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Rep. Luria Delivers Federal Funding for Local Projects

Luria: Funding 911 was an 'easy decision'

By Carol Vaughn

Rep. Elaine Luria was on the Eastern Shore Monday for a daylong series of events celebrating more than \$11.2 million in federal grants awarded for three Eastern Shore projects.

In March, Luria announced more than \$18.5 million in awards for seven community projects across the congressional district.

Luria's first stop Monday was at the Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Center in Accomac.

Federal community project funding of \$8.2 million will help pay for critically needed upgrades to the public safety radio communication system on the Shore.

"This is the place where all the 911 calls, whether it's a voice call or a text call — they all come here and then we take care of it from there," transferring the calls to the appropriate agencies for response, said Jeff Flournoy, Eastern Shore of Virginia 911 director, who

kicked off the event in Accomac.

The award was the single largest community project amount awarded in the entire country this year, Luria said.

Luria thanked first responders at the event "for the things you do every day to help keep the community safe."

The community project funding, formerly known as earmarks, returned to Congress this year for the first time in more than a decade, Luria said, adding, "The first thing we did was reach out across the community and try to find the places that had the most need and that could make the most impact.

"This project was an easy decision. When you find out that the 911 system on the Shore was patchy, there were areas it didn't cover, it wasn't up to date and modern, it didn't have digital location services — all of the things that when people pick up the phone and call 911, they expect to get someone on the other end who can help them ... and connect them to the people who are going to come and protect their safety. ... That call has to get to somebody, and



Rep. Elaine Luria poses with county and state officials and Eastern Shore first responders with a check for \$8.2 million in Accomac. The federal community project funding will go to pay for upgrades to the Shore's regional public safety communications system. It was one of several awards Luria delivered to the Shore Monday, April 18. Photo by Carol Vaughn.

so making this investment was truly a no-brainer."

Accomack County Supervisor Ron Wolff, who serves on the Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Commission, compared getting the award to making the winning home run in the bottom of the ninth inning in a baseball game.

"We've been working on this project at the 911 commission since 2019. We've worked hard to try to prepare to

get this ready and as we were kind of getting into the last hour, I had a conversation with Mike Mason, the county administrator from Accomack County. We heard about this grant funding, and I said, 'Mike, this might be a great opportunity for us.

"...This was like the bottom of the ninth and we needed a walk-off home run. So we contacted Congresswoman

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~ 911 Funding ~

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Luria's office and we pitched the idea of trying to get money for this grant — and lo and behold, we called in a pinch hitter, Congresswoman Luria; she stepped up to the plate. It was a pitch that was right down the center. She swung for the fence and it was a home run. It was a game-winning home run, \$8.2 million for a regional project."

The project "affects every citizen on the Eastern Shore," Wolff said, calling the award "a great win for the Eastern Shore."

Northampton County Administrator Charles Kolakowski said the award

"will greatly improve the capabilities for our emergency responders" and will free up money to be used for other needs in the region.

Mason thanked Luria and her staff for their work to get federal funding for the communications system. He recalled results of a 2019 study, which found the current public safety communications infrastructure and operations in the region was "inefficient at best and in a worst-case scenario, life-threatening."

"Ever since then, we have been trying to solve this problem," he said.

Mason said in his 31 years with Accomack County, "I have never, ever received as much independent support

from the congresswoman or any federal legislator, and her staff as we received on this project — and it really, really makes a difference here and will make a difference going forward."

Sen. Lynwood Lewis thanked Luria, saying, "There is no more fundamental service for government than providing for the public safety ... and so this tremendous amount of money, \$8.2 million, for something as basic to supporting these (public safety) folks as a system of reliable and effective communications is just tremendous for life here on the Eastern Shore."

The public safety systems currently in use on the Shore use different frequencies that are deficient with coverage and have interoperability issues.

Once implemented, the new regional system will provide public safety-grade, reliable, mission-critical

voice and data communications for first responders.

Both Accomack and Northampton counties were ready to take on debt this year to make the needed upgrades. With the federal award, the financial burden on both counties has been significantly reduced, although the price has risen to \$9.5 million since application was made for the federal funding, meaning the counties will need to cover the additional costs.

Proposals are being reviewed now and the hope is a contractor will be chosen by May or June, with work on the system starting later this summer. It likely will take around two years for the new system to be fully in place, according to county officials.

For coverage of other community project awards, see stories on pages 6 through 8.

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INAUGURAL ELECTRON ROCKET LAUNCH TO CARRY HAWKEYE 360 Satellites

By Carol Vaughn

Rocket Lab announced Tuesday the inaugural launch of its Electron rocket from the Wallops Island spaceport will carry a mission for HawkEye 360, a Virginia-based radio frequency geospatial analytics provider.

The company contracted with Rocket Lab to launch three missions using the Electron rocket, according to a press release.

"I'm thrilled to welcome HawkEye 360 onto Electron's manifest and especially looking forward to launching our inaugural mission from Launch Complex 2 in Virginia. Operating multiple Electron pads across both hemispheres opens up incredible flexibility for our customers and delivers assured access to space, something we know is becoming increasingly critical as launch availability wanes worldwide. This contract also demonstrates continued execution on our vertical integration strategy, in this case bringing reliable launch and flight proven separation systems under one roof to streamline the integration and launch process for HawkEye 360," said Peter Beck, Rocket Lab founder and chief ex-

ecutive officer.

Rocket Lab, founded in 2006, also has two launch pads in New Zealand.

The multiple-mission contract is for Rocket Lab to deliver 15 satellites, in five clusters, to low-Earth orbit. The missions are expected to take place between late 2022 and 2024.

Rocket Lab will first deploy three HawkEye 360 satellites as part of a ride-share mission, followed by six satellites each on two dedicated launches.

Rocket Lab also will supply HawkEye 360 with separation systems produced by Planetary Systems Corp., a Maryland space hardware company Rocket Lab acquired in December 2021.

"Rocket Lab provides the flexibility we need to fill out our constellation and reach our desired orbits. Their service will drive down our revisit rates in mid-latitude AOIs, bringing a higher density of data to our customers. We're excited to be joining the inaugural launch from Virginia, as a Virginia-based company launching our satellites from our home state," said Rob Rainhart, HawkEye 360 chief operating officer.

The missions will add to HawkEye 360's constellation of radio frequency monitoring satellites, "enabling the company to better deliver precise mapping of radio frequency emissions anywhere in the world," according to the release.

HawkEye 360 combines that data with analytical tools and algorithms to provide commercial and government customers information that has helped detect illegal fishing, poaching in national parks, GPS radio frequency interference along international borders, and emergency beacons, according to the release.

Rocket Lab scheduled the first mission from Virginia for no earlier than December, with the release saying the company is "encouraged by NASA's recent progress in certifying its Autonomous Flight Termination Unit (NAFTU) software, which is required to enable Electron launches from Wallops.

The company recently broke ground on a manufacturing complex just across the bridge from the Wallops Island spaceport for its new 131-foot, carbon composite Neutron rocket, which will be able to carry heavier payloads than the 56-foot-tall Electron.



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New Road Community Gets \$500,000 for Affordable Housing Project

By Stefanie Jackson

Congresswoman Elaine Luria visited the New Road community in Exmore April 18 to celebrate the award of \$500,000 in federal funding for the New Road Community Development Group's Legacy Project for affordable housing.

It was one of three stops the congresswoman made on the Eastern Shore on Monday to award Accomack and Northampton counties \$11.2 million of more than \$18.5 million in Community Project Funding she secured for her district.

This type of federal funding was previously called earmarks, which were banned more than a decade ago but were recently reintroduced with a new name and new regulations intended to prevent program abuse and wasteful spending.

Ava Gabrielle-Wise, executive director of New Road Community Development Group, thanked Luria for her work. Gabrielle-Wise explained the Legacy Project was named to honor her mother, the late Ruth Wise, who was the executive director of the New Road group when it was founded 30 years ago.

New Road had bought 30 acres of land and redeveloped parts that had existing housing, and the group began to build homes on the previously undeveloped areas. The Legacy Project will build housing on the remaining undeveloped land in New Road, approximately 9 acres.

Federal, state, and local politicians and leaders of public and private organizations met for the event Monday afternoon in one of the six new homes under construction in New Road, a

small community on the west side of U.S. Route 13, in Exmore.

The construction of the new single-family dwellings, which range in size from two tiny homes to a four-bedroom home, is the first of three phases of the Legacy Project.

The first phase was made possible with funding from Virginia Housing and the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development's Acquire, Renovate, and Sell loan program. A groundbreaking was held in January and construction is expected to be completed in July.

The \$500,000 in Community Project Funding will support the Legacy Project's second phase. The grant will fund site development of land on Ruth Wise Road, near the highway. Virginia Housing is funding the predevelopment, planning, design, and engineering.

Approximately 30 housing units will be built: eight duplexes totaling 16 housing units and a three-story building for multi-family housing, which may be a mixed-use building with commercial space downstairs and residential units upstairs. A groundbreaking is expected to be held by spring 2023.

On a brief tour of the present and future development sites within the New Road community, Gabrielle-Wise explained that each duplex will provide a wealth-building opportunity for its owners, who will live in one of its two housing units while renting out the other.

The third phase of the Legacy Project is still in its conceptual phase but includes plans for 12 units of senior housing.

At the end of the Legacy Project,



New Road Community Development Group Executive Director Ava Gabrielle-Wise and Congresswoman Elaine Luria display a presentation check for \$500,000 in Community Project Funding for the Legacy Project. They are standing inside one of the six new houses currently under construction in New Road. Photo by Stefanie Jackson.

the New Road community will be completely built out.

Attendees of the event in New Road on Monday included Exmore's Director of Utilities and Zoning Taylor Dukes, Town Manager Robert Duer, and Councilman Chase Sturgis.

Gabrielle-Wise called Exmore "the absolutely best partners that a community could ask for in doing development."

She thanked Chris Thompson, Virginia Housing's director of strategic housing, for his "stellar support" and the New Road community for its long-standing support.

Susan Dewey, Virginia Housing's chief executive officer, commended Gabrielle-Wise for her "passion ... in

wanting to serve your community" and thanked the project's local, state, and federal government partners.

"The real people that we should be celebrating are the people that will get to live in these homes," Dewey said.

State Sen. Lynwood Lewis commended Luria for the "shot in the arm" that will boost efforts to provide affordable housing on the Eastern Shore, which is "fantastic and a tribute to her leadership, her hard work, and the attention that she pays to what is really a very small portion of the district, but she gives us a lot ... and has given us some great resources today."

Representatives from the office of U.S. Sen. Tim Kaine also were present at the event.

Bill Curtis, assistant director of the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), spoke on behalf of its director, Bryan Horn, and Gov. Glenn Youngkin.

Curtis said DHCD is "heavily engaged over here on the Eastern Shore in many, many projects and expects to have more yet to come."

He acknowledged projects like the Legacy Project require a "multiplicity of funding streams to pull these together – many, many grants – and my hat's off to those who manage all of the grants and the timing and make sure



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Construction of new houses is in progress in Exmore's New Road community. Photo by Stefanie Jackson.

everything comes together.”

Curtis praised the construction work that had been accomplished in the last three months under the direction of Warren Thomas, chief executive officer of RMT Construction.

Northampton County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski pledged Northamp-

ton's continued support of Gabrielle-Wise and others working on initiatives like the Legacy Project “to provide more affordable housing throughout the county. It's a big need, a big project, and this is the kind of help that we need.”

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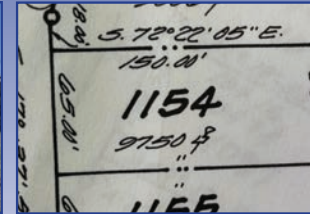
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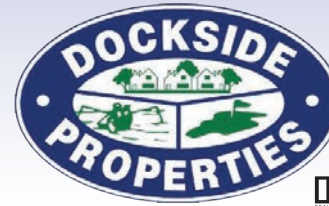
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Speakers and guests join in the official check presentation Monday in the brewing room of the Cape Charles Brewing Co. The check represents \$2.5 million in federal funding for the rail trail connecting Cape Charles and Route 13. From left are Cape Charles Town Manager John Hozey; Cape Charles Mayor Smitty Dize; Northampton County Supervisor Ernest Smith Jr.; Spencer Murray, senior vice president administration, Canonie Atlantic; Cape Charles Town Councilman Paul Grossman; Northampton County Supervisor John Coker; Mark Marshall, co-founder, Cape Charles Brewing Co.; Northampton County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski; Congresswoman Elaine Luria; Accomack County Supervisor Ron Wolff; James Outland, Canonie Atlantic; Cape Charles Town Councilman Andy Buchholz; Town Councilwoman Tammy Holloway; Accomack County Supervisor Reneta Major; and Northampton County Supervisor Oliver Bennett.

Congresswoman Elaine Luria smiles during the announcement of \$2.5 million in federal funding to finish a bicycle path from Cape Charles to Route 13.

Leaders Gather to Celebrate \$2.5 Million in Federal Funds for Rail Trail



Northampton County Supervisor Oliver Bennett, left, smiles with his daughter, Olivia, center, at Monday's check presentation. Joining them at right is Spencer Murray, senior vice president administration, Canonie Atlantic.



Rep. Elaine Luria's tour Monday of the Eastern Shore ended with a stop in Cape Charles to deliver \$2.5 million in support for the Eastern Shore Rail Trail. Above: Northampton County Supervisor John Coker addresses political and civic leaders in the brewing room of the Cape Charles Brewing Co., located alongside what will become a bicycle trail between Cape Charles and Route 13. Rain forced the festivities, originally planned to be held on the trail, indoors. From left are Coker, Congresswoman Elaine Luria, Spencer Murray, senior vice president administration, Canonie Atlantic; and Jim Outland, executive director, Canonie Atlantic. Left: Accomack County Supervisor Ron Wolff accepts leadership of the Eastern Shore Bike Trail Foundation.

Photos by Jim Ritch.



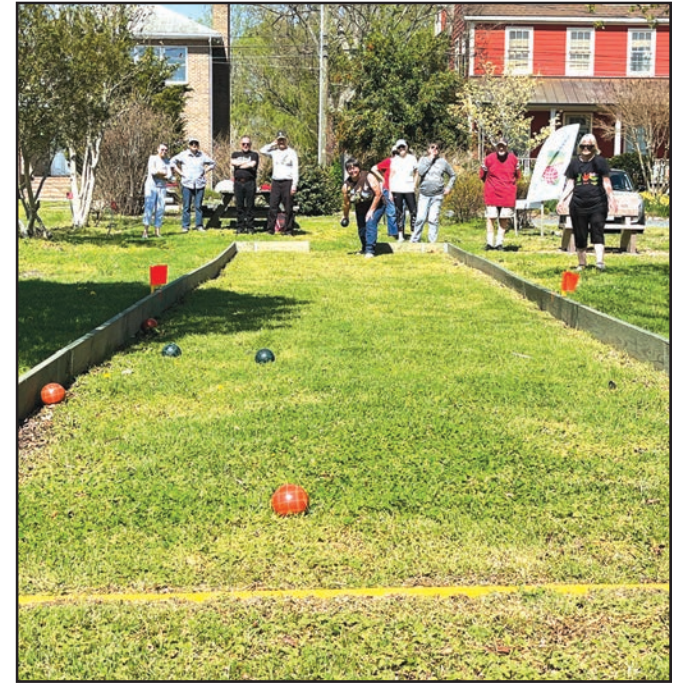
Cape Charles Mayor Smitty Dize shakes hands with Diane Kaufman, regional director for U.S. Senator Tim Kaine. Watching are Northampton County Supervisor John Coker, center, and Cape Charles Town Councilwoman Tammy Holloway, right.



Peg Volk prepares to roll a bocce ball during a game at Seaside Park in Wachapreague.



Margo Dinan, left, speaks to the class about the rules of bocce.



A.L.L. students play a game of bocce in Wachapreague on Thursday, April 14.

Wachapreague's Seaside Park Hosts A.L.L. Bocce Class

Story and Photos by Carol Vaughn

Eight enthusiastic adults gathered in Wachapreague's Seaside Park last Thursday morning to learn to play bocce.

The class is one of a number of classes offered by the Academy for Lifetime Learning (A.L.L.).

Most of the students had never played the game before, but some had played informal, backyard games, and a few had taken the class previously and were returning to enjoy playing on a team and to hone their skills.

"Bocce is fun. It's easy, physically, and anyone can play," said Margo Digan, a volunteer teacher with A.L.L.

She explained that the objective of the game is to score points by rolling your team's bocce balls closer than the opposing team's balls to a smaller, typically yellow or white ball, called the pallino.

Digan, who retired to the Eastern Shore and serves on Wachapreague's Town Council, grew up playing the game, which was brought to America by Italian immigrants.

"My father, an Irishman, loved bocce, so I grew up with it," she said, noting her family had many Italian friends in their Waterbury, Conn., neighborhood.

A.L.L. is a nonprofit membership organization open to adults. Its members,

many of whom are retirees, come from a variety of backgrounds but share a common interest in continued learning experiences. In addition to bocce, classes this spring range from photography and painting to kayaking, line dancing, pickleball, and more.

Many members take an active role in preparing and delivering the classes presented each semester, as is the case with Digan, who has taught bocce classes for the organization in the past.

Joining A.L.L. costs \$25 per semester. The fee entitles a member to enroll in as many classes as desired.

Go to <https://www.allesva.org/> for information about classes and enrollment.

A.L.L.'s mailing address is P.O. Box 509, Exmore, VA 23350.

Semesters are held in the fall (starting in September) and spring (starting in February).

An annual meeting is held in June to give members an opportunity to meet and get to know each other better.

The spring semester of bocce, four sessions long, was supposed to start April 7, but the first session was rained out, making this gathering the first class.

