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Rapunzel is scheduled to appear at Parksley's Golden Spike Festival Saturday.

# Parksley Will Be All Smiles This Weekend

By Linda Cicoira

Elizabeth Staunton Chadbourne, a woman some recognize as the founder of Parksley, described her town in the 1800s as paradise — a place that made her smile.

The Second Annual Golden Spike Railway Festival aims to generate earto-ear grins for all who partake in the event starting at 10 a.m., this Saturday, Oct. 5, at the town square.

"We celebrate Parksley returning to that soft warm, breezy, restful, friendly place that our founder, Ms. Chadbourne, so eloquently spoke of," said Councilwoman Julie Nash. "We want people to have that same feeling as they live, work, and play in Parksley. We are celebrating all that Parksley was and all that Parksley will be."

Last year's slogan "Parksley Rising Again," will continue in keeping with the state's love campaign and acceptance for all. "We hope to promote coming together," said Nash. "Our Haitian community" will offer "our third band this year."

The festival will be kicked off with the national anthem sung by Atlantic's Adina Johnson. Food trucks will also open at 10 a.m. and include pulled pork sandwiches. A car show will be held all day. And there will be a waterslide (so bring a towel and wear clothes that can get wet), bounce houses, train rides, slip and slide, and an obstacle course. Raffles will go through the afternoon.

At 10:30 a.m., the first band will start playing. A limbo contest and a zip line will be offered at 11 a.m. The famous strong man contest is set to start at noon. A hula hoop contest will be at 1 p.m.

There will be more than 50 vendors including a sketch artist, jewelry, hand sewn items, doll clothes, fine chocolate, home and wood decor, chair massages, face painting, collectibles, Christmas items, soaps, T-shirts, an antique mini-mall, funnel cakes, smoked salsa, and birdhouses.

Free popcorn, snow cones, and cotton candy will be available. And the Delmarva Discovery Museum will bring a turtle and a snake. Rapunzel will also pay a visit.

Truly something for everyone all day long.

Northampton's Agricultural County Fair is also Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the old middle school in Machipongo. See story on page 40.

# EASTVILLE ATTORNEY SUSPENDED FOR TWO YEARS

### By Linda Cicoira

Eastville attorney Paul Watson's license to practice law was suspended for two years by the Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board effective Sept. 27, "for violating professional rules that govern diligence, communication, safekeeping property, declining or terminating representation, bar admission and disciplinary matters, and misconduct."

It was not the first time that Watson, 49, was reprimanded by the state bar. In 2010, his license was revoked for 60 days. More recently, four people complained about Watson.

Aaron McNeil Taylor, of Eastville, was convicted of cocaine distribution in 2016 and was sentenced to 15 years in pris-

on. According to the bar's subcommittee certification, Watson was appointed to represent Taylor on appeal. Watson filed a notice and petitioned an appeal to the court of appeals, which denied the request later that year. Watson then attempted to appeal the case to the state Supreme Court. But he failed to file a notice of appeal with the first court,

which caused the higher court to dismiss the appeal in 2017. Watson didn't tell his client what had happened.

Taylor filed a complaint alleging Watson failed to provide him with copies of the orders from his appeal and his file as he requested so he could pursue other remedies.

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# Exmore Hears Proposal for Privatizing Sewer Treatment Services

### By Connie Morrison

Exmore Town Manager Robert Duer was blunt in his assessment of the town's wastewater plant. "Our system is shot," he said. "There's no fixing what we have. The drainfield is bad, the sewer plant is bad, so we have to build new."

He was addressing the town council Monday night (Sept. 30) with about three dozen citizens who packed the house to hear a proposal by Aqua, a



private water and wastewater services company, to design, build, operate, and maintain a new wastewater treatment plant.

The town met about a proposal by the Hampton Roads Sanitation District in August. That proposal would have Nassawadox, Exmore, Melfa, and Onancock join the district and use the excess capacity at the Onancock plant to treat wastewater from the other member towns. The HRSD would take over operations, service, and billing, including rate setting.

But Duer is frustrated with the group effort, which is not moving fast enough for Exmore. "We cannot play the waiting game any longer," he said. The HRSD option would likely take until at least 2023 to fully implement.

The town is weighing leaving the HRSD group and going it alone with Aqua. "If Exmore pulls out of the HRSD discussion that there will be some political flak," he said.

If the town opts for the Aqua solution, "I think we need to encourage Northampton County and Nassawadox to enter into the Aqua solution as well," he said.

Although no decision was made Monday night on which option to pursue, the town council did vote to apply for \$6 million of Department of Environmental Quality funding. Duer suggested a 90-day period of further exploration, with a decision by Jan. 1.

The Aqua proposal placed the cost of a new plant between \$3.8 and \$4.8 million. "The DEQ funds are absolutely vital for our sewer system repair and expansion," Duer said.

The outstanding note on the current plant — about \$500,000 — would have

to be paid off before new money could be borrowed. That money would come from town coffers, Duer said in a later interview with the Post.

Estimates of the cost to customers range from \$10 to \$15 per thousand gallons, or \$30-\$45 for 3,000 gallons. "It's really going to depend on the final cost of the plant," said Aqua Director of Corporate Development Cliff Parker.

In addition to the cost of the plant, new pipes to Route 13 and to service the rest of the town not served by sewer could cost another \$5-6 million. If the town secured a DEQ grant, that money would go toward the new collection lines. "We are trying to keep the sewer bills as inexpensive as we can for our citizens," Duer said.

Under the HRSD proposal, a household using 4,000 gallons per month would pay and estimated \$70 per month to HRSD. Construction would begin in 2021 and likely last two years.

But HRSD's estimated rates are based on fiscal year 2020. If the plant comes online in 2023, the rate will have climbed 9% per year, according to rate projections by HRSD. In 2024, the annual rate increase decreases to 7%, and in 2028, annual rate increases are expected to fall to 6% through 2035.

If Exmore pulls out of the deal, the Eastern Shore localities remaining in HRSD would pay higher costs because there would be fewer households over which to spread the cost of the Onancock plant.

There are some advantages to Aqua's proposal, Duer said. "The major one is control. We control the billing, billing rates." The firm said it can get

the Exmore-only project done in 18-24 months, compared to about 4 years for the HRSD option.

Under the Aqua proposal, the town could charge different rates for residential and commercial customers, with commercial customers potentially helping to offset costs for residential users. Under either scenario, there would also be costs to hook up households and businesses to the system. The town is hoping to find ways to offset some or all of those costs.

Exmore residents listening to the Aqua presentation had concerns. Jennifer Simpson refinanced her house a couple of years ago to replace the home's septic system after the previous system failed. There is a moratorium on connections to the failing municipal system and the new septic system set her back \$8,500.

"Please don't force those of us with good systems" to connect, she said, referring to discussion about mandatory connections to a new system. "I'm mortgaged to the hilt."

Duer said there are solutions, including selective waivers for people with new systems, or a phase-in period. "If you have a new system we'll work with you," he said.

Others were worried about the cost of the system, and whether the chosen solution will allow the town to lift its moratorium. The answer was an emphatic "Yes!"

Mayor Douglas Greer appeared eager to get started. "You said 90 days," he told Duer." I'm going to hold you to that."

Stefanie Jackson contributed to this story.







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# 12 of 15 Public Schools Achieve Highest State Accreditation Rating

### By Stefanie Jackson

The Virginia Board of Education's revised accreditation system provides new insights into student performance. Understanding how test results and new types of data affect accreditation ratings can prove challenging without some background information, even for educational professionals.

### A Guide for Understanding SOL **Passing Rates and School Accreditation Ratings**

When a school's overall performance on the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) tests meets the benchmarks, it's no longer a guarantee that the school will be awarded the highest rating of "accredited" by the state.

The performance of specific student groups, or "achievement gap groups," is also tracked. They include white, black, and Hispanic students. English learners, students with disabilities, and economically disadvantaged students.

Additionally, only 25% or less of a school's student population may be chronically absent, which is defined as

missing 10% or more of the school year for any reason.

These are new requirements in the updated Virginia Standards of Accreditation, which took effect last year. There are three accreditation ratings that schools can receive:

"Accredited" is the new, abbreviated version of "fully accredited."

"Accredited with conditions" replaces all versions of the "partially accredited" rating.

The rating of "accreditation denied" remains unchanged.

If a school is not named as an "accredited" school, it does not necessarily mean the school is rated "accreditation denied." The school may be rated "accredited with conditions."

There are also three levels of performance students can achieve, which are color-coded on Virginia Department of Education reports: Level One (green) is the highest, followed by Level Two (yellow) and Level Three (red).

For a school to be "accredited," it must perform at Level One or Level

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Two in all categories or "school-quality indicators," which include overall performance in English, math, and science, performance by specific student groups in English and math, and attendance.

A school that is "accredited with conditions" has performed at Level Three in one or more categories.

A school that is "accreditation denied" has failed to adopt or implement corrective actions addressing Level Three performance.

Examples of Level One performance are SOL passing rates of 75% in English, 70% in math, 70% in science, and a chronic absenteeism rate of 15% or less.

Examples of Level Two performance are SOL passing rates of 66% to 74% in English, 66% to 69% in math, 66% to 69% in science, and a chronic absenteeism rate of 16% to 25%.

Examples of Level Three performance are SOL passing rates of 65% or less in English, math, or science, and a chronic absenteeism rate of more than 25%.

Determining the performance level

of English or math achievement gap groups is a bit more complicated. A school reaches Level One in English or math achievement gap groups if each student group performs at Level One, but an exception is made if one student group performs at Level Two.

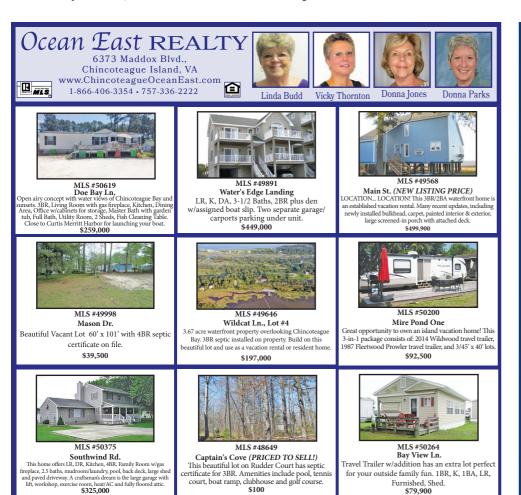
A school reaches Level Two in English or math achievement gap groups if two or more student groups perform at Level Two, but an exception is made if one student group performs at Level Three.

A school reaches Level Three in English or math achievement gap groups if two or more student groups perform at Level Three.

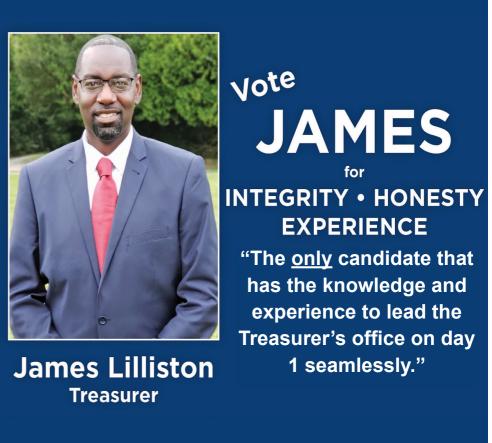
### Accomack and Northampton Public **Schools Share Educational Challenges**

Out of 15 public schools in Accomack and Northampton counties, 12 are rated as accredited. Eleven of those 12 schools were rated as accredited last year.

Metompkin Elementary School is the one that was accredited with conditions last year but is now accredited.



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Overall, Metompkin students' SOL scores met the benchmarks both years, but last year, two English achievement gap groups performed at Level Three. Only 59% of black students and 53% of students with disabilities passed the English SOL.

This year, 67% of black students passed the English SOL at Metompkin. That was enough to pull the school up to Level Two in English achievement gap groups and achieve the rating of accredited.

Two schools were rated as accredited last year but became accredited with conditions.

One is Kiptopeke Elementary School, which has found itself in the same predicament that Metompkin was in last year, with two English achievement gap groups — black students and students with disabilities — underperforming.

This year, only 61% of black students and 51% of students with disabilities passed the English SOL at Kiptopeke. Last year, black students had a three-year average passing rate of 67% in English, which was enough to hold English achievement gap groups at Level Two and result in a rating of

accredited.

The other school to become accredited with conditions this year Arcadia was Middle School. also due to Three Level performance English achievement groups gap by black students and students with disabilities.

Only 62% of black students and 48% of students with disabilities passed the English SOL at Arca-

dia Middle School this year. Last year, like Kiptopeke, Arcadia Middle School was spared the label of "accredited with conditions" due to black students' three-

Accomack and Northampton Public Schools 2019 SOL Passing Rates and State Accreditation Ratings School **English** Math Science Accreditation Accreditation 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2018 2019 70 **Required Passing Rate** 75 70 **Accawmacke Elementary** 77 88 80 Accredited Accredited 80 69 62 **Chincoteague Elementary** 90 83 94 76 85 88 Accredited Accredited **Kegotank Elementary** Accredited 83 84 88 83 86 Accredited **Kiptopeke Elementary** Accredited with Conditions 69 73 74 75 72 87 Accredited **Metompkin Elementary** 80 86 82 90 78 Accredited Accredited with Conditions 82 62 76 Accredited Accredited **Occohannock Elementary** 78 83 77 87 88 92 80 Accredited Accredited **Pungoteague Elementary** Accredited Arcadia Middle 75 77 87 80 74 71 Accredited with Conditions Nandua Middle 88 72 72 Accredited Accredited 79 77 84 **Northampton Middle** 66 65 70 65 67 65 Accredited with Conditions Accredited with Conditions 70 Accredited Accredited 85 84 87 76 75 Arcadia High 91 91 90 Accredited Accredited Chincoteague High 90 88 93 Nandua High 87 86 87 78 84 82 Accredited Accredited 78 70 77 84 Accredited Accredited **Northampton High** 80 93 **Tangier Combined** 70 84 88 88 89 74 Accredited Accredited

year average passing rate in English, confirmed Sandy Drummond, Accomack schools' director of accountability and curriculum.

One school, Northampton Middle, was accredited with conditions both in 2018 and 2019. Overall student perfor-(Continued on Page 6)





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mance on the SOLs has increased, but performance by multiple English and math achievement gap groups remains well below the benchmarks.

At Northampton Middle School, 49% of black students, 37% of students with disabilities, and 63% of economically disadvantaged students passed the English SOL. About 54% of black students, 39% of students with disabilities, and 57% of English learners



passed the math SOL.

But Northampton Middle School is populated only by seventh and eighth graders, compared to other counties that also include sixth graders in middle school. Northampton Middle has less than half as many students as either Arcadia or Nandua Middle School.

Northampton schools Superintendent Eddie Lawrence is confident that when Northampton's sixth graders are moved from the elementary schools to the middle school, the middle school's SOL numbers will improve.

An addition must be built at Northampton's high school and middle school complex to make room for the sixth graders.

The achievement gap group that presents the most challenges for schools in both counties is students with disabilities.

Students with disabilities typically fall far short of the benchmarks in both English and math.

There are exceptions. At Accawmacke Elementary School, 74% of students with disabilities passed the math SOL.

At Chincoteague Elementary School, 78% of students with disabilities passed the English SOL and 90% of those students passed the math SOL.

At Metompkin Elementary, 73% of students with disabilities passed the math

At Arcadia and Chincoteague high schools, 85% and 72% of students with disabilities. respectively. passed the math SOL.

No public school in either Accomack or Northampton County is "in the red" when it comes to attendance. All schools have a chronic absenteeism rate below 25%.

The chronic absenteeism rates for all Eastern Shore of Virginia public schools are shown in the table to the right.

Administrators are hopeful that this year's higher chronic absenteeism rates are an anomaly. For example, last year, Northampton High's chronic absenteeism rate had dropped to 13.25%, and Northampton Middle's was 19.92%.

### **Chronic Absenteeism Rates for All Eastern Shore of Virginia Public Schools**

(listed lowest to highest)

School	Absenteeism Rate
Arcadia Middle	2.79%
Nandua Middle	7.45%
Nandua High	8.17%
Kiptopeke Elementary	9.72%
Chincoteague Elementary	9.77%
Pungoteague Elementary	10.39%
Metompkin Elementary	10.48%
Accawmacke Elementary	10.79%
Occohannock Elementary	12.19%
Arcadia High	13.34%
Kegotank Elementary	13.88%
Tangier Combined	15.56%
Chincoteague High	15.92%
Northampton Middle	21.4%
Northampton High	22.98%

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# ~Attorney~ (Continued From Front Page)

Watson acknowledged to the bar that the Supreme Court had dismissed the appeal as a result of his failure and advised that he filed a motion for a delayed appeal. "He also provided a copy of a letter dated July 18, 2017, addressed to Mr. Taylor notifying him that he was refiling his appeal because the notice of appeal had been filed in the incorrect court. He did not address the file request nor provide a copy of a motion for a delayed appeal."

In October 2017, the bar asked for proof Watson had filed a delayed appeal. Later that month, Watson told the bar that "he had not filed a motion for a delayed appeal in July, but had done so in October and had sent Mr. Taylor a copy of it. He provided copies of two different motions for a delayed appeal. One was dated July 25, 2017, and correctly premised on the failure to file a notice of appeal in the CAV. The other was dated Oct. 13, 2017, and erroneously premised on his filing a petition for appeal with the CAV instead of the SCV and failure to file the transcripts."

The bar's investigation confirmed the appeal was filed in October 2017. In late November the Supreme Court granted a delayed appeal "despite the erroneous grounds stated in the motion." In late August 2018, "the appeal was refused on its merits." Watson did not tell Taylor about the dismissal. He did not comply with Taylor's multiple requests for his file, according to the subcommittee.

Robert A. Joynes, of Painter, hired Watson in September 2016 to represent him and his wife in a zoning dispute involving a hang gliding company and the Accomack Board of Zoning Appeals. Watson represented the Jovnes before the board through correspondence and at meetings on July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 6, and Oct. 18, 2017, "and engaged in settlement discussions with the Joyneses, the board, and counsel for the opposing party." But he did not appear at the final board meeting on Nov. 1, 2017. Joynes had to represent himself. The board did not grant relief to Watson's client. Watson did not respond to "numerous telephone calls. emails, and texts from Mr. Joynes throughout the representation, which frustrated Mr. Joynes' ability to obtain advice, guidance, and information about his case."

