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## Four Women Honored in Inaugural Eastern Shore Trailblazer Awards

By Carol Vaughn

Four women who excel in different arenas were honored Tuesday in the inaugural Eastern Shore Trailblazers event, held virtually in celebration of Women's History Month.

The event, sponsored by the NAACP Northampton County branch and Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore, featured the honorees answering questions about their experiences and about the role of women in the community.

A link to a recording of the event will be available on the CBES website, [www.cbes.org](http://www.cbes.org)

Honored were Peaches Dodge, Finale Norton, Nancy Russell, and Ava Gabrielle-Wise.

Dodge was honored for her work with

the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, helping empower victims of domestic and sexual abuse.

Norton was honored as the first Shore woman of color to run for state legislative office. Finale also is a former Bank of America executive who headed the mid-Atlantic's markets and now, in retirement, is an active volunteer in Shore initiatives.

Russell was honored for her decades keeping the Shore informed through radio station WESR.

Gabrielle-Wise was honored for three decades of dedication to improving housing on the Shore and beyond.

Each received a plaque featuring a depiction of a bold red rose created by artist Diana Davis. The rose symbolizes

beauty in strength, "the inner strength it takes to be a barrier breaker, to lift up others, to stay in the fight, to lead the way as a trailblazer," said Donna Bozza, of CBES, who presented the awards.

"We honor you as exemplary examples of the generations of Shore women who have shaped our progress and strengthened our community," Bozza said.

Jane Cabarrus, of the NAACP Northampton County branch, said the organizations plan to make the awards an annual event.

"To all of the backs that have built our bridges, to all of the shoulders that we have stood on, we can look back and look forward and say, 'We've got real

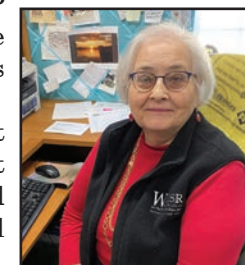
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Peaches Dodge



Finale Norton



Nancy Russell



Ava Gabrielle-Wise

## Police Recover Body Believed To Be Hunter Missing Since Jan. 22

Staff Report

A body believed to be Nathan Jenkins was recovered in the water off Chincoteague Monday.

According to a Virginia Marine Police spokesperson, the Marine Police recovered the body at around 1:15 p.m.

Jenkins has been missing since Jan. 22, after a boating accident that left one other man dead.

Positive identification is pending findings from the medical examiner,

according to Marine Police spokesperson Zachary Widgeon.

"The Virginia Marine Police extends its deepest sympathy to the families of the victims," the release said.

The Chincoteague community responded with an outpouring of search assistance, prayers, food, fundraisers, and more after a boat carrying a group of four young men who were going duck hunting took on water and capsized Jan. 22 off

Chincoteague.

Two people were rescued and one victim's body was recovered after the incident, leaving Jenkins missing.

Eyewitnesses reported the 16-foot jon boat was struck by a wave around 9:20 a.m. that day, causing the boat to capsize in Chincoteague Bay near Curtis Merritt Harbor, according to the Virginia Marine Police.

A good Samaritan was able to rescue two men, an adult and a 17-year-

old, who had remained with the boat. Both had injuries that were not life-threatening.

The United States Coast Guard recovered the body of Corey Alles, 19, of Bentonville, Va., that day.

Water temperatures at the time the boat capsized were in the low 40s, with air temperature in the low 20s and wind gusts ranging from 12 to 15 miles per hour, according to the Virginia Marine Police.



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# As Used Vehicle Prices Soar, Accomack Looks at Tax Relief Options

By Carol Vaughn

A review of over 30,000 used vehicle and motorcycle values showed an average increase of 22.37% and 8.27%, respectively, Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason reported to the Accomack County Board of Supervisors last week.

The increase is substantially higher than what was used to forecast the county's 2023 personal property tax revenue (7.5%).

Mason said he will propose the board consider decreasing the personal property tax rate for automobiles, passenger trucks, and motorcycles as a temporary measure to provide tax relief due to the unprecedented increase. The amount of the decrease depends on the final version of legislation in the General Assembly allowing for the action, but could be a 33-cent reduction per \$100 value in the tax rate for that class of vehicles.

Additionally, federal funding for the 911 communications system means the county will have money to put toward other uses in the 2023 budget. Mason

said staff will give the board more detailed information after the budget public hearing.

## Wetlands Fee Increased

The board voted to schedule a public hearing about the Wetland Board's recommendation to increase the in-lieu fee for vegetated wetlands and enact an in-lieu fee for nonvegetated wetlands.

Virginia, as a Chesapeake Bay Program partner, in 2000 committed to achieve no net loss of existing wetlands. The Wetlands Board complies as closely as possible to that objective.

Establishing a fee for nonvegetated wetlands and increasing the fee for vegetated wetlands helps applicants compensate for wetlands losses where they are unavoidable.

The fees are used to create wetlands to replace those lost.

The recommendation is to increase the fee for vegetated wetlands from \$12 to \$18 per square foot, which reflects the true cost to the county, and to impose a fee for nonvegetated wetlands of \$18 per square foot.

## County Administrator's Report

Mason asked the board to be thinking about regional, shovel-ready projects to consider submitting for the next round of federal community project funding.

Rep. Elaine Luria announced earlier this month that funding was included in the federal spending bill for three Shore projects: \$8.2 million to replace the entire public safety radio communications system on the Shore; \$2.5 million to design and build 2.3 miles of the Southern Tip Trail; and \$500,000 for New Road Community Development Group of Exmore, Inc., to redevelop a nine-acre site into a mixed-use, residential community.

## Input Sought on ARPA Money Use

The board scheduled a town hall meeting Thursday, May 5, at 6 p.m. at Metompkin Elementary School to get public input on possible uses of the second round of federal funds, \$3.1 million, coming to the county in May as result of the American Rescue Plan Act.

## Sawmill Park Features Named For Community Leaders

The board voted to name the ballfield at Sawmill Park in Accomac the "Tony Robinson Washington Jr. and Earline Page Washington Ballfield" and the pavilion at the park the "William 'Bill' Allen Sr. Pavilion," after the board of supervisors approved the names.

# No Injuries in School Bus Crash

## Staff Report

Police are investigating a crash on Route 13 Thursday involving a school bus and a tractor-trailer.

The crash happened at around 7:41 a.m. in the 34300 block of Lankford Highway, in Painter.

All lanes of the highway were blocked to traffic as of 9:30 a.m., according to Virginia State Police spokesperson Sgt. Michelle Anaya.

No students were injured and all students have been transferred safely to another school bus, Anaya said.

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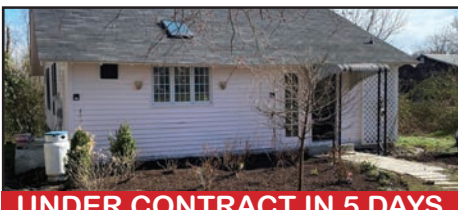


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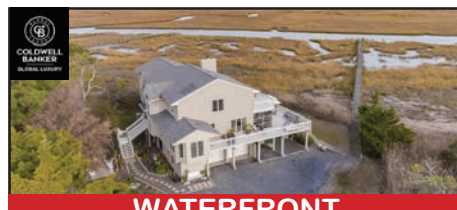


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## ~ Trailblazers ~

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power, sister power, on the Eastern Shore of Virginia,” Cabarrus said.

The honorees answered four questions about themselves and women’s roles in the community.

*How did you get involved with the work that you are currently doing and what keeps you motivated?*

Dodge said she became involved in ESCADV after reading a newspaper article saying the domestic violence shelter was in danger of closing for financial reasons.

“I simply said, ‘Not on my watch,’” she said.

The shelter with help from the community was saved and the organization is in a capital campaign to significantly expand its offerings and shelter space at the former G.F. Horne campus in Onancock.

What keeps Dodge motivated is, “I’m never doing any of it alone and I’m always doing it with absolutely wonderful people,” she said.

Gabrielle-Wise, chief executive officer and president at United States

Sustainable Development Corporation, started out as a community organizer for the Northampton Housing Trust, which began as a CBES committee created to address housing problems on the Shore, including some 1,000 homes in Northampton County at the time without indoor plumbing.

“It was that number that brought together some of the most interesting people,” she said, adding, “In the beginning, they wanted to try to figure out how, not only to address the issues of the bricks and mortar, but they also wanted to figure out how they could work to effect change in the lives of residents on the Eastern Shore through development.

“That has been the common thread for my entire career. Development has been the way that I have expressed my desire to effect change in the lives of people.”

Norton, a Shore native who worked elsewhere for 26 years before returning to live here, said many people became interested in politics in 2008, with Barak Obama’s election.

“It was a time of inspiration,” she said, adding, “... 2016 was a different period and I think women got involved for some very different reasons.”

By 2020, Norton said, “I really did get the bug to get involved and that’s when I joined the Northampton Democratic Committee.”

When she decided to run for state office, “It wasn’t all about winning ... It was about giving a voice to others; it was about raising the issues that needed to be raised; it was about making space and capacity for the next person, for the next woman. ... Although I didn’t win that race, I’m sure it made a difference for a lot of women — and it made a great difference for me and the work that I continue to do right now.”

Russell said it is the listening audience that motivates her.

“WESR is a vital part of the Eastern Shore and with that comes a lot of responsibility,” she said.

She said she has even had people call her and ask her to include them in her prayers.

“I guess you could say, over time, WESR has become my ministry,” she said.

*How do you view the role of women when it comes to bringing growth and positive change to the Eastern Shore?*

Dodge said the Trailblazers event could be a catalyst for creating networks among Shore women.

“I really believe in networking. Women don’t do it enough,” she said, adding that by collaborating, “We can join forces and be a much stronger thing for the community.”

Gabrielle-Wise said Cabarrus was among her early mentors.

“It was women who nurtured me and invested in me and taught me,” she said.

She recalled when she was in her early twenties and the organization was in the midst of a three-year struggle to bring water and sewer to the New Road community, in Exmore. It

was not going well.

At a training event for community organizers in Washington, D.C., a woman told her, “Don’t ever let your people lose.”

“It was a message that I learned then. It put a fire in me to make sure that I understood the value of voice,” Gabrielle-Wise said.

She said two words, leadership and mentorship, are key, noting, “The goal is to always be reaching back to teach another generation.”

Norton said when she was campaigning, “I had a lot of ideas ... They were things that can happen, in terms that would make our communities better for everyone,” including initiatives like increasing the minimum wage, providing family leave, and more.

“I would always say we should reimagine. I went to an event and there was a gentleman there and he said, ‘You keep on talking about reimagining. What do you think you are, a unicorn?’ And I said, ‘I am a unicorn and so are all the women in this room, because at the end of the day, when stuff really needs to get done, it is women who actually get it done.’”

She agreed with Dodge that “it is through community; it is through coming together” that accomplishments happen.

She quoted President Obama, saying, “One voice can change a room; and if one voice can change a room, it can change a city; and if it can change a city, it can change a state; and if it can change a state, it can change a country; your voice can change the world.”

Norton went on to say, “We don’t have to change the world. We just have to look at things on the Eastern Shore and come together as women and make the changes that are necessary.”



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Russell said she sees “a lot of small businesses being started by women in the community, and I also see that, when there’s a need, that women are stepping up to the plate,” including more women becoming pastors and women running for political office.

“There are so many areas on the Shore where I think that women could make a difference if they had the time and the desire to participate,” she said.

*What advice would you give your 30-something self for the future?*

“I would say be patient but keep focused,” Dodge said.

“Trust the process — to not get too upset about things that change. ... The thing that you thought was stagnating you really was preparing you,” Gabrielle-Wise said.

“Be brave and to give myself more grace — and that the possibilities are endless,” Norton said.

Additionally, she would tell her younger self that when she is in her fifties, “she’s just getting started.”

“I would say don’t make a mountain out of a molehill — and the wisdom to know the difference between the two. ... The second thing is, at the end of the day, when you put your head on the pillow,

have no regrets — how you treat people, how you talk to people,” Russell said.

*What guidance would you give young girls about getting involved in their community?*

“Get involved in a church. Life is going to throw you a lot of curves. ... A deep faith will take you a long way when it comes to struggles in life,” Russell said, adding, “You can’t save the world, but you can save your little corner, like the Eastern Shore — and that’s what we are all celebrating tonight. Every one of us is working to make the Eastern Shore a better place.”

“Read as many books as she can get her hands on” and seek out advice from guidance counselors about good activities to get involved in, Norton said.

“Get connected to as many organizations as you can that are doing the things that interest you,” Gabrielle-Wise said. It is there that young women will find mentors.

Additionally, she said, “A commitment to service will keep you grounded for the rest of your life. ... It will serve you in ways that material things will not.”

“Follow your passion. It leads me in the right direction. It keeps me focused,” Dodge said.



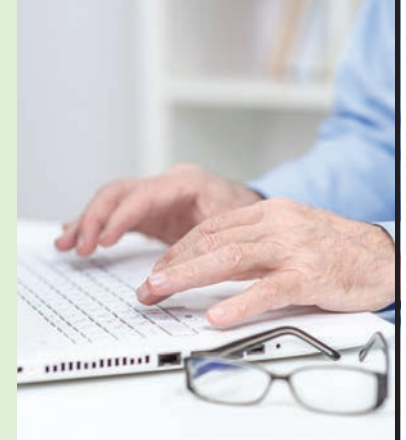
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# Northampton Supervisors Vote To Send \$61.5M High/Middle School to Bid

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton supervisors voted 4-1 Tuesday night to allow contractors to bid on the Northampton middle and high school building project in spite of its new estimated cost of nearly \$61.5 million, about 13% or \$7 million more than the estimate provided four months ago in November 2021.

The opposing vote was made by Chair Betsy Mapp, who called the new price tag on the school project “a little crazy” and was concerned it would hinder the county from completing other projects or handling a major unexpected future expense.

The November 2021 cost estimate was for the 75% completion stage of the project design; the current cost estimate is for the 95% design completion stage. The final design documents are expected April 20.

Dane Seagle, of Skanska, the company handling construction management for the project, explained that much of the increased costs of construction were due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the war in Ukraine also is a factor.

He presented data that showed construction costs began increasing in April 2020 — around the same time COVID-19 measures were instituted — and have “steadily inclined” into 2022.

Northampton schools Chief Financial Officer Brook Thomas said the total project cost of more than \$61 million was about \$52 million for construction and \$9 million in “soft costs” that include engineering, construction management, and furnishings.

More than \$6 million or 86% of the \$7 million cost increase was unavoidable due to market fluctuations. The cost of both materials and labor have

risen, Thomas noted.

The project will go to bid in April, with bids expected to be received in May and a contract to be awarded in June. Construction will take place from July 2022 to July 2024, with final completion in August 2024.

The cost of the project has increased about \$23 million since architectural and engineering firm Waller, Todd & Sadler made its original estimate of approximately \$38 million in October 2020.

The cost rose to more than \$46 million at 45% design completion in July 2021, about \$54 million at 75% design completion in November 2021, and now more than \$61 million at 95% design completion.

Northampton County Finance Director John Chandler reviewed how much money has been borrowed to date for current school projects and how the money could be repaid.

Through the sale of Virginia Public School Authority (VPSA) bonds, \$25 million was borrowed in 2019 and \$42 million was borrowed in 2021, a total of \$67 million.

However, Northampton has more than just the cost of the middle and high school project to cover — it’s also spending around \$17 million on necessary improvements at Kiptopeke and Occohannock elementary schools, including energy-saving geothermal HVAC systems.

Installation was completed at Kiptopeke last summer and will be done at Occohannock this summer.

Northampton will spend more than \$78.5 million on capital improvements for its four public schools, and with \$67 million borrowed so far, that leaves about \$11.5 million more needed.

The county must either borrow money a third time through VPSA or find alternate funding sources.

Chandler highlighted cost-savings opportunities that could reduce the amount borrowed from \$11.5 million to \$9.9 million.

For example, \$400,000 could be saved by dealing with Skanska instead of a contractor for some parts of the project. Additionally, the Virginia General Assembly is considering giving \$1.3 million in state funding to Northampton County Public Schools for school construction.

Chandler also reviewed sources of cash flow that will help pay off the school-related debt: the 1% additional sales tax implemented by the county for school capital improvements, savings from energy efficiency improvements in local public school and government buildings, and \$2 million in school capital improvement funds the school division committed to pare down debt service in peak years.

Northampton currently pays about \$2.6 million annually on its debts.

Chandler estimated the 1% sales tax, which will be collected for about 18 years — the term of the loan — will repay roughly half of the money borrowed through the sale of school bonds.

If Northampton decides to borrow more money through VPSA, supervisors could delay action until spring 2024, since the county already has borrowed enough to last through the majority of the two-year construction period.

There are additional opportunities to bridge the possible \$11.5 million funding gap: the school division could commit \$1.5 million more of its capital funds, the county could apply \$1.5 million of its American Rescue Plan funding, or the county could contribute \$4 million from its undesignated fund balance, its savings account.

Northampton currently has about \$14 million saved, \$2 million of which has been committed to its energy efficiency improvement project, leaving \$12 million available. If \$4 million was applied to the school projects, \$8 million would remain, which County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski said would provide enough cushion for the county to absorb an emergency expenditure.

Other money-saving options include

participation in a VPSA interest rebate program and obtaining additional state and federal grants.

For example, the school division is pursuing grant funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture or USDA to cover the majority of the \$425,000 cost of a commercial kitchen for the high school’s culinary arts program.

Chandler emphasized the importance of avoiding borrowing more money if possible due to its high cost. Northampton would pay \$4.4 million in interest if it borrowed \$11.5 million, he pointed out.

The county would pay a total of \$29 million in interest on the money borrowed for all of its school projects, he added.

Kolakowski agreed that Northampton County should prioritize its schools while keeping itself out of additional debt.

But Mapp was having none of it. “I know that there are market effects here and the cost of everything is going up, but at some point we have to stop and say, ‘Isn’t this a little crazy for adding a wing onto the high school?’”

However, the project will do much more than add a wing onto the existing high school.

The whole project combines renovation and construction to transform a high school that also serves middle school students into a real high and middle school complex.

The existing Northampton High School represents two main periods of construction: 1954, when the original school was built, and 1978, when an addition was built.

Most of the 1954 construction, including the present cafeteria and auditorium, will be demolished and rebuilt elsewhere on the Northampton High School campus. Most of the 1978 addition, including the high school gym, will be renovated.

A brand-new middle school wing will be built. There will be enough space to move the sixth grade from the elementary schools to the middle school and provide sixth graders an authentic middle school experience.

Northampton Middle School will get its own gym and separate space in the new cafeteria, and the high school and middle school will share the new auditorium.

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“Certainly, the project we have now is not the project that was talked about originally, with the number you’re using,” Chandler told Mapp, who had expected the county to spend around \$24 million.

“We had said, ‘Please economize wherever possible,’ and that hasn’t happened,” Mapp contended.

Supervisor Dixon Leatherbury said, “The question is, what number can we be happy with?” Mapp added, “What can we afford?”

She asked how many students are enrolled in Northampton schools. Average daily membership is about 1,280 students, and of that number, around 750 students would attend the new middle and high school.

Superintendent Eddie Lawrence recalled a few years ago when the school board was questioned on how much money it was spending on technology such as computers, servers, and smart boards.

“Think what would have happened during COVID if we had not done anything virtually,” he said.

Lawrence continued. “It is an awful lot of money ... and believe me, in my office, I’m known as cheap. I am very conservative with money.”

“But I think we have to view this as the investment for our children and our grandchildren and the opportunities we want to give them.”