Digan explained that bocce is one of those games in which different people use different rules.

"You'll find as you go along you can really develop your own strategy fast," she said.

After the pallino is tossed, two teams take turns rolling four bocce balls each, trying to get as close as possible to the pallino.

Digan explained that a flexible tape measure is one of the most important pieces of equipment in playing bocce, because only the team whose ball is closest to the pallino, called the "inside" team, scores.

Sometimes that can't be determined visually, making the tape measure necessary.

The inside team scores one point for each ball closer to the pallino and two points if the ball is actually touching the pallino, known as a "kiss."

Games may be played to 11 or 21.

Games similar to bocce have been played for thousands of years, according to Digan.

"Apparently even with the Egyptians — it started out with them throwing stones to see who could get a stone closest to some other object," she said.

In France, a similar game, called *pétanque*, is played, but using steel balls.

Additionally, the British in Colonial

America played a game called bowls, which was played on a lawn using 3-pound balls.

The park in Wachapreague has a grass court, but more typically, bocce is played on a hard-packed court, with a gravel base topped by a layer of finely crushed oyster shells.

The court at Wachapreague, built two years ago, is 67 feet long, but regulation courts for competitive play are longer.

According to the U.S. Bocce Federation, the court for competition must be precisely 86.92 feet long and 13.12 feet wide.

After introductions and Digan's explanation of the basic rules, play got underway under sunny skies, with a friendly spirit of competition, accompanied by the usual banter soon developing.

In Wachapreague, a bocce set is available to borrow from the gift shop at the Wachapreague Inn when the shop is open.

Additionally, Digan noted sets can be purchased online for around \$40.

If you are looking for a fun new outdoor activity to do with friends, along with a bit of exercise, bocce just might be the ticket this summer.



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Accomack Supports Virginia Space Funding Application

By Carol Vaughn

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors at its meeting Wednesday approved a letter of support for the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority's application for federal community project funding in fiscal year 2023 through the federal appropriations process.

The Eastern Shore this year received \$11.2 million in community project funding, including \$8.2 million for a regional public safety communications system.

The congressional district including the Eastern Shore and parts of Hampton Roads is eligible to apply for 15 projects in 2023, according to Rep. Elaine Luria.

The letter, addressed to senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine and Luria and signed by Chairman Billy Joe Tarr and Supervisor Ron Wolff, supports the VCSFA's request for assistance to modernize its main space launch pad and to support "accelerating education and STEM outreach programs more widely throughout the Commonwealth

and the Eastern Shore."

The latest economic impact study shows the economic impact of the aerospace cluster on the Shore is \$1.37 billion annually, according to the letter, which also cites the recent groundbreaking of a new rocket manufacturing facility for Rocket Lab near Wallops Island.

"We believe the projects being proposed for inclusion in the federal budget are incredibly important in keeping Virginia competitive and attractive for new customers, while continuing to grow the local economy," Tarr and Wolff said in the letter.

The amount being asked for was not specified in the letter.

Child Care Start Up and Expansion Grant Program

Four child care entities in Accomack County will receive grants through a county program funded with federal American Rescue Plan Act money, according to Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason.

Onley Preschool, Shiloh Baptist

Church, the Boys and Girls Club, and Children's Harbor were selected out of 11 applications received.

The awards will provide for around 126 new child care slots, Mason said.

He said most of the applicants requested the maximum award, \$150,000.

Accomack County officials set aside \$600,000 from the county's ARPA funds to address child care needs.

A team made up of county and Department of Social Services employees reviewed the grant applications during several meetings and unanimously selected the four recipients.

The board in a vote Wednesday authorized Mason to enter into agreements with the grantees to disburse the funds.

The board will hold a town hall meeting Thursday, May 5, at 6 p.m., at Metompkin Elementary School in Parkesley to receive public input on possible uses of the second part of ARPA funds coming to the county, \$3.1 million, expected to come to the county in May.

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I Am a Dual-Enrollment Student!

“Dual-enrollment through Eastern Shore Community College has a way of bringing so many things into focus for students like me,” said April Perry of Greenbush.

April enrolled in the general studies transfer program at ESCC after graduating from Nandua High School in 2021. While in high school, April completed several ESCC courses in English and math through the dual-enrollment program.

“My older sister Tracy took advantage of it, so figured I would too,” April said. “The best part was that it was challenging, but in a good way. With the patience and support of your instructors, you quickly find the discipline you need to succeed!”

In her general studies program, April has enjoyed exposure to a number of career fields, perhaps even as a psychology teacher. Last summer, she was able to take advantage of the “Take Two” program that offers up to two free classes to recent high school grads at no cost.

April said, “I’m still considering my options, but the reason I have options to consider is because I’ve met and received support here from so many — Professor Duffman, Dr. Foxworthy, Mr. Walker, and others.”

ESCC Career Coach Jenae Sayers helps students make the transition from high school to college-level instruction. She said, “We hear constantly how appreciative high school dual-enrollment students are of the opportunity to start college early. Whether they complete a degree at ESCC or another college, ESCC has given them a jump on success.”

Eddie Mateo Hernandez is a current dual-enrollment student through Northampton High School. He commented, “I love the freedom of taking classes on ESCC’s campus even though I am still in high school. Also with the small class sizes, I find it easier to be engaged in class.”

Like April, Eddie immediately saw the benefit of being exposed to different subjects

and fields that may dictate his ultimate decision on a career. He said, “I like the idea of getting to choose what to learn and concentrate on. It’s an advantage to students to have this experience during high school.”

Eddie will be graduating with an associate degree this May before he graduates with a diploma from high school in June. Eddie said “I’m still deciding on my next step, but I’m pretty sure it will be welding. I may start that here at ESCC and continue on to other trade school experience as well.” Ultimately, Eddie would like to own his own business.

ESCC vice president Dr. Patrick Tompkins noted that dual-enrollment programs allow students to shorten their time in college, gain valuable college-level experience



April Perry (left) and Eddie Mateo Hernandez

while still in high school, and save both time and money after high school. ESCC offers dual-enrollment in Northampton and Accomack Counties and at Broadwater. Tompkins said, “Some students don’t think they are ready for dual-enrollment classes, but they are. Our YES! philosophy of service and opportunity are focused on success. High school students or their parents should contact us — we can help.”

Learn more about dual-enrollment at ESCC by contacting Jenae Sayers at 757-789-1796.

I Am a Licensed Beautician

“I thought about being a lawyer, running a restaurant, all kinds of things” says D. Ebony Brown, instructor of the successful Hair Braiding and Weaving program at YOUR Eastern Shore Community College, “but my true passions are in beauty and business.”

In 2008 at ESCC Ebony earned a career studies certificate in small business management and never looked back as she began her journey of being a successful local businesswoman on the Shore.

She came full circle, returning to ESCC with her own curriculum for hair braiding and weaving in 2014, where she says “we are closing in on nearly 100 students having come through our program, quite a few of whom are running their own successful businesses.”

“I loved the class!” said Elette Philippi, a native of Haiti who has lived on the Shore for 11 years.

“Ms. Ebony takes time with each student to make sure we understand all of the techniques.”

Elette is currently working with her uncle’s fashion business, but looks forward to venturing into her own business soon.

Recent student Katlyn Holloway is grateful for the opportunity to learn. “Ebony’s class at ESCC is so much more

accessible to students who are working.” An Arcadia High School graduate, Katlyn attended Liberty University but found it to be more expensive and time consuming than she could afford, so she enrolled in ESCC’s hair braiding and weaving class. Katlyn adds, “I am only three classes away from earning my associate degree in business management, and I’m working to complete those at ESCC this summer.”

Lokisha Boggs, another former student of Ebony’s, said, “In addition to the hair braiding skills Ebony teaches, you receive great guidance and hands-on experience for starting your own business.” Ebony’s course prepared Lokisha to open Boggs’ Beauty in Melfa two years ago.

Lokisha has taken advantage of ESCC’s programs that lead directly to work more than once. She said, “ESCC has been a constant in my life. I also completed the nurse aide program and earned my certification and now work with a local agency and also private care.”

Like Lokisha, Ebony is pursuing multiple opportunities. In addition to teaching at ESCC, Ebony owns and operates the Eastern Shore Academy of Cosmetology featuring three different programs, (cosmetology, barbering, and nails) and is



From left: D. Ebony Brown, Katlyn Holloway, and Lokisha Boggs.

also publishing her first book this spring, titled, “7 Key Components to Establish or Expand your Beauty Business.”

According to ESCC vice president Dr. Patrick Tompkins, hair braiding and weaving and business programs provide a practical path for aspiring entrepreneurs on the Shore. Tompkins said, “It’s all rooted in our YES! culture of service and opportunity. Ebony’s program is a shining example of how that works.”

Tompkins added, “Bring your dream to ESCC — we can help.”

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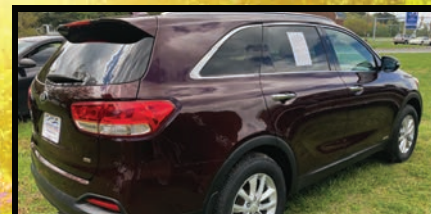
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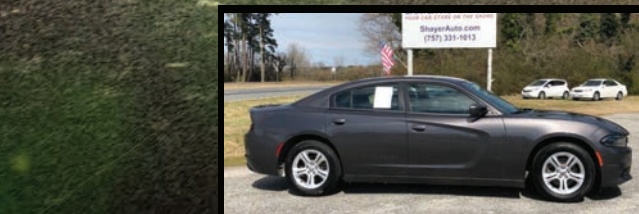
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Mason said there are three projects he recommends the board prioritize for the funding:

1. The cost of Accomack's share of the regional 911 communication project not covered by a recently awarded federal grant, which would use between \$892,000 and \$1.56 million.

2. A sewer collection system feasibility study for the northern end of the county. Having a study completed will improve the county's ability to obtain future grants for its construction. The cost is an estimated \$50,000.

3. Additional funds for broadband expansion. Even though the Shore was awarded a \$12 million state grant to expand broadband services, "there is still a substantial portion of the seaside that does not have services," according to Mason. He recommended setting aside \$500,000 for that purpose.

Gospel Temple/Adams Crossing Housing Project Completed

Construction of five homes in the Gospel Temple/Adams Crossing area

is complete and the homeowners have moved in, Mason said.

The project was funded by a Community Development Block Grant.

Townhouse Hearings Set for May

The board scheduled public hearings for rezoning and conditional use permit applications from CCG Note LLC to build a townhouse and commercial mixed use development near Captains Cove. The hearings are set for Wednesday, May 18.

Additionally, a hearing was scheduled May 18 to receive input about adding two properties to the county's enterprise zone. One is Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority's property on the road to Wallops Island. The second is a property on Lankford Highway, north of Temperanceville.

The Virginia Enterprise Zone program is a partnership between state and local government that encourages job creation and private investment by designating Enterprise Zones throughout the state and providing two grant-based incentives, the Job Creation Grant and the Real Property Investment Grant, to qualified investors and job creators within the zones, while the locality provides local incentives.

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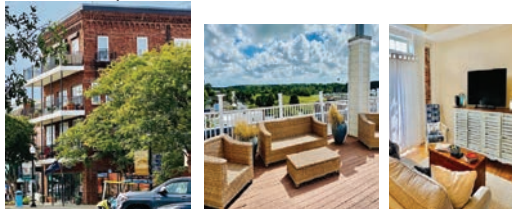
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'Backbone' Businesses Boost Agritourism

By Carol Vaughn

Agritourism is a growing part of the Virginia economy, according to speakers at a workshop held April 13 at Eastern Shore Community College.

The daylong workshop, sponsored by Virginia Tourism Commission, Virginia Cooperative Extension, the Virginia Agribusiness Council, Farm Bureau Insurance, and the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce (ESCOC), attracted both new and experienced farmers, along with agency representatives.

The event included networking exercises as well as information from experts on marketing, farm safety, and insurance.

Attendees in introductions at the start of the day noted their operations produce products ranging from cut flowers to organic produce and herbs, among others.

Some said they have held or plan to hold farm-to-table dinners or even plan to open a farm-to-table eatery on their farms.

"You are the backbone of the country," Robert Sabbatini, ESCOC executive director, told the farmers.

Agritourism includes a range of farm-based activities geared toward visitors — from festivals to farm-to-table dinners, u-pick operations, farm markets, weddings, breweries and wineries, trail rides, bed-and-breakfast facilities, and more.

Agritourism in Virginia accounts for \$2.2 billion in economic activity, supports more than 22,000 full-time jobs, and is responsible for \$134.7 million in state and local tax revenue, according to a 2017 study from Virginia Tech.

Of 7.5 million visitors to agritourism operations, 40% were nonlocal, according to the study.

Agritourism accounted for \$40 million in economic activity on the Eastern Shore and included 30 venues in 2017, according to the study.

Those figures likely have risen since the study was done, according to speakers.

Livy Preisser, of Virginia Cooperative Extension, gave an overview of what agritourism is and how to address liability and plan for safety on the farm.

It is a growing sector of agriculture, she said, noting farmers who go into agritourism do so in large part to share the farming lifestyle with visitors, as well as to generate income.

"Most everybody in the general public is three or more generations re-

moved from the farm. ... Folks want to know your story. ... They want to go experience something," Preisser said.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, people have been particularly eager to engage in outdoor activities, making certain types of agritourism even more popular, she said.

While event-based operations such as wedding venues and festivals were hard hit, others such as u-picks and farm markets saw increased sales. Farmers adapted their operations to be safe, including using personal protective equipment, offering online sales, or having customers reserve times to visit.

"We saw a huge, huge interest in local foods," Preisser said.

She advised people interested in starting an agritourism operation to visit other farms for ideas; check on what local permits or licenses are needed; talk to their agricultural extension agent; talk with their insurance agent; have a business plan and an emergency plan; figure out who is their target audience; create a website and social media presence; and have fun.

Sabbatini and Emily Machen, ESCOC marketing director, spoke about how the chamber of commerce can help market agritourism operations.

Sabbatini recommended targeting families with children, a market that "has really exploded with the pandemic."

"Folks are wanting to get outside. ... You all are in a perfect position to capitalize on that," he said.

Machen noted the chamber's tourism website, www.visitesva.com, offers free listings for local businesses.

Additionally, individual businesses may be featured on its blog, she said.

"Folks visit this website. They visit our social media. ... Folks come here to this website and they want to see what's going on," Sabbatini said.

The chamber is in the process of developing an agritourism trail on the Eastern Shore, similar to the Wander-LOVE Lovin' on the Water Trail, for which a rack card was made.

The agritourism trail also will include a clickable Google Maps feature.

Keeping information on Google updated, including correct days and hours an agritourism business is open, is critical, according to Sabbatini.

The chamber also is creating an app focused on the trails.

Accomack School Board Considers Future of Accomac Primary School

By Stefanie Jackson

The historic Accomac Primary School should not be demolished but renovated and preserved for future generations – even if it's more expensive than a new building, according to citizens who spoke during the public comment period of the Accomack school board meeting Tuesday.

Prior to the meeting, some Accomack citizens had written letters to the editor in the Eastern Shore Post claiming that the cost of renovations or new construction were roughly the same – around \$5 million.

However, a presentation made by Donald Booth, of the DJG Inc. engineering, architectural, and planning firm of Williamsburg, stated that renovating Accomac Primary School and converting it into a school board office building could cost \$7.2 million.

“All these good people in this room are here tonight because they believe new construction and renovation are the same price. They are absolutely not the same price,” said school board member Paul Bull.

But that did not deter citizens from speaking in support of saving the school during the public comment period following the presentation.

Sarah Nock, of Accomac, said her father, L. Floyd Nock, wrote a history book about the town of Accomac, and she shared his philosophy of architectural history: “Buildings are not beautiful because of being old; they get the opportunity to be old because they're beautiful in the first place.”

The school opened in 1932 as Accomac High School and served students for about 70 years. The building was last occupied about 20 years ago and is now used as storage by the Accomack schools maintenance team.

The Accomack school board office is on the second floor of the Accomack County administration building, down the street from the former primary school.

This is not the first time Accomac Primary School has been considered for use as a school administration building. A study was done about six or seven years ago to determine if the building was suitable, Bull said.

The existing building is about 19,000 square feet and is on approximately

7.25 acres. That's more than enough to accommodate the 15,800 square feet required by school administrators for office space.

Booth said the school could be renovated, but a lot of work must be done and the project could present many unforeseen issues, since only a visual assessment was done and the school's condition beneath the surface is unknown.

The base estimates to renovate or rebuild the school each were around \$5 million but did not include the unknowns, Booth noted.

He described some of the damage that was observed during the assessment: deteriorating roof seams, rusty window frames and lintels, cracked and broken window glass, deteriorated wood doors and frames, and cracking and spalling (peeling or flaking) concrete stairs.

The exterior brick walls also present multiple problems. The brick veneer has shifted as much as one inch in some places, and the walls have developed large “stair-step” shaped cracks, with some of the bricks separating.

The interior is badly damaged, with partially collapsed plaster ceilings, rusty bar joists supporting the concrete floor, and an auditorium ceiling that's stained and has bubbling, peeling paint due to humidity or other sources of moisture. Mold was observed on hallway ceilings and asbestos may be present in the flooring.

The building's infrastructure is outdated and damaged, such as the abandoned electrical system and the steam boiler and tank.

Further complicating the project would be determining where the ductwork and other parts of the new HVAC system would go, since the school did not have air conditioning when it was built decades ago, Booth said.

The building would be stripped down to little more than an “old skeleton” and filled with 21st century infrastructure, he said.

Booth concluded that not much of the building could be salvaged but confirmed that parts of the exterior facade could be saved and reused.

Accomack Primary School, with its colonial-style, white columned and



The future of Accomac Primary School, above, is being debated by Accomack County officials. File photo.

gabled portico against a backdrop of red brick, is an instantly recognizable piece of history to many people on the Eastern Shore.