Watson represented Elaine M. Baseman in a civil matter in Accomack General District Court, which resulted in a March 2017 judgment for Baseman of \$25,000. Baseman retained Watson to collect the money. He advised her "to pursue the partition and sale of real estate she owned jointly with one of the judgment debtors, and agreed to pursue that on her behalf for a fixed fee of \$1,500." Baseman paid Watson in advance in July 2017.

The next month, Watson told Baseman a hearing had been scheduled for October 2, 2017. She attempted to contact Watson "to discuss the nature and purpose of the hearing and to obtain his assistance in preparing for it, but was never able to reach him," the committee reported. Baseman went to the courthouse for the hearing, "but no hearing took place."

For three months, she tried to contact Watson but he did not return her calls. Frustrated by the apparent lack of progress and her inability to reach Watson, Baseman contacted the court and learned Watson did not initiate a partition action. In mid-January 2018, she filed a complaint with the bar.

Seven months after she paid the fee and shortly after Watson was referred for a formal investigation, Watson filed the action in the circuit court. He "did not inform Ms. Baseman that he intended to file it or that he had done so, and did not send her a copy of the filing. She learned of it from the bar's investigator. By that point, she no longer wished to pursue the partitioning and requested a refund."

Watson refunded the money in June 2018. He told the bar that he had kept the money in a trust and did not take the money out until he refunded it to her. But the committee said in early February 2018, he had "disbursed at least \$1,431.69 of Ms. Baseman's \$1,500 advance fee monies out of the trust to himself and/or his law firm for his personal use and benefit. As the representation had not been completed and the advance fee had not been earned, respondent's disbursement of Ms. Baseman's advance fee monies out of trust constituted the misappropriation and conversion of those monies."

The committee found that Watson failed to comply with record-keeping requirements of the bar "by not maintaining cash receipts and disbursements journals or subsidiary ledgers, and did not perform reconciliations of his trust account as required."

A copy of the complaint was mailed to Watson demanding an answer but he never filed one. The bar then demanded he produce a copy of the "entire file" for his representation of Baseman by March 20, 2018. Although he produced documents by that date, it was not a complete response. He did not provide the trust account and operating account records, including all paper and electronically stored records, canceled checks, cash receipts journals, cash disbursements journals, individual client subsidiary ledgers, bank statements, deposit tickets and evidence of reconciliations.

The bar's investigator asked for the missing documents on Aug. 2, 2018. Watson promised to provide them but didn't nor did he respond to follow-up calls and emails. He eventually provided a printout showing deposits into and withdrawals from his trust account between May 1, 2017, and June 15, 2018. Eventually, the bar issued a Notice of Noncompliance and Request for Interim Suspension on Oct.18, 2018. By email dated October 25, 2018, Watson "finally admitted in writing that he did not have any further trust account documents to produce."

Jamar Smith was represented by Watson in criminal and child support matters in 2017. Smith complained to the bar, in February 2018, that Watson failed to: return documents belonging to him, file a request for work release as promised, or respond to Smith's telephone messages and letter. A copy of the complaint was mailed from the bar to Watson demanding that he answer within 21 days. Watson did not address Smith's allegations until an interview with a bar investigator in November 2018.

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In addition to those violations, in March 2009, he was cited for three violations and was publicly reprimanded. The cases involved a divorce representation, a criminal appeal, and criminal representation. All three times he was accused of failing to cooperate with a bar investigation.

In 2010, the disciplinary board suspended Watson's license for 60 days for violating disciplinary rules that govern diligence, communication, and failing to respond to a lawful demand from a disciplinary authority. The misconduct occurred in a court-appointed criminal appeal.

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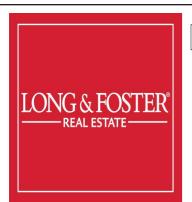
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# Exmore Soul Food Festival Draws Lovers of Food and Good Music

James and Annie Kellam work the barbecue cooker at the Second Annual Soul Food Festival held in Exmore Saturday. The event included barbecued ribs and other soul food delights.



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## Forum Puts School Board Candidates in the Hot Seat

By Stefanie Jackson

During a round of questioning for Accomack school board candidates at a forum held Sept. 30 in the Nandua High School auditorium, the forum's leader, President James Fedderman, of the Accomack Education Association, handed out random questions submitted by community members.

Gary Reese, of District 4, was asked if school board members "have a role in day-to-day operations of the district."

"No," he answered. "We don't. That's not our job. ... We hire the superintendent. We help deal with policies. We help evaluate the superintendent. We do things like that."

The Accomack County Public Schools Policy Manual explicitly states the school board "operates and maintains the public schools in the school division and determines the length of the school term, the studies to be pursued, (and) the methods of teaching," in accordance with state law and Virginia Board of Education regulations.

The policy manual appears to state that school board members do have a role in day-to-day operations, even if they have no direct participation.

The manual also states the school board "adopts policy to provide for the day-to-day supervision of schools."

"We like to keep up, and I, myself, like to keep up and see the good things that are going on in the county ... but our job is not to go around school-to-school and look for things that are not going on," Reese said.

Yet the school board "secures, by visitation or otherwise, as full information as possible about the conduct of the public schools in the school division and takes care that they are conducted according to law and with the utmost efficiency," the manual states.

The question, "What are the leadership responsibilities of the school board members?" was received by Paul Bull, of District 6, who is the chairman of the school board.

"It takes a village," he said. "There are nine of us on the school board. ... You're not a king. You got one vote ... you got to have five to make a decision."

The school board shows leadership by "rowing in the same direction. We can have disagreements ... but when we all get together, we need a consensus, we need to explain our opinion, we need to move forward," he said.

The board also gives the superintendent authority "to do what is right for the school system ... to carry out our mission and our goals."

He called the superintendent the school board's "one employee."

However, the policy manual states the "school board, upon recommendation of the superintendent, employs principals and assistant principals" who are supervised by the superintendent.

Jesse Spiedel, of District 1, was tasked with describing the role of the superintendent. He agreed with Bull's view of the superintendent as the school board's sole employee.

However, he correctly compared the superintendent of schools, "the head of the whole division," to the CEO of a corporation.

The school board can hire and fire a superintendent as a board of directors can hire and fire its company's CEO.

Edward Taylor, of District 2, had to explain the role policy plays in the functioning of the school board.

"We have to have certain policies in place, mainly for safety for our kids and for their education to make sure, when they do graduate, that they're getting the best education from the state of Virginia," he said.

But there are also policies in place that direct how the school board functions.

The policy manual includes a code of ethics and policies on conflicts of interests, conducting open and closed meetings, allowing public participation at meetings, communicating with school employees, and a host of other topics.

School board candidates seemed to fare better with questions that did not relate to policy but opinions on topics such as what makes a good school board member.

Janet Martin-Turner, a District 7 candidate, was asked about what she believes are the school board's roles and responsibilities. Her answer included setting policy, supervising the superintendent, and approving the budget.

"On a bigger scale, I believe the school board members need to be very informed. They need to read things, they need to talk to people."

If a teacher or anyone else asked her a favor, she wouldn't "promise them the moon and the stars, but I'm going to listen."

"If 10 different people who have no knowledge of each other all come to me with the same concerns ... I believe that it is our duty to carry that information to the superintendent."

"You cannot keep your head in the sand and be on the school board," Martin-Turner said.

"I also believe that you need to be very aware of the policies. Over the years, we've gotten into trouble because people did not follow the policies."

T.J. Johnson, another District 7 candidate, was given the question, "What do you think is expected of you as a board member?"

Johnson believes a school board member should always consider, "What's in the best interest of our students?"

A school board member should be expected "to be a good representative of Accomack County Public Schools in the community, to stay abreast of educational trends and issues, to ... select, evaluate the superintendent of schools" and address issues related to human resources, budgets, facilities, policies, and initiatives.

"Leadership means making solid decisions, and also it means sometimes making tough decisions," Johnson continued.

A school board member should "keep positive relationships ... with other board members and with the board of supervisors and other folks that can help us to do what's in the best interest of students."

"What are the current challenges facing education and school boards?" was the question received by Connie Burford, who is challenging Reese in District 4.

"Funding and teacher shortages," she answered. "We can't find enough teachers and we can't find the money to pay them."

Burford also referenced unfunded mandates. "We have programs that the state tells us we have to have, and we can't find the money to institute the programs."

Ronnie Holden, of District 8, ex-

plained how to contribute to a successful board meeting.

"One must study all of the board packet, understand, and if you have questions, ask questions before the meeting. And then, as a board member, practice good citizenship. Listen to other board members, contribute to the discussion."

"We all must respect each other ... and those who are working with us. Good citizenship is the key to a successful board meeting," he said.

Lisa Cropper Johnson, who is running unopposed in District 3, suggested how the school board can prioritize issues when it meets only once or twice a month.

"Commitment level," she said. "It's going to take every board member being committed in terms of attendance ... reading and studying the materials, coming in prepared to engage in dialogue."

Johnson also mentioned listening to one another, asking "tough questions," and working toward consensus on issues.

Camesha Handy, of District 5, was asked what kind of relationship the school board should have with parents and families.

Her answer centered on communication. Handy acknowledged communication between the school board and the superintendent is "strong," but communication with school employees and parents has been lacking.

"It has caused mistrust. It has created credibility issues" and prevented the school board and parents from working together toward common goals in the best interest of students.

The school board must build a foundation of transparency, communication, and respect for parents and other stakeholders, "if not, the house collapses."

Malcolm "Pep" White, the District 9 school board candidate, did not attend the forum.





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I joined Coldwell Banker in 1983, became a broker/owner in 1987, and remained in that role until 2019, when my partners and I turned over the reins to Anne Kyle Doughty. I have stayed on to manage the Onancock office and to return to my first love, listing and selling property. I can be contacted at **johne\_morgan@verizon.net** or 757-710-2262."

"I was born and raised on the Space Coast of Florida," says Corrina, "where I watched the space shuttle launch from my backyard. I fell in love with the Shore the moment I visited for the first time. In 2017, I moved to the Eastern Shore, residing in Onancock with my husband, Ben, and our daughter, Jayde.

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# **OBITUARIES**

### Margie Aydelotte Mrs.

Margie Silverthorn Aydelotte, 77, unexpectedly departed her loved ones Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, at her Pocomoke City home. Born April 17, 1942, in New Church, she was the daughter of the late Earl Thomas Silverthorn and the late Carrie Kelley Silverthorn.

Mrs. Aydelotte fought the battles of her health issues for the last several

years. Defying her doctors, she showed always that God and her will to live were in control because she bounced back so many times against the odds.



Mrs. Aydelotte

Mrs. Aydelotte graduated from At-

lantic High School in 1960 and started her long career in bookkeeping and title work. Starting at Miller Massey Ford, she took a break to raise her three sons and then returned to work at Somers & Kirby Chrysler, Sears, and Peninsula Bank until finally retiring from Midway Chevrolet. Even after retirement, she worked alongside her husband in his lawn care business. Mom clearly loved her family and loved to brag on "her boys." She loved Christmas, remaining a "kid at heart" and found joy in giving those special gifts. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Pocomoke City but also loved her other church family at Sign Post United Methodist Church. She always worried about her family and, regardless if out of town or across the street, she waited for that phone call. She cherished so many friends, classmates, and her church families. She loved receiving phone calls, visits, cards or a meal from her friends. Two childhood friends she cherished spending time with and held a special place in her heart were Sue Brittingham Bundick and Barbara Gordy Bunting.

She will always be remembered as a caring and supportive wife, mother, and friend, who always seemed to know the right answers on how to fix even the biggest problems. She has left a void in our hearts that will never be filled, but each day we will reflect on how blessed we were to have her.

She is survived by her husband, David Avdelotte, whom she married Aug. 12, 1961; three sons, Todd and his wife, Beatrice, of Selbyville, Del., Brent and his girlfriend, Carrie Meade, of New Church, and Drew and his wife, Heather, of Magnolia, Del.; one granddaughter, Sophie Aydelotte; three step-grandchildren, Cole Smith, Ally Lebendig, and Mary Lynn Donaway along with a special "daughter-in-law," Sherry Clark, who cared deeply for her and was found nightly at her bedside helping in every way during her illnesses, treating her like her own mother and making sure she was cared for completely. She also had a number of cousins that she spent many days and nights with, during her childhood, that were more like brothers and sisters.

A funeral service, officiated by Pastors Paul Elligson and Wayne Ayer, was held Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019, in the First Baptist Church in Pocomoke City. Interment followed the funeral service in the First Baptist Church Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to First Baptist Church, 204 Fourth Street, Pocomoke City, MD 21851 or to Sign Post United Methodist Church, c/o Judy Elliott, 35028 Sign Post Road, New Church, VA 23415.

Arrangements were made by Holloway Funeral Home, P.A., 107 Vine Street, Pocomoke City, MD 21851, To send condolences to the family, please visit www.hollowayfh.com

### Ronnie Lee Brady

Mr. Ronnie Lee Brady, 48, husband of Shanda Santucci Brady and a resident of Nassawadox, passed away Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019, at his residence. A native of Cape Charles, he was the son of James and Sandra Nuckols, of Covington, Va., and the biological son of the late Ralph Edward Brady and the late Darlene Parker Brady. He was

a proud driver for Tyson Foods and a member of the Covington Moose Lodge.

In addition to his loving wife and parents, he is survived by a son, Andy Lewis, of Nassawadox: two sisters, Paige O'Dell and her husband,



Mr. Brady

Larry, of Minford, Ohio, and Bonnie Brady and her husband, Robert, of Marion, Ind.; three brothers, Gary Nuckols and his wife, Lori, of Covington, Darius Weeks, of Norcross, Ga., and Edward Brady and his wife, Tara, of Marion; and numerous special nieces, nephews, aunts, and uncles.

A Celebration of Life service was conducted Monday, Sept. 30, 2019, at Full Gospel Church, 22340 Bayview Circle. Cape Charles, VA 23310, with Pastor Randy E. Lewis officiating. Interment was private in Cape Charles Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Andy Lewis Education Fund, c/o Paige O'Dell, 201 Kinker Road, Minford, OH 45653.

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

Arrangements were made Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

### Hilda Broussard

Mrs. Hilda L. Clark Broussard. 88, of Biloxi, Miss., passed away Sunday, Sept. 15, 2019, in Ocean Springs, Miss.

Mrs. Broussard was born in Bishopville, Md. She lived and was raised on Chincoteague Island, Va. She married and moved to the Mississippi coast where she lived the past 60 years. She was a longtime member of the Fleur

De Lis Society in Biloxi, Miss.

Mrs. Broussard loved spending time with her family. She was preceded in death by her husband. Bernard Sidney Broussard; her Adford parents,



Mrs. Broussard

and Alice Clark; her daughter, Denise Broussard; three sisters, Doris Walker, Cinderella Gillespie, and Rosalie Matthews; and two brothers, Albert "Bolan" Clark and Carlton Lee Clark.

Mrs. Broussard is survived by her daughters, Linda (George) Alward, of Atlantic, and Dolores (William) Lee, of Gautier, Md.; son, Richard (Tina) Broussard of Biloxi, Miss.; sister, Alice (Edward) Kaul, of Chincoteague; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A funeral service and visitation was held Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019. from the Howard Ave. Chapel of Bradford-O'keefe Funeral Home, Biloxi, Miss., followed by interment in the Biloxi City Cemetery.

### Troy Cummings

Mr. Troy W. Cummings, 52, husband of Nicole Stevens Cummings and a resident of Jamesville, passed away Friday, Sept. 27, 2019, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. A native of Washington Township, N.J., he was the son of Edward J. Cummings of Jamesville and the late Barbara May Cummings. He was a former cook

at Shore Memorial Hospital.

In addition to his loving father and wife, he is survived by a daughter, Jacqueline Diamond, of East Lansdowne, Pa.; two brothers, Randy E. Cum-



Mr. Cummings

mings and his wife, Maria, of Wardtown, Va., and Todd Price and Deborah Price, of Sicklerville, N.J.; a granddaughter, Gianna Arter, of East Lansdowne; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life service was conducted Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019, at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Jeff Conrow officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to SPCA Eastern Shore, Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements were made Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

### Paul Gammell

Mr. Paul Mitchell Gammell, Ph.D., 80, husband of Betty Gammell and a resident of Exmore, passed away Friday, Sept. 27, 2019, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital in Norfolk. A native of Massachusetts, he was the son of the late Lewis Gammell and the late Mildred Gammell. He was a retired

physicist, had a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from the University of Maryland, master's degree from American University, doctorate in physics from



Mr. Gammell

Catholic University, and attended Ex-Road, Exmore, Virginia 23350. more Baptist Church.

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by her children, Bob Renner Jr. and his wife, Marlaine, of Salisbury, Md., Teresa Britt and her husband, Steve, of Union Bridge, Md., Don Renner, of Exmore, and Bill Renner of Hebron, Md.; a brother-in-law, Paul Clifford; six grandchildren, Roxanne Boseman and her husband, James, Bob Renner, Jessica Jones, Jon Renner, Kevin Britt and his wife. Danielle. and Tyler Britt; a niece, Paula Spain; two nephews, Jay Clifford and David Clifford; two great-granddaughters; a great-grandson due in December; and a great-great-grandson due in February. He was predeceased by a brother, Lewis Gammell; two sisters, Barbara Clifford and Ellen Jane Cutter; and a nephew, Meade Clifford.

A Celebration of Life service was conducted Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019, at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Jonathan Carpenter officiating. Memorials may be made to SPCA Eastern Shore, Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418 or Exmore Baptist Church, 11624 Occohannock

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

Arrangements were made Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

### William Lee Fitzgerald

Mr. William Lee "Bill" Fitzgerald, 84. husband of the late Billie Lou Barnes Fitzgerald and a resident of Nancock Gardens, Onancock, passed away Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019, at Shore Health and Rehabilitation Center in Parkslev.

Born Feb. 28, 1935, he was the son of the late Forrest L. Fitzgerald and the late Catherine Milliner Fitzgerald. Mr. Fitzgerald lived in Portsmouth, Va.,

in his youth, before moving to the Shore. Eastern After graduating from East Carolina University, he had a 22-vear teaching career with Accomack County Public Schools and served his state in



Mr. Fitzgerald

the Virginia National Guard.

Survivors include four cousins. James Milliner, George Davis and his wife, Deborah, Robert Davis, and Debbie Hardstock.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was predeceased by a son, William L. Fitzgerald Jr.

Funeral services were conducted from the graveside at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery, in Onancock, Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019.

