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Shore 'hotspot' for potentially fatal tick-borne parasite

BY CAROL VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

Eastern Shore residents should take tick bites seriously and consider tick-borne disease as a possible cause of symptoms, according to an expert. The advice comes after recent reports of serious illness, including a hospitalization and a probable death here resulting from a lesser-known tick-borne disease, babesiosis. Some tick-borne diseases, including erlichiosis and babesiosis, can be

fatal if not treated. "People are so casual" on the Shore about ticks, said Harborton resident Ellen Stromdahl. Stromdahl's mission is to raise awareness, including in the medical community, after an acquaintance's close call. Stromdahl, an entomologist who authored more than 20 peer-reviewed articles on ticks and tick-borne diseases, until her recent retirement led the Department of Defense Human (Continued on page 32)



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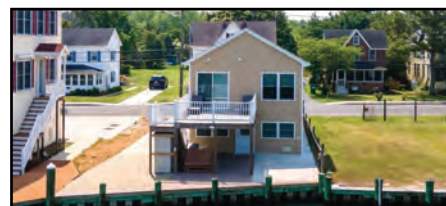
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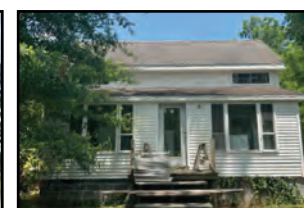
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Johnson files for re-election as Accomack supervisor

Vanessa Kay Johnson, a one-term member of the Accomack County Board of Supervisors representing District 3, has filed for re-election in the Nov. 7 general election.

Johnson identified several accomplishments as supervisor, including the future installation of the battery storage facility, to be located in Wattsville.

“This facility will provide a safe and steady source of electricity, especially at peak times,” she said.

Over a 25-year period, the county is estimated to garner at least \$3.6 million from this project, she said. The project also provides supplemental payments of \$50,000 per year for the life of the battery storage facility. The supplemental funds will be used as seed money for the establishment of recreational opportunities in the northern part of Accomack County.



Vanessa Johnson

In addition, Johnson touted her work to bring to completion a project in the Makemie Park section of Temperanceville that was underway when she assumed office in 2020. A \$1 million grant was awarded for completion of the project that ultimately provided qualified Makemie Park residents and the surrounding Chesapeake bayside community access to the highest standard of water quality as well as the safe disposal of wastewater and sewage.

In addition, Johnson said she is pleased that in the past year, 26 residents have benefited from the instal-

lation of a dominant onsite sewage system and the replacement of four wells.

Johnson said she views the projects as initial improvements and part of a larger and ongoing rehabilitation project aimed at enhancing the health of the community.

She said these projects, among others, “reflect a deep commitment to the well-being of the residents of District 3, in particular, and Accomack County, as a whole.”

She states, “I have much more work to do and plan to do so in my second term.”

Top on her list is to leverage a donation from a local former professional athlete with supplemental funds from the battery storage project. This leveraging will aid in the construction of an ultra-modern recreational facility that is being planned for the

northern part of Accomack County.

“Those who know me know my strong commitment to giving back to my community,” said Johnson.

As District 3 supervisor, she said she will continue “to apply her leadership, listening and networking skills to bring about positive change to both the District 3 community and Accomack County.”

Johnson said she is thankful for the support of District 3 voters during her first term in office and humbly asks for and seeks their support again during her bid for a second term in office during the November general election.

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Items should be boxed or bagged if possible. Limbs and green waste are to be bagged or bundled, not to exceed 4 feet in length or a weight of 25 pounds.

No free liquids such as paints, solvents, fuels, or any other hazardous material will be accepted.

Woman's Club plans fall yard sale

The Woman's Club of Accomack County will be having its fall yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Carrie Watson

Clubhouse, 25405 Richmond Ave., Onley.

It will be held rain or shine. There will be toys, jewelry, seasonal clothing, household items, gardening items, soups, and baked goods.

Yard sale scheduled at ESAAA/CAA

The ESAAA/CAA in Hare Valley will be having a mega yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 5432 Bayside Road, Exmore.

The cost to rent a table is \$10. Call Cassandra Bailey at 757-442-9652.

Trunk-or-treat planned for Parksley

The town of Parksley will have a trunk-or-treat on Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 5 p.m.

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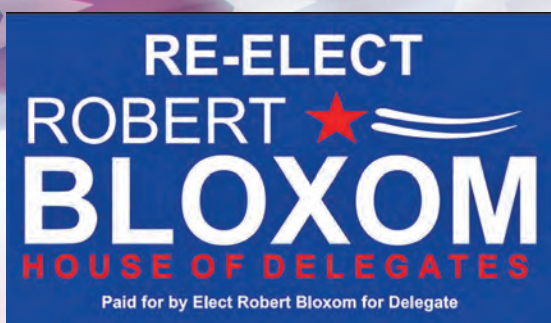
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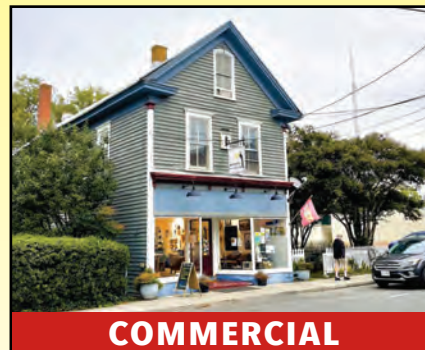
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The seminar, "Creating a Season of Joy as a Caregiver," will provide tips and tools on managing guilt associated with caregiving.

The seminar will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce located at 19056 Parkway, Melfa.

To register, e-mail: easternshore@commonwealthsl.com

Orchestra of the Eastern Shore to perform

The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore will perform "A Glimpse of Paradise."

The concerts will be held on Friday, Oct. 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Market Street Methodist Church, Onancock, and also on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 4 p.m. at Hungars Episcopal Church, Bridge-

town.

The concerts are free, however, donations are welcomed.

Paul Sanho Kim is the music director.

Smith's Chapel, Quinby, sets Good Times Auction

Smith's Chapel, Quinby, will have its Good Times Auction with a fish-bowl raffle on Sunday, Oct. 15.

A covered dish dinner starts at 5 p.m. and the auction begins at 6 p.m.

Christ Church plans fall bazaar Oct. 14

Christ Church, Eastville, will hold its annual fall bazaar on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

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THE PAPER'S POSITION

The soaring costs of the school project

Five years ago a committee of Northampton County leaders met to plan improvements to the structure that houses the county's high and middle school. Back then, much-needed repairs and additions were estimated to cost \$24 million.

These days, the lone bidder on the project, a South Carolina firm, placed a bid of \$99 million. Last year, the lowest of two bids was \$84 million.

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors consented to spend \$65 million on the project.

The rising costs of construction is one issue. Another is that contractors apparently do not want to do business with Northampton County — it is practically impossible to get bidders on the school project, no matter how aggressively they are courted.

Then there are mixed messages from the county.

Supervisor Oliver Bennett likened a slimmed-down version of the school project to "a Cadillac" — he implied that the version now planned is a "Rolls-Royce."

However, County Administrator Charles Kolakowski, said the criteria of future projects being "nice" was "was down the list."

What, then, is the school project? A Rolls-Royce, a Cadillac, or something in which "nice" is not a top priority?

The current brainstorm is to break down large projects into smaller pieces to be completed with local oversight, possibly saving money.

Five years after the \$24 million estimate was first announced, the cost has quadrupled.

Where will the bidders — and the money — come from?

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

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LETTERS

Post missed some candidate questions for school board

To the editor:

Although they were good questions, the questions asked of school board candidates by the Eastern Shore Post don't answer my questions, which are a big deal in this election.

Some of the incumbents voted to allow children of the opposite sex into bathrooms that are not their gender.

I would like to know why they voted this way and if any of the candidates would vote this way in the future.

Also, Accomack was one of the few counties in Virginia that chose not to adhere to the lifting of Gov. Glenn Youngkin's mask mandate.

Why would some of the the school board members choose to not comply with the board of education's recommendations?

These are maybe not easy questions for the candidates

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but the community needs to know.

Greg Smith
Onancock

Does 'shroud' of superficiality cloud Onancock?

To the editor:

On the evening of Sept. 25, the Town of Onancock held its monthly Town Council meeting.

This is when the town legislative body and residents are jointly able to participate in the ongoing affairs of the town. The meeting affords residents the opportunity to respectfully express their concerns and to listen to those with whom they agree or disagree in a civilized environment. This is a fundamental constitutional expression of an individual's right to speak.

The meeting gives the council members the ability to make informed decisions for the betterment of the community as they are the ones entrusted with the health, welfare and safety of the residents.

Onancock portrays itself as a welcoming, charming town

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Letters

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where the town folk wave, smile, and are caring and respectful of one another.

For the most part this can be true — but are these feelings deep-rooted or superficial? This is the shroud that hovers over Onancock.

For the last year there has been an ongoing conversation in town on the effect of a commercial entertainment venue in a neighborhood.

At the town council meeting the attorney representing a residential group was afforded the opportunity to speak to council. The attorney is a well-recognized professional from Norfolk who made the trip to be a part of the meeting and to proffer her expertise to the council. The mayor and council members were very attentive and cordial to the speaker.

However, toward the end of the meeting when the attorney rose to offer her concluding remarks, the shroud of Onancock was torn off and laid bare by the seething anger from a contingent in the rear of the hall. The respectfulness of the meeting was shattered so much so the mayor had to gavel the boisterous protesters as out of order. This was not a hockey game where you expect raucous behavior, this was the Town Council meeting in genteel Onancock! This outrage was an affront to the civil discourse and an embarrassment that such an outburst would occur.

Dialogue and compromise are key elements of living together in a small town. There is no majority or minority, there is only one Onancock, where living together – sharing and caring – are grassroot elements.

James M. Forwalk
Onancock

Supports Connie Burford for District 1 school board seat

To the editor:

I was fortunate enough to have spent some of my time and career at Accomack County Public Schools.

I am writing this letter to wholeheartedly recommend Connie Burford for the position of a board member with Accomack Public Schools.

Having had the privilege of working closely with Connie for several years, I can attest to her exceptional qualities, unwavering commitment, and unwavering support for students and employees in the division.

Connie is not merely a capable and dedicated community member; she is a visionary with a deep understanding of the issues facing Accomack Public Schools and an unyielding dedication to its mission.

Her ability to see the bigger picture and identify strategic opportunities became evident to me as I got to know and work with her in various initiatives where she consistently demonstrated remarkable foresight in decision-making.

One of Connie's most outstanding attributes is her exceptional leadership acumen. She possesses an innate ability to bring people together, foster collaboration, and inspire individuals to work toward a common goal. Her inclusive and passionate approach to benefit the community ensures that diverse voices are heard, respected, and valued in the decision-making process.

In addition to her leadership skills, Connie is a tireless advocate for accountability and transparency.

Connie's passion for community engagement and her extensive network of contacts within the community will undoubtedly be an asset. Her ability to connect with stakeholders and build meaningful relationships has been instrumental in keeping students central in her focus.

I have the utmost confidence in Connie's abilities and character. She possesses the qualities, experience, and dedication necessary to excel as a board member. I am certain that her presence on the board will bring fresh perspectives, innovative ideas, and a steadfast commitment to achieving the mission in benefit of the Accomack community.

I am asking all individuals in Accomack County's District 1 to consider Connie for this vital role in service and maintaining accountability. I have no doubt that she will continue to make significant contributions

as a member of the Accomack County School Board.

Nancy Lewin
Austin, Texas

Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta are non-partisan

To the editor:

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., are two of the three sorority chapters on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

Founded in 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc. is the oldest sorority founded by African American women in the United States. The Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter has been a strong community partner since the chapter was chartered in 1986. The Accomack-Northampton Alumnae Chapter was chartered in 1996 and has served to elevate and educate the local community.

The mission of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social status, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All Mankind."

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was founded on January 13, 1913, by 22 collegiate women at Howard University to promote academic excellence and aid those in need. The Founders of Delta Sigma Theta envisioned an organization committed to sisterhood, scholarship, service, and addressing the social issues of the time. The major programs of the sorority are based on economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement.

Alpha Kappa Alpha is non-partisan in its advocacy for social justice focusing its efforts on voter registration, education, and mobilization. Delta Sigma Theta is also non-partisan with a focus on sisterhood, providing community services, promoting schol-

arships, and advocating for social action. Delta Sigma Theta has worked to serve its community with integrity and includes all community members.

Lise Caldwell, President
Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Janice Langley, President
Accomack-Northampton
Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Virginia Organizing disappointed that forums were canceled

To the editor:

As one of the sponsors for the school board forum, the Eastern Shore Chapter of Virginia Organizing is deeply disappointed the event scheduled for Oct. 12 at Arcadia High School has been canceled.

When an educational event such as the candidates' forums falls victim to petty politics, it does not hurt the sponsors. Unfortunately, the real victims are voters who were denied the opportunity of hearing directly from the candidates on how they would approach, vote on, and support the myriad of issues facing our educational system that impact our students and parents, teachers, staff, administration, and our communities.

CBES and their partners for the 2023 forums — Virginia Organizing, Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Beta Alpha Pi Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., and Accomack-Northampton Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Society, Inc. — have enviable track records of positive community efforts and civic engagement on the Eastern Shore.

However, despite the assurance of a non-partisan, wholly educational event, the sponsors were falsely accused of having a partisan political agenda, discrediting the purpose, structure, and people involved in presenting the forums.

The Rev. Rick Willis
Chincoteague

ENTERTAINMENT

Eastern Shore Post

Friday, October 6

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **HOT DOG BENEFIT:** 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., hot dog cart at No Limits Eastern Shore, 24546 Coastal Blvd., Tasley. No Limits Eastern Shore is a private nonprofit brain injury services provider.
- **COLLEGE EVENT:** 5 to 8 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College will have its homecoming and alumni celebration in the academic building. All ESCC alumni, current students, and former faculty, staff, and administration are invited.
- **SUB SALE:** 5 to 7 p.m., Cheesesteak sub meal \$10; chicken tender meal \$8, at the Great Pocomoke Fair Grounds, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. Call 410-422-9195 to place an order and schedule pickup.
- **PIZZA FUNDRAISER:** 5 to 8 p.m., drive-through pizza fundraiser at New Church Fire and Rescue, New Church. Pepperoni, sausage, or bacon 16-inch pizzas for \$14, or combination pizzas for \$15.
- **PARTY IN THE PARK:** 5 to 8 p.m., The Accomack County Sheriff's Office will hold a Party in the Park at the Sawmill Park, 24387 Joynes Neck Road, Accomac. There will be music, snow cones, games, hot dogs, chips, drinks, and more. Accomack County Sheriff's Office staff will be on hand to talk about employment opportunities with the sheriff's office. The event is sponsored in part by Accomack County Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan.
- **HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL:** 6 p.m., Covenant at Chincoteague.
- **MEETING:** 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Serenity Hour Al-Anon Family Group, Christ United Methodist Church, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague.
- **HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL:** 7 p.m., Northampton at King and Queen.
- **HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL:** 6:30 p.m., Nandua at Portsmouth Christian.
- **HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL:** 6:30 p.m., Arcadia at Washington.
- **HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL:** 6:30 p.m., Hampton Christian School at Broadwater.

Best bets...

- **On Saturday, Oct. 7, from 8 a.m. until noon, Wachapreague will have a town-wide yard sale.**
- **On Saturday, Oct. 7, from 3 to 8 p.m., the inaugural Clamtown Jam Willis Wharf Music Festival will be held at the Willis Wharf Boat Ramp. The event will feature local artists Dee Ervin, Thelma and Erika Peterson, and the Down 'N' Outs with Brian Irminger. There will be live music, raffles, food trucks and more. The event is free and open to all. Bring a blanket or chairs. The event is sponsored by the Willis Wharf Village Trust.**

Saturday, October 7

- **TOWN YARD SALE:** 8 a.m. to noon, Wachapreague town-wide yard sale. Those interested can sign up at the Wachapreague Post Office or Town Hall on or before Oct. 4 to be included in the yard sale map. They can also sign up by email at town@wachapreague.org and put "yard sale" in the subject line. Include a name, address, and contact information. Only the address will be made public for the event.
- **BIRD WALK:** 8 a.m., Roberta Kellam will be guiding a birding walk through the Eastern Shore National Wildlife Refuge. The field trip is free and open to the public. Recommended are a hat, boots, bug spray, long sleeves, and pants. Some areas may be buggy with overgrown shrubs and grass. Autumn migration down the Atlantic Flyway combined with a variety of habitats at this narrow tip of the Delmarva Peninsula provides views of multiple bird species including terns, shorebirds, raptors, and migrating songbirds.
- **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, The Onancock Market, an open-air farmers and artisans market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Visit www.onancockmarket.com
- **FARMERS, ARTISANS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St. Fresh local seafood, produce, and a wide array of arts and crafts. Live music, free admission and parking. Visit www.chincoteagueca.org
- **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Farmers Market at the Oyster Farm, 500 Marina Village Circle, Cape Charles.
- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **AGRICULTURAL FAIR:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Eastern Shore Agricultural Fair will take place at the former Northampton Middle School in Machipongo. There will be exhibits, games, and demonstrations.
- **POCOMOKE FALL FESTIVAL:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Downtown Pocomoke Annual Fall Festival. There will be trick-or-treating at local businesses, a kids' costume contest, live entertainment, a petting farm, sidewalk vendors, and more. It is sponsored by the city of Pocomoke and the Downtown Pocomoke Association.
- **HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL:** 2 p.m., Kenston Forest at Broadwater.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 3 to 8 p.m., the inaugural Clamtown Jam Willis Wharf Music Festival will be held at the Willis Wharf Boat Ramp. The event will feature local artists Dee Ervin, Thelma and Erika Peterson, and the Down 'N' Outs with Brian Irminger. There will be live music, raffles, food trucks and more. The event is free and open to all. Bring a blanket or chairs. The event is sponsored by the Willis Wharf Village Trust.

- **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 10:30 p.m., Dock Jam featuring the Grammy-nominated group and Country Music Association award winner "Lonestar," at Dockside restaurant, 2 Riverside Dr., Pocomoke City. Visit dockjam.com for more information.

Sunday, October 8

- **OKTOBERFEST:** Noon to 5 p.m., St. Charles Catholic Church Oktoberfest Fundraiser, Nectarine Street, Cape Charles. There will be live music, unlimited food, a beer truck, more than 15 artisans, a silent auction, and raffle items. There also will be kids games. Visit www.eventbrite.com for tickets.
- **BLESSING OF THE PETS:** 3 p.m., outside the Parish House of St. James' Church in Accomac. There will be individual blessings, treats for people and pets, and the Eastern Shore SPCA will be at the event.

Monday, October 9

- **YOGA:** 8 to 9 a.m., yoga at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org
- **GAME DAY:** 1 to 4 p.m., game day at the Island Theatre annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague, sponsored by the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization. Info: 757-702-2170, www.chincoteagueislandarts.com
- **BINGO:** Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.
- **HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL:** 6 p.m., Salisbury Christian at Nandua.
- **HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL:** 7

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Be included

The Eastern Shore Post wants your listings for live music, fundraisers, theatrical performances, banquets, carnivals, special events, and anything else that is just plain fun. Send to editor@easternshorepost.com.

Entertainment

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p.m., Surry County at Northampton.

Tuesday, October 10

- MEETING: 9 to 10 a.m., Chincoteague Al-Anon Family Group, Christ United Methodist Church, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague.
- FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- CRAFT GROUP: 1 to 3 p.m., Hooks & Needles craft group at Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague.
- BINGO: Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.
- FREE DINNER: 5 to 7 p.m., Capeville United Methodist Church will have a free community spaghetti dinner on Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 5 to 7 p.m. The church is located at 4410 Capeville Drive, Capeville.

