Spady

- To Linda Dickerson
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- From Steven and Terri Wilkins
To Daniel Meyer
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- From George and Mary Schoolfield
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Parcel 3-A-2, Wellington Neck, Frank-
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- From Timothy Kellam
To Nergi Otoniel Berduo Morales and
Yaneth Noelia Rivera Velasquez
Lot 7 on highway, near Nassawadox
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- From Gia Owens
To Maryanne Kiley
Lot 499, Randolph Avenue, Cape
Charles
For \$692,000
- From Gilbert and Angela Nolte
To Tony Wolpert

- Lot 34, The Colony at Bay Creek,
Cape Charles
For \$989,000
- From Donald and Jane Nielsen
To Nathan and Anne Marie Gouling
5.64 acres near Occoghannock Neck
For \$735,000
- From Louis Carr Jr. and Patricia
Martin-Carr
To Dominic and Brenda Taddeo
Lot 26, The Colony at Bay Creek,
Cape Charles
For \$200,000
- From Shirley and R. Alan Banks Jr.
To Gregory and Patricia Felthousen
1.21 acre lot near Wardtown
For \$390,000

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- From Branscome Inc.
To Orange Enterprises LLC
7 parcels, 30100 Withams Road, Oak
Hall
For \$232,900
- From Kathryn Taylor and Peter Al-
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Lot 12 Section 4 Schooner Bay,
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For \$47,500

- From Sally Ann and Dennis Eugene
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6286 Poplar St., Chincoteague
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To Maggy's Eastern Shore Properties
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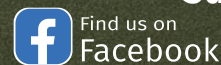
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Cape Charles Town Hall Explores Potential Water and Sewer Utility Sale

By Stefanie Jackson
Photos by Jim Ritch

The Cape Charles Town Council held two town hall meetings in February to allow citizens to comment and ask questions regarding the potential sale of the town's water and sewer systems to a private company that would take over operations, billing, and customer service for both utilities.

About 18 months ago, Cape Charles received an unsolicited proposal from Aqua Virginia, the same company that sought to acquire Exmore's sewer system before the town decided instead to partner with the public Hampton Roads Sanitation District.

Cape Charles advertised to allow other companies to submit proposals to acquire the town's water and sewer systems. The town received a proposal from Virginia American Water (VAW), which the council preferred to the proposal made by Aqua Virginia.

In its decision-making process, Cape Charles is being advised by executive consultant Eric Callocchia from NewGen Strategies and Solutions, of Annapolis, Md.

No decision has been made to sell the water and sewer facilities, but if the Town Council decides to move forward with the sale, the buyer will be Virginia American Water.

Four representatives of Virginia American Water made their case at the town hall meetings: Vice President of Operations Casey Allen, Director of Engineering Kristina McGee, Eastern District Supervisor of Operations J.R. Fidler, and Water Quality Manager Christian Volk.

Allen opened the conversation by touting Virginia American Water's more than 170-year history serving Virginia localities. VAW is the largest investor-owned water company in the state and serves around 339,000 people in seven counties and two cities, providing 72 million gallons of drinking water every day.

As a large company with more purchasing and investing power than the small town of Cape Charles, Virginia American Water would maintain or improve water quality, water and sewer infrastructure, and customer service while also maintaining or lowering rates, VAW representatives said.

Virginia American Water also sup-

ports the communities it serves through its environmental and firefighting support grant programs, the American Water Charitable Foundation, and presentations and hands-on activities for all ages.

Cape Charles' water quality was a concern for several residents at the town hall. Dianne Davis asked why should people have to buy bottled water when they're already paying for town water?

Volk acknowledged the complaints about water quality, which could be improved through technology used by VAW. Its treatment plants are fully automated and water quality is monitored online to provide treatment optimization, he said.

VAW can use ultraviolet or UV light to disinfect water, removing unpleasant odors and tastes. VAW can treat rusty water, which is caused by high levels of iron and manganese, Volk explained.

Virginia American Water also benefits from access to a central laboratory in Illinois, which belongs to its parent company, American Water. The state-of-the-art laboratory supports research and compliance through water testing and analysis.

Virginia American Water is a regulated utility, and beside answering to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and the Virginia Department of Health, its rates are set by Virginia's State Corporation Commission (SCC).

VAW proposes its rates, but they must be approved by the SCC.

VAW's customer service is available 24/7 for emergencies, and it offers five ways to pay a bill. VAW water meters are high-tech and monitor water flow in 15-minute increments, making it easier to detect and fix leaks.

Robert Mucha was skeptical about selling the town's water and sewer systems to Virginia American Water and said, "bigger is not always better."

For example, when Floyd Energy in Exmore was sold to a nationwide retail propane distributor, customer service became impersonal and difficult or impossible to reach, Mucha explained.

Allen pointed out that the locals on whom Cape Charles now relies for water and sewer-related customer service are the same employees who will respond to service calls through VAW.



Virginia American Water Vice President of Operations Casey Allen addresses Cape Charles residents during a town hall about the company's proposal to purchase the town's water and sewer treatment facilities.

Cape Charles' water and sewer system operators would become employees of Virginia American Water, which can offer higher pay and provide training at its Prince William operations center. VAW has no plans to cut jobs but to keep the employees for the long term. Mucha said VAW might be "good neighbors" but asked, "What does the town receive?" The town might get the opportunity to pay off water- or sewer-related debt and have less responsibility for the utilities, but what do the people get? Residents might get better water quality and customer service and lower rates, but they won't be able to complain directly to the town manager or Town Council when something goes wrong.

Town Manager John Hozey admitted that Cape Charles will "lose direct control" of its water and sewer systems, although it can provide input to the SCC when it sets rates.

However, "what we get is the expertise that we don't have now," which will save the town and residents money over time. For example, Cape Charles recently was fined \$22,000 by DEQ, which could have been avoided if the town had the same access to experts as Virginia American Water.

"Guess where that \$22,000 is going? Into your rates," Hozey said.

He noted Cape Charles receives such fines periodically and explained



Eric Callocchia, executive consultant at NewGen Strategies and Solutions, explains his projection that rates will fall if the town sells its water and sewer treatment plants. On the chart behind him, the top, yellow line shows projected price increases over the next 10 years if Cape Charles retains ownership of the plants. The bottom gray line shows predicted rates if the plants are sold to Virginia American Water.

that the problem isn't the town's water and wastewater operators, who are qualified for their jobs but don't have expert knowledge of engineering, permitting, and regulations.

Cape Charles' water and sewer rates will only continue to rise if the town takes no action.

A graph provided by Virginia American Water showed a 10-year forecast of the monthly cost of water and sewer service for a Cape Charles residence using 2,000 gallons of water per month. (Callocchia noted the average Cape Charles residence uses about 3,000 gallons per month.)

The monthly bill for those services currently is about \$95. If Cape Charles maintains the "status quo," the monthly charge will reach approximately \$135 by 2031. However, if the town accepts Virginia American Water's proposal, the monthly cost would fall to \$80 by 2031, according to the graph.

Allen explained that if Cape Charles does nothing, water and sew-

Construction Resumes on Library With New Schedule and Additional Monitoring

By Carol Vaughn

Construction has resumed on the new Eastern Shore Regional Library in Parksley, after negotiations among Accomack County, the contractor, and the surety company associated with the performance bond for the project.

The \$5.3 million, 20,837-square-foot facility will be the regional headquarters for the Eastern Shore Public Library system as well as home to the new Eastern Shore of Virginia Heritage Center.

It is located at 24313 Bennett St., at the site of a former Fresh Pride grocery store.

The library project includes renovating and adding on to the former store.

The county on Jan. 29 notified the contractor of Accomack's intent to terminate the construction contract because the project was not completed by Jan. 28, the date given in the contract.

"Since the letter's issuance, the surety, RHC (the contractor), and county have been involved in tri-party negotiations regarding the completion of the project," said Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason in an email dated Feb. 24.

"These negotiations center on the diligent prosecution of the work by RHC, a revised project schedule acceptable by all parties, cooperation and

involvement of the surety including additional project monitoring to be provided by the surety's consultant and liquidated damages," Mason wrote.

He said the negotiations are ongoing "with the intent to memorialize terms, conditions, and reserved rights in a memorandum of understanding if all parties can agree."

In the meantime, the contractor is permitted to continue work under the terms of the original contract and subsequent change orders, according to Mason.

If the negotiations are not successful, the county may pursue its right to terminate the contract and seek relief under the surety bond, he said.

A contract surety bond is typically used to guarantee the performance of a contractor for a construction contract. If the contractor falls through, the surety company must secure another contractor to complete the project or reimburse the project owner for any financial loss.

Delays and supply chain issues, including pandemic related problems, have plagued the library project, pushing back the completion date.

Ground was broken in October 2019 on the library, which will replace the existing 11,000-square-foot library in Accomack, which dates to 1965.

A change order to the contract was approved in June 2021, changing the



An interior view of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library and Heritage Center construction site, taken Feb. 23. Photo courtesy of Eastern Shore Public Library.

roof design on the portion of the building that formerly was a grocery store.

Supply chain issues caused delays in receiving materials needed to begin that work and as result the subcontractor responsible for the roof moved on to other projects, further delaying construction. Work on the roof resumed in

early November, however.

In addition to \$1.5 million from the state, Accomack County contributed \$2 million to the project. The remaining \$1.5 million was raised by the Eastern Shore Public Library Foundation through fundraisers, capital campaigns, grants, and a loan.

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er bills will go up because the town will be responsible for making capital investments in the utilities, which get passed along to customers, but the bills would go down with Virginia American Water, which can make more improvements for less money.

"The reality is we can put pipe in the ground cheaper than the town can, we can replace meters cheaper than the town can ... and the reason for it is not because we're better negotiators, it's because we're larger negotiators," he said.

Bob Panek noted that according to the Annual Virginia Water and Wastewater Rate Report, a collaboration of the Virginia Association of Counties and Draper Aden Associates, Cape Charles' water

and sewer service rates are among the highest of all Virginia municipalities.

Diane D'Amico asked the tough question about how the developers of the Bay Creek community would be held accountable to help pay for the expansion of Cape Charles' water and sewer plants when the town outgrows the current facilities – a vaguely worded requirement in the annexation agreement that legally made the Bay Creek area part of the incorporated town.

Hozey said a three-party agreement must be made between Virginia American Water, Cape Charles, and Bay Creek's developers.

Even though the annexation agreement failed to provide specific dollar amounts or percentages, "it is accurate to say, at the moment, that the developer has a liability and the town has an asset," he said.

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Court Postings

By Nancy Drury Duncan

Accomack Circuit Court

A plea agreement was reached between Danny Chris Rasmussen III, 35, of Mears, and the commonwealth.

Rasmussen was charged with strangulation, abduction, and assault on a family member. According to the terms of the agreement, Rasmussen pleaded guilty to strangulation. In exchange, the charges of abduction and assault on a family member were dismissed.

Rasmussen was sentenced to two years with all but 45 days suspended. He is ordered to be on supervised probation for three years and to be on good behavior for five years.

On June 28, 2021, police were called to the home of Rasmussen's estranged wife because he attacked her. Rasmussen had been drinking and was looking at the woman's cellphone. He saw messages from a man and became furious, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Baker.

"He pushed her up against a wall and grabbed her by her throat, stran-

gling her." A short time later, he looked at her phone again and assaulted her again. This happened three times, Baker said. He said the woman had bruising on her neck and difficulty breathing.

As the argument continued, Rasmussen took a clothesline and tied it to a doorknob to keep her in the room. "She got away," Baker said. Afterwards, he said Rasmussen called his wife's mother and told her he had "messed up" and tried to choke her.

"He is a completely different man than he was that night," said defense attorney Isabel Kaldenbach.