Memorial donations may be made to the S.P.C.A., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, or to a charity of one's choice.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

### Dorothy Crowder Lewis

Mrs. Dorothy Crowder Lewis, 83, of Saxis, passed away Sept. 29, 2019, at Coastal Hospice at the Lake in Salisbury, Md.

Mrs. Lewis was born March 1, 1936, in Chesterfield County, Va., the daughter of the late Walter Edwin Cordle and the late Lillie Louise Oakley Cordle.

She was predeceased by her parents;

her first husband of 29 years, William R. Crowder Jr.: her second husband of 20 years, H.B. Lewis; and a sister, Betty Jarrett.

Mrs. Lewis is survived by Wilher sons. liam Crowder III (Lorna) and Michael B. Crowder (Terri): three granddaughters. Rachel Crowder Crouch, Savannah Crowder Oured-



Mrs. Lewis

nik (Rudy), and Marin Crowder (Sam Edwards); two great-granddaughters, Grace and Addie Crouch; and stepgrandchildren, Katelvnn Linton, Rachel Fisher, and Scott Fisher. Mrs. Lewis is also survived by her sister, Nancy Cumbea, and close friend, Jean Outten Petitt.

Mrs. Lewis was a graduate of Manchester High School, Chesterfield County, Va., and The Pan American School of Business in Richmond, Va. She worked as a housewife, a school crossing guard, and government ad-

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ministrative assistant for many years in Richmond, Washington, D.C., and Accomack County.

Mrs. Lewis would want to be remembered as a devoted and loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and sister. Her friends were dear to her. She was an avid reader and greatly loved the ocean and walking on the beach. In her 80s, she began painting lessons and enjoyed working with oil paints. She traveled extensively, which she loved. Mrs. Lewis was a five-year survivor of inflammatory breast cancer and remained independent throughout her care and treatments.

The family would like to thank the community of Saxis, Va., for their support to our mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, in particular, Maxine McCready, Debbie Hohman, and Sherrie Lewis, who were of assistance to her as she managed her cancer care. The family expresses a warm thank-you to Jean Outten Pettit, Ellie and Bill Payne,

and Anne Martin, who were of extraordinary support to her through the last year. Our heartfelt love goes to her sister, Nancy Cumbea, who stayed with her throughout her stay at Coastal Hospice.

At her request, Mrs. Lewis will be cremated. The family will have a private service at a later date. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to your favorite charity.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley. To sign the guestbook, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

### Alexander Joseph Justice

Mr. Alexander Joseph Justice, known to everyone as "Joe," passed away Sept. 21, 2019, at PRMC in Salisbury, Md. He was born Nov. 23, 1935, to Alexander Francis Justice and Dorothy Murray Justice and was raised on Chincoteague. He ran away to join the Army at the age of 15 and was quickly sent home. He later joined the U.S. Marine Corps, which he loved and still did. He would say," Once a Marine, Always a Marine." Even so, he joined the U.S. Coast Guard after he left the Marines.

He later started Uncle Joe's Cabins

along with his wife in the 1960s and went to work for Twilley's Construction Company (with a very special crew) and built some of the motels that you see today in Ocean City, Md. He later started Justice Trucking Company and did that until he retired. He was quite the character and he never saw a stranger.

Survivors are his wife of 65 years, Gloria Ewell Justice; a daughter, Kathy Reed and husband, Ollie, of Chincoteague; a granddaughter, Valerie Merritt, of Atlantic; one sister, Rosalie Kennedy and husband, Wallace, of North Carolina; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Other than his parents, he was predeceased by a grandson, William Todd Clark; stepfather, Orville Quillen; and by a nephew, Steven Kennedy.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2019, at the funeral home and interment followed at John W. Taylor Cemetery, Temperanceville, with the Rev. Thornes officiating.

Donations can be made to Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company Building Fund, or the local SPCA.

Local arrangements were made by Fox & Holston Funeral Home, Chincoteague.

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# Robert Paul Redinger Mr. Robert Paul "Jack" Redinger.

Mr. Robert Paul "Jack" Redinger, 80, of Captains Cove, died unexpectedly Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2019, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. Born Feb. 21, 1939, in Washington, Pa., he was the son of the late Paul and Phyllis White Redinger.

He held a master's degree in education and worked in the educational

system for over 20 years. He and his wife "retired" to the Eastern Shore and he started the Sea Hawk Sports Center in Pocomoke City, where he met and enjoyed the friendships of his loyal



Mr. Redinger

Mr. Redinger is survived by his loving wife, having recently celebrated their 59th anniversary, Barbara Anne Primozic Redinger; two sons, Kenneth William Redinger, of Horntown, and

customers for another 20 plus years.

David Paul Redinger, of Pocomoke City, Md.; two grandchildren, Matthew David Redinger and his wife, Mary Miles, of Baltimore, Md., and Michelle Leigh Redinger and Michael Schuster, of Snow Hill, Md.; two sisters, Sharon Whitt (Leon), of Seaford, Del., and Beverly Hopkins (Peter Freck), of Ashburn, Va.; and many extended family members and friends.

At Mr. Redinger's request a celebration of his life will be held at a later date, and his cremated remains will be placed at one of his favorite fishing spots.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, https://donate3.cancer.org

Arrangements were made Holloway Funeral Home, P.A., 107 Vine Street, Pocomoke City, MD 21851. To send condolences to the family, please visit www.hollowayfh.com

### **Edward Smith**

Mr. Edward H. Smith, loving husband, father, grandfather and greatgrandfather, passed away Friday, Sept. 27, 2019, at the age of 91. Born Nov. 17, 1927, in Jersey City, N.J., he was a son of the late Eli Hugh Smith and the late Elizabeth Free Smith.

Mr. Smith, known as "Ed" or "Smit-

ty" to family and friends, spent his childhood living in both New Jersey and California. In 1950, he was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean War and assigned to the 8th Army, 7th



Mr. Smith

Division, 1st Battalion, 17th Regiment, A Company. Upon honorable discharge in 1952, Mr. Smith returned home to New Jersey, and for the next 35 years he owned and operated Smith's Sunoco Station at Old Route 3 and Minnie Place, in Secaucus, N.J. It was during this time that fate brought him and the love of his life, Lois, together. Soon after they were married, Mr. and Mrs. Smith moved to Bogota, N.J., where they raised their two sons. He loved coaching his boys in sports, camping with them in the Boy Scouts, bowling in several leagues with Lois, and, of course, winning all the trophies, watching all sporting events, and he especially looked forward to family parties and watching his

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grandchildren and great-grandchildren grow up. Following retirement in 1992, Mr. and Mrs. Smith moved to Longwood, Fla., enjoying many years together until her passing in 2005. Mr. Smith remained in Florida until 2016 when he moved to Onancock, Va., to be closer to his son, Glenn, and his family.

Over the years, Mr. Smith continued to serve his country and community in various capacities. He was a lifetime member of the Fidelity Lodge #113 F&AM in Ridgewood, N.J., a 30-year member of the Bogota Volunteer Fire Department, Engine Co. #1, where he enjoyed working his way up through the ranks to become department chief in 1985, and was a member of the VFW Post 2296, in Tasley, Va. Mr. Smith loved his country and his flag, and he was honored to have had the opportunity to serve his nation and fight for our freedom.

Survivors include his son, Glenn E. Smith and wife, Brenda, of Onancock; grandchildren, Benjamin Smith and wife, Sahra, and Emily and Ashley Smith; great-grandchildren, Cutler and Lottie Smith; sisters-in-law, Lois Strong and Irene Everett; and several

nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, Lois Ann Smith, and parents, he was predeceased by his son, Craig H. Smith; and brothers, Robert Smith and wife, Marie, and William Smith.

Funeral services, with Masonic Rites, were conducted from the Petrik Funeral Home, in Bogota, Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019, with the Rev. Robert Fletcher officiating. Interment, with military honors, was held in the George Washington Memorial Park.

Contributions may be made in memory of Edward Smith to the New Jersey Firemen's Home, 565 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, NJ 07005.

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home (www.williamsfuneralhomes.com) and Petrik Funeral Home (www.petrikfuneralhome.com).

### Charles C. Williams

Mr. Charles C. "Charlie" Williams, 90, husband of Deanie Parks Williams and a resident of Onley, formerly of Onancock, Va., passed away Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2019, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born Dec. 14, 1928, in Machipongo and reared in Cape Charles, he was a son of the late Dewey Hobson Williams and the

late Ampire Belda Williams. He served in the Virginia National Guard, was a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, lifetime member of Onancock Volunteer Fire Department, and was an engineering



Mr. Williams

assistant for C&P Telephone Company, later Verizon.

A rock to many, Charlie was everyone's go-to guy. He was the neighbor
that could make just about anything
work and the friend that everyone came
to for advice. While living in Onancock,
Charlie was the neighborhood carpenter who was always willing to lend a
hand. From repairing kitchens to roofing, his skill and generosity were limitless, though he remained humble and
never flamboyant. Unknowingly, Charlie Williams was the greatest example
of "I am my brother's keeper," and so

many people will be forever grateful for his kindness and good will.

In addition to his wife, survivors include a sister, Ann Williams Scott, of Onancock; seven nieces and nephews, Dana Carpenter, Carla P. Zuchel, Teena P. Haugh, Davis Scott, Stewart "Scotty" Scott Jr., Jimmy Bennett, and very special nephew, Stan Bennett; and special friend Mike Truitt and his wife, Sharon, of Onancock. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a son, Charles Parks "Chuck" Williams; a sister, Elizabeth Bennett Massey; a brother, Edward Dewey Williams; and nephew, Tommy Bennett.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home, Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019, with the Rev. Andy Cobb officiating. Private interment was held at Mount Holly Cemetery in Onancock.

Memorial donations may be made to Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 430, Onancock, VA 23417.

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

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•From Stephen and Jean Hebert To Alessandro Campos Lot 31, Section 7, Captain's Cove For \$5,000

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# Business Incubator Plan Hatched To Attract, Assist Local Entrepreneurs

### By Stefanie Jackson

A valuable resource for small-business professionals and budding entrepreneurs is coming to Exmore, a town at the crossroads of Accomack and Northampton counties.

It's called a "business incubator," and it's part of the Eastern Shore's economic development plan that was written in part by the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission.

The project was taken on by a group called the GIG, or Gather, Innovate, and Grow.

A nonprofit, the Eastern Shore Foundation, was recently awarded a GO Virginia grant of more than \$85,000 in state funding for the GIG project.

Joe Betit, of Pungoteague, is an engineer who worked for a global construction company. He became involved in the GIG after he retired around 2016.

He noticed that many of the Eastern Shore's young adults move away after they graduate from high school because of a lack of economic opportunities, and that needs to change to ensure the Shore's future. "We need to stop exporting our kids," Betit said.

But to convince people to stay or come to the Shore, high-tech jobs are needed that will allow people to afford homes and other necessities.

That's where the business incubator comes in. It will become part of an "entrepreneur ecosystem" where members of schools, businesses, churches, and the community can come together.

"That's where the jobs come from," Betit said.

The business incubator will be a hightech, shared workspace, inspired by hot-Desks centers in eight Maryland counties.

HotDesks was started by another nonprofit, the Eastern Shore Entrepreneurship Center, to support economic growth on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

There will be one key difference between hotDesks in Maryland and its Virginia counterpart. In Maryland, government buildings are used, but the Exmore building is privately owned.

Ron Matthews, who is working with Kerry Kobe, Pat Coady, and Betit on the GIG project, initially purchased the property at 3292 Main St., Exmore, for his own business.

The main attraction at the new facility might be the high-speed, broadband internet, which is still inaccessible from many homes down the necks of the Shore.

For security reasons, users must bring their own laptops to the facility, but they will have access to a printer, scanner, and fax machine, plus a 3D printer.

Betit estimates membership may cost around \$100 per month. Some Shore residents pay that much just for broadband.

The monthly fee includes unlimited access to the equipment and workspace, plus an allotted number of hours of high-tech conference room use.

Paying by the day or week will also be an option.

Betit expects the facility will attract a variety of entrepreneurs and business professionals.

Some people may be mainly interested in accessing the high-speed internet and conference room with video capability.

Business owners who work from home may need a professional office space or conference room to meet clients.

Corporate travelers on vacation may need to steal away to check in on their business.

Lawyers on the road may need to stop in to do some research or meet with a client.

And then there are the entrepreneurs seeking opportunities to meet and network with other entrepreneurs or tap into the expertise of retired professionals.

The Exmore business center will enter reciprocity agreements with the Maryland hotDesks centers, meaning members can use each other's facilities.

Betit would like to see more of these high-tech business centers built until there is an entire network of them connecting every state and county along the East Coast, allowing business to flow between rural and urban areas, much like the railroad did at the turn of the last century.

Also like the railroad, Betit wants the business-incubator network to extend to Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York City.

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# **Court Postings**

By Linda Cicoira

### Sex Offender Arrested: Failure to Register

A Quinby man, who was sentenced to 40 years in prison for rape, sodomy, abduction, and escaping from police in the 1980s, was arrested this week for failing to register as a violent sex offender.

Roland Edward Stevens Jr., 52, of Bradfords Neck Road, was convicted of the crimes in 1987, when he was 20. A warrant from the Virginia Parole Board was included in Stevens' file in Accomack General District Court because he was released from prison on mandatory parole supervision and he is accused of violating the terms or conditions of his release. Stevens is charged with two felonies - failing to register with the sex offender and crimes against minors registry in May and July.

Court records state he was arrested Monday, Sept. 30. A hearing was scheduled for Dec. 16. Trooper T.M. Albright investigated.

### Sealed Indictments Made Public

Sealed indictments alleging drug offenses were brought by a Northampton grand jury earlier this month and made public Monday.

Frank Elliott Downing Jr., 56, of Racetrack Road in Keller, was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute LSD on Aug. 2, 2018. Downing was arrested Sept. 12. Bail was set at \$2,500.

Omar Sturgis, 58, of Boston Road in Pungoteague, was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute cocaine on Jan. 23, 2018. A secured bail was set at \$3,500. Sturgis was arrested Sept. 14.

Kaitlyn Dawn Savage, 25, with addresses on Seaside Road in Exmore and Fletcher Road in Bloxom, was indicted on a count of distribution of Subutex on Oct. 12, 2017. She was arrested Sept. 11 and is being held without bail.

Christina Dawn Huffman, 23, with addresses on Ryan Lane in Cape Charles and Red Oak Court in Franktown, was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute Suboxone on Aug. 29, 2017. She was arrested Sept. 11 and is being held without bond.

Fred William Munford III, 24, of Lee

Street in Belle Haven, was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute Tramadol. Court records show police confiscated 117 pills on Oct. 4, 2017. Mumford was arrested Sept. 19. He is being held without bond.

John William Reid, 46, of Cheapside Drive in Cape Charles, was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute cocaine on Jan. 23, 2018. He was arrested Sept. 12. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Claudette M. Elliott, aka Claudette Marie Holdgrafer, 50, and Christopher Elliott, 47, both of Osprev Circle in Hebron, Md., and Ester Nicholson, 50, of Locustville Road in Onley, were each indicted on a count of delivering, attempting to deliver, or conspiring to deliver Fentanyl to a prisoner on May 7, 2019. The two women were arrested Sept. 11 and were given unsecured bonds of \$10,000. Christopher Elliott was arrested Sept. 13 and is being held without bond.

### Waterman Convicted

A Saxis waterman was convicted of felony charges last week in Accomack Circuit Court in connection with the theft of state-owned oysters. Eleven related misdemeanor charges were dismissed.

Keith James Martin, 48, of Keith's Lane, pleaded innocent to two counts of stealing oysters valued at more than \$500 and two counts of transporting a dredge at night by boat. The incidents occurred Jan. 18 and Feb 1.

Martin was allowed to remain free on a \$6,000 unsecured bond. Sentencing was set for Jan. 2.

The case was prosecuted by Jack Thornton, assistant commonwealth's attorney from Northampton County.

### Northampton Man Acquitted of Drug Charges

One man was acquitted and another man's charge was reduced Monday in Northampton Circuit Court.

James Wilbert Hunt Jr., 46, of Hampton, was acquitted of an Oct. 3, 2018, felony count of possessing a Schedule I or II drug and misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

Jeremiah Washington Brisco, 19, of Cross Street in Exmore, pleaded guilty to a count of misdemeanor common law trespass in connection with an incident that occurred Jan. 29 at A-Z Used Furniture. He was initially charged with burglary, which is a felony. Brisco was

sentenced to a year in jail with all but a month of the term suspended.

### **Accomack Felony Arrests**

Nearly a dozen people have been accused of committing felonies in Accomack earlier this month, according to records filed in the county's general district court.

Gary Louis Mancusa, 52, of Main Street in Exmore, was charged with strangling Johan Annis on Sept 26. Annis told Deputy C. Hodgson, of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), that he was in a parking lot after work speaking with a few colleagues when Mancusa drove up, got out of the truck, and accused him of "talking bad about him to a few people." Mancusa grabbed Annis by his neck and squeezed to the point Annis said he "thought he was going to black out."

"I did observe significant marks on the neck of Johan," wrote Hodgson. Later, Mancusa "confessed to grabbing a hold of Johan's neck."

On a bail determination form, a magistrate wrote Mancusa was "polite, forthright, remorseful and responsive." Mancusa was arrested the same day. He is being held without bond. A preliminary hearing was set for Nov. 25.

In another case, Jose Diaz, 27, of North Capital Street in Washington, D.C., was charged with rape on Sept. 27, on Chincoteague. Diaz is accused of covering the victim's mouth, choking her, and threatened to kill her during the rape, according to the record. Investigator C.A. McPherson handled the case. Diaz was arrested the same day. He is being held without bond.

Dontrell Strand, 31, of Sycamore Street in Painter, was accused of embezzling \$11,275 belonging to his employer, K&J Transportation LLC, between April 3 and July 17. Strand was arrested Sept. 26. An unsecured bond was set at \$5,000. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Dec. 9. Investigator M. Patterson, of ACSO, handled the case.

Ronald Joseph Judge, 41, of Wayne Road on Chincoteague, was charged with possession of a controlled substance on Sept. 30. He was arrested the same day and is being held without bond. Deputy K.A. Reese, of ACSO, investigated. A preliminary hearing was set for Dec. 16.

Mariander Drummond, 41, of Hill Street in Onancock, was charged with the robbery and theft of property from Melody Jackson on Sept. 10. Drummond was arrested Sept. 29. She is being held without bail. Deputy T.M.

Marks, of ACSO, investigated. A preliminary hearing was set for Dec. 9.