Accomack Mayor Pat Smith pointed out that the school is in a historic district and she does not want the building to be destroyed. She urged the Accomack school board and county supervisors to work together as a team to preserve the historic building.

Accomack Town Council member Tommy Hines also spoke in support of saving the school, and Vice Mayor Christopher Newman added that the sycamore trees also should be preserved like the 400-year-old sycamore on Back Street, which is a “symbol of Drummondtown,” the town's name before it was changed to Accomac in 1893.

Two speakers related stories of other historic buildings on the Shore that were saved in spite of doubts or objections.

Nock said that in the 1970s, Mar-

ket Street Methodist Church in Onancock was restored and largely survived a tornado about three years later despite a “devastating engineering report describing how it was about to fall down.”

Linda Gordon, formerly of Greenbackville, described a “peaceful riot” by citizens of Snow Hill, Md., who didn't want the old Snow Hill High School demolished; now it's an apartment building with its historic architectural features intact and the new high school next-door.

Bull said it would be “outstanding” to renovate Accomac Primary School, but both he and Vice Chair Gary Reese voiced concern about the cost and asking the board of supervisors for additional funding.

Grayson Chesser, of Saxis, asked the school board to consider what would have happened if Accomack had torn down its old debtor's prison and courthouse and said, “You can't buy history.”

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Neil Thomas Annis

Mr. Neil Thomas Annis, loving son, died suddenly at his home in New Orleans on March 27, 2022. He was 38 years old.

Neil was born in Blacksburg, Va., on Nov. 23, 1983. For many years, he worked in hospitality as an events manager and as a waiter and chef in many restaurants on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, Virginia Beach, and in New Orleans. Cooking had always been his passion, and he loved to grow his own fresh herbs and mushrooms to flavor his dishes. In the last two years, Neil began a budding career in cybersecurity and absolutely loved his job, grasping the intricacies and advancing quickly within the company. He enjoyed building and riding electric bikes and recently started his own LLC called "Savage Cycles" as a part-time business.

Neil is survived by his mother, Laurel A. Mason; his father, George T. Annis; and his beloved daughter, Ava Levitt, who he simply adored.

A graveside service will be held at the Parksley Cemetery Saturday, April



Mr. Annis

30, 2022, at 2 p.m., immediately followed by a gathering to celebrate Neil's life at 27239 Barnes Circle, Parksley. The family invites all who knew Neil to attend and share in honoring his extraordinary life.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Ralph Starr Boggs

Mr. Ralph Starr Boggs was born Nov. 9, 1951, to Ralph and Betty Boggs and grew up on a family farm in Onancock. His grandmother, Reaston Boggs, taught him to cook and to appreciate the quality of fresh, local ingredients. Starr is survived by his brother, Joe Boggs, and his wife, Kathy, of Onancock; a sister, Dell, of Newport News; three nephews and a niece, Ryan Boggs, Russell Bundick, Tucker Boggs, and Brooke Martin; and seven great-nieces.

A superb athlete – he was 6-foot-4 and more than 250 pounds – and an honors student, Boggs attended the prestigious College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va., where he played football on a team coached by Lou Holtz, who would go on to national fame at Notre Dame.

It was in Williamsburg that a girlfriend got him interested in restaurants, and he took a job in the kitchen of the historic Williamsburg Inn. After college, he stayed with the restaurant industry and worked for several years at upscale restaurants in West Palm Beach before spending a season on Nantucket.

Friends said that in addition to his mastery of food and the restaurant industry, Boggs was also a superb golfer who traveled to play courses around the country with a clutch of local friends. He also loved fishing, boating, and music.

His longtime friend, Tony Catanzaro, said that people gravitated to Boggs' orbit, lining up to help him with whatever he had put his mind to and that he quickly would return



Mr. Boggs

the generosity of spirit. He continued that Boggs' death would leave a gaping hole in the lives of many Westhamptonites on Long Island, where Starr Boggs restaurant operated for 40 years.

"He was so real, no pretense, no bull. He was just genuine, and he was a flawless judge of character and his group of friends. We took care of Starr, and he took care of us," Catanzaro said. "People loved helping him. It was uncanny. Everybody loved him. I've lost my best friend."

Services on the Eastern Shore are pending and will be announced by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home, www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arnetta B. Custis

Mrs. Arnetta B. Custis, 88, of Tasley, departed this life Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at Nassawadox Rehab & Nursing Center in Nassawadox.

Born in Accomac, Arnetta was the beloved daughter of the late Charlie and Viola Bagwell. She was educated in the Accomack County public school system. She married the love of her life, James "Jimmy" Custis, on April 12, 1956. While living in Paterson, N.J., she worked at Spotless Cleaners. Arnetta later started working at Fuji Photo for 30 years. After retiring from Fuji Photo, she began working as a private home health-aide caregiver.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 16, 2022, at Macedonia A.M.E. Church, Accomac, with Minister Daron A. Custis officiating. Interment was in the Wharton Cemetery, Parksley.

She leaves to cherish her memories: four children, Theresa Webb, Denise Custis, Darlene Custis, and Eric Custis; one goddaughter, Wanda R. Foster; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Billy Bagwell and Donald Bagwell; two special cousins; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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



Mrs. Custis

Joseph C. Demarco Sr.

Mr. Joseph Clifton Demarco Sr., 65, of Chincoteague Island, passed away April 17, 2022, at his residence in Onancock.

He was born in Salisbury, Md., on Aug. 8, 1956, to the late Alvin James Demarco Sr. and the late Margaret (Jester) Daisey.

Joseph is survived by his two sons, Joseph C. DeMarco Jr., of Pennsylvania, and Franklin Harris DeMarco, of Florida; two brothers, Jim DeMarco and his wife, Pat, of Atlantic, Harris DeMarco, of Onancock; sister, Angela Smith, of Chincoteague Island; five grandchildren, Aryana, Ava, Alana, Alexis, and Michael; stepmother, Nita DeMarco, of Pocomoke City, Md.; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, April 24, 2022, at 2 p.m., at the Salyer Funeral Home Inc., Chincoteague Island, with Pastor Bobby Johnson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to No Limits Eastern Shore, 24546 Coastal Blvd., Tasley, VA 23441.

Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc., on Chincoteague Island.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Carol Louise Farley

Mrs. Carol Louise Farley passed in her Chincoteague Island home on Oct. 4, 2021, with her son, David Eugene Graziano, and daughter, Angela Victoria Graziano, by her side. Carol was a resident of Chincoteague and a member of Saint Andrews Catholic Church where she sang soprano in the choir and the 3 Cs. Carol was a worldwide traveler, visiting Europe, flying in the cockpit of Air Force One, as well as sailing on the presidential yacht, The Sequoia. She was an



Mrs. Farley

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avid opera fan and lover of the classical arts and antiques. She loved high adventure, including traveling with her dogs, riding mules on the Bright Angel Trail in the Grand Canyon, visiting Native American reservations, and hiking the canyons of the Four Corners region of the U.S. She loved to cook and eat ... especially guacamole and margaritas.

She was born in Tulsa, Okla., on Feb. 11, 1938, where she resided until she left to attend college at Indiana University where she studied music. In addition to Oklahoma, Carol lived in Vienna, Va., Sterling, Va., Mountainair, N.M., Bullfrog, Utah, and Lake Powell, Ariz.

Devoted mother and grandmother, and beloved sister, aunt, and friend, she is survived by her son, David, and her grandsons, John Walter, Christopher Mitchell, and Noah Paul Graziano; her daughter, Angela, and daughter-in-law, Jesse Wild, and her granddaughters, Taylor Nicole and Lauren Louise Tracy; her stepsons, William, Michael, and Chris Farley; and stepdaughters, Gail and Mary Ann Farley, and their spouses and children. Her late husband, Bill Farley, and her beloved dog, Abbey, preceded her in death and paved the way for her peaceful transition to the next part of her journey.

Carol's children will be hosting a celebration of her life at St. Andrew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 11 a.m.

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

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Maryanne George

Mrs. Maryanne Killmon Gray George, of Salisbury, Md., died April 13, 2022, after an 11-year fight with ovarian cancer. Her cancer did not stop her from enjoying and living her life, which she did with courage and grace.

Born in Onley, on Aug. 25, 1931, her parents' eighth wedding anniversary, she was a daughter of the late Walter W. Killmon and the late Della Mears Killmon.

A devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend, Maryanne will be greatly missed by all. Her love of life, sense of humor, and smile will be a treasured memory. She found great joy in volunteering, reading, traveling the world, and was an avid walker. Maryanne adored her family, for which they all will be forever grateful.

She is survived by two daughters, Gayle Gray-Turek (Joe), of Baltimore, and Nancy Gray Huffman (David), of Portsmouth; a sister, Frances K. Mears, of Portsmouth; six grandchildren, Ryan Wooters (Jennifer), Lindsey Wooters, Erin Viens (Kevin), Jennifer Turek, Stephen Turek, and James Turek; seven great-grandchildren, Darien Patton, Kobe Patton, Stella Fennekohl, Jaxon Lopez, Sadie Wooters, Ava Turek, and Adalynn Viens; and many special cousins, nieces, and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a sister, Sylvia Huffman; two husbands; and a special friend, DeWitt E. White.

A memorial service will be held at Christ United Methodist Church in Salisbury, Saturday, April 23, 2022 at 11 a.m., with Pastor Fred Duncan officiating. Visitation will be at the church one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Maryanne's memory may be made to Christ United Methodist Church, 211 Phillip Morris Drive, Salisbury, MD 21804, or to Coastal Hospice, P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, MD 21802.

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

Arrangements are by Williams Funeral Homes, Parksley and Onancock.



Mrs. George

Scott Richard Justice

Mr. Scott Richard Justice passed from his earthly life peacefully on March 17, 2022, in Huntsville, Ala. He was born Wednesday, March 19, 1969, in Virginia. He was the light in the lives of his parents, Richard and Shirley Justice.

Scott grew up on his family's farm near Horntown, attended Broadwater Academy, Virginia Tech, Towson University, and University of Maryland University College to complete his B.S. in chemistry and master's in project management. After leaving Virginia, Scott lived and worked in Maryland, Indiana, Kentucky, and Alabama. Along the way, Scott forged many cherished friendships and touched many lives positively. As much as he loved his work in the private sector and government, Scott adored his family more. With incredible strength, he worked and lived with serious health issues most of his life. Through it all, he never stopped loving his work; and he never stopped loving his family.

Scott is survived by his wife, Loretta Zee Justice, of 14 years; two sons, Alejandro "Alex" Yong-Gui Zee and Nathan Scott Justice; mother, Shirley Chapman Justice; uncle, Kenneth Justice (Betty); aunt, Donna Jane Killmon; cousins, Raymond Justice (Virginia), Paddy Justice, Amy Strong (Mike), John Killmon (Pam); and a host of second and third cousins.

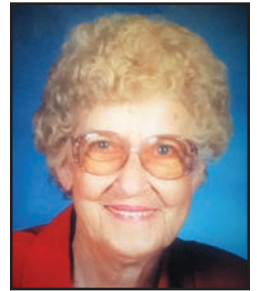
Scott was preceded in death by his father, Richard Vernon Justice; paternal grandparents, Katherine and Vernon Justice; and maternal grandparents, Richard and Marian Chapman.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 1 p.m., at the Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department Community Hall on Ellis Street in Greenbackville, with the Rev. Brenda Laws officiating. The family welcomes you to come and share favorite memories. Donations may be made to the charity of your choice in Scott's memory.

Juanita "Nina" Kilmon

Mrs. Juanita Beatrice "Nina" Kilmon, 93, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, at her home in Melfa, while surrounded by family and new friend and hospice nurse, Marie. Born in Poulson on Sept. 7, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Otha James Hart and the late Linzie Lee Ball Hart.

Juanita grew up in the small towns of Cattail and Winterville, and attended Shiloh Baptist Church in Mes-songo as a child. In 1942, she married Franklin William Kilmon,



Mrs. Kilmon

to whom she remained a loving and devoted wife for 65 years. Juanita worked at the former R&G Shirt Factory in Parksley for several years, and then became an Avon representative, having worked with the company until her death, a total of 55 years. She continued to stay close to her faith throughout her life as a longtime member of Oak Grove United Methodist Church and most recently attended Belle Haven United Methodist Church. She was a voracious reader and only slowed down when she began to lose her sight due to glaucoma and macular degeneration.

Juanita adored her family and went out of her way to make sure she was always there when they needed her. She helped her daughter, Mary Ann, attend college, built a loving home in Melfa with her husband, Franklin, helped raise her grandsons, as well as her three great-grandchildren. She was famous for her fudge, and when it snowed, friends and family gathered, as she was known for sharing her "big pot and little pot" of vegetable soup. Juanita was loved by her late son-in-law, Sonny Rudiger, who she selflessly helped care for, along with her daughter, in the late 1980s.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her daughter, Mary Ann Rudiger, of Melfa; grandsons, John William Rudiger and Franklin Todd Rudiger, and

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his wife, Teresa, all of Melfa; great-grandchildren, Sierra Kathryn, Kaylee Marie, and Franklin Luther Rudiger; brother-in-law, Bruce Williams, of Tazley; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, parents, and son-in-law, she was predeceased by her siblings, Eunice Marie Bundick and her husband, Elwood, Mary Jane Williams and her husband, Bruce, and Carlton James Hart and his wife, Helen.

A memorial service will be held at the Belle Haven United Methodist Church Monday, April 25, 2022, at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Albert Crockett and the Rev. Paul Oh officiating. Due to current health concerns within the family, masks will be required by all who attend.

Contributions in Juanita's memory may be made to the Belle Haven United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 37, Belle Haven, VA 23306, or to Northern Accomack Community Cats, P.O. Box 83, New Church, VA 23415 (www.accomackcats.org/donating).

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Cynthia Joyce Langdon

Mrs. Cynthia Joyce Langdon, 85, wife of Aaron Langdon and a resident of Cheriton, passed away Friday, April 15, 2022, at her residence. A native of London, England, she was the daughter of the late Roy Arthur Clark and the late Joyce Isabel Bush Clark. She was a retired receptionist for Ocean Lake Family Campground.

In addition to her loving husband, she is survived by five children, Richard Smith and his wife, Shireen, of England, Christopher Smith and his wife, Deidre O'Connell, of



Mrs. Langdon

South Carolina, Shane Smith and his wife, Cindy Donnelly, of South Carolina, Dale Smith and his wife, Kim, of Virginia, and Rachelle Langdon, of

Georgia; six brothers and sisters, Marcus Clark, of New Zealand, Jonathan Clark, of England, Richard Clark, of England, Henry Clark, of Australia, Janice Luna, of Texas, and Sally Haynes, of Virginia; stepmother, Angeliki Clark, of England, uncle, David Clark, of Wales; eight grandchildren, Kerry, Nicola, Chelsea, Shane, Stephanie, Ross, Colton, and Stefanie; 15 great-grandchildren; and her special dog, Biscuit. She was predeceased by a daughter, Samantha Langdon.

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted at a later date in Myrtle Beach, S.C. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Eastern Shore SPCA Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

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

Vera Miller

Mrs. Vera Louise Theus Miller, 79, a resident of Cape Charles, passed away Friday, April 15, 2022, at her residence. A native of Salem, Mass., she was the daughter of the late Russell A. Theus and the late Ora Mae Chase Theus. She was an artist, seamstress, and a life member of Lower Northampton Baptist Church.

Vera is survived by her children, Kimberly Heath Horn and her husband, Randy, of Phoenix, Ariz., Brian Clarke Heath and his wife, Kim, of Cape Charles, and Mark Russell Heath, of Cape Charles; three sisters, Beverly Thacher, of Cape Cod, Mass., Connie Nicholas, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Patricia Cunningham, of Rockville, Ind.; a brother, Russell Theus, of Southfield, Mich. She was predeceased by a son, Curtis Albert Heath Jr., and a sister Colleen Yarboro.

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted Friday, April 22, 2022, at 11 a.m., at Lower Northampton Baptist Church, with the Rev. Jeff Conrow officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Arts Enter



Mrs. Miller

Cape Charles, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310.

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

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

Rubidelia Roblero-Navarro

Mrs. Rubidelia Graciela Roblero-Navarro 40, wife of Belsael Jaime Ortiz-Perez and a resident of Keller, passed away Friday, April 8, 2022, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born Sept. 9, 1981, in Motozintla, Chiapas, Mexico, she was the daughter of Ezekiel Roblero-Roblero and Gloria Navarro Escobar, of Mexico. Rubidelia proudly devoted her life to the Lord and her family. She was a faithful member of Mappsville Baptist Church, where she filled the chapel with her beautiful voice and loving spirit. Her greatest joy was through her role as a wife and mother of seven.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is survived by her children, Betzael, Jimmy, Belsael Jr., Elizabeth, Joshua, Johanna Rubi, and Daniel Jose Ortiz-Roblero; her sister, Gloria Roblero-Navarro, and her children, Jared, Rashel, Brianni, and Joe; her brothers, Nehemias Roblero-Navarro (Belen) and their children, Dilsa Nelly, Belen, Rosemary, and Roldan, Adriel Roblero-Navarro (Eunice) and their children, Darina, Daniela, Genesis, Elienai, Luis Fernando, and Jose Alberto, Melquiades Roblero-Navarro (Olivia) and their children, David, Renata, and Natan, Imer Roblero-Navarro (Lizbeth) and their daughter, Victoria, Jhadiel Roblero-Navarro (Marisa) and their son, Pablo Jhadiel, Eliasib Roblero-Navarro, and Eliab Roblero-Navarro; as well as her church family and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted from the graveside at the Hollies Baptist Church Cemetery Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 12 p.m., with Pastor Eulogio Vasquez officiating. Visitation will be held at the Mappsville Baptist

Church Friday, April 22, 2022, from 2 until 10 p.m., as well as Saturday, April 23, 2022, from 10 until 11 a.m.