Baker told the court he entered into the agreement because Rasmussen had been cooperative with his wife concerning visits with his children and because he was needed in a family business. According to the terms of the agreement Rasmussen will be allowed to serve his time on weekends.

At his arraignment, Charles Anthony Gaskins Jr., 43, of New Church, entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of

aggravated sexual battery of a victim under the age of 13. He asked to be tried by a jury. His trial is set for Sept. 22.

Mark Emanuel Sharp, 45, of Melfa, was sentenced to be on good behavior for one year as a result of January 2020 incident.

A Virginia state trooper observed a speeding car. The officer attempted to make a traffic stop but the car did not immediately stop. The officer said Sharp was verbally abusive and acting erratically.

He pleaded guilty to misdemeanor obstruction in a plea agreement with the commonwealth a year ago. The terms were that Sharp would be on probation for one year and adjudication of the felony eluding charge would be withheld.

Sharp is a military veteran who was honorably discharged from service and suffers from PTSD, said Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan. He said Sharp has been attending treatment at a Veteran's Administration hospital and is now a mentor in that program. He said he wished to dismiss the felony eluding charge against Sharp.

"Mr. Sharp has kept up his end of the agreement and has worked very hard," he said. He asked for a suspended sentence for the misdemeanor conviction of obstruction.

Substitute Judge William R. Savage III found Sharp guilty of misdemeanor obstruction, and dismissed the eluding charge. He ordered him to be on good behavior for a year.

James Kirk Taylor, 43, of Greenbackville, pleaded guilty to four counts of shoplifting in a plea agreement with the commonwealth. He

shoplifted from Food Lion stores in both Onley and Oak Hall and from Walmart in Onley. He is barred from all three of those stores forever, said Commonwealths Attorney Morgan. He was sentenced to three years on each charge to run concurrently, with all but nine months suspended on each. He will be on supervised probation for three years.

Abraham Leonel Gomez, 29, of Washington, D.C, pleaded guilty to forgery and giving false information to a law enforcement officer in a plea agreement with the commonwealth.

In 2019, a Chincoteague police officer issued a summons to Gomez for shoplifting at a Shore Stop, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Baker. He identified himself to police as Jose Diaz. That charge was later dismissed. He was also issued a summons as Jose Diaz in 1992. That charge was also dismissed.

In 2019, a rape was reported on Chincoteague and a person who identified himself as Jose Diaz was arrested. In this case, the alleged victim left the area and that case was dismissed. After his release, fingerprints taken by the police revealed he had not used his true identity in those cases.

This will be his first felony and he has accepted responsibility for what he had done, said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Baker. As stated in the terms of the agreement, Gomez was sentenced to two years with all but seven months suspended. He will be on supervised probation for four years and must be on good behavior for five years.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Safe Boating Tips

Submitted Article

This month we will discuss aspects of those lighted aids to navigation that you see all over at night. We will try to give you the kind of information you need to identify them on the water and on a chart.

When you are out on the water at night, lighted aids become critical to navigation. Understand that not all aids are lighted, so the most important thing for nighttime navigation safety is slow down. Keep your speed below 10 knots to give yourself time to identify the aid and to find the unlighted ones.

Lights on aids will appear in only four colors: red, green, white, and yellow. On a regular U.S. chart, red, green, white, and yellow lighted aids are shown with a purple circle beneath the point of a teardrop shape.

The light color will be indicated by the first letter of the color for example: R for red, G for green, and of course by

the odd or even aid number.

On colored GPS units, the teardrop color will be the color of the light. If the chart shows a light but no color is indicated, then look for a white light. In the coming weeks we will describe flashing patterns, range lights, and other aspects of lighted aids.

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Donald Bilgeshouse

Mr. Donald Ralph "Don" Bilgeshouse, 75, of Parksley, formerly of New Milford, N.J., passed away Monday, Feb. 21, 2022. Born in Jersey City, N.J., and raised in Bergenfield, N.J., he was the son of the late Ralph Bilgeshouse and the late Dorothy Roberts.

Following high school, Don enlisted in the U.S. Army, beginning his lifelong career in service to his country. For a total of 56 years, Don was a volunteer and paid firefighter, serving 28 years with the Teaneck Fire Department, where he retired as lieutenant. Since childhood, Don was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Bergenfield. After Don's retirement from the fire department, he relocated to the Eastern Shore of Virginia in 2003.

Don is survived by his wife of 47 years, Peggy Bilgeshouse; brother, Ralph D. Bilgeshouse, and his wife, Maryann; as well as many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Linda Bilgeshouse, and sister-in-law, Bonnie Bilgeshouse.

A service to celebrate Don's life will be held in New Jersey at a later date.

In honor of Don's many years of dedicated service as a first responder, contributions in his memory may be made to the Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 132, Bloxom, VA 23308.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Geraldine V. Cox

Mrs. Geraldine V. Cox, 80, departed this life peacefully Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022, in Onancock.

Born in Cherrystone, Geraldine was the daughter of Richard and Helen Kellam. She was a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, relative, friend, and devoted Jehovah's Witness. Geraldine married James E. Cox at the age of 18. They were married for 55 joyous years before she was widowed.

She worked as a housekeeper before switching careers. She retired after 19 years of service as a home health aide with the Visiting Nurses Association of Central Jersey, formerly MCOSS.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with Brother Mike Firestone officiating.

She leaves to cherish her memories: sons, James E. Cox, Earnest Cox, and Gerald Cox Jr.; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; beloved sister, Brenda Smith; and a host of special family members and friends.

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Carol Cumberledge

Mrs. Carol Meta Cumberledge, 77, wife of the late Charles Cumberledge and a resident of Harborton, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022, at Riverside Regional Medical Center in Newport News. Born May 23, 1944, in Glenside, Pa., she was the daughter of the late Lloyd Daniel Odhner Jr. and the late Victoria Monroe Odhner.

Carol worked as a lab technician for Eastern Shore Rural Health System, and later, for the former Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox, where she retired after several decades in her field. She was a Virginia Master Gardener, who was said to have not



Mrs. Cox

only a green thumb, but green to her elbow. Happiest when her hands were in the dirt, Carol could, and did, grow everything. Most recently, she left her mark on the gardens at Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging. Though gardening was her passion, her greatest loves were her sons and granddaughter. She adored her family and friends and will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her sons, David H. Suiter, of Harborton, and Glenn L. Suiter (Katie Booy), of Parksley; sister, Mary Clements, of Onancock; and granddaughter, Kaylen Suiter.

Family and friends will gather privately to celebrate Carol's life. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418 (www.shorespca.com), or to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, P.O. Box 22324, New York, NY 10087 (www.lls.org), or simply honor her love of gardening by planting something in her memory.

Condolences and remembrances may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

John Cornelius Drewer IV

Mr. John Cornelius "Neil" Drewer IV, 41, of Cleveland, Tenn., formerly of Temperanceville, passed away suddenly on Feb. 19, 2022, at his residence in Cleveland.

He was born in Nassawadox on March 16, 1980, to John and Ida Jane (Miller) Drewer, of Melfa. He graduated from Nandua High School with the class of 1998 and Eastern Shore Community College with an associate degree in electronics in 2001. He was a devoted employee for 21 years for the Surface Combat System Center on Wallops Island. Neil was a faithful servant of the Lord. He wouldn't hesitate to help anyone in need. He faithfully served on Sundays in the sound booth at church. He was a devoted father, husband, son, brother, uncle, and friend.

He was a member of Chincoteague

Church of God and was currently attending North Cleveland Church of God in Tennessee.

Neil is survived by his loving spouse, Crystal Wessells Drewer, of Cleveland; son, Jacob Connor Drewer, of Chincoteague Island; sister, Dawn Forrer, of Salisbury, Md.; brother, C.R. LeCato, of Onancock; brother-in-law, Ed Wessells, of Chincoteague Island; mother-in-law, Shirley Wessells, of Oak Hall; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation was held Wednesday, March 2, 2022, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Salyer Funeral Home Inc., on Chincoteague Island.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 3, 2022, at 2 p.m., at the Church of God, Chincoteague, with Pastor Kevin Stanley officiating.

Flowers will be accepted or donations may be made to Chincoteague Church of God, 5252 Woodland Drive, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, or Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 264, Melfa, VA 23410.

Services are entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc. on Chincoteague Island.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Samuel L. Fletcher Sr.

Mr. Samuel L. Fletcher Sr., 88, of New Church, peacefully transitioned from his earthly realm to his heavenly home Friday, Feb. 18, 2022, at his daughter Sandra's home in Oak Hall.

Born in Minoa, Va., Samuel was the son of the late Luther E. and Ella V. Fletcher. Samuel was affectionately known by many loving names by his family and friends. He was employed at Campbell Soup Inc. in Pocomoke City, Md., as a head cook.

He was a devoted Christian who loved the Lord. He attended Mt. Zion Independent Methodist Church until his health began to decline.

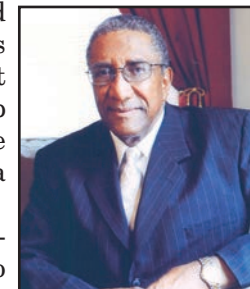
Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022, at the Mt. Zion Independent Methodist Church, Withams, with the Rev. Michael O. Press Sr. of



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ficiating. Interment was in the church cemetery in Withams.

Sam leaves to cherish his fond memories: his seven children, Samuel Fletcher Jr., Shirley VaRence, Patricia Press, Cornelius Fletcher, Ivory Fletcher, Sandra Fletcher, and Pamela Townsend; one sister, Josephine Douglas; 13 grandchildren, one granddaughter whom he raised as his own, LaToya Press; 13 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandsons; two brothers-in-law; one sister-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

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Gordon Manning Gibson

Mr. Gordon Manning Gibson was born in Wolcott, Conn., on July 10, 1928, to Charles Daniel Gibson and Loretta Kane Gibson. Everyone just called him “Gordie,” with much affection. He passed from this life Feb. 22, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Rena H. Gibson; daughters, Valerie Jean Gibson and Pamela Ann Gibson; grandchildren, Matthew Gordon Gibson, Sandra Jean Piscitelle, and Julie Marie Piscitelle.



Mr. Gibson

He enjoyed growing up on Hitchcock Lake in Wolcott with activities such as swimming, boating, and riding in the goat-drawn cart with his two brothers, Chuck and Rod. He was always an athletic, outdoors person. He was a member of the Crosby High School swim team, the Mermen of Waterbury, Conn. He won many matches and set records in the butterfly stroke. Gordie was always good-naturedly competitive and strived to do his best at everything he tried. After high school, he joined the U.S. Navy where he was awarded the World War II Victory Medal for his service on the Navy destroyer, the USS Johnston. After his service in the Navy, Gordie went to Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. He earned a master’s degree in physical education and went on to a long career with the Veterans’ Administration in West Haven, Conn. As a corrective therapist, he helped many veterans learn to use

their prosthetics through his unfailing patience and persistence.

In 1953, Gordie married Patricia Ruth Dalton, of Waterbury, with whom he had two daughters, Valerie and Pamela. Gordie and Pat raised their children in Bethany, Conn. Gordie was the best of dads who taught his girls to garden, bike, ice skate, make snow mazes for playing tag, and enjoy all kinds of activities outdoors. He had unfailing patience and always a calm, positive attitude of joy.

After his retirement from the VA, the family moved to Chincoteague Island. Gordie took up wind-surfing, boating, fishing, and his favorite passion – tennis. His grandchildren have cherished memories of boating and scavenger hunts and playing tennis with him. He was very active in the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague. He loved to share his passion for the game by teaching others. He donated his time to helping run and teach the free tennis lessons offered in the summers. He also played competitively in tournaments with his mixed-doubles partner, Faith Brown. They often won matches, but for Gordie it was also about having fun and doing his personal best.