Wednesday, October 11

- YOGA: 8 to 9 a.m., yoga at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org
- FARMERS, ARTISANS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St. Fresh local seafood, produce, and a wide array of arts and crafts. Live music by Ron Cole. Free admission and parking. Visit www.chincoteagueca.org
- FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday. Problems with overeating, undereating, bulimia, or binge eating? Meets at Rock Church, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Get meeting info by calling 757-999-6771 or 302-362-5886.
- ACTIVITY: 1 to 3 p.m., Sit and Stitch program at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org
- ACTIVITY: 6 to 8 p.m., chess club at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org

■ BINGO: Doors open at 6 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Co., 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter.

Thursday, October 12

- CHILDREN'S EVENT: 10 a.m., "Tales 4 Tots" at the Chincoteague Island Library, 4077 Main St., Chincoteague. Stories, crafts, snacks, and stretching for children up to age 5. Free and open to all. Children must be accompanied by adult.
- SENIOR EXERCISE: 10 a.m., Community senior exercise program, Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague.
- FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- FARMERS MARKET: noon to 5 p.m., Snow Hill Farmers Market in the municipal parking lot on West Green Street. Fresh local produce, baked goods, locally roasted coffee, and artisanal items.
- INTERNATIONAL FILM: 7 p.m., Onancock International Films presents "Chevalier" at the Roseland Theatre in Onancock. Sponsored by the Roseland Cinema and Entertainment Center.
- ESTATE PLANNING: 7 p.m., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter presents an estate planning worship on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. It will be held on Zoom. Attorney Jobyna Terry will be the presenter. For more information or to register, call Marie Billie at 757-894-8280.

Friday, October 13

- FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- MEETING: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Serenity Hour Al-Anon Family Group, Christ United Methodist Church, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague.

Saturday, October 14

- FALL SALE: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Woman's Club of Accomack County will be having its fall yard sale on Saturday, at 25405 Richmond Ave., Onley. It will be held rain or shine. There will be toys, jewelry, seasonal clothing, household items, gardening items, soups, and baked goods.
- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to noon, The Onancock Market, an open-air farmers and artisans market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Visit www.onancockmarket.com
- FARMERS, ARTISANS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, Chincoteague Cul-

- tural Alliance, 6309 Church St. Fresh local seafood, produce, and a wide array of arts and crafts. Live music, free admission and parking. Visit www.chincoteagueca.org
- FALL BAZAAR: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Christ Church, Eastville, will hold its annual Fall Bazaar. Baked goods, jams/jellies, crafts, and local farm vegetables will be for sale in the church Parish House located behind the church. A lunch of your choice of four 1/2 cup portions with a drink will be available for \$4. Choices will be taco soup, sausage tortellini soup, chicken tetrazzini, and chicken sweet potato corn chowder, which will also be available for sale at the food table to take home.
- YARD SALE: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Jesus and Women Ministry group at Cape Charles Baptist Church will have a fundraising yard sale on the church grounds, 501 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles. The funds collected will be used to support a new Good News Club in Northampton County. Good News Clubs is a ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship where children, with their parents' permission, can learn about the gospel of Jesus Christ. The yard sale will feature a variety of items such as used furniture (small items), kitchenware, tools, outdoor equipment, sports equipment, books and more. Call 804-677-6068 with questions.
- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Farmers Market at the Oyster Farm, 500 Marina Village Circle, Cape Charles.
- FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley
- COLONIAL DAMES: 11 a.m., The Eastern Shore Chapter of the Colonial Dames of the 17th Century will meet at Painter-Garrison Methodist Church. Dr. David Scott will be the speaker. If anyone would like to join the Colonial Dames, Teresa Smith is the Eastern Shore Chapter Registrar and will assist in completing membership applications. Email her at tsmith6228@comcast.net
- MUD BOG: 12:30 p.m., Old Fashioned Mud Hop at 20305 Greenbush Road, Greenbush. Admission is \$20 and children 10 and younger are free.
- MUD BOG: 1 to 4 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fair Mud Bog, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. Visit t.hegreatpocomoke-fair.org
- BENEFIT DINNER: 6 to 11 p.m., Shrimp Feast Shrimpalooza to benefit the Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Event features a cash bar, live mu-

sic by Front Page News, a silent auction, and a 50-50 raffle. Event will be held at the Pocomoke Elks Lodge, 1944 Worcester Highway, Pocomoke City. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased by calling 410-957-9933.

Sunday, October 15

- LECTURE ON THE LAWN: 2 p.m., The Northampton Historic Preservation Society will present a Lecture on the Lawn at the site of the Arlington House. The lecture will cover the excavation of the site and the history of the Custis family who lived there. The guest speaker is Nicholas M. Lucchetti, principal archaeologist for the James River Institute for Archaeology Inc.

Monday, October 16

- YOGA: 8 to 9 a.m., yoga at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org
- GAME DAY: 1 to 4 p.m., game day at the Island Theatre annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague, sponsored by the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization. Info: 757-702-2170, www.chincoteagueislandarts.com
- BINGO: Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.

Tuesday, October 17

- MEETING: 9 to 10 a.m., Chincoteague Al-Anon Family Group, Christ United Methodist Church, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague.
- FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave. Parksley.
- CRAFT GROUP: 1 to 3 p.m., Hooks & Needles craft group at Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague.
- BINGO: Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.
- FREE DINNER: 6:30 p.m., Cheriton Baptist Church will have a free community chili dinner. The event is open to everyone.

Wednesday, October 18

- YOGA: 8 to 9 a.m., yoga at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org

OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

Vanessa Clark

Mrs. Vanessa J. Clark, 68, wife of Mark S. Clark and a resident of Locustville, passed away Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Onancock. A native of Northampton, she was the daughter of the late Calvin Jones and the late Ruth Bundick Jones. She was an administrative assistant for Dr. Susan Martin for 20 years.



Mrs. Clark

In addition to her husband, Vanessa is survived by a daughter, Shannon Clark; a grandson, Joshua Simpson; and sister, Gloria Doughty and her husband, Bradley.

Services will be held privately.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Wilson Mills

Mr. Wilson Mills, 83, beloved son of the late Goldie Mills and Audrey Belote Mills, was born in Accomack County on Aug. 20, 1940. He departed this life on Sept. 17, 2023, at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional Hospital in Salisbury, Md.

"Bud," as he was affectionately known, was educated in the public schools of Accomack and Worcester counties. At an early age, he entered the workforce in the farming industry. He continued to farm throughout his entire life. In later years, he began working in the logging and trucking industries and would work in these industries for over 30 years.



Mr. Mills

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023, from Mt. Hope Baptist Church, Stockton, Md., with the Rev. Carroll Mills officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery.

He leaves to cherish his memories his son, Steven Mills Sr.; three grandchildren, Steven Mills Jr., Kaylyn Mills, and Georgianna Mills; one great-grandchild, Renya Mills; one brother, Rob "Bobby" Mills; one sister, Dianna Mills; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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

Frances West

Mrs. Frances West, beloved daughter of the late Elijah Baker and the late Mazie Finney, was born on July 3, 1932. She departed this life on Sept. 19, 2023, at Shore Health and Rehab Center in Parksley.

Frances was united in holy matrimony many years ago with the late Nelson West.



Mrs. West

Frances worked for many years as a dietary aide at Arcadia Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023, at the Chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with Pastor Quintavon Washington officiating. Interment was in the Wharton Cemetery, Parksley.

Frances leaves to cherish her loving memory: her daughter, Varletta Dennis; siblings, Rachel Baker, Daisy Bailey, and Ross Bailey; grandchildren, Catina Taylor, Latroy Dennis, Anita Seidu, Demetrice West, Elijah West, Ineta Ward, and Karen Onley; 20 great-grandchildren; and a host of great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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

Please submit obituaries by Wednesday at noon.

William Valentine

Mr. William "Bill" Hall Valentine, of Accomac, passed away Sept. 24, 2023, leaving behind a legacy of a man who enjoyed doing what he loved right until the end. Born Oct. 12, 1946, in the old Nassawadox hospital, he was the son of the late Robert H. Valentine and Elizabeth Bond Valentine.



Mr. Valentine

Bill graduated from Onancock High School and later attended the University of Mississippi and Virginia Commonwealth University. He took pride in being an Eastern Shore grain farmer. He was well known in the local farming community for his beautiful crops on Ravenswood Farms, especially his soybeans.

Bill had a lifelong passion for building and flying his own airplanes. His superb craftsmanship earned him Best in Show at numerous fly-ins with his home-built Hatz CB-1 biplane. In his younger days, he enjoyed snow skiing with his son, wife, and other family members.

He had a great love of nature and animals, especially dogs. Throughout his life he had many collies, border collies, and Shetland sheepdogs.

Bill is survived by his son, Matthew H. Valentine; sister, Carole B. Valentine; cousin, Richard Disharoon; in-laws, Ben and Lori Blackmon, Lisa and Steve Murray, Tom and Joan Potts, David and Sharon Potts, and Gail Potts; numerous nieces and nephews; his lady friend, Patty Jump; and last but certainly not least, his beloved dogs, Bear and Magnolia.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 44 years, Linda Valentine.

In lieu of flowers, donations of dog food (or monetary contributions) may be made in Bill's memory to the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418 www.shorespca.com

Services will be announced at a later date.

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

Arrangements were by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Sherry Bailey

Mrs. Sherry Lynn Bailey, 70, born on July 3, 1953, at Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, S.C., passed away Sept. 21, 2023, in Exmore.

Preceded in death by her father, Francis "Allen" Bailey and sister, Teresa Bailey Gersick, she is survived by husband, Keith Martin Cummings; son, Ren Sebastian Barnes; mother, Ida Lou Deese Bailey; aunt, Norma Faulkner; sister, Beverly Bailey Stetar; and brother-in-law, Edward Stetar. She is also survived by sisters-in-law, Karen Leck and Lisa Tomak; and brother-in-law, John Cummings; nieces and nephews, Marissa Gersick Winker, Karen Stetar, Stephen Stetar, and Kendall Gersick Holleran; as well as great-nieces and great-nephews.



Mrs. Bailey

She received her bachelor's degree in creative writing and fine art and master's degree in creative writing from Florida State University. Sherry also attended New York University Film School studying film production.

She was a passionate student of film, literature, and art and held positions in those areas during her life. Sherry worked for many years in New York City in the corporate world, where she loved going to the theater and dining at fancy restaurants. She was also an accomplished teacher at both the high school and undergraduate levels. Sherry was a beloved and faithful friend to all she knew throughout her life.

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Obituaries

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Interment will be held privately in Johnstown, Pa.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Elsie Webb

Mrs. Elsie Godwin Fuller Webb, of Parksley, passed away Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, at her home surrounded by those she loved and those who loved her. Elsie was born Oct. 4, 1946, in Richmond, a daughter to the late Edward R. Fuller III and the late Betty Jane Crockett.

Elsie moved to the Eastern Shore when she was young. It was there,



Mrs. Webb

between the Atlantic Ocean and the Chesapeake Bay, that she found her true love, Dorthy Lee "D.L." Webb Jr. They were married 53 years ago. Together,

they built a life and a family in the town of Parksley until he passed away earlier this year. Elsie held his hand in April as he crossed to the other side, and he held her hand in September, when she crossed over to be with him.

Parksley will be much less festive during the upcoming holiday seasons. Elsie was an exceptional decorator and collector. She decorated the inside and outside of her home with scores of decorations, especially during Halloween and Christmas. And she never left home without accessorizing with several pieces from her extensive jewelry collection. She loved to talk on the phone, often calling her children 10 times a day.

Elsie spent over 20 years working at Arcadia High School. She started in the library, where she fell in love with the school and the students. Eventually, she moved to the guidance department, from which she retired.

After retirement, she traveled for

five years on-and-off. She loved Bermuda and St. Thomas but not as much as she loved Patrick Mahomes, of the Kansas City Chiefs. She could be heard yelling and fussing as far away as the shirt factory when the Chiefs games wouldn't air locally. Eventually she'd give in, curl up with her dog Nevada on the porch, watch QVC, order some jewelry, and all was right with the world again.

Elsie is survived by her children, Donovan Webb (Bonnie Webb) and Erica Webb (Amy Lewis), all of Parksley; grandchild, Brendan Blackwelder, of Parksley; niece, Lynier Lynton; her loving nephew, Allen Furniss; wonderful neighbors, Betty and Rodney Smoot; friend and favorite waterman, Donnie Kilmon, and his wife, Shawna; dear friend and jack-of-all-trades, Michael Harmon; faithful companion who was always at her side, Nevada (her German shepherd); and several great-nephews and great-nieces.

She was predeceased by her husband, D.L. Webb, and her sister, Mildred "Cookie" Lankford.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Elsie's name may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

Services will be private and held at a later date.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Charles Landis

Mr. Charles Augustus Landis Sr., 88, of Onancock, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Sonya K. Landis; children, Charles A. Landis Jr., of Washington, D.C., Thomas Severn Landis, of Dallas, and Cynthia Lee Rathbone, of Brunswick, Maine, and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by three brothers.

Charles was born Jan. 5, 1935, in Connersville, Ind., the fourth and youngest son of the late Arthur and Helen Mitchell Landis. At age 8, his father chose a semi-retirement and moved the family to Orange, Va., where he purchased a 500-acre farm.

In 1946, at the age of 11, Charles

entered the fifth grade at Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia, where he graduated in 1953 and matriculated at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., graduating in 1957 with a bachelor of science degree in economics and finance.

Upon graduating from Lehigh, he received a commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and was assigned to a special mission activity attached to Headquarters Command, now known as Joint Base Andrews, outside of Washington, D.C.



Mr. Landis

At completion of his tour of duty, he took advantage of an opportunity to travel and study in Europe for a year. When he returned to the United States, he arrived in New York City on the eve of John F. Kennedy's election as president. At a celebration of this event, he was invited to work as a volunteer on the Inaugural Committee and returned to Washington, D.C.

After the inauguration, he joined the Riggs National Bank in D.C. and began a career in banking. In 1975, he joined the American Security Bank, also in D.C., where he was employed until 1991, when he retired as a vice president and assistant to the head of the corporate line of business.

When he retired from banking, he and Sonya moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where their family had vacationed for 30 years, and settled in Onancock. Always interested in endeavoring to do something new and challenging, he built a replica of an Eastern Shore home. His principal interests were cruising the Chesapeake Bay and traveling to countries throughout the world.

While he was not a lawyer, representing himself, Landis successfully brought two Freedom of Information suits against a local governing body and received an award from the Virginia Coalition for Open Government. These actions were considered landmark decisions because counsel for the defendant had over 30 years mu-

nicipal law experience, whereas the plaintiff (Landis) had no experience. The issues were fundamental to open government, and Landis' success proved a private citizen could prevail in asserting this right.

After physical limitations prevented him from pursuing many of the things he most enjoyed, he renewed his interest in studying the history of the Eastern Shore and, in 2016, published "The Virginia Eastern Shore: An introduction to the History of the Virginia Eastern Shore: A Collection of Essays on Important Events and Persons (1614-2014)." In June 2019, he published "A History of a Landis Family: The Line of Descent from Johannes Hans Landis (1521-1590) and Colonel Thomas Ligon (1623-1675) to Charles Augustus Landis Sr." Mr. Landis also published numerous commentaries on topical events.

While considered a "come-here" on the Eastern Shore, Mr. Landis was amused when he discovered one of his ancestors was appointed a member of the King James Council of Virginia, which established the Colony of Virginia.

Funeral services were conducted from the graveside at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2023, at 11 a.m.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Ann Bruner

Mrs. Ann Sturgis Bruner, 80, of Graham, N.C. passed away at Hospice Home after a short illness on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2023.

A native of Pungoteague, she was the daughter of the late Stewart E.



Mrs. Bruner

Sturgis and the late Marian Fletcher Sturgis. Ann was employed by Roses at Cum-Park Plaza for 55 years as a customer service representative.

She was known and loved by many in the community, always greeting customers and

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friends with a smiling face.

Ann is survived by one son, Jimmy Bruner and his wife, Michelle; daughters, Elizabeth and Sarah of Cary, N.C.; daughter, Melissa Rimmer and her husband, Brad, of Burlington, N.C.; daughter, Traci Cook and her husband, Jason; and sons, Owen and Talan of Graham, N.C.

Additionally, Ann is survived by numerous nieces and nephews; one sister, Marilyn Loftis and her husband, Gary, of Virginia Beach; and a brother, Gordon Sturgis and his wife, Faye, of Exmore.

Ann was preceded in death by three brothers, Glen Sturgis, Bobby Sturgis, and Jack Sturgis.

Ann loved flowers, reading, and spending time with family. Ann lived with her daughter, Traci, and enjoyed being able to help raise her grandsons. She loved watching the boys play in the backyard with friends when they were younger. Ann also enjoyed spending time at Atlantic Beach with her daughter, Melissa. She loved to sit on the deck at the beach and count the ducks in the water.

Ann was forever linked to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where she was born and raised on a farm on the Chesapeake Bay. Ann would make many trips back to her birthplace with her son, Jimmy, visiting her brothers and sisters, and just reconnecting to the life on the farm and Eastern Shore.

A memorial service for Ann was held on Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023, at 1 p.m. in the McClure Funeral Home Chapel in Graham. The family received friends at the funeral home following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Authora-Care Hospice at 918 Chapel Hill Road, Burlington, NC 27215; American Red Cross; or a charity of your choice.

Robert Hatfield

Mr. Robert Allen “Bob” Hatfield passed away Monday, Sept. 18, 2023, at his home in New Church. Born April 28, 1953, in Annapolis, Md., he was the son of the late Anna Mae Hatfield of Pasadena, Md., and the late

Ray Arthur Hatfield.

Following high school, Bob honorably served his country in the U.S. Army. After a lifetime of hard work as an HVAC technician, Bob and his wife, Barbara, retired and moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia to enjoy a little peace in the countryside.



Mr. Hatfield

Bob loved the outdoors and any kind of fishing or hunting. His love of the outdoors may have something to do with him being a sixth-generation member of the legendary Hatfields (as in the Hatfields and McCoys).

Bob is survived by his wife of 39 years, Barbara Meldrom Hatfield; son, Eric Christopher Hatfield (Gina), of Greensboro, Md.; brother, Ronnie Hatfield (Kelly), of Severn, Md.; sisters, Robin Harp (Jerry), of Swanee, Ga., and Rose Skiratko (George), of Pasadena; grandsons, Woodrow “Woody” Locklear III (Magin), of Pocomoke City, Md., whom Bob thought of and raised as a son, and Tyler Hatfield of Greensboro; great-grandchildren, Mackenzie Abbott, Dakotah Locklear, and Crew Locklear; and niece and nephews, Vanessa Hatfield, Ronnie Hatfield Jr., Keith Wolf, and Niel Skiratko.

The family will gather privately to celebrate and honor Bob’s life. Should friends desire, contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to the New Church Volunteer Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 218, New Church, VA 23415.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Kenneth Hardison

Mr. Kenneth J. Hardison, naval hero, proud volunteer firefighter, loving husband, and father, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023, with his wife and daughters by his side.

Ken was born in Nassawadox to the late Jake Bray Hardison and the late

Betty Jean Bradford Snell on Dec. 5, 1949. Ken was raised on Chincoteague Island surrounded by a large extended family, including his late grandparents, Charlie and Oneida Bradford.