Lawrence pointed out that Northampton County “really is in a unique position. The debt’s being paid down. You’ve got basically modern buildings every-

where else that I can see.”

“This may be your last best chance to do something for education that makes a difference in your communities.”

He advised supervisors to ask themselves, “What’s the cost of doing nothing?”

According to a former school board member, about 10 or 12 years ago, Northampton could have built a brand-new middle and high school with adjoining offices for less than \$30 million, Lawrence said.

What will the project cost if it’s delayed another 10 years? Lawrence asked. Furthermore, by that time, the county’s other buildings will be closer to needing further renovations.

“It’s going to cost you money one way or the other. ... You’ve got to ask yourself, going forward, what type of educational facility that we’re all going to need, we’re all going to want, we’re all going to be proud of.”

Supervisor John Coker suggested a spending limit of \$65 million, and if all the bids received are that much or more, “we’re done.”

He made a motion to move forward with the contractor bidding process, seconded by Supervisor Ernest Smith.

Coker said, “We owe it to our children and to our citizens, and if we want to really push economic development in Northampton County, we’d better have a nice high school, middle school.”

He said, “It’s a lot of money, but it’s something we have to do ... so let’s just bite the bullet, get it done, and then, you know, we’ll figure it out just like we figure everything else out.”

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### Submitted Article

This week’s column continues discussion of lights patterns on aids to navigation.

Another lighting pattern on ATONs (Aids to Navigation) in a channel is called a composite group occulting light, designated OC x+y on a chart. It is easiest to distinguish by watching the dark sequences of the lights. There are several different patterns for this light but the most frequent example is the 2 + 3 pattern. The light sequence will begin with the light off, then a short on, then off, followed by a longer two-short-on periods and another longer on to complete the sequence.

The composite group occulting gets its x+y designation by the number of longer on periods (two in our example) and the

number of shorter flashes (three here) that occur within the sequence. The OC (x+y) sequence will also be longer than 10 seconds, more likely 15, so the long vs. short lighted periods are of distinctly different lengths and distinguished from the other flashing patterns.

### Aids to Navigation

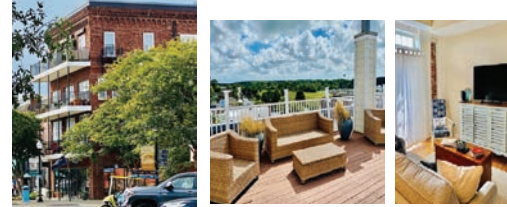
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The following Thimble Shoals Channel ATONs have been moved approximately 200 feet outside of the channel to facilitate dredging: Thimble Shoal Channel light bell buoy 1TS, and lighted buoys 2 through 6. These channel lights are expected to be returned to their correct stations on or near March 22 barring any delays.

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## Boston College Graduate Holds Online Fundraiser for Do Drop Inn

By Stefanie Jackson

When Katherine Walsh was a student at Boston College in Massachusetts, her volunteer experiences brought her to the Eastern Shore, where the people she met became like family.

Now she's returning the love to the Shore by fundraising for a historic local business that was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Do Drop Inn, in Weirwood, is a Black-owned business, a restaurant and lounge that was opened in 1967 by Lloyd and Annie Giddens.

The late Lloyd and Annie Giddens were the parents of the Do Drop Inn's current owner and operator, the youngest of seven children, Jane Cabarrus, aka "Mama Jane."

Lloyd Giddens was a people person, and it didn't matter if the people were Black or White, they were welcome at the Do Drop Inn.

His daughter has followed in his footsteps and welcomed people of all walks of life to the Do Drop Inn, and it hasn't been just for the food, drink, music, and dancing – Cabarrus also has a long history of giving back to the community.

One of the ways she did that was by opening the doors of the Do Drop Inn during spring and summer breaks for more than 25 years, hosting student volunteers from Boston College, who visited to serve the community wherever help was needed.

Their group was called the Appalachian Volunteers of Boston College, and Katherine Walsh was a member when she was a student of the college from 2004 to 2008.

Members traveled all over the East Coast to volunteer, as far north as Pennsylvania and as far south as Georgia. (A group also volunteered in the Gulf Coast after Hurricane Katrina in 2005, Walsh said.)

On the Eastern Shore of Virginia, volunteer groups were sent to Cape Charles, Weirwood, Exmore and the New Road community, and Cats Bridge (in lower Accomack County, near Exmore).

The Appalachian Volunteers of Boston College had about 400 to 500 members who competed for the chance to go to Weirwood, which was the most popular volunteer location because it felt like "we're going to visit family," Walsh said.

Her first volunteer experience on the Shore was in Cape Charles. The first time she went to Weirwood, she knew right away she wanted to return. Walsh "never looked back and became very close" with Mama Jane and the Weirwood community.

The college students did "whatever the community needed." For example, in Exmore, the volunteers helped build houses for Habitat for Humanity.

In Weirwood, sometimes Mama Jane would find out what needed doing in the community, such as minor

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repairs or cleanup at the homes of older residents.

The volunteers spent most of their time at the Do Drop Inn in 2006, when work was being done on the roof.

The college students also ran a summer camp at nearby Bethel Baptist Church, in Franktown, where they helped provide meals to the kids and did activities with them such as playing basketball or having a field day.

Mama Jane left an impression “the way she opened up her house to anyone.” She was completely trusting of the student volunteers, Walsh said.

But it wasn’t just Cabarrus who made an impression – it was felt throughout the Weirwood community.

Walsh remembers every time the volunteers visited Weirwood, the owner of Campbell Field Airport, on Bayford Road, hosted a bonfire for the college students.

They also grew close to the neighborhood kids and kept in touch with some of them by phone after they returned to college. One of the kids became like a younger brother to Walsh, who was an only child.

She has visited Weirwood nine times, mostly with the volunteer group, but in June 2007 she made the long trip for the high school graduation of her “little brother,” Kenny Webb. She even helped him move when he went to college in New York.

Cabarrus also has been to Boston twice to speak at the college. The volunteer program paid for her flight and she stayed in Walsh’s dorm room, Walsh said.

Now it’s time for giving back.

Walsh has started a GoFundMe with the goal of raising \$250,000 for the Do Drop Inn “to ensure a healthy and safe recovery post-pandemic, and to preserve an important historical landmark and gathering place on the ESVA,” she wrote.

The money will be used to upgrade the kitchen, electrical system, HVAC system, and bathrooms; replace the floors, roof, and windows; install a new well; and improve the outdoor space, landscaping, and parking.

More than \$16,000 has been raised as of March 23. To learn more or to donate, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/do-drop-inn-weirwood>



**Boston College student volunteers gather with new friends from the Weirwood area, with Jane Cabarrus at the center in front of the sign for the Do Drop Inn. The college students were part of the group Appalachian Volunteers of Boston College that served communities all over the East Coast.**



**Katherine Walsh attends the 2007 high school graduation of Kenny Webb, whom she met while volunteering in Weirwood at the Do Drop Inn while on break from Boston College.**



**Jane Cabarrus, second from left, is on the Boston College campus around 2006 to speak to members of the student body about living conditions in parts of the Eastern Shore. Katherine Walsh appears at far right.**

# Restaurateur Developing Half of Former Watson's Hardware Store

By Jim Ritch

A \$2.5 million face-lift will breathe new life into half of the two former Watson's Hardware buildings.

Todd Bricken, a career restaurateur in Westminster, Md., plans to develop first-floor commercial space and upstairs apartments in what once held Watson's Christmas train layout, a small fraction of the store's hardware displays, plus offices.

Originally built as the Parson's Building, the name of which still appears on the facade, the building was converted in 1910 to the Radium Theatre.

Bricken purchased the building for \$600,000 and plans to invest about \$1.6 million in the build-out.

He estimates that another \$300,000 will be needed for finishes, depending on the needs of the tenant.

Former tenants of the building, including the Ellen Moore Gallery, were asked to leave by March 1 so that renovations could begin.

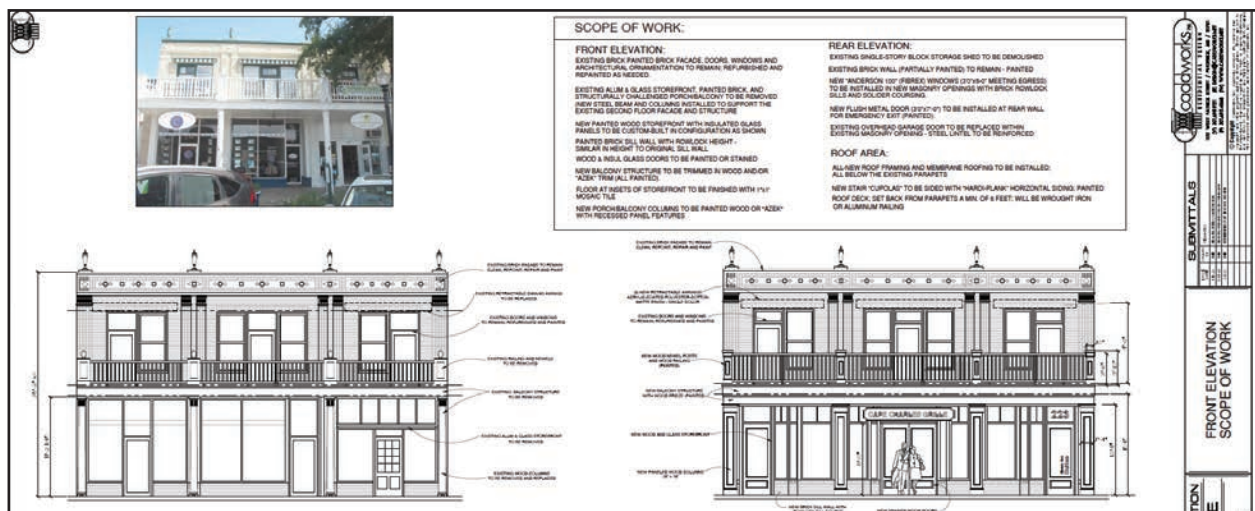
No surprise, the graduate of the

Culinary Institute of America and the hospitality program at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore hopes to see someone open a restaurant in the building.

"I really feel there's a need for more restaurants in Cape Charles," he said.

The plan for the first floor includes a 3,500 square-foot space; a small, rear, indoor garage or storage space; and a foyer and hallway for access to the second floor.

On the second floor, Bricken plans three one-bedroom and two two-bedroom apartments.



Plans prepared for the Cape Charles Historic Review Board show the building in its current form and intentions for its renovation. Image courtesy of Todd Bricken.

He also wants to improve the facade of the building, giving it a more historic look that blends better with other Mason Avenue buildings.

The three large windows facing the sidewalk will be made to better resemble each other and square pillars similar to those on neighboring buildings will replace rotting round pillars.

He anticipates mosaic tile thresholds for the main entrance and a fresh and consistent paint color to the facade.

Much of the historic details inside the building have been covered under years of renovations.

One possible gem lies buried under a dropped ceiling in the rear.

The carved wooden piece, possibly as long as 30 feet, is still in its original position over what was once the theater's screen, Bricken said.

A veteran of past renovations to

historic buildings, Bricken concedes that all these plans will have to be approved by the Historic District Review Board.

His initial submissions to the board have been met favorably, he said.

In Westminster, Bricken built a fine dining restaurant in what originally had been a one-room schoolhouse.

He operated the restaurant for 19 years, selling the operation and property in 2019.

"We had no idea that a global pandemic was just over the horizon," he said.

He and his wife searched the East Coast before falling in love with Cape Charles and purchasing a home in Bay Creek.

The couple expects to retire in Cape Charles, perhaps when their 12-year-old son finishes high school, he said.

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# Pump-and-Haul Permit Approved for White Raven's Nest

By Carol Vaughn

A request for a pump-and-haul agreement for a farm market business was approved by the Chincoteague Town Council in a 5-1 vote, after the council had rejected the request in a 3-2 vote in February.

The agreement adds the business to the town's general permit from the Virginia Department of Health, which requires council approval.

White Raven's Nest, a small retail business that sells fresh, local foods on Maddox Boulevard, first applied in December for a pump-and-haul agreement. The owners said the store produces a small amount of gray water from a hand sink and a mop sink, but no sewage.

Burke Landon and Kimberly White-Landon have operated the store in the location for two years, leasing the property.

White-Landon at the March 7 Town Council meeting said when the Department of Agriculture inspected the store in November, the owners were told they needed to update the grey water drainage system in order to be in compliance with the Accomack County Health Department.

They reapplied to the town for the pump-and-haul agreement after the February vote.

Several people commented in support of the business at the workshop meeting, at the March 10 ordinance committee meeting, and at the March 7 council meeting.

Kat Helms, of Chincoteague, a nurse who has had cancer, said White's Raven Nest provides important support for people's health.

"They have such a variety. It's farm-to-table. It's the health of our community that's going to lose out," she said.

Town Manager Mike Tolbert read an email from resident Deanna Bredbenner in support of the business.

Attorney Anita Johnson asked the council to consider her clients' request, saying it should be grandfathered in under the ordinance under which they applied.

The ordinance was approved in 2005. Councilwoman Denise Bowden said

Kathy Plant, of the Accomack County Health Department, attended the March 10 ordinance committee meeting and said the town had violated proper procedure according to the town's existing ordinance.

"The people that have a current pump-and-haul now were never turned down by the health department. In my opinion, it makes me feel like the town violated its own ordinance by not going through the proper procedure," Bowden said, adding, "...We need to do a serious cleaning up of that stuff."

Bowden and Councilman Gene Wayne Taylor said the health department does not have an issue with approving the agreement.

Vice Mayor Chris Bott said the current ordinance states if installing a septic system on a property is denied, a pump-and-haul may be granted.

However, the health department is telling other people, in addition to the Landons, to request a pump-and-haul, Bott said.

"I've already talked to two others that have gone down there and they have told them the same thing, so we've got more coming and the health department is telling them to come to us and get the pump-and-haul, even though the very ordinance that they approved from us says that the pump-and-haul can only be done if you can't get a septic system," he said.

Still, Bott said the agreement with White Raven's Nest should be approved.

Councilman Bill McComb quoted from the current ordinance and said, "I don't feel that making another wrong makes us right in any respect, regardless of what was done in the past."

McComb said he does not mean any hardship to the business or any others that might ask for a pump-and-haul agreement.

"This does not qualify," he said. McComb later voted against approving the pump-and-haul agreement for the business.

The council later in the meeting approved a new pump-and-haul ordinance, which contains a set of policies not included in the previous ordinance.

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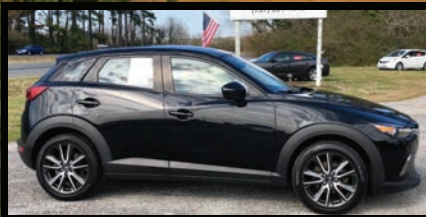
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By **Charle Ricci**  
*Technical Services Manager*  
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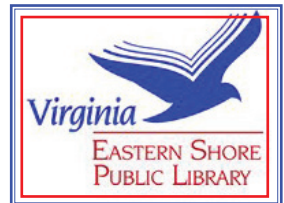
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<b>Grants</b>	\$61,616
<b>Sale of Assets</b>	\$1,500
<b>Total General Fund Revenues</b>	<b>\$2,114,928</b>

### Estimated Expenditures

<b>General Fund Expenditures</b>	
Public Works	\$265,949
Public Safety	\$649,695
General Government	\$541,091
<b>Total Estimated General Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>\$1,456,735</b>
<b>Enterprise Fund Expenditures</b>	
Wastewater	\$288,865
Water	\$171,139
Sanitation	\$136,582
<b>Total Estimated Enterprise Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>\$596,586</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	
Fire Program Fund	\$9,416
Capital Fund	\$48,000
Surplus	\$4,191
<b>Total Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,114,928</b>

## ESCADV Launches \$1.7M Fundraiser

### Submitted Article

Victims of domestic and sexual violence on the Eastern Shore can turn for help to the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ESCADV).

Each year, ESCADV shelters 150 people, answers 250 hotline calls and provides services to about 300 people. The coalition has initiated a capital campaign to create Hope Harbor, a 5-acre, three-building campus in Onancock, which will house its emergency shelter, administrative and advocacy offices, donation center, and community outreach space.

The campaign goal is \$1.7 million, of which almost half is already raised or pledged. An initial donation of \$350,000 by local philanthropist David Landsberger allowed the coalition to purchase the property. ESCADV has also received generous support from the town of Onancock, ESCADV board members, garden and art clubs, and others familiar with the organization to move quickly on the first of three buildings, the emergency shelter.

"When I saw the property where ESCADV will be I knew immediately that it was a find — while I knew there would be work, the bones were there for a facility that would be excellent for a cost that I believed ESCADV, with my help, could afford," Landsberger said.

Now, the coalition looks to the wonderful Eastern Shore community to raise the remaining funds.

The campaign is expected to run for only a few months and will include opportunities for naming rights, corporate sponsorships, and in-kind gifts.

ESCADV decided to look for a new facility because capacity had become a challenge. Over the years, the coalition's original 16-bed shelter was frequently at capacity and any additional survivors had to be housed in hotels. It was not uncommon for ESCADV to be sheltering up to 30 people at a time, with almost half of them having to stay in hotels, which aren't ideal from a safety or cost standpoint.

"This project is vitally important to our community to empower survivors to free themselves and break the cycle that sometimes entraps future generations," said capital campaign chairman John Fiege. "Whatever you can do to help us create Hope Harbor and thereby expanding capacity and extending services, would be greatly appreciated."

To learn more about the campaign, contact John Fiege at john@johnfiege.com or 757-710-2489, or contact Sarah Barban, ESCADV's director of fund development, at sbarban@escadv.org or 757-787-1959. To give online visit [www.escadv.org/HopeHarborCapitalCampaign](http://www.escadv.org/HopeHarborCapitalCampaign)

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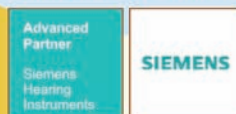


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## Virginia has 4,800 children and youth in foster care.

Of that number, 48% (or 2,304) are over the age of 13-years old. 18% of children and youth leaving foster care in Virginia are 18-years old. **This makes Virginia one of the worst states in the country in having youth "age out" of the foster care system without a permanent family.**

(United Methodist Family Services website, 2022, accessed on 03/18/2022, <https://www.umfs.org/virginia-foster-care-statistics/>)

The outcomes for youth who leave foster care without a permanent family are not pretty:

- 21% - 53% of the homeless population has spent some time in foster care
- Less than 60% graduate high school; only 3% go on to college
- 41% have spent at least one night in jail within 6 months; 7% are incarcerated and 45% have some kind of interaction with law enforcement
- 7 in 10 girls who age out of foster care will be pregnant by age 19
- 25% have PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder)

While pondering those statistics, consider that the average age of children leaving their parents home is 24-years old

There are currently 1,700 children and youth in Virginia who are legally free for adoption. Of that number, 30% (or 510), are over the age of 13-years old; the average age is 9-years old. (United Methodist Family Services website, 2022, accessed on 03/18/2022, <https://www.umfs.org/virginia-foster-care-statistics/>)

The need for foster parents to care for teenagers is dire. During the summer of 2021, over 100 children spent at least one night in a local Department of Social Services (DSS) office because a foster family willing to take them could not be identified. Many teenagers in foster care have lengthy trauma histories, and can be very difficult to manage, there is no denying that. But remember this: Teenagers did not ask to be in foster care. Adults in their lives have let them down. Teenagers need a loving, nurturing, and stable family just as much as younger children, perhaps even more so.