Los servicios fúnebres se llevarán a cabo junto a la tumba en el cementerio de la Iglesia Bautista Hollies el sábado 23 de abril de 2022 a las 12 p.m., oficiando el pastor Eulogio Vásquez. El velorio se llevará a cabo en la Iglesia Bautista de Mappsville el viernes 22 de abril de 2022 de 2 p.m. hasta las 22 horas, así como el sábado 23 de abril de 2022 desde las 10 hasta las 11 horas.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Ella Mae Smullin

Mrs. Ella Mae Smullin, 86, wife of the late Willie Zona Smullin, passed away at her home in Bloxom, on Saturday, April 16, 2022, surrounded by her family. Born April 2, 1936, in Bloxom, she was the daughter of the late Garland Dewey Annis and the late Delia Taylor Annis.

Ella's role as a wife and mother always came first. For many years she seamlessly maintained their household with six children, making a never-ending list of tasks look easy. After raising her children, her organizational talents served her well as the longtime cafeteria manager for Holly Farms. Ella enjoyed working in her flower garden, especially when all was in bloom and she could enjoy the fruits of her labor while watching the birds circle round. She loved listening to country music, which often played throughout her home. Ella adored her family and was happiest when surrounded by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and of course, her dog, "Tippy."

She is survived by five children, Larry Smullin and his wife, Deborah, of Bloxom, Sandra Johnson and her husband, Thomas Jr., of Deep Creek, Linda Holden and her husband, Timothy, of Bloxom, Willie "Junior" Smullin and wife, Lea Ann, of



Mrs. Roblero-Navarro



Mrs. Smullin

Nelsonia and Darlene Ayers and her husband, Chico, of Nelsonia; grandchildren, Brian and Jason Pruitt, Louis Lilliston Jr., Michael Johnson, Christina Townsend, Tony Douglas, Shane Holden, Tanya Justice, and Chris, Travis, and Justin Smullin, as well as their spouses and twenty great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband and parents, Ella was predeceased by her daughter, Patricia Pruitt and her husband, Carroll, and grandson, Joshua Smullin.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on Monday, April 18, 2022, at 3 p.m., with Pastor Sam Welch officiating. Interment was in the Parksley Cemetery.

In lieu of monetary contributions, please honor her passion for gardening and love of flowers by planting something beautiful in her memory.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Ann M. Spence

Mrs. Ann M. Spence, 83, wife of Jerry C. Spence and a resident of Wachapreague, passed away Sunday, April 17, 2022, at her residence. Ann was a native of Harborton. She was a retired cashier for the A&P Grocery Store and a member of Powelton Presbyterian Church.

In addition to her loving husband, she is survived by her daughter, Charlotte Powell, and her husband, Randy, of Wachapreague.

A graveside service will be conducted Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 2 p.m.,

at Edgemoor Cemetery in Accomac, with the Rev. Bill Moore officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Powelton Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 98, Wachapreague, VA 23480.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.



Mrs. Spence

Pamela Custis Stone

Mrs. Pamela Custis Stone, 63, wife of Tommy Stone and a resident of Hilliard, Ohio, passed away Sunday, April 17, 2022, at her childhood home in Craddockville. A native of Craddockville, she was the daughter of the late Russell Spencer Custis Sr. and the late Doris Mae Campbell Custis. Pam was a longtime employee of Nationwide Insurance Company as a compensation manager and a member of Hilliard United Methodist Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a sister, Lynn C. Schwendeman, and her husband, Artie, of Melfa; a brother, Russ S. Custis, and his wife, Angie, of Craddockville; nieces and nephews, Joey Schwendeman, Tracy Lunn and her husband, Donnie, and Heather Custis; and a brother-in-law, Fred Stone, of Woodstock, Ga.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 11 a.m., at Doughty Funeral Home with Pastor James Canody officiating. Interment will be Friday, April 22, 2022, at 2 p.m., in Emmaus Baptist Church Cemetery, 6700 Emmaus Church Road, Providence Forge, VA. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Bridgeway Academy, 1350 Alum Creek Drive, Columbus, OH 43209, or Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio, Attn: Development Dept., 711 East Livingston Ave., Columbus, OH 43205.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Gwen Stonelake

Mrs. M. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Stonelake, 98, of Cape Charles, formerly of Glen Mills, Pa., passed away Saturday, April 9, 2022, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. Gwen was preceded in death by her husband, Jeffrey E. Stonelake.

Born in Baltimore, she was the daughter of the late M. Mildred Less-



Mrs. Stone

ner (nee Thompson) and Charles C. Lessner. In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by two sisters, Aldra Lauterbach (William), of Crofton, Va., and Jane Mitman (Henry), of Alexandria, Va.

She is survived by one daughter, Gwen S. Carroll (Elliott), of Cape Charles; three grandchildren, E. Paul Carroll, of Elverson, Pa., Jennifer Fitch (James), of Annapolis, Md., and Laura Davis (Ryan), of Middletown, Del.; four great-grandchildren, Kate and Christopher Fitch, of Annapolis, and Connor and Drew Davis, of Middletown.

To honor her wishes, funeral services will be private for immediate family, and interment will be in Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery in Springfield, Pa.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House of Charities at CHOP, 3925 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19104 (www.rmhcphilly.org), or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 (www.stjude.org/donate).

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

James Mitchell Tull Sr.

Mr. James Mitchell Tull Sr., 69, of Onancock, departed this life Friday, April 8, 2022, at Riverside Regional Medical Center in Newport News.

Born in Atlantic, James was the beloved son of the late Hollis and Nettie Tull. "Mitchell," as he was affectionately known, was educated in the public schools of Accomack County and was a graduate of Atlantic High School.

Upon graduation, he entered the workforce and worked in several industries that include Campbell Soup and Golden Pride. His last employment was with Perdue Farms. He dedicated 40



Mr. Tull

years of service before his retirement.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 16, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with the Rev. Harvey Davis Sr. officiating. Interment was in the Shiloh Baptist Church Cemetery, Atlantic.

Left to cherish his fond memories: his wife of 36 years, Marsha Tull; children, Tamala Tull, Nakisha Strand, Dontray Tull, Dwayne Tull, and James M. Tull Jr.; 19 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one godson, Malaci Madre; one foster daughter, Latanya Walker; sisters, Terry Seymour, Nettie Mae Laws, and Vanessa T. Drummond; two uncles; three aunts; four brothers-in-law; five sisters-in-law; special friends, Angela Upshur and Ronald Bailey; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

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

Diane Watson

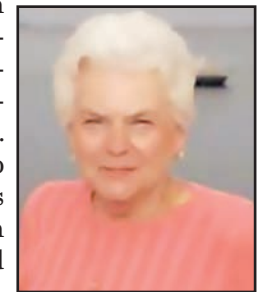
Mrs. Diane Brooke Reed Watson, known affectionately as "Miss Diane," passed into the arms of Jesus on April 13, 2022.

Diane was born on a beautiful, spring day, May 1, 1938, a daughter to the late Thomas J. and Marjorie May Reed.

For 48 years she touched the lives of countless children through her preschool and kindergarten teachings at her home. Every child who graced the doors was greeted with hugs, love, and lots of attention. She often said

who there are no bad children, it's just that some need more love than others. Those kids grew up and then their children were greeted with the same love and affection bestowed upon their parents. And if you were a student, no matter how old you were, you always called her Miss Diane and she always called you one of her children.

In addition to teaching, she also led the children's choir as their director and was a Sunday school teacher at Union Baptist Church, a job she loved



Mrs. Watson

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so much because it was more of an opportunity to teach the children the love of Jesus.

An impeccable accordion player and talented singer, Diane played and sang with her family, The Reed Family, for nine years, playing in churches up and down the Delmarva Peninsula, even cutting a few albums that are still favorites of church goers today.

After retirement, Diane opened up her plant business, The Flower Pot, right in her backyard just a few steps from the school that housed all “her children” and she delighted in her customers coming by to not only purchase plants and flowers, but to chat and reminisce of days gone by and to inquire how their families were doing.

Diane loved people and always put her family and others first. Often armed with food or flowers, she would visit people and spend a few minutes letting them know how important they were to her and to tell them that not only did she love them but Jesus did, too.

Diane is survived by her loving spouse of 53 years, Robert “Bobby” Joseph Watson; and her children: daughter, Roxanne Thornton Bowman, and her husband, Skip, sons, John Neal Thornton, Donnie Ray Thornton, and daughter, Anita Melissa Watson; two granddaughters, Tara Bowman Mather and Dana Brooke Judge; and one great-grandson, William Sebastian Mather. She is also survived by her niece, Brenda Reed Linton, and nephews, Thomas E. Reed Jr. and his wife, Bertie, and Harry Kent Birch and his wife, Cecilia Faye.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her great-granddaughter, Sydney A. Mather; her brother, Thomas E. Reed Sr. (Buddy Tom), and his wife, Ora; and her sister, Ruth Imogene Birch, and her husband, Harry.

Diane’s life of service brought her many accolades which include the Community Builders Award in 1988 from the Masonic Lodge of Chincoteague Island, Woman of the Year in 1989 from the Chincoteague Kiwanis Club,

The Leonard “Buddy” Burton Business Person of the Year in 2000 from the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, and a special award from the Chincoteague Vol. Fire Company in 2014 for her unwavering and unconditional dedication and love to the children of Chincoteague Island.

Visitation was held Monday, April 18, 2022, at Salyer Funeral Home Inc., on Chincoteague Island.

Funeral service were held Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 2 p.m., at Union Baptist Church on Chincoteague Island, with the Rev. Kevin Eley officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 691, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

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

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Fannie V. Williams

Mrs. Fannie V. Williams, 87, of Melfa, was called to her heavenly home on April 9, 2022, at her residence.

Born in Painter, Fannie was the beloved daughter of the late Edward A. Johnson Jr. and the late Gladys N. Johnson. Fannie was educated in the public schools of Accomack County. In later years, she earned her certificate in nursing and became a certified nursing assistant. Fannie worked for the Hermitage in Onancock for 23 years before her retirement.

Graveside services were held Saturday, April 16, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles, with Pastor Ralph Harmon Jr. officiating.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories: her son, Vernon Custis; two daughters, Dr. Regina Williams-Rehcamp and Nicole Williams; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

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



Mrs. Williams

Property Transactions

Accomack County

- From The Eastern Shore Public Library Foundation
To Patricia Temple and Bradford Keith Douglas
4 Lee St., Onancock
For \$300,000
- From Rita B. Wilderson
To Gemcraft Homes CC LLC
Captains Cove Lot 714 Section 1, Greenbackville
For \$65,000
- From Gemcraft Homes CC LLC
To Bradford E. Hopkins and Debra L. Hopkins, trustee
Captains Cove Lot 1022 Section 1, Greenbackville
For \$421,140
- From Harvest Asset Group LLC
To Julie A. and William E. Emerson III, trustees
Lot 73 Olde Mill Pointe, New Church
For \$113,000
- From Thomas B. Bitting
To Ashley R. and Thomas C. Riley
17591 Saint Thomas Road, Parksley
For \$281,000
- From CMH Homes Inc.
To Tiquisha S. Harmon
Lot 4, 26027 Mason Road, Bloxom
For \$226,082
- From Tina L. and James E. Stewart III
To Kenneth B. Becher
Lots 4, 5, and 6 Block 2 Machipongo Shores, Quinby
For \$80,000
- From Linda T. and Samuel C. Brown
To Cindy L. and Christopher David Bradley
21569 Hopkins Road, Parksley
For \$270,000
- From Don Grigsby, Josette Kiefer, Linda Sanders, Bradley Watkins, John Stone, Robert Kiefer, Holly Joyner, Laura Lennox, Ronald Lennox, Valerie Dailey, Timothy Stone, Alison Stone, and Robin Stone
To Catherine A. and Charles C. Kababick Jr.
Parcel conveyed to Rose W. Mott and Patricia Dale Keifer from Rose W. Mott, in Parksley
For \$200,000

Accomack County

- From Wayne D. Carouge
To Martin Hammond
Trails End Lot 45 Unit 3 Sheet 6, Horntown

- For \$7,800
- From Nationstar Mortgage LLC
DBA Mr. Cooper
To Cenaida Morales Sajche and Maudilio N. Lopez Tomas
32299 Powers Lane, Atlantic
For \$72,450
- From Stewart B. Pruitt
To Herminio Carrasco Isabel and Juan Carlos Carrasco Razo
21113 Cardinal Acres Drive, Parksley
For \$35,000
- From Herman Jackson
To Beverly S. Payne and Christopher Jackson Jr.
28296 Bloxom Road, Parksley
For \$191,500
- From Jeffrey M. Lord, executor of the estate of Florence Singh
To Toni M. and Jeffrey Milan Lord
35732 Occohannock Drive, Belle Haven
For \$238,450
- From Parksley Place LLC
To Zaytoona LLC
6.33 acres, 17405 Lankford Highway, Accomac
For \$565,000
- From April T. and James R. Woods
To Rebecca Anne Tolbert
18286 Woodland Ave., Parksley
For \$180,000
- From Frederique A.M. and Richard Luke Toft
To Milo Christina and Richard W. Toft
23368 Cross St., Accomac
For \$120,000

Northampton County

- From Theresa and George Ludlow Jr.
To Jose Merced-Saucedo Miranda and Berenice-Jimenez Martinez
Lot at Nassawadox
For \$85,000
- From Laura Terry
To Sara Willis
Lot at Willis Wharf
For \$222,000
- From Francis Gambacorta Jr.
To Fridtjov and Allison Markussen
Lot 29, Bay Creek, Phase 1, Cape Charles
For \$106,000
- From Andrea and Anthony La Vecchia Jr.
To Raymond and Anna Rivenbark
Lot B-7, Greenbriar Farm, Old Town Neck, Eastville district
For \$119,900

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Court Postings

Accomack County Circuit Court

By Nancy Drury Duncan

A charge of malicious maiming was dismissed against Corbin Kenji Drummond Jr., 42, of Atlantic.

In a case described by defense attorney Carl Bundick as an example of “life on Wishart’s Point Road,” Drummond was charged with stabbing neighbor Wayne Marshall.

Testimony was that the two men and their families, who lived on that road near the town of Atlantic, had been feuding for years. Marshall, the alleged victim, testified that he drove past Drummond who was walking along the road. He said Drummond spit on his car as he drove by. Marshall said he backed up and got out of his car to confront him. A fight ensued. Marshall ended up with stab wounds and Drummond with head injuries, both injuries serious enough to require a trip to the hospital.

Drummond told police Marshall hit him in the head with a pipe or stick wrapped with orange tape. He said he stabbed Marshall with his pocketknife to stop the attack.

On the witness stand, Marshall said the two of them rolled down an incline beside the road still fighting. Marshall was combative when questioned about the details by Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney William Fox and by Bundick. He testified that Drummond stabbed him and said he did not strike him first or ever.

Drummond told police he used his pocketknife in self-defense.

Bundick made a motion to strike the charge of malicious maiming. He said Drummond was defending himself and that both men ended up in the hospital.

After hearing from both attorneys, Judge W. Revell Lewis III granted Bundick’s motion to dismiss the charge against Drummond. “You presented evidence indicating it was a toss-up,” he told Fox.

Thomas Roosevelt Bunting, convicted in 2011 for the aggravated sexual battery of his 11-year-old cousin, will serve two years in jail for his third violation of the terms of his probation.

Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan said Bunting left the Eastern Shore and went out drinking with friends at the Victory Poker Lounge in Portsmouth, Va. He said also that Bunting has not made a safety plan as required for a registered sex offender to spend time with his young daughter.

On the witness stand, Bunting apologized and attributed his failure to hold a job for more than a few months at a time and for not making a safety plan to the fact he “was going through a lot.” He said a girlfriend burned down his home with all his belonging inside but was never charged and his best friend had died.

Morgan said Bunting has a criminal history beginning when he was a juvenile. He told the court Bunting was hospitalized as a juvenile with a blood alcohol level of .45, almost six times the legal limit of .08.

“You are required to have supervised contact with a child,” said Judge Lewis. “You did not make a safety plan.” He listed all the dates Bunting was reminded to do so and did not comply. He re-imposed the 12 years and three months of his original sentence and re-suspended all but two years of that time. He ordered Bunting to be on supervised probation for five years when released.

Parksley Man Arrested in Connection With Catalytic Converter Thefts

Staff Report

A Parksley man was arrested Friday and charged in connection with the theft of multiple catalytic converters in the Parksley area, according to Sheriff W. Todd Wessells.

An investigation into the thefts led to warrants being obtained for Robert William Rappleyea, 34, of Parksley, on four charges of destroying or preventing the operation of a vehicle.

Accomack County Sheriff’s Office deputies arrested Rappleyea Friday around 12:40 p.m., according to a release from the sheriff’s office.

Rappleyea is currently incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with a secured bond of \$5,000. The investigation

is continuing to identify other suspects.

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

Warrants Issued for Melfa Man in Connection With Parksley Shooting

Staff Report

Police are searching for a Melfa man wanted in connection with a shooting Friday night at Woodland Mobile Home Park in Parksley.

The Accomack County Sheriff’s Office received a report Friday, at around 7:33 p.m., of an argument followed by gunshots at the mobile home park, according to a press release from Accomack County Sheriff Todd Wessells.

While deputies were on the way to the scene, they were notified that a gunshot victim had arrived at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Deputies at the hospital found a 29-year-old man suffering from multiple gunshot wounds.

The man was transferred to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital and was listed in stable condition.

When deputies arrived at the mobile home park, they found multiple occupied dwellings had been shot and there was a large amount of cartridge casings throughout the area, according to the release.