Chincoteague was always his home; even after traveling the country during his time in the service, it still called to him. Ken loved his country and he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he served his country proudly and with dignity for 21 years, retiring as a senior chief. He commissioned several ships and spent years away from his family cultivating his talents at various schools throughout his Naval career. He was stationed in Norfolk, Rochester, N.Y., and Mayport, Fla., where he raised his three daughters.



Mr. Hardison

During his time in the Navy, Ken served in many capacities, including gas turbine tech, NAVSEACENLANT calibration tech, TECHMATICS ships construction engineer (Washington State), and TECHMATICS resident engineer AEGIS (Wallops Island).

When he retired from serving his country, he moved back to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where his roots called him home. It was here that he met the love of his life, his “woomun” as he called her, Rita.

Not one to sit idle in retirement, Ken gained employment as a mobile power engineer with NASA, working for LGT and Honeywell, Special Projects with BAE. Ken also lent his hands and his heart to many service organizations here on the Shore; as a lifetime member of the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, he became a firefighter, ambulance squad leader, a Saltwater Cowboy, and president, and his photo is proudly displayed along with other past presidents in the lobby of the firehouse.

But he didn’t stop there; Ken was also a member of the Temperanceville Masonic Lodge #241, where he served

as Master Mason and was also a valuable member of the Shriners Khedive Temple and the Eastern Shore Shrine Club.

Wherever help was needed, Ken was there. He not only served his country, but he served his fellow man, and his smile was as big as his heart. Prankster, jokester, friend, co-worker, it didn’t matter; Ken was larger than life in so many ways. When he was your friend, he was your friend for life, and he could be counted on to give his heart, his time, and his opinion, whether you liked it or not. But you can rest assured he gave it all willingly many, many times over.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Rita Gaskins Hardison; daughters, Stacy Chaback, Tammy Watford (James), and Mindy Barber (Kevin); grandchildren, Tyler, Lacy, Blake, and Riley, all of Jacksonville, Fla.; stepsister, Robin Ireland (Lenwood); stepbrother, Buzzy Hardison; sister-in-law, Nancy Hardison; stepmother, Becky Hardison; several nieces, nephews, and cousins; and several close friends.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his stepfather, Robert Snell, and his brother, Mickey Joe Hardison.

He loved his animals; they, too, were family. Of those, he was preceded in death by JD, Tahoe, Diamond, Geronimo, Rebel, Magic, and Angel, and is survived by Precious.

There will be a viewing from 7 to 9 p.m. at Salyer Funeral Home, Inc. on Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, with a Masonic service at 7:30 p.m.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2023 at 11 a.m. at Union Baptist Church on Chincoteague Island, with the Rev. Maury Enright officiating. Interment will take place at a later date in Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 691, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336.

Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home, Inc. on Chincoteague Island. Condolences may be made online at <http://www.salyerfh.com>

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Carl Ballance Jr.



The service for Carl Wesley “Bud” Ballance Jr. has been postponed due to an illness in the family.

The new date and time will be announced when the service is rescheduled.

Mr. Ballance

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Lloyd Kellam

Mr. Lloyd Joseph Kellam, 89, husband of Sue Waters Kellam and a resident of Exmore, passed away Monday, Oct. 2, 2023, at his residence. A native of Cape Charles, he was the son of the late Lloyd Branson Joseph Kellam and the late Florence Manley Kellam. He was a retired pharmacist and a lifelong member of St. Charles Catholic Church.

In addition to his loving wife of 36 years, he is survived by four children, Dr. Lloyd J. Kellam III and his wife, Kathy, of Onley, Kevin K. Kellam and his wife, Dr. Marilyn Kellam, of Cape Charles, Ellen Mapp Kellam, of Onancock, and Robert B. Kellam, of Arlington; three grandchildren, Katie Kellam Moores and her husband, Aaron, Meredyth K. Savage, and Sylvie T. Leshen; and one great-grandson,

Hunter Patrick Moores.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Joyce Kelley Kellam; two sisters, Dorothy K. Rhodes and Barbara K. Morrell; and a brother, George E. Kellam.

Lloyd was a 1951 graduate of Cape Charles High School, where he was a proud member of the undefeated 1950 football team as center and linebacker. He was also the first baseman on the baseball team.

Lloyd graduated from The Medical College of Virginia School of Pharmacy in Richmond in 1955. Upon graduation, he returned to the Eastern Shore, embarking on a 65-year career as a community pharmacist. He



Mr. Kellam

joined the family business, Lloyd’s Drug Store.

During this same period, Lloyd started the first pharmacy at Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital — now Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital — where he taught in the hospital’s nursing school.

Upon his father’s death in 1957, he assumed ownership of the family business. At age 23, he was the youngest drug store owner in the state of Virginia.

In 1993, after much thought and consideration, Lloyd sold his business and worked as pharmacist-in-charge for two drug store chains for the next 20 years. In 2013, he and a former dis-

trict manager opened Lloyd’s Shore Pharmacy, located in part of his original drug store building in downtown Exmore. He truly loved the practice of pharmacy and serving the community. He often said, “If you love what you do, you never have to go to work!” He retired in 2020.

Lloyd loved his work and took special pride in giving many young people their first jobs, most of whom became lifelong friends.

Lloyd was also proud to be the first Northampton County merchant to serve African Americans at his lunch counter. He was an equal opportunity employer long before the concept was established.

A fierce advocate for vigorous education, he was a founding director of Broadwater Academy. He later served on the Board of Directors at Eastern Shore Community College, where he was elected chairman. These were two of his greatest honors.

Lloyd was involved in many professional associations, nonprofits, and business ventures as a member, developer, and/or partner. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus as a 4th Degree Knight. A true entrepreneur, he always enjoyed the next challenge.

Lloyd loved his native town of Cape Charles. He was often heard to say, “I’ve had a lifelong love affair with Cape Charles.” He was in the process of writing a book on his life growing up in Cape Charles, in which he recalled life as the son of a Main Street business owner, the impact of the railroad, steamers, and ferries

on the town, high school football, and his experiences as an altar boy who accompanied the Catholic priest to monthly services at the German Prison Camp.

He loved his “work town” of Exmore as well. He was an Eastern Shore character of high repute.

Lloyd often shared that he had been very blessed in his life, and his greatest joy and blessing was that of his family.

The family would like to thank and recognize Lori Tittermary for her loving assistance to Lloyd these last few years. She helped in countless ways.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted on Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Catholic Church, in Cape Charles, with Father J. Michael Breslin officiating. Family will greet friends at a reception following the service at the Island House Restaurant in Wachapreague. Private interment will follow in Belle Haven Cemetery.

Family joined friends Thursday evening from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to St. Charles Catholic Church, 545 Randolph Avenue, Cape Charles, VA 23310; Cape Charles Museum, c/o Cape Charles Historical Society, P.O. Box 11, Cape Charles, VA 23310; or Broadwater Academy, P.O. Box 546, Exmore, VA 23350.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

ODEC project will improve grid resiliency for Smith and Tangier islands

Old Dominion Electric Cooperative has been selected to receive federal funding to develop an innovative energy battery project on Smith Island in Somerset County, Md., from the U. S. Department of Energy. ODEC’s project will improve grid resiliency for Smith Island and Tangier Island in the Chesapeake Bay and will contribute to national research on long-duration energy storage solutions to boost renewable energy deployment across the country.

The federal funding is designated to advance battery technologies capable of delivering electricity

for 10 to 24 hours or longer. The Smith Island project will aim for a battery discharging 700 kW of electricity for up to 18 hours and is part of a joint submission receiving funds to help bring cutting-edge, long-duration energy storage to five electric cooperative-served communities.

“Batteries that have the ability to store and release energy at controlled times have great potential to benefit Smith and Tangier Islands,” said Butch Williamson, president and CEO of A&N Electric Cooperative.

This project will also serve as a source of data for

the DOE’s Rapid Operational Validation Initiative. The technology provider, Invinity Energy Systems, is a global leader in the production of vanadium flow batteries with high efficiency and long lifespans.

The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory will carry out the techno-economic analyses and data collection for the project to inform decision-making and provide valuable insights into the potential benefits of VFBs.

More information about ODEC and the ROVI program can be found on the DOE’s website at <https://tinyurl.com/4r2nkxwr>

Q&A with incumbent Jesse Speidel and challenger Connie Burford

1. What is your definition of an effective school board member?

JESSE SPEIDEL: An effective school board member must know their duties. They act as delegates who speak for all stakeholders, parents, teachers, staff, and students, and maintain constant, open communication with a broad constituency. They must be able to work well on a team. School board members must understand how to use data to drive decisions and promote educational excellence.

CONNIE BURFORD: An effective school board member is one who keeps abreast of current educational trends and news. They ask questions and seek initiatives and resources to help students and staff.

2. What will you do as an Accomack School Board member to recruit and retain teachers?

CONNIE BURFORD: To recruit and retain teachers, we need to make salaries competitive, offer signing bonuses, find grants to help pay for college classes for teachers to enhance their skills in the classroom, and be more considerate of the teachers that we have on staff. Our teachers are being asked to do things beyond the scope of what they are hired to do. This needs to stop if we are going to retain teachers.

JESSE SPEIDEL: According to the U.S. Department of Education website, there is a nationwide teacher shortage. As a school board member, I will continue working to raise salaries and benefits in Accomack County for all teachers to help recruit and retain teachers.

3. It is difficult for teachers to find affordable housing. What will you do as a school board member to address this problem?

JESSE SPEIDEL: As a member of the Accomack County School Board, I will continue working with the superintendent and the board to raise salaries to help with the cost of housing.

Biographical information submitted by candidates



Jesse Speidel



Connie Burford

NAME: Jesse Speidel
AGE: 53
OCCUPATION: Operations manager for NOAA Wallops
MILITARY/EDUCATION: U.S. Navy veteran, college graduate

NAME: Connie Burford
AGE: 58
OCCUPATION: Licensed practical nurse, certified surgical technologist and special education advocate
MILITARY/EDUCATION: Graduate of Arcadia High School, attended Northampton-Accomack County Public Schools' Northampton-Accomack County School of Practical Nursing

CONNIE BURFORD: As a school board member, I will continue to reach out to all community partners to discuss creative ideas for addressing the housing crisis. One idea that comes to mind would be the purchase of Quail Run. This could be used as dormitory-style housing for new teachers coming into the county. This would alleviate the feeling of loneliness that many of the new employees have after moving here. Perhaps there could be grants found that would offer money to a person who is willing to invest in apartment-style housing for teachers. There are no wrong answers to this issue. We simply need consistency in our classrooms to ensure student success.

4. What will you do as a school board member to ensure the best school experience for students regardless of socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race,

gender, household income, linguistic background, or disability?

CONNIE BURFORD: Every student who walks into an Accomack County Public School classroom is unique. From different ethnicities to learning styles, our children have their own personalities, values, and needs. As a school division, we should adhere to our mission statement that states, "All members are valued, challenged, and expected to grow." Our schools should be a place where children feel accepted and welcomed. While we may not all have the same beliefs and values, a level of respect among teachers, students, and staff is a must. As a school board member, I will make it a priority to continue to be present in the buildings and continue to be available for all parents and students to help ensure their issues are solved in a timely manner.

JESSE SPEIDEL: The superintendent, with the support of the school board, has been addressing this issue. I will continue to work with the superintendent and fellow board members to continue efforts to create inclusive schools. I will continue supporting policies encouraging teacher collaboration, behavior management, and family involvement. I will work to provide funding for these initiatives.

5. What will you do as a school board member to increase parental involvement in schools?

JESSE SPEIDEL: As a school board member, I will continue to work with other members of the school board and the superintendent to provide funding to build and maintain a welcoming school atmosphere. I will work with the superintendent and school board to ensure faculty and staff inform parents about student programs and policies, school requirements, and events. I will encourage all school staff to respect and respond to parents' questions and suggestions.

CONNIE BURFORD: Families are no longer traditional. ACPS has policies that speak specifically

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of parents. The first thing I would do is change the wording in those policies. If parents and caregivers want to volunteer and be involved in the schools, we should encourage that. We certainly need the help. I completely agree with background checks to ensure student safety. Parents/caregivers who wish to volunteer more than once are required to complete multiple online training sessions and have a TB test. At present, the only difference in the requirements for parents/caregivers who wish to volunteer in school, and substitutes is the substitute training requirement. This is unacceptable.

6. What is your opinion of hiring Rhonda Hall as school superintendent without interviewing any other candidates?

CONNIE BURFORD: I feel that the board's appointment of Dr. Hall showed that they did not have the faith in her ability to apply and obtain the position on her own merit. This is very disheartening to me. She has held the position of assistant superintendent for as long as I can remember. At this point, she should be able to run the school division blindfolded. I have no doubt that she spent the last five months of Holland's tenure run-

ning everything. However, the way it was handled gave the impression that if put up against another applicant, she would fail. I guess we'll never know.

JESSE SPEIDEL: In the few short weeks Dr. Hall has been superintendent, she has solidified my decision to vote for her appointment. Dr. Hall is from the Eastern Shore. Rhonda attended and graduated from the Accomack County public school system. Dr. Hall's innovative policies on school and classroom discipline, her vision and execution of Success Academy, her policies to combat chronic absenteeism, and her ideas for increasing tutoring for students are just a few of the reasons she was the right choice. In addition, Dr. Hall has worked for Accomack County Public Schools for decades and has years of administrative experience. She was acting superintendent numerous times and was the assistant superintendent for over 16 years.

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Q&A with incumbent Lisa Johnson and challenger Jessica Lewis

1. What is your definition of an effective school board member?

LISA JOHNSON: An effective school board member listens actively, asks questions, operates in integrity, and supports meeting the division mission, goals and objectives. (S)he functions as part of the board, which functions as one cooperatively even where there is disagreement.

JESSICA LEWIS: My definition of an effective school board member is someone who reaches out to the community they represent for input and concerns. They should be knowledgeable on the policies and legislations as they pertain to the public school system. A school board member should not be afraid to stand up and speak for what they believe may or may not be in the best interest of the students and staff, even if it goes against the majority of the other members. Dependability and availability are extremely important qualities for a school board member to possess; they should be able to quickly respond to any calls or messages of concern from parents or other members of the public.

2. What will you do as an Accomack School Board member to recruit and retain teachers?

JESSICA LEWIS: First and foremost, we need to raise the salaries of our teachers. We are losing teachers at an alarming and unacceptable rate to our neighboring counties in Maryland as well as others states where the pay is considerably higher. Accomack County Public Schools are home to many incredible teachers that have stayed with us and have continued to teach our children for years. These teachers deserve to be recognized and rewarded. We need to put harsher measures in place for those students who are disrespectful and oppositional towards our teachers — there should be zero tolerance for this behavior towards them. Teachers need to stop having their planning time interrupted, ensuring they do not have to take work home with them. Finally, we need to be putting top-notch administrators in our schools that show up (on time), build up, and support our teachers.

Biographical information submitted by candidates



Lisa Johnson



Jessica Lewis

NAME: Lisa Cropper Johnson

AGE: 57

OCCUPATION: Federal government employee, pastor, school board member, photographer

MILITARY/EDUCATION: Ph.D. in organizational leadership from University of Maryland Eastern Shore; master's degree in guidance and counseling (community) from UMES, bachelor's degree in communication arts from Salisbury University

NAME: Jessica Lewis

AGE: 37

OCCUPATION: Police accountability board coordinator

MILITARY/EDUCATION: 2004 graduate of James M. Bennett High School, Salisbury, Md.; 2011 graduate Hampton Roads Criminal Justice Training Academy

LISA JOHNSON: The superintendent and other key administrators bring information and recommendations for teacher recruitment and retention. As a school board member, my continued responsibility includes scrutinizing said information and offering insights. Further, my commitment remains to supporting policies and practices that support ACPS as an employer of choice. No one school board member can do much alone. Through informed decision-making, together the board can advance recruitment and retention.

3. It is difficult for teachers to find affordable housing. What will you do as a school board member to address this problem?

LISA JOHNSON: Regarding the housing challeng-

es, there are many factors outside the control of the school board. Personally, I am actively engaged broadly in community endeavors to understand housing needs and to identify and pursue what remedies we can reasonably. I remain open to hearing proposed solutions and I support current strategies.

JESSICA LEWIS: While I believe salary increases are one of the only ways the board has the power to address this problem as of now, I have heard other ideas being tossed around from other members in the community such as purchasing available properties and/or repurposing buildings into apartment suites for teachers. While I am unsure as to whether or not this would be a viable option at this time, I am always open to hear others' suggestions to approach this issue.

4. What will you do as a school board member to ensure the best school experience for students regardless of socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, gender, household income, linguistic background, or disability?

JESSICA LEWIS: All students need to come to school ready to learn and obtain an education. A zero-tolerance policy for bullying is one that I fully support. Getting students involved in more school-related activities is something I would like to see. Sports and other extracurricular activities are important to help build teamwork, develop leadership skills, and improve academic performance. IEPs and 504s will be followed and accommodations will be met. We need to offer life skills/life-planning/post-graduation transition programs for all students, not just those with disabilities. I would like to push for more career and technical education certification courses to be offered in our schools. We should be focusing on careers in trades just as much as college paths.

LISA JOHNSON: Ensuring the best school experiences involves me remaining informed and inquisitive

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and be willing to have hard conversations. I have to continue to demonstrate agreeing to disagree because no board is perfect. Further I will continue to support board decisions no matter how I voted. There is too much divisiveness presently. We need to keep our educational goals at the forefront and I look forward to contributing to forward movement that puts children first. I hope I never reach a point where I think I know it all nor a point where I am a hindrance to progress.

5. What will you do as a school board member to increase parental involvement in schools?

LISA JOHNSON: For decades, I have observed that parental involvement is an area for improvement. I

will continue to support ACPS efforts that promote increased engagement such as the Parent University, parent advisory board, and parent inclusion on ad hoc and standing committees. My concern is that as a school board we will never please everyone. As a board, we cannot cater to each and every interest group. I believe in the superintendent's action plan because it involves a multi-prong approach to parental involvement.

JESSICA LEWIS: Parental involvement is of the utmost importance. We need to be doing all we can to encourage parents to be more involved with their children and our schools. I agree that background checks need to be completed on all individuals who volunteer or work in our school buildings for the safety and security of our students and staff, but parent volunteers were a valuable asset at one time and this needs to be encour-

aged once again. The PTA, boosters, social media, and apps all provide wonderful opportunities for parents to become involved with the activities and other goings on with their children's schools at different levels and should continue to be utilized.

6. What is your opinion of hiring Rhonda Hall as school superintendent without interviewing any other candidates?

JESSICA LEWIS: The position of superintendent should have been advertised. Rhonda Hall may have been endorsed and recommended by (former superintendent) Chris Holland, but she absolutely should have been required to apply along with any other qualified candidate who wished to submit their resume for consideration. If she was the most qualified candidate after the interviewing process, then I would

be much more comfortable with her as superintendent. That being said, many of the decisions that Rhonda has made since her appointment, (spending \$10,000 on her "inspirational" speaker, and giving herself a raise on top of her incredibly high salary) most likely have a lot of people questioning her ability to make decisions that are in the best interest of the students and staff of Accomack County Public Schools.

LISA JOHNSON: I voted in favor of appointing Rhonda Hall. I have no regrets. Her experiences equip her without question. During a season plagued with learning loss, teacher shortages, and many, many demands, Dr. Hall brings continuity and new vision. Personnel selection is not without public scrutiny no matter who is superintendent present, past, or future.