### ***So why should you become a foster parent for a teenager?***

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- You will show them what a safe, stable, loving family looks like
- You will teach them to be resilient when they are scared
- You will show them what it feels like to belong
- You may be the only person they truly trust
- You will teach them how to love others in a healthy way.

**By fostering a teen, you will ensure them that they do have to face big life decisions alone. You could be their last stop in foster care, and keep them from being traumatized further. Finally, you can show them that someone will love and encourage them for being who they are uniquely made to be.**

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## Court Postings

### Accomack County Circuit Court

By Nancy Drury Duncan

“The inmates in cellblock E in the Accomack County Jail had organized their lives in jail,” said Northampton County Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Jack Thornton. “They had a civil order,” he said.

He told the court the inmates had a system that worked well. Each person had time to use the telephone, a general order that made life behind bars easier. Then, a stranger moved in. Derek Robinson, from New Jersey, had his own way of doing things and apparently was not accepting of the “civil order.”

Thornton said Robinson made threats of bodily harm. There was a fight. After “8 or 9 minutes,” deputies came and broke it up, Thornton said. Most of the men watched from the sidelines. But three who did not were charged with malicious wounding and malicious wounding by a mob.

Corbin Drummond, 42, of Atlantic, and Traquan Timmons, 39, of Tasley, each pleaded guilty to the lesser charge of unlawful wounding in a plea agreement with the commonwealth. The charges of malicious wounding by a mob and malicious wounding were nolle prossed (the decision to not prosecute).

Thornton said he entered into the agreement because Robinson, the victim, “brought much of it upon himself. He infringed on the phone time of another, mouthed off, and generally caused a disturbance,” Thornton said. He said what started as a verbal altercation soon became a fight.

He said Robinson struck Dijon Smith. Smith got on top of Robinson and Timmons piled on top of them. “Drummond kicked him a few times,” said Thornton. From a few minutes of mutual combat, it became of a group of three men beating up on Robinson, he said. Robinson was taken to the hospital. Thornton said the attack may have been provoked but it “went too far.” He told the court the victim was released on bail and has since gone missing. He did not come to court to testify against his attackers. According to the terms of the plea agreement, active jail time will be at the midpoint of the sentencing guidelines. The two men

will be on supervised probation for one year and on good behavior for 10 years.

The case of the third man, Dijon Rykeem Smith, 30, of Fredericksburg, Va., who Thornton said was more culpable than Drummond and Timmons, was continued to April 7 because the victim was not there to testify. Judge W. Revell Lewis III warned Thornton he might not be inclined to continue to the case again if Robinson is not in court to testify on that date.

Brandon Michael Expectacion, 32, of Baltimore, will spend four years and two months in prison for his conviction of breaking into and entering a home and for possession of cocaine. In June 2020, Robert Hill and his wife were watching television at about 9 p.m. in their Trails End home when someone began shouting and banging on their door. At Expectacion’s trial, Hill said he got up and partially opened the door when the man pushed the door open and shoved him out of the way. He said the intruder was sweating profusely and said someone was trying to kill him. Hill said his wife ran outside in fear. He said the man appeared to be under the influence of something. He said the man went into the kitchen and came back waving a butcher knife. Hill said he was frightened and ran outside also. He said he heard the sound of his door locking behind as he left.

When police arrived, Hill said he went back inside and found his wife’s purse with its contents scattered and a lockbox that appeared to have been thrown against a wall though nothing appeared to be missing.

Expectacion said later he had been diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia and was having a paranoid episode. He said he had been hospitalized for the condition. “This is not the first time he has broken into someone’s house,” said Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney William Fox, reading from a list of convictions beginning in 2008.

“You have accumulated a significant record,” said Judge Lewis. “Your mental health issues, as well as drug abuse, may explain why, but not excuse it.” He sentenced Expectacion to 10 years for breaking and entering, and suspended six years, and sentenced him to two years for possession of cocaine, with all but two months suspended. He noted

that Expectacion was already on supervised probation in Maryland and ordered him to be on good behavior for 10 years.

Adjudication was deferred for two years in the case of Lisa Marie Farrell, 41, of Chincoteague. Farrell is charged with possession of cocaine. If she successfully completes probation, the charge will be dismissed. The charges arose from Sept. 2, 2020, incidents at Don’s Seafood and ChincoTiki. Farrell was yelling at other customers and causing a disturbance, said Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney William Fox.

When officers arrived, she was arrested for being drunk in public and taken to the Chincoteague police department. She told police she left her purse at the restaurant. When it was retrieved, she admitted it was her purse. A search revealed a small white baggie containing cocaine. She told the officers she bought it that evening on Chincoteague.

“I hope you can get yourself straight,” said Judge Lewis. “I hope this was out of character.” He told her the charge would be dismissed if she successfully completed two years of probation.

Nicholas Kennedy, 35, of Chincoteague, pleaded guilty to possession of hydrocodone. In June 2021, he was arrested when police responded to a call of a car driving erratically on Main Street.

When stopped, he told police he had recently cut his foot and that pressing the gas pedal caused him pain, said Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Michael Baker. He said the officer noted he had crutches and that his foot was wrapped. When he was getting his driver’s license from a bag, the officer noticed several small, white pills.

Laboratory analysis showed them to be hydrocodone. He said a friend gave them to him for pain. Kennedy is set for sentencing on April 21 in this case and another drug possession case.

Joshua Michael Sorber, 27, of Wallop’s Island, pleaded guilty to a lesser charge of assault and battery of a household member in a plea agreement with the commonwealth. He was originally charged with malicious wounding, a felony.

After midnight in July 2021, police responded to a home where they found a woman lying on the kitchen floor. She was taken to the emergency room, said Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Fox. While there, she told authorities

what Sorber told them had happened was not true.

She said she came home to find Sorber, a longtime boyfriend, waiting for her in her driveway. He confronted her when she got out of her car. She said he took her cellphone and looked at her messages, then picked her up and slammed her to the ground. She said she crawled into the house. She was found to have broken ribs from the incident.

Fox said the woman is satisfied with the plea agreement. Sorber was sentenced to 12 months in jail with all but time served suspended. He was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$752.73 and a protective order already against him was extended for two more years. Judge Lewis commented that the assaulted woman is approximately 5 feet, 2 inches tall and weighs 100 pounds. “I hope this is a wake-up call for you,” he told Sorber. “I suggest you might want to take anger management classes.”

### Northampton County Circuit Court Indictments

By Stefanie Jackson

Andrea Jo Black, 53, of Leesburg, Fla., was indicted March 14 on two felony charges of possession of Schedule I or II drugs, cocaine and crystal methamphetamine, on Nov. 1, 2021.

She was arrested the same day by Deputy J.W. Foisey, Northampton County Sheriff’s Office, who also investigated.

She was released Nov. 9, 2021, on \$2,000 secured bond.

Joseph Michael Castiglia, 21, of Melfa, was indicted March 14 on two felony charges of involuntary manslaughter on Jan. 28; the victims were a 12-year-old female and a 15-year-old female.

He was arrested Feb. 3 by Trooper C.G. Brockwell, Virginia State Police, who also investigated.

Castiglia also faces a related misdemeanor charge of reckless driving by not stopping for a school bus with its lights flashing.

He had no prior criminal record at the time of his arrest.

Castiglia was released Feb. 9 on \$7,500 secured bond.

Keyon Leroy Cherry, 34, of Exmore, was indicted March 14 on three felony charges: possession of a Schedule I or II drug, cocaine; possession of a firearm by

a violent convicted felon; and carrying a firearm while in possession of a Schedule I or II drug, all on Sept. 3, 2021.

He was arrested Sept. 4, 2021, by Deputy C.L. Forbes, NCSO, who also investigated.

Cherry had similar charges pending against him in Norfolk at the time of his arrest.

He was held without bail Sept. 4, 2021.

Ernest Curtis Gay, 56, of Cheriton, was indicted March 14 on two felony charges of failing to register as a sex offender on March 16, 2021, and Oct. 16, 2021.

He was arrested Dec. 15, 2021, by Trooper P. Neal, VSP, following an investigation by Trooper D. Wallace, VSP.

Gay's prior convictions included rape, attempted rape, and assault.

He was released Dec. 20, 2021, on \$1,000 secured bond.

Stevie Michelle Hooten, 36, of Chesapeake, was indicted Feb. 4 on a felony charge of possession of a Schedule I or II drug, Adderall, on July 20, 2021.

She was arrested the same day by Officer W.R. Hartshorn, Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Police Department, who also investigated.

Hooten also was issued a summons for driving without a valid license.

According to Hartshorn's report, he pulled over Hooten's vehicle because it had an expired inspection and registration. When he spoke to Hooten, she stated that she did not have a prescription for the Adderall she had in a small plastic bag.

Hooten was released Sept. 20, 2021, on \$3,500 unsecured bail.

Todd Blair Lewis, 57, of Eastville, was indicted March 14 on five felony charges: driving a motor vehicle worth \$1,000 or more, belonging to Ronald Bailey, without permission; stealing a motor vehicle worth \$1,000 or more, belonging to Twin Cedar Farms; stealing property worth more than \$1,000 with intent to sell or distribute; possession of a Schedule I or II drug; and possession of a firearm while in possession of a Schedule I or II drug. The alleged offenses occurred between Oct. 30, 2021, and Nov. 1, 2021.

He was arrested Nov. 1, 2021, by Deputy J.W. Foisey, NCSO, following a complaint filed Oct. 31, 2021, by Deputy G.M. Evans, NCSO.

Lewis had a prior conviction for larceny at the time of his arrest.

He was released Nov. 1, 2021, on \$1,500 secured bail.

Brandon Lilly, 33, of Machipongo, was indicted Feb. 4 on three felony charges of uttering checks on Sept. 12, Sept. 20, and Sept. 21, 2021.

He was arrested Sept. 30, 2021, by Deputy J.W. Foisey, NCSO. An investigation was conducted by Sgt. J. Gonzalez, Exmore Police Department.

Lilly faces three related misdemeanor charges, each of stealing less than \$1,000.

He was indicted separately on Feb. 4 for a felony charge of attempted robbery on Sept. 29, 2021. For that offense, Lilly was arrested Sept. 30 by Officer Tyler Hinman, EPD, who also investigated.

Lilly was released Oct. 7, 2021, on \$5,000 secured bond.

Randy L. Myrick, 41, of Cheriton, was indicted March 14 on a felony charge of a hit-and-run resulting in damage to property worth \$1,000 or more on Nov. 13, 2021.

He was arrested Nov. 20, 2021, by Trooper G.L. Gallimore, VSP, following an investigation by Trooper Y.D. Lynch, VSP.

Myrick also faces a misdemeanor charge of driving without a license and received a summons for drinking while driving, also known as an open container offense. Both of the lesser offenses occurred on the date of his arrest.

His prior convictions included possession with intent to distribute a Schedule I or II drug and a probation violation.

Myrick was released Nov. 20, 2021, on \$1,000 secured bail.

Christopher Alan Northcraft, 34, of Brooklyn Park, Md., was indicted March 14 on six felony charges: two counts of possession of Schedule I or II drugs, cocaine and fentanyl; abduction of Brandy Bowen; second-degree attempted murder of Bowen; malicious wounding, resulting in severe injury; and eluding police, resulting in the endangerment of a person, all on Oct. 19, 2021.

He was arrested Oct. 22, 2021, by Trooper C.G. Brockwell, VSP, following an investigation by Trooper J. Little John-Miller, VSP. Officer M. Tobin, Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office, assisted in the arrest.

Northcraft, with Bowen as his passenger, had led police on a high-speed vehicle chase Oct. 19, 2021, from Maryland to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel.

The pursuit had reached speeds in excess of 120 mph before Northcraft's vehicle crashed on the bridge-tunnel.

He exited the vehicle through the rear window and attempted to remove Bowen before fleeing; he went over a guardrail and fell to the ground, approximately 30 feet below the road.

Both Northcraft and Bowen had warrants out for their arrest at the time of the incident, and both sustained major injuries that were not life-threatening, according to VSP.

Northcraft was combative during transport to Norfolk General Hospital.

On the morning of his arrest, when he was to be discharged from the hospital, Northcraft barricaded himself in his hospital room and unsuccessfully attempted to open or break a window to escape police custody, according to VSP.

He also faces misdemeanor charges of DWI or driving while intoxicated by drugs, his first offense; possession of a Schedule IV drug; driving without a license; reckless driving by exceeding speeds of 85 mph; and reckless driving resulting in the endangerment of a person.

A Northampton County Circuit Court document did not specify Northcraft's previous convictions but noted his prior criminal record as "22 pages."

He was held without bail Oct. 22, 2021.

Nicholas Ryan Potts, 25, of Bloxom, was indicted March 14 on a felony charge of malicious wounding of Amanda Bare on June 15, 2021.

He was arrested June 16, 2021, by Officer Brandon Parks, EPD, who also investigated.

Potts also faces related misdemeanor charges of assault of a family or household member and reckless driving in a parking lot.

According to a report by Parks, who interviewed both the accused and the victim and observed video footage of the parking lot, the couple had argued and gone to the parking lot of an apartment building on June 15, 2021.

Potts got in his vehicle and attempted to drive away, but Bare was on the hood. He maneuvered the vehicle several times in what appeared to be an attempt to dislodge Bare from the hood, according to the report.

She reached into the driver's side and Potts tried again to drive away, with Bare hanging onto the driver's side door. She fell and was run over by the vehicle, the report stated.

When Parks arrived, Bare was visibly

injured and emergency medical personnel responded to the scene.

Potts was released June 23, 2021, on \$2,000 secured bond.

Tyshid Rainey, 26, of Newark, N.J., was indicted March 14 on a felony charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle worth \$1,000 or more, which belonged to U-Haul, on Aug. 25, 2021.

He was arrested the same day by Officer C.C. Stalter, CBBT PD.

According to Stalter's report, he stopped the U-Haul vehicle because it had been reported stolen, according to the CBBT tag reader. The vehicle, which was reported stolen May 18, 2021, had been rented by Altariq Wardick, a friend of Rainey.

Rainey's prior convictions included aggravated assault and eluding.

He was released on \$4,000 secured bond Sept. 2, 2021.

Shakir Ricketts, 28, of Newport News, was indicted March 14 on two felony charges: endangering a person after failing to stop for a law enforcement officer and continuing to drive over the speed limit by 20 mph or more; and abuse or neglect of a child, showing reckless disregard for life, both on Nov. 28, 2021.

He was arrested the same day by Officer Spencer Parks, CBBT PD, who also investigated.

Ricketts also faces a misdemeanor charge of reckless driving by speeds of 20 mph or more over the limit.

His prior convictions included being an accessory to the theft of property, a probation violation, and failure to appear in court.

Ricketts was released on \$5,000 secured bond Nov. 29, 2021.

Shannon Thornton, 33, of Machipongo, was indicted March 14 on a felony charge of attempted uttering of a check on Sept. 28, 2021.

She was arrested Sept. 30, 2021, by Deputy M. Johnson Sr., NCSO, following an investigation by Sgt. J. Gonzalez, EPD.

Thornton also faces a related misdemeanor charge of attempted larceny of less than \$1,000.

She was on probation or parole in Accomack County at the time of her arrest.

Her prior convictions included unauthorized use of a vehicle, driving while intoxicated, and assault of a law enforcement officer.

Thornton was released on \$1,000 secured bail Sept. 30, 2021.

# Property Transactions

## Accomack County

- From John E. Somers III  
To Real J. Gregoire and Alan Joseph St Cyr  
1.5 acres on Shoremain Drive, Bloxom  
For \$235,000
- From Sarah D. Wright  
To Linda M. and Steven M. Taylor  
2197 Brigantine Blvd., Greenbackville  
For \$153,000
- From Lassiter Holdings LLC  
To Bojack LLC  
Lot 70, Route 13 Bypass, Tasley  
For \$78,500
- From Burgess Investments LLC  
To Georgia and Fred Brown  
Lot 3A, Branch Road, near  
Temperanceville  
For \$53,000
- From Debra T. and Joseph P. Zager  
To Richard E. Booth  
14264 Dogwood Lane, Belle Haven  
For \$669,000
- From Marklin Lee Wessells  
To Walter Todd Wessells  
18337 Big Road, Parksley  
For \$35,233
- From Denise Williams Stadler  
To Jack Hillary Williams Sr.  
.38 acres on Chincoteague  
For \$3,000
- From Ellis H. Pretlow, trustee of the  
Richard E. Cooke Revocable Trust  
To Clinton P. Pitts Jr.  
21.32 acres, Back Creek Road,  
Pungoteague  
For \$20,000
- From Mary H. Wise  
To Ronald Patrick Thorne  
30196 Downing Road, Oak Hall  
For \$185,000
- From Trudy A. Apple  
To Angela and Gregory Agana  
Lot 273 Oyster Bay II, Chincoteague  
For \$387,500
- From Barbara Miers, Rosemary R.  
Ferrino, and Barbara Fisher, trustees  
To Richard Whalley Jr., Susan  
Poe-Whalley, Steven Bridgett, and  
Richard Perry  
4090 Grand Bay Court, Chincoteague  
For \$225,000
- From Rosemary B. and James W.  
Bentzel  
To Tammy T. and Martin A. Riley  
4460 Williams Lane, Chincoteague  
For \$350,000
- From 6185 Poplar LLC  
To Chincoteague Hotel LC  
2 lots, 6185 Poplar St., Chincoteague  
For \$420,000
- From Carole A. and Michael R.  
Bernstein  
To Calvin B. Taylor Banking Co.  
Parcel on Main Street, Chincoteague  
For \$510,000
- From Laura Springham and Phillip  
L. Whaley  
To Joy A. and Stephen Kenneth  
Hirschmugl  
5338 Oak Drive, Chincoteague  
For \$378,000
- From Erika Jane and Peter James Bale  
To John Robinson III  
6327 Cleveland St., Chincoteague  
For \$580,000
- From Karen L. Kalinock  
To Jessica Marie Bennett and Linda  
May Bennett  
Captains Cove Lot 2 Section 6,  
Greenbackville  
For \$106,000
- From Gelinda Marie and Michael  
Anthony Giacomini  
To Thomas E. Mason Jr.  
Lot 7 Willow St., Chincoteague  
For \$54,000
- From Carolyn C. and Lee Johnson III  
To Barbara Ann and John Wesley Far-  
low Sr.  
Captains Cove Lot 181 Section 9,  
Greenbackville  
For \$6,100
- From Janet L. Crockett  
To Trevor Wessells  
8 Nelson Drive, Onancock  
For \$225,000
- From J&A Builders LLC  
To Masseyini Thiam and Manta M.  
Lumbansiantar  
Captains Cove Lot 44 Section 9,  
Greenbackville  
For \$227,900
- From MCAP Eastern Shore Land LLC  
To Leroy D. Isaacson  
Parcel B, Poplar Cove Road, Onancock  
For \$60,000
- From Federal Home Loan Mortgage  
Corp.  
To Patricia H. Parker  
Parcels A, B, C, 30262-30250 Back  
Road, near Chancetown  
For \$135,000
- From Tammy T. and Martin A. Riley  
To Sarah Louise and Benjamin Lambert  
7134 Horseshoe Drive, Chincoteague  
For \$425,000