Investigation led to warrants being obtained for Dominique Rashad Wescott, 27, of Melfa, on charges of malicious wounding, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, shooting into an occupied dwelling, and reckless handling of a firearm causing serious injury.

Law enforcement agencies were actively pursuing Wescott as of Tuesday afternoon.

Wescott is described as a Black male, 5 feet, 10 inches tall and weighing 240 pound.

No other suspects are being sought in connection with the incident at this time.

The Accomack County Sheriff’s Office was assisted by the Onley Police Department and the Virginia State Police.

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

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Random Facts About ... Gardening and Why Tomatoes Were Toxic to the Wealthy

By David Martin

When we opened our internet tubes this week, green growing gardens were revealed. In some parts of the world, a “garden” is assumed to mean areas for flowers and frillies while a plot for growing food is referred to as a kitchen garden, vegetable garden, potager (France), or kailyaird (Scotland). Hereabouts, when someone refers to his or her garden, we assume they mean they’re growing stuff to eat. Or, in the case of zucchinis, stuff for their neighbors to eat.

When humans stopped roaming, hunting, gathering to try to live in one place, some 23,000 years ago, they began planting seeds. When people noticed that an individual plant produced more, bigger, and/or better tasting fruits and vegetables or the plant survived the latest weather disaster, seeds from that particular plant were kept to grow next year. We became gardeners.

Ancient Greeks grew cabbage, onions, asparagus, barley, figs, olives, and apples. Later, Romans made a science of perfecting their vegetable gardens, which were often irrigated and sur-

rounded with stone walls. In none of these gardens would you find squash, corn, tomatoes, avocados, peppers, or potatoes. All of those, now standard in gardens across the globe, originated in the Americas and traveled to the rest of the world after the European exploration of North and South America.

Indigenous peoples of the Americas interplanted what became known as the Three Sisters: corn, beans, and squash. The Iroquois, for example, had been growing the Three Sisters crops for hundreds of years before Europeans arrived. Each of the sisters contributes to the success of their siblings. Corn stalks provides vertical growing stakes for the beans to climb and those bean vines help prevent corn stalks from blowing over in the wind. As a legume, beans fix nitrogen in the soil and corn craves nitrogen. With its large leaves growing along the ground, squash shades the soil and helps retain moisture during the dry summer months. The spiky squash vines can also discourage pests like racoons. The Three Sisters also contributed to a bal-

anced diet with protein (beans), carbohydrates (corn), and the vitamins and minerals in squash.

In gardens today, tomatoes are the most popular vegetable to grow. Thousands of years ago, Aztecs and others were cultivating tomatoes from wild versions that were the size of blueberries. When the tomato was introduced to the Western world in the 1500s, it had two strikes against it. First, writers at the time classified the tomato as

poisonous. Second, it WAS poisonous to many wealthy people.

The European rich used pewter plates with high lead content. Acidic foods, like tomatoes, can leach out the lead and increase the possibility of potentially fatal lead poisoning. Tomatoes became popular among poor people, especially those in Southern Europe, because these poor folks ate off wooden plates and were, therefore, unaffected by the acidic nature of tomatoes.

Sports Shorts can be emailed to sports@easternshorepost.com



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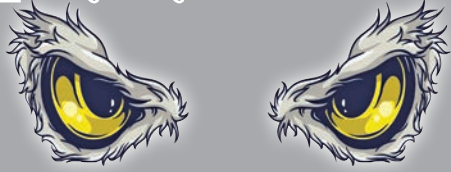


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The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest



Last Week's Runners-Up



We're seeing images like this all over the Shore. Donna Sparrow, of Capeville, took the picture and told us she is "glad to see springing!"



Carolyn Weatherly, of Painter, explains that this is Tasha celebrating with Weatherly's nephew Tony Roselle, of Norfolk, on his April 4 birthday.



Happy mother and daughter at Easter services on a beautiful Easter day. Sent in by Arline Curtis, of Greenbackville.



Laura McDonough, of Chincoteague, said this is "Mom with her Easter flowers." Mom isn't saying who sent them, maybe the Easter bunny.



If you're after a pot of gold, maybe Willis Wharf is the place to be. This "awesome rainbow" was captured by Anne Beatty, of Exmore.

Last Week's Contest and Winner



With the Easter holiday requiring special attention, participation in the osprey contest was down last week: 40 players found the lucky horseshoes on pages 17, 25, 26, 36, and 40. While lots of players failed to find all five lucky horseshoes, no one was disqualified by claiming an unlucky horseshoe ... except for one person

who shall be nameless (Celestine Smith, of Exmore) who thought it was "more fun" to find all the unlucky horseshoes. She couldn't be a contestant but apparently had fun. Dorothy Elliott, of Jamesville, was randomly chosen to win the \$25 gift certificate to Sage Diner in Onley. Elliott said she loves fishing and "there's no place better for it than the Eastern Shore." The picture is proof.



Regular player Delane Brown, of Philadelphia, sends us a photo nearly every week showing Karter doing what Karter does best: relaxing.



Jimmy Nickerson, of Parksley, sent in this picture taken at the Tampa, Fla., zoo. Nickerson said, "This is one horse that doesn't wear shoes."

This Week's Contest: Does It "Ad" Up?

The answers to four questions can be found in the ads in this week's edition. To become a contestant, answer all the questions correctly and tell us the page number where you found each answer. One qualified contestant will be randomly selected to win a \$25 gift certificate from the Blue Crab Bay Company. See sponsor box on this page.

The Questions

1. What's the number of the parcel described as MAP NO. 0058D-02-BLK-00 00000E2?
2. In what town can you find a house with these features: hardwood floors throughout, pellet stove, multiple porches, detached garage, carport, and barn?
3. What position has a salary range of \$31,280 to \$50,580?

4. What did someone lose at Central Park in Cape Charles?

The Rules

1. Answer the four questions and tell us the page number where you found

each answer.

2. Entries MUST have first and last names and your town.
3. Send this information to david@easternshorepost.com.

4. Deadline is noon Monday, April 25.
5. No multiple entries.
6. Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

Photos

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

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| Richard Marshall, Atlantic | Ernie Swisher, Parksley |
| Patricia M. Voss, Bloxom | Margaret McAllen, Cape Charles |
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| Kit Fechtig, Pungoteague | Violet Carter, Exmore |
| Kim and Jim Granger, | Melissa Sample-Wharton, |
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| Veronica Simpkins, | Tommy McCready, Sanford |
| Accomac | Janice Gladysiewicz, |
| Carol Wehner, Belle Haven | Greenbackville |

TIDE TABLE

		Friday April 22	Saturday April 23	Sunday April 24	Monday April 25	Tuesday April 26	Wednesday April 27	Thursday April 28
Seaside	Assateague Beach	H 1:33 p.m. L 8:00 a.m.	H 2:41 p.m. L 9:03 a.m.	H 3:53 p.m. L 10:10 a.m.	H 5:01 p.m. L 11:11 a.m.	H 5:59 p.m. L 12:06 p.m.	H 6:24 a.m. L 12:54 p.m.	H 7:10 a.m. L 1:35 p.m.
	Chinco. Channel	H 5:59 p.m. L 7:52 a.m.	H 6:35 a.m. L 1:45 p.m.	H 7:49 a.m. L 2:53 p.m.	H 9:03 a.m. L 3:56 p.m.	H 10:07 a.m. L 4:51 p.m.	H 5:39 p.m. L 11:02 a.m.	H 11:49 a.m. L 6:22 p.m.
	Gargatha Neck	H 2:29 p.m. L 8:39 a.m.	H 3:37 p.m. L 9:44 a.m.	H 4:49 p.m. L 10:49 a.m.	H 5:57 p.m. L 11:50 a.m.	H 6:27 a.m. L 12:45 p.m.	H 7:20 a.m. L 1:33 p.m.	H 8:06 a.m. L 2:14 p.m.
	Folly Creek	H 2:22 p.m. L 8:24 a.m.	H 3:30 p.m. L 9:29 a.m.	H 4:42 p.m. L 10:34 a.m.	H 5:50 p.m. L 11:35 a.m.	H 6:48 p.m. L 12:30 p.m.	H 7:13 a.m. L 1:18 p.m.	H 7:59 a.m. L 1:59 p.m.
	Wachapreague	H 1:59 p.m. L 8:05 a.m.	H 3:01 p.m. L 9:04 a.m.	H 4:08 p.m. L 10:02 a.m.	H 5:16 p.m. L 10:58 a.m.	H 6:15 p.m. L 11:52 a.m.	H 6:42 a.m. L 12:41 p.m.	H 7:27 a.m. L 1:27 p.m.
	Quinby Inlet	H 1:33 p.m. L 7:39 a.m.	H 2:41 p.m. L 8:44 a.m.	H 3:53 p.m. L 9:49 a.m.	H 5:01 p.m. L 10:50 a.m.	H 5:59 p.m. L 11:45 a.m.	H 6:47 p.m. L 12:33 p.m.	H 7:10 a.m. L 1:14 p.m.
	Machipongo	H 2:03 p.m. L 8:08 a.m.	H 3:11 p.m. L 9:13 a.m.	H 4:23 p.m. L 10:18 a.m.	H 5:31 p.m. L 11:19 a.m.	H 6:29 p.m. L 12:14 p.m.	H 6:54 a.m. L 1:02 p.m.	H 7:40 a.m. L 1:43 p.m.
Bayside	Tangier Sound Light	H 5:41 p.m. L 12:04 p.m.	H 6:55 p.m. L 1:07 p.m.	H 7:30 a.m. L 2:09 p.m.	H 8:36 a.m. L 3:07 p.m.	H 9:35 a.m. L 4:00 p.m.	H 10:29 a.m. L 4:48 p.m.	H 11:17 a.m. L 5:31 p.m.
	Muddy Creek	H 5:59 p.m. L 12:36 p.m.	H 6:35 a.m. L 1:45 p.m.	H 7:49 a.m. L 2:53 p.m.	H 9:03 a.m. L 3:56 p.m.	H 10:07 a.m. L 4:51 p.m.	H 11:02 a.m. L 5:39 p.m.	H 11:49 a.m. L 6:22 p.m.
	Guard Shore	H 5:51 p.m. L 12:32 p.m.	H 6:27 a.m. L 1:41 p.m.	H 7:41 a.m. L 2:49 p.m.	H 8:55 a.m. L 3:52 p.m.	H 9:59 a.m. L 4:47 p.m.	H 10:54 a.m. L 5:35 p.m.	H 11:41 a.m. L 6:08 a.m.
	Chescon. Creek	H 5:26 p.m. L 11:44 a.m.	H 6:38 p.m. L 12:53 p.m.	H 7:16 a.m. L 2:01 p.m.	H 8:30 a.m. L 3:04 p.m.	H 9:34 a.m. L 3:59 p.m.	H 10:29 a.m. L 4:47 p.m.	H 11:16 a.m. L 5:30 p.m.
	Onancock Creek	H 5:40 p.m. L 12:04 p.m.	H 6:52 p.m. L 1:13 p.m.	H 7:30 a.m. L 2:21 p.m.	H 8:44 a.m. L 3:24 p.m.	H 9:48 a.m. L 4:19 p.m.	H 10:43 a.m. L 5:07 p.m.	H 11:30 a.m. L 5:50 p.m.
	Pungoteague Creek	H 4:56 p.m. L 11:18 a.m.	H 6:08 p.m. L 12:27 p.m.	H 6:46 a.m. L 1:35 p.m.	H 8:00 a.m. L 2:38 p.m.	H 9:04 a.m. L 3:33 p.m.	H 9:59 a.m. L 4:21 p.m.	H 10:46 a.m. L 5:04 p.m.
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Last Week's Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Super Crossword

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 1 Outlook
 7 Opponents
 13 Rolling Stones frontman's family
 20 Despise
 21 Funny in a twisted way
 22 Shrinking salt lake in Asia
 23 "Does this medication act as a sedative at all?"
 25 French painter Henri
 26 Pops
 27 Dark warrior Kylo of sci-fi
 28 Magical elixir that turns people into mouse-like rodents?
 30 Sun or moon
 32 People using paste
 35 — Moines
 36 26th letters, to Brits
 37 The singer of "Kiss an Angel Good Mornin' " was nosy?
 41 Caustic liquid
 44 Mogul
 45 Football field
 47 Loss of the sense of smell
 52 Out of kilter
 53 Upkeep of a kitchen stove?
 57 Peter of Herman's Hermits
 59 Freeman of "Angel Face"
 60 "... roughly"
 61 Landscaping tool used by a large company?
 68 Culinary mushroom
 69 Not ingested
 70 Coll. in Lower Manhattan
 71 First letter
 73 Follies show
 74 Question to someone who rudely interrupts a chat?
 78 Ruckuses
 79 Teeny power source
 81 Nation in "The Hunger Games"
 82 Captured during a revolt?
 87 Frosting tools
 92 Bit of conjunctivitis medicine
 93 Ballesteros of golf
 94 Pages transmitted by PCs
 95 Gave the heave-ho to
 97 Cost to buy an airline ticket?
 101 FBI workers: Abbr.
 105 Cooke of soul
 107 Actor Chuck
 108 Small child
 109 Arsons?
 113 Some refinery input
 114 Bummed
 116 Emilio of Hollywood
 117 Apt things to feel when solving this puzzle?
 123 Really dumb
 124 6-Down plus one
 125 State tree of New Jersey
 126 — Pilate (biblical official)
 127 Most tender
 128 Wisenheimer
 5 Neighbor of Sudan
 6 What X may mean
 7 Creep higher, as shorts
 8 Wrinkle remover
 9 "I do," e.g.
 10 Sothern of "Kid Millions"
 11 Actor
 12 Young cod
 13 "Misery" star
 14 Give — (care)
 15 Cat, to Juan
 16 Ostentatious showiness
 17 "Charlotte's Web" actress
 18 Turf anew
 19 Camille
 24 Annual: Abbr.
 29 Meadow
 30 Eight: Prefix
 31 "Wide Sargasso Sea" novelist
 32 With 118-Down, child of a boomer
 33 Emma
 38 Jane in court
 39 Something hit by a basso
 40 Lightly lit
 42 Swenson of "Benson"
 43 John in court
 46 Title for 33-Down
 48 Not rough
 49 — Melodies (old toons)
 50 Pant-leg line
 51 Coral rings
 53 Bicolor horse
 54 Busy insect
 55 Once named
 56 Fish-fowl link
 58 Some refinery input
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 63 Rescind
 64 Waited a bit
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 72 San Francisco's — Valley
 74 Astros, on scoreboards
 75 Rock blasters
 76 Unseal, in poetry
 77 Old Egypt-Syr. alliance
 79 "Life is like — of chocolates"
 80 They're large in large-print materials
 83 Pro-gun org.
 84 Sports arbiter
 85 Tennis' Lendl
 86 Blood fluid: Prefix
 88 Coral islet
 89 Way out of a building
 90 Nevada city on I-80
 91 USAF NCO
 94 Bad grades
 96 Flow barrier
 98 Wears away
 99 Set straight
 100 Movie
 101 Tons
 102 Painter's undercoat
 103 Tarte — (apple treat)
 104 Artery insert
 106 Some viral trends
 110 Roman 107
 111 Brand of lens solution
 112 Farm tower
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Eastern Shore Sports



Jayda Tull releases a pitch for a strike late in the game against Holly Grove. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Lady Firebirds Pick Up A Win Against Holly Grove Eagles

By Whitney Metz

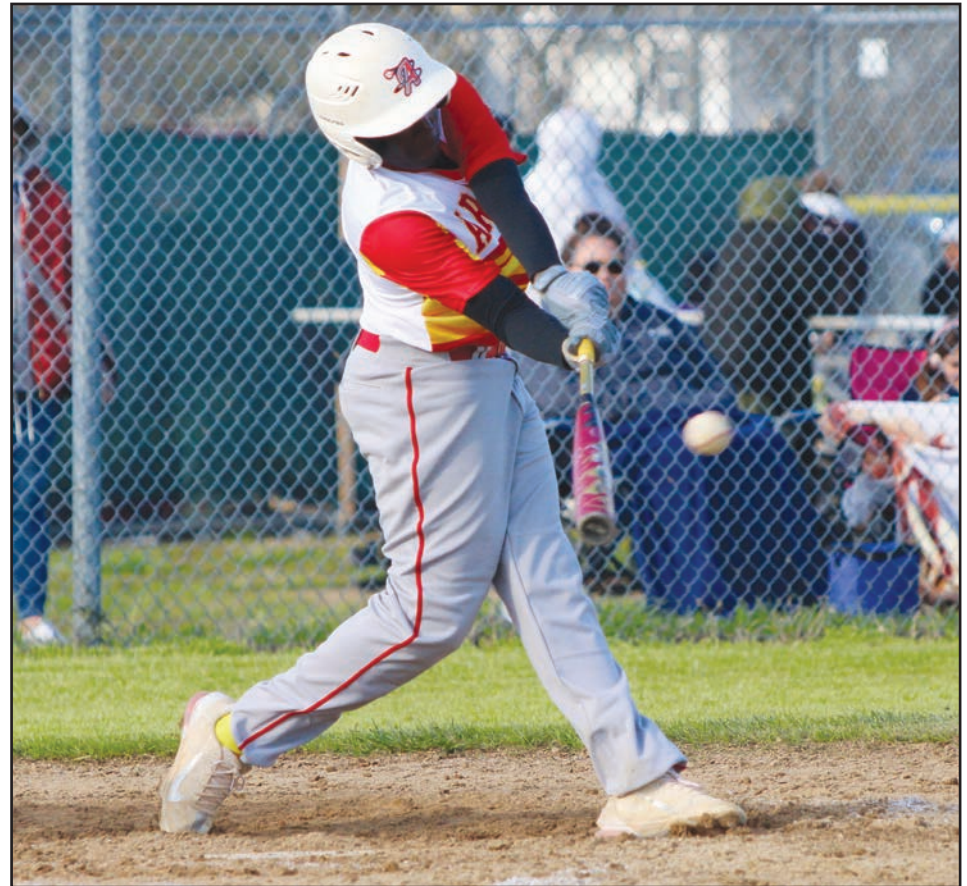
The Arcadia Varsity softball team hosted Holly Grove Christian School on Tuesday afternoon. Arcadia's offense was on fire in the game recording 15 hits in the 15-2 victory.