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Q&A with incumbent Gary Reese and challenger Glenn Neal

1. What is your definition of an effective school board member?

GARY REESE:

- A person who will work with the other eight members of the board with one thing in mind; providing the best education for all children in Accomack County schools
- A person who will support and work with the superintendent to meet the school system's educational goals
- A person who will work to approve and develop the best policies with all children in mind
- A person who will listen and hear the ideas and concerns of parents, students, and staff and help answer their questions or redirect them to someone who can
- A person who will continue to work to increase salaries for teachers and all staff
- A person who will continue to improve our school buildings and make our schools a safe place for children to get an education.

GLENN NEAL: My definition of an effective school board member is one who listens to the concerns of the parents and the students, as well as implements effective policies for the benefit of the students and the staff. A school board member should also closely watch the school budget to ensure that no tax dollars are wasted. When setting the school year calendar, the effective school board member would make sure breaks in the calendar are appropriate for state code but also so the students and staff do not get burned out. We should never have to fear that the school year will be extended. Effective school board members keep the public well-informed of what they are doing and plan to do in the future.

2. What will you do as an Accomack School Board member to recruit and retain teachers?

GLENN NEAL: As a school board member, hiring and retaining well-qualified teachers should be a top priority. The retention of teachers as well as all staff members is a real concern. I feel like the school board should be able to find the funding to help the teachers with salary and health benefits. It seems

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Gary Reese



Glenn Neal

NAME: Gary Reese

AGE: 64

OCCUPATION: Retired Accomack County school teacher of 36 years and current member of the Accomack County School Board for the last 6 years. Owner of a lawn-care business in the Parksley area who for the past five years has donated time each year to plant grass seed on all the mainland high school athletic fields at Arcadia, Chincoteague, and Nandua.

MILITARY/EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree, Longwood University.

NAME: P. Glenn Neal

AGE: 53

OCCUPATION: Self-employed owner of Tools N Twins, an authorized Snap-On Tools franchisee. After the military, worked at Perdue Farms as an electronics technician for two years, worked at Eastern Correctional Institution as a corrections officer for three years. In 1997, went to work for the Virginia State Police for 25 years during which time he was promoted to the rank of special agent and also received many accolades to include the Superintendent's Award.

MILITARY/EDUCATION: Served in the U.S. Air Force from 1988 to 1992, in support of Operation Desert Storm, after graduating from Arcadia High School. Took multiple math and science courses during time in the military.

like Accomack County pitches in for other county employees, so why not for teachers? Maybe if all county employees were under one insurance carrier, health benefits could be made cheaper for all employees. If money is needed for the teachers that instruct our children, then maybe we need to trim some fat from the top.

GARY REESE:

- Continue to work with the board of supervisors and our state representatives to continue to provide funding for teachers, administrators, and other staff members. In the last six years, we together have increased teacher pay by 20% or more.
- Continue to support the efforts of our human resources department on their recruiting efforts.
- Help to expand our program, Grow Your Own. This program helps develop and recruit students from Accomack County to be teachers and come back to teach in our county.
- Encourage our administrators to work with our young teachers.
- Help develop our schools into safe, friendly, and supportive places to work.

3. It is difficult for teachers to find affordable housing. What will you do as a school board member to address this problem?

GARY REESE:

- Being a school member, this is a big concern, but we have no power as a board to fund any housing projects.
- We can work with the board of supervisors and other county agencies to discuss our options.
- Help look for local investors that might want to invest in a low-income teacher complex that a teacher could choose to live in when coming to the Shore to work.
- If anyone in the community has any ideas or is willing to invest in our teacher housing problem, please contact me. I would love to hear your ideas.

GLENN NEAL: Teacher recruitment and retention is a huge problem in Accomack County and across the country. In trying to help new teach-

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ers with affordable housing, it still goes back to salaries. Houses cost money. Landlords that have rental property often have payments, insurance, repairs, and of course taxes. Most of the time they are taxed higher because they are making money off of the houses and apartments. As a school board member, I still feel strongly about helping the men and women that teach our children with salaries, whether it be with pay raises or reducing the cost of health insurance. With inflation, the cost to build a house will be \$150 a square foot. A nice, cozy, 1,200-square-foot house now costs \$180,000 without the cost of the land. Again, part of teacher retention is to make the teachers part of our community and a good start to that is owning real estate.

4. What will you do as a school board member to ensure the best school experience for students regardless of socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, gender, household income, linguistic background, or disability?

GLENN NEAL: There is no excuse for all of the students not to have the same school experience. When elected, I will be touring all Accomack County Public Schools regularly. The best way to ensure that all students are receiving the same school experience is to be involved. All children will be treated the same regardless of their socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, gender, household income, linguistic background, or disability. We need to implement programs to assist students who have language barriers, disabilities, or are economically disadvantaged. The school system has done a good job of ensuring meals are provided for all students in the county.

GARY REESE:

- As members of the school board, we support and work with the superintendent and her staff to approve a plan that works to develop and educate all our children.
- Parents are reminded that your child is important to us. Our staff and teachers are continually working on plans to help meet all the educational needs of your child.
- No one can be left behind.
- Our goal is to help your child grow and to develop their educational skills to be able to graduate, continue their education or have the skills needed to join the workforce.

5. What will you do as a school board member to increase parental involvement in schools?

GARY REESE:

- We can encourage and support our school administrators to develop a program that includes different activities that will include parents and their children. Over the last several years, I have attended a lot of different school activities. Come see what you're missing.
- Update our county and school websites so parents can be more informed about the different things that are going on
- Parents are important. I encourage you to please take time to become a part of your school. You will love it.

GLENN NEAL: I strongly believe in parental involvement. The more parents are involved, the better our school system will be. Parents volunteering is something I would really like to see. Since COVID, we have less volunteers in the schools. Being married to a school teacher, there is no reason my wife needs to stay after school just to make copies of quizzes and tests. Planning periods are just not long enough for our teachers. I watch my wife work until midnight most nights finishing her day's worth of work. If parents want to be involved, they can definitely help the staff with some of the daily tasks

that have to be done. This can free up teachers so they can create interesting and creative lessons. As a child, seeing your parent at school builds that sense of educational importance. Students need to know how important getting a good education is and that starts at home.

6. What is your opinion of hiring Rhonda Hall as school superintendent without interviewing any other candidates?

GLENN NEAL: I'm not going to say that Dr. Hall is not the best person for the job, because maybe she is. She certainly knows a lot about Accomack County Public Schools. But I really feel that the job should have been announced and time given for other qualified candidates to apply, as with any job. Interviews should have been conducted and then the best-qualified candidate could

have been chosen. This is not just an appointment for the good ole boys club.

GARY REESE: I am a member of the school board and the information and knowledge obtained as follows:

- Highly recommended for the position by the retiring superintendent
- Graduate of Atlantic High School
- 34 years of experience in education, all in Accomack County
- Highly qualified for the position
- I have seen her work ethic over the last six years I have been on the board
- Her ability to fill in and run the school system, as an intern superintendent, for the county in the absence of Mr. Holland when he had to step aside with health issues
- Her ability to work with our current staff and the school board
- Her ability to work with the community
- Based on the information above, I stand by the decision of the school board.

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Q&A with incumbent Ronnie Holden and challenger Stefanie Jackson

1. What is your definition of an effective school board member?

RONNIE HOLDEN: There are several components to being an effective school board member including understanding that the role and responsibilities of a board member is governance and not operational. The day-to-day operation of the school system falls under the aegis of the superintendent. An effective school board member realizes that the board must operate as a team, and not individually. An effective board member must have a clear vision and goals for the system and come to the meetings prepared to discuss relevant issues. Effective board members listen with an open mind to all constituencies and upon listening, board members must be courageous enough to take the action deemed most appropriate. They must recognize that board decisions are made by the majority rule process with the understanding that all members want what's best for the education of all students we are challenged to serve. Every board member should treat students, faculty, staff, administrators, parents, and citizenry with dignity and respect.

STEFANIE JACKSON: An effective school board member does more than just attend meetings twice a month and unquestioningly vote in favor of every motion presented. An effective school board member examines the data, asks questions, and is in constant communication and collaboration with administrators, teachers, parents, and community members to find solutions to the issues challenging our schools. An effective school board member listens to and considers all public input when making decisions so that the school division's policies and budget reflect the values and goals of all Accomack County citizens. Furthermore, the current school board's public meetings sometimes last as few as 20 minutes. This is too little investment of time and effort to be effective. Our kids deserve more.

2. What will you do as an Accomack School Board member to recruit and retain teachers?

STEFANIE JACKSON: I will continue the effort to provide both teachers and school support staff with competitive pay and benefits, keeping in mind the

Biographical information submitted by candidates



Ronnie Holden



Stefanie Jackson

NAME: Ronnie Holden

AGE: From the candidate: "Regarding age, I see it not as a limitation but as an asset. My years have endowed me with a wealth of experience, a deep understanding of our community's history, and the wisdom to lead with a steady hand, especially in turbulent times. I am eager to utilize this experience to guide our school district towards a future where every child can succeed."

OCCUPATION: Retired university vice president for administrative affairs; owner and operator of residential rental properties

MILITARY/EDUCATION: Associate degree in business administration from Eastern Shore Community College, bachelor's degree in accounting from Virginia Tech, master's degree in business administration from Salisbury University; terminal degree with a doctorate of education from the University of Maryland College Park.

NAME: Stefanie Jackson

AGE: 45

OCCUPATION: Staff writer, Eastern Shore Post

MILITARY/EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree in English education from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore and a high-school graduate of Broadwater Academy.

reality that, even with additional state or federal funding, raises will never outpace larger school divisions with bigger tax bases. We need to offer teachers additional incentives to come and stay — for example, providing assistance for teachers to find and pay for housing. However, people are also a resource, and I believe there are many in our community who would be willing to volunteer in our schools and help our teachers if given the opportunity. For teachers to be welcomed into a close-knit community and directly supported by people who care — that's something all the government funding in the world can't buy.

RONNIE HOLDEN: As a board member I will continue to advocate to the board for incentives for the recruitment of new teachers and retention of existing teachers. I will continue to work collaboratively with representatives of our local and state agencies to enhance teacher, staff, and administrative salaries and benefits to be more competitive with regional and national levels. Also, we must continue to provide a climate conducive to learning as well as continue mentoring new teachers and providing classroom support. I would like to enhance our Grow Your Own programs to ensure that we are hiring teachers who understand the demographics of Accomack County. I will continue to use my university contacts and other speaking forums to unofficially recruit for Accomack County schools.

3. It is difficult for teachers to find affordable housing. What will you do as a school board member to address this problem?

RONNIE HOLDEN: It should be fully understood that the roles and responsibilities of school board member are defined. As a board member, I will continue to be an advocate for workforce housing for the entire county. I would advocate for a housing supplement for new teachers trying to get established in the County. As a landlord, I will continue to provide housing access for teachers and staff. I currently serve on a committee seeking to plan, design and construct workforce housing in Accomack County.

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STEFANIE JACKSON: As stated previously, I would be interested in implementing a program to help teachers find housing and cover part of the cost of their housing. I also would ensure the school board collaborates with the board of supervisors through joint work sessions to pursue any available state or federal funding for constructing teacher housing, to provide incentives to contractors to build all types of workforce housing in Accomack County, and to discuss a housing project that has been proposed in the northern end of the county, which possibly could be tailored to teachers and other professionals. I also would propose a program in which new, young teachers from out-of-state could stay with host families for a specified period while they find permanent housing.

4. What will you do as a school board member to ensure the best school experience for students regardless of socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, gender, household income, linguistic background, or disability?

STEFANIE JACKSON: I'd examine the available data for trends that may determine why certain student groups struggle, and I'd propose initiatives to address the issues. For example: Virginia Standards of Learning data for Accomack County in the 2021-2022 school year state English reading pass rates were 77% for White students, 65% for Hispanic students, and 57% for Black students. The math pass rates were 72% for White students, 64% for Hispanic students, and 53% for Black students. The 2020 U.S. Census states the total numbers of two-parent families were 76% White, 62% Hispanic, and 38% Black. This suggests children from two-parent families perform better in school. I would propose a division-wide men-

torship program to give students additional guidance from caring, trusted adults.

RONNIE HOLDEN: As a school board member, you must have high expectations and hold the superintendent, who is the instructional leader for the division, accountable for ensuring that the needs of our diverse student population are met. The superintendent and his/her leadership team help the individual building administrators in conducting a comprehensive needs assessment of their school. This assessment addresses the needs of all their students. The principals and central office staff give reports to the school board outlining how they will meet the diverse needs of all students. Meeting the needs of all students is not an option — the board makes it a priority to ensure that all students' needs are met.

5. What will you do as a school board member to increase parental involvement in schools?

RONNIE HOLDEN: As a school board member, I will continue to encourage schools to sponsor activities which will keep parents involved and engaged. We encourage activities that involve all parents, such as open houses to be held several times to meet the needs of all our parents. Increased parent involvement is a goal of the new superintendent. A parent advisory committee has been organized to give parents a direct voice to the superintendent and her staff. A Parent University was held in a workshop fashion to encourage parent involvement. Schools are encouraged to use social media to keep parents informed and involved as well as their websites. It goes back to holding the superintendent accountable for carrying out the board's expectations.

STEFANIE JACKSON: I would encourage parents to speak during public comment sessions and public hearings by guaranteeing a school board member or staff member will address their concerns later in the meeting or afterward. I also would request

that the school board hold town halls for parents to ask questions and get answers in real time. I would publicly announce open seats on committees so that all parents may have the chance to participate. I would work with the schools in my district to reinstate and revitalize PTAs, recruit members, and encourage participation. I also would work to make schools more parent-friendly and allow parents more opportunities to visit classrooms, see what their kids are learning, or even have lunch with their kids.

6. What is your opinion of hiring Rhonda Hall as school superintendent without interviewing any other candidates?

STEFANIE JACKSON: I congratulate Rhonda Hall on her new position, but I do not congratulate the current school board on the way in which it handled the hiring process. School board members knew for months that former Superintendent Chris Holland had health issues and likely would not seek another term, yet they did nothing to prepare for the expiration of his contract in June. The superintendent is the highest paid taxpayer-funded position in Accomack County Public Schools, and the opening should have been publicly announced and advertised. Other qualified candidates were denied the opportunity to apply and be interviewed for the position. As a result, some of Accomack schools' top administrators quit and are now em-

ployed by Northampton County Public Schools.

RONNIE HOLDEN: The former superintendent highly recommended Dr. Rhonda Hall for the position of superintendent, which was supported by the Accomack County School Board. Recognizing her more than 34 years of progressive service to Accomack County Public Schools, her educational preparation, and having served as the interim superintendent, the board determined that Dr. Hall earned the promotion to superintendent. Her relevant experience, proven leadership in the position, and current performance has shown that the board made the appropriate decision. She was the most qualified individual with relevant experience, educational background, dedication, and exhibited leadership in Accomack County. She was also highly recommended by many of her colleagues. Having witnessed her performance to date and the collaborative teamwork, I am in full agreement with the board's decision.



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Q&A with incumbent Malcolm White and challenger Alex Vargas

1. What is your definition of an effective school board member?

MALCOLM WHITE: The primary function of an effective board member is to supervise the superintendent and to make policy changes as appropriate, and in addition, to be a listening ear to the parents and students.

ALEX VARGAS: An effective school board member is deeply involved, frequently engaging on campuses to gain firsthand insights. They masterfully grasp and communicate school challenges, driven by a vision of elevating our system to state prominence. Actively engaging with students, parents, teachers, and staff, they foster an environment of trust where all feedback is valued and protected. Their unwavering integrity and leadership ensure they exhibit zero tolerance towards corruption; advocate for transparency; and insist on administrative accountability. They relentlessly empower our community, pinpoint challenges, and proactively propose robust solutions. Recognizing the purpose of the education system is to teach young learners to grow into critically thinking, productive members of society, they value truth to the highest degree and shield students from sexual confusion pervasive in today’s education system.

2. What will you do as an Accomack School Board member to recruit and retain teachers?

ALEX VARGAS: Before we consider recruiting new teachers, our priority is creating a supportive environment that ensures their retention. If we bring in talent without a conducive atmosphere, we risk losing them swiftly. This means equipping educators with essential resources, ensuring they don’t reach into their pockets for supplies; genuinely listening to their feedback; and addressing obstacles impeding their success. Transparent hiring practices, especially for pivotal roles like the superintendent, are imperative. All board members should have the freedom to contribute to meeting agendas, letting every member voice the concerns of students, parents, and teachers. This rebalance of power and inclusion is crucial in transforming

Biographical information submitted by candidates



Malcolm White



Alex Vargas

NAME: Malcolm F. “Pep” White
AGE: 58
OCCUPATION: Information systems technologist
MILITARY/EDUCATION: Disabled U.S. Air Force veteran and Eastern Shore Community College dual degree graduate

NAME: Alex Vargas
AGE: 36
OCCUPATION: Senior iOS Engineer, Video Player Team (Fubo)
MILITARY/EDUCATION: Bachelor of science in computer science, Christopher Newport University

our school system into a magnet that attracts and consistently retains top-tier educators.

MALCOLM WHITE: As an Accomack County School Board member, we will make sure that the superintendent, human resources, and finance personnel work together to create a competitive salary scale for new teachers, as well as be cognizant of our seasoned staff to ensure that salaries are aligned with the rising cost of living.

3. It is difficult for teachers to find affordable housing. What will you do as a school board member to address this problem?

MALCOLM WHITE: As a board member, it is not within our role to find affordable housing for staff.

It is the superintendent’s role. We as a board will be there to provide any guidance that is needed.

ALEX VARGAS: While the school board lacks direct control over how much money is allocated to our schools, several avenues exist to ease teachers’ housing burdens. We could apply for grants supporting housing relief for new teachers or collaborate with the board of supervisors on potential housing projects funded by grants. That being said, county-provided housing should be approached with careful consideration. While I recognize its value, there’s potential for governmental overreach, using such housing as leverage over educators. Government provision, albeit beneficial, can lead to increased influence in personal lives. While we want to aid our teachers, we must be cautious of the balance between government support and potential manipulation. It’s essential to assist teachers without infringing on their independence or subjecting them to undue influence.

4. What will you do as a school board member to ensure the best school experience for students regardless of socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, gender, household income, linguistic background, or disability?

ALEX VARGAS: Striving for the best school experience for every student, regardless of their unique background, is paramount. When I say “equitable,” I refer to equality of opportunity — ensuring every student has an equal shot at success. This does not necessarily mean equality of outcome, as individual choices play a role. While we should never tolerate unjust biases, attributing disparities in outcomes solely to such biases without evidence can be counterproductive. Our goal should be fostering an environment where all students can thrive, given their best efforts. It’s crucial to maintain a balance; we should respect the realities shared by all students and not adjust collective experiences based on the radical perceptions of a few. We need to uphold the safety and dignity of

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personal facilities for everyone.

MALCOLM WHITE: By being on the school board, we are responsible to pass the policies that all students are treated equally. All policies are followed by the policies and guidelines of the Virginia Department of Education.

5. What will you do as a school board member to increase parental involvement in schools?

MALCOLM WHITE: As a school board member, we will always welcome parents to be involved in their children's education. We will encourage the superintendent to ensure that schools are using resources available to foster

parent involvement, like letters, flyers, and websites.

ALEX VARGAS: Engaging parents in our educational process is pivotal to the success of our schools. I'm committed to championing the revival of parent-teacher organizations, fostering a collaborative spirit between educators and families. A key concern is the challenge parents face attending school board meetings due to Accomack's expansive geography. In response, I advocate live streaming these meetings on social media, granting real-time access for parents and students. By archiving each meeting on ACPS' YouTube channel, we ensure transparency and easy reference. Moreover, I propose introducing an innovative approach where parents can submit recorded videos, up to three minutes in length, as their public comments during open sessions. This initiative will amplify the voices of those who find in-person

attendance challenging, ensuring every parent's perspective is heard.