- From Raffi Karahisar and Kathy A.  
Mancusi  
To Patricia Sue and Jerry Allen Shenk  
Captains Quarters Townhouses, Lot 6,  
Chincoteague  
For \$265,000
- From Lillian E. and John R. Kirby  
To Karen N. and Jay W. Landau  
Trails End Lot 92 Unit 3 Sheet 3,  
Horntown  
For \$25,000
- From Camellia W. Warrington  
To Leana C. and Ryan J. Thorpe  
8278 Sea Breeze Drive, Chincoteague  
For \$135,320
- From Robin and Lonnie Eugene  
Carpenter  
To Julie Scott Allen  
7531 Pony Cove Lane, Chincoteague  
For \$305,000
- From Anna Kline and Norman Reim  
To Elissa E. and Scott Rene Blackerby  
4579 Shelley Cove Lane, Chincoteague  
For \$625,000
- From Mark Gardner, Sue Brown,  
and Tom Howard, trustees of Hereford  
United Methodist Church  
To Dale and Scott Banning  
Lot D, Mt. Wharton Estates, Assawoman  
For \$37,500
- From Rhonda Birch and Aaron Kelly  
Matthews  
To Maegan E. and Christopher M. Bollin  
3212 Ridge Road, Chincoteague  
For \$390,000
- From Mary B. Boundy  
To Pauline and Michael J. Stevenson  
128 Cropper St., Chincoteague  
For \$305,000
- From Linda Susan Kelley, trustee,  
and Horace Edward Kelly IV  
To Bismillah Farm LLC  
33.764 acres, 3475 Kelly Road, New  
Church  
For \$3,400,000
- From Douglas Eugene and Jennifer  
Faye Mellington  
To Jordan and Matt Cipparuolo  
10181 Atlantic Road, Atlantic  
For \$164,500
- From John J. Mampe and Robert D.  
Mampe  
To Linda and Carl Peter Bacchi  
20136 Mosher Lane, Quinby  
For \$405,000
- From Gail A. and David K. Harris  
To Robyn Tytomi-Dalton  
Captains Cove Lot 1997 Section 4,  
Greenbackville  
For \$212,000
- From Roberta A. Schlichting and  
Robyn Morrison  
To Jerry A. Fletcher and Steven Shaner  
Trails End Lot 232 Unit 2 Sheet 2,  
Horntown  
For \$31,500
- From Surety Trustees LLC  
To Jesse E. Doughty  
Parcel near Melfa  
For \$107,130.03
- From Patricia P. Nottingham  
To Nathan T. Iseman  
25101 Nottingham Lane, near Cashville  
For \$25,000
- From The Secretary of Housing and  
Urban Development  
To Otis W. Evans Sr.  
28048 Gargatha Landing Road, near  
Parksley  
For \$70,100
- From Kenneth L. Simmons Jr., Patri-  
cia J. Jaeger, Vincent D. Simmons, and  
Cheryl S. Reynolds  
To Susanne W. Erikson  
14305 Adams Lane, Harborton  
For \$325,000
- From Brahm Bruce Willer  
To Maureen Teresa Maguire  
7220 Mason Drive, Chincoteague  
For \$59,960
- From Erin Michelle and Jerrod Jon  
Otto Kirchoff  
To Rhonda B. and Aaron K. Matthews  
5291 Meadow Lane, Chincoteague  
For \$585,000
- From Linda D. and Anthony A. White  
To John Hohman  
Trails End Lot 36 Unit 3 Sheet 4,  
Horntown  
For \$29,900
- From Karen and Eugene Mari  
To Aaron O. Jones and Phyllis L.  
Blacknall-Jones  
Captains Cove Lot 1096 Section 1,  
Greenbackville  
For \$6,000
- From Eric J. Dawson  
To Lisa and Glenn M. Shockley  
Trails End Lot 113 Unit 3 Sheet 7,  
Horntown  
For \$12,500
- From Hong Li  
To Karen Pitt  
31354 Cedar View Road, Painter  
For \$141,000
- From Michael P. Irwin  
To Aimee L. and Jarrod S. Winans  
31598 Greta Road, Atlantic  
For \$80,000
- From Wallace Purnell Smith, by  
Karen L. Smith, his attorney-in-fact  
To Bernadette Stratton, Gregory Strat-

ton, Koshua Stratton, Gregory A. Stratton Jr., and Adrian Bernard Stratton  
22151 Custis St., Wachapreague  
For \$25,000

•From Betsy Taylor Hudson  
To Erick R. Hansen and Kathleen P. Woodhurst  
Captains Cove Lot 1749 Section 3, Greenbackville  
For \$500

•From Jacquelyn Cashwell Bizzotto  
To Amber Michelle Tull  
27 Hill St., Onancock  
For \$140,000

•From Allison Rae and Samuel Paul Vonella  
To Anne C. and Lawrence A. Zeccola  
Captains Cove Lot 1261 Section 1, Greenbackville  
For \$35,000

•From Ellen Petrofesi Pucciarelli, successor trustee  
To Robert Craig Henry and Loren Staci Schaefer  
4665 Main St., Chincoteague  
For \$675,000

•From John Sharpley  
To Anna M. Garrison  
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•From William and Annette Chance  
To Ronald Rowe  
0.825 acres near Capeville  
For \$155,000

•From Bay Creek Development LLC  
To Michael Platner and Janice Burch  
Lot B-70, Bayside Village, Cape Charles  
For \$125,000

•From Joseph and Leann Garvey  
To Dustin and Christina Goodpaster  
Lot 19, Cape Charles  
For \$650,000

•From Paul Edwards  
To Sandra Burlock  
Lot 8, Pine Meadows, near Wardtown  
For \$50,000

•From Larry and Erika Buck, co-trustees  
To Gregory Sommers  
Parcel 2C in Waverly, Church Neck  
For \$130,000

•From Johnnie and Myrna Slayton  
To David Schmidt Jr. and Suzanne Omrod  
Lot 12, Virginia's Chesapeake Shores, Capeville district  
For \$580,000

•From Bay Creek Development LLC  
To Michael and Susan Hudson  
Lot 49, Plantation Pointe, Bay Creek, Cape Charles

For \$125,000

•From Clear Hot Development LLC  
To Thomas Davidson Jr.  
Lots 16, 17, 18, and 19, near Weirwood  
For \$25,000

•From Clearview Homes VA LLC  
To Charles Van Dyck and Cynthia Emrich  
Lot 49, Marina Village East, Cape Charles  
For \$79,000

•From E. David Outten  
To Jonathan and Linda Kilmon  
Lot in Exmore  
For \$90,000

•From William Rue Jr. and Jennie Virgin  
To Seaside Coops LLC  
24.6 acres, Tract 7, near Nassawadox  
For \$75,000

•From Arnett O. Spady, Conway Downing Jr., Sharon Johnson, and Paula Peyton  
To William and Kim Allen  
Remainder of Lot 4, Lot 4A, Franktown district  
For \$50,000

•From Susan Prettyman  
To CMH Homes Inc.  
Lot near Silver Beach  
For \$95,000

•From Francis Suraci  
To Thomas Waller  
Lot 1, Great Pine Harbour, Old Neck, Franktown district  
For \$46,000

•From Bay Creek Development LLC  
To Beacon Custom Homes LLC  
Lot 53, Cape Charles  
For \$115,000

•From Thomas and Judy Strzepek  
To Stephen and Dana Sanderlin  
Lot 21, Bay Harbour Club, Eastville  
For \$670,000

•From James and Norma Ford  
To Kristen Wisler  
Lot 113, The Colony at Bay Creek, Cape Charles  
For \$117,500

•From Sara Werden and THS Family Limited Partnership  
To 16342 Smith Beach LLC  
Lot near Smith Beach Road, near Eastville  
For \$185,000

•From Clelia and John Sheppard Jr.  
To Donald and Mary Bickley  
Lot 3, Fig Street, Cape Charles  
For \$720,000

•From John and Jeanne Sexton  
To Hayley and William Duncan Jr.  
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# OBITUARIES

## Lorraine Andreatch

**Ms. Lorraine Andreatch**, 91, of Chincoteague Island, formerly of Tinton Falls, N.J., passed away March 20, 2022, at Commonwealth Senior Living in Onancock.

She graduated from Bound Brook High School and Beauty School in Plainfield.

She was born at home in Raritan, N.J., on March 27, 1930, a daughter to the late Steven and Frances (Gurish) Thomas.

She was a member of Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church on Chincoteague Island. She was a beautician and had her own beauty shop in South Plainfield, N.J., known as the House of Beauty, for many years. She had her own ceramics studio where she



**Ms. Andreatch**

taught many people the love of ceramics. She was the roundtable commissioner for the Cub Scouts for the then Watchung Area Council BSA, and a den leader for Pack 24. She volunteered her time at the Saint Leo's Roman Catholic Church in Lincroft, N.J. She was a member of the garden club in Tinton Falls, N.J., and a member of the Crafty Christians. She loved to cook and could make an art form out of meals. She was also an avid square dancer with the Middletown Ramblers.

Lorraine is survived by her loving sons, Allen Andreatch, of Chincoteague Island, and Thomas Peter Andreatch, of Pocomoke City, Md.; and grandson, Steven Andreatch, of Newark, Del.

The family wishes to thank all the many friends and family she had. She loved all of you.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Peter Andreatch.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to CVFC Ambulance Fund, P.O. Box 691, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, or Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 6288 Church St., Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

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

Condolences may be made online at [www.salyerfh.com](http://www.salyerfh.com)

## Rose Lee Bailey

**Miss Rose Lee Bailey**, 80, of Parksley, received her wings Saturday, March 12, 2022, at Shore Health & Rehab Center in Parksley.

Born in Gargatha, Rose was the beloved daughter of the late Elijah Baker and the late Mazzie F. Flemming. At an early age, she joined the Metompkin Baptist Church and attended faithfully until her health began to decline. Rose was employed at the Hallwood Cannery Factory for 20 years. In later years, she began working at the Arcadia Nursing Home for 15 years until her retirement.

Funeral services were held Satur-



**Miss Bailey**

day, March 19, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. Tamela P. Wise officiating. Interment was in the Whar-ton Cemetery, Parksley.

She leaves to cherish her loving memory her son, Larry Bailey; one daughter, Lisa Bailey; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; long-time friend, Sadra Bailey; three sisters, Rachel Baker, Frances West, and Daisey Bailey; one brother, Ross Bailey; devoted caregiver, Virgie Lewis; and a host of relatives and friends.

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

## Josephine S. Boldin

**Mrs. Josephine S. Boldin**, 87, of Highland Spring Park, Va., formerly of the Shore, peacefully departed this life and went to be with the Lord on Friday, Feb. 25, 2022, at the Memorial Medical Center in Richmond, surrounded by family and clergy.

Born in Northampton County, she was the daughter of Harry and Idella Taylor Smith. As a young woman, Josephine married John Boldin Sr. (now deceased) and made her home in Craddockville. She worked part time in the sea-food, canning,



**Mrs. Boldin**

and packaging industries to help support her family. Later, she moved to Richmond, where she worked as a personal caregiver. She attended 5th Street Baptist Church and St. Paul's Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 19, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. Charles Kellam officiating. Interment was in the New Mt. Zion Baptist cemetery, Painter.

Josephine leaves to cherish her loving memories: four daughters, Rosie Britt, Bathriene Johnson, Pauline Boldin, and Loretta Sutton; 12 grandchildren; two sisters, Corine Kellam and Helen Starchia; as well as a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other loved ones, and friends.

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

## Elizabeth R. Butler

**Mrs. Elizabeth R. Butler** passed away peacefully on March 19, 2022, in the comfort of her home and family. Liz simply enjoyed life and all it offered. Throughout her life she thrived in the roles of daughter, mother, sister, grandmother, aunt, teacher, student, volunteer, gardener, animal lover, and traveler among many others. All of this was served up with a great sense of humor and never took life or herself too seriously.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1941, to Elizabeth and John Ricks, Liz grew up in Manhasset, N.Y., and Lloyd Harbor, N.Y. She attended Green Mountain Junior College, CW Post College, and Windham College. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education. Liz was married to Roy Butler on June 15, 1963, in Manhasset.

Liz was always teaching, learning, exploring, creating, giving, and growing. For her, each experience was always best when shared with others. She embraced the opportunity to contribute to her community and did so as a remedial reading instructor and speech and language instructor, as well as a physical education teacher to elementary students. She was also a lifelong Girl Scout, from childhood throughout her adult years. She continued her love and dedication for scouting as a leader, administrator, summer camp founder, host, and director. Liz was involved with the international exchange program, educational foundation, where she served as an administrator and as three-time foreign student host.

She cherished her role as a volunteer caregiver for Good Beginnings of Central Vermont, a new parent support organization founded in Northfield, Vt. Liz gave many hours of her time to the Northfield Emergency Relief Council and Food Pantry (now CERV). She and her husband Roy were longtime members of the United Church of Northfield and passionately gave as deacon, vacation Bible school teacher, usher, and all-around volunteer.



**Mrs. Butler**

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She loved all animals, big and small, but was particularly fond of her poodle, Tango. Liz and Tango completed service and obedience training to become a certified therapy dog team, providing encouragement and comfort in schools and nursing homes. Some of her many other interests and activities included gardening, snow sports, tennis, needlework, physical fitness activities, and world travel.

She is survived by her sister, Judy Shields, of Onancock; son, Timothy Butler, and his wife, Lynne, of Fairlee, Vt.; daughter, Justine Myers, and her husband, Jim, of Waterbury Center, Vt.; son, Christopher Butler, and his partner, Ivana Szady, of South Hamilton, Mass.; grandchildren, Ryleigh, Thessalie, Jack, Annalise, and Garrett; and her beloved poodle, Tango. Liz was predeceased by her husband, Roy, and her niece, Marcie Shields.

A Celebration of Life service was held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, in Onancock, Thursday, March 24, 2022, at 11 a.m., with Father Ed Hunt officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts to support Christian education may be made to United Church of Northfield, 58 S. Main St., Northfield, VT 05663, or Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 338, Onancock, VA 23417.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

## Elthea H. Fletcher-Waters

**Mrs. Elthea H. Fletcher-Waters**, 96, of Wattsville, was called to her heavenly resting place Thursday, March 10, 2022, after a brief illness at Christiana Care Wilmington Hospital in Wilmington, Del.

Born in New Church, Elthea was the beloved daughter of the late Thomas and Ethel Harmon. She was a graduate of Mary N. Smith High School. After high school, she entered cosmetology school, where she became a licensed beautician.

Elthea entered the workforce at Bird's Eye Foods in Pocomoke City,



**Mrs. Fletcher-Waters**

Md., where she retired after 20 years of service. In 1965, she gained employment with the Accomack County Public Schools and dedicated 40 years of faithful service. She also did hair until the late hours of the night.

She was a member of Friendship United Methodist Church, now New Beginnings U.M. Church, in Wattsville. Elthea worked there faithfully in several capacities. She will be remembered as the oldest member of the church.

On Jan. 25, 1950, she married her sweetheart, Sewell S. Fletcher. They were married for 28 years.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 19, 2022, at New Beginnings U.M. Church, with the Rev. Harold E. White Sr. officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery.

She leaves to cherish precious and lasting memories, two children, Elridge M. Fletcher and Adonica K. Wilson; seven grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; special niece, Benita Miller; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

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

## Lucille Birch Gohl

On March 11, 2022, **Mrs. Lucille Birch Gohl**, 75, received her final call from her Lord and Savior telling her it's time to come home to be reunited with family and friends she hasn't seen in a long time.

On May 30, 1946, Lucille was born to Herman and Elizabeth (Thornton) Birch, of Chincoteague Island. From riding her bike, roller skating,

dancing, and playing basketball, it was obvious from an early age she was destined to be on the move. Lucille's career path included several entrepreneurial endeavors such as real estate, cosmetology, child development, and caregiving. Mrs. Gohl was active in her community and in the church no matter where she resided. Lucille spent several years as a Camp Fire leader, mentoring and helping young people grow and achieve their dreams.



**Mrs. Gohl**

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She leaves to cherish her memory: three children, Tammy Morris (Steve), of Millville, N.J., Susan McManus, of Brownsboro, Texas, and Tiffany Daniel (Vern), of Greenbrier, Ark.; seven grandchildren, Curtis and Jordan Merritt, of Maryland, Krystal Morris and Tiara Homan, of New Jersey, Kendall McManus, of Texas, Wyatt Daniel and Andrea Gillihan, of Arkansas; five great-grandchildren; along with a host of beloved family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Wayne and Steve Birch; sister, Dorothy Casper; beloved husband, Andrew Gohl; grandchildren, Steven Morris Jr. and Andrew Daniel; and ex-husbands, Fletcher Taylor and Gene Adams.

Graveside funeral services were held Friday, March 18, 2022, at 2 p.m., at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, 1413 E. Irving Blvd., Irving, TX 75061, under the direction of Colonial Funeral Home of Irving.

## Melvin Gilbert Nuckols

**Mr. Melvin Gilbert Nuckols** was born Nov. 16, 1929, to Joseph Franklin Nuckols Sr. and Ruth Elizabeth Gilbert Nuckols in the Kempsville area of Tidewater, Va., in what is now Virginia Beach, the third of three children after siblings Liz and Frank. He left high school to join the army at 17 and was eventually stationed in the Philippines, where he worked mainly on mechanics and truck repair. After an officer told him that upon completing his enlistment he should “Finish your education, son,” he did just that, graduating from Kempsville High School in 1949 and enrolling at Virginia Tech, where he studied agriculture on the G.I. Bill. He was recalled for service during the Korean War and stationed in Germany. He returned to Virginia Tech, graduating with a B.A. in agricultural education in 1955.

The son of a farmer, he next taught agriculture and shop at Atlantic High School on Virginia’s Eastern Shore. It



**Mr. Nuckols**

was there that he met his wife of 63 years, Bettie Anne Blades.

Once the Space Race began, following the launch of the USSR’s Sputnik satellite, Mel Nuckols did further service to his country by requalifying to teach science, which he did at Parksley and Arcadia high schools, focusing primarily on chemistry and physics. He retired in 1988 with a total of 30 years of service to the Accomack County Public Schools. His students went on to work in various STEM professions, one even studying chemistry at MIT. Even those who didn’t enter technical fields enjoyed his easygoing manner and way of including everyone in classroom discussions. He often related scientific concepts to everyday things and did fun demonstrations, like wiggling a Slinky stretched across the floor to show the shape and movement of light waves, sound waves, etc.

Shortly before and after retirement, he also taught part time at the Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC) in Melfa, where he led a chemistry course for students entering the nursing field. Ever committed to the sciences, he volunteered for long-term ecological research in the 1990s, taking water samples from inlets of the Chesapeake Bay and recording their chemical qualities as part of an Eastern-Shore-wide effort.

His and Bettie’s only child, Mark Elliot, was born in 1966. Shortly after that major life event, he spent 15 months with his family in Charlottesville earning an M.A. in education, with an emphasis on science. He related his love of learning to his son, Mark, who went on to major in English at U.Va. and eventually earned a Ph.D. in Slavic languages at Ohio State. Although Mel favored his alma mater Tech, he was never “conflicted” over being the father of a Wahoo – or the fact that he himself was an alumnus of both VPI and U.Va.

He also saw no conflict between faith and science: he taught Sunday school at Parksley Baptist Church and Bethel UMC (Jamesville) for roughly five decades.

For practically all his life, he enjoyed activities such as boating, fishing, swimming, biking, and jogging, and later became a regular in the Seaside Half-Marathon and Crystal Beach Triathlon. After retiring, he often spent

Fridays working at a friend’s farm, garage, and sawmill, and other days working on his own tractor, ’54 Chevy pickup, and ’67 VW Beetle. He taught a “55 Alive” driving safety course for seniors for AARP and tutored for the Eastern Shore Literacy Council. Dating from the 1970s, he was a charter member of the Accomack County Kiwanis Club, which he also served as secretary and treasurer.