After Pat’s death, Gordie married Rena Haynes. They lived on Chincoteague for many years before moving to Stuarts Draft Retirement Community in Stuarts Draft, Va. Gordie enjoyed playing billiards and ping-pong, working out in the exercise area, visiting and eating dinner with his many friends at SDRC. He enjoyed the various activities at the retirement center such as their popular Saturday Night presentations. He took up walking to help stay in shape and could be seen walking the property in all kinds of weather. He didn’t want to quit and slow down. He was a fighter until the end. He will be remembered for his sense of fairness, generosity, compassion, sense of humor, and thoughtfulness. He always looked for the good in everyone. He will be most sadly missed by friends and family and the many people whose lives he touched with his calm and selfless loving nature.

No service is planned at this time. In lieu of flowers, a donation in his memory to the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague Island Inc.,

P.O. Box 922, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, would be much appreciated.

Michael James Horner

Mr. Michael James Horner, 53, of Lenoir, N.C., and originally from Hallwood, passed away Friday, Feb. 25, 2022, at Caldwell UNC Health Care. He was born July 23, 1968, in Anne Arundel County, Md., a son to the late Raymond K. Horner Sr. and the late Nancy Olivia Pruitt Horner. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by one brother, Raymond K. Horner Jr.

As a youth, Michael enjoyed fishing with his father, with whom he had an extremely close bond. He was an accomplished bowler, taking after his mother, who lovingly encouraged him as he won many awards including a perfect game. Michael’s storybook life began to fall apart when his dear father died, which spiraled him into depression that contributed to substance abuse, job loss, and marital destruction. But thanks be to God, Michael’s life had a happy ending!



Mr. Horner

This began when he came to Bethel Colony of Mercy N.C., where he came to a saving knowledge of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and from that day forward Michael’s life was completely transformed. He didn’t come back home to live in Virginia but stayed at Bethel and became part of a team that has helped the Lord snatch many out of hell’s fire!

Those left to cherish his memory include two loving brothers; Keith Horner and wife, Donna, and Stephen Horner and wife, Victoria, all of Virginia; a dear aunt, who was like a second mother to him, Wanda Kubitz, and husband, Ray; beloved cousins, whom he considered brothers and sisters, the Rev. Paul Pruitt and wife, Stacy, Brenda Maas and husband, Bryan, Karl Kubitz and wife, Nancy, all from North Carolina; plus, numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and extended family.

A memorial service to celebrate the life of Michael will be held Sunday, March 13, 2022, at 2 p.m., at First Baptist Church, 5912 Taylor Landing

Road, Girdletree, Md., conducted by the Rev. Keith Horner.

Thomas William Nock

Mr. Thomas William Nock, 83, died Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022. He was born in Nassawadox on Sept. 23, 1938, a son to the late Julia Justis Nock and the late Ray Floyd Nock. He was predeceased by his brother, Ray Nock.

Tom grew up in the 1950s in Wachapreague with a great group of friends and graduated from Central High School, class of 1956, then Gold-ey-Beacom College and East Carolina University. He retired from Navy Civil Service as a program specialist, having worked in Washington,



Mr. Nock

D.C., and his last years at the Pentagon. After retirement, Tom and his wife, Faye, moved back to Quinby and became Eastern Shore Come Backers. They enjoyed some traveling, fishing, and clamming in Tom’s Boston Whaler boat, Tom’s Toy. Favorite times were spent with family on vacation, holidays, and visits.

Tom is survived by his wife, Faye Wallace Nock; his son, Thomas Bradley Nock (Lori); his daughter, Rachele Beth Nock; four grandchildren, Sarah L. Nock, Kristen N. Jacobson (Matt), Bradley Thomas Nock (Johanna), and Carson Brady Nock; two great-grandsons, Landon Thomas Nock and William Thomas Jacobson, all of Maryland.

The family wishes to express how much they love him and never will forget “our husband, Dad, and Poppy.” Rest in peace.

Graveside services were held Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022, at 1 p.m., at Quinby Cemetery with Pastor Robert Fletcher officiating.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

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OBITUARIES

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William Thomas Parks Jr.

Mr. William Thomas “Bill” Parks Jr., 92, beloved husband of Betty Evans Parks and a resident of Onancock, formerly of Virginia Beach, passed away at home surrounded by his family, on Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022.

Born Feb. 27, 1929, in Deep Creek, he was the son of the late William T. Parks and the late Merle Johnson Parks. He was a former captain for Little Creek–Cape Charles Ferry, making the last ferry trip on the SS Pocahontas on April 15, 1964. Bill then became a ship docking pilot in Hampton Roads, from which he retired in 1987.



Mr. Parks

He was a member of Virginia Beach United Methodist Church for 30 years, and a current member of Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church in Cashville. Bill was a lifetime member of Central Lodge #300, A.F. & A.M., and member of the former Ocean Lodge #116 in Wachapreague.

In addition to his loving wife, survivors include their two children, Linda Parks Wilson, of Pungoteague, and William T. “Billy” Parks III, of Onancock; a granddaughter, Kelly Edwards; great-granddaughter, Zoe Edwards; and many nieces and nephews. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his seven siblings, Betty, Lillian,

Mary Alice, Gracie, Woody, Stanley, and Billy.

A memorial service was held at Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church Thursday, March 3, 2022, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Roland Major officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Andrew Chapel UMC, c/o Darryl Bays, 11 Onancock St., Onancock, VA 23417.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Dorothy M. Poulson

Mrs. Dorothy M. Poulson, 83, of Horntown, departed this life Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022, at her residence.

Born in Horntown, Dorothy was the fourth child of six born to Bernie Johnson and Clara Pitts Johnson Marshall, both now deceased. She was affectionately known as “Dot Mae” by her family and friends. She was a member of New Beginnings U.M. Church in Wattsville. Dorothy held various laborer positions and retired from Tyson Foods, later working at the Chincoteague Bay Field Station.



Mrs. Poulson

She was married to the late Hoover Poulson.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022, at the New Beginnings U.M. Church, Wattsville, with the Rev. Harold E. White Sr. officiating. Interment was in the Dea’s Chapel Cemetery, Horntown.

Her memory lives in her sons, Timothy Johnson and Hoover Poulson;

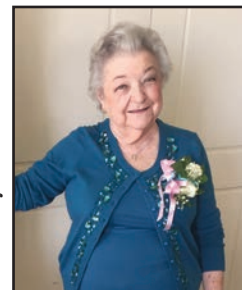
stepchildren, Phoebe Jackson, Bessie Pettit, and Vanessa Foster; two grandchildren; two great-grandsons; sisters, Mabel Green and Martha Tull; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and numerous friends.

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

Racheal Mae Prichard

Mrs. Racheal Mae Prichard went to rest on Feb. 27, 2022, just shy of her 95th birthday. She was born March 15, 1927, in Shenandoah, Va., and died peacefully on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

Racheal lived a full, happy, and healthy life enjoying her family and beloved Baltimore Orioles, Colts, and Ravens. Racheal had a quick wit, a hearty laugh, and a sharp mind, starting every day with the crossword and a cup of black coffee. She was loved by family and friends who hold fond memories of her world travels, Assateague Island camping trips, and bridge playing. Racheal was proudly independent and a full-time working mom at Equitable Trust Bank for 26 years.



Mrs. Prichard

Racheal is preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Trelys Prichard, who passed away in 2001. She leaves a sister, Joan Galton, of Kingsville, Md., and three children: Dawn Diamond (Randy), of Machipongo, Gerald Prichard (Barbara), of Bulle Rock, Md., and Nancy Cannon (Kevin), of Machipongo. Racheal had four grandchildren: Jeff Diamond (Kelly), of Bethesda, Md., Nancy Offner (Mark), of Harleysville, Pa., Kastle Donovan (Garrett), of Annapolis, Md., and Nathan Cannon (Meredith), of Charlotte, N.C. She also loved seven great-grandchildren: Jessica Wears (William), of Baltimore, Julia Diamond, of Madison, Wis., Katie Offner, of Harleysville, Brian Diamond, of Eugene, Ore., Callum and Rory Donovan, of Annapolis, Md., and Joanna Cannon, of Charlotte, N.C.

The family will miss Racheal and cherish many everlasting memories. They wish her peace and happiness and thank everyone for the kindness

to Racheal over the many years she graced their lives.

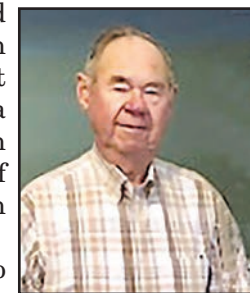
Memorial donations may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements are by Fox Funeral Home, Temperanceville.

Louis R. Rock

Mr. Louis R. Rock, 85, husband of Arlene Etz Rock and a resident of Seaview, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022, at his residence. A native of King George County, Va., he was the son of the late Raymond H. Rock and the late Emma Boyles Rock. He was founder and owner of Rock’s Body Shop, member of Trinity United Methodist Church of King George, and attended Cheriton United Methodist Church. He was a U.S. Army veteran and member of American Legion Post #56.



Mr. Rock

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by two children, Cynthia Ann Stiles, of Richmond, and Ronald Wayne Rock and his wife, Marie, of Seaview; a sister, Alice R. Goolrick, of Powhatan, Va.; a niece, Lisa Martin Hopson, and her husband, J.T., of Powhatan; nine grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson. He was predeceased by his wife of 51 years, Nancy Barns Rock, and daughter, Robin L. Burgess.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Feb. 20, 2022, at 2 p.m., at Lower Northampton Baptist Church with military honors with the Rev. Jeff Conrow and Barry Downing officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 41, Cheriton, VA 23316, or Cape Charles Rescue Service, P.O. Box 3009, Cheriton, VA 23316, or Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 427, Cape Charles, VA 23310.

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

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

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History/Appreciation Art I	1-2:15pm	T&TH	5/23-7/18
Introduction to Microbiology	8:30-11:15am	T&TH	5/23-7/18
Introduction to Microbiology	5:30-8:15pm	M&W	5/23-7/18
Introduction to Microbiology	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Coordinated Internship	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Business Internship	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Introduction to Communication	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
English Composition Readiness	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
College Composition I	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
College Composition II	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Reading Literature: Culture	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
History/World Civilization I	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
US History II	10:30-11:45am	T&TH	5/23-7/18
CPR	9-5pm	F&S	6/10-6/11
Nutrition & Diet Therapy	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
General Pharmacology	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Applied Technology	5:30-6:50pm	W	5/23-7/18
Team Concepts/Problem Solving	2-2:50pm	T	5/23-7/18
Intro to Digit Lit & Comp Apps	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Intro to Medical Assisting	3-4pm	M	5/23-7/18
Medical Assisting Science III	4-5pm	M	5/23-7/18
Coordinated Internship	4-5pm	T	5/23-7/18
Medical Law & Ethics	5-6pm	T	5/23-7/18
Medical Office Software	5-6pm	M	5/23-7/18
Coordinated Internship II	4-5pm	M	5/23-7/18
Introduction to Algebra	9-10:15am	M&W	5/23-7/18
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Intermediate Algebra	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
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Fundamentals of Reasoning	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Quantitative Reasoning	10:30-11:45am	T&TH	5/23-7/18
Statistical Reasoning	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Ethics	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
U.S. Government & Politics	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Trends in PNE	9-10am	M	5/23-7/18
Mental Health & Psychiatric PN	11-12pm	TH	5/23-8/1
Mental Health & Psychiatric PN	1-2:30pm	M	5/23-8/1
Nursing in Health Changes III	Online	W&TH	5/23-8/1
Applied Pharmacology for PNE	1-3pm	TH	5/23-8/1
Principles of Psychology	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Developmental Psychology	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
College Success Skills	12-12:50pm	T&TH	5/23-7/18
College Success Skills	Online	Online	5/23-7/18
Health Care Orientation Topics	10-11am	T	5/23-7/18

Eastern Shore Sports



Two Yellow Jackets girls varsity soccer players practice dribbling the ball. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Northampton Soccer Season Returns

By Adolphus Ames

Coaches and players throughout the Eastern Shore are preparing to return to the soccer field. The Northampton Yellow Jackets varsity girls soccer team has been practicing since last Friday.