Jonathan Dwight Brown, 32, of 123rd Street in Harlem, NY., was charged with stealing property valued at \$500 or more from Walmart, in Onley, on Sept. 29. He was arrested the same day. Brown is being held without bond. A preliminary hearing was set for Dec. 9. Marks investigated.

Randy Torres, 28, of Stockton Avenue in Greenbackville, was accused of burglary at night at the home of Pearl Merritt, of Greenbackville, on Sept. 2. Torres was also accused of petty larceny of Merritt's property. He was arrested the next day. According to a checklist for bond, Torres confessed to the crimes. A secured \$1,500 bond was set. Hodgson investigated. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Nov. 4.

Richard David Brown II, 34, of High Beach Court East in New Market, Md., was charged with eluding police, neglect and disregard for the life of a child, both felonies, and a misdemeanor DUI. The incidents occurred Sept. 21.

Trooper D.W. Wallace stated that he was on Route 175, or Chincoteague Road, when he observed a vehicle going 77 mph in a 45 mph zone. As the trooper pursued the vehicle, it went up to 108 mph and later went back down to 75. Eventually, the driver was taken into custody. Brown had "glassy eyes, a strong odor of alcoholic beverage, and slurred speech." A breath test showed him .13 grams per 210 liters of breath. The legal limit is .08. His passenger was a five-month-old child. Brown is being held on a \$10,000 secured bond.

Zachary Justin Peterson, 39, of Willow Street on Chincoteague, was accused of stealing a pressure washer on Sept. 16 that was valued at \$500 or more and belonged to Thomas Harmon III. Peterson was arrested the next day. Records state he is wanted by the Boone County Sheriff's Office, in Kentucky, for child abuse. Peterson is being held without bond. A preliminary hearing was set for Nov. 25. Deputy J. Sharp, of ACSO, investigated.

Larry Olanda Ayers, 56, of Lankford Highway in Parksley, was charged with possession of Schedule I or II drug on Sept. 15. He was arrested the same day. Deputy K.A. Reese, of ACSO, investigated. A secured bail was set at \$1,000.

### Two Sentenced for Drugs

Two men were given prison terms for drug offenses earlier this month in

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## Man Convicted in 2006 Northampton Murder Denied DNA Tests

By Linda Cicoira

A convicted murderer, who is serving 98 years in prison, was denied requests in Northampton Circuit Court Wednesday that he hoped would help clear his name and free him from a life behind bars.

A handcuffed Marcus Lashaun Dixon, 35, formerly of Washington Avenue in Cape Charles, served as his own lawyer during a video teleconference from River North Correctional Center in Independence, Va.

Dixon sat at a table. He had documents in front of him, which he struggled with due to the handcuffs. On the other end was Judge W. Revell Lewis III seated at the bench in a courtroom, in Eastville.

On Tuesday, Dixon fired his attorney,

Kendrell Lee Davis, 29, of Shell Bridge

Road in Painter, was sentenced to three

years each for possession of cocaine and

possession of a firearm while in posses-

sion of controlled substance. The offenses

occurred Oct. 20, 2018. All but five months

of the terms was suspended. Davis was

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Accomack Circuit Court.

Brandon Wilder. The lawyer stayed on to advise him at the request of Dixon and the judge.

A jury convicted Dixon of first-degree murder, burglary, robbery, and firearm offenses in the 2006 death of 72-year-old Lawrence Allen Massie, a Northampton resident who was described as an enthusiastic Virginia Lottery player. Dixon's terms were set to run consecutively with none of the time suspended. He was sentenced by Judge Glen A. Tyler, who has since retired.

Massie was found shot to death in his home. The victim had six gunshot wounds, four of which were fatal, according to an autopsy. Massie was robbed of clothing, the two wallets he always carried, and cash. The

put on good behavior for five years and supervised probation for two years.

Cory Kellam, 49, of Daugherty Road in Accomac, was sentenced to three years each for possession of cocaine and felony DUI. The terms were set to run consecutively with all but eight months suspended. Kellam will be on supervised probation for three years and good behavior for 10 years.

door to his house was opened by force and there were signs that he had been beaten, records showed.

Dixon's wallet was found at the scene and two eyewitnesses identified him as the shooter. Dixon denied being connected to the incident. "When I was investigated, I did not have any knowledge of the crime," he said.

A video recording was made of Massie purchasing two tickets at the Cape Charles Corner Mart the day before he was killed. It was believed he was targeted because of money he had won.

Dixon's motions for DNA analysis and preservation of evidence were disputed by Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly Leatherbury, Lt. Michelle Hallett, of the Northampton County Sheriff's Office, and Ann Pollard, a state forensic scientist.

Dixon wanted what he believed was new DNA testing done on cartridges that were found at Massie's house. Leatherbury argued the type of DNA testing that Dixon wanted had been available for two decades. "Why did you wait 11 years?" she asked. Leatherbury said the testing couldn't be done now anyway because the cartridges had already been altered by other forensic testing.

Dixon said there were .20-caliber and .40-caliber bullets found, which proved that there was more than one gun and that the jury was never told. Leatherbury said former Commonwealth's Attorney Bruce Jones, who prosecuted the case, disclosed that information to Dixon's lawyers before the trial.

Dixon said he hadn't been told about it. He thought there were two bullets when there were actually two pictures of the same bullet. Hallette said she had a picture of the ammo, which was found on a shelf under a table, and that it was disclosed to Dixon's counsel. The ammo was never confiscated.

"Why didn't you collect those if you were looking for bullets?" Dixon asked.

"We didn't find any expended," said Hallette.

"If there was no latent prints, there wouldn't be any DNA," said Pollard. She said superglue was used in prior testing that was done with ungloved hands. "If all three tests were requested, first the DNA would be done. We cannot do DNA after a latent test is done."

Dixon wanted a copy of the photographs and a transcript of the hearing. Lewis ordered those items be sent to him.



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### RARE BIRD SIGHTED IN MACHIPONGO

### By Stefanie Jackson

Eastern Shore birders were treated to a rare sight this week at Quail Cove Farms in Machipongo: a northern wheatear, a small, thrush-like bird with a distinctive, black-and-white pattern on its tail. It is very rare in the continental United States.

Kit Fechtig, a birder from Pungoteague, was the first to report the sighting to the Eastern Shore Post.

Bill Jardine, who owns Quail Cove Farms, said about 50 people tracked the northern wheatear from Kiptopeke and showed up at his business in Machipongo to catch a glimpse of the bird.

The bird was said to have perched itself on a large stack of Quail Cove crates and was flying around, looking for insects.

Roberta Kellam, of the local organization Eastern Shore of Virginia Birding and Wildlife Programs, was among the lucky birders who saw the northern wheatear, Jardine said.

Fechtig shared a photo and a species map from the eBird website, a resource recommended by Kellam's organization, which has its own website, <u>www.birdingeasternshore.org</u>

The northern wheatear lives primarily



Public Domain Photo A northern wheatear.

in Eurasia and breeds among bare rocks and short grass during the winter in Africa.

The breeding male is pale with a black mask and dull yellow or yellow-brown throat. It has a gray back and black wings.

The breeding female is duller and has no black mask.

Nonbreeding and immature birds also have no black mask and are bright and buffy colored with pale eyebrows.

The northern wheatear has long legs and an upright posture. It is normally seen on the ground or on low perches.





# Group Seeks To Strengthen Regional Identity By Creating Local Brand

### Story and Photo by Linda Cicoira

They have a list with three top goals. The group wants a local brand that will encompass all that the Eastern Shore of Virginia has to offer, for the community college to provide tourism internships or hospitality degrees, and for the arts here to become an industry that will bring tourists with preservation in mind.

That was the consensus of about a dozen planners, tourism experts, and other concerned citizens who meet quarterly for the Arts, Entertainment, Recreation & Visitor Industries Working Group, a subcommittee of the Accomack-Northampton Economic Development Committee, which is overseen by the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission.

That last part makes the group sound stuffy but they are anything but.

Karen Belknap, of Ten Good Sheep, appeared laid back Tuesday morning in her bib overalls. The textile artist spins and dyes yarn, which she sells along with her own creations. Belknap promotes the arts and includes in that title storytellers, brewers, painters, growers, and performance artists.

"Think about if the Eastern Shore is Virginia's wild coast," said Belknap. "That's a story in itself."

Curt Smith and Clara Vaughn, both planners with the A-NPDC, spoke about results they are awaiting from a study Virginia Tech is doing on a regional plan for the subcommittee's goals. Smith said it will help with ways to add value to all of our local products and develop a marketing strategy. He was excited about a water trail that would take kayakers to local recreational opportunities and businesses. He foresees promoting the area as a prime place to have fun.

Robbie Marsh, director of the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce and Eastern Shore Tourism Commission, and Evelyn Shotwell, of the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, were also on hand.

Shotwell's website has it all. There are even suggestions there on what businesses are in demand - child day care or preschool, bike repair, laundro-

mat, pet sitters or day kennel, pony rides, taxi service, airport shuttle, recycling operations, culinary tour provider, living history interpreters, caterers, gunsmith, and a locksmith.

Businesses there are being encouraged to market NASA launches once tourists arrive. "A lot of the businesses do sell NASA related items.

"We're educating them more and more."

Frank Urban came here to escape and loves the area. "We are here by choice and we want to share and preserve and retain the rural quality of life. Is it an event? What's our secret sauce?" he asked, suggesting that be marketed.

Denise Topping, of My Voice, My Choice LLC in Exmore, has been offering business services in Exmore since

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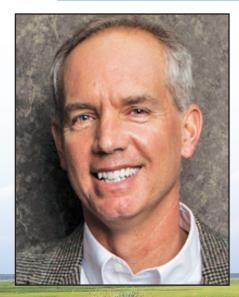
Evelyn Shotwell, of the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, makes a note on the regional action plan.

2012. She wanted to know more about resources for people trying to get started. "Some people have great ideas but don't have resources," she said.

Free consultation is offered by George Bryan, of the Eastern Shore Small Business Development Center, at the chamber office in Melfa. Business centers are also coming to Exmore and Belle Haven that will allow small offices.

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# Northampton Schools Session Will Explain Why District Rejected 'Free-Lunch-for-All' Program

### By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton schools Chief Financial Officer Brook Thomas will speak publicly about a program that would provide free breakfast

and lunch to all public school students in the county, Thursday, Oct. 10, 6 p.m., in the Northampton High School library.

The Community Eligibility Provision is a program funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. A school or school division qualifies for the program based on the percentage of students who can be directly certified as recipients of government assistance such as Medicaid.

Accomack County Public Schools implemented the program at the beginning of the current school year.

Thomas will explain how the Community Eligibility Provision works and why Northampton County Public Schools has chosen not to implement the program at this time.



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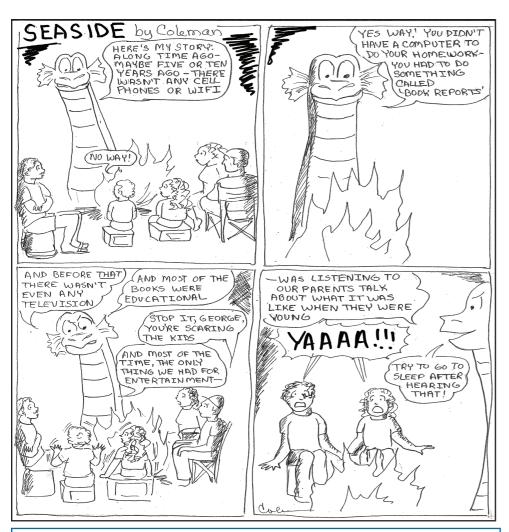
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# Outdoor Exploration Day at Kiptopeke State Park Photos by Stefanie Jackson Presented by Friends of Kiptopeke State Park and the Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District September 28, 2019



**Eastern Shore Master Gardener** Phil Goetkin gives away free native plants.



Norfolk Botanical Gardens butterfly supplier Lauren Tafoya raised these monarchs specially for the butterfly enclosure at Outdoor Exploration Day. They were released at 3 p.m.



A city dweller pets a sheep for the first time.



Left: A barred owl, an Eastern Shore native, greets explorers.



Below: Kids dig for fossils.



Kids learn about the "good bugs" and "bad bugs" that can live in gardens at a station sponsored by Virginia Tech and the Virginia Cooperative Extension.



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by Linda Thistle

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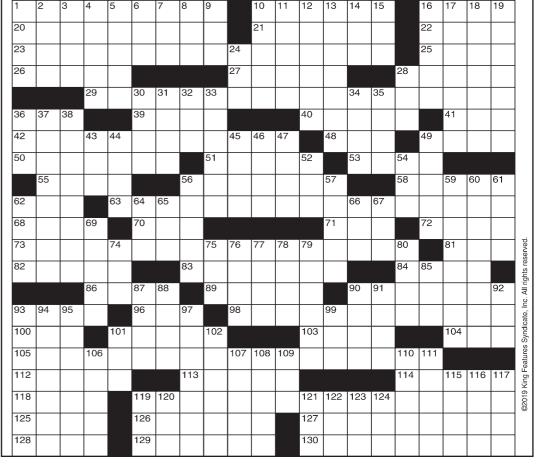
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# EASTERN SHORE SPORTS

# Custis Returns to Blacksburg, a Hokie Once More

Story by Matthew Yoder

Ace Custis is a man who has called many places home over the course of his career. The profession of basketball has led him all over the globe, but his new job brings him back to one of the places that made all this travel and success possible. Custis recently accepted a position at his alma mater, Virginia Tech, to serve as coordinator of basketball relations, and one more time, come home.

Custis grew up in Eastville and played basketball for Northampton High School. He graduated in 1992.

"A lot has changed at the school, but a lot is still the same, it still feels like home," said Custis. "This is the place that gave me the opportunity to further my career, it is a great time to be a Hokie."

Custis, who spent the past six seasons as an assistant coach, first at Virginia State University in Petersburg, and recently for five seasons at division one University of Maryland Eastern Shore, will assume new roles at Virginia Tech. The position will be a departure from the hands-on qualities of coaching, but will present opportunities for player development in other ways.

"It's another angle of getting to the players," Custis said. "I'm gonna miss recruiting, miss being on the court, but I can talk about life away from basketball, talk about things the players can do now to set up their lives and free up the coaches to coach."

Custis enters the position with a wealth of experience to draw from. In addition to his coaching resume, Custis was an accomplished player not only at Virginia Tech, but also professionally, playing predominantly in burgeoning overseas leagues.

In college he was the third player in Hokie history to tally 1,000 points and grab 1,000 rebounds and is currently third in career rebounds, seventh in steals, and 11th in scoring. He helped lead Virginia Tech to the 1995 NIT Championship.

Custis is not one to speak about his personal achievements, but when the Hokies enter the court for practice they will know of his impact on the



Photo by Bill Sterling

Ace Custis, who recently accepted a position at his alma mater Virginia Tech, is pictured coaching basketball players during a game.

school by his number twenty hanging in the rafters of Cassell Coliseum.

Custis' mantra will undeniably be hard work yields results. All his gains in basketball were a product of effort. "I was an energy guy, a hustle guy, when I played I competed," Custis said. Strong rebounding helped Custis receive more playing time, and more exposure on the court was always to his benefit. Virginia Tech's players will be wise to heed his advice. Custis, himself, was always told to "ride basketball as long as you can."

"I tell people all the time I felt like I wasn't working," said Custis. "I played because I loved the game."

From the talk of coaches he worked under, it seems as though he coached for love of the game as well. Custis is highly regarded by the coaches he has left behind. He first assisted Lonnie Blow at Virginia State University.

"I hired him going into the '13-'14 season, he was trying to find his niche after playing overseas basketball," Blow said.

Blow recounted stories of players wanting to challenge Ace one-on-one.

He laughed when describing the outcome of these tests.

"Ace was still playing, a lot of guys wanted to challenge him but he's a different animal," said Blow. "He more than held his own. That's what they needed, getting embarrassed by Ace."

Custis humbly brushed aside his victories in such contests, saying, "You've got to show by example."

Although he only coached one season at Virginia State, Blow credits Custis for contributing to a seismic shift at the school. "Ace did a tremendous job getting the program off the ground, he helped changed the culture, the mentality," said Blow.

Coach Blow's team continues to gain attention moving forward, and he still thanks Ace. Blow regarded Custis so highly that when a position opened at University of Maryland Eastern Shore he talked to Bobby Collins, saying, "You've gotta take him."

"I hated to lose him, he has a passion for what he does, but it was a bigger job, a step up, and closer to home," said Blow.

Upon accepting this position Ace did come home to the Shore, closer to his lifelong idol, Barbara Ruffin, his mother.

"My role models have always been the people I can touch," Custis said.

Number one was undeniably his mother.

"She instilled hard work in me, she worked two jobs, and in her I knew you had to work for anything in life," said Custis.

For five seasons Custis' home was with the Hawks in Princess Anne. His boss, athletic director Keith Davidson, also spoke highly of his contributions to the school.

"He is a quality person, the strength that he brought us was that he was very hands-on with the athletes, he's a great teacher," Davidson said.

"We're extremely happy for coach Custis, he has a great attitude and a wealth of knowledge."

That wealth of knowledge will draw heavily on his playing time overseas. Custis played in Lebanon, Japan, Qatar, Indonesia, Syria, and the Philippines, and described the level of play as highly competitive.

"Once you got on the court there was no barrier," Custis said. "You had to do everything on your own and be selfdisciplined. It's your livelihood and you've gotta do it."

Basketball has become such a global affair that often Custis was not only competing against great college players from the States going abroad, but also the best players in the countries he suited up in.

"Lebanon was extremely competitive, every country was competitive, internationally the game has improved dramatically, the gap is rapidly decreasing," said Custis.

Custis's goal is to bridge the gap here, with the group of athletes coming up through the ranks at Virginia Tech and he will surely approach every player with the same respect and mentality. "I treat everyone the same, starter or walk-on, I

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# **Nandua Decimates Red Devils**



After a hard face mask forced his helmet off, Jaheim Bailey continues to run the ball until the whistle.

### Story and Photo by Brennan Waldorf

On Sept. 27 the Nandua Warriors reversed roles compared to the week before as they were the goliath in a matchup against Lancaster High School. The Red Devils traveled from the Northern Neck district and have an enrollment of 361, which is nearly half of Nandua High School. This was clearly evident on the field, as the Devils were outmatched in every aspect of the game.