He passed away peacefully March 16, 2022, at his home near Silver Beach, with wife Bettie and son Mark at his side. He is survived by niece, Ruth (Nuckols) Spangler, and her children; nephew, Michael H. Nuckols, and family; sister-in-law, Wanda H. Nuckols; (his brother, Joseph Franklin Jr., predeceased him by three weeks); brother-in-law, Dewey E. Blades, and his wife, Connie (Turner), and their children (Mel’s nephews and niece), Phillip, Joe, Gary, and Carolyn. His legacy will also be carried on by countless students.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 21, 2022, at 1 p.m., at Bethel United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Paul Oh and the Rev. Judy Worthington officiating. Interment followed in Parksley Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Eastern Shore Public Library, P.O. Box 25, Parksley, VA 23421.

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

## Norma Muse Rayfield

**Mrs. Norma Muse Rayfield**, 84, wife of the late George R. Rayfield and a resident of Birdsnest, passed away Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at Nassawadox Rehabilitation and Nursing in Nassawadox. A native of Elizabeth City, N.C., she was the daughter of the late McKinley Muse and the late Mamie Dale Muse. She was a retired teacher’s aide for Northampton County Public Schools and a member of Epworth United Methodist Church.

She is survived by three children, Mary Lynn



**Mrs. Rayfield**

Farlow, of Prince George County, Va., Arthur Wayne Rayfield, of Exmore, and Michael R. Rayfield, of Birdsnest; a sister, Maxine Harrell, and her husband, George, of Elizabeth City; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

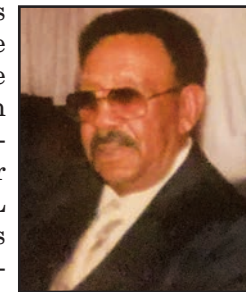
A graveside service was conducted Sunday, March 20, 2022, at 2 p.m., at Red Bank Baptist Church Cemetery, with Pastor Jonathan Carpenter officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to SPCA Eastern Shore Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

## Charles “Ed” Savage

**Mr. Charles “Ed” Savage**, 83, of Painter, quietly entered into eternal rest Monday, March 7, 2022, at the rehabilitation center in Nassawadox.

Born in Craddockville, Charles was the beloved son of the late Sidney and Jane Savage Sr. He was affectionately known as “Ed” by his family and friends. He was a school bus driver for over 20 years and received the “Driver of the Year” award on multiple occasions. Ed later obtained his CDL license and was a driver for Davis Disposal for several years.



**Mr. Savage**

He spent the majority of his life as a farmer, growing crops and managing farmland.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 19, 2022, at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Wardtown, with the Rev. Milton P. Bunting officiating.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his children, Tomeka Hill-Brown, Latasha Harris, Kesha Hill-Foster, Faith Custis, Lydia Betz, and Larry Parker; 13 grandchildren; siblings, Bernice “Chummy” Parker, Louise Alexander, and Nettie Roberson; special friends, Margaret Hatney, the Sterling Family, and the Henderson Family; special niece, Cathy Harmon; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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



# Random Facts About ... the Age of the Universe as a Cosmic Calendar

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes this week, something came out that made us think, "Wow." Inspired by Carl Sagan, a noted astronomer who appeared frequently on television and who died in 1996, the cosmic calendar compresses the entire 14-billion-year history of the universe into a single calendar year.

In this scheme, the universe is born with the Big Bang at one second of the new year, and the cosmic year ends with current time, now, which is on the last second of the year. With the entire lifespan of the universe taking place over one year and knowing how long it took for solar systems and planets to form, you might think (if you're as dense as we are) that dinosaurs didn't appear on Earth until late in the year. Maybe around Halloween. Duh. Dinosaurs don't appear on the cosmic calendar until Christmas. And the first humans don't appear until New Year's Eve, 10 minutes before the ball drops to end the year.

What was going on with the universe before all this excitement in the last month of the cosmic calendar? Most of the time was spent with the universe forming into what it is today. The first stars came into existence on Jan. 3 and our galaxy formed in the last week in January. Then it wasn't until Sept. 9 that our solar system was in operation. About a week later, the Earth solidified into a planet. By the way, those dinosaurs who appeared on Earth at Christmas? They get wiped out by a comet a week later.

But what about us? On the morning of the last day of the year, tailless apes evolved, splitting off from old world monkeys. Throughout the day, various primates evolve until around 8 p.m. that last day of the year, a great ape species splits off from chimpanzees and bonobos to form ... wait for it ... us! Well, eventually. Several early human versions were tried out and went extinct. Then, just before 11:50 on the last day, the modern human appeared on

Earth.

Everything we know about human history occurred in the final seconds of the cosmic calendar. Eric Siegal, of Forbes magazine, explains it this way: "20 seconds before midnight, the first walled cities arise, with populations exceeding 1,000 humans. 12 seconds before midnight, the wheel, numbers, and writing are invented. 9 seconds to midnight, metal working and the bronze age arrive." And the moon landing occurred with a tenth of a second left in the year.

But if you want to feel even humbler, consider your own lifetime within the context of a universe that has existed for 14 billion years and will likely continue for billions of more years. Your time in that universe can't even be quantified, it's so small. The ride is unbelievably short ... enjoy it!

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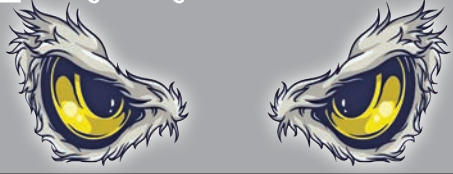


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## The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest



### Last Week's Runners-Up



Pam Wilkins, of Capeville, explains: "Our dog, Ranger, goes to work every day with my husband, Dean." Here's Ranger sleeping on the job.

## Last Week's Contest and Winner

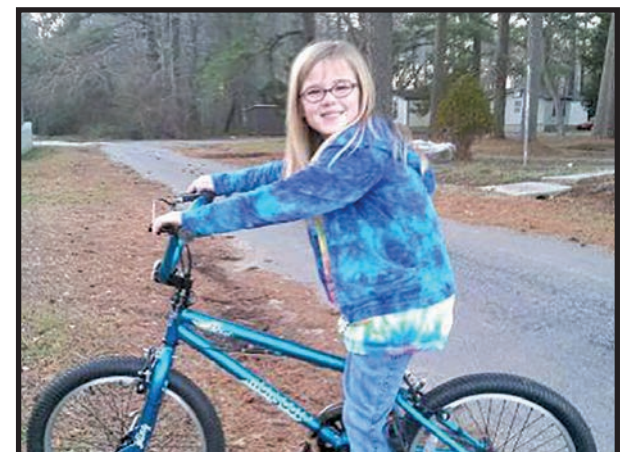
Fifty-three contestants found the bikes on pages 6, 24 (two), 25, 34, 35, 41, and 44. A dozen or so people came up short with most of those missing the second bike on Page 24 or the bike on Page 44. Winners sometime ask us, if they keep playing, can they win again? Yes. Teri Collins, of Bloxom, was a previous winner who was randomly chosen to win again this week. She won a \$25 gift certificate to Panzotti's Pizza in Onley. It might be a stretch, but this giraffe, from the Tampa Zoo in Florida, is representing Collins in the winner's circle.



With bikes as the clue, we got pictures of kids on bikes. Anabel Beatty, of Silver Beach, sent this one: Her grandson Cooper's first spin on his new bike.



Janet Cooper, of Onley, said this is her "sweet baby girl" on a bike. Meanwhile her 4-year-old granddaughter wants the Kawasaki Ninja 650 motorcycle.



Anne Beatty, of Exmore, said the bike clues of our contest reminded her of this photograph of "Mayson on her first 'big girl' bike!"



Can you find the hidden cat clues? "Raven and Misty have a thing about hiding in a wheelbarrel," according to Beth McHenry, of Parksley.



We recently had a major Two's Day: 02.02.22. Melissa Potter, of Exmore, sent this picture to remind everyone it was her son's birthday.



Out for a drive on a beautiful day are Brayden and Emma, of Pocomoke City, Md. They are the pride and joy of Diann Bendix, of Parksley.

## This Week's Contest: Out Like a Lamb?

We hope the old saying about March (in like a lion, out like a lamb) holds true, so this week we are hiding this lamb: You can count that one. We're not telling you how many. But keep in mind, we're hid-



ing a "lamb." From among those who find the lambs, one lucky person will be randomly selected to win the Super Tailgate dinner from Bojangles in Onley. See sponsor box on this page.

### The Rules

1. Find the lambs and tell us on which page, and where on that page, you found each lamb.
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 28.
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.

## RUNNERS-UP IN ADDITION TO THOSE WITH CAPTIONS

Artima Thornton, Accomac  
Rob Moore, Cape Charles  
Richard Marshall, Atlantic  
Deanna and Dawn Conquest, Onancock  
Marion Basford,  
Alum Bank, Pa.  
Jessica Thornes, Bloxom  
Hooper Chesser team,  
Chincoteague  
Kim Rice, Bloxom  
Jeanette Bell, Onley  
Hollis Parks, Wachapreague  
DeCola Johnson, Accomac  
Mary Bagwell, Accomac  
Laurie Paschall, Cape Charles  
Kit Fechtig, Pungoteague  
Albert Paschall, Cape Charles

Diane Smith, Onancock,  
and Theresa Lattimore,  
Bloxom  
Barbara Whealton, Chincoteague  
Mitzi Paul, Wachapreague  
Virginia Manzione, Exmore  
Marion Robinson, Chincoteague  
Janice Gladysiewicz,  
Greenbackville  
Lisa Like, Hallwood  
Deloise Carter, Exmore  
Hattie Giddens, Painter  
Ann Weber, Onancock  
Linda Robinson, Parksley  
Latanya Rogers, Onley  
Mary Coston, Exmore  
Betty George, Jamesville

Guilford Girls, Frances  
and Terry Ewell, Guilford  
Margaret McAllen, Cape Charles  
Cheryl Wengerd, Crisfield, Md.  
Bonnie Porter, Bloxom  
Dawn Taylor, Parksley  
Treherne Trio, Eastville  
Lola Bailey, Cape Charles  
June Richardson, Cape Charles  
Mary Carey, Cape Charles  
Doug Wehner, Belle Haven  
Carol Wehner, Belle Haven  
Sarah Ross, Chincoteague  
Carolyn Weatherly, Painter  
Delane Brown, Philadelphia  
Brenda Graves, Painter  
Celestine Smith, Exmore

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	Chinco. Channel	H 2:53 p.m. L 9:15 a.m.	H 4:06 p.m. L 10:24 a.m.	H 5:15 p.m. L 11:31 a.m.	H 6:16 p.m. L 12:31 p.m.	H 6:50 a.m. L 1:23 p.m.	H 7:39 a.m. L 2:07 p.m.	H 8:24 a.m. L 2:46 p.m.
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	Folly Creek	H 3:38 p.m. L 9:40 a.m.	H 4:51 p.m. L 10:49 a.m.	H 6:00 p.m. L 11:56 a.m.	H 6:40 a.m. L 12:56 p.m.	H 7:35 a.m. L 1:48 p.m.	H 8:24 a.m. L 2:32 p.m.	H 9:09 a.m. L 3:11 p.m.
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
 Unlisted clue hint: **Fits Tightly Around the Neck**

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Graduated	Matinee	Pendant	

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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  
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**Super Crossword**

**BLOOMIN' HUMANS**

- ACROSS**  
 1 "Rabbit food"  
 6 Back-and-forth talk  
 12 Cold case solvers, often  
 20 Oven maker  
 21 Source of weather upheaval  
 22 This instant  
 23 MTV's first Latina video jockey  
 25 "Don't go anywhere"  
 26 Dresses up  
 27 Cubs' and Eagles' gp.  
 29 Mazda two-seater  
 30 Common conjunction  
 31 Social-climbing snob on "Keeping Up Appearances"  
 37 Gp. in the Arab League  
 40 Funny Conan  
 42 Blends to mush  
 43 35th president's mother  
 46 Banjoist Fleck  
 47 Inkling  
 51 Carve — career  
 52 Post-Q string  
 53 "The Sea, the Sea" novelist of 1978  
 56 Highway jam  
 58 Adhesive rolls  
 60 German king called "the Great"  
 61 Verb suffix in London  
 62 When Hamlet's soliloquy is recited  
 66 — New Guinea (island nation)  
 69 Li'l Abner's mother  
 71 Friend of Lucy van Pelt and Patty  
 76 Beef up  
 77 Clout  
 79 Gold, in Peru  
 80 "You can't — train"  
 83 Actress Dianne  
 84 Famed killer whale  
 86 "Lost Souls" novelist of  
 90 Penpoint  
 93 Siberia locale  
 94 Chichi  
 95 Tehran locale  
 96 Vampiric TV housewife  
 100 Shorthand whiz, in brief  
 102 Poe's "radiant maiden"  
 103 Cleveland-to-Raleigh dir.  
 104 Aunt of Harry Potter  
 109 DJ's platters  
 111 Level, grassy plain  
 112 Pub fixture  
 113 Ball-shaped blooms  
 117 Aim for  
 121 Hippies (and an alternate title for this puzzle)  
 125 Tidied up  
 126 Novelist Gay  
 127 Trashed stuff  
 128 Declared  
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 130 Busybody  
 9 Ignited  
 10 Last year before the first century  
 11 Busybody  
 12 HMO VIPs  
 13 Petty peeve  
 14 — Khan  
 15 Lymphoid organ in the neck  
 16 Moral code  
 17 Sort not to be trusted  
 18 Eggy cake  
 19 Elbow grease  
 24 "Giant" novelist Edna  
 28 Wolf-headed Egyptian god  
 31 Inkling  
 32 "— -hawl!"  
 33 Common conjunction  
 34 Uno plus dos  
 35 Ship's wheel  
 36 Romeo  
 37 Bit of expert advice  
 38 Writer — May Alcott  
 39 "Your Best Life Now" author Joel  
 41 ICU figures  
 44 Water, to Watteau  
 45 "Gadzooks!"  
 47 Dog collar attachment  
 48 Part of many an emoticon  
 49 Friendly introduction?  
 50 Sushi tuna  
 54 Keanu of the screen  
 55 Driving paths  
 57 Check-giving time at work  
 58 Fri. follows it  
 59 Arrid target  
 63 Film dancer Charisse  
 64 Wee kid  
 65 Ring victory, for short  
 66 Cooking vessels  
 67 Muhammad —  
 68 Guitar piece  
 70 Overly sweet  
 72 Suffix with journal  
 73 Celebrity tributes  
 74 Fighting forces  
 75 1983 Lionel Richie hit  
 78 Film holder  
 80 Health club  
 81 Blue Jays, on sports tickers  
 82 Decide  
 83 Triumph in the end  
 85 Keeps  
 87 Tube-shaped pasta  
 88 La — Tar Pits  
 89 Senator Paul  
 90 Big Apple's city and state: Abbr.  
 91 "I'd say," in a text message  
 92 Coarse sack material  
 97 Unwell  
 98 Spike of films  
 99 They may cry "Uncle!"  
 100 One napping noisily  
 101 Inserted plant shoots  
 104 Main course of action  
 105 Nobody — (mine alone)  
 106 Spanish bar appetizers  
 107 Link up  
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 124 Suffix with journal

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# Eastern Shore Sports



Alex Courtney hits a double during the first inning. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

## Yellow Jackets Baseball Team Gets a Huge Win Against Franklin

By Adolphus Ames

The Northampton Yellow Jackets varsity baseball team hosted its first home game of the season Friday, March 18. They faced the Franklin Broncos and won the matchup 20-3.

The Yellow Jackets built an 8-0 lead in the first inning. The second inning was scoreless and over the next two and a half innings, the Yellow Jackets outscored the Broncos 12-3 to close out the game.

Stephen Matlack pitched the first three innings, allowing one hit, walking seven batters, and striking out four. Aron Price pitched in relief, giving up no hits, walking one batter, and striking out six batters.

Romano Onley led the offense with two hits in three at bats, three RBIs, and three runs. Alex Courtney had two hits, one RBI, and three runs. Bradyn Buryn earned two hits, one RBI, and one run. Price had one hit, four RBIs, and two runs. Tanner Feltes earned one hit, one RBI, and two runs. Nicolas Sawyer had one hit, one RBI, and one run. Jayden Dille earned one hit, three RBIs, and one run. Porter Spence had one hit and two runs.

The Yellow Jackets will play their second home game of the season against Colonial Beach High School Friday, March 25. The game starts at 4:30 p.m.

## Yellow Jackets Softball Team Takes Down Franklin in Perfect Game

By Whitney Metz

The Lady Yellow Jackets softball team hosted Franklin Friday, March 18. Northampton's Jillian Spence was on fire for the Yellow Jackets in the circle, recording her first career perfect game, with a total of 13 strikeouts in five innings of play. Northampton did not commit a single error in the field behind its dominate pitcher. The team also dominated on offense in the 20-0 win over Franklin.

Charlotte Henderson led the team

with three hits in five at bats with two RBI singles and an RBI double. Mallory Hook and Marlena Dzurko each drove in additional runs on four hits apiece throughout the game, with Hook going four hits for four times at the plate. Peyton Sayers and Jillian Spence had multiple hits as well, adding to the Yellow Jackets' total of 18 hits on Friday afternoon. Northampton extended its record to 2-0 with the win over Franklin.



Jillian Spence throws another strike for her 10th strikeout of the game. Photo by Whitney Metz.

### CORRECTION

Two names were misspelled on the 2022 All-District Girls Basketball Team (Page 28). The correct spellings are Megan Horner and Miniya Cropper. The Post regrets this error.



Northampton High School's indoor track and field team poses for a photo at the championship meet. Submitted photo.

## Yellow Jackets Indoor Track and Field Team Places in Championship Meets

### Submitted Story

Northampton High School indoor track and field team competed at the VHSL Class 2 Region A Indoor Track and Field Championship. The event was held at the Boo Williams Sportsplex in Hampton.

#### Championship Results

##### Girls:

55-meter dash: Peyton Sayers (second place 7.99)

55-meter hurdle: Jerniya Chandelier (ninth place 13.06)

500-meter dash: Lucy Lusk (third place 1:23.76)

4 x 200 relay: Payton Sayers, Miracle Brandon, Ryan Jones, Lucy Lusk (fifth place 4:45.18)

Pole Vault: Lucy Lusk (3rd place 6'6")

##### Boys:

55-meter dash: Kweli Marrow (ninth place 7.11), Ronrico Bugg (10th place 7.14)

500-meter dash: Jose Garcia (23rd place 1:29.31), Willis Washington (27th place 1:34.37), ZiQuan Harris (29th place 1:40.76)

4 x 200 relay: Kweli Marrow, Ronrico Bugg, Jose Garcia, Jordon White (fifth place 1:45.18)

4 x 400 relay: Kweli Marrow, Ronrico Bugg, Jose Garcia, Jordon White (ninth place 4:42.48)

pole vault: James Applegate (first place 8'6")

long jump: James Applegate (seventh place 18'5 3/4")

triple jump: James Applegate (sixth place 35'8")

shot put: Devon Johnson (21st place 29'3")

The Yellow Jackets also competed at the VHSL Class 1 and 2 Combined Indoor State Track and Field Championship at Liberty University. At that meet, Peyton Sayers came in ninth place in 55-meter dash with a 7.86 time. Lucy Lusk came in ninth place in the pole vault at 7'0." Lusk came in third place in the 500-meter dash with a time of 1:22.97.