“Ten players are returning to varsity this year,” said head coach Ernest Bethel, now in his fifth year leading the team. “We lost four seniors, including midfielder Olivia Pert and Mariela Montalvo, one of our top defenders.”

The roster change is the biggest challenge the Yellow Jackets face this season. “Losing those seniors will definitely shake things up,” said Bethel. “We’ll have to adjust to new players in those positions.”

Bethel’s goal this season is to take the Yellow Jackets to the state tournament. “Last year, we placed second in regionals,” he said. “We made it to the regional finals and lost to West Point. This year, we want to get back to the regional finals and then head to states.”

The Northampton boys varsity soccer team faces its own unique set of challenges. Unlike the girls team, the boys’ previous season was not a winning season.

“Last year, we went 8-8,” said Eduardo Mateo, assistant coach and boys junior varsity coach. “The soccer program had sort of fallen into a brief decline after head coach

John Gorman left a few years ago. We had a hard time getting players to commit and show up at practice. But this season looks very promising.”

Like most sports teams entering a new season, the boys soccer team has to battle roster changes. “We lost six seniors,” said first-year head coach Chase Baxa. “This season we only have three seniors. Our juniors make up the core of our team. We’re going to focus a lot on developing leadership in our juniors and working on core fundamentals.”

Baxa also plans to run a new scheme. “Last year, we played with a defensive mind because the team had a strong goalkeeper,” he said. “This season we’re switching to a more offensive-minded team and will focus on pushing the ball forward down the field.”

Baxa’s and Mateo’s overall goal this season is to win. “We could win the conference this year,” said Mateo. “At least make it to the top two.”

“We have a really solid core of young players,” said Baxa. “I believe we could go 12-6 this season.”

Both Yellow Jackets teams open their seasons the third week of March. The girls will play their first game Monday, March 14, at home against Middlesex. The boys will travel to West Point on March 16.

Lady Vikings Fall in Metro Semi-Finals

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings girls varsity basketball team participated in the Metro Conference Tournament last week. On Thursday, Feb. 24, the Vikings faced Gateway Christian in a first round matchup and won 40-14. The following evening, the Vikings faced the Stonebridge Cavaliers. The last time these two teams faced each other, the Vikings won by 10 points. The

Vikings lost this tournament matchup 38-20.

The first quarter was a close contest. In the second quarter, the Vikings offense stalled and the Cavaliers outscored Broadwater 14-2. At halftime, the Vikings trailed the Cavaliers 26-13. The Vikings generated a little bit more offense in the third quarter, but once again their offense stalled in the fourth quarter and victory slowly slipped out of reach.



Autumn Gregory participated in the Boo Williams Queens and Kings Indoor Track Championship meet Sunday, Feb. 27. Autumn ran against 47 girls in the 7-8 age bracket and finishes her indoor track season undefeated in the 55m, 200m, and 400m race. She runs for the Virginia Beach Flames, where her mother, Nandua alumnus and standout Warriors trackstar Wykia Ames Gregory, is assistant coach. Autumn will be competing in the AAU Indoor Nationals March 12-13. Submitted photo.

Vikings Place Second in Metro Conference Tournament

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings varsity boys basketball team participated in the Metro Conference Tournament last week.

On Thursday, Feb. 24, they defeated Stonebridge Cavaliers 73-33 in a first-round matchup. The following evening, the Vikings defeated Hampton Christian Academy 81-64 to advance to the finals.

In the finals, the Vikings faced the Atlantic Shores Christian Seahawks. The Vikings, who lost their last two games against the Seahawks, the first 75-70, and the second 76-60, entered this game with nothing short of victory on their mind.

They fell behind 25-11 in the first quarter, but roared back into the game with more offense in the second quarter. At halftime, the Vikings trailed 39-26.

The Vikings outscored the Seahawks 14-12 in the third quarter and appeared poised for a comeback win. They scored 28 points in the fourth

quarter, but the Seahawks matched it with 28 points of their own to steal the win. The final score was Vikings 68, Seahawks 79.

Braden Justice led the Vikings' offense with 39 points. Senior Bradyn Washington had 9 points. Senior Willie Holden earned 8 points. Malik Battle

and Levin Smith each had 6 points.

The Vikings earned the 10th seed in the VISAA State Basketball Tournament. They played against Christ Chapel Academy, a team ranked 19th in VISAA Division III standings, in the first round Tuesday, March 1. See next story

Vikings Basketball Season Concludes Against Christ Chapel

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings boys varsity basketball team participated in the VISAA State Tournament Tuesday, March 1. They faced the Christ Chapel Lions in the opening round and lost 79-66.

The first half was a close contest. In the third

quarter, the Vikings gained a small lead, but fell behind the Lions once again in the fourth quarter and the game slowly slipped out of their reach.

Braden Justice led the Vikings' offense with 25 points. Bradyn Washington had 20 points. Willie Holden and Levin Smith each earned 6 points. Malik Battle and Will Petka each had 3 points.


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Last Week's Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

Super Crossword

R YOU AT THE W?

- ACROSS**
- Make sarcastic remarks
 - It was stormed in the French Revolution
 - Petri dish gel
 - Never-dying
 - Volcanic glass
 - Move, in real estate
 - Something the "Eat It" singer's parents did?
 - Sig Chi, say
 - Letters on an ambulance
 - Tacit assents
 - Big Apple ball team, on scoreboards
 - From — Z
 - Grieves over
 - Container for a picnic beside
 - Bonn's river?
 - Salamis, e.g.
 - 2016 Disney film set in Polynesia
 - Unclad art class models
 - Meticulous barracks examination not using the left hand?
 - French for "enough"
 - Corpulent
 - culpa
 - 10th mo.
 - Work for Consumer Reports for many years?
 - Attending college, e.g.
 - "Today — man"
 - Short preview
 - "— life!"
 - Train passengers' noisy crying?
 - 1990s attorney general
 - San Luis —
 - Disposition
 - They have crisp, edible pods
 - Instruction sheets on how to lull babies to sleep?
 - Corrida cry
 - Needle-nosed fish
 - Old nuclear regulatory agcy.
 - Some Apples
 - Scoundrel below a spanning structure?
 - Divided Asian land
 - 1980s attorney general
 - Like some fans and eels
 - Group of commandos from which to choose?
 - Reached by car
 - Year, to Rosa
 - E-chuckle
 - Borscht, e.g.
 - Little devil
 - Lawn vermin
 - "This road furrow was not fully repaired"?
 - Scrapes (out)
 - 1990s GM car model
 - Soccer star
 - Cristiano —
 - Siesta, e.g.
 - Tense state
 - Features of joyless faces
 - Hopalong Cassidy actor and others
 - French mutiny cry
 - Tax ID
 - "— Tok" (#1 Kesha hit)
 - Wedding vow
 - Actress Tyler
 - Singer Frankie
 - Multivolume ref., often
 - Dog's cry
 - Rivera of TV
 - Support group for adolescents
 - Turbine parts
 - A great many
 - Filmmaker's patchwork
 - Arthur with a racket
 - Passover bread
 - It has a yolk
 - King, in Paris
 - Sci-fi's Solo
 - Outs' partner
 - Siesta, e.g.
 - Yes, in Paris
 - Span. lady
 - "— for Alibi"
 - Prefix with carpal
 - Not the std. spelling
 - Broody music genre
 - Part of CIA
 - Rings around the sun
 - Up — point
 - Squiggle over an "n"
 - de toilette
 - Diplomatic official: Abbr.
 - Testing sites
 - Rain delay cover-up
 - "It's all clear"
 - Suvari of film
 - Lovers' god
 - Helper for Frankenstein
 - Mount where Moses died
 - Clic — (Bic pen brand)
 - Beer barrel
 - Not at all stiff
 - Mauna —
 - Jazz genre
 - Musician Brian
 - Laura Ingalls' hair feature
 - "Boys Don't Cry" director
 - Dog's threat
 - Not common
 - Tennis unit
 - Angelic being
 - Pol Romney
 - With skill
 - Some film FX
 - Min. fraction
 - Virginia city
 - Baltimore baseballers
 - "The Ref" director
 - Demme
 - "Stee-rike!" caller
 - Lead-in to colonial
 - "— volente" ("God willing")
 - Subj. for U.S. citizens-to-be
 - Pair fleeing to wed
 - Grandma on "Roseanne"
 - Cosmo on "Seinfeld"
 - Oslo's nation, to its natives
 - Pasted
 - Extinct birds
 - Some 35mm cameras
 - Jazz genre
 - Early Persian
 - Old hands
 - N.Y. hours
 - Dress fancily, with "out"
 - 901, in old Rome
 - Prefix for a vintner
 - Sporty truck, in brief
 - constrictor
 - Call a halt to
 - Lead-in to "kwon do" or "Bo"

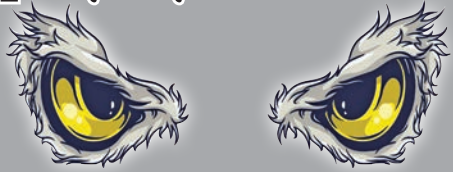
DOWN

- Used to be
- Dating pair
- Shell-less marine snails
- Have it wrong
- Dollar bill
- In thing
- Pajama material

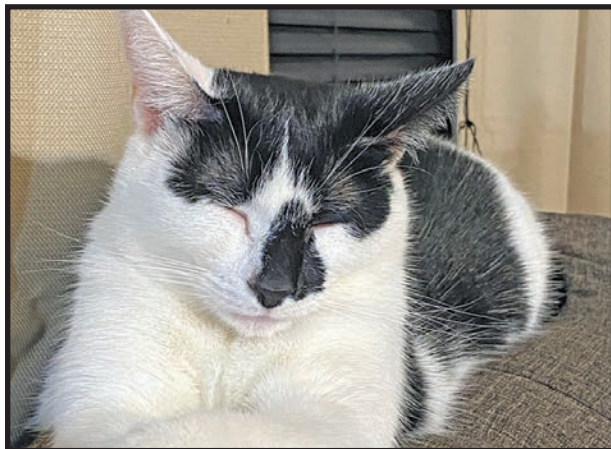
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The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest



Last Week's Runners-Up



We get lots of cat pictures but seldom do we see a feline as composed as Oreo. Picture sent in by Brittany Pettit, of Parksley.

Last Week's Contest and Winner



Last week we had 48 contestants successfully find the answers on pages 11 (Jeep Patriot), 29 (package and technology), 8 (farmer's dream), 33 (chicken salad), and 9 (\$150,000). Nykki Kellam, of Exmore, was randomly selected to win the Super Tailgate dinner from Bojangles in Onley. Here are Nykki and husband Jordon "living life in the masks." Nykki was sure to mention Jordon because "we do the contest together each week!"



This photograph comes from the proud mother, Melissa Potter, of Exmore, who is shown here with her son, Christopher Potter.



Robert Moore, of Cape Charles, sent in this picture of last spring's flowers and his sentiment: "Wishing for spring to hurry up and get here!"



Frances (mom) and Terry (daughter) are the Guilford Girls, and Terry is especially proud of Annie Boo-Boo, who is as smart as a 3-year-old child.