The Warriors dominated the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball from start to finish. They quickly found the end zone against a porous and overwhelmed Red Devil squad. The Warriors blitzed often and found success penetrating and meeting Red Devil rushers before they could even secure a handoff. With the Warriors crushing the offensive line, the Red Devils found themselves in punt formation early

and often. Punting did not go well as the Warriors often broke through and forced small punts of no more than 15 yards in the first quarter.

With good field positioning due to the strong defensive efforts, the Warriors easily found the end zone in the first half. They scored on the ground and in the air with ease, having multiple scores on single plays. They ran the score up 35-0 in the first quarter alone. After a quarterback keep that saw Joe Teasley cross the plane on a ten-yard run, the clock was set to run with 12 minutes left in the second quarter.

In the second half the Warriors let off on the gas and ran the clock out, scoring two more times and allowing a garbage time touchdown. They move to 3-2 on the season and will travel north Oct. 4 to face a Cambridge-South Dorchester team that features a balanced offense and is 3-1 on the season.

### ~ Ace Custis ~

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tell them leave everything on the court and be a great teammate," said Custis.

His return to Virginia Tech comes at a time when basketball at the college level is expanding exponentially. The position Custis holds now was not around in his days, and athletes now have a lot more outlets for skill development. Often, however, simplifying the game gets to the root of what Custis believes makes players better.

"Being competitive in practice made the games easier for me. The only thing I can control is my effort, and success depends on bringing it all together," said Custis.

Custis will miss the court time with the players, but his ability to impact their lives in a positive way seems secure in the nature of his position, and in his interactions with the athletes Custis too has hopes for his own longevity.

"It keeps me young being around the kids, keeps me in the loop," Custis said. Virginia Tech welcomes number 20 home.



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# Ponies Fenced In By Vikings, 34-0

Story and Photo by Matthew Yoder

The story reads like a broken record for the Chincoteague Ponies. One team drives the ball effectively to start but only so far and short of the end zone, while the other utilizes determined legs and capitalizes on big-play situations. Unfortunately for Chincoteague the needle has scratched at a point in their season marked by stalled offense and shutout losses. Friday's 34-0 defeat on homecoming night against Broadwater Academy was Chincoteague's fifth loss to open the season, and the third in a row they failed to put points on the board.

The game had everything you've come to expect from an annual home-coming. A beautiful fall-like evening, a tailgate atmosphere, kids circling the track taunting the opponents' sideline, and returning alumni reliving glories.

On the field of play, however, Broadwater Academy held court, and Gunnar Gus stole the show for the Vikings.

The first quarter was a draw, with both teams moving the ball with some gains but to no avail on the scoreboard. Wes Britton did his best to push the Ponies downfield, both running and receiving the ball. The Ponies actually started the second quarter in the Vikings red zone, poised to set an early lead but a false start penalty, negative yards on a running attempt, and two incomplete passes halted the drive and led to a loss of downs.

Broadwater Academy similarly moved the ball on the subsequent drive only to push themselves back with penalties and incomplete passes.

Chincoteague blocked the ensuing punt and Lucas Turner recovered for the Ponies at the Vikings 20. The surge in momentum was met with a spirited defensive stand by the Vikings. James Gilbert slipped past the Ponies line forcing an incomplete pass on third and long. The next play truly set the course of the game moving forward. Forced outside of a field goal attempt, but too close to punt, Chincoteague opted to go for it on fourth down. Giovanni Rosanova III rolled right and attempted a pass to the end zone. Gunnar Gus anticipated the pass, intercepting it five yards deep and seamlessly kept his legs churning, running the length of the field for a touchdown.

"He's a one-man show, that was a real game changer," said Chincoteague



Gunnar Gus meets Chincoteague's defenders head-on.

coach Tony Nock.

Wes Britton responded with a strong kickoff return but the offense again stiffened.

"Wes is finding holes but we've got to spread it out," said Chincoteague athletic director Jimmy Bloxom. "Everything is tight, the edges are ready."

Broadwater Academy took over on a loss of downs and came out running. Quarterback Brant Bloxom eluded defenders in the pocket to gain positive yards on his feet. Cain Taylor and Walt Etheridge furthered the Vikings' effort and Gus completed the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run. The two-point conversion made it 16-0 with 1:19 to go in the half.

Chincoteague pressed in two-minute offense mode. Their approach was slowed by pressure from Ben Price and James Gilbert, forcing a quick punt. Gus received his final punt of the night and was spared from a touchdown only by himself. He tripped en route to the end zone but the message was clear. The Ponies punted away from him the remainder of the game and the Vikings went into the festivity-laden halftime with all the momentum.

Wade Townsend, a fan, was disheartened by the direction the game was headed for the Ponies at halftime.

"They're not doing it, it's basic fundamental stuff," Townsend said.

He and others recounted how Broadwater Academy used to be a pushover on the schedule for Chincoteague.

"It usually was a reliable win for them," said James Taylor, another fan.

Not on this night, and not in the eyes of onlookers on the Vikings sideline.

Harry Betts, a man who at one time coached at Atlantic High School, viewed the game very expertly at the ripe old age of 87.

"They're running them to death, the defense can't get off the field," said Betts.

He shared a rich history in football on this night of remembrance.

"I loved coaching," said Betts, who is affectionately known as "coach" on the Shore, and as the second half commenced he kept an eye to every play.

The one-man show kept rolling and accelerated out of halftime.

Chincoteague attempted an onside kick but failed to recover. An able run by Gus, a pump fake downfield from Bloxom to Clay Wardius, and a 12-yard touchdown run from Gus took all of 1:10 and upped the score to 22-0.

Chincoteague again drove the ball with strong runs from Camron Davis but stalled.

Going into the matchup, Broadwater coach Eddie Spencer was concerned about Chincoteague's ground game, but addressed the problem by inserting more "beefy guys" to slow them down.

The adjustments worked and Chincoteague again punted. Two plays later, Gus ran for a 79-yard touchdown off a simple screen pass. Colby Hess stopped the Vikings for the second time on a two-point conversion but the damage was already substantial.

"The Chincoteague crowd is really solemn, bless their hearts," said Betts with all sincerity.

Later, Etheridge scored on the ground for the Vikings to make the score 34-0.

To their credit the Ponies continued to fight in an effort to at least put points on the board. This led to the most passionate final minute of a 34-0 game witnessed all season. The Ponies fought, while the Vikings, along with their animated coaches and fans attempted to preserve the shutout. The Ponies had a touchdown called back on a holding penalty and drifted farther from the red zone. The Vikings second unit defense held its ground, sending the team running beneath the scoreboard for a post-game photo op.

On Chincoteague's end, Nock huddled his team for an extended talk.

"They're defeated, they're beat," said Nock. "We come out moving the football, then we stop, I never expected this. As a coach I need to regroup and start Monday fresh.'

Chincoteague's players kept talking as Nock left the huddle.

Ayden Leonard described being winded, with a dwindling roster demanding more out of him and his teammates every game.

"We gotta work in practice, we're getting gassed in the games. We gotta play like it's our last year," said Leonard, alluding to the fact that Chincoteague will be returning only 8 players next year.

Coach Spencer, victory cigar in hand, said of Chincoteague, "it hurt them when they lost Bowden."

To his team and this game, he spoke directly.

"My kids worked hard, it was a great game, and a great crowd on both Sides."

With the win, Broadwater Academy moved to 3-2 and next faces off against Isle of Wight Academy this Friday. Chincoteague will next take on Portsmouth Christian.

# Northampton County Parks and Recreation Flag Football League Kickoff Last Weekend

### Story and Photo by Brennan Waldorf

The league comprises two age groups and is part of the NFL's official Play 60 flag football league. Both boys and girls can sign up to participate in a 5- to 8-year-old group or a 9- to 12-year-old group.

The league is in its sixth season but has been part of the NFL Play 60 for only the last two seasons. The NFL Play 60 league focuses on the fundamentals of football with emphasis on learning the rules and regulations of the game, concentrating on player safety rather than the violent hitting portion of football.

Registration for the league started in August but was pushed back to accommodate the school year. Early registration was \$35 and late registration was \$40. Registration includes NFL sponsored reversible jerseys along with belts and flags.

The season will include four games for the peewee league and six games for the older group, with each grouping having a single elimination tournament Nov. 2, at 12:30 p.m.

With goal posts being donated recently, the Northampton Parks and Rec seeks to extend its flag football portion with intentions of also expanding into a tackle league in the future. "The tackle league will be used to feed Northampton middle school, with hopes of building up the schools athletics," said league coordinator Laura Jenerette. The co-ed league uses a modified field that is 30 yards wide and 70 yards long with two 10-yard end zones, while also using a modified set of rules that coaches and players were still



Ayden Robinson runs the ball for the Steelers in the 5- to 8-year-old division.

adjusting to on a very hot afternoon.

In past years, the league struggled with getting officials but that was remedied this year when it recruited the Hampton Roads Sports Officiating Association. The official NFL Play 60 referees weren't the only new feature to the league as it also changed venues, moving from the Indian Town Park to a

newly renovated field behind the old Northampton Middle School in Machipongo.

The Northampton County Parks and Recreation is a community-based program and is dedicated to providing athletics and events to both adults and children. "We try to create an atmosphere that is equally fun, fair, and competitive," said Jenerette.



Photo by Kirsten Price

# YMCA Soccer League In Session

### Story by Brennan Waldorf

The YMCA's fall co-ed soccer league is currently in season. The league has 55 players enrolled with three different divisions. Each division has three teams and range from 3-5 year olds, 5-7 year olds, and 7-9 year olds. The fall league isn't as popular as the spring league due to school being in session with the majority of the older players competing for their respected schools.

The league started Sept. 2, with a cost of \$40 for YMCA members and \$55 for nonmembers. Games are played at the old Onancock High School and are primarily run and coached by parent volunteers. This year the YMCA offered half off the sign-up fee for anyone who volunteered, which was highlv successful.

Each division of the league has a dif-

ferent focus but they all place an emphasis on sportsmanship. The youngest players are being introduced into the sport with an emphasis on just having fun and developing an interest for soccer. The 5- to 7-year-old league is where players start to learn the fundamentals of the game and rules. The 7- to 9-yearold division is more competitive where the players start to learn game strategy, team play, and position roles.

League coordinator Logan Mc-Cullough would like to bring the league back to the field at the YMCA. According to McCullough, the YMCA is highly appreciative of its community and its support and it looks forward to continuing its service by providing more great leagues and opportunities by partnering with local vendors and businesses.

Players in the 5- to 7-year-old division wait for a throw-in last Saturday.

# Northampton Continues To Struggle Against The Run

### Story and Photo by Brennan Waldorf

The Yellow Jackets' kickoff was delayed when their opponents were caught in traffic, pushing the kickoff time back to 7:30 p.m.

Northampton football fell to the Pointers but had a spectacular halftime show that featured the Virginia State Explosion. A full band with dancers and baton throwers dazzled the crowd with their amazing sound and rhythmic dancing. Ivory Turner was credited for coordinating the event that is becoming an annual tradition; it's the third time the band has performed in Eastville.

The West Point Pointers used a funky looking, double-wing version of the spinning single wing formation on offense that would be very effective against a young Jacket defense. With good blocking and several solid runners in the Pointers' arsenal they found the end zone three times in the first quarter. Brady

Uzel opened scoring for the Pointers when he broke a 28-yard run for a score. Zach Gonzalez and Steven Whittaker also scored on the ground with short runs, but scoring would halt until the second half.

The West Point run offense dominated throughout the game, controlling the ball for 30:42 compared to the Jackets 17:09. The Pointers racked up 575 yards running the ball on 66 plays with 29 first downs compared to the Jackets' three first downs. All six Pointer touchdowns came from their runners, as the Pointers attempted only two passes the entire game.

The Jackets received the ball first in the second half. Down by 18, they tried to fight and get back in the game. Running the ball right at the Pointers but finding little ground, they turned the ball over on downs at the West Point 15. The Pointers marched down the field once again behind the strong legs of senior Zach Gonzalez as he ran for 222

vards on 18 carries with 3 scores on the night.

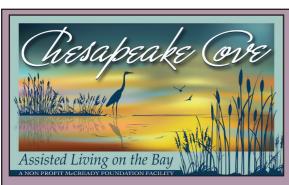
The Jackets found their only score of the night in the third quarter when facing a third and twenty. After a sack to Liam Flynn, the Jackets were on their own 30 yard line and looked to pass. Landon Custis beat his man and took his catch 70 yards for the Jackets' lone score.

West Point will move to 3-2 as the Jackets continue to look for

Landon Custis takes his catch 70 yards to the house for the Jackets lone score of the night.

ton will be on the road this week as they season including three shutouts.

their first win of the season. Northamptravel to Middlesex, who is 5-1 on the



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# Broadwater Cross-Country Holds First Home Meet

## Story and Photos by Brennan Waldorf

Broadwater Academy Cross-Country hosted its first and only home meet of the year last Saturday, Sept. 28. Coach Hack and his assistant coach Andrew Cunningham put a lot of effort into the event and hope to expand the meet in the future. In the past, the team attempted to do a two-day event with teams as far as Delaware attending but travel and lodging became an issue.

The event is one of a kind, hosting two different races followed by an ultimate Frisbee tournament. The meet started with a Middle School Development race where participants from the fifth to eighth grade ran a 2-mile portion of the Viking 5K course. Broadwater's own Meredith Hill was able to win the girls 2-mile division after sprinting past runners in the final leg of the race.

The second portion of the day would resemble a typical cross-country meet with varsity runners enduring 80 degree weather with just enough wind to keep the heat at bay. Norfolk Collegiate, Bishop Sullivan Catholic, and Atlantic Shores all participated in the event, but only a couple teams stayed for the Frisbee portion.

Eric Hack, who coordinates the event, was very enthusiastic and vibrant on the day, stating "it's a fun day of cross-country, just a good day of friendship across schools." Hack, who was hosting the event for the fourth time, credited a dedicated cast of great

volunteers for its success. "Teams love the event and enjoy running the course," said Hack.

**Typical** cross-country meets don't end as the Vikings meet did last weekend. The Vikings handed out team awards that were handcrafted by team manager Kinsey Rayfield. Bishop Sullivan would win both boys and girls divisions with Norfolk Collegiate taking second. The meet also handed out individual awards to the top 15 runners, the awards in the form of a customized disc that featured a green T.rex along with the event logo and date.

The Broadwater team will travel this Saturday to Norfolk for a meet against Norfolk Academy at 10 a.m.

Boys Individual Results:

1. Hunter Quigley (BS) 2. Riley Dillon (BS) 3.Jack DeVito (BS) 4. Adam Howard (AS) 5. Ian Dooley (BS) 6. Lawrence Maclin (BS) 7. Trey Vaughn (NC) 8. Ronnie Boone (NC) 9. Jack Hemelt (BS) 10. Evan Dooley (BS) 11. Ture Gustafson (BA)

Girls Individual Results:

1. Bridget Young (BS) 2. Sophia Pedroza (BS) 3. Kira Fisher (BS) 4. Mary Bradley Howlett (NC) 5. Gina Leanzo (NC) 6. Mahika Patel (BA) 7. Brianna Allison (AS) 8. Guinevere Pomeroy (BS) 9. Jessica Magee (NC) 10. Allison Walpert (NC) 11. Nash Claywell (NC)



Ture Gustafson was the first Viking to finish in the boys division with a time of 20:38.



Mahika Patel was the first Lady Viking to finish recording a time of 24:00.

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# Aggressive Plays Result in Nandua Victory

### Story and Photo by Matthew Yoder

Down two sets to one and facing a raucous crowd headed into the fourth, Nandua rallied to win the final two sets and secure a well-fought victory against Arcadia Tuesday night.

Both teams came out very aggressively in the first set, aiming for every opportunity at the net to gain an advantage over the opponent. Abigail Killmon and Lyric Sampson were particularly up to the challenge for the Warriors, delivering forcefully on spike attempts and defending their own net against the Firebirds' attack.

The Press sisters responded with spikes for Arcadia midway through the set but Nandua's balance began to help them pull away in the opening frame. An ace by Jamie Wert and backto-back blocks by Sampson drove the Warriors lead to 18-11, and from there spikes late in the set by Wert and Madison Holloway gave them an early lead.

The depth Nandua employed in the first set and throughout the night was an asset their coaches were thankful to have.

"We have been able to use options throughout the season, it's nice to switch them in and out," said coach Le'Andra Metzger.

Depth chart aside, Arcadia responded well in the second set. The play was a bit more timid and sloppy to start the set but quickly regained the energy that was established to open the match. The same players brought equal intensity as the set played out. Killmon made a miraculous save from the rafters to prolong a point for Nan-

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dua, and she continued to play smart at the net with Sampson. Emani Press delivered a spirited spike for Arcadia and Julia Rehbein dropped in a wellplaced serve to give Arcadia a 16-12 lead and force a Nandua timeout.

The Warriors would again call a timeout several points later. Coach Nathan Metzger said discussion in the timeouts focused on "minimizing mistakes."

Out of this second timeout, Nandua was on the losing side of an inches game, yielding three consecutive points that just went beyond Arcadia's line. Haley McDaniel dropped to the court on two spike attempts from the Warriors, preserving the points that were needed to tie the match for

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Lyric Sampson climbs above the net defending for Nandua.

# The Lady Vikings Lose at Home to Fairly Young Portsmouth Christian Squad

Story and Photo by Brennan Waldorf

The Patriots had only one senior on their varsity squad but had the advantage as their school size is nearly double the size of Broadwater's.

The Patriots were able to defeat the Vikings in four close sets (25-22, 20-25, 25-1, 25-20).

The Vikings, who returned Emily Nordwall to the lineup after a short absence due to a concussion received in a previous game, started off slowly and found themselves behind in the first set. The Vikings, down 7-1, turned the set in their favor after several strong plays by Virginia Ross. The Vikings tied the score at 14 and took the lead but the Patriots would not go down without a fight. The Vikings led the majority of the set and found themselves up 22-20 before sliding after a few bad serves. The Patriots pushed and found themselves taking the first set 25-22.

The Vikings again found themselves in similar water the next set, facing another 7-1 deficit before Mary Blake Leland got behind the line rallying her team back and after 9 unanswered points by the Vikings the score was 10-7. The Lady Vikings didn't gain much ground but would lead the rest of the set with Virginia Ross and McKenzie Mabalot providing a formidable front that would dominate at the net and record several blocks. The Vikings secured the win when Mabalot lofted the ball just over the front row finding the open space between the defenders and finished the set 25-20.