Shore Soccer U15 competed in the Virginia Beach Spring Classic Tournament March 19-20. Shore Soccer advanced in the semi-finals by beating Team Inferno from Maryland. Shore Soccer went on to the championship game and picked up a 5-0 win over Beach FC Ederson. Goalie Luis Rivera Cruz allowed only two goals during the tournament. Kevin Tinoco, Sebastian Mayorga, Alex Plowden, and Jose Palacio each scored. The team is coached by Eddy Mateo. Submitted photo.

## Eastern Shore YMCA Team Swims at Regional Meet

### Submitted Story

Five swimmers from the Eastern Shore YMCA swam in the Upper Southeast Regional YMCA (USRY) Championships held in Goldsboro, N.C., March 17-20. Grace Bentley, Sarah Bentley, Caroline Bentley, Emma Cathey, and Meya Charnock joined over 900 swimmers from 35 teams to compete in the meet. The USRY Championship meet is open to swimmers from Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina who meet the qualifying time standards.

Over the four-day meet the girls competed in four relays and multiple individual events. Top finisher for the team was Sarah Bentley with a 12th place finish in 200 yard breaststroke and 15th place in 100 yard breaststroke.



Emma Cathey, Sarah Bentley, Grace Bentley, and Meya Charnock pose for a team photo at the Upper Southeast Regional YMCA Championship. Submitted Photo.

## Local Wrestling Club Trains Next Generation of Shore Wrestlers

### Submitted Story

The GOAT House Wrestling Club was started in May 2021 by Casey Paglia. Paglia attended Northampton High School and competed for the Yellow Jackets' wrestling team. He was a four-time Virginia state finalist, a three-time Virginia State champion, a high school All-American (fifth in the nation his junior year), and went on to wrestle at the Division 1 level at American University.

"I started this wrestling club to grow the sport of wrestling on the Shore," Paglia said. "I wanted to give kids of all ages a positive outlet, and help develop kids by teaching them lifelong lessons of discipline, work ethic, and self-confidence. Wrestling, more so than any sport, teaches kids so many life lessons that will last them forever."

Paglia also started this club to give kids of all ages the opportunity that kids all over the state and country have in the sport of wrestling, and that is to get better year-round. "Wrestling is a growing sport," he said. "Kids are beginning to compete at a very early age and train all year-round. In order for shore wrestlers to keep up, we have to do the same."

Since last May, the wrestling club has had a summer session (May to September 2021) and a winter session (November 2021 to March 2022). The club has 25 youth members and 15 high school members.

It has developed into a familylike atmosphere, producing much success in both the youth and high school wrestlers in the first year of the club. A total of seven first-year youth wrestlers competed in tournaments this year, Edward Burger, Jonah Jones, Georgia Youmes, Trip Youmes, Lucas Stodghill, Jase Charnock, and Brantley Bundick. Each of those wrestlers placed in at least one tournament.

Edward Burger and Jonah Jones both competed in two VA youth state tournaments. The tournaments were held by VAWA (Virginia Wrestling Association), the biggest youth tournament in the state, and by VACW (Virginia Challenge Wrestling).

These tournaments have experienced youth wrestlers from all over the state who have been wrestling since they were 3 and 4 years old with multiple years of experience at an early age. Edward Burger was GOAT wrestling's standout youth wrestler this year, ending his first season with a 29-3 record. He won four tournaments, placed second in the VAWA State tournament at 56 pounds, 3rd in the VACW state tournament at 60 pounds, and third at the I64 Annual tournament at 60 pounds (this tournament included teams and kids from Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Maryland, and Georgia, along with Virginia).

"It is incredible to see a young man keep such good composure while wrestling," Paglia said of Burger. "It is something very hard to teach and develop. You see wrestlers even at the college and Olympic level that allow their mindset to be their biggest enemy, and Edward doesn't allow that to happen. He goes out there, does what he is taught in practice, and listens to everything I as a coach tell him and it's been very cool to see."

Burger's parents, Anna and Ray Burger, are fortunate their sons are involved with the club. "We feel so fortunate to have found the GOAT House Wrestling Club," the Burgers said. "It's been a great fit for our sons, and Edward seems to have found a passion that's fun to watch. Casey's love of the sport is clear, and he and the other coaches have created an environment that is fun for the kids, while also teaching them the importance of respect and composure on the mat. Wrestling is an individual sport, but there's a real sense of community at The GOAT House. It's a great addition to the Eastern Shore and we hope to see more children come out and give the sport a try."

Paglia wants to increase the number of kids competing in tournaments. "I plan on getting more kids and more kids to begin competing in tournaments," he said. "But I try to take caution in starting kids too early because wrestling tournaments



**Two GOAT House Club members practice wrestling maneuvers during youth practice. Submitted photo.**

are very unforgiving and humbling and I have seen too many kids with great potential end up getting discouraged because they began competing way too early. It takes a certain mental maturity level to begin competing and accept losses, because wrestling is different when you lose, your team doesn't lose, you as a wrestler lose and that can be very hard to deal with at a young age. I am blessed to have a group of parents that understand that and trust me with encouraging certain kids to start and holding off others for another year or two."

GOAT Wrestling's high school group had a phenomenal season as well. The only regional champions from the Eastern Shore, David Gastelum and Colin Ford (both of Nandua), came out of the summer club. They were the only regional champions who came from the Shore this year and they both were committed to the club and it showed.

William Wehner, Gastelum, and Ford all placed in the state tournament. Wehner (Broadwater) took third in the VISAA Private school state tournament. Gastelum took

third in the 2a VHSL state tournament, and Ford took sixth in the 2a VHSL state tournament.

Paglia's goals for the club are much larger than local success. "I want to build future members of society that are ready for whatever life brings them," he said. "I want to build future wrestlers who are winning national titles and competing at the NCAA D1 level. I want to build confidence in kids that can only be built from the sport of wrestling itself. The future is so bright for the club. We have a long way to go but it has been a terrific start."

The next GOAT House Wrestling Club session will begin in May and Paglia is eager to see new faces join and continue to grow the sport. "I'm so thankful for my other volunteer coaches who have helped get this club off to a great start," he said. "Coach Josh Ford, coach Matt Evans, and coach Nate Metzger. I would also like to thank high school members Wehner, Padgett, and Ford, who volunteered multiple days per week after their practice to help with youth practices. GOAT House Wrestling Club is becoming a very tightknit family."





Senior Haylie Justice drives the ball to left field. Photo by Whitney Metz.

## Nandua Warriors Defeat Yellow Jackets in No-Hitter

By Whitney Metz

The Lady Warriors hosted the Northampton Lady Yellow Jackets on March 22. Nandua started strong on offense scoring one in the first inning. They continued to pound the ball in the second inning adding another three runs, two of which were driven in on a double by Logan Woerner. Nandua continued to pull away in the fourth with a score of 9-1 going into the fifth inning.

Reghan Hintz earned the victory for Nandua in the circle. Hintz threw five innings allowing zero hits and one run, striking out 11. The Warriors racked up a total of nine hits in the game. Hintz and Woerner each had three hits to lead Nandua. The Lady Warriors improved their record to 3-0 with the 11-1 victory over district rival Northampton. Nandua is set to play again Friday against Decatur in Berlin, Md., while Northampton hosts Colonial Beach.

## Broadwater's Rylee Coates Places in Adidas Track Nationals Meet

Submitted Story

Broadwater eighth grader Rylee Coates participated in the 2022 Adidas Track Nationals Meet March 18 to 20 in Virginia Beach. She competed for the Poseidon Pole Vault Club.

Coates came in first place in the girls middle school pole vault, clearing 2.58 meters or 8 feet, 5.5 inches mark, and winning the Adidas Track Indoor National Championship for middle school girls pole vault. For the long jump, she came in fourth place with 2.58 meters or 14 foot, 6 inches. For the triple jump, she was the only eighth grader to qualify against girls

up to 12th grade. Coates finished in ninth place and set a new personal record of 35 feet, 1.75 inches. With her new personal record, she finished the 2022 indoor season in first place for the United States middle school girls triple jump.

The previous weekend, Coates traveled to New York City to participate in the 2022 New Balance Nationals Indoor Track Meet. Coates competed unattached at the rising stars level against 53 other girls from ninth to 12th grade. She placed 22nd with 10.52 meters or 34 feet, 6.25 inches.

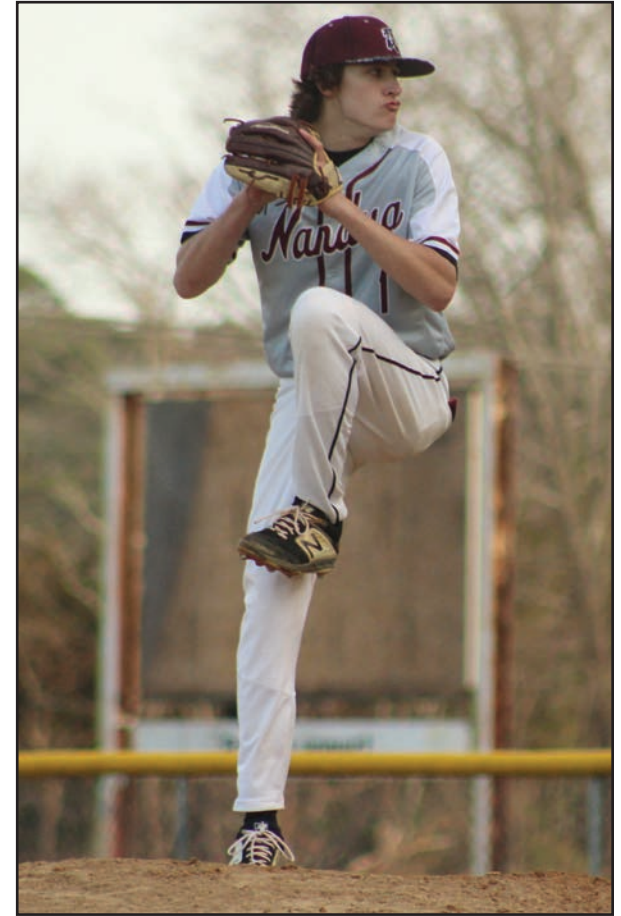
## Warriors Baseball Team Takes Down the Yellow Jackets

By Whitney Metz

Northampton traveled to Onley on Tuesday to compete against a strong Nandua Warriors team. The Warriors' offense was on fire throughout the game with multiple players racking up hits. Sophomore Isaac Stodghill got the win for Nandua. Stodghill pitched five innings giving up only one run on two hits while walking two and striking out 11.

Offensively, the Warriors were led by Jacob Meilhammer and Reco Kellam with two hits each. Tyler Greene, Turner Saunders, Brandon Adamos, Chayce Wayman, Martin Savage, and RJ Guy each had one hit.

The Yellow Jackets were led on offense by AJ Price with a double and Jayden Dilley with a single. Nandua pulled off an 18-1 victory over Northampton, extending its season record to 3-0.



Isaac Stodghill winds up before striding down the mound. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Rylee Coates poses for a photo with her medals after the Adidas Track Nationals Meet in Virginia Beach. Submitted photo.



# Church News

## Cape Charles

Emmanuel Episcopal Church will celebrate Palm Sunday on April 10 at 9 a.m., with Holy Communion. Easter service will be Sunday, April 17, at 9 a.m., with Holy Communion. Brunch will follow the Easter Sunday service.

## Melfa

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

## New Church

The annual community Easter egg hunt will be Saturday, April 16, from noon to 3 p.m., at New Beginnings

UMC, 32347 Chincoteague Road. There will be games, food, pictures with the Easter bunny, and more. For more information, contact Rava Mason at 410-603-7610 or Kanitra Miller at 757-894-2201.

## Onancock

Broadway Baptist Church will have a service of worship and praise with music provided by the Good News gospel group Sunday, April 24, at 11 a.m., at 15341 Broadway Road.

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Palm Sunday service will be April 10, at 8:30 and 11 a.m., at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St.

Maundy Thursday service will be April 14, at 6 p.m.

Good Friday service will be April 15, with Stations of the Cross at noon and liturgy at 6 p.m.

The Great Vigil of Easter will be Sunday, April 17, at 6 p.m.

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The Historic Cokesbury Church and Cultural Center will present the Norfolk State University Vocal Jazz Ensemble Saturday, March 26, at 7 p.m., at 13 Market St. A combination of song, dance, and improvisation has resulted in this show choir that exhibits an alluring sensitivity for the jazz idiom. Donations are welcome. Contact

G. Wayne Parsley at wparsley@yahoo.com for additional information.

## Onley

There will be a nondenominational community prayer for world peace Saturday, March 26, at noon, at Mc-Match Town Park, 21062 Colonial Ave. All are welcome.

## Pungoteague

Maundy Thursday service will be April 14, at 7 p.m., at Pungoteague Community Church.

Resurrection Service will be Sunday, April 17, at 10:30 a.m. An Easter egg hunt for the children will take place immediately after the service.

There will be a lunch social after 10:30 a.m. Sunday services for the month of April.

Adult Bible study will be Tuesdays, at 6:30 p.m., in the Huether home.

## Quinby

Good Friday service will be held Friday, April 15, at 7 p.m., at Smith Chapel UMC.

Smith Chapel UMC will host Easter sunrise service for the Seaside Charge Sunday, April 17, at 6 a.m., at the Quinby docks. Breakfast will be served afterwards. All are welcome.

There will be an Easter egg hunt for the community children Saturday, April 9, at 11 a.m., on the church

grounds.

The thrift shop will be open Thursdays in April (except Maundy Thursday, April 14), from 9 to 11 a.m.

The annual auction will be Sunday, March 27, at 4 p.m., at the church.

## Sanford

Hall's Chapel Church will host Easter sunrise service and fellowship Sunday, April 17, at 6 a.m., at Tall Pines Campground in Sanford.

## Treherneville

New Mission United Methodist Church is hosting an overnight bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster, Pa., on May 20. Seats are still available. To reserve your seat, go to [www.newmissionumc.org](http://www.newmissionumc.org) Contact Pastor Jay Cottman to reserve your seat today at Jaycottman@vaumc.org. A vaccination card is required. Those unvaccinated will be required to get a COVID-19 test that Monday prior to the trip and CDC guidelines will be followed.

## Kingdom Halls Return to In-Person

Jehovah's Witnesses will begin holding in-person meetings in the Kingdom Halls during the week of April 1. For more information on Jehovah's Witnesses, go to [www.jw.org](http://www.jw.org)

## Homeschool

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

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# Community Notes

## Young Leaders Scholarship

Eastern Shore Training And Consulting Inc. (ESTACI) invites graduating seniors from Northampton and Accomack counties who are planning vocational or college career paths, who may not fit the requirements of traditional scholarship programs, and who would otherwise not be financially able to pursue their career dreams due to the impacts of racism, sexism, or poverty to apply for ESTACI's \$2,500 Young Leaders Scholarships, available through guidance counselors or ESTACI. Completed applications must be mailed by Saturday, May 14, to ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore, VA 23350. For further information, contact Gerald or Polly Boyd at 757-656-3460.

## Easter Egg Hunt

The Northampton County Sheriff's Office and the Northampton County Parks and Recreation are uniting to host an Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 16, from 2 to 5 p.m., at Indiantown Park in Eastville. The free event is for kids pre-K through age 16. Prizes include Kindles, bikes, \$100 Walmart gift cards, and much more. There will be a bunny sack race, egg-on-spoon relay, face painting, picture booth, kickball, and more.

## Community Clean-up

Community clean-up day in Whitesville will be Saturday, March 26, at noon. Meet at 23531 Parks St. The Davis Center will provide bags and trash grabbers, but bring your own gloves.

## E.S. Art League Scholarship

The Eastern Shore Art League will award the first Becky Rootes Memorial Art Scholarship this year, in honor of Becky Rootes, past president of the ESAL. The scholarship will be awarded to two graduating high school students residing on the Eastern Shore of Virginia who are continuing to an advanced education institution (community college, college, or university) and

who are planning to pursue a field of study inclusive of the visual arts. Two \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded each year, one for 2-D visual art, and one for 3-D visual art.

Visit [www.esartleague.org](http://www.esartleague.org) for full details on applying.

## Bus Trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster

New Mission United Methodist Church is hosting an overnight bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster, Pa., on May 20. Seats are still available. To reserve your seat, go to [www.newmissionumc.org](http://www.newmissionumc.org) Contact Pastor Jay Cottman to reserve your seat today at [Jaycottman@vaumc.org](mailto:Jaycottman@vaumc.org). A vaccination card is required. Those unvaccinated will be required to get a COVID-19 test that Monday prior to the trip and CDC guidelines will be followed.

## Ruritan Scholarship

The Pungoteague Ruritan Club is offering \$2,000 college scholarships to students residing in lower Accomack County or upper Northampton County who will be attending a four-year university or Eastern Shore Community College in the fall of 2022.

Accomack County students residing in voting districts 901, 803, 802, 801, or 701 are eligible for consideration for the award. Northampton residents in voting districts 3, 4 or 5 are also eligible to apply.

Applications are available from guidance counselors and on the website of the Eastern Shore Community College. Community service will be the strongest criteria, but character, academics, and financial need will also be considered.

More information is available from counselors, from any Ruritan members, or from Bill Mapp at [mytune.mapp@gmail.com](mailto:mytune.mapp@gmail.com).

## Revolutionary War Interpretive Program

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society will host a Revolutionary War interpretive program Friday, April 1, at 6 p.m., at the Historic Onancock School. Williamsburg interpreter Stephen Seals will portray Revolution-

ary War hero James Armistead Lafayette, who infiltrated the British army as a servant for Lord Cornwallis. Nearly a decade later, the Virginia General Assembly granted the enslaved New Kent man his freedom in return for his courageous contribution.

Tickets are \$15 and available at [www.shorehistory.org/ticketsales](http://www.shorehistory.org/ticketsales)

Adult beverages will be available for purchase at the program by donation to ESVHS. For more information, call 757-787-8012 or email [marketing@shorehistory.org](mailto:marketing@shorehistory.org).

## Science and Philosophy Seminar

The Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore of Virginia will hold a seminar, "Career Decision-Making Among Rural College Students," Friday, March 25, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., in Room 113 of the Academic Building of Eastern Shore Community College, 29300 Lankford Highway, Melfa.

Jesse Wingate will address the effects of rurality and socioeconomic status on career decision-making processes among community college students in Virginia. Wingate is a licensed clinical psychologist and serves as the director of behavioral health at Eastern Shore Rural Health System.

## CVFC Clamtastic Chowder Dinner

Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company will host David Long's Clamtastic Chowder Drive-Through Dinner Saturday, March 26, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or

until the food runs) at the fire company.

The cost is \$10 for a complete dinner or \$9 for each quart (freezable). The menu includes clam chowder, steamy grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, corn on the cob, and homemade desserts.

## Pocomoke Library

The Pocomoke Library Story Time at the Community Garden, "Spring Season," will be Tuesday, March 29, at 10:30 a.m., at the Pocomoke Community Garden on the corner of Clarke and Willow streets, Pocomoke City, Md., weather permitting (ages 2 to 5).

Cooking Basics for Young Chefs will be Wednesday, March 30, at 4 p.m. (ages 7 to 12), at the Pocomoke Library in Pocomoke City, Md

## 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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### Community Notes

Due to an increase in printing costs, the Eastern Shore Post will now offer one free community note for nonprofit organizations on the Shore. Organizations may choose to run multiple weeks, but now there will be a \$10 per extra week fee starting April 1. Community Notes should be 70 words or less; longer submissions will be edited for space at the assistant editor's discretion.

For more information, email [angie@easternshorepost.com](mailto:angie@easternshorepost.com).