Jessica Thornes, of Bloxom, calls Cricket a goofball for "patiently" waiting for food while resting IN the bowl where the food is going.



Beth McHenry, of Parksley, describes this as, "How to tell when you need a bigger box." But the cats look happy with the status quo.



This reminder from Carolyn Weatherly, of Painter: "The Northampton middle and high school Kids Closet where donations are always welcome."

This Week's Contest: Leprechaun Hats

In recognition of St. Patrick's Day in a couple weeks, we have hidden leprechaun hats similar to but not necessarily exactly like this one:



Any leprechaun hat like the one shown (and it counts as one) is a legitimate clue. We know you like to know how many clues there are for you to find. But, sorry, we're not giving out that information. From among the osprey-eyed readers who find all or most of the hats, one lucky person will be randomly selected to win a \$25 gift certificate

to C.D. Marsh Jewelers in Onancock. See sponsor box on this page.

The Rules

1. Find the leprechaun hats and tell us on which page you found each hat.
2. Entries MUST have first and last names and your town.
3. Send this information to david@easternshorepost.com.
4. Deadline is noon Monday, March 7.

5. No multiple entries.
6. Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

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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.

This Week's Osprey-Eyed Reader Wins

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RUNNERS-UP IN ADDITION TO THOSE WITH CAPTIONS

Artima Thornton, Accomac
Jeanette Bell, Onley
Marion Basford,
Alum Bank, Pa.
Richard Marshall, Atlantic
Kit Fechtig, Pungoteague
DeCola Johnson, Accomac
Abby Mowry, Cape Charles
Anne Gregory, Belle Haven
Betty George, Jamesville
Patricia M. Voss, Bloxom
Constance Buege, Exmore
Barbara Blair, Wachapreague

Patty Schmale, Cape Charles
Linda Robinson, Chincoteague
Kay Ballard, Exmore
Laurie Paschall,
Cape Charles
Marion Robinson,
Chincoteague
Barbara Whealton,
Chincoteague
Sarah Ross, Chincoteague
Teri Collins, Bloxom
Terrina Treherne Duo,
Eastville

Diane Smith, Onancock,
and Theresa Lattimore,
Bloxom
Janice Gladysiewicz,
Greenbackville
Mary E. Carey, Cape Charles
Anne Beatty, Exmore
Lola Bailey, Cape Charles
Debbie Thornton, Hallwood
June Richardson,
Cape Charles
Virginia Manzione, Exmore
Tommy McCready, Sanford

Mary D. Bagwell, Accomac
Anabel Beatty, Silver Beach
Delane Brown,
Philadelphia
Sara M. Fetterman,
Bloxom
Doug Wehner, Belle Haven
Antron Stratton,
Wachapreague
Carol Wehner, Belle Haven
Ernie Swisher, Parksley
Wendy Harris, Melfa
Hattie Giddens, Painter

Random Facts About ... How Horseshoe Crab Blood Keeps You Safe

By David Martin

We live in horseshoe crab territory. These flat, rounded sea creatures have a hard shell and five pairs of legs for crawling along the ocean floor — also for crawling out of the ocean and onto beaches where they breed and lay eggs. The male horseshoe crab is about 15 inches from head to tail with the female about a third larger. They are actually in the arachnid family, related to spiders. The species of horseshoe crab that lives in the Atlantic Ocean along the Eastern seaboard has large numbers

in our area with the largest population of horseshoe crabs in the world being north of us, in Delaware Bay.

Horseshoe crabs have been around from way before dinosaurs. When a species survives for 445 million years, something is going very right. For the horseshoe crab, it might be that shell or the breeding practices that has a single female laying 100,000 eggs over several nights — or it might be a chemical in the horseshoe crab's blood that detects even the slightest presence of toxins and reacts by coagulating around the

toxin to render it isolated and harmless.

When scientists discovered this anti-toxin property of horseshoe crab blood, they figured out how to use the property to detect endotoxins in medicines and medical devices. Limulus amebocyte lysate (known as LAL), isolated from the horseshoe crab's blood, can detect endotoxins even in concentrations of one in a trillion. The milky blue blood of the horseshoe crab (made blue from the blood's concentration of copper just as the iron in our blood makes it red) is the only natural source of LAL, which is used to check the safety of vaccines such as those developed to protect us from COVID-19. LAL is also used to ensure the purity of other injected medicines along with surgically implanted artificial knees and hips.

Companies that collect horseshoe crab blood don't kill the animals. Instead, they draw about a third of a horseshoe crab's blood and then return the animal to the wild in a place far enough from the collection site that it's unlikely the same animal will be tar-

geted again for a blood draw. The LAL created from the blue blood is worth more than \$60,000 a gallon.

Although almost all the crabs survive the blood letting, research has shown that, following a blood draw, females take longer to participate in breeding and don't return to breeding sites as often as they did before blood was taken from them. The effect of bleeding horseshoe crabs might be contributing to their lower numbers. According to National Geographic, "In 1990, biologists estimated 1.24 million crabs spawned in Delaware Bay. ... By 2002, that number had dropped to 333,500. In recent years, numbers of Delaware Bay spawning crabs have hovered around the same amount, with the 2019 survey estimating about 335,211."

The good news for horseshoe crabs is the development of a lab-produced LAL, which will render it no longer necessary to bleed half a million horseshoe crabs each year. One version of the lab-produced alternative has been approved for use in Europe.



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Calvin Leavenworth Brickhouse: Teacher, Administrator, Mentor, and Public Servant

Jazmine Collins

Eastern Shore Public Library

During Black History Month, emphasis is often placed on “firsts.” Trailblazing African American men and women who break barriers, accomplish feats, or who enter into a field previously barred to the race as a whole are hailed as heroes in the annals of American history. While the pivotal impacts and accomplishments of these people cannot be denied, the path they forge is often followed by others whose impact and leadership is just as vital.

African American history is full of influencers, and their legacies endure into our present. One such influential leader in local history is Calvin Leavenworth Brickhouse, an educator in Northampton County.

Brickhouse, the first of his parents' five children, was born 1934 to a family with generational history and heritage in Northampton County. He recalled childhood opportunities of helping his father in his dry cleaning business and helping his grandfather on the farm. A career in education, however, became his pursuit.

Brickhouse's education started at Hare Valley Elementary School. He graduated in 1951 from Northampton County High School. He was noted in his senior class superlatives as both “best student” and “most likely to succeed.” Following high school he enrolled as an agricultural mechanical major with a science minor at Virginia State College, now VSU, to pursue his ambition of becoming a vocational agriculture teacher.

Brickhouse's elementary and high schools were African American schools. Hare Valley Elementary today serves as the location of the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging and Headstart. The Northampton County High School building is still in Machipongo and serves as a county parks and recreation facility. While Brickhouse's own education was during segregation, his career spanned the time of desegregation when his

leadership helped serve students during the integration process.

Following his college graduation in 1955, he taught in Spotsylvania County for two years at the John J. Wright School. It was in Spotsylvania that he met his wife Audrey, whom he married in 1957. Shortly after, he was called into military service. An Eastern Shore News article in 1989 relates that after two years of duty, Calvin Brickhouse was ready to return to teaching. After Brickhouse inquired into positions, Northampton County administrators were so eager to have him that they were able to get Brickhouse an early discharge in time for the 1959-1960 school term. That year, he began his tenure at Northampton County High School — where he had attended as a youth — teaching science and a sophomore class homeroom.

Six years later, with a master's degree, Calvin became assistant principal, while still spending half his day teaching science. In 1968, just two years later, he became principal of Northampton County High School.

The beginning of his career in education coincided with national tensions over the desegregation of education. In Northampton County, integration progressed over a period of years, and by 1970 the Northampton High School in Eastville became the sole, integrated public high school for the county. The now former African American high school, where Brickhouse was principal, became the Northampton Junior High School for seventh through ninth grades. In 1979, the ninth grade level became part of the high school, and the junior high was renamed Northampton Middle School, where Brickhouse remained principal until he retired in 1994.

Mr. Brickhouse, as his former students call him, was fervent about the importance of education. He sponsored the College



Calvin L. Brickhouse, seated, with Assistant Principal William Sisico in a photo from Northampton County High School's 1969 Lighthouse yearbook.

Bound activity club during his tenure and pushed for improvements in the school's curriculum and facility. His former students recall the principles that he instilled in them. For example, he stressed taking responsibility for one's actions and he put emphasis on having a well-rounded education. He is remembered as tough, but fair, patient, and passionate in both educa-

tion and instilling life and leadership skills in his students.

Brickhouse was truly dedicated to his community and his faith in God was foremost. He was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Franktown and chair of its trustee board. Brickhouse was honored for more than 50 years of service to Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He served on the County Redistricting Committee and the Joint Planning District Commission, and was appointed to the board of trustees for the Northampton Accomack Memorial Hospital in the late 1980s. He was a member of the Northampton Democratic Committee. He went on to serve for years on the board of Eastern Shore Rural Health, and the new health center building in Eastville is named in his honor. In addition to his civic and community service, Brickhouse continued his dedication to education after retirement by serving for two terms on the Northampton County School Board before his death in 2013.

What drove Calvin Brickhouse to pursue a career in education? What drove him to set aside teaching science, which he was so “in love with” to pursue school administration? Certainly his family and upbringing are significant factors in the value he placed on education. While operating a dry cleaning business, his father was also a bus driver for Northampton County High School and his mother worked in the cafeteria for a while. School, it would seem, was substantially connected to his

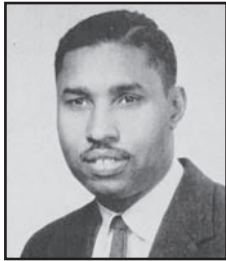
home and family life. Calvin's brother, Fraser Brickhouse, also became a teacher, and when Calvin's career in Northampton began, the two brothers were both educators at the same school.

The most significant bearing on his education and career, according to Calvin Brickhouse, were the educators who taught him. He credited the influence of Charles N. Williams, who taught agriculture and mechanics for nearly 25 years. Williams inspired Brickhouse's motivation to become an educator and his choice of major. Williams also encouraged his participation in activities that would develop leadership and communication skills — skills that Brickhouse would later emphasize with his own students.

He also credited the influence of William H. Smith, who served as principal of Northampton County High School for 20 years, and had previously served as principal for Cape Charles Elementary School. It was Smith's urging that pushed Brickhouse into administration, becoming Smith's assistant principal and succeeding him soon after Smith went on to be superintendent in charge of federal projects, a position in the division office. Both of these men, with their own noteworthy legacies as educators, served as “mentors and role models” for Brickhouse, helping him envision and achieve his own goals.

Today, Michael Brickhouse, Calvin's son, is a teacher in Northampton County, following his father as an educator and influencer of tomorrow's generation. Michael recalls that his father taught him the importance of commitment to the community, and he has been a volunteer firefighter for more than 20 years. Inspired by the leaders who came before him, Calvin L. Brickhouse strove for the best possible education for his students and for improvements in his community. His own legacy will continue to inspire future generations of educators and leaders.

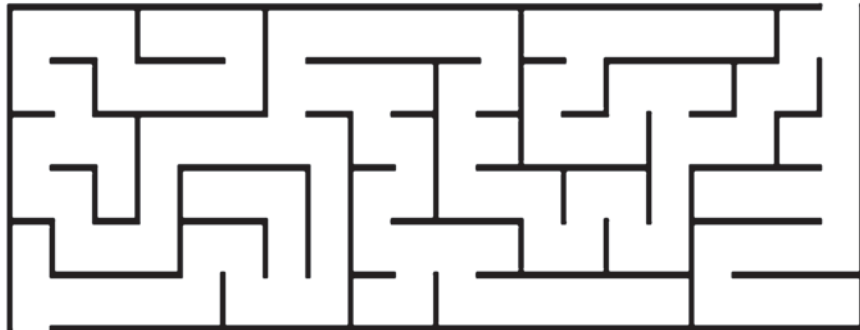
Some of the information in this article was found in Northampton County High School's Lighthouse yearbooks, years 1951 and 1960-1970 in the Eastern Shore Public Library's digitized Yearbooks Collection available online at www.espl.org Find these and over 150 yearbooks from Accomack and Northampton counties on the digital history page, under the genealogy tab.