The third set was the most lopsided set of the four as the Patriots' Grace Bickley zoned in and delivered several hard blows to the Vikings' squad. Bickley led the game in kills, recording 14 on the night,

hitting mostly from the outside. Her efforts did not come easily as the Vikings jumped at the net and had several blocks but found them deflected out of bounds, and the Patriots led comfortably the majority of the set, winning 25-17.

The final set was a must win for the Lady Vikings and they kept it close at the beginning. Both teams endured long volleys and the Patriots led the entire set.



Number 11 McKenzie Mabalot had several strong plays at the net including this block over Portsmouth Christian's Olivia Riddick.

They eventually built a 5-point advantage but the Vikings battled, closing the gap to 22-19 before eventually falling 25-20. The Patriots move to 8-4 on the season, winning both meetings with the Vikings. Virginia Ross would led the stat sheet with 5 blocks, 5 kills, and 4 aces. Mckenzie Mabalot led blocking with 7, along with two kills. Mary Blake Lealand led serves, finishing with two errors on 24 attempts.

#### Northampton Cross-Country Places First

#### By Brennan Waldorf

Northampton girls cross-country teams claimed a first place finish on the road when they traveled to Emporia, Va. The Greensville invitational was held Sept. 11 and hosted nine teams from different divisions. The Jackets were led by Daniela Gonzalez who claimed her third win of the season when she crossed the line at 23 minutes. Wendi Martinez, Olivia Peart, Leslie Estrada Meza, and Keisi Espinobarros Bartolo were the other top runners in the event for the Jackets.

The Northampton boys also had a good showing placing third, with Eddie Maldonado Lopez leading the way with a time of 20:43. "Both squads continue to improve and coach Driscole and I are really proud of them," head coach Rich Wilfong remarked.

The teams' results were duplicates of an event held the week prior at the Franklin invitational. The Jackets will be at home Oct. 7 for a 4:30 p.m. meet that will host Arcadia, Nandua, Chincoteague, and Southampton.

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the Firebirds.

Tense, tired play defined the action to open the third set, but the teams again recovered for a tight back and forth affair. Rehbein hugged the line with a spike for the Firebirds and Killmon responded immediately for the Warriors. Imani Press bettered Sampson at the net, and her sister again brought the intensity this set for Arcadia. They built a 23-17 lead on her serve and held on to win with another spike from Rehbein.

Arcadia entered the fourth set with undeniable crowd support. Their enthusiasm was electric, but Nandua did its best to remain focused. Killmon was particularly composed for the Warriors in the fourth set. She made great saves and along with Sampson commanded the net against a

late Arcadia rally. As the points got tighter, Nandua charged ahead and ended with an ace by Wert, forcing a deciding set.

As the crowd's energy and the temperature of the gym began to rise, Nandua seemed to play their best.

"We were afraid of the crowd, but the girls did a great job zoning them out," Metzger said. "They kept their foot on the pedal."

That pedal and the fate of the fifth set was steered early by the play of Sampson. She had two spikes and a block, and after another spike by Killmon, Nandua built a 5-1 lead. The Press sisters responded with punishing blows to help their team get back into the set, but Sampson was just too much. She delivered on a spike out of a timeout, and the Warriors' lead climbed on an ace by Necole Stravino. Carol Hope Greer gave the Warriors a powerful push off the bench and summed up a theme of depth that played out as the match proceeded. Nandua won the fifth set 15-11. but both teams contributed to a highly entertaining match.

Sampson spoke of her team's readiness to engage the crowd and have fresh legs for a marathon match.

"We put in the work, we always find a way to pick it up the end," said Sampson.

She believed in her team's ability to quiet the crowd.

"I think the turning point was when we got one great hit, we were able to silence their energy, and then our energy picks up," Sampson said.

Arcadia coach Anna Williams is a positive figure and an eternal optimist and she was encouraged by her team's play.

"They played well," Williams said.

"All I ask is they set the tone, they need to do their jobs, they will get it together."



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## **SPORTS SHORTS**

Accomack County Parks & Rec Holds Kickball League

The Accomack County Parks and Recreation Department is organizing a kickball league at the Saw Mill Park in Accomac. The organizational meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 6:30 p.m. at the Parks and Recreation Office. The league is for adults age 18 and over. Contact the Parks and Recreation office at 787-3900 or Wayne Burton at 710-1947.

#### Accomack County Parks & Rec Holds Youth Flag Football

The Accomack County Parks and Recreation Department is organizing a Youth Flag Football League. The league is for children ages five to eight and nine to twelve. Sign-ups start on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 9 to 10 a.m. Contact the Parks and Recreation office at 787-3900 or Wayne Burton at 710-1947.

#### Anglers Club To Hold Menhaden Management Update

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers club will hold a meeting on Oct. 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the Sage Diner in Onley. There will be a presentation by Steve Atkinson, providing an update on menhaden in the Chesapeake Bay. New or prospective members are welcome.

## Sports can be emailed to

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Fishing from the Shore By Bill Hall

On Tuesday, September 24, the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) officially approved its own proposed emergency restrictions on the taking of striped bass in the Virginia portion of the Chesapeake Bay. By a vote of 7-1, the commission set a one fish per person bag limit and a 20-36-inch slot limit for striped bass, also known as rockfish. The season opened at 12:01 a.m. on October 4 and will run through December 31, 2019.

Lower Shore – Jeb Brady, of Bailey's Tackle Shop in Cape Charles, reports that speckled trout fishing has been very good, with both sides of the peninsula producing some very nice fish. Anglers have enjoyed successful catch results by both casting artificials and soaking live baits. A few puppy drum have been mixed in with the trout. Gray trout and spot have been taken off the Cape Charles Pier.

Mark Snook, of Chris's Bait & Tackle, said that flounder, spot, and croakers have been caught off Kiptopeke. Large red drum releases have come from the 9-Foot Shoals and Inner Middle Grounds areas. The shop had registered a couple of cobia release citations for anglers who made the long run to fish along the oceanfront off Sandbridge. Speckled trout fishing has been good in Plantation and Cherrystone Creeks, as well as off the beachfront, south of Kiptopeke. The waters around Mockhorn and Fisherman's Island have produced catches of puppy drum, according to Mark.

Chincoteague — Donna Rae Roeske, from the Captain Bob's Marina, reports that some "awesome" sized flounder have been caught in the canal in front of the Curtis Merritt Harbor, as well as from the nearby bulkhead. Several citation-sized fish have been landed, according to Roeske. A few speckled trout have come from the same area and near Chincoteague Point. Bloodworm baits, both live and artificial, have been successful on trout, said Roeske. Catches of puppy drum have come from the backwaters

and in the surf on Assateague. A variety of species, mostly on the small side, are still being caught in the area from the town fishing pier south through the canal to buoy 11. Flounder and sharks have been taken in the waters off Memorial Park, with more sharks caught from buoy 10, out the inlet and south to the Wallops Inland surf. Rockfish are showing up, but they remain small. Most of the rockfish have been hanging around the bridge pilings, especially in Mosquito Creek. Surf fishermen have been catching a "smorgasbord" of species, according to Roeske, including drum, stripers, sharks, and rays as well as a variety of panfish.

Jimmy Vasiliou, of Captain Steve's Bait & Tackle, said that the island is experiencing some of the best fishing of the year as anglers currently have an opportunity of catching late summer warm water species as well as the early cool water species arrivals. Vasiliou said that the speckled trout fishing has been the best it has been in years, especially north of the Assateague Bridge. The shop just received a new stock of popping corks and Z-Man plastic baits, including the popular "Shrimp Po Boy" and "Sexy Mullet" color patterns. Some small red drum have also been taken in the back bay area. The tasty puffer fish, known locally as the swelling or sugar toad, run is still occurring in the waters of the Assateague Channel. The shop weighed in a flounder weighing 7 pounds, 6 ounces that was caught on the south side of the island. The big doormat hit a large Berkley Gulp bait. Three big red drum were caught in the Assateague Surf over the weekend, the largest measured an impressive 47-inches. Other surf catches included bluefish to 28 inches, spot, and pompano. Vasiliou said that the shop maintains a good supply of fresh bait for the surf fisherman. Offshore boats have returned with a mixture of wahoo, mahi, and yellowfin tuna.

Upper Shore – Alan Ring, at the Sea Hawk Sports Center, reports that the speckled trout bite remains "really good" on the Chesapeake Bay. Anglers have enjoyed success using popping corks with Bass Assassins, as well as Gambler soft plastics. The trout have been caught over grass



Photo courtesy of Captain Steve's Bait & Tackle Todd Cotherman landed three flounder weighing up to 7 pounds, 6 ounces in the waters off Chincoteague.

flats and around structure, according to Ring. The Maryland rockfish season is still under way with paddletails fished on jigheads and Rap 10s proving successful while fishing along structure. The stripers are also hitting top water baits early in the morning. A few red drum and cobia have been caught over the Middle Ground and around the American Mariner target ship off Smith Island. On the seaside, Ring said

that there are still some flounder inside the inlets, when you can find clean water.

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.

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#### **Special Section: Northampton Agricultural County Fair** 2019 Fair Promises Good, Old-Fashioned Farm Fun

#### By Connie Morrison

The Northampton Agricultural County Fair, now in its fourth year, returns to Machipongo this weekend, with good, old-fashioned fun. Events will run Saturday, Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

More than 1,000 people are expected to descend on the grounds of the former middle school in Machipongo for friendly competition and family friendly activities and exhibits.

Competitive events include a skillet throwing contest, a baking contest for pies and sweet potato biscuits, a rolla-keg race, tractor races, and pumpkin painting.

The skillet-throwing event is a crowd favorite, said Northampton Chamber of Commerce Director Laura Dodson.

"It's just something so unique," she said of its appeal. "Anyone over age

18 can participate by signing up that morning."

Food vendors will be serving crabcakes and other food items. Quail Cove donuts are in high demand. "The're very Eastern Shore friendly," Dodson said.

Baked entries must be delivered by 10:30 a.m. to the pie baking contest table with a list of ingredients, and the entrant's name and phone number.

There are two competitive age groups: 12 and under, and adults.

Bakers can choose to make pecan, sweet potato, or apple pie. The more homemade ingredients used, the more points will be awarded.

Educational exhibits will include A & N Electric Cooperative's Gaff-n-Go lineman demonstration and a demonstration by the Soil and Water Conservation District.

For a \$10 wristband, children will be admitted to a zone with activities



Photo by Linda Cicoira A young tractor enthusiast enjoys the 2017 Northampton Agricultur-

just for them. A bounce house, animal viewing area, face painting, a corn box in which children dig for objects, and a hay ride are just some of the events in this year's lineup.

al Fair.

A photo opportunity with a mini pony dressed as a unicorn is sure to delight many young fairgoers.

The popular keg race has been moved to 12:15 p.m. this year. The race, which sees teams of four — two people in each direction —roll a 145-ound, water-filled keg down a straw-lined course. The change was made so the event "is right in the middle of the action," said Dodson. "They definitely get competitive."

Live music will be provided by Double Booked.

In the early part of the 20th century, county fairs were highly anticipated events. In 2016, the Northampton County Chamber of Commerce, the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service Virginia Farm Bureau's Young Farmers, and the Northampton County Chamber of Commerce joined forces to bring a fall agricultural fair back to the Eastern Shore.

The first year saw some 700 participants and attendance has grown steadily each year.

"It's definitely fun, mixed with education," said Dodson.



## University of Virginia Weldon Cooper Center Study: Accomack and Northampton Counties To See Population Drop 2020-2040

**By Connie Morrison** 

A population study by the University of Virginia's Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service forecasts 53 of Virginia's 133 cities and counties will lose population by 2040. Most of the declines will be in rural areas, and among the hardest hit will be Accomack County.

The study forecasts Accomack's population will drop by more than 20% over the next 20 years, which would mean a loss of more than 7,000 residents. Northampton's population would decrease by almost 2,000, a decline of 15%. On the whole, Virginia has seen double-digit population growth over the last decade, and the 2020 population is expected to grow another 14% by 2040. Only 12% of the state's population lives in rural areas.

Of those remaining on the Eastern Shore of Virginia by 2040, the study projects more than a quarter in Accomack and one-third in Northampton will be age 65 or older. (The percentage of the population over 65 in Acco-

mack in the 2020 is forecast at about one-fifth, and for Northampton, roughly one-quarter.)

That's in line with other rural areas, but urban areas are mostly growing. Fairfax, Virginia's most populated county, is expected to grow by 15% and Loudon, the commonwealth's fastest-growing county, by 16%

It's a national trend. A February 2019 study released by the University of New Hampshire found "746 counties, representing 24 percent of all U.S. counties, are depopulating, and nearly all of them — 91 percent — are rural." Rural counties closest to metropolitan areas fared best.

By contrast, 9% of urban counties are depopulating.

People who study population patterns generally cite three causes to population change: births, deaths, and people moving in or out of an area (inmigration and outmigration). "Young adults are particularly prominent in these outmigration streams," the study reported.

When young people leave, the num-

ber of births declines. Older populations that did not move, but chose to "age in place" contribute to higher death rates. These three factors together push populations number lower.

Demographic shifts can have profound impacts on everything from business opportunities and workforce to healthcare to legislative representation based on population.

"Seven thousand people ... especially if they are in 20-50 age range, those are your workforce," said Robie Marsh, executive director of the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce, who had not yet reviewed the study. "That impacts your restaurants and different businesses finding enough staff," he said, "as well as people spending money here on a consistent annual basis."

More than half of the estimated decrease in Eastern Shore population is in the workforce age group, generally defined as ages 15-64. That amounts to about 5,000 fewer people available for employment.

Two initiatives are helping to com-

bat that kind of out-migration: expansion of broadband internet access and convincing college graduates to return to the Shore with the creation of high-paying jobs.

Bill O'Hare, a demographer living in Cape Charles, sees promise. "The amenities on the Eastern Shore make it attractive to a lot of affluent retirees and make it a popular tourist destination," he said. "The are certainly signs in Cape Charles of population and economic growth."

Population forecasts are only as good as their assumptions. "The way projections are developed reflects assumptions about the future," wrote University of Virginia policy analyst Shonel Sen in an explanation posted at the Weldon Center's website. The same methods were applied to all localities in Virginia.

O'Hare said that often involves looking at past trends and projecting them into the future. "I don't think that works very well for the Eastern Shore," he said.

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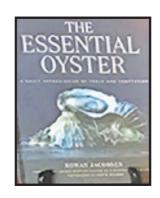
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#### Department of Forestry Seeks Acorns

#### Submitted Article

The Virginia Department of Forestry is seeking 12 species of acorns and nuts that can be planted at its Augusta Forestry Center in Crimora, Va. to grow into tree seedlings that will become the forests of tomorrow.

"Some acorns and nuts can be difficult to find in the region surrounding the tree nursery in Augusta County, and purchasing acorns can be expensive. Each year we ask Virginia landowners to collect acorns so that we can use them for planting hardwood trees in our nursery. By next year, those acorns will have grown into seedlings that landowners across the state can then purchase to plant on their property," said Assistant Forestry Center Manager Joshua McLaughlin.

Virginia landowners interested in sharing their acorns or nuts are asked to follow these guidelines:

• During September and early October, it is easy to pick up nuts in many yards and park-

ing lots. Try to avoid trees in more heavily forested areas because there may be different species of trees nearby, making it difficult to sort the nuts by species for proper planting. It doesn't matter if acorns still have the caps on them or not.

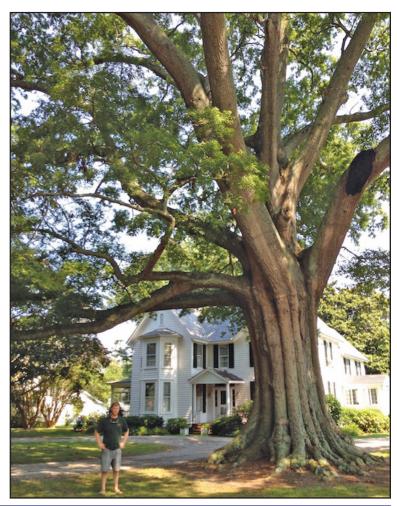
- Place the nuts in a breathable sack or bag (no plastic, please).
   Minimize debris in the bag (e.g., leaves, sticks, gravel). On the bag, please label the species and date of collection.
- Once the nuts are collected, place in a cool area (like a fridge or basement) until you are ready to drop them off at a VDOF office. Nuts must be delivered to a VDOF office by Oct. 17.

The species the tree nursery needs this year are: black oak, black walnut, Chinese chestnut, chestnut oak, northern red oak, pin oak, sawtooth oak, southern red oak, swamp chestnut oak, swamp white oak, white oak, and willow oak.

"Donating acorns and nuts to the VDOF nursery is fast and easy, but the tremendous appreciation we have for those who do is long lasting," McLaughlin said.

Little acorns grow into mighty trees, like this champion oak in Eastville, pictured before it lost a limb in a March 2019 storm.

Photo by Jordan Endahl.





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## USDA Has Funds for States To Encourage Property Owners To Grant Public Recreation Access

#### Submitted Article

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will make up to \$50 million available to help create or expand state government and tribal programs that encourage landowners and land managers to allow public access to their land for hunting, fishing, and other wildlife-dependent recreation.

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service is accepting proposals through Nov. 27 from state governments and tribes for the Voluntary Public Access and Habitat Incentive Program (VPA-HIP).

"These projects are excellent examples of how we engage in public-private partnerships, uniting both public and private entities to deliver long-term conservation benefits that the public, outdoor enthusiasts, wildlife, landowners and land managers may experi-

ence," said NRCS Chief Matt Lohr. "With more than 70 percent of the lower 48 states being privately owned, this program enables landowners and land managers to benefit from offering public access to their land."

Only state governments and tribes are eligible to apply. Projects can last up to three years. The maximum amount for a single award is \$3 million.

Highlights of the new VPA-HIP funding opportunity include:

Up to 25% of the funding for each award can be used to provide incentives to improve habitat on enrolled public access program lands.

Landowner participants must follow NRCS practice standards for any habitat improvement activities. This requirement can be waived if an awardee provides sufficient justification. State governments and tribes can request up to 10% of program funds for technical assistance.

Additionally, the Farm Bill included a new provision that requires NRCS – to the maximum extent practicable – to invest \$3 million of VPA-HIP funding to increase public access on lands covered by a U.S.-held wetland easement. This includes lands enrolled in the former Wetland Reserve Program or the Wetland Reserve Easement Component of the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program.