## Onancock Area Lions Club Donates to Cub Scouts

The Onancock Area Lions Clubs presents a donation to the new Cub Scout Pack 8, which meets at the Tasley Fire Company. Pictured above from left are Cub Master Glenn Smith, pack member Skyler Smith, and Ernie Swisher, Lions president.

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Pictured above from left are Jim Outland (father), Mike Outland (brother), winner Mark Outland, Jodi Outland (mother), and DAR Chapter Regent Bonnie Shannonhouse.

## Good Citizen Award Presented by Northampton County Chapter of DAR

The Northampton County Chapter of the Daughters Revolution (DAR) recently awarded its Good Citizen Award to Mark Outland, a student at Broadwater Academy. This award is part of a national competition whereby chapter winners' applications rise to the DAR district level and then those winners rise to the state and national levels of competition. Cash prizes and awards increase as the applicant rises in the competition. The competition is open to seniors in high schools of the chapter's county. In the Northampton County chapter's area are Northampton High School and Broadwater Academy.

Applicants are selected by their schools' awards committees. Students interested in the annual award should speak to their guidance counselors. The contest requires submission of recommendations from two sources, grade transcripts, responses to four questions about community service, and an essay. The annual essay's theme is "Our American

Heritage and Our Responsibility for Preserving It." Every year there is a suggested focus with this year's being, "How do the qualities of a good citizen (dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism) help support our nation?" Outland's essay concludes with, "The country is recovering from the pandemic, is facing an upcoming economic crisis, unrest and divisiveness are at an all time high, and other nations who do not value freedom and democracy are challenging America's status as a world leader. It will be up to my generation to face these problems."

The Northampton County DAR chapter has 37 members. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership. For more information about DAR and membership, visit [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org) or email the local Chapter at [NorthamptonCountyVADAR@yahoo.com](mailto:NorthamptonCountyVADAR@yahoo.com).

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I particularly want to thank the ambulance services on the Shore. These people came every single time we called to help calm Bud, no matter the time of day or night. Their compassion knows no bounds. They give so much care when you need it most.

We are blessed to have these medical services on the Eastern Shore, especially the Riverside Healthcare group. It would be a tragedy if we didn't have all these special, helpful people.

Please remember to take the time to say thank you if you run into these healthcare professionals – they truly are a blessing to the Shore.

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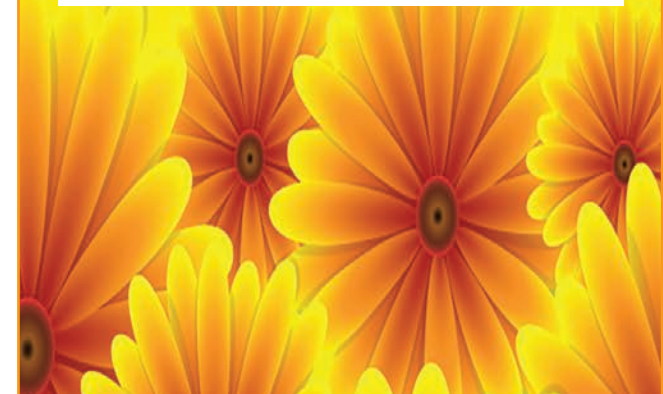
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The County of Accomack is seeking applications for a full-time position of Code Enforcement/Building Inspector I or II, in the Building, Planning & Economic Development department.

The position is responsible for enforcement of state, federal, & local laws and regulations, codes, and ordinances related to residential and commercial structures, in a uniform and systematic manner. *Applicants must be able to perform field work and may be assigned to do inspections in any location within the County.*

Minimum qualifications: A high school diploma or GED; the ability to read and interpret building plans and specifications; Experience with enforcing building and zoning codes and ordinances; Ability to perform basic mathematical calculations. *Preferred qualifications:* Experience with *Energov* software program, ability to use mobile devices and bilingual capabilities.

Possession of a valid Driver's License and the satisfactory completion of a criminal history, drug screening, and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. Job description and details are available online: <http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities>. Review of applications will begin Thursday, April 7, 2022.

*The County of Accomack is committed to an inclusive and diverse workforce.*

### Title Insurance/Settlement Agent

Full-time desk position available immediately for an Accomack County Title Company. Applicant needs to be willing to become a licensed title agent, at our expense. Looking for a team player who is honest, reliable, confident, and skilled in customer service and clerical work. Perfect opportunity for working parent, retiree, or someone looking for a change of career. Vacation, Federal/State holidays, flexible hours if needed. Experience preferred, but will train the right person. Interested individuals may send letter and/or resume with references to: X.Y.Z., P.O. Box 517, Onley, VA 23418.



### 2022 Summer Internships and Part-Time Employment

The Eastern Shore Agricultural Research and Extension Center (AREC) located in Painter, VA, is searching for summer interns and hourly workers. We encourage senior high school and college students and others that may be interested in learning more about Eastern Shore agricultural production to apply. Workers and interns will work directly with scientists and current graduate students on projects that relate to fertilizer use and environmental sustainability, cover crops, plasticulture, high tunnels, weed management, insect pest management, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), remote sensing, sensors, and other projects that have direct financial and environmental impacts for our Eastern Shore agricultural community. By the end of the summer, hourly workers, students, and interns will have first-hand experiential knowledge of many scientific components that will propel them in the workforce.

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ESVA Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications for a part-time (20-25 hours/week) **ReStore Manager**. The primary duties of this position are responsibility for the overall management of the store's day-to-day operations as well as playing an active role in planning for the ReStore's future. Applicants should be capable of exemplary customer service and have previous supervisory experience.

Associate degree is preferred, but equivalent work experience will be considered. A high school diploma/GED is required. Salary range is \$18.00 - \$20.00/ hour.

To read the complete job description, visit our website [www.easternshorehabitat.org](http://www.easternshorehabitat.org). Please send cover letter and resume to Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 1299, Exmore, VA 23350, or apply by email at [eshabitat7@gmail.com](mailto:eshabitat7@gmail.com). Deadline to apply is March 31, 2022.

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Position Number: L00027

Hiring Range: \$25,025.00 – (commensurate w/ experience and budgetary constraints)

Location: Eastville, VA 23347

Application Deadline: April 1, 2022 at 11:59PM

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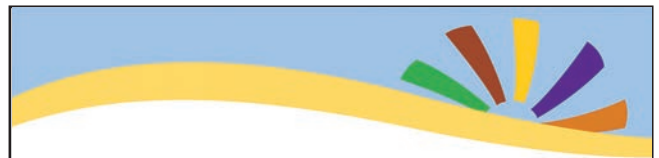
### Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Family Services Specialist I/II (Accomack) Child Protective Services

Position # L0010

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

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

**Certified Law Enforcement Officer**

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

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

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

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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](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings)

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**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS TO PERFORM WORK:**

- Requires High diploma or GED.
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Salary range \$24-777 – \$26,016

Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job description, requirements and county's application form [https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs\\_opportunities/job\\_openings](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings). Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources P. O. Box 66, 16404 Courthouse Rd., Eastville, VA 23347 by April 5, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

To review the full job description please see website [https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs\\_opportunities/job\\_openings](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings).



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Administrative Marketing Assistant

Cape Charles Main Street (CCMS), a non-Profit organization and one of 28 Virginia Main Street programs that nurtures successful local revitalization, has a position open for an Administrative/Marketing Assistant to work out of the Cape Charles Main Street office. Reporting directly to the Executive Director, the candidate must have exceptional organizational, written and oral communication skills as well as possess a strong work ethic. In addition, the candidate must be able to work independently, have great attention to detail and be a creative self-starter. This role will interface with the public, Town employees, volunteers and the Board of Directors, therefore the ability to get along well and amicably with varied personalities is critical. A background in marketing and proficiency in applications such as MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint; knowledge and experience with Constant Contact, Zoom and social media platforms such as Facebook and Instagram are required. Experience with WordPress is a plus but not required.

This is a part time (+/- 20 hours a week) non-exempt position with a hiring range of \$18-\$20 per hour, DOQ. While not required, a college degree in a related field is preferred.

Please send a cover letter and a resume to Karen Zamorski, Executive Director, Cape Charles Main Street, PO Box 567, Cape Charles, VA 23310, or email to capecharlesmainstreet@gmail.com. EOE.

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Job requirements include but may not be limited to; must be dependable, have CDL Class A or B license with air brake, hazmat, and tanker endorsements. Rotate on-call schedule. Benefits: Health insurance, Life insurance, Company discounts, flexible work schedules, Vacation, Holidays.

#### Fuel Oil/Propane Service/HVAC Technicians Tasley, VA

Experienced service technician. Applicants must be service-oriented, friendly, honest, and able to work in a fast-paced environment. Applicants must be willing to work nights, weekends, and holidays on an on-call rotation. Benefits available: Health insurance, uniforms, vacation, life insurance, company discounts, and vehicle.

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## Help Wanted (Cont'd)

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Other duties include:

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

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

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

To review the full job description please see website [https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs\\_opportunities/job\\_openings](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings).

### Part- and Full-time Communications Officer

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for a part- and full-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](https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings) Open until filled. EOE

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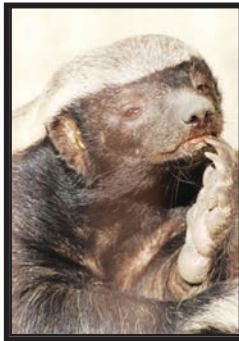


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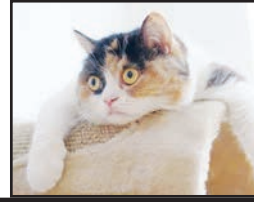
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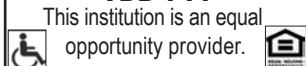
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**YARD SALE:** April 1 & 2. 26106 Circle Drive, Bloxom. Futon, riding lawn mower, & treasures.

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# Legal Advertising and Auctions

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 12, 2022, in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, to receive public comment on the following ordinances:

### AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "NORTHAMPTON COUNTY CIGARETTE TAX ORDINANCE"

### AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE INCLUSION OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY IN THE CHESA- PEAKE BAY REGION CIGARETTE TAX BOARD

The purpose of these ordinances is to implement a cigarette tax and to establish procedures for its collection and enforcement.

These proposed ordinances are available for review at the County Administrator's office, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, during normal business hours. Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the public hearing to express their views.

HANDICAPPED ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE:  
Call 757/678-0440

*Charles Kolakowski, County Administrator*

## Public Auction

April 5, 2022, at 10 AM  
Bid at

[www.storageauctions.com](http://www.storageauctions.com)

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## EZ STORAGE, LLC – AUCTIONS (Online Only)

[StorageTreasures.com](http://StorageTreasures.com)

31608 Hudson St., New Church, VA 23415  
25394 Mason Rd., Bloxom, VA 23308

We will be auctioning off abandoned and unauthorized units for both of our storage facilities listed above. Units being auctioned are: #23, A4, A5, A17, A23, A27, B6, D16, D26, F13, & F27. Bidding begins online on March 28, 2022 @ 3PM. If you have property in these units, please call Jennifer at 757-894-4091 or 757-665-5294.

## Queen Sound Boat Ramp Replacement Invitation for Bids #741

The County of Accomack is seeking **sealed bids** from qualified Virginia licensed contractors for renovations to the Queen Sound Boat Ramp located off of Chincoteague Road (off the Rt. 175 causeway between Wattsville and Chincoteague).

**The work generally consists of** the removal of the existing boat ramp and furnishing and installing a new concrete ramp.

All work is shown on the plans (4 sheets, dated Aug. 2, 2021) prepared by J.W. Salm Engineering, and VMRC and USACOE permit for the project. The contractor shall be required to adhere to all applicable comments from these documents. The County will waive the tipping fees for all materials removed from this project and delivered to the North Landfill (9400 Cutler Lane, Atlantic, VA 23303) by the contractor, including: concrete, dewatered soil, vegetation, timber. The contractor is responsible to obtain any necessary County permits, but the fees will be waived.

**\*Work shall be completed 120 days after issue of Notice to Proceed.** Contractor is required to submit a Payment Bond and a Performance Bond for 100% of the amount of the contract.

**There will be a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on April 4, 2022, starting no earlier than 10:00 AM at the project site.**

**Sealed bids may be delivered** to the Accomack County Administrator's Office, 23296 Courthouse Ave., Suite 203, Accomack, VA 23301 **or may be mailed** to the Accomack County Finance Office, c/o Lucy Huffman, P.O. Box 620 Accomack, VA 23301 until **3:00 PM, Thursday, April 14, 2022.** On the same day, at **3:15 p.m. local time** all bids received by the due date and time will be publicly opened and read aloud via "Zoom Meeting." Interested persons wishing to join the live bid opening should contact Lucy Huffman at [lhuffman@co.accomack.va.us](mailto:lhuffman@co.accomack.va.us) at least one day prior to the date and time set for the opening of bids. Bids received after the due date and time will be returned unopened. A bid bond is required to be submitted for 5% of the bid amount.

More information may be found on the following websites: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/>; <https://eva.virginia.gov/index.html>; and <https://bceva.com/> or by calling the Accomack County Finance Department at 757-787-5709.

**LEGAL NOTICE REGARDING DANGEROUS STRUCTURES**  
PURSUANT TO COUNTY CODE SECTION 94.03, Northampton County has determined that the following structures endanger the public health and safety or other residents of the locality and that said structures must be removed, repaired or secured within thirty days of this publication.

Property Owner	Lien Holder	Property Address
Beatrice Davis/ James Davis	None	14107 Lankford Highway 00049-0A-00-000144A
Marianne Turner	None	Battle Point Road 0006A-02-00-0000003
Arlene Jones	None	20517 Cheriton Cross Road 0077G-01-00-0000006
Charlie Burton	None	Bayford Road 00020-0A-00-0000092
Chester Ross Trower, Jr./ Charles Trower	None	8446 Bayford Road 00020-06-00-000000B
Myrtle Church c/o Patrick Church	None	5061 Saltworks Road 00013-0A-00-0000021

If the owner(s) of the above referenced parcels fail to remove, repair or secure the structure within 30 days of this publication, the County will remove the structure and the cost of the removal shall be chargeable to the owner(s) of the structure and shall be collected as taxes are collected. Inquires may be directed to Tom Rippon at [twrippon@co.northampton.va.us](mailto:twrippon@co.northampton.va.us) or 757-678-0440 Ext. 526.

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The Town of Parksley is taking sealed bids for a 2009 black, Ford Crown Victoria ex-police vehicle with approx. 200K miles and a 2000 white Kia Sportage with approx. 200K miles. Bids will be taken at the Parksley Town Office until Monday, March 28, 2022, at 2 PM.

**Public Notice**

The Chincoteague Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday April 4, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following zoning matter:

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

# Legal Ads

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**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING**

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022, AT 10 A.M., IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA**, TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

**A. VAR-000323-2022: Laura Twiford – Tax Map # 13-A-50**

A hearing initiated by Laura Twiford to request a variance pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-55(a) which states that the minimum lot area in the district shall be five (5) acres. Ms. Twiford is requesting a variance of 1.75 acres for her remainder parcel, in order to permit a Family Subdivision of this parcel. The parcel is located at Tax Map # 13-A-50 located at 6002 Pinewood Lane, New Church, and is zoned Agriculture.

**B. SUSE-000319-2022: Patsy Goard – Tax Map # 54-A-200**

A hearing initiated by Patsy Goard to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53(22) which allows for an accessory dwelling, on lots with a minimum area of five (5) acres. Ms. Goard would like to place a 725 square foot accessory dwelling on this 15.53 acre parcel. The parcel is located at Tax Map #54-A-200 located at 28140 Groton Town Rd, Hallwood and is zoned Agriculture.

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

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

**NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION**

FULL MEASURE OYSTER COMPANY, LLC, (2022011) has applied for approximately 190 acres of oyster planting ground in Nandua Creek situated in Accomack City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-37.4021 / W75-53.6556

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2022011): [https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search\\_applications.php](https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php) or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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

**NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION**

Joshua H. Webb, (2022013) has applied for approximately 45 acres of oyster planting ground in Burtons Bay situated in Accomack City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-36.1655 / W75-37.4916

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2022013): [https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search\\_applications.php](https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php) or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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

LIVS LLC, Trading as

Livs Cafe & Deli, 3257C Main Street,  
Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia 23350

The above establishment is applying to the  
VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE  
CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY

for a Wine and Beer On and Off Premises license to sell  
or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Olivia Justice, Owner

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

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

*Provided that a recommendation has been received from the Northampton County Planning Commission, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, commencing at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, to solicit public comment on the following matter:*

**ZTA 2022-02:** The Northampton County Board of Supervisors is proposing a Zoning Text Amendment to § 154.2.127 “Low Impact Commercial Uses,” Paragraph (B) “Adaptive Re-Use Business,” Subparagraph (4) “List of Adaptive Re-Use Businesses” to include a new business called “Apartments within existing buildings,” and to also create a new use to be included in Appendix A of the Zoning Ordinance titled “Adaptive Re-Use Apartments in Existing Buildings (not counted as a unit when calculating density).”

The application is on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and in the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA.

Anyone wishing to comment on the above item is invited to attend the meeting and make their comments known. Written comments can be submitted to the Board of Supervisors at P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347.

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

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# Legal Advertising (Cont'd)

**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF  
18483 GASKINS ROAD,  
ONANCOCK, VIRGINIA 23417  
COUNTY OF ACCOMACK**

In execution of a certain deed of trust dated 12/28/06, in the original principal amount of 194,750.00 recorded in the County of Accomack, Virginia, as Instrument No. 200700119, as amended by an instrument appointing the undersigned as Substitute Trustee, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the building housing the Circuit Court of the COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VA located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia, 23301-0126 on **April 26, 2022, at 12:00pm**, the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address, with improvements thereon and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THAT DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 494, AT PAGE 252 AND IN DEED BOOK 615, AT PAGE 235 IN ACCOMACK COUNTY, VA. TERMS OF SALE: Neither the Substitute Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust will deliver possession of the property to the successful bidder. The purchaser at the sale will be required to pay all closing costs. Real estate taxes, water/sewer fees and other public charges will be prorated as of the date of sale. The risk of loss or damage to the property passes to the purchaser immediately upon the conclusion of the Substitute Trustee's sale. Terms: A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent price (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject deed of trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within 20 days at the office of the Substitute Trustee. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to suspend bidding prior to completion of the sale. Time is of the essence as to the closing date and the payment of the purchase price. If payment of the balance does not occur within twenty days of the sale date, the deposit will be forfeited. Seller shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by the purchaser in connection with their purchase or settlement, including, without limitation, state and local recording fees, title insurance or research, or any other costs of purchaser's acquisition. Trustee shall have no duty to obtain possession for purchaser. All risks of casualty pass to successful bidder at conclusion of bidding. The property and the improvements thereon will be sold "AS IS" and without representation or warranties of any kind. The sale is subject to all liens, encumbrances, conditions, easements and restrictions, if any, superior to the mentioned deed of trust and lawfully affecting the property. Sale is subject to post-sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower(s) entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of the Purchaser's deposit without interest. Additional terms to be announced at the sale. For more information contact: Abby Moynihan, Esq., member of Surety Trustees, at 301-490-3361 or [www.mwc-law.com](http://www.mwc-law.com).