**Calvin L. Brickhouse
Photo from
1960 Lighthouse
yearbook**

Kids' Puzzle Page

Kids' Maze



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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!



"I'm losing weight, but I'm so cranky
I'm also losing _____."

Hole
ARRECT _____

Annul
CINDERS _____

Assign
FREER _____

Regard
ETONIC _____

TODAY'S WORD

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH – VEGGIES

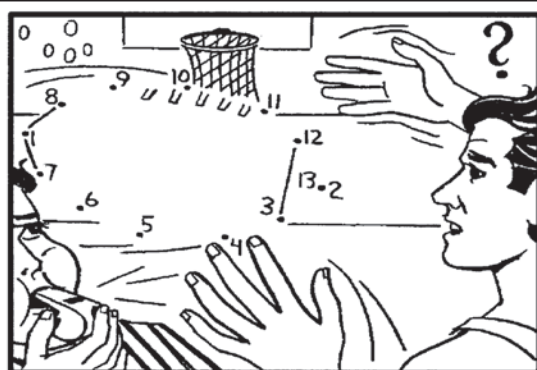
Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What would you get if you crossed a zucchini with the first U.S. president?**

ARTICHOKES
ASPARAGUS
BEANS
BEETS
CABBAGE
CARROTS
CORN
KALE
OKRA
ONION
PEPPER
RADISH
SORREL
SWISS CHARD
WATERCRESS

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Riddle answer: _____

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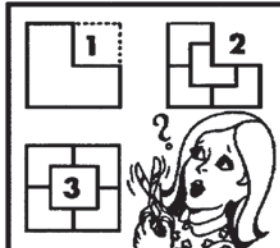
COURT CASE! Hey, I thought we were here to play basketball. What can you draw to complete the picture? Connect dots.

PLANET EX! A certain planet discovered by Wm. Herschel in 1781 was originally called Georgium Sidus, George's Star, after King George III. By what name do we know it now?

We know it as Uranus.

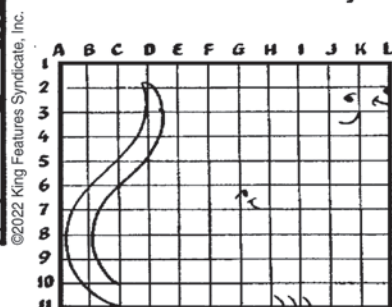
PIECE CORE! A curious, do-it-yourself jigsaw puzzle is suggested for your amusement at right. Remove and discard one corner of a cardboard square (dotted lines of figure 1). Cut remaining portion (fig. 2) into four equal-sized L-shaped segments. Scramble these pieces and ask someone to use them to re-form the original square.

Figure 3 shows how pieces may be deployed for a hollowed-out version of the original.



Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman



HOP-SKIP-JUMP DRAWING CARD

ALL ABOARD for a hop, skip and jump drawing lesson. Simply draw lines in the diagram at left in accord with the following letter-number coordinates:

Draw from 11-C to 11-D to 9-F to 11-G, 11-J, 10-G, 7-G, 7-H, 6-G, 5-H.

Add 6-G to 7-F to 7-E.

Draw from 7-F to 8-G, 6-I, 6-J, 7-K, 5-J, 4-K, 3-K, 3-L, 2-L, 2-K, 1-I, 2-J, 3-J, 4-H, 4-F, 6-C, 10-C.

Use a sharp pencil, draw straight lines.

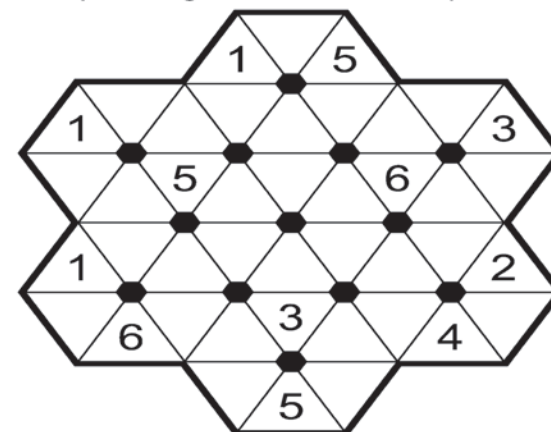
Be sure to draw in accord with number and letter coordinates.

Add a color or two, if crayons are handy.

SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Health Matters **New Breastfeeding Counselor/New ESCSB Mobile Unit**

Courtesy of Virginia Department of Health Stout Named New ESVA Breastfeeding Counselor

The Virginia WIC (Women, Infants, Children) Eastern Shore District announced the addition of the new breastfeeding peer counselor, Susan Stout.

Stout comes to WIC with extensive peer counseling and advocacy experience and a strong desire to help support new moms, babies, and their families with breastfeeding. As a mom who did not get the encouragement and support to make human lactation easy when she was a new mom, Stout understands many of the unique challenges breastfeeding moms and babies can face. For questions, encouragement, or any type of support, contact her at susan.stout@vdh.virginia.gov.

Breast milk is the natural food for infants and is perfectly suited for a baby. It changes with the baby's needs and many moms can supply the needed amount of breastmilk with the correct education and information. Breastfeeding is perfectly normal, and it is a journey for the whole family. Mom, family, and baby will all be learning during this journey. Naturally, there will be ups and downs with feelings of accomplishment to celebrate as well as challenges to overcome. WIC can help every step of the way, no matter what stage of the process. From pregnancy, to thinking about breastfeeding, to making a plan through delivery, to getting started breastfeeding in the first hours of baby's life – WIC has support to offer and a breastfeeding peer counselor is just an email away.

Learn more about the benefits of WIC and breastfeeding for mom, baby, the family, and even the community at large, at the Virginia Department of Health Eastern Shore WIC District Offices in both Accomack and Northampton counties.

Call WIC today at the Accomack County Health Department at 757-787-5880 or the Northampton County Health Department at 757-442-6228.

Eligibility requirements will be assessed during certification.

Courtesy of Eastern Shore Community Services Board ESCSB Hits the Road with New Mobile Unit

In the spring of 2019, the Eastern Shore Community Services Board launched Virginia's first Licensed Outpatient Services and Medication Assisted Treatment Mobile Unit. Funded by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and intended to expand services in remote communities for underserved populations, this unit allows the ESCSB to take its services on the road. Transportation being a huge issue on the Eastern Shore and preventing many from the services they need, this is one way to help overcome that barrier.

This mobile unit is an extension of the services currently provided by ESCSB's Parksley Behavioral Health Center. The unit is staffed with clinicians and a peer recovery specialist, and a nurse practitioner is available if needed as well. The mobile unit is equipped to provide many of the same services provided by the office clinicians, such as individual outpatient therapy, peer support services, medication management, and case management for individuals with substance use disorders.

While appointments can be made, anyone needing assistance can come for walk-in services. Same day access enrollment is offered as well, so that treatment can be acquired quickly with the ability to maintain that care through regular visits to the mobile




The new Eastern Shore Community Services Board mobile unit takes its services on the road. Submitted photo.

unit. The mobile unit follows all HIPAA regulations just as all ESCSB treatment locations do.

The mobile unit is currently scheduled at locations in Chincoteague, Nassawadox, and Eastville. This unit is intended

to provide access for those facing additional barriers in the community and to provide equitable services for all.

For more information about this service, call the Parksley Behavioral Health Center at 757-665-1260.



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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.

New Cub Scout Pack Forming

The Tasley Fire Company and the Cub Scouts are teaming up to start a new Cub Scout pack, Pack 8. Come on down to Station 8 to join Pack 8 on

the first, second, and third Sundays of each month, at 4 p.m., at 23395 Tasley Road, Tasley.

All children in grades K, 1, 2, and 3 and their parents are welcome.

For more information, contact Cub Master Glenn Smith at 1-201-317-1315.

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.

Science and Philosophy Seminar

The Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore of Virginia will hold a seminar, "Willie Crockett – Tangier Island Renaissance Man," Friday, March 4, from 9:30 to 11

a.m., in Room 113 of the Academic Building of Eastern Shore Community College, 29300 Lankford Highway, Melfa.

Brian Kaiser will describe his relationship with Willie and Willie's art and stories. Kaiser has worked in the broadcast, commercial, and business television industries for the past 37 years. He and his family live on the Shore.

Art League Reception

The Eastern Shore Art League will hold its spring show March 2 through June 2, at Historic Onancock School, 6 College Ave. There will be a reception Friday, March 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the school.

ESVHS Black History Exhibit

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society will take the exhibit, "Determined: The 400-Year Struggle for Black Equality," to students at Arcadia and Nandua high schools and to Whitesville's Davis Center before displaying it at Ker Place in Onancock for the general public to view at the historic landmark's spring open house Friday, March 11, from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The exhibition, on loan from the Virginia Museum of History & Culture in Richmond, traces four centuries of Black history in Virginia through stories of extraordinary individuals who struggled for equality and in the process shaped the nature of American society. Admission is free. The exhibit will be on display through April, along with the organization's recently accessioned copy of the 13th Amendment.

For more information, contact Luke Kelly at collections@shorehistory.org or 757-787-8012.

CVFD Clam Fritter Fundraiser

The Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company clam fritter drive-thru fundraiser will be Saturday, March

19, from noon until sold out, at 5052 Deep Hole Road. A clam fritter, chips, and bottled water is \$10.

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.

Onancock International Films

Onancock International Films will present "Britt-Marie was Here" Thursday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m., at the Roseland Theatre in Onancock. Tickets will be \$8 at the door.

This is a Swedish film that follows a 63-year-old woman who, after 40 years of a well-ordered marriage, discovers her husband's affair and leaves him. Britt-Marie moves to a small town and gets a job as a soccer coach – even though she knows nothing about soccer.

Homeschool

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

Contact Jordan Dail for more information about scheduling a visit, 215grayson@gmail.com or call 757-754-5362.

Classical Conversations will host a Sanctity of Life and Fetal Development presentation by Linda Baylis-Spence from the Women's Pregnancy Support Center in Onley Thursday, March 10, at noon. This presentation will be geared toward children. Everyone is invited to join to learn more. Sign up at <https://classicalconversations.com/events?id=xweG>

ESCBA Breakfast

Bill Downey, chief executive officer for the Riverside Health System, will be the keynote speaker for the annual prayer breakfast sponsored by the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association. The breakfast, set

MEMBER ENGAGEMENT FORUM

A&N Electric Cooperative will host a Member Engagement Forum at the cooperative's Tasley facility on **Thursday, March 17.**

This is an opportunity for members to discuss local issues with cooperative officials and learn more about A&N.

The forum is open to A&N Electric Cooperative members. Due to ongoing COVID protocols seating will be limited. Members who would like to attend will be required to preregister.

To preregister please call **787-9750** to speak with one of our member service representatives or email us at billing@anec.com.

Preregistration will close on Tuesday, March 15.

Visit anec.com for more details.



for Thursday, March 24, at 8 a.m., at the Elks Lodge in Accomac, is held each year to promote unity among elected leaders. The event was originally scheduled in January but delayed due to COVID-19 concerns.

The breakfast is free to local ministers and students. ESCBA members may attend at no charge. Nonmembers may attend for \$15 a person. Seating is limited; RSVP by texting John Fiege at 757-710-2489 or emailing john@johnfiege.com as soon as possible.