6. What is your opinion of hiring Rhonda Hall as school superintendent without interviewing any other candidates?

ALEX VARGAS: While I'm unfamiliar with Rhonda Hall on a personal level, I must express my concern over the process that led to her appointment as school superintendent. The swift closed-session decision, made without public feedback or considering other candidates, is demonstrative of a troubling lack of transparency from our administration and school board. Such vital choices should involve the community, as they impact our entire school system. If I were on the board, I would have made a motion for an interim appointment of Hall as superinten-

dent followed by a thorough, public search. Our community deserves openness and a voice in determining our leadership. Making such critical decisions behind closed doors undermines trust and bypasses potential talent, both detrimental to our students and educators.

MALCOLM WHITE: My opinion is Dr. Hall was more than qualified for the job. She had been doing the job as interim superintendent since the current superintendent was out for medical reasons. She has been in the ACPS school system for 34 years and in her role as assistant superintendent for the last 14 years. She is very qualified for the position and has the recommendation of Chris Holland, outgoing superintendent, to make her the next superintendent. That is the primary reason I voted for her to be the next superintendent of ACPS.

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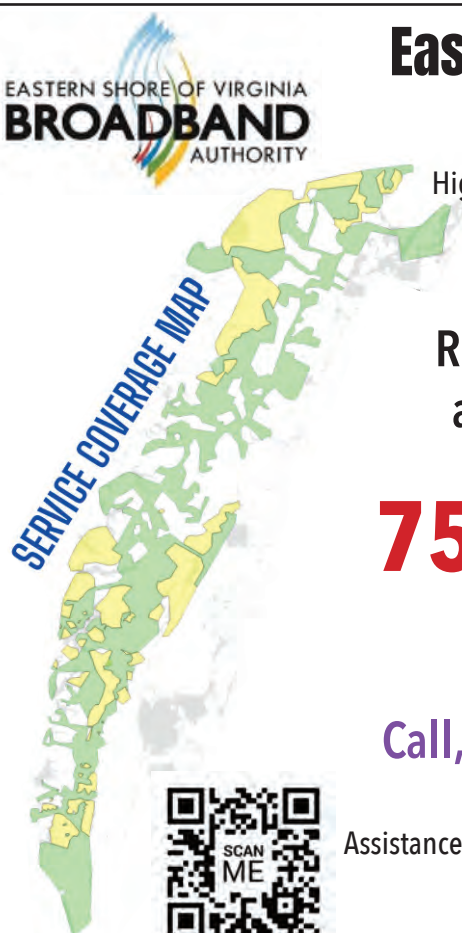
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Angler lands tropical fish near Chincoteague

One of the many things that attract people to the sport/pastime/hobby of fishing is the fact that once you drop your bait into the water,



Bill
Hall

you are never quite certain what, if anything, will find the offering and ingest it. Sure, a good angler can tailor his angling location and bait selection to increase his or her odds of landing a particular target-

ed species, but surprise catches can still be made.

Take for instance, Steven Stauffer, a visiting angler from Pennsylvania who was out wreck fishing off the coast of Chincoteague last weekend. Hoping to find and expecting to catch the usual wreck-oriented local species such as black sea bass, tautog, Atlantic spadefish, and gray triggerfish, Steve hooked into a tropical species of fish that is a more familiar catch off south Florida and the Gulf of Mexico. Much to the surprise of the angler and the rest of the crew, Stauffer landed a brightly-hued Atlantic red snapper, a fish rarely seen north of the gulf stream waters off Cape Hatteras.

Why the wayward fish found its way far north of its usual habitat is subject to speculation, with two theories seeming the most plausible. One theory suggests that the fish was pushed up here as a result of the recent tropical storms, perhaps following an offshoot of the gulf stream. A second school of thought is that the fish was here due to the trend of rising ocean temperatures that are expanding the range of more southern



PHOTO COURTESY CAPTAIN STEVE'S BAIT AND TACKLE

Steven Stauffer landed this Atlantic red snapper while wreck fishing off Chincoteague.

species, perhaps as a result of global warming.

Regardless, Stauffer's catch will remain one that he will never forget, both on the line and on the table.

Chincoteague

Jimmy Vasiliou, at Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle, reported that the recent week has produced three more shore-based citation flounder catches, with one breaking the 7-pound mark. He said there

have been a few red drum recently pulled from the surf on Assateague Island.

The most surprising catch of the week was the Atlantic red snapper caught while wreck fishing.

Wachapreague

Captain Lindsay Paul, aboard the Almost Persuaded, confided in me that most of the local anglers had taken advantage of the recent high tides and had switched their ef-

forts over to hunting for rails (also known locally as sage hens or marsh hens). He expects that most of the outdoors enthusiasts will switch back to angling this week as the tides subside.

Lower Shore

Jeb Brady, at Bailey's Bait & Tackle, told me that the weather conditions over the last week severely hampered the availability of most lower bay fisheries. He said

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that those anglers who were able to get out found slot-sized puppy drum along the lower bayside beaches using soft plastic artificials suspended under popping corks.

Speckled trout fishing took a dip in productivity due to the murky waters. Those anglers who managed to find some pockets of clear water landed trout using Mirrorlures and soft plastics. Jeb said that he expects the trout angling to improve this week if the more favorable weather conditions that have been forecasted actually materialize.

Despite the recent presence of murky water, some flounder anglers were reporting catches from around the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel on Berkley Gulp and squid baits. Catches from the lower bayside piers have consisted primarily of small gray trout, spot, and ribbon-fish.

Dan Bell, at Oceans East — Eastern Shore, reported that speckled trout catches have come from inside the bayside creeks from Hungars to Plantation.

He added that the numbers of fish have been good, but the smaller fish outnumber the larger ones, and anglers have had to cull their catches to find keeper-sized trout. He cited soft plastics and Mirrorlures as the top keeper-sized fish producing lures.

Some schoolie-sized rockfish are starting to show up in the area between Plantation Creek and Kings Creek.

Dan said that puppy drum catches have come from the seaside creek mouths, from Mockhorn to Fisherman Island, with the majority of the fish over the slot size limit.

The writer was the first Eastern Shore resident to achieve Virginia Saltwater Master Angler status. He has been named Virginia Saltwater Angler of the Year and Virginia Saltwater Release Angler of the Year. He has won numerous Virginia Press Association awards for his columns.



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Lacking key players, Warriors drop fourth straight

BY MARK MORING
Eastern Shore Post

When Nandua took the field for its September 30 football game against visiting Amelia County, the Warriors were missing about 90% of their offense.

Quarterback Isaac Stodghill and running backs Nazere Blake and Makai Dorn all watched from the sidelines — Stodghill in concussion protocol from the week before, Blake and Dorn with sprained ankles.

It’s hard to win with that much firepower missing. The Warriors put up a good fight but lost their fourth straight, falling 28-12. Nandua fell to 1-4; Amelia improved to 3-2.

It was a game of two halves. The Raiders owned the first, going up 21-0 on three TD passes by quarterback Todd Spurlock. But the second half belonged to Nandua, which had an opportunity to pull within seven points with about six minutes left in the game. But the Warriors fell short on the two-point conversion, leaving the score at 21-12.

Nandua recovered the ensuing onside kick and drove to Amelia’s 23 but fumbled the ball. Amelia’s Jaiden Squire scooped it up and ran 75 yards to paydirt to put the game out of reach.

Several Warriors shone in the absence of the three injured players, particularly Elijah Parker and Austin Wert. Parker, a sophomore making his first start at quarterback, threw for 134 yards, including a touchdown to Jaquan Thomas. Parker also ran for 29 yards and a score.

Wert, a junior who had never played fullback before, ran 21 times for 118 yards and caught five passes for 66 more. “I just worked hard and did everything the coaches told me to do,” Wert said. “I have a big heart, and I wanted the football.”

“I asked those guys to step up, and they did,” said Nandua coach Dennis McCall. “Elijah did a nice job, and Austin gave us everything he had.”

Wert and Keron Matthews led Nandua’s defense with eight tackles and a fumble recovery each. Zachary Smith added seven tackles, and Thomas had five.

The Warriors believed their slow start was difficult to overcome.

“The effort was there in the first half,” said McCall, “but we just weren’t playing together.”

Parker and Wert agreed. “We had some issues in the first half,” said Parker, admitting he was “a little nervous” in his first start at QB. “But as the game went on, we got better.”

“We took halftime to get out of our heads and control our attitudes,” added Wert. “We came back and played a heck of a lot better in the second half.”

The Warriors are at Portsmouth Christian (2-3) Friday, Oct. 6 at 7 p.m.



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Above, Nandua quarterback Elijah Parker (1) looks for an opening.

At left, Nandua’s Austin Wert (44) follows a block from Keron Matthews (52).

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Vikings fall to Blessed Sacrament Huguenot

BY KINSEY RAYFIELD
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

The Broadwater Vikings football team hosted Blessed Sacrament Huguenot on Saturday, Sept. 30, and fell to the Knights, 6-20.

Blessed Sacrament scored their first touchdown late into the first quarter and added an extra point kick to lead 7-0. The Knights also scored in the final moments of the second quarter. The Vikings trailed the Knights 14-0 at half time. After a scoreless third

quarter, the Vikings and Knights both scored touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

Jacob Seltzer led the Vikings with 21 carries for 98 yards, two receptions for 10 yards, and a touchdown. Senior John Lewis had three carries for 11 yards. Quarterback Logan Hickman had five carries for 49 yards and went 6-12, passing for 50 yards and an interception. Rufus Abbott had two receptions

for 21 yards. Senior Quinn Ames had two receptions for 19 yards.

Defensively the Vikings were led by senior John Lewis with 15 solo tackles and three assisted tackles. Rufus Abbott had eight solo tackles and an interception. Caleb McIntyre had five tackles. Defensive stars also included Luke Duer, Steven Ye, Quinn Ames, Luke Young, and Olsen Pruitt.

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Lady Vikings go 3-1 in busy week on the courts

BY KINSEY RAYFIELD
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

The Broadwater Academy Lady Vikings’ volleyball team traveled to Gateway Christian on Monday, Sept. 25, and fell to the Crusaders by a score of 1-3 (11-25, 25-22, 10-25, 25-27). The Vikings were without their starting setter.

Leah Smith led the Lady Vikings with seven kills, four aces, one block, and 11 digs. Hope Celli had seven kills, nine digs, and 23 receptions. Emma Caison had five kills, one ace, four blocks, nine digs, one assist, and seven receptions. Ramsey Revelle stepped in as setter for the Vikings and recorded two kills, two aces, 17 digs, 12 assists, and one reception.

The Lady Vikings returned to action on Tuesday, Sept. 26, hosting Isle of Wight Academy. Broadwa-

ter defeated the Chargers 3-2 (25-23, 20-25, 25-23, 17-25, 17-15).

The Lady Vikings were led once again by Smith with 14 kills, five aces, two blocks, 15 digs, and 19 receptions. Allison LeCato had five kills, 14 assists, and two digs. Celli had five kills, seven digs, and eight receptions. Revelle had 21 digs, 18 receptions, and one ace. The Vikings trailed the visiting Chargers in the fifth set 9-12 and forced the game into extra points. Broadwater led 16-15 when the Chargers called a timeout. Following the timeout, Smith served an ace to capture the 17-15 victory in the fifth set.

The Lady Vikings hosted the Arcadia Lady Firebirds on Wednesday, Sept. 27, and defeated the vis-

itors 3-0 (25-10, 25-7, 25-10). Notable stats for the Lady Vikings were five kills for Smith and seven aces for Revelle.

The Lady Vikings were back on the court on Thursday, Sept. 28. They traveled to Portsmouth Christian and defeated the homesteading Patriots 3-0 (25-21, 25-23, 25-14).

Smith led the Vikings with 12 kills, three aces, three blocks, five digs, and 10 receptions. Caison had three kills, three aces, one block, and four digs. Revelle had 13 digs and LeCato had 18 assists on the night. Harlin Johnson had six digs and three receptions, and Katie Arnold had five receptions.

The Lady Vikings closed out the night with a kill by Grace Johnson.

MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING

Brownells/NRA Youth Sportfest will be Saturday, Oct. 14

NOAAWIVA Sportsmen Inc. will host the Brownells/NRA Youth Sportsfest on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023, at 30516 Chincoteague Road, Oak Hall, starting at 8:30 a.m. and continuing until about 3:30 p.m.

The range is about 200 yards east of T’s Corner, marked by signs. Due to the number of participants in this annual event, parking will be along Chincoteague Road in front of Food Lion,

with free shuttle transport provided to and from the range.

This event is free for all girls and boys from age 8 to 18. Safety equipment and ammunition will be provided. Lunch and soft drinks are free to the whole family. Junior and Senior prizes and trophies will be awarded. All you need to do is show up and check in.

The activities will include: Safety and Event Orientation, Air Rifle Target & Metallic Silhouettes, (8-

18 years old) AM & PM; .22 Rifle Target Shooting (8-18 years old) AM & PM; Shotgun with Clay Birds (11-18 years old), AM; Service Rifle (13-18 years old), after lunch. Certified instructors will supervise each activity.

If there’s rain that day, the event will be held Saturday, Oct. 21. For further information and directions, email tjonesy@verizon.net or call Terry Jones at 757-709-2401.

Ticks

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Tick Test Kit Program (MILTICK) of the Defense Centers for Public Health at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland.

The program identifies and tests ticks removed from Department of Defense personnel and is one of the largest, longest-running tick surveillance programs in the nation.

Stromdahl currently serves on the Virginia Legislative Tick-Borne Disease Work Group, charged with making recommendations by Nov. 1 to state officials for reducing the occurrence and impact of tick-borne diseases.

Hotspot for detection

Virginia's Eastern Shore is a hotspot for detection of the tick-borne parasite that causes babesiosis, according to the group's draft report.

Three-quarters of positive ticks collected between 2010 and 2017 from 18 locations were found at Kiptopeke State Park, the report says.

"The Virginia Eastern Shore is also the hotspot for locally acquired human cases of babesiosis, and the Maryland Eastern Shore is the location of the first locally-acquired case in that state ... so it is important that medical practitioners on the Delmarva Peninsula are aware of the presence of this pathogen in the area," according to the report.

Stromdahl in June was attending a dinner party at a friend's house when a guest fainted. The guest was treated by EMTs and later went home, feeling somewhat better.

Still, in the next days, his illness worsened markedly.

Doctors did not at first identify tick-borne disease as the cause of the senior citizen's symptoms, according to Stromdahl.

"They were thinking heart, organs — not an infectious disease at all. No one asked him if he had been bitten by a tick," she said, adding, "That should be a triage question."

'One of my longest and closest friends on the Eastern Shore that I've known ever since 1975, when I moved here, was bitten by a tick and died in less than a month's time.'

**Ron Wolff
Accomack Board of Supervisors**

When the man's wife took him to the emergency room at a Norfolk hospital, he was admitted to the intensive care unit.

The diagnosis was babesiosis, which is not as familiar to Shore residents as other tick-borne diseases such as Lyme or acquired red meat allergy.

A simple tick-borne disease panel would have identified the illness, according to Stromdahl.

Fortunately, he recovered, but only after extensive treatment.

First identified in Accomack

Locally transmitted babesiosis was first identified in Virginia in 2016, in Accomack County, with additional cases identified in Northern Virginia in 2020 and in the Southwest Highlands from 2021 to 2022.

The numbers are relatively low: two confirmed cases and one probable case in Accomack and one probable case in Northampton since 2016, according to Virginia Department of Health data.

Still, it is important to consider a tick bite as a possible cause of symptoms — especially considering that it could lead to severe illness and even death if disease is left untreated, Stromdahl said.

"No one has ever heard about (babesiosis)," she said, noting that until now, she worked mainly to educate people about ehrlichiosis, the symptoms of which include sudden onset fever, possibly accompanied by severe headache, muscle pain, nausea and vomiting, rash, and confusion.

With ehrlichiosis, antibiotics

should be given as soon as possible to reduce the risk of severe or fatal illness, according to a Virginia Department of Health publication.

Now, babesiosis also "is here" and "has taken people by surprise," Stromdahl said.

Babesiosis, unlike ehrlichiosis and some other tick diseases, is parasitic. Symptoms can begin as early as one week after a tick bite, but typically develop within a few weeks to months after.

Many cases are asymptomatic, but people may experience fever, chills, muscle pain, joint pain, fatigue, and jaundice, according to the VDH. Severe cases can include anemia and thrombocytopenia, a deficiency of platelets in the blood.

"The parasites seem to really go for the red blood cells of older people," Stromdahl said, noting that, according to data, older men appear to have had more severe cases.

Doctors' first thoughts in diagnosing older people with symptoms might not be a tick-borne disease. That's something Stromdahl is working to change.

"You can be cured, but you've got to realize what it is and get the correct medicine," she said, adding that doxycycline, an antibiotic used to treat other tick diseases, does not cure babesiosis.

Additionally, the deer ticks that carry babesiosis also can carry Lyme disease — meaning both may need to be identified and treated in a single patient.

More deer, more ticks

The proliferation of deer on the Shore means deer ticks also are proliferating.

Accomack County Supervisor Ron Wolff invited a health department official to speak to the Board of Supervisors about tick-borne diseases in September.

Wolff said, "One of my longest and closest friends on the Eastern Shore that I've known ever since 1975, when I moved here, was bitten by a tick and died in less than a month's time," he said.

A test of blood the man had donated showed he had contracted babesiosis.

"That was in the middle of June. He died Aug. 9 — that quick," Wolff said.

The health department provides education on tick-borne illness and prevention, according to Jon Richardson, Eastern Shore Health District Director. The health district has available a brochure on tick-borne diseases in Virginia.

"We use social media and our outreach workers for education in addition to the brochures. ... Our MRC (Medical Reserve Corps) volunteers also provide education at public events including handing out tick removal kits, which contain tweezers, alcohol, and a bandaid, and weblinks to information on tick-borne illnesses and prevention," he wrote in an email to the Post.

Richardson advised people walking in woody or overgrown areas to "wear long pants, tucked into socks, and long sleeves ... and treat your clothing with permethrin or other repellent. Wearing light-colored clothing makes it easier to see ticks and remove them before they can bite.

"Anytime someone is in an environment where ticks may be present it is important to conduct a tick check periodically while there and then a thorough one once you have left the area, including showering with soap and water.

"Ticks should be removed immediately when found, using tweezers and grasping them near the mouth as close to skin as possible ensuring no part of the tick is left behind.

"Care should be taken not to rupture the tick's abdomen during removal. Once removed, the site should be washed with soap and water and then apply antiseptic to the bite area.

"The tick should be saved in a plastic bag in the event illness from the bite occurs, as the tick ID may help the doctor diagnose the illness.

"If you become ill and have been exposed to ticks, you should let your doctor know and consult with them on next steps," Richardson said.

‘Right Before I go’ is at North Street Playhouse

How does one react when a close friend commits suicide? As part of an attempt to understand the loss of his friend, acclaimed writer Stan Zimmerman began as many writers often do, by researching others who had also made the difficult decision to end their life.

Zimmerman is best known for writing episodes for such comedy television series as “The Golden Girls,” “Gilmore Girls,” and “Roseanne,” among many others series and films. His research led him to explore suicide notes written by other people, some famous and some not.