Jayda Tull showed up strong on offense going 2-for-3 at the plate with four RBIs on a single in the first, a single in the second, and a double in the fourth. Savannah McDonald, Logan Stapleton, Sydney Jester, and Brian-na Montross each collected multiple hits for the Firebirds. Stapleton and Tull both recorded doubles in the game while McDonald added a triple. Mc-

Donald led the team with three hits in four at bats.

On the mound for Arcadia, Jester gave two innings of work to start the game recording five strikeouts and only giving up one hit and one run. Tull came in for three innings to close the game with seven strikeouts, allowing three hits and one run. Jester earned the win for the Firebirds.

Arcadia Softball extends its impressive record to 5-1 with the big victory over Holly Grove Christian School. On Thursday, April 21, the Firebirds competed in an away game against district rival Nandua.



Zach Giddens drives the ball deep into center field for a double. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Arcadia Firebirds Baseball Team Defeats Holly Grove

By Whitney Metz

Arcadia competed against Holly Grove Christian school on Tuesday, April 19, at home. The Firebirds stole the lead late to take the victory over the Eagles with a final score of 8-6.

Arcadia was first to put runs on the board but Holly Grove quickly responded, bringing the score to 3-3 going into the third inning. Holly Grove added additional runs in the fourth and fifth while holding Arcadia to only one run in three innings of play.

The Firebird's offense became hot in the bottom of the sixth when Zach Giddens hit a clutch double on a 0-2 count, scoring two runs. Arcadia added two more runs during the bottom of the sixth, bringing the score to 8-6. The Firebirds shut down Holly Groves' offense in the bottom of the seventh and clinched a hard fought

win.

Nathan Barnes got the win for the Firebirds, allowing zero hits and zero runs over three innings of work. Barnes recorded four strikeouts with one walk. Landon Fuller started on the mound grinding out three and a third with nine strikeouts. Tyler Padgett assisted, coming in for relief to add another strikeout for the Firebirds in two-thirds of an inning.

Giddens led the offense for Arcadia going 3-for-4 with three doubles and four RBIs. Nathan Barnes also recorded a double in the victory with one RBI. Carson Lucy scored three runs, while Fuller and Roy Reid each crossed the plate once. Padgett had one hit in the game and scored two runs. Arcadia played again on April 21 in a district matchup against Nandua High School.



Warriors Boys Varsity Soccer Team Defeats Firebirds

The Nandua Warriors boys varsity soccer team traveled to Oak Hall to face the Arcadia Firebirds Wednesday, April 20. The Warriors won the matchup 4-2, scoring one goal in the first half and three goals in the second half. Pictured above, Noah Montalvo drives past an Arcadia defender. Photo by Whitney Metz.

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Lady Warriors Soccer Team Defeats Firebirds
The Nandua Warriors girls varsity soccer team hosted the Arcadia Firebirds Wednesday, April 20. The Warriors won 4-1. Melitza Bravo scored three goals. Mackenzie Parks scored one goal on a penalty kick. Parks and Nathaly Perez had the team assists. Pictured above, Rochelle Rivera pursues the ball down the field during the first half. Photo by Adolphus Ames.



Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall



Fishing on both sides of the peninsula continues to improve, with only the April winds limiting the action. Black and red drum have been landed from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel all the way up into the waters of southern Maryland, with most of the action thus far occurring close to the shore in shallow waters. The warming waters and recent full moon should boost blue crab activity, including the production of soft crabs, which are highly sought after by both the human and piscatorial populations. The only disappointment so far in the early season has been the lack of flounder catches out of Oyster, south to the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay, but that can quickly turn on like a light switch with a few consecutive days of light southwest breezes.

Upper Shore – Captain Matt Abell, at the Sea Hawk Sports Center, said members of the shop's staff fished the waters of Folly Creek and Wachapreague over the weekend and found improved flounder fishing. He said that the fishery's success is still reliant on a falling tide. Matt said that black drum are being caught in the Chesapeake Bay from Deal Island south, with most of the catches coming from the waters around Fox Island and Parker's Island. A few red drum have started to show up in the upper bay shallows. Captain Abell added that a number of black drum are still being pulled from the barrier island surf, as well as a few reds, with most of the red drum coming off the lower Virginia islands. He said that he had heard reports of bayside speckled trout catches. Black perch catches continue to be made on the Pocomoke River, where the spring shad fishery has been more productive than usual.

Chincoteague – Pete Vasiliou, of Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle, reported that there has been a "consistent" bite of black drum off the beach.

He said the fish were hitting peeler crab, clam, and sand fleas tipped with Fish Bites. He added that the flounder fishing was picking up in the back bay.

Wachapreague

– Amanda Manzella, at the Wachapreague Inn, said that a "few" flounder had been caught over the week, but overall fishing pressure was light over the Easter weekend. The inn is heavily booked this weekend for the 31st Annual Captain Zed's Flounder Tournament, which runs April 22 to May 1.

Captain Lindsay Paul said flounder were being caught at Bullshead and inside Drawing and Green Channels. Best action has been occurring on the outgoing tide by anglers drifting with Berkley Gulp and live minnow combinations.

Lower Shore – Dez Louie, at Oceans East – Eastern Shore, told me that seaside anglers launching from Oyster and Wise Point were able to catch and release trophy-sized red drum outside the barrier islands, many earning Virginia Saltwater Fishing Tournament release citations. Anglers targeting black drum in the seaside inlets and behind the islands were finding a smaller class of fish, many in the 18- to 30-inch range, with a few hitting the 50-pound mark. Sea clams and chowder clams have been the productive baits of choice for anglers targeting black drum. Louie said that the more productive flounder fishing action continues to occur a little to the north, but tautog action has been good along the structure of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel, with anglers catching limits on crab baits. Overall, Louie said that the fishing continues to improve, with anglers hoping for days with diminishing winds!

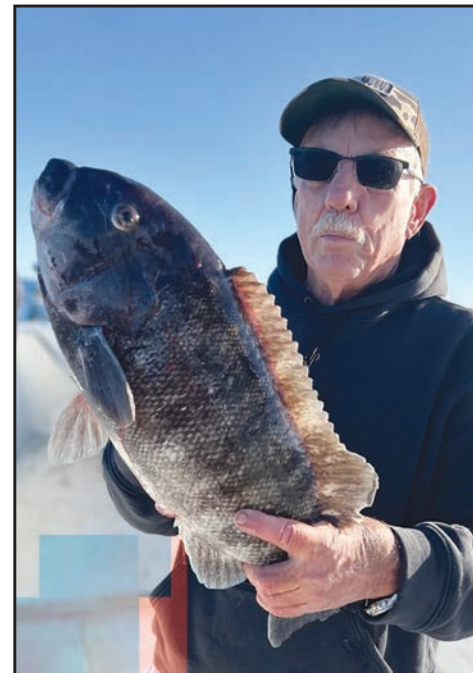
Jeb Brady, at Bailey's Bait and Tackle in Cape Charles, said the recent string of windy days has limited the amount of time that anglers could spend on the water. Brady commented that the black drum are getting larger and more plentiful in the waters behind Smith Island and Fishermen Island with both crab and clam baits producing. He added that big red drum are in the surf as well, with most of the fish being caught on



Taylor Bandy caught this black drum in the surf of one of the lower Shore barrier islands. Photo courtesy of Oceans East-Eastern Shore.



Robby Atwood caught and released this red drum in the surf of one of the lower Shore barrier islands. Photo courtesy of Oceans East-Eastern Shore.



Jim Clark landed this 9-pound tautog while fishing over the Triangle Wrecks. Photo by Greg Harman.



The father-son team of C.L. and Parker Marshall boated and released this red drum while fishing in the shallows of Pocomoke Sound. Photo courtesy of Tangier Sound Charters.

crab baits. Jeb said he expects the schools of black drum to start moving inside the bay and predicted that catch reports should start coming in from Latimer Shoal and buoys 13 and 16. Flounder catches were described as "scarce" due to the poor water clarity and cool water temperatures, but he said that tautog action has been "decent" at the bridge-tunnel and on the offshore wrecks. Stripers and puppy drum catches have been re-

ported along the bayside creeks and shorelines by anglers casting artificial baits.

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

Her Brother Was Who? The Cassatt Connection to the Shore

By Martha Wessells Steger
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

The railroad is gone from Accomack and Northampton counties. It can't even make another comeback – the tracks have been ripped up – after several reincarnations in its hundred-plus-years' use in Virginia's two easternmost counties.

A distant-future generation might someday wonder what that was that ran down the center of the Eastern Shore – but the railroad story will continue to live in history, sometimes indirectly and maybe with a bit of research. An oblique railroad-art connection came to mind when the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, located in Richmond, announced its newest exhibit, “Whistler to Cassatt: America Painters in France.”

Nothing in the extensive exhibition mentions featured artist Mary Cassatt's brother, Alexander, or the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Perhaps turn-about is fair play, as a historical marker placed years ago at the Eastern Shore Railway Museum in Parksley had no space to mention Alexander's famous artist-sister.

Alexander is the one for whom Parksley's Cassatt Street was named: He was president of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad, responsible for laying, in only six months, the railroad tracks connecting Pocomoke City, Md., to Norfolk, Va., in 1884. At that time, his 40-year-old sister had returned to Paris after having lost a lot of her early works in the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.

The Exhibition

The VMFA exhibition – on view until July 31 – focuses on Mary Cassatt and other aspiring American artists who left the United States between the late 19th and early 20th centuries to train abroad. Paris underwent a big transition between 1852-1870, becoming the place tourists find today – of wide avenues, parks, squares. Illuminated by gaslights, it became the “City of Light.” Cassatt and James Abbott McNeill Whistler were in the first wave of expatriate artists to cross the Atlantic Ocean to Europe and returned to become some of the greatest influencers to shape American art.

The VMFA curator and staff provide helpful context for what Alex Nyerge, VMFA's director and CEO, calls “one of the most complex and transformative periods in American art history.” In addition to Cassatt's and Whistler's works, the 112 exhibited pieces showcase paintings and sketches by Cecilia Beaux, Frank Weston Benson, William Merritt Chase, William J. Glackens, Childe Hassam, Robert Henri, Winslow Homer, Maurice Prendergast, Theodore Robinson, John Singer Sargent, Henry Ossawa Tanner, and John Henry Twachtman.

Because of the kaleidoscope of social, economic, and political change that occurred between the mid-19th and early 20th centuries, artists who were out of the United States for an extended period of time found a different country when they returned. The changes – according to Susan J. Rawles, the VMFA's Elizabeth Locke associate curator who curated the exhibition – had “thrust America into a state of flux, challenging its quest for a national identity, leading to a question of who and what constitutes the American in American art?”

Women Artists

Returning artists often introduced more realistic subject matter of daily life – efforts sometimes seen as “un-American.” The exhibition demonstrates the period's radicalism and sheds light on the women artists, who were radical, too, determined to become professional painters. In Cassatt's case, she had to overcome her father's objections to her serious study of art; she financed her own travel to Paris. In addition to women being denied entrance to the prestigious Ecole des Beaux-Arts until 1897, they were also excluded from café society – an important opportunity to socialize.

Cassatt's paintings of familial scenes – specifically women and children – so widely recognized as her definitive work today don't appear at first glance to be innovative. At her time in history, she was exploring avant-garde practices, such as experimenting with Asian-inspired technology. Becoming known for bold contours, a massing of colors, and flattened, tilted perspectives, she was the first American artist

invited to exhibit with the Impressionists – a group that provided uplifting, colorful work for gallery and museum visitors.

The VMFA has recreated for visitors a dramatic gallery reminiscent of Paris's Exposition des Beaux-Arts' salon, the most important exhibition of juried works held annually in late-19th-century Paris. When Cassatt's oil painting “Mandolin Player” was accepted for exhibition at the salon, she joined Elizabeth Jane Gardner and Eliza Halde-man as the first American women to be so honored. The painting, among those at the VMFA including several of her informal family portraits, shows Cassatt's classic style using a plain, dark background with rich tones and a strong contrast of light and shadow, setting off the face, neck, and shoulders of the daydreaming musician.

Her teachers from the Barbizon School comprised the first group of artists to travel into the Forest of Fontainebleau to paint nature as they saw it. Employing rich, earthy colors applied with a freer, looser brush, they traded the style of respected academic painting for an appreciation of the environment. They planted the seeds for realism and impressionism.

“We have become so accustomed



The Mandolin Player, 1868, Mary Cassatt (American, 1844–1926), oil paint on canvas. General Investment Group LLC, California, Rami Ron.

to styles like impressionism,” Rawles said, “that we forget how wickedly radical it was, or that a handful of American expatriate painters became the country's first modernists.”

Alexander Cassatt would be very proud of his sister.

When You Go

‘Whistler to Cassatt: America Painters in France’

Where: Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, 200 N. Arthur Ashe Blvd., Richmond, VA 23220

When: Open 365 days a year, daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wed., Thu., Fri. until 9 p.m. “Best Café” daily 10 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.; Wed., Thu., Fri. 10 a.m.- 8:30 p.m.

Admission: While general admission is free, the “Whistler to Cassatt” exhibition tickets are \$16 for adults, \$12 for seniors 65-plus, and \$10 for youth 7 to 17 and college students with ID. The exhibition is free for VMFA members, children ages 6 and under, and active-duty military personnel and their immediate families.

Contact: 804-340-1400, www.VMFA.museum

Community Notes

SpringFest2022 in Onancock

SpringFest2022 will be Sunday, May 1, from 1 to 4 p.m., at Historic Onancock School on the lawn. This is an outdoor celebration to rekindle old friendships and meet new Onancock neighbors. There will be lots of family fun, bring your neighbors. Music is by DJ Johnny Mo. There will be three food trucks, a sno-cone vendor, bounce house, and disc golf. Bring your own beverages, chairs, and a blanket. This event is rain or shine.

Native Plant Sale

The 15th Annual Native Plant Sale is underway, hosted by the Lower Shore Land Trust (LSLT). Orders are being accepted until Friday, April 29, and will be filled and ready for pickup Friday, May 6, and Saturday, May 7.

The order form is available at www.lowershorelandtrust.org on the News and Events page.

NHS Field Trip Support Needed

Northampton High School senior trip to Washington, D.C., would be a great opportunity for NHS seniors, particularly since they have not participated in field trips in two years. Students will pay a fee but some fundraising is necessary to cover the charter bus.

Every bit of donation helps. To support Northampton High School seniors today go to: <https://www.ncedufoundation.com/education-funding/project-detail/pid/30/id/41#.YlsCklkpAzY>

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.

Overeaters Anon.

The Overeaters Anonymous will meet every Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m., at Rock Church in Onley.

Science and Philosophy Seminar

The Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore of Virginia will hold a seminar, "How Gout Changed History, and the American Revolution," Friday, April 22, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., in Room 113 of the Academic Building of Eastern Shore Community College, 29300 Lankford Highway, Melfa.

Paul Rochmis will present the fascinating history of gout dating back to

Hippocrates (400 B.C.E., the father of modern medicine), and up to the end of the 19th century, focusing on its contribution to the fall of the Roman Empire, the loss of a war in the Middle Ages, and how it both led to the American Revolution, and helped win it at the Battle of the Capes.

Rochmis is a retired rheumatologist; he and his wife, Ann, have a home in Gargatha.

Low Country Shrimp Boil

The Cape Charles Historical Society will host the Low Country Shrimp Boil Saturday, April 30, from 5 to 9 p.m., at the Cape Charles Museum. Dinner includes the shrimp boil, coleslaw, rolls, desserts, sweet tea, and soda. Local cold beer and wine will be available.

There will be live music, a silent auction, and a 50-50 raffle.

Tickets are \$50 and available in Cape Charles at Rayfield's Pharma-

cy or by credit card at the website www.CapeCharlesMuseum.org Sponsorships are welcome. Contact Dora at 757-695-0966 for more information.

Pocomoke Library

Garden Planting for Earth Day will be Friday, April 22, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Pocomoke Library, Pocomoke City, Md., (all ages). Walk-in anytime Friday morning to plant herbs or flowers in our raised bed gardens. Take home a free seed packet while supplies last.

Story Time at the Community Garden: Herbs will be Tuesday, April 26, at 10:30 a.m., at the library (ages 2 to 5).

STEM – Magnets: Push and Pull Forces will be Wednesday, April 27, at 4 p.m., at the library (ages 8 to 12).

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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<u>Expenses:</u>		<u>Revenue:</u>	
Garbage Collection	11,100.00	Business License Fees	500.00
Insurance	4,700.00	Personal Property Taxes	1,500.00
Lawn Care	700.00	Real Estate Taxes	22,450.00
Legal Fees	500.00	Sales Taxes	13,200.00
Maintenance & Repairs	500.00	Vehicle Rental Taxes	4,200.00
Office Expenses	1,200.00	Zoning Permit Fees	250.00
Office Utilities	3,000.00	Grants	16,032.00
Street Lights	6,000.00		
Salaries/Wages	12,000.00		
Payroll Taxes	2,400.00		
Grants	16,032.00		
Total Expenses	\$58,132.00	Total Revenue	\$58,132.00

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2506 that the Town of Keller will hold a public hearing on **May 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall located at 18248 N.R. North Street, Keller** on the proposed budget presented above. Citizens of Keller have the right to attend the hearing and state their views thereon. A copy of the proposed budget is on file at the Town Hall.