A webinar for potential VPA applicants is scheduled for Oct. 10 at 3 p.m. Applications are due Nov. 27. Visit the VPA-HIP web-site to learn more about applying for the program or the upcoming webinar. More information is also available in the notice of funding.





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#### Meet at the Table Dinner Returns For Second Year

#### By Connie Morrison

Local artists, chefs, farmers, watermen, distillers, and brewers are inviting Eastern Shore residents to their collective table Oct. 19 for the second benefit dinner.

The event starts at 4:30 p.m. at the Chatham Flower Farm, 31094 Boggs Road, in Painter.

Everything served will be crafted on the Eastern Shore or Delmarva Peninsula.

Like last year, dinner proceeds will be split between the Delmarva Farmers Union and the Eastern Shore Artisans Guild.

The Delmarva Farmer's Union promotes family farms and the sustainable production of food, fiber, feed and fuel. The organization launched a "Certified Delmarva Grown" branding campaign this year.

Limited tickets are available for purchase at www.meetatthetablebenefit.com No tickets will be sold at the

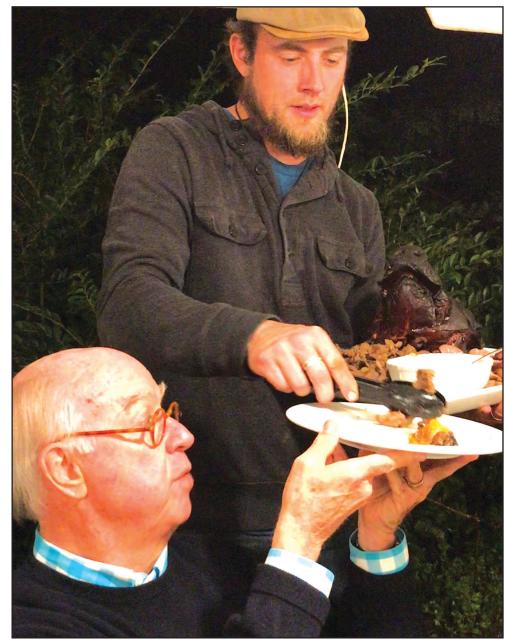


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Stewart Lundy of Perennial Roots serves pork from pigs raised on his farm to Peter Holland at the 2018 Come to the Table farm-to-table event.

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#### Virginia Announces Its Top 20 Agricultural Products

#### Submitted Article

Agriculture is Virginia's largest private industry – by far. As a whole, it contributes \$70 billion to the state's economy every year. According to the latest data from the USDA's National Agriculture Statistics Service (Aug. 30, 2019), these are the state's top grossing products right now, also known as farm cash receipts:

\*All numbers in millions, rounded to the nearest thousand

1. Broiler (chickens)	\$935
2. Cattle and calves	\$413
3. Greenhouse/Nursery	\$306
4. Dairy Products	\$285
5. Turkeys	\$236
6. Soybeans	\$225
7. All other animals and pr	$oducts^1$
	\$215
8. Corn (for grain)	\$175
9. Floriculture	\$146
10. Hay	\$118
11. Eggs (chickens)	\$101
12. Tobacco	\$ 97

13. Cotton lint	\$ 64
14. Hogs	\$ 44
15. Wheat	\$ 43
16. Apples	\$ 37
17. Peanuts	\$ 26
18. Tomatoes	\$ 22
19. Potatoes	\$ 19
20. Pumpkins	\$ 10

<sup>1</sup>All Other Animals includes horses, aquaculture, and other misc. animals

This is the first year that pump-kins entered the Top 20 list. The 2018 crop brought in \$10,343,000 in cash receipts from 3,500 harvest acres of commercial pumpkins. This does not include those grown for pick-your-own patches. It is also the first year for floriculture, or flower farming, which debuted at #9. Flower agritourism is also growing in Virginia, with cut-your-own farms, sunflower mazes and educational events such as floral arranging or flower teas.

Crops and animals that just missed the list include trout, honey, barley and mink pelts.

## In Eastern Shore Agriculture, Poultry Rules the Roost

#### **By Connie Morrison**

Accomack and Northampton might be number one and two in the state for grain production, but poultry farming is the economic engine.

In 2017, 29.3 million broiler chickens were produced in Accomack County. But a large share of grain produced in the two counties also went to chicken production.

Delmarva chicken companies purchased 93 million bushels of corn, 41 million bushels of soybeans, and 266,800 bushels of wheat for chicken feed in 2018, according to a survey of producers by Delmarva Poultry Industry, the regional poultry trade association.

Accomack farmers harvested 3.2 million bushels of corn, 1.3 million bushels of soybeans, and 594,360

bushels of wheat in 2017. "Often, grain farmers benefit from a slight price premium because there is so much chicken-fueled demand for field crops here," said DPI spokesperson James Fisher.

Of Virginia's top 10 agricultural counties, Accomack is third in agricultural sales, with \$172 million in cash receipts, and Northampton is seventh with \$93 million. Livestock and poultry accounted for 65% of Accomack's agricultural sales (112 million), with crops and aquaculture constituting most of the remaining 29%.

Northampton's 142 farms produce \$96 million in sales. Crops were the largest sector, contributing about 71 percent of agricultural sales, with aquaculture accounting for 29 percent.

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#### Millions and Millions of Bushels

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#### Health Matters Free Breast Exams, Flu Shots

#### **Courtesy of the Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital**

n celebration of Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, Riverside Shore Cancer Center is hosting a free Breast Cancer Screening event on Wednesday, Oct. 9, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Attendees will receive a free clinical breast examination by a nurse practitioner who will check for lumps or other physical changes to the breast and surrounding areas. If any follow up is needed, personalized assistance will be available to streamline the process. Space for the examinations is limited, so appointments are required.

For more information, go to the Riverside Shore Memorial Facebook page at www.facebook.com/riversideshorememorial Appointments can be made by calling 302-2600.

Free flu shots will be available for ages 14 and up while supplies last Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Conference Rooms 1 and 2, in Onley.

The flu, short for influenza, is a cona virus. It can cause mild to severe ill-

ness. Serious outcomes of flu infection can result in hospitalization or death. Some people, such as older adults, young children, and people with certain health conditions, are at high risk for serious flu complications.

While the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) report that the flu season is unpredictable and constantly changing, with the severity and length of each season changing from year to year, flu season in the U.S. generally runs through the fall and winter.

The unknowns of the season underscore the importance to get vaccinated, the CDC reports, and take every day preventative measures to prevent spreading the virus, including staying away from sick people, washing hands frequently, and staying home from work and school when sick to prevent exposing others.

Getting vaccinated before flu activity begins helps provide protection once flu season starts. It takes roughly two weeks following the vaccination for the body's immune system to respond to provide the protection.

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7:30-8:30am: Health Screenings (fasting will be required for blood work)

8:30-10:30am Display Board Competition to explain our services

FREE Flu Shot Clinic (limited supply)

Assistance with signing up for MyChart

(light refreshments will be available at this time)

10:30-12noon: Healthy Food Demo -Kelly Honeycutt, Registered Dietitian

**12-1pm: Break -** Eat at the Café & visit the Gift Shop (discounts available)

1-4:30pm: Health Presentations & Community Resources

1-2pm: Stroke Education - Dr. Robert Paschall

2-2:30pm: Riverside on The Shore - Sally Schreiber

2:30pm-3pm: Hospice Services - Dr. James McDaniel

3-4:30pm: Community Services Board & RSMH Partnership

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#### Free PRMC Drive-Thru Flu Clinic

Peninsula Regional Medical Center's Drive-Thru Flu Clinic is returning for its 25th season on Friday, Oct. 11, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Arthur W. Perdue (Shorebirds) Stadium at the intersection of Route 50 and Hobbs Road in Salisbury. Md. Vaccinations will be available for ages 13 or older (13-17 bring a parent or legal guardian to sign consent). A physician's order is not necessary. Flu shots at the PRMC Drive-Thru Clinic will be free.

Flu vaccinations are encouraged for anyone over the age of 6 months, but especially for people over the age of 65, people with heart or lung disorders, immunosuppressant diseases or diabetes. Participants are encouraged to wear a short-sleeved shirt that will provide easy access to the upper arm.

## Community Notes

#### **Cape Charles**

The Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi Celebration and Blessing of the Pets will be Saturday, Oct. 5, at 11 a.m., at St. Charles Catholic Church, 549 Randolph Ave. A nonperishable food donation or monetary donation will be accepted to benefit the SPCA. For additional information, call 331-2206.

#### **Eastville**

Trunk or Treat will be Friday, Oct. 18, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Northampton High School in the parking lot. Volunteers are needed to open up their caars and give out tasty treats. For more information, email iturner@ncpsk12.com

#### Onancock

The Saint Francis of Assisi Day Blessing of the Pets will be Sunday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m., at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St. (outside in the playground area.) Donations will be accepted to benefit the SPCA. The SPCA will also bring adoptable pets to the function. Bring your own chair.

The Paint Onancock Show and Sale will be Friday, Oct. 4, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Red Queen Gallery, 57 Market St. The judge is Charlotte Heath and there will be first, second, third prizes, honorable mentions, best in show, people's choice, and artists' choice. For more information, call 787-4040.

The Eastern Shore Art League Member Show opens Friday, Oct. 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Historic Onancock School. The gala will feature wine, hors d'oeuvres, and music from Dade Walker.

Onancock International Films will present "Tel Aviv on Fire" Thursday, Oct. 10, at 8 p.m., at the Roseland Theatre. Tickets are \$8. Season passes are \$25 and available for purchase at The Book Bin.

#### Onley

Family Fun Day and Mini Carnival, to celebrate diversity and abilities, will be Saturday, Oct. 5, from noon to 4 p.m., at Nandua High School. The first 100 people to register will receive a free T-shirt. There will be a DJ, carnival games, food, dance presentations, door prizes, and more. For more information, call Accomack County Parks and Recreation at 787-3900.

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The Woman's Club of Accomack County Indoor Fall Yard Sale will be Saturday, Oct. 12, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the clubhouse on Richmond Ave.

#### Wallops

International Observe the Moon Night will be Saturday, Oct. 5, from 7 to 9:30 p.m., at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center. There will be a presentation on the moon, then everyone will view the moon through telescopes.

## LGBTQ+ MIX AND MINGLE AWARENESS EVENT Submitted Article

The Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ESCADV) is sponsoring an LGBTQ+ Mix and Mingle awareness event Saturday, Oct. 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., in the Great Hall at Eastern Shore Community College, in Onley. ESCADV staff has been participating in a statewide Underserved Populations Learning Collaborative for the past 12 months and the need for additional inclusion of the LGBTQ+ community was recognized.

Members of the LGBTQ+ community and their supporters are invited to join ESCADV to learn more about ESCADV's services and domestic violence and sexual assault within the community. Food (pizza, veggie tray, and cheese/cracker tray), beer, wine, and nonalcoholic beverages will be included. There will also be raffles every half hour. Contact Jon-Christopher Bulin at jbulin@escadv.org or 757-787-1959 for more information or to RSVP.

#### TOWN OF PAINTER NOTICE OF MEETINGS AND JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

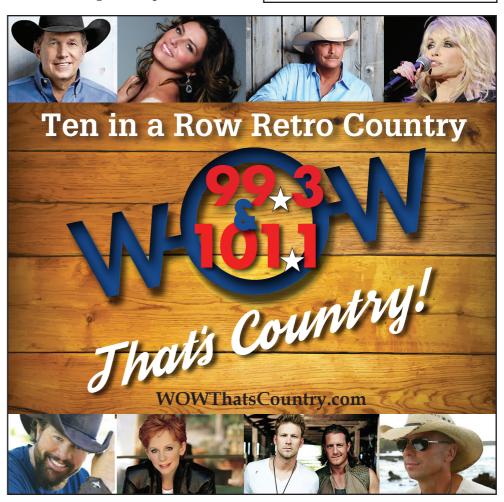
Notice is hereby given that the regular monthly meeting of the Town of Painter Town Council will be postponed, for the month of October 2019 only, from October 14, 2019, to October 21, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. due to the federal and state holiday on October 14.

Pursuant to Va. Code §15.2-2204, notice is hereby given that the Town of Painter Town Council, during its October monthly meeting, and the Town of Painter Planning Commission, during a special meeting of such Commission, will hold a joint public hearing on the matters specified below on Monday, October 21, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. at the Painter Town Office, at 17118 Wayside Drive, Painter, VA 23420. The matters to be considered are the following Town Council initiated proposed amendments to the Painter Zoning Ordinance:

**Proposal #1:** To delete §§ III-2.2 C and III-2.3 C to conform the town zoning ordinance with federal law (42 U.S.C §§ 5401-5426) and the federal regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

**Proposal #2:** To amend \$III-2.2 A to require a minimum floor area of one thousand one hundred (1100) square feet for single-family dwellings in the R-M district.

The public may inspect the proposals at the Town Office prior to the public hearing. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission may provide its recommendations to the Town Council, and the Town Council may act upon the proposals and recommendations without further notice.







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- David Ricky Dean Helms, 20, and Diana Coleen Rose, 19, both of Greenbackville
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- Stephen Marshall Johnston, 22, and Amanda Nicole Keefer, 24, both of Woodbridge, Va.
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#### Shore Christian Academy: See You at the Pole

See You at the Pole Day, a nationwide event where students meet before school to pray, was held Wednesday, Sept. 25, at Shore Christian Academy in Exmore. Approximately 35 people, including students, teachers, and family members of students, prayed for over 20 minutes in front of the flagpole.

Send your mileposts and community events to angie@easternshorepost.com



#### **Captain's Cove Residents Participate in CERT Training**

Fall 2019 Eastern Shore Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training course graduates are pictured above from left: Nancy Bealer, Ben Showalter, Jeanie Showalter, Sandy Reed, Shirley Keating, Raymond DeLoe, Mary Jo DeLoe, Thomas Wozar, Barry Magrogan, and Billy Reed.

For more information about Community Emergency Response Team training, contact J.J. Justis at 302-4267.



#### Atlantic High Class of 1969 Reunion

The Atlantic High School Class of 1969 recently held its 50th class reunion at the Island House Restaurant. Among the 40 attendees were 18 former classmates, a number of spouses, four former teachers, and Barbara Gray, widow of former Atlantic High teacher and Arcadia High principal Jack Gray.

Pictured above from left are attendees (seated) Betty (Baker) Tringali, Jody (Weaver) Greene, Vickie (Holland) Ashby, and Polly (Smith) Melvin; (middle row) Tommy Matthews, Ann (Glenn) Bonniwell, Donnie Shoemaker, Linda (Taylor) Abel, Billy Smith, and Peggy (Hunter) Baldwin; (back row) Carol (Thornton) Purdy, William Taylor, Mike Thomas, Eddie Kelley, Debbie (Hurley) Blanchard, the Rev. Jimmy Maddox, and Cheryl (Sherry Darby) McArthur. Classmate Debbie (Smith) Morris attended but was unavailable for the group photo.





#### Harborton Public Facility Annual Yard Sale

Farmers Market - October 12, 2019 Rain Date: October 19, 2019 8am until

Refreshments will be on sale Welcome all Artists, Crafters and Yard Salers

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#### **FRIDAY OCT.** 4

★5-8 p.m. -Station 1 Pizza Night

- 4264 Firehouse St., New Church - \$12/pizza, \$1/additional topping (sausage and pepperoni) drive-through and tables ★7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486 **★**7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven - doors open at 6:30 p.m.

#### **OCT. 5**

SATURDAY \*8 a.m.-2 p.m. - Annual Bazaar - Christ Episcopal Church parish house, Eastville - baked goods, white elephant ★9 a.m.-noon - Onancock Farmers and Artisans

Market - corner of Market St. and Ames St.

★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Farmers and Artisans Market -

Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague

★9:30 a.m. - E.S. Cancer Support Group mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley -\$5/breakfast

★11 a.m.-2 p.m. - Ribs Dinner Fundraiser - New Allen Memorial AME Church, Franktown - \$10/dinner (includes sides and cake) - 442-9065

★noon and 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock

★1 p.m. - Free Art Class for Kids - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.





#### **SUNDAY OCT.** 6

★8 a.m. - **UMM mtg.** -Craddockville UMC **★**11 a.m. - **Meditation** 

**Group** - train station, Onley

★2 p.m. - **Bingo** - VFW Post 2296, Tasley

#### MONDAY **OCT.** 7

★11 a.m. - Northampton Chap. AARP mtg. -Cheriton Rescue Squad

**★**1-4 p.m. - CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday:

Card, Word, and Board Games - Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague

★5:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Onancock UMC, 75 Market St.

★5:30-6:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock

★6 p.m. - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley

★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Cape Charles Rescue Station, 22215 S. Bayside Rd.

★6-9 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall

★6:15 p.m. - Central Shore Lions Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley

★6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg. - Grace UMC, Parksley

★7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church food served at 6 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY **OCT.** 9

★7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley

★10 a.m. - TOPS mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718 ★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Veterans' Employment Representative

Avail. - ESCC, Melfa - no appt. needed

★10:30-11:30 a.m. - Overeaters Anonymous mtg. - Rock Church, Onley -757-655-4834

★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Soup Kitchen - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore

★noon - Waste Watchers' mtg. - Chamber of Commerce, Melfa

★noon - AA mtg. - Onancock UMC, 75 Market St.

★5-7 p.m. - Soup Kitchen and Clothes Closet - Grace and Truth Ministries, 19 Boundary Ave., Onancock - 789-5369

★5:30-6:30 p.m. - Free Meals for the Hungry - Epworth UMC, Exmore - 442-6391

★6 p.m. - Onancock Area Lions Club mtg. - Club Car Cafe, Parksley

★6-7 p.m. - Prayer Line Open - St. Matthew's Church, Onley - Call 665-7403, 387-7021, or 894-1521 w/prayer requests

★6-7:30 p.m. - Free Beginners' Line Dance Lessons - Little Italy. Nassawadox

★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - Cape Charles Rescue Station, 22215 S. Bayside Rd.

★6-9 p.m. - **GED Class** - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall

★6:45 p.m. - Bingo - St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Onley - doors open at 5:30 p.m.

★7 p.m. - Drinking Liberally mtg. - Charlotte Hotel, 7 North St., Onancock

★7 p.m. - AA and Al-Anon mtgs. - Franktown UMC

★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC

#### **TUESDAY OCT. 8**

★9 a.m. - E.S. Community Services Board mtg. - E.S. Behavioral Healthcare Center, 19056 Greenbush Rd., Parksley

★9 a.m. - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague

★10 a.m. - Bingo - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock - 787-3900

★10 a.m. - Zumba Class - Franktown UMC

★10:30 a.m. - Duplicate Bridge - Island House, Wachapreague - 787-2432

★2:30-4 p.m. - Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg. -Downing's UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall - 789-5000

★3-6 p.m. - Cape Charles Farmers Market - 814 Randolph Ave.