As a result, he did what writers do. He wrote a play titled “Right Before I Go,” telling his own story of coping with his friend’s death, as well as including the notes of others. The play has been performed numerous times throughout the country

Two years ago, Steven Lamprinos, a California transplant who, with his young family, had relocated to the Eastern Shore, became part of the North Street Playhouse family. Steven, a friend of Zimmerman’s while in Los Angeles, brought the play to the artistic director and urged that it be produced here.

On Oct. 6 and 7, at 8 p.m., the North

Street Playhouse will be welcoming Zimmerman to the Eastern Shore for two performances of his play.

Joining Stan will be California-based actress Kalinda Gray, and local actors Steven Lamprinos, Thom Nolan and Ginny McMath.

Following each performance the audience is invited to stay for a talk back with Zimmerman and the cast. A mental health professional will also be available to answer any questions.

In addition to the two evening performances, there will be a free student matinee on Saturday at noon, in lieu of a previously scheduled Friday student matinee that had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances outside the Playhouse’s control.

There will also be a talkback with the cast and a mental health professional at the matinee performance.

Tickets for the evening performances are available through the Playhouse’s website, northstreetplayhouse.org. “Right Before I Go” is produced by special arrangement with TRW Plays, and is co-produced by Ed Weber Construction, PNC Bank, the Virginia Commission for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts and the United Way of Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

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Landfills will be open on Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm to accept residential garbage, yard waste, and construction/demolition debris. The landfill will also accept the following recyclable materials:

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Landfills and Convenience Centers will not accept materials deemed to be hazardous, such as: Paint, Pesticides, Biological hazards, asbestos, and heavy metals. Please check with the attendants at these sites as to where and how to dispose of hazardous materials.

The Department of Solid Waste looks forward to working with the citizens of Accomack County on this program and encourages everyone to mark their calendars for the Spring Clean Up - the second Saturday of May every year! A projected date for next spring is Saturday, May 11, 2024. For additional information, please contact the Public Works Department in Accomack at (757) 787-1468.

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EXMORE

Some residents haven't OK'd sewer easements

BY STEFANIE JACKSON

Eastern Shore Post

Only three months after the August groundbreaking for Exmore's sewer project, some customers will be able to connect to the new system, but not everything about the project is flowing smoothly.

"We can't bleed ourselves out," said Exmore Town Manager Robert Duer, cautioning the Town Council not to spend too much on sewer-related costs beyond construction.

Around 50 Exmore homeowners still have not signed the easements that will allow town employees to service parts of the sewer system on private property.

The signed easements are required for Exmore to receive state and federal funding for the sewer project.

Because some customers will be served by the new sewer system starting Nov. 1, every easement must be signed by Oct. 31 or be in litigation in court.

Duer estimated Exmore would have to pay \$80,000 to \$100,000 or more in legal fees for suing the noncomplying homeowners.

The town manager and councilmen

also raised concerns about the costs of testing wastewater discharged by Exmore businesses and surcharges for any unusual waste detected.

Examples of unusual waste include suspended solids, such as sediment, and phosphorus and nitrogen, which can be found in soaps, detergents, and other products.

Duer and the Town Council agreed that each business will be responsible to pay whatever monthly surcharges it incurs.

However, they could not reach a consensus on who should pay for the testing of water samples to determine how much unusual waste the businesses would produce every month and the monthly surcharges they would pay.

Exmore could opt to cover the cost of testing as a courtesy to its businesses or require the businesses to cover the cost themselves.

Director of Utilities Taylor Dukes had not yet received information on the cost of testing, nor did he know exactly how often the tests would need to be done.

"You don't want to break all your businesses for a number we don't know yet," said Councilman Chase Sturgis.

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It will be held rain or shine.

There will be toys, jewelry, seasonal clothing, household items, gardening items, soups, and baked goods.

Northampton graduates make donation

Members of the Northampton High School class of 1971, the first graduating class after full desegregation, recently donated money to the school.

Five graduates — William Fisher, Derry Greene, Macon Nottingham, Alfredo Sample, and J.C. Trower — donated \$2,500 for students who need financial support for taking college coursework while attending high school.

These alumni gathered at the high

school to present the check, take a tour of the building, and even look through their old yearbook with some retired staff who came to say hello.

This class would like to challenge other alumni to support public schools in whatever way they can.

ESCC invites alumni, supporters to event

Eastern Shore Community College will have its homecoming and alumni celebration from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 6, in the academic building.

All ESCC alumni, current students, and former faculty, staff, and administration are invited

CSB meeting scheduled for Oct. 10 in Tasley

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board will have its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 9 a.m. at its administration office, 24233 Lankford Highway, Tasley.

ing construction in the portion of Exmore east of the railroad tracks has been completed.

Sewage will start being pumped to the Hampton Roads Sanitation District's force main on U.S. Route 13 within about two weeks, he said.

Dukes said, "The current infrastructure is failing faster than this project can get done, so we've got to move."

Exmore

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"If it's \$250, then it's \$250," but "I don't want to eat 10 grand," he said.

The group agreed to delay a decision until more information is available.

Dukes reported that 18% of the new sewer pipes have been installed, mean-



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Lewis, Bloxom detail Shore's state budget wins

BY CLARA VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

Gov. Glenn Youngkin on Sept. 14 signed a state budget that provides \$1 billion in tax relief and hundreds of millions of dollars for public education statewide.

The budget includes several big-ticket items for the Eastern Shore, including a one-time supplement to teacher salaries in Accomack and Northampton counties and funds for an Accomack County Airport hangar approved in the 2020 state budget.

"The biggest win we had was for the schools," said Del. Rob Bloxom, a Republican from Accomack County.

Education

Virginia's budget provides over

\$650 million statewide for public schools.

Teachers and other state employees received a 2% pay raise across the board, but on the Eastern Shore, school staff received an additional salary boost in the budget.

Accomack County schools received \$1.4 million dedicated to teacher and staff raises, while Northampton received \$329,000 to help schools compete with salaries in neighboring Maryland divisions, said Bloxom and state Sen. Lynwood Lewis, a Democrat from Accomack County.

Both stressed the importance of including cost of competing adjustment funding, or COCA, in the Code of Virginia so one-time salary supplements are no longer needed year after year.

The state budget also includes \$418 million in one-time funding to fight learning loss and chronic absenteeism that followed the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We are trying to catch students up to their appropriate grade levels after the learning losses due to the pandemic were worse than expected," Bloxom said.

The budget provides over \$150 million to hire new support staff for teachers.

Tax relief

Virginia's budget also includes a one-time \$200 tax rebate for state filers, or \$400 for couples filing jointly.

Taxpayers who filed their 2022 tax returns before July 1 should get the refund by Nov. 30, either as a direct deposit or paper check. Residents must file their 2022 tax return by Nov. 1 to receive the rebate.

Legislators reinstituted the state's sales tax holiday for select school supplies, clothing, and hurricane supplies, scheduled the weekend of Oct. 20 to 22.

Virginia also increased its standard deduction to \$8,500 for single taxpayers and \$17,000 for joint filers — up from \$8,000 for single filers and \$16,000 for married couples filing

jointly last year.

The budget removed age restrictions on military retirement income tax relief so veterans are exempt from paying taxes on the first \$40,000 of their income, regardless of age.

Affordable housing

State lawmakers continue to fund affordable housing initiatives through the Virginia Housing Trust Fund, which provides loans to assist with the cost of owning and renting a home and grants aimed at fighting homelessness.

"It's Commonwealth-wide, not just the Eastern Shore," Lewis said of the gap in housing available to low- and moderate-income families.

Bloxom said ongoing construction of a sewer force main along the spine of the peninsula should provide a boon to affordable housing on the Eastern Shore.

"Once the sewer's complete ... the infrastructure will be there," he said. "Anywhere where there's connection, there's a good possibility of having some higher-density housing."

Agriculture, water quality

Virginia's budget funded agricultural best management practices

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Budget

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through 2025, incentivizing farmers to use measures such as installing fences or forested buffers around streams and developing nutrient management plans through a cost-share program.

The program aims to meet water quality goals for the Chesapeake Bay downstream.

"In order to reach our ... goals, Virginia had to get serious about fully funding" BMPs, Bloxom said of the state's commitments under the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement.

About three-quarters of the remaining pollution reductions the state has to achieve under the agreement are expected to come from the agriculture sector.

Broadband

Programs such as the state-funded Virginia Telecommunication Initiative and federal Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program help localities fund broadband buildout.

Both counties on the Eastern Shore are using funds from a 2022 VATI grant to increase high-speed internet access to at least 80% of homes by May 2024.

Accomack and Northampton leaders plan to apply for more grants to continue fiber buildout.

"Like everything else, it's the supply chain issues that they've had ... and finding people to do the work," Lewis said of progress on extending high-speed internet access on the Eastern Shore.

Transportation

The state budget provided funding for cost overruns associated with constructing a new hangar at the Accomack County Airport.

The Virginia General Assembly in 2020 budgeted \$2 million for the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority to design and construct the hangar, which Accomack County will own and maintain once it is completed.

The county can lease the structure to private businesses to attract new customers to the Melfa airport.

Accomack would assume responsibility for any costs exceeding the \$2 million budget, according to the 2020 agreement, but state funding in the 2023 budget helped cover project costs that exceeded original estimates.

The state budget also provided \$4 million for a regional bike and hike trail planned along the decommissioned railroad corridor between Cape Charles and Hallwood. The location of the project was not named in the budget and local groups will determine where the \$4 million is spent, Bloxom

said.

Upcoming sessions

Looking to 2024, Bloxom hopes to pursue local projects for the Eastern Shore, including an engineering study for a natural gas pipeline.

The next Virginia General Assembly session could include challenges as an influx of new lawmakers converge at the Capitol, he and Lewis said. Lewis is retiring and won't seek re-election.

"We're going to have 40 new House (of Delegates) members, 20 new Senate members," Bloxom said. In a 140-member body, that is 40% of delegates and 50% of senators.

"This time the Senate is going to be, I'm afraid, a little more partisan in the way it does things," Lewis said, noting the state Senate's longer terms typically temper polarization among members.

"Divided government is not always a bad thing because you've got to talk," Bloxom said.

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Shore Agricultural Fair returns Saturday, Oct. 7

BY STEFANIE JACKSON
Eastern Shore Post

The Eastern Shore Agricultural Fair returns to Machipongo on Saturday, Oct. 7, a free event organized by the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

It will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the former Northampton Middle School, 7247 Young Street, Machipongo.

“The ESVA Chamber of Commerce is proud to recognize the hard work of our agricultural and aquacultural farmers on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Farming both the land and water is an integral part of the Shore’s economy and culture,” said Executive Director Robert Sabbatini.

Activities to bring out the farmer in everyone will include hay rides, the Peninsula Tractor Organization’s antique tractor pull, an antique tractor parade, and a children’s pedal tractor competition.

Activities with a nod to the Shore’s watermen will include wader relay races, with divisions for men, women, and youth, and an oyster shucking contest.

“The Eastern Shore Agricultural Fair highlights these important individuals and businesses, and we want to provide a fun, educational experience for all who attend,” Sabbatini said.

There also will be fun activities that aren’t strictly farm-related but are definitely country: a skillet-throwing contest, also with divisions for men, women, and youth, and keg rolling.

Other events and offerings include an A&N Electric Cooperative lineman climbing demonstration, an archery demonstration, a kids’ area with pumpkin painting and face painting, craft booths, food vendors, and educational booths.

Live music will be provided by the Laid Baxxs.

Judging of contests for baking, posters, photography, and the critterless critter contest will take place at 10:30 a.m.

For more event times, visit <https://www.esvachamber.org/esvaagfair>



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A pink flamingo, blown off course during Tropical Storm Idalia, looks out of place in the waters off Chincoteague Island on Wednesday, Oct. 4.

Pink flamingos arrive on island

BY CLARA VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

Tropical Storm Idalia brought more than wind and heavy rain to the Eastern Shore: It also brought flamingos.

Since the storm made landfall in Florida’s Big Bend region Aug. 30, scores of the blush birds have been blown off course, making their way across the eastern United States.

Last week at least two had arrived on Chincoteague Island.

It’s “very unusual to see a flamingo in Chincoteague,” said Capt. Dan Davis, of Captain Dan’s Around the Island Tours.

“I have lived here my whole life

and never seen one,” he said.

That changed during his sightseeing tour Wednesday, Oct. 4, when guests on the boat spotted one of the bright pink birds near the Maryland state line, he said.

A group of volunteer surveyors first spotted a flamingo at Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge on Monday, Oct. 2.

Around the same time, other birders reported seeing a flamingo closer to Curtis Merritt harbor — indicating at least two of the birds were on the island.

Visitors have reported seeing flamingos at other spots nearby, including Assateague National Seashore’s Over Sand Vehicle area at the south end of the beach and

near Wallops Island.

Bird watchers have clocked the bright birds in other unusual states including Tennessee, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and as far north as Wisconsin, according to an Oct. 2 report by NPR’s Julia Cooper.

Experts believe the flamingos came from Mexico’s Yucatan Peninsula, she reported.

“While this is likely just a one-off occurrence in our area, I wonder if some flamingos might find territory outside their normal range that will support them,” Davis said.

“Forty years ago it wasn’t common to see ibis in our area, and now they are a regular sighting in the summer,” he said.

Man guilty in attempted murder of two deputies

BY NANCY DRURY DUNCAN
Eastern Shore Post

A Quinby man pleaded guilty in Accomack Circuit Court to the attempted murder of two deputies who responded to a call Dec. 14, 2022, from his residence.

Anthony Dwayne Baumgardner, 19, faced a possible two life sentences plus 21 years for his crimes, but a plea agreement capped his active time in prison at 12 years.

Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan played a video from an officer's body camera.

The officers drove to the home and found Baumgardner, who was already outside on his deck, and who began shooting at them.

The video showed the officer's drawn firearm pointed at the shooter.

He told him repeatedly to drop his gun.

"I don't want to have to shoot you," the deputy warned Baumgardner repeatedly.

The video showed bullets hitting the patrol car and destroying its rear window.

Baumgardner continued firing at them. He then went into his house and came out with a machete and continued to threaten the officers with the knife.

He finally went back inside, where he was subdued and arrested by the officers.

He was taken to Eastern State hospital, where he was found to have mental health and other issues, said defense attorney Garrett Dunham.

Baumgardner was indicted on 15 charges. Some were not prosecuted in

an agreement with the commonwealth.

In exchange for his pleas of guilt to two counts of the attempted aggravated murder of the deputies, two counts of use of a firearm, destruction of sheriff's department property, and shooting into an occupied home belonging to a neighbor, his active prison time is capped at 12 years.

Judge W. Revell Lewis III ordered that a presentence investigation report be prepared and set sentencing for Jan. 11, 2023.

Guilty plea in embezzlement

A store employee who pleaded guilty to felony embezzlement will be able to reduce that conviction to a misdemeanor or if she is on good behavior for a year and pays back the stolen money.

Amy Ervin, 32, of Atlantic, was an

employee at the Oak Hall Dollar General store.

Earlier this year she took items off store shelves and scanned them. She then rang them up as a return and kept the cash for herself.

The store's asset protection manager noticed an increase in the number of cash refunds and confronted Ervin.

"She was cooperative with law enforcement and with the Dollar General management," said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Baker.

He said her cooperation and the fact that she had no prior criminal record was the reason for a plea agreement that allows a deferred finding.

She is to return to court on Sept. 26, 2024. If she has been on good behavior and has paid the \$1,959.65 in restitution, her felony will be reduced to a misdemeanor.



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When harvesting stops, the harvesters go hungry

BY CLARA VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

When work in tomato fields stopped in August, it left hundreds of migrant farmworkers on the Eastern Shore without wages for over a month.

Three packers at Lipman Family Farms spoke to the Eastern Shore Post about their experience on the condition they remain anonymous.

Despite the work stoppage and conditions that deter U.S. citizens from filling their jobs, they hope to return again next year.

“The salary here is bigger than in Mexico,” one woman said through a translator. “We have a better life for our families.”

“It was very difficult, because we didn’t receive any money,” another said of the work stoppage, which lasted five weeks.

Filling a gap

They are among more than 1,000 pickers, packers, and production workers who come to the Eastern Shore on the H2-A visa program each year, said Stacy Rhodes, of the Agricultural Workers Advocacy Coalition based on the Eastern Shore.

Their labor contributes about \$10 million in revenue for the Shore each year, he estimated. Nationally, the agricultural sector relies heavily on migrant farmworkers to bring food to markets.

The visa program helps employers who anticipate a gap in domestic workers to bring in temporary foreign workers who fill seasonal agricultural jobs such as planting, cultivating, harvesting, and packing produce.



EASTERN SHORE POST/CLARA VAUGHN

Stacy Rhodes, of the Agricultural Workers Advocacy Coalition, holds a packet of toiletries and socks that Dos Santos thrift store and food pantry in Onley provides to migrant farm workers. More than 1,000 workers travel to the Eastern Shore each year to plant, cultivate, pick, and pack produce, he said.

It prevents those workers from seeking other jobs, so when work on farms stops due to weather or other factors, pickers and packers have no way to earn income.

“Workers don’t have work, so they don’t have money not only to send back to their families, but to provide for themselves,” Rhodes said.

“This is a national problem,” he

added.

The three women who spoke to the Post estimated they send around 80% of their wages home to their families in rural Mexico.

They have no trouble finding jobs at home, where they work in garment factories, but U.S. wages make the trip to Virginia worthwhile, they said.

“Even one day of work is one week

The H2-A visa program allows over 1,000 migrant farm workers to come to the Eastern Shore each year — but it doesn’t allow them to find other employment when work stops on the farms

of wages in Mexico,” said one of the packers, who reported earning \$14.91 hourly packing tomatoes, before taxes and other deductions.

“When they applied, the person in the (visa) office said, ‘There is a lot of work there, so maybe you’ll come back with around \$10,000,’” the translator said. “But the reality is when they

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Workers

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come here, they're not working every day."

A work stoppage

When work halts on the farms, it creates what Rhodes called a "periodic food shortage" for migrant workers.

Groups like Dos Santos food pantry are working to fill the gap when the workers have no way to earn wages.

"This has been the worst year" for food shortages, said Dos Santos Director Betty Mariner.

The volunteer-run operation delivered 30 packets of food twice weekly to different groups at Lipman's Ames Farm location during the work stoppage, she said.

One packet cost \$13 and includes items such as rice, beans, oil, and pasta, as well as chicken donated by the Foodbank of the Eastern Shore, she said.

"What we give them probably won't last a week, but it's a help," Mariner said.

When asked about migrant workers' response to the work stoppage, she said they were mostly quiet.

"They don't say much about it. There's nothing they can do about it," Mariner said.

Better work conditions

When asked what could make work on the H2-A visa better, the packers named being paid weekly, regardless of work.

"They would like the company to understand the situation," the translator said. "For example, if there is no work for one month, provide some money each week."

The women were not able to send any money home when work stopped for five weeks, she said.

The packers also said extending their contracts as the growing season extends in southern states such as Florida, or offering jobs with other companies, would help.

'Workers don't have work, so they don't have money not only to send back to their families, but to provide for themselves.'

**Stacy Rhodes
Agricultural Workers
Advocacy Coalition**

"The work is very hard, so we are here because we need the job," one woman said.

Other factors that could make life better while they reside in the migrant camps include providing transportation to buy goods, make deposits, or visit medical centers, they said. The companies provide rides to Walmart once a week.

They also said a washer and dryer at the camp would help so they can wash and dry clothes when it rains.

"As anybody in business knows, it's more efficient to have people return," Mariner said. "And so the more they feel that they're going to be supported, the more likely they'll come back."

A Lipman Family Farms representative did not respond to the Post's request for comments.