MILLER Marriages Births Awards POSTS



Marriage Licenses Issued

- Stephanie Arleen Clougherty, 39, of Melfa, and Michael Alan Bruno Sr., 61, of Onancock
- Tessa Maria Snyder, 23, and Dakota James Shultz, 26, both of Onancock
- Carlos Ivan Erazo Ortiz, 30, and Eladia Maritza Alvarado Bonilla, 33, both of Eastville



Belinda Rippon and Shannon Seward



Hailey Sturgis and Nancy Stern



Phyllis Smith and Chevelle Mason

Soroptimist Club of Accomack County Presents Three Awards

The Soroptimist Club recently awarded three awards to locals. The “Live Your Dream Award” was received by Shannon Seward. The “Dream It Be It Award” winner was Hailey Sturgis. The “Ruby Award” recipient was Chevelle Mason.

The “Live Your Dream Award” was received by a woman who is the sole

supporter of her family while attempting to further her education and is overcoming life’s hardships.

The “Dream It Be It” award is chosen by committee and awarded to a young girl who is involved in volunteering. Sturgis received \$250 and the charity of her choice, the SPCA, receives \$250.

The “Ruby Award” is given as a recognition award to a woman who has made a difference in the lives of others. Mason has spent much time teaching, counseling, coaching, and volunteering. Belinda Rippon, Nancy Stern, and Chevelle Mason represent the Soroptimist Club.

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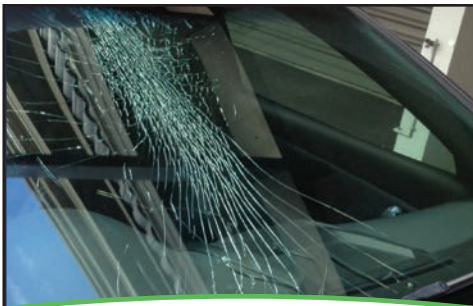


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Community Notes

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For more information, email angie@easternshorepost.com.

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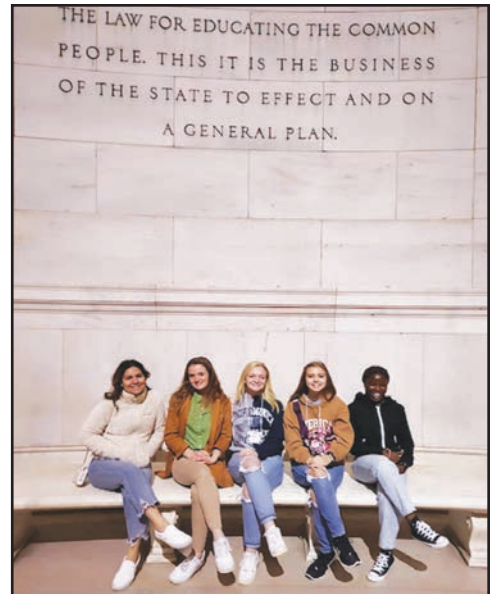
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Gallivan Named as Teen Delegate

An Accomack County 4-H member was selected as a teen delegate for the 2022 National 4-H Conference. Sophia Gallivan, of Exmore, went to Washington, D.C., last month with four peers and represented the Eastern Shore.

Eastern Shore Trading POST

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

Announcements

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Town of Cape Charles, Wastewater Utility Technician

The Town of Cape Charles is seeking a full-time Wastewater Utility Technician. If you have the right work ethic, take direction well, and are interested in pursuing a rewarding career in utilities, we will train you.

To be successful in this position you must have the ability to follow written and oral direction, have a valid driver's license, reliable transportation, and possess a high school diploma or a GED. Having good technical skills and/or maintenance experience is a plus. You must also be able to work weekends, evenings, and holidays as needed, as well as occasional "on-call" time.

You will be trained in the following areas:

- How to monitor the operational phases and processes of the plant, ensuring the proper function of all machinery and equipment as related to the treatment of wastewater
- How to monitor, maintain, and repair various pump stations and collection systems
- The ability to calculate and administer proper chemical dosages and calibrate chemical feeders. The Technician must also be able to perform periodic tests of wastewater quality and ensure proper documentation

Applicant must pass a pre-employment drug screening and background check, be physically fit, capable of working in the field during inclement conditions, and capable of lifting up to 50 pounds regularly. This is a full-time, non-exempt position eligible for overtime. Full benefits include medical, dental, state retirement and paid time off. Starting salary \$14.50-16.25/hour DOQ. Application available at the Town Hall or online at www.capecharles.org, under Employment Opportunities. Submit complete Town Employment Application to Human Resources at 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310 or email to humanresources@capecharles.org. Submittals without a complete Town Employment Application will not be considered. Applications will be accepted until this position is filled.

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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 Open until filled. EOE

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Help Wanted (Cont'd)



Children's Harbor Eastern Shore is Hiring!

Since 1911, Children's Harbor has been a leader in the early care and education industry. We are excited to announce the opening of the new Eastern Shore Center Location at 20250 Fairgrounds Rd, Onancock.

Immediate openings:

- Assistant Center Director – full-time
- Lead Teachers, Assistant teachers – full-time/part-time, all ages from 6 weeks to 10 years old

To apply, email a resume and a brief description of your experience as it relates to the openings directly: humanresources@childrensharbor.cc

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

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

Other duties include:

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

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

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

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

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Home Health Aide

Responsibilities: Provide health care services in patient's residence; perform household tasks; transport and accompany patients to doctors office or to hospital; assist with personal care activities. Must have working experience as home health aide; familiarity with personal hygiene standards; proficiency in English; caring and compassionate personality; valid driver's license. Background check required. Full-time or part-time. Contract pay: \$11.81 per hour. Schedule: Day shifts – holidays, Monday to Friday, 8am to 3pm // Night shifts – 3 to 4 hours // Weekend shifts – Saturday and Sunday, 8am to 12pm.

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Code Compliance and Building Inspector

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Building and Code Compliance Inspector. The essential function of this position is to perform building inspections and enforce ordinances for abandoned cars, grass complaints, dangerous structures, and solid waste. Provides customer service and clerical duties.

Requires high school diploma or GED, supplemented by one year of experience in building construction. Experience as a building inspector or property maintenance inspector is desired.

Requires valid Virginia Driver's License.

Excellent communication skills are essential. The minimum salary for this position is \$33,157 plus benefits.

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347. Position is open until filled. Northampton County is an EOE. To review the full job description please see website.

Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. is seeking an Executive Administrative Assistant

The Executive Administrative Assistant is responsible for managing the schedules and communications of the Chief Executive Officer and provides administrative support to the CEO and Board of Directors.

Qualifications/Job Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree
- 5 years proven experience as an Executive Administrative Assistant, Senior Executive Assistant, or in other administrative/secretarial position
- Computer proficiency, including excellent knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Exemplary planning and time management skills
- Up-to-date with advancements in office gadgets and applications
- Ability to multitask and prioritize daily workload
- High level verbal and written communication skills
- Discretion and confidentiality
- Individual must be mature, professional, self-motivated and demonstrate strong attention to detail, communication, teamwork, and customer service
- Flexible hours as dictated by the needs of ESRHS for projects and meetings



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Deadline to apply for this position: May 6, 2022

Eastern Shore Rural Health offers a competitive benefits package and our campuses are Tobacco-Free Workplaces. EOE/M/F/Disability/Vet

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

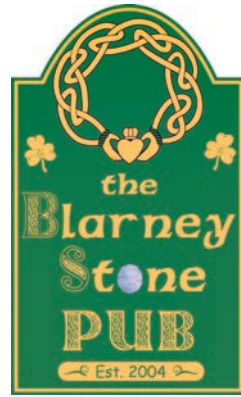
Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have high school diploma or GED.

Benefits include: VRS Retirement, Annual Leave, Sick leave, Paid Holidays, and Health Insurance

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Apply in person at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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Accomack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following positions: **Full-Time Certified Law Enforcement Officer and Full-Time Correctional Officer.** Applications may be obtained from the Accomack County Sheriff's Office or online at www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org. Open until filled. Accomack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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- Special Education Compliance and Transition Coordinator
- Speech Pathologist
- Teachers (Various Positions)
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Inquiries may be directed to:
Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services
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The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

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

Position # 1096233

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Zoning Permit Technician

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full time Zoning Permit Technician in the Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department.

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Excellent communication skills are essential with two years' experience in customer service. Requires high school diploma or GED, and one year of college or vocational school education in business administration or a closely related field. The salary range is \$31,280- \$50,580.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job descriptions, requirements and county's application form. Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 **until filled.** Northampton County is an EOE

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

Certified Law Enforcement Officer

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

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

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

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MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE - Fri. & Sat., April 22 & 23, 8 a.m.-? at 19350 Downing Road, Melfa. Linens, furniture, lamps, antiques, tools
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CAPEVILLE FLEA MARKET "MAKE-AN-OFFER" SALE - All items on the front lawn: just make an offer. Yard will be loaded. Saturday, April 30, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., at 21675 Lankford Hwy., Capeville. Anyone can come sell their items for free.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON **WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022, AT 10 A.M., IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA**, TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

A. SUSE-000324-2022: Christopher McCabe – Tax Map # 83B-2-D-3

A hearing initiated by Christopher McCabe to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-78 (11) which allows for travel trailers, located outside of travel trailer parks, which are to be occupied for habitation. Mr. McCabe's clients, the Cicioni's, would like to use a travel trailer for habitation while they construct a dwelling on a neighboring parcel they own. The parcel is Tax Map # 83B-2-D-3, an unimproved parcel in the East Point development outside of Onancock, and is zoned Residential.

B. SUSE-000335-2022: George Riefler – Tax Map # 28B-2-5

A hearing initiated by George Riefler to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53(27) which allows for a use not specifically listed as a use permitted by right or by special exception in the agriculture district regulations which is clearly similar and compatible with the uses listed therein. Mr. Riefler would like to place an 18' x 25' metal building on this unimproved parcel to store his lawn equipment. The parcel is Tax Map # 28B-2-5, is an unimproved parcel and is dual zoned Agriculture and Residential.

C. SUSE-000336-2022: Keith Kellam – Tax Map # 113B-1-3

A hearing initiated by Keith Kellam to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-78(12) which allows any use of land and/or any permanent or temporary location of any type of building or facility thereon which is not specifically permitted within this chapter. Mr. Kellam would like to use his parcel to park his commercially licensed tow truck on his residential parcel. The parcel is Tax Map # 113-1-3, is located at 22128 Willis Street Wachapreague and is zoned Residential.

D. SUSE-000339-2022: MCAP Eastern Shore LLC – Tax Map # 85-2-2

A hearing initiated by MCAP Eastern Shore LLC to request a Special Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53(12) which allows for health care facilities. MCAP Eastern Shore would like to expand the current Commonwealth Senior Living Facility by adding an 8-unit assisted living/memory care facility and an 18-unit independent living facility. The parcel is Tax Map # 85-2-2, is located at 23610 North St. Onancock and is zoned Agriculture.

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

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

Legal Advertising & Auctions

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The contents of the below listed unit(s) located at **BAY STORAGE**
22529 Parson's Circle
Cape Charles VA 23310
Will be sold at public auction online at www.lockerfox.com
On: Wednesday, April 27th, 2022, at 11:00 am

Unit D039
Unit B209

Bay Storage reserves the right to refuse any bid.

TERMS: CASH AT SALE

Town of Onley Public Hearing

The Onley Town Council will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 2, 2022, at the Onley Town Office located at 25308 Lankford Highway, Onley, Virginia, for the purpose of receiving comments from members of the public concerning the adoption of the Proposed Town Zoning Ordinance. A copy of the Proposed Town Zoning Ordinance is available for public inspection at the town website, www.townofonley.org. or in-person at the Town Office from the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Mayor and Council will immediately follow.

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Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, you are hereby notified of a Public Hearing that will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23292 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia at 10AM, Thursday, April 28, 2022, on the wetlands applications of:

Darryl Lilliston - VMRC# 2021-1294

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed construction of an 265 feet vinyl bulkhead to replace the existing failing wooden bulkhead, located in Wachapreague, VA 23480, tax map#(s) 113A-A-215,113-A-A-214, 113A-A-213,113A-5-3, and 113A-5-3A.**

Elaine McNure - VMRC# 2022-0398

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed replacement of the existing failing bulkhead in the same footprint, located in Greenbackville, VA 23356, tax map#(s) 5A1-1-765.**

Old Dominion Electric Cooperative - VMRC# 2022-0409

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed under-grounding of approximately 1,470 feet of transmission line in new ROW in front of Runway #35 and remove approximately 0.5 miles of existing overhead transmission line, located in Wallops Island, VA 23337, tax map#(s) 28-A-75.**

William Peel - VMRC# 2022-0590

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed installation of an 52 in wide by 100 feet wide non-commercial open pile private pier including a 10 feet by 20 feet T-Head, located on Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, tax map#(s) 30A3-A-45 & 30A3-A-46.**

David Stack - VMRC# 2022-0592

This application is for the following described project: **The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed replacement of the failing 122 feet wooden bulkhead with a new vinyl bulkhead, located on Chincoteague Island, VA 23336, tax map#(s) 30A3-A-47 & 30A3-A-49.**

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

Legal Ads

(Cont'd)

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 21-771

vs.

RANIA M. BLAKE, et al.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent taxes against certain real estate described as follows:

All that tract of land in the County of Accomack, Virginia, being 1,560 square yards, more or less, and designated as tax map number 012A0A000010900

standing in the names of Rania M. Blake and Aldora M. Moore, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that Rania M. Blake is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 251 South 27th Street, Camden, NJ 08105; that Aldora M. Moore is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 1160 Landsdale Avenue, Camden, NJ 08104; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Lacy B. Downing; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Lacy B. Downing; that Greg O'Bier is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 11, Frankfort, DE 19945.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before May 13, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 13th day of April, 2022
Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Dep. Clerk

I ask for this:
JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q.
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
(757)898-7000

Town of Chincoteague – FY 2023 Proposed Budget

The Chincoteague Town Council will hold a public hearing on May 2, 2022 at 7 pm for the proposed FY 2023 Budget. Anyone wanting to comment without attending in person may submit written comments to the Town Office by 5pm on May 2, 2022.

Commenting by Letter: Written statements may be mailed to the Town of Chincoteague, Attn: FY 22 Budget, 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague, VA 23336.

Commenting by email: Emails may be addressed to mtolbert@chincoteague-va.gov with the subject line: FY 23 Budget Comments.

All comments must be in person, mail or emailed. Mailed or emailed comments will be included in the meeting official record. Comments must include commenter's name and address.

For questions or assistance call: 757-336-6519

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
GENERAL FUND		GENERAL FUND	
GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 897,307	GENERAL GOVERNMENT SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 600,198
OTHER LOCAL TAXES	\$ 3,485,500	EXPENSES	\$ 1,289,023
PERMITS, FEES & LICENSES	\$ 316,392	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 14,183
FINES	\$ 22,850	EMERGENCY SERVICES SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 1,132,926
INTEREST	\$ 12,000	EXPENSES	\$ 65,300
LAND USE/RENT	\$ 33,973	PUBLIC WORKS (INCL MOSQUITO CTRL)	
SERVICES	\$ 12,500	SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 566,369
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 212,946	EXPENSES	\$ 678,750
GRANTS	\$ 1,354,179	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 255,000
SOLID WASTE	\$ 416,500	ROADS DIVISION SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 173,722
FUND TRANSFERS	\$ 115,000	EXPENSES	\$ 569,000
		POLICE DEPARTMENT (INCL DISPATCH)	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	\$ 6,879,147	SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 1,289,876
		EXPENSES	\$ 185,300
HARBOR FUND		CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 59,500
HARBOR RENT/SUBLEASE/STORAGE	\$ 162,500	TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	\$ 6,879,147
HARBOR INTEREST/MISC	\$ 800		
FUEL REVENUE	\$ 375,000	HARBOR FUND	
VA PORT AUTHORITY GRANT	\$ 201,166	HARBOR SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 63,349
TRANSFER FR GENERAL FUND	\$ 395,807	EXPENSES	\$ 400,500
TOTAL HARBOR REVENUE	\$ 1,135,273	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 671,424
		TOTAL HARBOR EXPENSES	\$ 1,135,273
TROLLEY FUND			
TROLLEY GRANTS	\$ 233,233	TROLLEY FUND	
PROGRAM INCOME	\$ 4,000	TROLLEY SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 48,152
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	\$ 25,419	EXPENSES	\$ 49,000
TOTAL TROLLEY REVENUE	\$ 262,652	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 165,500
		TOTAL TROLLEY EXPENSES	\$ 262,652
WATER FUND			
WATER RENT/SERVICE	\$ 966,000	WATER FUND	
INTEREST ON WATER RESERVE	\$ 400	WATER SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 396,775
AVAILABILITY FEES	\$ 50,000	EXPENSES	\$ 439,328
TRANSFER FROM ARPA	\$ 128,000	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 308,297
TOTAL WATER FUND REVENUE	\$ 1,144,400	TOTAL WATER FUND EXPENSES	\$ 1,144,400
CENTER FUND		CENTER FUND	
RENTAL / SERVICES / MISC	\$ 45,200	CENTER SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$ 51,921
SPONSORED EVENTS	\$ 10,400	EXPENSES	\$ 83,450
TRANSFER FROM MEALS/TOT/RESV	\$ 382,594	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 302,823
TOTAL CENTER FUND REVENUE	\$ 438,194	TOTAL CENTER FUND EXPENSES	\$ 438,194
TOTAL ALL REVENUES	\$ 9,859,666	TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,859,666

THE FOLLOWING RATES HAVE BEEN PROPOSED FOR THE CURRENT TAX YEAR WITHIN THIS BUDGET:

REAL ESTATE TAX LEVY			
PERSONAL PROPERTY			
EXCISE TAX (MEALS)	5%	EXCISE TAX (TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY)	5%
MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE	\$ 27		
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF	\$ 0.65	SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	\$ 2.10 PER WEEK

A COMPLETE COPY OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET, PROPOSED GENERAL GOVERNMENT FEE SCHEDULE AND WATER RATE SCHEDULE ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE, WWW.CHINCOTEAGUE-VA.GOV

Legal Advertising (Cont'd)

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Northampton, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at the Northampton County Circuit Courthouse, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347, at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

PARCEL 1: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
MAP NO. 010A1-12-BLK-00 000000A

All that parcel of land in Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 34 on a plat recorded as Instrument Number 060002205.