★6 p.m. - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486 (call for location)

★6 p.m. - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA

★6-8 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages Class -

Pungoteague Elementary School - 789-1761

★6-8:30 p.m. - **GED Class** - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa

★6:30 p.m. - American Legion Post 56 mtg. - Chapter Bldg., 21210 N.

Bayside Rd., Cheriton

★6:30 p.m. - **Depression Support Group mtg.** - Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC, Melfa - 757-350-5039

★7:30 p.m. - **Bingo** - Cheriton VFC - smoke free

★7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Atlantic UMC

★7:30 p.m. - Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg. - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague

#### **OCT. 10**

THURSDAY | \*8:30 a.m.-noon - Veterans' Employment Representative **Avail.** - Northampton Ctv. Dept. of Social Services - no appt. needed

★10:30 a.m. - Story Time - Cape Charles Memorial Library

★5:30 p.m. - TOPS VA-550 mtg. - Zion Baptist Church, Parksley - 787-7099

★5:30 p.m. - Shore Losers mtg. - Drummondtown Baptist Church, Accomac - \$1/wk.

★6-8 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages Class -

Pungoteague Elementary School - 789-1761

★6-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa

★6:30 p.m. - Kiwanis Club mtg. - St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chincoteague

★6:30 p.m. - **Al-Anon. mtg.** - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles

★7 p.m. - Fall Revival (Oct. 10-11) - New Metompkin Baptist Church, Parkslev

★7 p.m. - E.S. Tea Party mtg. - Market St. Grill, Onancock

★7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague

Church of God, 5252 Woodland Dr.

★7 p.m. - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC

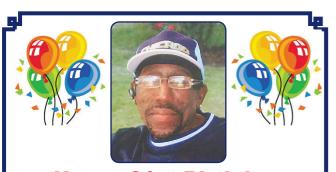
★8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague



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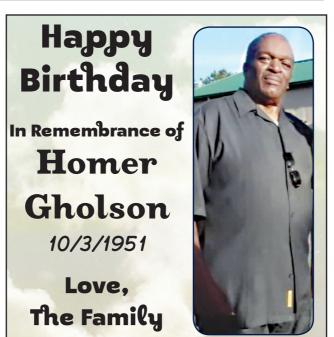
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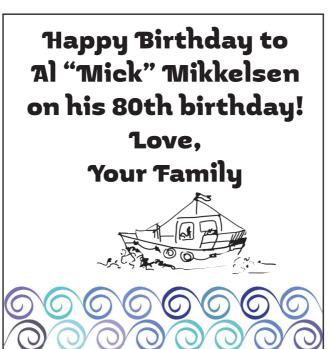




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The Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting employment applications for the position of:

#### **Jail Medic**

This position will be working in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and the job will require shift work, days, evenings, some weekends and some holidays.

Qualifications: You must be over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED and current Driver's License. Applicant must possess at a minimum the following: A current LPN or higher certification with work experience preferred. Will be required to be on call at times. The Jail Medic is responsible for performing medical services for the inmates of the Eastern Shore Regional Jail. Work is performed under the general supervision of the Jail Physician (Mediko Correctional Healthcare).

Sheriff's Office applications may be obtained from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Hornes Eastville, Virginia 23347, or online at <a href="https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs\_opportunities/job\_openings">https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs\_opportunities/job\_openings</a>. Completed applications should be returned in person to the Jail.

Deadline for applications: October 25, 2019. Northampton County is an EOE.

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#### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POSITION: Emergency Crew Worker POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #2019-1-2031

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Applications may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or the Eastern Shore Regional Jail Office located at 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or the county's website <a href="https://www.co.northampton.va.us">www.co.northampton.va.us</a>

Deadline for applications: October 25, 2019

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The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

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The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

- Developmental Disabilities Aide
- Crisis Stabilization Case Manager
- Part-time Driver (\$11.50 per hour)
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation Counselor
  - Mental Health Facility **Technician**

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

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#### RECREATION BOOKKEEPER

Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation department is currently accepting applications for a part-time Recreation Scorekeeper. The position will be responsible for regular attendance and punctuality of all Parks and Rec. programs, including keeping accurate time, score and statistics for various sport programs.

Minimum qualifications for this position are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in athletics. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered.

An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link above. Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than October 18, 2019 by 5 p.m. Northampton County is an EOE.

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Minimum requirements for the position include a bachelor's degree in finance, public or business administration with a master's degree preferred. A minimum of five years of public and/or private sector management with significant experience dealing directly with local government as a manager, deputy or assistant, or department head in an organization with similar or greater complexity, budget and staffing is preferred.

Competitive candidates must demonstrate achievement in a broad range of areas, including working effectively with a Town Council or board, the community, and businesses, and promoting economic development. For a full profile describing the position, please visit www.capecharles.org and click on Employment Opportunities.

The salary for the position is negotiable, within a range of \$85,000 to \$100,000, based on qualifications and experience. Benefits include participation in Virginia Retirement System, vacation and sick leave, group life and disability insurance, medical insurance, professional dues and conference expenses.

The Cape Charles town government provides a wide range of services to a growing number of year-round residents, businesses and visitors, and is widely recognized for its efforts to promote a high quality of life. The Town has a thriving business community with 23 new businesses opening since 2017. The Town's FY 2020 budget is \$7.9 million with current debt at only 27% of its legal limit.

This position will remain open until filled with the first review of applications on October 23, 2019. To apply send a cover letter and resume with salary history to Libby Hume, Town Clerk, Town of Cape Charles, 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, Virginia 23310, Fax 757-331-4820, or email clerk@capecharles.org. Electronic submissions are preferred.

The Town of Cape Charles, Virginia is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency is looking for a Youth Outreach Coordinator under our AmeriCorps/VISTA program. For more information about this outstanding opportunity, please contact Will Weeks at (757) 442-9652 ext 24 or via email at wweeks@esaaacaa.org

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Position Number: L00040 Hiring Range: \$26,819.00 Location: Eastville, VA 23347

Application Deadline: October 11, 2019 at 4:30PM

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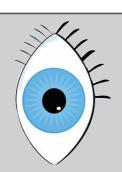
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Inquiries may be directed to: Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services (757) 678-5151 ext. 2013 or mphillips@ncpsk12.com

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# **EASTERN SHORE**

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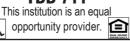
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'07 LINCOLN MARK LT 1-owner, 4x4, loaded w/options, factory 22" wheels, hwy. miles, runs & drives like new, REDUCED \$9,500 OBO. Call 787-4633 or 710-7394.



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#### Yard/Estate Sales

The **Town of Onley** will have a **Town Yard Sale** on Saturday, October 12, 2019, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Town Residents wishing to participate in this event, should contact the Town Office at 787-3985 to be placed on a map of sale locations.

Rain Date: October 19, 2019

YARD SALE - Saturday, Oct. 5, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., 28303 Drummondtown Rd., Locustville

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This is a tag sale in the house and yard.

## Legal Ads

#### **Public Notice**

The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet Wednesday, October 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, for the purpose of considering the following wetlands/ coastal primary sand dunes matters under public hearing and to conduct regular business. The Board will assemble at 8:00 a.m. to conduct site visits.

VMRC 2019-1496: The YMCA of South Hampton Roads is applying for a permit to construct two breakwaters. One will be 216 feet in length and the other will be 460 feet in length. The two breakwaters will be placed 160 feet apart. The area behind and between the breakwaters will be filled with clean sand and sloped to create a sand terrace/beach with enough height and width to dissipate wave energy during storm events. Some areas of sand terrace/beach will be planted with Spartina patens. The YMCA is also applying to install a new drainage system for the nearby wetlands/pond. The primary purpose of this project is to stabilize a high erosion area. The secondary purpose of this project is to provide long-term stabilization of the beach area. The property is located at 6272 Downing Beach Drive and is further described as Tax Map 12-A-8.

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

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

Marshall Cox, Chairman Wetlands Board VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff CIVIL CASE NO. 19CL227

vs.

ELIZABETH B. AMES
ACCOMACK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SERVICES
BURNETT BAINES
FLOYD ENERGY, INC.
SHORE HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

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:

PARCEL I: All that parcel of land in Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, being on Virginia Route 690 and designated as tax map number 093A0A000002600.

LESS AND EXCEPT a conveyance recorded in Deed Book 394, page 313.

PARCEL II: All that parcel of land in Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, being on Redwood Road and designated as tax map number 093A0A0000027A0.

standing in the name of Elizabeth B. Ames, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to determine whether Louise W. Ames is living, or if deceased, to ascertain the names and location of all of her heirs, devisees and successors in title; 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 Louise W. Ames.

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 October 31, 2019, at 9:30 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 30th day of September, 2019 Samuel H. Cooper Jr., Clerk

I ask for this: JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q. Attorney at Law P.O. Box 1410 7100 U.S. Route 17 Yorktown, VA 23692 (757)898-7000

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#### **Notice of Public Hearings**

The Cape Charles Town Council will hold public hearings on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Cape Charles Civic Center at 500 Tazewell Avenue to receive comment on the following proposed text amendments to the Cape Charles Zoning Ordinance: Article VIII, Section 8.20 Design Guidelines; Standards for Review; Article II, Section 2.9 Definitions; Article III, Section 3.9 Harbor District and Section 3.12 Planned Unit Developments; Appendix A Subdivision Ordinance; and Zoning Map amendment clearly defining the Harbor District Overlay.

The proposed text amendments are available for public review on the Town's website, <a href="www.capecharles.org">www.capecharles.org</a>, under Agendas and Minutes/Town Council, or in the Planner's Office, located at 2 Plum Street, during regular business hours. Please contact Town Planner Zach Ponds at 757-331-2036, or by email at <a href="mailto:planner@capecharles.org">planner@capecharles.org</a> if you have any questions or require additional information.

#### PUBLIC HEARING TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF ONANCOCK, VA OCTOBER 28, 2019

The Town Council for the Town of Onancock, VA will conduct a public hearing on Monday October 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in the Town Council Chambers located at 15 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417, to consider the following amendment to a special use permit application:

Amendment to a Special Use Permit application – Amendment to SUP 01:19

Suzanne Johnson/Pickles Properties LLC is requesting an amendment to a special use permit to change the current use from two (2) apartments to three (3) apartments located at 49 King Street in the Town of Onancock. The property is zoned B-1 and is located on parcel 085A2A000002400.

Copies of the above application are available for review at the Town Office located at 15 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417 during normal business hours. The public is invited to attend these hearings and comment or participate in the proceedings. Questions or comments may be directed to Mr. Bill Kerbin, Town Manager, at 757-787-3363, or email at <a href="https://wkerbin@onancock.com">wkerbin@onancock.com</a>, or at the work address above.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT **5:00 PM** ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019, TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:

1. Consideration of a Resolution directing the purchase of real property for public use, specifically a portion of Accomack County Tax Map No. 98-A-22, located at Hack's Neck.

The Public Hearing will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, located at 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia.

Materials relating to this application may be reviewed at the Accomack County Administrator's Office, 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room # 203, Accomac, Virginia.

Handicapped assistance available; call: (757) 787-5726 or (757) 824-5324.

#### NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Jonathan R Turner, (2019016) has applied for approximately 150 acres of oyster planting ground in North Inlet situated in Accomack City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-28.2561/W75-41.1018

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2019016): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search\_applications.php or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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

#### NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Major Bond Jones, (2019068) has applied for approximately 4.9 acres of oyster planting ground in Nassawadox Creek situated in Northampton City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-28.5102 / W75-56.2105

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ing/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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#### NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019 AT 5:00 PM 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:

(1) Proposed lease or sale of certain County property to be used for agricultural purposes near the Hermitage in Onancock. Parcel Number 85-2-1A1.

Materials relating to this property may be reviewed at the OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Room 203, Accomac, Virginia.

Handicapped Assistance Available by calling (757) 787-5700 or (757) 824-5444.

Michael T. Mason, CPA County Administrator

#### **Notice of Intent and Public Meeting**

The Town of Eastville will file an application with the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance to develop/purchase the Town Water Supply System, Police Vehicles, Police Equipment, Facility Enhancement, and Public Works Equipment. A public meeting for comments will be held at 6:00 p.m., on October 15, 2019, at the Town of Eastville Office/Council Chambers, 5248 Willow Oak Rd., Eastville, VA 23347 to discuss the proposed project and to provide the opportunity for public comment.

#### NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Kelley Lewis Parks and Jerry Dean Lewis II, (2019072) have applied for approximately 19 acres of oyster planting ground in Hungars Creek situated in Northampton City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-25.2415 / W75-57.7219

To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2019072): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search\_applications.php or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.

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#### **Posted** at Sea Level By Linda Cicoira

I took last week off and my computer was in the Apple shop across the bay so there was an opportunity for me to become removed from the world. From Tuesday to Saturday. I was in the depths of withdrawal. I couldn't laugh at Facebook or surf the World Wide Web that I love. On my return, I had about 3,700 unread emails.

After hours of trying to get things under control, I am overpowered by information and thoughts that I must share. Opossums are on that list.

But first, why must they spell their names that way? I found out. It's all Capt. John Smith's fault. He named them in the early 1600s while in the Jamestown colony, in Virginia, from an Algonquian word that means "white beast."

Yippee! Opossums are groom freaks and they kill the vast majority or more than 95% of the ticks that try to feed on them, which in turn protects us. They are major tick exterminators that should be held in the highest regard despite that they give me the creeps. "Ticks favor opossums twice as much as the other rodents," researchers found. They kill more than 5,500 ticks per week each and prove the old adage, "Cleanliness is next to godliness" and not the new T-shirt message, "If Cleanliness is next to godliness, I Must Be Satan's BFF."

Three cheers! I have no idea what happens to the other 5% of the ticks. Perhaps those are the ones that attach themselves to an Onancock woman's laundry after she insists on hanging it on the clothesline despite my attempts to stop that behavior. I hope she has opossums.

More than 1.3 million people die each year of infectious diseases transmitted by mosquitos, sand flies, or ticks, according to the National Institute of Health. Ugh!

While opossums like their delicacies,

I prefer oysters. Yippee! However, scientists have found bay oysters are protected from the sun and it's not a good thing. They have ingested sunscreen ingredients from the water and the sediment. Have you ever licked your own arm after applying sunscreen? Nope. Who does that? Ever eaten a raw oyster and tasted coconut? I don't think so. Ever eaten an oyster and thought about going to the beach? Well, maybe.

A team of Maryland researchers found ultraviolet-ray filtering chemicals used in commercial sunscreens. along with antibiotics and endocrine-disrupting hormones, in bay waters, according to the publication, "Science of the Total Environment."

"Every day, we use these specialty chemicals, like antibiotics, like sunscreens, to improve our personal health, and these molecules go down the drain and eventually get discharged out into the Chesapeake Bay," said Lee Blaney, an associate professor at the University of Maryland, in Baltimore. "Until recently, no one has tried to measure them in the bay and see if they're at levels that could have impacts."

This man wasn't trying to say don't use sunscreen. Rather it was more like, "We must be conscious of everything we do."

I don't think opossums will help us with this one, despite that they are known to be extremely proficient swimmers. Is it possible those nasty ticks that were ingested by the opossums were wearing sunscreen and when the opossums went swimming it got in the water and it had nothing to do with us humans?

I don't think so.

I also was amazed to read about plastic tea bags that were used in Canada and were releasing plastic particles into the brew. "Billions and billions of them." Yuck. I think I would have tasted that and known not to drink it. But around 1970, I didn't have the sense not to smoke cigarettes, despite the warning on the packs. That took me a few years. And right now, there is a plastic lid on my hot teacup, and I just took another sip. Wake up world!

And don't forget, it's October also known as my birthday month, and I will be accepting cards and presents.

#### Childress Has Knowledge and Temperament To Be Treasurer

Dear Editor:

I'm writing in support of Brandy Custis Childress for Treasurer of Accomack County. I've known Brandy for quite some time and trust that she will bring a welcomed change to that office. Brandy's experience within the banking industry, alone, makes her a formidable candidate. After hearing her ideas, I have no doubt that she will show no favoritism and treat everyone fairly. Join me on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2019, and vote for Brandy Custis Childress, Accomack County Treasurer. It's a fiscally sound decision.

Jamie Collins, Melfa

#### POLITICAL ENDORSEMENTS

The last candidate endorsement letters to the editor will be printed Oct. 25. The last edition before the Nov. 5 election is Nov. 1. Only letters from the candidates will be printed Nov. 1.

Political endorsements must be fewer than 250 words. We will print as many as we can. As always, choice of which letters to print is at the full discretion of the Eastern Shore Post.

#### Post Op-Ed Page

#### Wind Energy Has Downsides

Dear Editor:

I read in the Post that a Virginia offshore wind farm has been approved, although I don't recall any hearings involving commercial fishermen. Offshore wind farms change ocean currents and the vibrations drive away fish. This has happened off England.

Wind farms, so far, do not lessen the need for conventional energy sources since there is no way to store wind energy. They are not as environmentally friendly as touted. They leak oil and must have their parts replaced, including fiberglass that can't be recycled. They kill birds. They need expensive repairs. They increase the cost of electricity. The article doesn't mention any of these things.

It mentions Virginia politicians talking about global warming and sea level rise. Has global warming been proven? Most scientists say not. The last ice age ended 100 years ago and we are just getting warmed up. Sea level rise worldwide is insignificant. I've been informed that what we have in the Chesapeake Bay region isn't sea level rise, but land sinking. This is caused by a meteor that hit the area millions of years ago. This information is from people with more scientific minds

than mine. Yet, I've never read this when politicians promote wind energy.

These wind farms are owned by foreign companies, subsidized with our tax dollars. If they weren't subsidized, wind farms wouldn't be built. The thing that will affect us all the most is the increase in the cost of electricity.

I'm writing in spite of the ad hominem attacks you printed regarding my last letter. I suppose this will prick more sanctimonious bubbles. People need more information on offshore wind.

Beverly Lynch, Painter



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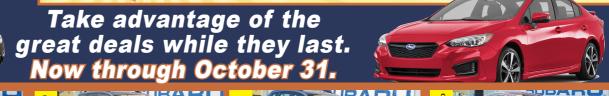






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