Visit www.dossantosfoodpantry.org to learn more about Dos Santos or to donate to the food pantry. Those wishing to donate to agricultural workers or AWAC specifically can select this on the drop-down menu on the website.

■ *To learn more about volunteer opportunities, call Dos Santos at 757-710-4352 or visit the thrift shop at 25377 Lankford Highway, in Onley, Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.*

■ *Visit www.awacoalition.org to learn more about the Agricultural Workers Advocacy Coalition, which has around two dozen members from Chincoteague to Virginia Beach organized around providing voices for the Eastern Shore's temporary agricultural workers.*

Estate planning workshop available

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter presents an estate planning workshop on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. It will be held on Zoom.

Attorney Jobyna Terry will be the presenter. For more information or to register, call Marie Billie at 757-894-8280.

St. James Church plans indoor yard sale

St. James Episcopal Church, 23395 Drummondtown Road, Accomac, is having an indoor yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 8 a.m. to noon in the parish house, located behind the church.

Baked goods, frozen soup, housewares, a set of china, and much more will be for sale.

Scott to speak at Cape Charles Museum

Dr. David Scott of the Northampton Historic Preservation Society will give a presentation, "Old Houses of Northampton County," from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 25, inside the Cape Charles Museum.

Admission is \$5 or free with new or renewed membership paid for at the door.

Cape Charles Historical Society sets Oyster Roast

Cape Charles Historical Society and Museum Annual Oyster Roast will be held Saturday, Nov. 25.

Food will be served from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

There will be a live auction, which includes a couple of decoys donated by Tommy O'Connor.

The menu includes roasted oysters, raw oysters, fried chicken, and clam chowder. Accompaniments include potato salad, bean salad, desserts, tea, and soda.

Beer and wine will be available separately by purchasing a \$20 wristband.

Cape Charles Baptist group plans Oct. 14 yard sale

The Jesus and Women Ministry group at Cape Charles Baptist Church will have a fundraising yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the church grounds, 501 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles.

The funds collected will be used to support a new Good News Club in Northampton County. Good News Clubs is a ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship where children, with their parents' permission, can learn about the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The yard sale will feature a variety of items such as used furniture (small items), kitchenware, tools, outdoor equipment, sports equipment, books, and more. Call 804-677-6068 with questions.

Accomack Sheriff's Office plans Party in the Park

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office will hold a Party in the Park on Friday, Oct. 6, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Sawmill Park, 24387 Joynes Neck Road, Accomac.

There will be music, snow cones, games, hot dogs, chips, drinks, and more. Accomack County Sheriff's Office staff will be on hand to talk about employment opportunities with the sheriff's office. The event is sponsored in part by Accomack County Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan.

Cheriton Baptist collecting pet items

Cheriton Baptist Church will be having a pet food and pet supplies drive through the month of October, with drop-off locations at the Cape Charles Public Library, Cape Vapes, Cape Charles Animal Hospital, Cheriton DMV, Bayside Health and Rehabilitation Center, and Cheriton Baptist Church.

WHO WE ARE

Hall in the family

Arcadia High School siblings enjoy playing football for their father

BY MARK MORING

Eastern Shore Post

If Alan Hall had to do it all over again, he says he wouldn't coach his sons.

Hall, the football coach at Arcadia High School, says it's hard to find the right balance between being a taskmaster on the field and being a dad everywhere else.

"I love them," Hall says, "but if I could go back, I would definitely just be their dad. It's tough to wear both hats. As a coach, I think I've been harder on them than I have anyone else, because I expect more from them. I think they know that more than anybody."

Bradley Hall, a senior for the Firebirds, and Jacob, a sophomore, nod in agreement.

"Playing for your dad has its ups and downs," says Jacob, a fullback and linebacker. "I'll tell you the downs first: He's very strict."

And the ups? Jacob pauses, then finally says, "Spending time together."

Bradley, a quarterback and defensive back, picks up the conversation.

"It does have its ups and downs, but I love playing for my father," he says. "I like being able to come home and have my coach right there if I have any questions. He is a little harder on us because we're his kids. But it's making me better."

It's making the Firebirds better too. The Hall brothers were instrumental in leading the team to a 3-0 start before they lost two in a row.

They now stand at 4-2 — after Chincoteague forfeited their game last week — heading into tonight's game at Washington (0-4). Bradley and Jacob say they're ready to get back on the winning track.

Mental mistakes, penalties, and injuries — including one to Jacob — were costly in the two losses.

"But we've addressed our problems," says Bradley. "We need to win. We need to get into the playoffs. It's my senior year." Whatever happens, they've already doubled last year's win total, when they went 2-8.

Alan played sports year-round in Maine before his family moved here for his senior year at Arcadia, where he played one season of baseball before graduating.

He immediately enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served



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Bradley, Alan, and Jacob Hall stand in Arcadia High School. Alan Hall, the school's football coach, has both of his sons on the team.

several years before transferring to the Marines, where he was part of the first brigade to invade Iraq.

He carries invisible battle scars to this day. He suffered nine concussions and deals with TBI (traumatic brain injury), which has caused some memory loss.

He ended up medically retiring from the military, and turned his attention to getting more involved in his boys' lives — particularly in sports and at school.

He was PTA president at Metompkin Elementary, where he befriended then-principal Shaun O'Shea. O'Shea is now the principal at Arcadia.

As a coach and educator, Hall puts a premium on academics and character development. He has a tight relationship with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and encourages his players to do the same.

He asks, "How could you possibly go wrong with including God in our students' lives?"

"My personal core values that I try to instill in individuals are integrity, perseverance, humility, ser-

vice, and faith," says Hall, who is also Arcadia's athletic director. "We want these young men and women to succeed in life, and I want to be a part of that."

It seems to be working. Bradley, who was recently baptized at his church, and Jacob are both polite young men who never fail to say, "Yes, sir" and "No, sir." They're good students too: Bradley has a 4.13 GPA, and Jacob a 3.68.

Both intend to go to college; Jacob would like to play football, but Bradley is more interested in studying for a career in medicine. He spent some time in Vietnam last summer with FutureDocs Abroad, a program for students who aim to be doctors.

"It was amazing," Bradley says. After shadowing one doctor in family medicine, "I was like, that's what I'm going to do."

For now, though, he just wants to beat Washington and start winning again. So does Jacob. So does their dad.

"We've set the reset button," Alan Hall says. "We're ready."



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Accomack County Public Schools recently held its Parent University, at top, which hosted a large number of parents to learn about the schools and their offerings. At bottom, Julie Evans, left, Accomack teacher mentor and instructional coach, and Alicia Payne, assistant principal at Pungoteague Elementary School, were among the staff members who participated.

Shore Mentors seeks volunteers

BY STEFANIE JACKSON

Eastern Shore Post

A small group of professionals is looking to make a big difference for Northampton County students.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, “our whole culture is different – how education is viewed in our community,” said Ami Butta, one of the founders of Shore Mentors.

The COVID-19 pandemic made a lasting impact on a generation of students, made evident by lagging test scores and attendance rates and increased mental health concerns.

Concerned community members like Butta have taken notice and are joining together to help.

Butta, a social worker who worked in that capacity for two years in Northampton County Public Schools, started Shore Mentors in 2022 with another social worker, Susan Burger, and Clare Nowakowski, who holds a master’s degree in business administration.

Shore Mentors successfully placed a dozen volunteers in local schools last year, and the group hopes to expand its ranks this year.

Many among them are career educators, including Sigrun Lucas, an educational consultant and former professor; Karen Gliedman, a 30-year veteran elementary school teacher; Jim Ruessler, a retired science teacher; and Stacy Drake, who taught dance for more than 20 years.

They will provide mentoring and tutoring services to Northampton students individually or in small groups, starting at Kiptopeke Elementary School. The Shore Mentors group anticipates eventually expanding its services to all Northampton schools.

Northampton schools Superintendent Lisa Martin requested adding the tutoring services to help address student learning loss from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Last year, kids were sent out of the classroom for tutoring, but this year, mentors will complete their volunteer hours in the classrooms. This way, they can tutor up to four students at once and assist teachers as needed.

Shore Mentors is also seeking volunteers to tutor students on the basketball team after school.

Butta spoke of the positive impact the mentors make on the students. “The kids start coming to school knowing there’s a caring adult there,” she said.

Volunteer hours are flexible, with a suggested minimum of one day per week, one to three hours per day.

Shore Mentors is always seeking new volunteers, both women and men.

“Our elementary school children don’t have a lot of male role models around them,” Butta said.

Volunteers must be age 21 or older and complete the following requirements before they may enter classrooms: complete a two-hour training session, pass a tuberculosis screening, and pass a criminal background check.

The next training session is Oct. 16, 2 p.m., at the Cape Charles Civic Center.

For more information, email info@shorementors.org



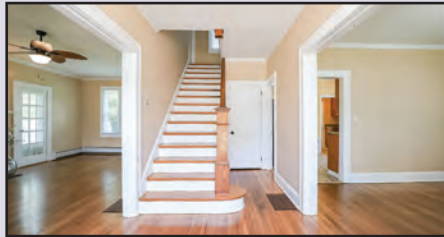
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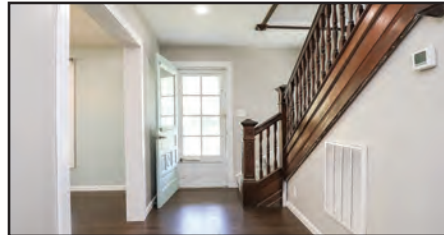
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'This One's For Tate' oyster roast planned

"Eastern Shore Polar Bears: This One's For Tate" is sponsoring its second annual oyster roast on Saturday, Nov. 18 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Barrier Island Center in Machipongo.

All proceeds will go directly to the Make A Wish foundation to grant life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

Only 200 tickets will be sold for this event. Purchase tickets in advance at Bailey's Bait & Tackle, Quail Cove Farms, OBS Eastville, the Barrier Island Center, or text 757-693-1182 to make arrangements to pay electronically.

There will be live music, all you can eat steamed clams and roasted oysters, barbecue, a silent auction, and raffles.

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Candidates not in forums is ‘simply bewildering’

BY ARTHUR UPSHUR

Guest Columnist

I have worked on Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore voter forums for years in various volunteer roles and I have always felt good about the process.

Attending the forums is a great way to get to know the candidates better and to be able to compare their positions on issues affecting the Eastern Shore.

This year, a bunch of the candidates felt that the forums were biased against them and they canceled their involvement.

This was after they had agreed to participate and after CBES had spent the resources getting the forums set up, publicized, and staffed with volunteers.

One state candidate canceled only three days before the scheduled forum at the community college.

The main reason was that CBES was working with the sororities on the forums and these candidates thought that the forums would be biased with such a partisan group participating.

I have to say this is simply bewildering. The sororities play a relatively small role in the process: helping CBES publicize the event and a few of

the sisters collecting audience questions during the forum.

Secondly, the sororities are service organizations for African American women in our community. They are non-partisan organizations made up of professionals, leaders, and senior officials in many organizations and institutions on the Eastern Shore.

As leaders of the community, their membership is politically active. But why is this an issue?

Some pointed to several of the sorority members who were involved in the campaigns. Of course, none of those involved sisters were participating in the forum. So what was the fear?

Would the sororities insert questions that could somehow make more conservative candidates look bad?

I believe that fear is ridiculous.

These are questions about Eastern Shore issues. CBES always has edited the questions to make sure they are of broad interest in the community, that they are not directed at any one candidate, and that they are relevant for the office. They are just questions.

The candidate chooses how to answer — or even whether to answer at all. Are there topics that these candidates do not want to discuss?

They are running for office and

should be willing to answer any questions that are relevant to the role of the office they are running for.

I would argue that this fear has a different source — some candidates simply do not want to “engage” in any way with the “other” side.

In our national politics, politicians may now be punished if they compromise or work with the other party.

But these local offices should be a long way from partisan bickering.

I was reminded of this in a meeting with the sorority presidents to talk about what comes next after this collapse of the forums.

Their first thoughts were how they need to educate the community as to who the sororities are and why this characterization of them as biased political organizations is wrong.

But their second comments were all about working with the candidates in the future.

They believe that after a candidate wins an election, they now represent all of their community, whether they voted for him or her or not.

And while they may not agree with his or her policies, the politician would still be listening to their concerns and trying to find solutions to the issues they raise.

This notion of representing every-

one is apparently not shared by some of our politicians. And that is a real shame.

Engaging with others, particularly others you do not agree with, is a critical part of learning new things as well as better defining your own thinking.

If you cannot defend your position clearly and thoughtfully to those who disagree, how can you claim that is your position? How do you build support for your point of view? What type of democracy can we have at all?

I have a profound respect for those who run for office. It takes a special kind of bravery to put it out there and let strangers judge your performance in such a public way.

Yet some of these brave people are saying they will not even engage because they think the audience will not be “fair” because it may disagree with them.

It feels like they are no longer running to represent our community but just their “tribe” of supporters. For me, that would mean they are refusing to represent the whole community in an elected office. And that is a truly sad thing.

The writer lives in Machipongo.

CHRISTIAN BUSINESSMEN’S ASSOCIATION GUEST SPEAKERS



James Lilliston, left, treasurer of Accomack County, spoke recently to the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association, telling members how his faith and a life of service steered him to run for public office and remains the core of his existence. At right is John Fiege, president of the ESCBA, a group that meets monthly to promote Christian principles and ethical decisions.



Donald Taylor, right, executive director of Chesapeake Housing Critical Repair-Resource Center in Salisbury, Md., spoke to the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association recently at the Island House Restaurant in Wachapreague. Taylor, a retired senior executive at Perdue Farms, talked about developing a leadership team to help provide critical housing repairs.

NORTHAMPTON MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARDS



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Kaniyah Taylor won the Northampton Middle School Above and Beyond Award and is pictured with Principal Justin Wheeler. Students are nominated by their teachers for going above and beyond the average expectations of Golden Bulls students. The winner receives a box of goodies including an NMS shirt and an assortment of donated items including gift cards.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Northampton Middle School recently presented its No Referral Awards. Students who went the month of September without any classroom referrals were entered in a raffle for \$25 gift cards to Subway, donated by community members. The 7th grade winner was Erik Nava-Arista, at right, and the 8th grade winner Aubrianna Walton. They are pictured with Principal Justin Wheeler.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Northampton Middle School recently presented its Perfect Attendance H.O.R.N. Award. There were 105 students with perfect attendance — 47 in 8th grade and 58 in 7th grade. Winners of a \$50 Visa Card raffle were 7th grader Avonnah Brady Fitchett, right, and 8th grader Jacob Duffman. They are pictured with Principal Justin Wheeler.

ROTARY PRESIDENTS WELCOME DISTRICT GOVERNOR



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Presidents of all three Rotary Clubs on Virginia’s Eastern Shore present a gift to visiting District Governor Rudy Garcia, at center. The presentation, made Wednesday night at the Island House Restaurant in Wachapreague, assures that the Eastern Shore will be prominently featured in the governor’s home. From left are Bill McClung, Onancock club president; Jay Diem, Exmore club president; Garcia; Andre Elliott, assistant governor; and Dr. Mark Clarke, Cape Charles club president.

CHINCOTEAGUE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The following students received Student of the Month for September at Chincoteague Elementary School, front row from left: Lewis Bowden, Julian O'Connor, Nikita Tiiechko, Morgan Isdale, and Drake Read. Back row: Gemma Raley, Davontay Dowling, Phineas O'Connor, Rosalynn Molina, Olivia Cherrix, Anders Savage, and Kane Fosque. Absent from the photo is Willow Stoss.

Anglers Club meets Oct. 9

The Eastern Shore Anglers Club will be hold its monthly meeting at the Sage restaurant in Onley on Monday, Oct. 9. at 7 p.m.

Special Olympics Big Feet Meet set

Accomack County Public Schools is hosting a Special Olympics Big Feet meet on Friday, Oct. 13. It is for grade six through post-graduate. It is sponsored by Accomack County Public Schools and Special Olympics.

St. James Church plans indoor yard sale

St. James Episcopal Church, 23395 Drummondtown Road, Accomac, is having an indoor yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 8 a.m. to noon in the Parish House behind the church.

There will be homemade frozen soup, baked goods, a set of china, housewares, and much more.

Ham and clam dinner is planned

Onley United Methodist Church will have a ham and clam dinner on Friday, Oct. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The cost is \$12 for adults and youth age 15 and older. It is dine-in or take-out. The menu is clam fritters, ham, potato salad, cole slaw, deviled egg, roll, beverage. and dessert. Reservations are encouraged. Call 757-787-2721.

ESO Arts Center presents Shel Silverstein

ESO Arts Center in Belle Haven presents "Swing Project: An Evening of Shel Silverstein," on Saturday, Oct. 14, at 15293 King St. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

Chicken Festival back on Saturday, Oct. 7

The Delmarva Chicken Festival, brought back to life to celebrate 100 years of growing chicken on Delmarva, will take place Saturday, Oct. 7, from 1-7 p.m. at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium in Salisbury, Md.

Admission to the event is free. The festival is organized by Delmarva Chicken Association, which

advocates for the common good of the chicken community in Delaware, the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and Virginia's Eastern Shore.

Attractions at the 2023 Delmarva Chicken Festival will include food vendors, an open-air marketplace, kids activities (including touch-a-truck exhibits, a petting zoo, and bounce houses), a "Walk Through History" tent with historical displays, and more.

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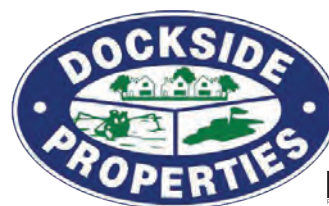
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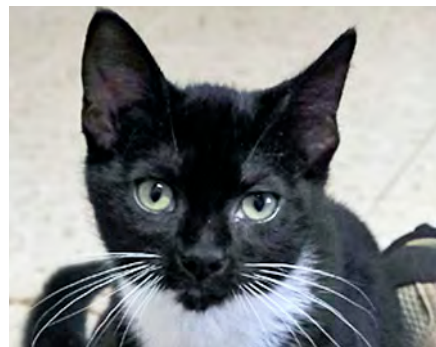


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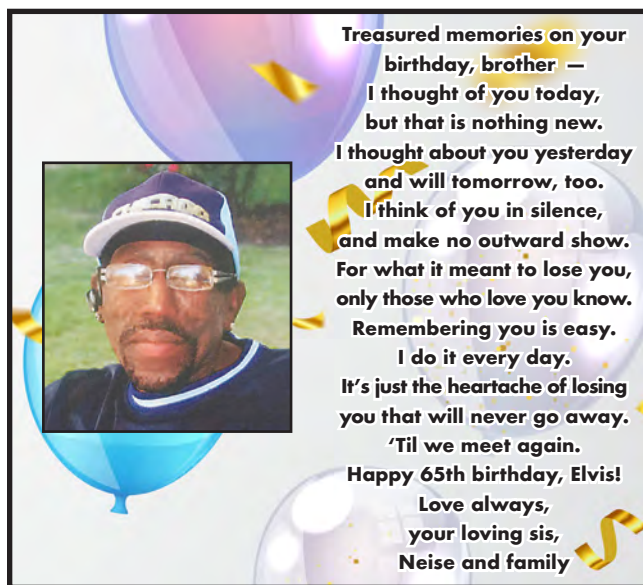
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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting
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Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have high
school diploma or GED.

Benefits include: VRS Retirement, Annual Leave,
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Qualifications: Over the age of 21 and have obtained a high school diploma or GED.

Applications may be obtained from the Northampton County Sheriff's Office located at 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347 or the County's website.

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Building Inspector

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Building Inspector. The essential function of this position is to perform building inspections. Provides customer service and clerical duties.