LESS AND EXCEPT a conveyance recorded as Instrument Number 060002538.

PARCEL 2: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs PHILLIP BOOKER
MAP NO. 00091B-04-BLK-00 000008C

All that parcel of land at Fairview, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, being 96 ft by 105 ft, bounded North by an outlet road; East by Harold Dixon et als; South by Arthur Lee Perry; West by Elijah Dixon.

PARCEL 3: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CRYSTAL ENTERPRISES, LLC
MAP NO. 00058-0A-BLK-00 0000031

All that parcel of land at Kendall Grove, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 0.51 acre, more or less, shown on a plat of survey recorded in Deed Book 145, page 113.

PARCEL 4: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs JOANNE ECKERT
MAP NO. 0058D-02-BLK-00 00000E2

All that parcel of land near Eastville Station, Eastville District, Northampton County, Virginia and being Parcel E-2 on a plat recorded in Plat Book 34, at page 59.

PARCEL 5: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs ROBERT FORTT
MAP NO. 010A3-05-BLK-00 0000008
4067 STONE LANE

All that parcel of land near Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, known

as Lot Numbers 8, 9, and 10, on a plat recorded with a deed in Deed Book 105, page 280.

PARCEL 6: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs RUTH E. GARCIA
MAP NO. 00009-0A-BLK-00-0000092

All that parcel of land near Hadlock, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.25 acre, more or less, fronting 17.5 yards on the T. B. Crossroad and runs back between parallel lines 70 yards, bounded North by the T. B. Crossroad; East by David Johnson; South by Geo. L. Francis, deceased; West by Lou Clifford.

PARCEL 7: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs VARGHA HADDADZADEH
MAP NO. 0009B-05-BLK-00 0000001

All that parcel of land near Wardtown, Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 1, Pine Meadows, as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 19, at pages 20 and 21.

PARCEL 8: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs VARGHA HADDADZADEH
MAP NO. 012D2-02-BLK-00 0000K21

All that parcel of land near Jamesville, Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot K-21, Peaceful Meadows, Section Two, shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 27, at page 12.

PARCEL 9: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs AARON HALLETT
MAP NO. 00112-0A-BLK-00-0000006

All that parcel of land near Townsend, Northampton County, Virginia, being 7.25 acres, more or less, bounded North by the heirs of Samuel Abbott; East by Claude Whitehead; South and West by Mrs. Ella Whitehead.

PARCEL 10: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs MARK W. HANCOCK
MAP NO. 00009-0A-BLK-00 0000078
10338 TB ROAD

All that parcel of land near Hadlock, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded North by VA Route 607; East by Mary Baines; South and West by Armecia Frances, deceased, said lot fronts 70 ft. on VA Route 607 and runs back between parallel lines 188 ft.

PARCEL 11: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000A1

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel A1 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 12: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000A2

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel A2 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 13: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000B1

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel B1 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 14: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000B2

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel B2 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 15: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs ZACK JOHNSON
MAP NO. 00008-0A-BLK-00 0000025

All that parcel of land in Occohannock Neck, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, bounded North by the County road from Wardtown to Jamesville; East by J. C. Ashby; South by J. C. Ashby; West by Ollie B. Savage.

PARCEL 16: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs SHELIA MCCAIN
MAP NO. 0040B-09-BLK-00 0000108
11329 PARALLEL ROAD

All that parcel of land near Machipongo, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, bounded Northeast and East by Margaret B. Dunton; Southwest by Mrs. Margaret C. Wilkins; Northwest by a roadway separating said land from the right of way of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; fronting

90 ft. on said roadway, and extending back between parallel lines 480 ft.; being a part of Lot 42 on a recorded in Deed Book 63, page 422.

PARCEL 17: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs NOBLES INVESTMENT, LLC
MAP NO. 0084I-02-BLK-00 0000108

All that parcel of land near Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 108, King's Creek Landing, Phase III, shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 33, pages 9-19.

PARCEL 18: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CATHERINE PRESHIA
MAP NO. 0015D-05-BLK-00 0000014

All that parcel of land near Hadlock, Northampton County, Virginia, situate on U. S. Route 13, between Exmore and Nasawadox, being Lot No. 14, "Woodville", on a plat recorded in Plat Book 10, at page 38.

PARCEL 19: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs SHORE RESORT PROPERTIES, LLC
MAP NO. 00090-04-BLK-00 0000075

All that parcel of land in the Town of Cape Charles, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 75, BAY CREEK AT CAPE CHARLES, PHASE I, recorded in Map Book 28, pages 49-63.

PARCEL 20: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CLEMENT A. SMITH
MAP NO. 010A1-0A-BLK-00 0000059

All that parcel of land in the Town of Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, being 52' x 210', more or less, Willis Wharf, Virginia.

The terms of sale require a deposit of 25% of the bid price with the balance due in ten days.

Additional terms will be announced at the sale.

Each sale shall be subject to confirmation by the Court.

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Personal Property located at: 15764 Cashville Road, Onancock, VA 23417

Auction Held Online Only w/Bidding ending Wed. April 27th, 2022 Starting at 5 PM.

Auction conducted online at www.AMAuctions.com.

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Personal Property Preview: Monday April 25th from 5 PM - 6:30 PM. VAAR #2907003739

(1) Upcoming Onsite Online Auctions to Include! 4 May 2022 - On-Line Only Auction – Seaford, DE! Personal Property located at: 22675 Atlanta Road, Seaford, DE 19973. Auction Held Online Only w/Bidding ending Wed. May 4th, 2022 Starting at 5 PM! Delaware Corner Cabinet, Antique and Modern Furniture, Huge Selection of Rowe and Wisconsin Pottery, Massive Selection of Lenox, Wilton, Royal Doulton & more!
(4) Upcoming Auctions at 8000 Esham Rd, Parsonsburg, MD: 18 May 2022 - Large & Important Sports Memorabilia & Collectables Auction Sale – Parsonsburg, MD! Selling from the private collection of Dr. Steven Harlem of Philadelphia, PA! Bidding Ends Wednesday May 18th, 2022 Starting @ 5PM. Items located @ the A&M Auction Facility, 8000 Esham Road, Parsonsburg, MD. Autographed Bats, Baseballs, Footballs, Cleats, Photographs, MLB, NFL, NHL, NBA Hall of Famers & More!
25 May 2022 - On-Line Only Auction Sale – Parsonsburg, MD! Auction Held Online Only with bids ending: Wed. May 25th, 2022 Starting @ 5PM. Selection of Antique & Modern Furniture, Collectibles, Primitives & more!
21 June 2022 - Lg. Ephemera, Stamp and Postcard Sale – Parsonsburg, MD. Selling from the Estate of Albert Parker of Onancock, VA and several other consigners. Tuesday June 21st @ 5 PM - 8000 Esham Road, Parsonsburg, MD 21849. Over 100,000 post cards Super Rare Scenes, Local, late 19th Cent, Important Civil War letters and Documents & much more!
22 June 2022 - Enormous Estate Coin Auction – Parsonsburg, MD! Selling from the Estate of Albert Parker of Onancock, VA and several other consigners! Bidding Ends Wednesday June 22nd, 2022 Starting @ 5PM. Items located @ the A&M Auction Facility, 8000 Esham Road, Parsonsburg, MD. Nice selection of Mint Sets, Proof Sets, Commemorative Sets & much more!

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Auctioneer - Dave Allen
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TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES Joint Public Hearings Planning Commission & Town Council

The Cape Charles Planning Commission will hold a joint public hearing with Town Council on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 6:00 pm in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Avenue, to receive comment on the following applications:

- A. A Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) 2022-01 application from the Town of Cape Charles to amend Section 4.2 (J) – Accessory Dwelling Units - and Section 2.9 Definitions associated with Accessory Dwelling Units.
- B. A Zoning Map Amendment (ZMA) 2022-01 application from Cape Charles Ventures, LLC to conditionally rezone 238 Randolph Avenue (Tax Map #83A3-1-625A) from Residential-1 to Commercial-1 with proffers to limit the commercial activity of said proposed rezoning.
- C. A Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 2022-01 application from Cynthia Emrich & Charles van Dyck at 420 Randolph Avenue for an Accessory Dwelling Unit Permit After the Fact

These applications are available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org, under Agendas & Minutes / Planning Commission. Please contact the Planning Department at 757-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct regular business and review applications to forward recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

AFD 2022-02 Addition to Newsted AFD: John M. and Amy R. Nottingham have applied to add 109.92 acres to the Newstead AFD. The property is described as Tax Map 75-A-32.

AFD 2022-03 Addition to Jamesville AFD: Jo Anne Heath Vass has applied to add 17.65 acres to the Jamesville AFD. The property is described as Tax Map 13-4-A.

ZTA 2022-03: The Northampton County Board of Supervisors is proposing a Zoning Text Amendment to remove the “tourist cottages” definition from Section 154.2.003 “Definitions,” and to remove Category 2 – Commercial Uses, line 101, “Tourist cottage (not intended for permanent residence) up to 12” from Appendix A of the Northampton County Zoning Ordinance.

If the Planning Commission makes recommendation on the above and the applications are not tabled, the Board of Supervisors shall also conduct public hearings on Tuesday, May 10, 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.

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ADS ARE DUE TUESDAY BY 2 PM

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angie@easternshorepost.com

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**Accomack County Admin Building – Restroom Remodel
Invitation for Bids #737 (REBID)**

The County of Accomack is seeking **sealed bids** from qualified, Virginia licensed contractors for construction to be performed at the County's Administration Building at 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301.

This IFB is for **remodeling of restrooms on the first floor to meet the building code for ADA accessibility**. The project includes interior demolition of existing restrooms, relocation of doorways and plumbing, installation of new plumbing fixtures, restroom accessories, flooring, ceiling, and interior finishes. New restrooms will be constructed according to the construction drawings by Via Design. **Demolition** is to be performed after 5:00 PM Monday - Friday, or on weekends. On regular monthly scheduled meeting nights, work on this project may not be done. **Certain aspects of the project may be completed during normal work-week hours** provided any noise from construction does not interrupt the flow of work in the building. **A non-mandatory prebid meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3rd beginning promptly at 8:00 AM.** Interested contractors should gather on the front steps of the building.

All bidding documents for this project may be found on the following websites: <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/departments/purchasing/bids-rfps>; <https://mvendor.cgie-va.com/Vendor/public/AllOpportunities>; and <https://www.bceva.com/>.

Sealed bids may be delivered to the Accomack County Administration Building at 23296 Courthouse Ave., Suite 203, Accomac, VA 23301 **or may be mailed** to the Accomack County Finance Office, c/o Lucy Huffman, P.O. Box 620 Accomac, VA 23301 **until Thursday May 19, 2022 at 4:00 PM. All bids received by the due date and time will be publicly opened and read aloud at 4:15 PM on same day via "Zoom" meeting.** Bids received after the due date and time will be returned unopened. Interested parties wishing to join the live bid opening must request login information via email at lhuffman@co.accomack.va.us.

Withdrawal of Bids shall be according to procedure § 2.2-4330 of the Code of Virginia, as amended. Bidders must be licensed as a Contractor in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as required, and the Bidder's attention is directed to the requirements of Title 54.1, Chapter 11, of the Code of Virginia.

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2. Public Hearing: Proposed Cigarette Tax Ordinances

Public Hearing to solicit input and afford interested persons the opportunity to provide input on an ordinance amending Chapter 82 of the Accomack County Code, adding Article IX thereto, imposing a "Cigarette Tax" in Accomack County, except within the corporate limits of those towns within the County that adopt a cigarette tax.

3. Public Hearing: Consider Joining the Chesapeake Bay Region Cigarette Tax Board (CBRCTB)

Public Hearing to solicit input and afford interested persons the opportunity to provide input on the County joining the Chesapeake Bay Region Cigarette Tax Board (CBRCTB) to administer and enforce the Proposed Cigarette Tax Ordinance, Chapter 82, Article IX, if adopted by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors.

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

To review the electronic Board Agenda:
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Are All Forms of Tobacco Taxed?

Dear Editor:

I do not have a bone in the cigarette tax fight. Not knowing how the law reads, does it mean other forms of nicotine delivery are exempt from the tax?

As one said, some will spend \$5 in fuel and time to save \$0.50 on the product.

This is my concern as the consumers die off. Will the counties do a under-the-table addition to the tax to keep the income up?

Linwood Windsor, Onancock

Consider Changing AFDs

Dear Editor:

In response to the coming cigarette tax, I would like to say, that in my 84 years I have never smoked a cigarette, but if I did, I would be smart enough to go to Accomack County to buy them.

Northampton will not gain on taxes but will lose county merchant revenue as well. If you want to collect more taxes, consider changes to the agricultural-forestry districts. I'm not saying stop it — just give them less of the exemption amount and be more fair to all taxpayers. We need an accounting of the lost revenue due to the AFD discounts.

Judy Brunk, Jamesville

Keep the Hoops

Dear Editor:

I have been a resident of Wachapreague for almost 30 years and have seen changes like many other small towns on the Shore. Old-timers are passing away, and others are leaving for better jobs and opportunities.

My wife and I have been involved in the local community for some time and help any way possible trying to make

our "little city by the sea" a better place for all who live here or just come to visit.

One of the things we have done over the last several years is taking care of our Powell Park. With the help of the town employees and the local Coast Guard station, we try and keep the park clean for visitors and residents alike to come and enjoy. We have cleaned up and used the softball field on a regular basis, cut and trimmed the trees, painted and added new swings to the playground area, and even added a dog park. And four years ago we added two basketball hoops to the tennis court.

Not much tennis is played anymore but the local older pickleballers use it a lot once the weather warms. Since the hoops were installed, hundreds of people come and just shoot around, play a game of 21, or play pickup games. Families come and spend hours having the smaller children play on swings as the older kids and parents play some basketball. The local Coast Guard station also uses it for physical training. Even kids from the families that come in for the annual flounder tournament look forward to playing some ball.

So it came as a surprise as four members of our local Town Council would vote to take down the basketball hoops after a couple residents complained of the noise coming from the court. One resident complained of vulgar language, urinating, and even people exposing themselves. Another resident has said that she feels threatened by the people who play there.

So I would like know who or what group of people they are talking about? Is it the families, local children, the Coast Guard, or the young men that come and play? Last September, the hoops magically disappeared, as they were stolen from the park. A local resi-

dent donated a new backboard and hoop, and it was installed. Since then, the local deputies have been called a couple of times because of noise, but they didn't stop because the young men were just playing basketball. Also, since the hoops were stolen, I installed two deer cameras in that area and have not seen any fighting or exposing to residents. The town was in the process of trying to get a port-a-potty to that specific area to help, and also a privacy tarp was offered to be installed on the side in question, as this would help with the view and noise.

But to no avail, and not hearing anything from the other end of the spectrum who want to keep the hoops, the council voted to take them down. How does that look to the public or what statement does that send to all the families and young men who play there? Not a good one, as the council voted four to two, which pleased two residents because they are banging the loudest drum.

Also, it is a PUBLIC PARK.

The next Town Council meeting is May 12, at 7 p.m. So if you are interested in voicing your opinion about this, please show up and speak.

Rich Puchalski, Wachapreague

Shore Food and Drinks Recommended

Dear Editor:

Spring has sprung, skies are blue, and the sun is bright. A few favorites of mine are always serving up some good vittles. In Cape Charles, The Bakery on Mason is open on Saturday and Sunday currently. Folks, I will tell, you will not get a better loaf of sourdough bread anywhere on the Eastern Shore. I bought two of them and the basque cheesecake is a must for the sweet tooth.

Next, the Machipongo Trading

Company about 8 miles north of Cape Charles on Route 13, has an array of unique candy, cookies, chips, and craft beer to go. Fresh everything bagels and fresh made vegetable chili are favorites of mine. The peach and mango smoothies are perfect on any hot or cool day.

In both of these places the fresh baked goods, sandwiches, and coffee options are superb. A ton of delicious is right inside their doors.

The Barrier Islands Center, is probably my favorite place to spend time on the lower Shore. One could spend all day here and not get bored inside this museum. Located on the opposite side of the Machipongo Trading Company, slightly off Route 13 south, the exhibits are well-curated and give a realistic feel of times past on the barrier islands. This a great stop for the scout troop on a weekend trip or maybe just when taking a scenic or random drive.

Quail Cove Farms is a country store with old-world Amish character, just a short drive from the Machipongo Trading Company just off Route 13 north. Fresh produce, fruits, ice cream, and dessert and a large selection of poultry, pork, and red meat await shoppers. The focus is organic and healthy foods. Don't forget to try some of Bill's famous donuts on Saturday afternoons — you will eat the entire container! These are healthy donuts.

Finally, Chatham Vineyards & Winery is a 3- or 4-mile drive off of Route 13 south as the crow flies past the Barrier Islands Center. The steel barrel chardonnay and the rose are magically delicious paired with some local oysters. I also prefer the taste of the cabernet-Franc, which pairs well for cooking an au poivre dish or Italian pasta sauce. The vintner's blend is a deep subtle robust red, which is perfect by the fireplace during the fall and winter months.

John Woolaver, Cape Charles

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