Search for the Shamrocks

Chincoteague's Historic Main Street Merchants will host Search for the Shamrocks Friday, March 18, from 4 to 7 p.m., and Saturday, March 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a scavenger hunt. Playing cards may be picked up at any participating business. For more information, contact Nicole at 443-614-6801 or nicole@chincoteaguecomfortsuites.com.

Pocomoke Library

Story Time "Our Colorful World" will be Tuesday, March 8, at 10:30 a.m., at the Pocomoke Library in Pocomoke City, Md. Visit the library for stories, songs, and crafts about the color spectrum and mixing colors. Have fun playing with the color light board (ages 2 to 5).

Conservation Poster Contest

The Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District announced the annual conservation poster contest. The theme for the 2022 contest is "Healthy Soil: Healthy Life." Students are encouraged to create a poster showcasing the importance of healthy soils. The local contest is open to any public, private, or homeschooled student in Accomack and Northampton in grades K-12. Students may also enter through other groups such as Scouts, 4-H, or church youth groups. Any Girl Scout or Boy Scout who creates a poster and submits it to Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District for judging may earn the VASWCD

Poster Contest Patch.

The deadline for entries is Friday, April 29.

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

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 announced 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 bob-burk0497@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.

Spring Fling Daddy Daughter Dance

Friends of Northampton County Parks and Recreation are hosting the Spring Flint Daddy Daughter Dance Saturday, March 26, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Exmore Moose Lodge in Belle Haven. Tickets are \$25 per couple and \$10 for each additional person. To purchase tickets or for more information, call 757-678-0468.

Woman's Club Scholarships

The Woman's Club of Accomack County announced it will award three \$1,000 scholarships to female graduating high school seniors or female

returning adult learners at the college level. Applicants must reside in Northampton or Accomack counties, and they must be entering the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, medical sciences (RN nursing programs) or education at an accredited two- or four-year school in the state of Virginia or the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. This scholarship will be sent directly to the school the student is attending to be applied toward tuition.

Interested applicants should go to their school guidance departments to obtain the application. The completed application must be postmarked by April 4 and mailed to Liz Vitak, 20307 Baldpate Lane, Onancock, VA 23417.

Al-Anon Meeting

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

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The ESVA Disc Golf Club Ice Bowl brought out lots of competitors.

ESVA Disc Golf Club Donates Ice Bowl Proceeds to Food Bank

This year's Eastern Shore Ice Bowl was not icy and the sun shined as disc golf was the order of the day. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore received all proceeds from the ESVA DG club's event. \$1,142 and 154 pounds of food items rounded out the donation for the Feb. 19 Ice Bowl. This year's winner in Pro was Don Fogle, who has been a past winner; AM was won by Willie Crockett; and the Novice was won by Cutter Sharp. Each winner received a full color Ice Bowl 2022 disc and all players received a mini Ice Bowl disc.



Roy Ballard, disc golf club member, gives check to Colleen Brennan E.S. Foodbank director.

Students Named to JMU Dean's List

James Madison University announced its dean's list for the fall semester.

Local residents include:

- Sawyer Coulbourn, of Wachapreague, majoring in communication sciences and disorders
- Emily Killmon, of Onancock, majoring in English
- Nathan Crumb, of Onancock, majoring in hospitality management

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Lions Club Donates to Metompkin Elementary

The Onancock Area Lions Club presents Metompkin Elementary School with a second round of sweatpants and underwear this school year. Pictured from left are Ruth Tankard, principal, Ernie Swisher, Lions Club president, and Sheryl Lafferty, school nurse.

MILLE POSTS

Marriages
Births
Awards



Marriage Licenses Issued

- Steven Earl Wilson, 24, and Hope Anne Wolff, 33, both of Cheriton
- Dodson Ernest Woodard Jr., 62, of Eastville, and Katherine Deily Will, 56, of Virginia Beach



Blue Water's CEO Todd Burbage, left, poses with Barry Outten, fire chief at Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department, after donating land with a value of \$1.1 million to the department.

Blue Water Donates \$1.5 million of Land to Greenbackville VFD

Real estate developer and hospitality specialist Blue Water announced it has donated land with a value of \$1.5 million to the Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department as part of an initiative to give back to the communities that host some of Blue Water's many properties.

The land donation will allow for the fire department to expand in the upcoming years.



Andersen Named Legionnaire of the Year for Post 56

Commander Glenn Purvis, at right, presents Legionnaire Bob Andersen the 2021 Legionnaire of the Year award for American Legion Northampton Post 56 and for District 1, Department of Virginia. Andersen is a trustee for Post 56 and has served as post adjutant.

Pregnancy Center Receives Grant

The Accomack-Northampton Pregnancy Center has been awarded a grant from the Robert E. and Marie Orr Smith Foundation in the amount of \$15,000. The grant will fund several new projects including a program dedicated to educating expectant parents who are interested in breastfeeding, a children's reading program for ANPC families, and opportunities for ANPC clients to take life skill classes. The programs are slated to begin in early spring.

The grant will also fund the continuation of the center's New Beginning's Baby Basket outreach, which provides free baby essentials to all new and expectant parents just for visiting the center.

For more information, call 757-787-1119 or stop by the pregnancy center located across from Walmart in Onley, Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Eastern Shore Trading POST

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

Announcements

Thank You

The family of Louis Rock and Rock's Body Shop would like to thank family and friends for their outpouring of love at his passing. Your gestures of support in our time of need meant the world to us.

We are reminded daily why the Eastern Shore is the best place to call home. The people of the Shore have been so kind with their cards, words of encouragement, food, prayers, and visits. A special thanks goes out to the ladies of Lower Northampton Baptist Church. We are forever grateful.

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Help Wanted

Kiptopeke State Park Job Fair 2022

March 19th 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Kiptopeke State Park will be holding a Job Fair to recruit seasonal employees for the summer. The Job Fair is scheduled for March 19, 2022, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Current employees will be on hand to talk about seasonal job opportunities, accept applications, and hold on-site interviews. The park is looking to fill positions including Park Interpreters, Contact Rangers, Maintenance Rangers, and Housekeeping. Some of the duties will include leading environmental education programs, providing customer service at the contact station, camp store and visitor center, landscaping, maintenance, light construction, and housekeeping of the campground facilities, and overnight facilities. Seasonal employment lasts from the weekend before Memorial Day through Labor Day. The park plans on grilling hotdogs and providing snacks for those who attend the fair. The Job Fair will take place at the Big Water Visitor Center just outside the entrance of Kiptopeke State Park.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POSITION: Administrative Assistant POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #2022-1-1071

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District will be accepting applications for an Administrative Assistant from February 28, 2022 thru March 16, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Successful applicant will provide clerical support primarily to the Maintenance Division and will also provide back-up clerical support to all other Divisions as needed. Performs intermediate skilled clerical work in a variety of office assistance tasks. This is a full-time position in Grade 12 with a salary range of \$29,590.00 – \$47,445.00 and includes a complete benefits package. Applications may be obtained from the District's personnel office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, by telephone (757) 331-2960, or online at www.cbtt.com/employment.html.

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Requirements: Prior maintenance experience, ability to respond to after-hours emergencies, smartphone proficiency, must be willing to submit to criminal background screening.

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Position Number: L00007
 Hiring Range: \$36,993.00 – depending upon qualifications & budgetary constraints
 Location: Eastville, VA 23347
 Application Deadline: Position open until filled.

Family Services Supervisor Northampton County Social Services

Position Number: L00002
 Hiring Range: \$45,591.00 – depending upon qualifications & budgetary constraints
 Location: Eastville, VA 23347
 Application Deadline: Position open until filled.

Only information listed on the applications will be considered for screening.

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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Developmental Services Case Manager

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

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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

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

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Help Wanted (Cont'd)

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Northampton County is accepting applications for a qualified, full-time Zoning Administrator position. Salary range is \$49,295-\$79,709, salary is negotiable depending on qualifications and/or experience, plus excellent benefits. The essential function of the position is to enforce zoning/subdivision ordinances and is responsible for knowledge and enforcement of County zoning ordinances, related inspections, and preparing reports. The position works under general supervision.

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.

Recreation Score Keeper

Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation department is currently accepting applications for a part-time Recreation Score Keeper for our Youth Soccer League. The position will be responsible for regular attendance and punctuality of all Parks and Rec. programs, including but not limited to:

- Accurately record game scores in score book;
- Performs other related duties as assigned.
- Observes all approved safety and health policies and procedures pertaining to his/her work activities and performs all work tasks in a safe and healthy manner in accordance with County policy.

Minimum qualifications for this position are you must be 16 years of age and have knowledge of the game, including some experience in athletics. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered.

An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link above, obtained thru the Human Resources office, or by clicking the link (https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings). Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, P.O. BOX 66, Eastville, VA 23347 no later than Friday, March 18, 2022, by 5 p.m. Northampton County is an EOE.

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

Open until filled.

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Correctional Officer

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

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

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

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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.



GENERAL MANAGER

Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club is seeking a qualified General Manager to oversee this Eastern Shore treasure, ensuring superior service for members and guests, while optimizing financial performance. BA/BS and minimum of 4 years management experience required. A full position description is available at esycc.com/jobs. Qualified applicants should send cover letter and resume to contact@esycc.com. www.esycc.com



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Would you like to share the story of Chincoteague? The Museum of Chincoteague is looking to fill the Executive Director position. Deadline for applying is March 1st. Submit your resume or find more details by searching Museum of Chincoteague Island at www.Indeed.com <http://chincoteaguemuseum.com/>

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NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of Stephen Hollenshead, 29073 Bloxom Road, Parksley, VA 23421. His phone number is 757-985-7043. This boat does not have identifying numbers, however it does have identifying marks you must verify to claim.

Description of watercraft: 13' 1965 Boston Whaler, fiberglass, Boston Whaler-blue interior, white exterior.

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.

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.

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, Accomack, 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

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

The Town of Chincoteague intends to grant a lease to permit hunting on a 32-acre parcel owned by the Town in the Atlantic District. Parties interested in leasing the property for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023, must submit letters of interest not later than March 25, 2022, to the attention of:

Town Manager
6150 Community Drive
Chincoteague, VA 23336

Letters of interest shall include the proposed lease amount for the specified period and proof of ability to provide \$1,000,000 in liability insurance for the activity. It is the Town's intention to lease the property for hunting to the highest qualified bidder. Direct inquiries to Mike Tolbert, Town Manager, (757)336-6519.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Savage Neck VA, LLC (VMRC #21-2310) has applied for a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct a fourth offshore 180-foot stone breakwater on the southern end of three existing breakwaters at property (Tax Map #66-A-6C) adjacent to the Chesapeake Bay in Northampton County. Send comments/inquiries within 15 days to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg 96, Hampton, VA 23651 or jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov.

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Invitation to Bid County of Northampton, Virginia METAL ROOF RETROFIT AT FORMER NORTHAMPTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

The County of Northampton, Virginia is accepting sealed bids for the replacement of certain areas of roofing at the former Northampton Middle School located at 7247 Young Street, Machipongo, VA 23405. Generally, the work will consist of providing approximately 24,500 square feet of a metal retrofit framing and roof system over a portion of the existing roofs. Bids may be mailed or hand delivered and will be received at the office of the County Administrator, 16404 Courthouse Road, PO Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 until 3:00 PM, Thursday March 10, 2022. All bids will be time stamped upon arrival. **Faxed or emailed proposals are not acceptable.** Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. Bids received after the assigned time will not be accepted and returned to the bidder unopened.

Contractors can obtain copies of the complete bid documents from either:

Chris Thomas, Director of Public Works Northampton County 16404 Courthouse Road PO Box 66 Eastville, VA. 23347 Phone: (757) 678-0414 Email: cthomas@co.northampton.va.us	The Engineer Chuck Howard, PE Metal Roof Consultants Phone: 919-465-1762 x101 Email: chuck@metalroofconsultants.net
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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.