**TWO (2) TRUSTEE'S SALES:  
22884 SAXIS ROAD  
12497/12491 ATLANTIC ROAD  
TEMPERANCEVILLE, VIRGINIA**

Each of the captioned properties will be offered for sale separately at public auctions conducted pursuant to the terms of the following two (2) deeds of trust (together, the "Deeds of Trust") granted by THIEN CHI LE and HIEN THANH PHAM: (i) an instrument securing a \$350,000 loan which is dated as of September 23, 2015, recorded in the Accomack County Circuit Court Clerk's Office (the "Clerk's Office") as Instrument No. 150003845 (the "\$350,000 Deed of Trust"); and (ii) an instrument securing a \$565,000 loan, which is dated as August 18, 2016, recorded in the Clerk's Office as Instrument No. 160003338 (the "\$565,000 Deed of Trust"). These sales will be conducted by one or both of the undersigned substitute trustees (collectively, the "Trustee"), at the request of the holder of the obligations secured by the Deeds of Trust (the "Beneficiary"), in front of the **Accomack County Circuit Court Building**, located at **23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia**, at **12:00 noon** and **12:15 p.m.**, on **Monday, April 11, 2022**.

The encumbered properties (together, the "Properties") are briefly identified as:

**\$565,000 Deed of Trust (12:00 noon):**  
22884 Saxis Road, Temperanceville  
15.773 Acres, Shore Fertilizer Property  
Parker's Corner, Near Makemie Park  
Tax Map No. 04100A0000004G0

**\$350,000 Deed of Trust (12:15 p.m.):**  
12497/12491 Atlantic Road, Temperanceville  
Ryan C. Chesser Property, Assawoman  
Tax Map Nos. 05600A0000006A0 and  
05600A000000600

**Associated Personal Property Interests:**  
Included with each of the Properties will be all personal property rights granted to the Beneficiary under security agreements dated as of September 23, 2015 and August 18, 2016, pursuant to Va. Code §8.9A-604(a)(2)

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. The Properties (including the associated personal property rights and interests) will

be offered for sale "AS IS, WHERE IS" and will be conveyed by special warranty deed and by bill of sale (transfer statement) subject to all encumbrances, rights, reservations, covenants, conditions, easements, restrictions and statutory liens, if any, having priority over the Deeds of Trust or over the associated personal property lien interests. The Trustee and Beneficiary make no representation or warranty whatsoever as to the existence, validity, survival or terms of any lease(s) or occupancy rights or arrangements, and no credit shall be given against the purchase price for any associated security deposit(s).

Except for the special warranty contained in the deed(s), the Trustee and the Beneficiary disclaim all warranties of any kind for the Properties, including without limitation any warranty relating to the zoning, physical or environmental condition, fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability. The risk of loss or damage to the Properties shall be borne by the successful bidder(s) from and after the date and time of sale, and such purchaser(s) shall assume all obligations for continuation of utility services to the Properties. Securing possession and control of the Properties, including locating and securing the personal property assets, shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder(s).

A bidder's deposit in cash or by certified or cashier's check of at least ten percent (10%) of any amount bid must be shown to the Trustee for such bid to be accepted, subject to bidder prequalification. Immediately after the sale, the successful bidder(s) shall execute a contract of sale with the Trustee, a form of which is available for review upon request, and shall deliver to the Trustee the required deposit. Settlement in full shall be made in cash at 223 E. City Hall Avenue, Suite 201, Norfolk, Virginia, within 30 days of sale, time being of the essence. Additional procedures, terms and conditions may be announced at the sale, and shall control.

PETER G. ZEMANIAN  
PAUL A. DRISCOLL  
Substitute Trustees

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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[pete@zemanianlaw.com](mailto:pete@zemanianlaw.com)

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# 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 Metompkin 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](mailto: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/finance/budget-development-fy23>.

This notice is published in accordance with Virginia Code Sections 15.2-2506 and 58.1-3321.

## Consolidated General Government Estimated Budget

### ALL FUNDS

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources		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
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>	<b>75,806,149</b>	<b>Total Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>79,983,064</b>
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
<b>Total Estimated Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	<b>\$80,966,287</b>	<b>Total Estimated Expenditures &amp; Other Uses</b>	<b>\$80,966,287</b>

## 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
<b>Total Estimated Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	<b>\$72,045,302</b>	<b>Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	<b>\$72,045,302</b>

## 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

## 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
<b>Tax District:</b>				<b>Tax District:</b>		
Atlantic	\$0.610	\$0.565	\$0.610	Atlantic	\$3.72	\$3.72
Greenbackville/Captains Cove Area	\$0.635	\$0.590	\$0.635	Metompkin	\$3.72	\$3.72
Metompkin	\$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	<b>Personal Property Tax Relief:</b>		
				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%

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

**1. 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.

**2. 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".

**3. 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.

**4. 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.

The Board of Supervisors will hold public hearings on the Accomack County budget and tax rates on April 4, 2022, at Metompkin 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](mailto: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.

## Proposed User Fees

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

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**

Case No. 22CL000195-00  
Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126,  
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301

CONNOR BRANTLEY SEMAN  
The object of this suit is:  
PETITION FOR A NAME CHANGE.

It is ORDERED that MICHAEL PATRICK SEMAN ap-  
pear at the above-named court and protect his interests  
on or before MAY 11, 2022.

March 18, 2022  
Caretta S. Duncan, Dep. Clerk

# Legal Ads

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia. The purpose is to conduct regular business and review the following applications to forward a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

**Minor SUP 2022-06:** New Inlet, Inc. is applying for a minor special use permit to establish a migrant labor camp for up to (8) eight seasonal workers. The workers will be housed in one (1) double-wide mobile home. The property is located at 4166 Townsend Drive, Townsend, VA. The property is zoned as A/RB (Agriculture/Rural Business) and is further described as Tax Map 105-A-74. Parcel 105-A-75 will be used for access only, and is made part of this application. This is the same SUP application (SUP 2022-06) previously scheduled for public hearing on March 1, 2022.

**Minor SUP 2022-07:** Luchinia and Demion Veney are applying for a minor special use permit to construct a single wide mobile home on their property located at 6290 Bayside Road, Exmore, VA. The property is zoned as V/R (Village/Residential) and is further described as Tax Map 15-A-51.

If the Planning Commission makes recommendation on the above and the applications are not tabled, the Board of Supervisors shall also conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers. The applications will be on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and in the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA.

Anyone wishing to comment on the above items is invited to attend the meetings and make their comments known. Written comments can be submitted to the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement//P.O. Box 538//Eastville, VA 23347.

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

The Town Council of Town of Exmore will hold a Public Hearing on April 4, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room of the J. Guy Lawson Municipal Bldg., located at 3305 Main Street, Exmore, Virginia, to hear public comment on proposed trash rates. Any questions regarding the proposed trash rates may be directed to Town Manager Robert G. Duer at [rduer@exmore.org](mailto:rduer@exmore.org) or (757) 442-3114 x 1000.

ORDINANCE NO. 219  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPERCEDE ANY PREVIOUS ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO "ESTABLISH CHARGES AND CONDITIONS FOR WATER RATES, SEWER AND TRASH FEES."

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Exmore:

To amend and re-enact Ordinance No. 124, which passed June 20, 1994 entitled "An Ordinance to Supercede and Amend any Previous Ordinances Pertaining to Establish Charges and Conditions for Water Rates, Sewer and Trash Fees" to become effective July 1, 2022, with the following changes:

**Section 4 is changed to read....**

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## A Town Manager's Dilemma

By John Hozey

### Cape Charles Town Manager

The Town of Cape Charles is currently considering the merits of potentially selling our water and wastewater utilities to a private utility company. This is an incredibly important topic that deserves a lot of scrutiny and public interaction. But something this complex also has a lot of moving parts, and so providing a complete picture of the situation is essential for anyone to reach an informed opinion.

I've been frustrated lately that a couple of local individuals are engaging in this scrutiny, but only presenting a limited picture of the issue, one which leads their audience to the conclusion that selling the utilities is a bad thing. Ironically, these same individuals then turn around and accuse the town of not being transparent.

As a town manager, this puts me in a tough spot. On one hand, I feel compelled to call attention to this inaccurate and incomplete information; but on the other hand, if I do, I could be perceived as advocating for the sale. That would be inappropriate since the Town Council has not yet decided if it wants to move forward.

At the end of the day, though, I believe it's more important for the public to have the right information. With that in mind, please do not consider what I am about to present as an advocating a position; it is only clarification of some misleading information.

The individuals in question have been suggesting that the 10-year rate projections developed by the town's consultant are flawed. First, they claim it is disingenuous because it only goes out 10 years, and very shortly after that our current debt is retired; therefore (they claim) our current debt service could be used to help offset rates beyond 10 years. But that assertion doesn't represent the full picture.

As we explained during the recent town hall meetings, capital investments beyond the 10-year point would likely require new debt. So yes, our current debt would be paid off, but we would likely have to incur new debt about that same time. There is no other reasonable way for the town to finance future investments that wouldn't have dramatic impacts on rates. Therefore, we cannot assume that our current debt service would be available to provide rate relief after 10 years.

These individuals also claim that our rate projections are flawed because we

haven't disclosed the assumptions used in their creation. This is false. We published the assumptions along with the graphs. However, when that graph was republished in the March 18 Post Op-Ed, the assumption section was left off. While it may be understandable that some could have additional questions about these assumptions, to say we did not provide anything at all is just wrong.

Next, these individuals take aim at all the rate increases Virginia American Water (VAW) has implemented over the past 14 years. But the only information they provided was in the form of percentages. The part they chose not to include here were the actual rates. That is really important to know, because the rates in question are significantly lower than ours, even after all those percentage increases. If you are only presented percentages, you are led to believe rates will increase, but when compared to our actual rate environment, the opposite is true.

Another piece of information not being presented during any discussion of past VAW rate increases is the amount of capital investment VAW made into those systems prior to asking for the increase. That too is critically important to understand. Anyone making capital investments (VAW or the town) would have to raise rates to cover that cost.

It was reported in the last Op-Ed that VAW's annual increase over the past 14 years averaged 3.88%. Inflation alone could easily account for 2.5% of that; if the remaining 1.38% was for capital investment, that would not be unreasonable. Here again, no mention was made to what could happen if the town kept these systems, where we would likely have to raise rates more than an average of 3.88% per year going forward.

But what was especially egregious was that in the March 18 Op-Ed, the author first acknowledged that state law would require VAW to lower our rates to their consolidated rate, but then the author published a chart showing VAW's average annual percentage rate increase, projected forward on our CURRENT rate, not the lower consolidated rate which is what would happen. This is a clear misrepresentation of what has been presented to date.

I do applaud any and all additional scrutiny to this analysis, but I find it disappointing when such scrutiny is based on incomplete and misleading information.

Again, I am not trying to push this dis-

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cussion in any particular direction. I just ask that everyone participating in this analysis be fair, transparent, and provide balanced information. I also ask that everyone trying to learn more about this take the time to review all the information on the town's

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### Don't Tear Down School

Dear Editor:

I attended Accomac Elementary School in the 1950s. My mother graduated from Accomac High School in 1938 as valedictorian. Same building. One of the most well-constructed and beautiful buildings in Accomack County. Why would anyone want to replace it with a smaller metal building covered with a few bricks? Basically for the same price as a bit of renovation. Please, Accomack, preserve a bit of history and save this grand lady from destruction.

**Barbara Fears Haynes, Nassawadox**

### Increased Wetland Fees Won't Deter Illegal Activities

Dear Editor:

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors has proposed increasing the "in lieu" fee for wetlands (see Carol Vaughn's story about last week's board of supervisors meeting on Page 2 of this week's paper).

It sounds like this is prompted by VMRC's "commitment of no loss of non-vegetated wetlands," but keep in mind, VMRC historically leads the way in approving after-the-fact permits, which are simply a way to charge a fee for allowing an illegal and/or unpermitted project to remain in place by paying a fee, instead of requiring the applicant to return their property to its previous condition. When you allow the applicant to retain the results of their habitat destruction, you make it worthwhile for them to intentionally break the law for their own benefit. Such projects cause the destruction of wetlands, then attempt to make up for that by trying to replace what was lost. The fees and mitigation projects almost never adequately replace what was lost. The only way to have a real chance for successful mitigation is requiring long term monitoring (5 years) and a requirement that any plants that do not survive must be replanted until restoration is complete.

Otherwise, it is like letting someone

webpage, in addition to what you might be hearing on the street. Residents may also contact me directly with any questions.

The bottom line is this: the mayor, Town Council, and I just want what's best for the town, and ensuring that everyone has balanced information can only help in this very important community discussion.

clear-cut a forest and saying if they plant some saplings, the clear-cut is fixed. Not only is the full benefit of the forest canopy not replaced for many years, but if the saplings are not watered and nurtured, you can easily lose the benefits of the mitigation.

I worked for VMRC for seven years back in the 1990s, so I have seen this firsthand for decades. I have also worked for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Florida Park Service where all or a part of my job involved habitat restoration in a wide variety of habitats — everything from salmon habitat in far northern California to sea grass, coral and mangrove habitat in the Florida Keys. From those years of experience, I can tell you it is VERY rare for habitat mitigation/restoration to actually replace the value of what was destroyed. I can't think of a single instance where what was replaced was better than what was destroyed, even after years of effort to fix it.

Also keep in mind that although Northampton County has a mechanism for charging fees for wetlands mitigation, we have no structure in place to actually perform the mitigation projects — so in effect, we may feel good by charging violators a fee, but the money goes in a black hole and does nothing to restore the environment we allowed to be destroyed.

I'd advise taking this type of legislation as little more than a Band-Aid on an open wound. Better to impose fines and penalties severe enough to effectively prevent anyone from attempting a project which might cause severe financial problems or even land the perpetrator in jail. And if they do it anyway, make them return it to the habitat's previous condition, at their own expense, so they do not reap the benefits of the illegal activity.

Our recent initiative to post public notice in the paper about the requirements for permitting work in the wetlands is a good first step. Substantial penalties and no longer letting someone off because they claim they "did not know they needed a permit" are the next step.

**David Boyd, Cape Charles**

## Why Gas Prices Feel Outrageous

By Patrick Tompkins

My brother, Earl, like a whole lot of people, feels that gas prices are outrageous. He tells me prices have doubled. I told him that we are hypersensitive to the cost of gas, but he, like many, insists he is only responding logically. In general, he's wrong about that, but he has good reasons to be. Here's why.

According to AAA, the average price for gas in the U.S. is \$4.33 per gallon. In Virginia it's running, on average, about 10 cents cheaper. Let's look at how outrageous that might be for the average driver.

Here's a very simple hypothetical example. Imagine someone who's been driving for 10 years. They have a Ford F350 with dual gas tanks, and for seven of those years, it costs \$100 to fill up the tank.

Then let's say in years eight and nine gas prices dropped far and it only

costs \$40 to fill up the truck.

But in year 10 gas prices double so that it costs \$80 to fill up the tank.

You can see that although gas prices doubled in year 10, at \$80, it is still cheaper to fill the tank than it was for seven of the last ten years. With inflation, the relative cost of gas in year ten is even lower.

Now let's apply similar thinking to the actual situation. A year ago, gas averaged \$2.86 a gallon. At \$4.33, prices haven't doubled, but they are still up 66%, a pretty big increase.

However, when my brother started driving in 1981, gas cost \$2.97. If we factor in inflation, that's \$9.27 today, an increase of 212%. Yikes! So even with the latest large increase, the relative cost of gas today is less than half what it was in 1981.

Compare this to the average cost of tuition at a public four-year college. According to the Education Data Ini-

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tiative, the cost was \$909 in 1981.

If we factor in inflation, that would be \$2,837 today, but the actual cost in 2019-20 was \$9,349.

So the relative cost of college is 30% higher than in 1981 and gas is about half what it used to cost.

So why is Earl hypersensitive to the cost of gas? There are a few reasons.

First, in our hypothetical example, when the cost of gassing up the truck fell from \$100 to \$40 that felt pretty good. But it felt worse when it doubled to \$80, even though that was still cheaper than seven of the last 10 years.

Why? As humans we feel an increase in cost much more strongly than we feel a drop in prices.

We're also hypersensitive to gas prices because gas is a very basic, visible household expense. We feel it every week, and as we watch the gas meter run when we fill up the truck, we can see the dollars

and cents growing at a very fast speed.

We feel something similar if inflation affects the prices of milk, bread, eggs — and cigarettes. Say a can of peas costs \$0.50. If it goes up 10%, it now costs \$0.55. But we don't pay much attention to it because we don't buy peas every day. It's in our cart with a bunch of other things, it's a relatively low-cost item, and we just don't pay as much attention to the cost of peas.

But if we apply that hypothetical 10% increase to a gallon of milk, it goes from \$3.90 to \$4.29, a dozen eggs goes from \$1.80 to almost \$2, a loaf of bread goes from \$1.50 to \$1.65 and a pack of cigarettes goes from \$7 to \$7.70. We are likely to notice these increases more than the increase on peas.

So, you see, my brother really is hypersensitive to gas prices increases ... but tell that to him ... or to anyone else who fills up a tank.

**Patrick Tompkins lives in Onancock**

## Historic School Merits Preservation

Dear Editor:

It was very enlightening to see that the two proposals, one for reconstruction and the other for demolition and rebuilding (a much smaller structure) at the current Accomac Primary School property, were so close in price. Personally, I much favor the saving of those beautifully architected buildings as opposed to putting up those cold, sterile, eyesores made of metal.

Accomac is a historic town filled with beautiful buildings and wonderful history. The main road leading in to Accomac, the same road that the school sits on, is filled with beautiful homes that are kept in perfect condition to maintain the grace and beauty of the town. It was bad enough when the school system placed those temporary units on the property, making the main entrance into the town look like

a trailer park, but now they want to demolish that beautiful building and put up another even larger metal one to seal the deal. This is Accomac. A historical town. I'm sure that the people who live there don't want what resembles a car dealership, with a large parking lot facing them when they come home every day.

I encourage everyone to join me by contacting your county supervisors and your Accomack County School Board member to voice your opinion and help preserve this beautiful part of Accomack County history.

**Connie Burford, Bloxom**

## Keep Density Restrictions

Dear Editor:

Stefanie Jackson's important coverage of lower Eastern Shore development issues continued with her March 11 article, "Northampton Board Votes Unanimously to Nix Proposed Tour-

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ist Cottages." The Board of

Supervisor's action was welcomed by those working to protect Northampton County's economy and rural character from well-connected private interests who wish to commercialize prime farmland in search of imagined profits from short-term rentals.

After the board's rejection of the proposal to build 12 motel units on agricultural land near Townsend, real estate agent Bill Parr and developer Angelo Manuel are seemingly back with an equally brazen effort to construct high-density housing. Working with a private investment company from Chesapeake called Community Investment Group, Parr and Manuel have proposed a change to zoning requirements to eliminate density requirements on farm and commercial land with existing buildings that can be renovated.

The pitch is affordable housing for the Eastern Shore workforce — a laudable goal on its face. However, the proposed change has no such wording in it, nor does it prohibit the use of such buildings for short-term rentals. More vacation rental homes for wealthy mainlanders is hardly an affordable housing solution.

Density restrictions (a maximum number of houses per acre) are the primary reason that we enjoy low real estate taxes, still have an agricultural economy, and can offer visitors an escape from their daily slog in Hampton Roads or along the Washington, D.C., Beltway.

Parr and Manuel can talk as fast and as smooth as they want. But on the Eastern Shore, we know that when it walks, flies, and quacks like a duck — it's a duck. If we put enough tourist cottages, vacation rentals, and "adaptive reuse housing" per acre here, our great-grandchildren won't ever have seen a duck.

**Ken Dufty, Exmore**



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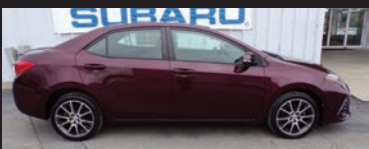









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