Public Hearings Notice County of Accomack, Virginia Fiscal 2022-2023 Estimated Budget & Tax Rates

A brief synopsis of the Operating and Capital Budget for the County of Accomack for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year was ordered published by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on February 28, 2022. The Operating and Capital Budget is published for informational and fiscal planning purposes only.

The Board of Supervisors will hold public hearings on the Accomack County budget and tax rates on April 4, 2022, at Metompin Elementary School, 24501 Parksley Rd Parksley, Virginia, 23421, with the Budget hearing beginning at 6:00 p.m. and the Tax Rate hearing at 7:00 p.m.
Citizens have the right to submit oral or written statements on the estimated budget and tax rates to administration@co.accomack.va.us or P.O. Box 388 - Accomack, VA 23301. Any citizen having questions concerning the estimated budget or tax rates needing special assistance for the disabled may contact the County Administrator's Office by calling 787-5700 or 824-5444.

A summary of the budget is available for inspection in the County Administrator's Office during normal business hours and is listed on the Accomack County website on the Finance Department "Budget Development" page, located at: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/departments/financebudget-development-523>.
This notice is published in accordance with Virginia Code Sections 15.2-2506 and 58.1-3321.

Consolidated General Government Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		All Funds		Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	
General Property Taxes	\$	38,810,035	General Government Administration	\$	5,606,317
Other Local Taxes		10,129,680	Judicial		2,072,929
Permits, Fees, & Licenses		463,703	Public Safety (includes law enforcement and jail)		17,139,110
Fines & Forfeitures		150,000	Public Works		17,300,908
Use of Money & Property		577,966	Health & Welfare		7,317,480
Charges for Services		4,802,155	Education (local share of public school division budget)		21,451,299
Miscellaneous Revenue		215,122	Education (Community College supplement)		41,028
Recovered Costs		241,642	Recreation & Cultural		1,589,642
From the Commonwealth		10,297,980	Planning & Community Development		2,740,581
From the Federal Government		2,747,866	Contingency/Nondepartmental		632,521
Proceeds from Debt		7,370,000	Debt Service		4,091,249
Total Estimated Revenues		75,806,149	Total Estimated Expenditures		79,983,064
From Fund Balance, General Fund		5,061,204	"Rainy Day" Committed Fund Balance Addition		850,000
From Fund Balance, Other Funds		98,934	Debt Service Fund Balance Addition		133,223
Total Estimated Revenues & Other Sources	\$	80,966,287	Total Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	\$	80,966,287

Accomack County School Board Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses			
Charges for Services	\$	250,000	Instruction	\$	47,812,114
From Other Sources		580,935	Administration, Attendance, & Health		2,902,646
From the County		21,451,299	Pupil Transportation		4,434,901
From the Commonwealth		46,730,353	Operations & Maintenance		9,562,693
From the Federal Government		3,032,715	Food Services		3,207,997
Transfers		-	Transfers		296,508
From Fund Balance		-	Technology		3,828,443
Total Estimated Revenues & Other Sources	\$	72,045,302	Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	\$	72,045,302

Accomack County Economic Development Authority Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses			
From the County	\$	7,500	Planning & Community Development	\$	7,500

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

- Assessment Increase:** Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by 9.51 percent.
- Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment:** The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$.565 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate".
- Effective Rate Increase:** Accomack County proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$.61 per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be \$.045 per \$100 or 7.4%. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase". Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.
- Proposed Total Budget Increase:** Based on the proposed real property tax rate and in other revenue changes, the total budget of Accomack County will exceed last year's by 23.3 percent.

Of this increase, 11.4% or 7.4 million dollars is solely included for Accomack County's share of the Regional 911 Public Safety Radio Communications System Project.

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Proposed Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation and Personal Property Tax Relief

Tax Rates for Real Property & Mobile Homes	Current Rate	Lowered Rate	Proposed Rate	Tax Rates for Personal Property & Machinery & Tools	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Tax District:				Tax District:		
Atlantic	\$ 0.610	\$ 0.565	\$ 0.610	Atlantic	\$3.72	\$3.72
Greenbackville/Captains Cove Area	\$ 0.635	\$ 0.590	\$ 0.635	Metompin	\$3.72	\$3.72
Metompin	\$ 0.610	\$ 0.565	\$ 0.610	Lee	\$3.72	\$3.72
Lee	\$ 0.610	\$ 0.565	\$ 0.610	Pungoteague	\$3.72	\$3.72
Pungoteague	\$ 0.610	\$ 0.565	\$ 0.610	Chincoteague	\$3.63	\$3.63
Chincoteague	\$ 0.480	\$ 0.445	\$ 0.480	Personal Property Tax Relief:		
				Personal use vehicles valued at \$1,000 or less	100%	100%
				All other personal use vehicles (Relief applies to first \$20,000 of value only)	40%	38%

Note: The "current rate" is the tax rate adopted by the Board of Supervisors last fiscal year.

Proposed User Fees		
Fee Description	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Cigarette Tax (per pack)	\$0.00	\$0.40

Legal Ads (Cont'd)

**Town Hall Public Meeting for
the Town of Wachapreague**
Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 7pm
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Main Agenda
Raise the Meals tax to 5%
Raise the Transient Tax to 5%

Public Notice VCWRLF #C-515660 Eastern Shore Infrastructure Improvements – Transmission Force Main Phase I (ES010100) Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund Program

The Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) has applied for funding from the Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund to implement the Eastern Shore Infrastructure Improvements – Transmission Force Main Phase I (ES010100) project (i.e., Eastern Shore Sewer Infrastructure Improvements project) which includes approximately 110,000 linear feet of new wastewater transmission force mains (sewer pipes), two new pump stations, and one replacement pump station in Northampton and Accomack Counties. A Basis of Design Report, Request for Categorical Exclusion and an Environmental Assessment prepared for the project are on file at the Northampton County Administrative Offices, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA 23347 and available for public review between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or you may visit www.hrsd.com/eastern-shore-sewer-infrastructure-improvements to view them electronically.

A public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the project, the alternatives considered, their environmental impact, the estimated cost, and associated user charge impact will be held virtually using Microsoft Teams, on April 6, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

Please follow the link below to join the virtual public hearing: <https://tinyurl.com/286x3492>

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Written comments may be addressed to HRSD, care of Lisa Bolen, PO Box 5911, Virginia Beach, VA, 23471-0911 or emailed to projects@hrsdc.com and post marked/time-stamped no later than April 6, 2022.

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Let People Vote

Dear Editor:

In a strong and robust democracy, all citizens can cast their vote without impediment. Our country is at its best when it expands the right to vote, not making it harder. Once a nation in which only white landowning men could vote, through the tireless efforts of countless Americans, history finally bent toward justice. In 1965, America slowly began to fulfill her promise. Now we see a dangerous effort to repeal those hard-fought gains and risk sliding back to a sad past.

Elected officials who cast aspersions on the legitimacy of elections erode our democratic process and freedom. By making baseless allegations of fraud, then pushing for more restrictive voting laws, these individuals can't believe in democracy for all. By delegitimizing elections that have been legitimately won, they undermine the validity of their own electoral victories. This divides us as a nation.

Last year at least 19 states passed 34 laws restricting access to voting, and now more than 440 bills with provisions to restrict voting access or make it harder to vote have been introduced to now include Virginia. One hundred eighty bills shifting election authority have been introduced, giving partisan actors power to control election outcomes. This is unconscionable.

We need laws that strengthen our right to vote, not diminish our participation. Passing the John Lewis Voting Rights Act and the Freedom to Vote Act would not repair the damage done to our democracy, but it would be a good first step. Who among us does not believe in that?

Finale Norton, Jamesville

Bloxom Priorities Misplaced

Dear Editor:

In reference to Del. Bloxom's Feb. 18 column about his bill "so that the au-

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thority [of the citizen boards] will be limited," he's showing us where his priorities are. He is more concerned about "time and cost for businesses to obtain permits," than about protecting our fragile environment, providing citizens with the ability to voice their concerns, and maintaining a transparent process.

I've had the opportunity to talk with someone who has attended a couple of the State Water Control Board meetings in Richmond, as well as public hearings held here on the Eastern Shore. The members of these citizen boards are conscientious, diligent, and committed to following the science. Their job is to provide oversight of a department — often under-resourced and overseen by political appointees — charged with protecting our sole-source aquifer and our fragile environment. Without these public meetings, as well as public decisions by the Air and Water Control Boards, decisions would be made behind closed doors by DEQ, with no recourse or explanation.

The person I spoke with has expressed her concerns because these are not out-of-control boards making radical decisions; they've only overturned recommendations from the Department of Environmental Quality four times in the last 20 years. As our environment comes under ever-increasing pressure, taking the time to give citizens an opportunity to understand and be part of the process should be the least we can ask. It's a shame that Del. Bloxom doesn't think so.

Nicki Tiffany, Cape Charles

Meeting Neighbors

Dear Editor:

How do neighbors get to know each other?

A new neighbor is a wonderful thing; it's exciting! I could see the American flag flying in the yard. There was an-

other thing too: a Trump sign in every window. What do they want us passersby to know? What do they believe?

Then I thought to myself, if I had a sign in my window what would I want my new neighbor to know about me as a Democrat. I'd want them to know that 50,000 Virginians just got affordable insulin. I would want them to know that it was cool to increase the minimum wage in Virginia. I'd want them to know that I'm grateful that teachers got an increase in pay. I would want them to know that I value our right to vote, the Constitution, the peaceful transfer of power, and truthfulness. Finally, I'd want them to know that no matter your race, my race, or ZIP code, that all of us deserve an equal say in how we shape our future.

I wonder what it is they want me to know. I hope we have some shared values. But I have to be honest, I don't share admiration for Trump. I am African American and no matter how many black people you put in the front row waving Blacks for Trump signs at a rally, overwhelmingly, we know he displays the actions of a racist. As Maya Angelou says when they show you who they are ... believe them. But I am always open for grace and conversation.

McKinley Joynes, Exmore

Freezin' for a Reason Was a Success

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Eastern Shore Habitat for Humanity Board, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the community. Freezin' For A Reason was a huge success! We were able to raise \$61,614.

It is very humbling to see our Eastern Shore partnering together with the Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for

Humanity to continue to help provide houses for those in need. Celebrity dipper David Brannon, of Preserve Communities and Bay Creek, did a tremendous job of leading the charge and enthusiastically embraced the opportunity to help the Eastern Shore Community. Brannon not only raised \$40,127 in pledges but also raised the public awareness of the importance of Habitat with over 250 attendees at a fundraising event at Cape Charles Brewery on the eve of the dip. We are extremely grateful for Brannon partnering with us to help those in need on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

One hundred dippers and seven teams participated in this year's event. The top youth team went to the Montessorri Children's House of Franktown raising \$6,009. Northampton County Sheriff's Department won the top adult team category raising \$7,400. Top individual Youth Dippers were Anna Thornton, first place; Lucas Stodghill, second place; and Ben Jones third place.

The support from the Eastern Shore community is integral for us to continue to fulfill our mission to build houses for those in need on the Eastern Shore. We have received numerous applications this year from individuals and families asking to be selected for houses. Thanks to your efforts along with other successful fundraising efforts throughout the year, our Habitat house selection committee has chosen the family that will receive house #52 in our history. This house construction will start this spring.

As always, please feel free to contact the Eastern Shore Habitat Office if you would like to get involved in future Habitat work groups or fundraising. We can be reached by phone 757-442-4687 or e-mail eshabitat7@gmail.com.

*Penney Holland
Chair, Eastern Shore Habitat for
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