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Requires valid Virginia Driver's License.

Excellent communication skills are essential. This salary ranges from \$34,819 to \$56,285.

Please refer to Northampton County's website for further job descriptions, requirements and county's application form <https://tinyurl.com/bdcb8hst> Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P. O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347. Position open until filled.

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Human Resources Compliance & Control Administrator

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Applicants must possess a valid Class V (or higher) Virginia Waterworks Operator License. A Class IV Waterworks License is preferred. It is also preferred that the applicant possess a valid Class III Virginia Wastewater Works Operator License. The position also requires a high school diploma or GED, a Virginia driver's License, and at least 3 years of relevant work experience.

Starting salary range for this position is \$32,382 to \$61,338 depending on experience and qualifications. Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements and application form at <https://tinyurl.com/bdcb8hst> or an application can be obtained through the Human Resources office. Please submit completed county application form and cover letter to Human Resources, PO Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 or in person to 16404 Courthouse Road. This position is open until filled. Northampton County is an EOE.

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YARD SALE - Oct. 14 at 8AM at 20375 Bluebill Lane, Schooner Bay, Onancock, VA. Furniture, lamps, china, pictures, toys, DVDs, books, clothes (inc. plus sizes) & more.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE - Oct. 7, 26399 Redwood Rd, Behind Nandua High, 9am-1:30pm. Look for the Signs.

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PERDOMO, CHEYZY YERLIN VALLECILLO
v. ESPINALES, DONYS JOSE MURILLO

The object of this suit is:
TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

It is ORDERED that DONYS JOSE MURILLO ESPINALES
appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on
or before NOVEMBER 15, 2023.

September 19, 2023
Samuel H. Cooper Jr., Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet
Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 9:00 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.

VMRC 2023-1045: David and Patricia Butler are applying
for the following revision of a permit that has been issued
with this same permit number: a vinyl vertical toe, in lieu
of a rock toe feature, for a 45-foot section of the permitted
rip rap revetment, with this being entirely within the Wet-
land Board's jurisdiction. The property is located at 7443
Chesapeake Drive, Jamesville, VA, and is further described
as Tax Map 18C-1-G, along the shoreline of Nassawadox
Creek.

Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the
scheduled public hearing. The application may be viewed in
the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office located
at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. Written com-
ments 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

Town of Onley Notice of Public Hearing

The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Onley,
Virginia will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on
Monday, November 6, 2023, at the Onley Town Office
located at 25308 Lankford Hwy., Onley, VA for the
purpose of receiving comments from members of the
public concerning proposed amendments to the Zoning
Ordinance in reference to Temporary Signage, Feather
Flags, Pennants, and Commercial Real Estate Signage.
The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Mayor
and Council will immediately follow, and they will vote
on approval of these amendments for adoption. A copy of
the proposed amendments is available for public inspec-
tion at the Onley Town Office, 25308 Lankford Hwy., On-
ley, VA, Monday through Friday from the hours of 9:00
a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Accomack County Board of
Supervisors will hold its regular
meeting on Wednesday, October 18,
2023, at 5:00 p.m., in the Board of
Supervisors Chambers, Room 104,
23296 Courthouse Avenue – Acco-
mack, VA, with public hearings to afford interested
persons the opportunity to be heard or present writ-
ten comments on the following matter(s) beginning
at 6:30 p.m.:

1. **Conduct Public Hearing to consider a proposed amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024 budget to include an appropriation of the Airport Federal funding in the amount of \$924,140.**

A brief synopsis of the proposed amendments to the
County of Accomack's budget for Fiscal Year 2024 was
ordered published by the Accomack County Board of
Supervisors at a meeting held on September 20, 2023.
A summary of the budget amendment is listed below.

Airport Fund			
Source of funds.		Use of funds.	
Federal Airport Improvement Grant	\$ 924,140	Runway 21 Turnaround - construction	\$ 924,140
Total	\$ 924,140	Total	\$ 924,140

Robert D. Crockett
Chairman, Accomack County Board of Supervisors

Michael T. Mason, CPA
County Administrator

2. **Conduct Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance relating to bonds on specific contracts, to reduce the amount of performance and payment bonds for an indefinite delivery or quantity contract.**

An ordinance is needed to allow the County to reduce
the amount of performance and payment bonds for an
indefinite delivery or quantity contract, such as a job
order contract, to an amount less than the sum of all
tasks performed under the contract. Any reduced bond
amount must be approved by the County Administra-
tor or his designee and must be in an amount sufficient
to ensure the performance of all work orders under the
contract and the payment of all subcontractors, and
costs for materials, and labor.

3. **Conduct Public Hearing to consider dedicating land owned by Accomack County (Tax Map # 86A1-A-11) on Front Street in the Town of Accomack to Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) for use as a pump station, as well as the granting of an easement for access and maintenance purposes.**

Any citizen wishing to view documents, submit a comment,
having questions, or needing special assistance for the dis-
abled may contact the County Administrator's Office by
contacting:

Jessica Hargis: (757) 787-5700 / 824-5444 or
administration@co.accomack.va.us

County's electronic Board Agenda at:
<https://go.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public>

Live Meeting Audio:
<https://tinyurl.com/3d3ctfnp>

Public Notice

The Northampton County Planning Commission will
meet on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the
Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in
Eastville, Virginia. The purpose is to conduct regular
business and conduct public hearings for the following
applications to forward a recommendation to the Board
of Supervisors.

ZTA 2023-03: The Board of Supervisors of Northampton
County is proposing a Zoning Text Amendment to revise
the sections which pertain to Signs in the 2000 and 2016
Zoning Ordinances.

ZTA 2023-04: The Board of Supervisors of Northampton
County is proposing a Zoning Text Amendment to revise
the sections which pertain to Lighting in the 2000 and
2016 Zoning Ordinances.

The applications, as well as the full text of the proposed
amendments, are on file and open to public inspection in the
Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at
16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA, and can be viewed
electronically at:

<https://go.boarddocs.com/va/northco/Board.nsf/Public>

Anyone wishing to comment on the above items is in-
vited to attend the public hearing and make their com-
ments known. Written comments can be submitted to
the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement,
P.O. Box 538, Eastville, VA 23347, and via email to
olivia.bennett@co.northampton.va.us for consid-
eration at the September 19, 2023 Planning Commission
meeting.

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

Request for Proposals

Northampton County is requesting bids for DEMOLITION
SERVICES for the unsafe structures on the properties listed
below:

Property Owner	Lien Holder	Property Address
Danny Eugene Fox	None	27397 Dunton Cove Road Tax Map: 00106-0A-00-0000043
Georgie B. Savage Carey Savage	None	8446 Bayford Road Tax Map: 00020-06-00-000000A
Bayview Citizens for Social Justice	None	Culls Drive Tax Map: 00084-0A-00-0000120
Elizabeth Graves, Samuel Spady Sr.	None	29182 Arlington Road Tax Map: 00112-0A-00-0000046

Bids including demolition and removal and disposal on the
above referenced demolition projects individually or as a cost
lump sum will be received by the County Administrator at
P.O. Box 538, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA 23347
by 3:00 p.m. local prevailing time, Friday, October 27, 2023,
and then publicly opened.

The County will award the project on either a lump sum bid
or with each structure listed separately. Sealed bids shall be
marked "Unsafe Structure Demolition Bids." Northamp-
ton County reserves the right to accept or reject any and
all bids in whole or in part and to waive any informalities or
irregularities in the bidding. Specifications can be obtained
by calling the PP&E Department at (757) 678-0443 ext.
526; by email at forest.flynn@co.northampton.va.us or on
the County website at <https://tinyurl.com/3cdxuz8r>

Legal Ads

TRUSTEE'S SALE 20071 WARWICK LANE, QUINBY, VA 23423

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated August 28, 2014, in the original principal amount of \$640,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 201403472. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court on November 3, 2023, at 12:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: TRACT 1: THAT PORTION OF THE WARWICK FARM, LYING TO THE SOUTHEAST OF VIRGINIA ROUTE 605, THE PUBLIC ROAD PASSING THROUGH UPSHUR'S NECK, EXTENDING ABOUT ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-EIGHT YARDS (198 YDS.) FROM THE LAND FORMERLY OWNED BY I. WALKER TRUXTON, AND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY CHARLES EWEN CAMERON, AND THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE SAID VIRGINIA ROUTE 605 TO ORDINARY LOW WATER MARK, CONTAINING TWELVE AND ONE-HALF ACRES (12.5 A.) AND THE MARSH, MEADOW AND SUNKEN MARSH LYING IN FRONT THEREOF TO ORDINARY LOW WATER MARK, SAID MARSH LAND BEING ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN AN ADDITIONAL TWELVE AND ONE-HALF ACRES (12 ½ A.) ON WHICH TRACT OF REAL ESTATE IS THE OLD HISTORIC UPSHUR MANSION HOUSE AND PREMISES, SAID TRACT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE BEING BOUNDED ON THE NORTHEAST BY THE LAND FORMERLY OWNED BY I. WALKER TRUXTON AND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY CHARLES EWEN CAMERON; ON THE SOUTHEAST BY UPSHUR BAY OR BROADWATER; ON THE SOUTHWEST BY TRACT 2 HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED; AND ON THE NORTHWEST BY THE SAID VIRGINIA ROUTE 605. SAID PARCEL BEING SHOWN ON A CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY BY FRED RUEDIGER ENTITLED "WARWICK, UPSHUR'S NECK, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA," DATED JANUARY 6, 1927 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN PLAT BOOK 3 AT PAGE 29, WHICH PLAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AND TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THIS TRACT. TRACT 2: ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE, SAME BEING LIKEWISE A PART OF SAID WARWICK FARM, SITUATED IN UPSHUR'S NECK, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, CONTAINING BY ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-FIVE ACRES (25 A.), MORE OR LESS WITHOUT ACCOUNTABILITY AS TO ANY DEFICIENCY, AND BEING BOUNDED ON THE NORTHEAST BY TRACT 1 HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED; ON THE SOUTHEAST BY UPSHUR'S BAY; ON THE SOUTHWEST BY THE REMAINDER OF THE PARCEL RETAINED BY SAMUEL A. NOCK AND EVELYN H. NOCK FROM WHICH THIS TRACT IS TAKEN; AND ON THE NORTHWEST BY THE SAID VIRGINIA ROUTE 605. REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO A CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY BY FRED RUEDIGER DATED JANUARY 6, 1927 ENTITLED "WARWICK, UPSHUR'S NECK, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA," AND WHICH IS OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 7. THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN THIS TRACT AND THE REMAINDER OF THE PARCEL FROM WHICH THIS TRACT IS TAKEN AND WHICH IS RETAINED BY SAMUEL A. NOCK AND EVELYN H. NOCK IS THE CENTER LINE OF A DITCH SHOWN ON SAID PLAT WHICH DITCH CROSSES THE PROPERTY FROM VIRGINIA ROUTE 605 TO UPSHUR'S BAY AND THE MEAN LOW WATER MARK AS SHOWN ON SAID PLAT. THE INSURED PROPERTY ADJOINS A STATE ROAD AND THERE IS NO PRIVATE ROAD OR PRIVATE ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT THAT AFFECTS THE INSURED PREMISES. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com

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on the Post's website
<https://tinyurl.com/mr2hd9pr>**

FORECLOSURE SALE OF REAL ESTATE IN TRAIL'S END

Thursday, October 12, 2023, 10:00 AM
To be held at the Clubhouse in Chincoteague
Bay Trail's End Subdivision
5360 Trails End Drive, Horntown, VA 23395

The following properties will be auctioned:

Property Address: 35011 Mallard Ct.
Tax Map No.: 029A10100002400
Assessed Value: \$8,700.00
Lot/Account No.: 101024

Property Address: 6068 Bluebill Dr
Tax Map No.: 029A10100018700
Assessed Value: \$30,100.00
Lot/Account No.: 101187

Property Address: 5242 Swan Drive
Tax Map No.: 029A10100036300
Assessed Value: \$18,400.00
Lot/Account No.: 101363

Property Address: 360003 Cabin Pier Ct
Tax Map No.: 029A20100005700
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 202057

Property Address: 36007 Cabin Pier Ct
Tax Map No.: 029A20100005800
Assessed Value: \$8,900.00
Lot/Account No.: 202058

Property Address: 36019 Cabin Pier Ct
Tax Map No.: 029A20100006100
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 202061

Property Address: 5073 Sailfin Dr
Tax Map No.: 029A20100019300
Assessed Value: \$18,300.00
Lot/Account No.: 202193

Property Address: 5148 Bluepoint Dr
Tax Map No.: 029A20100034800
Assessed Value: \$14,300.00
Lot/Account No.: 202348

Property Address: 6419 Bay Breeze Dr
Tax Map No.: 029A20100051400
Assessed Value: \$18,600.00
Lot/Account No.: 202514

Property Address: 6272 Nautilus Dr.
Tax Map No.: 029A20300012000
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 303120

Property Address: 36015 Sunray Ct
Tax Map No.: 029A20300019500
Assessed Value: \$9,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 303195

Property Address: 6156 Periwinkle Dr.
Tax Map No.: 029A20500013900
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 305139

Property Address: 6192 Bay Breeze Drive
Tax Map No.: 029A20500017700
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 305177

Property Address: 6255 Nautilus Dr
Tax Map No.: 029A20500018900
Assessed Value: \$8,600.00
Lot/Account No.: 305189

Property Address: 35022 Neptune Ct
Tax Map No.: 029A20500031100
Assessed Value: \$18,000.00
Lot/Account No.: 305311

Property Address: 35028 Neptune Ct
Tax Map No.: 029A20500031200
Assessed Value: \$18,000.00
Lot/Account No.: 305312

Property Address: 6014 Wallops Dr.
Tax Map No.: 029A10200000200
Assessed Value: \$18,400.00
Lot/Account No.: 307002

Property Address: 6004 Oriole Ct.
Tax Map No.: 029A10200010800
Assessed Value: \$9,000.00
Lot/Account No.: 307108

Property Address: 35018 Black Oak Ct.
Tax Map No.: 029A10200017200
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 307172

Property Address: 6131 Wallops Dr
Tax Map No.: 029A10200019200
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 307192

Property Address: 6023 Wallops Dr.
Tax Map No.: 029A10200021900
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 307219

Property Address: 6045 Cedar Dr.
Tax Map No.: 029A10400010900
Assessed Value: \$8,500.00
Lot/Account No.: 401109

TERMS: Minimum Bids will be announced prior to the start of the auction on the date of sale. Announcements made at auction time take precedence over any print, electronic, or verbal information, including but not limited to the Minimum Bid. Successful bidder will be required to deposit with Trustee a deposit (non-refundable) in an amount equal to the lesser of \$5,000 or 10% of successful bid in cash or certified funds at time of sale, with the closing to occur within thirty days of the date of said sale. Written one-price bids will be accepted for any of the properties pursuant to the terms set forth in Va. Code § 55.1-1833. There is no warranty relating to right, title, interest, or the like in this disposition. Property is being sold pursuant to Va. Code § 55.1-1833, and title will be conveyed pursuant to statute and subject to all liens or encumbrances as provided in said statute. All information for review by appointment only. Notwithstanding the Minimum Bids announced at the time of sale, the Trustee reserves the right to accept and/or reject all offers. Time is of the essence. Other conditions may be announced at the sale.

TRUSTEE: Pender & Coward, P.C.,
222 Central Park Ave., Virginia Beach, VA
Phone: (757) 490-6261
Email: trailsend@pendercoward.com

Legal Ads

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for the withdrawal of ground water in Accomack, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: October 6, 2023 to November 6, 2023

PERMIT NAME: Ground Water Withdrawal Permit issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Muhammad Arshad; 25380 Dennis Drive Parksley, VA 23421; GW0080000

NAME AND LOCATION OF WATER WITHDRAWAL: Afshan Farm; 29246 Hallwood Road Hallwood, VA 23359

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Muhammad Arshad has applied for a new permit for a poultry farming operation. The permit would authorize the applicant to withdraw a maximum of 4,725,900 gallons per year and 1,216,860 gallons per month. The ground water withdrawal will support the drinking water and cooling water for the birds. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Lower Yorktown-Eastover aquifer at a depth between 290 feet to 300 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site. An aquifer is a body of rock or layer of sediment in the ground in which ground water is stored and transported. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit.

AFFECTED AREA: The radial distance from the wells to where computer modeling predicts the aquifer may experience one foot of drawdown due to the withdrawal is illustrated on a map that can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/3ems7mkb>

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by hand-delivery, e-mail, or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Emily Erard-Stone; DEQ Central Office, P.O. Box 1105, Richmond, VA 23218; Phone 804-914-3860; Email: emily.erard-stone@deq.virginia.gov. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above {by appointment} or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 23000449

vs.

NANCY L. HENSON
ANGELA G. MILLS
ROSE BECHTHOLD
CHINCOTEAGUE BAY TRAILS END ASSOCIATION, INC.
SHORE HEALTH SERVICES, INC. dba SHORE LIFE-CARE AT PARKSLEY
TRAILS END UTILITY COMPANY, 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:

All that parcel of land in Horntown, Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 514, Unit 2, Chincoteague Bay Trails End, designated as parcel number 029A20100051400.

standing in the name of Nancy L. Henson and Angela G. Mills, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et. Seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Angela G. Mills, whose last known post office address is 6419 Bay Breeze Drive, Horntown, VA 23395; that Nancy Henson is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 8873 Washington Street, Savage, MD 20763; that Rose Bechthold is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 400 Century Vista Drive, Arnold, MD 21012.

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 November 20, 2023, 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 20th day of September, 2023
Caretta S. Harris, Deputy Clerk

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

Request for Bids

The Accomack County School Board is accepting sealed bids on used school buses and vehicles. Buses and vehicles are available for inspection at the School Bus Shop, 26119 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA, weekdays from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

A list may also be obtained from this location specifying equipment to be sold and minimum bid requirements. All bids are due in the School Board Office at 23296 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA by 10:00 AM on October 16, 2023.

All bids must be in a sealed envelope marked School Bus Bid "# 2024-04." Successful bidders must remove awarded buses or vehicles within (7) calendar days of bid award.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 23000446

vs.

The heirs and devisees of DONALD T. HARDY
TYLER HARDY
WYATT HARDY
CHINCOTEAGUE BAY TRAILS END ASSOCIATION, 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:

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 280, Unit 1, Chincoteague Bay Trails End, designated as parcel number 029A20100051400.

standing in the name of Donald T. Hardy, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et. Seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Donald T. Hardy; 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 post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Donald T. Hardy; that Tyler Hardy is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 28 Harbor Lane, Bear Creek Township, PA 18702; that Wyatt Hardy is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 2174 Old Pittston Boulevard, Wilkes Barre, PA 18702.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing commencing at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, to afford interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments regarding the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR MONETARY BONUSES FOR CERTAIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide one-time bonuses to certain Northampton County employees – the communication officers of the Sheriff’s Office – in response to donations received by the Towns of Exmore and Eastville for this purpose.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for public review at the County Administrator’s Office, Eastville, Virginia, during normal business hours.

Handicapped assistance available: Call 757-678-0440.

Charles Kolakowski
County Administrator

NOTICE

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission invites public comment on proposed amendments to regulations, as shown below. By October 9, 2023, the proposed draft regulations may be viewed on the VMRC web calendar at <https://mrc.virginia.gov/calendars.html>

In accordance with Section 28.2-209 of the Code of Virginia, a public hearing on the proposed amendments to these regulations will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, at the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Fort Monroe, Virginia.


Written public comments on the Habitat Management Division proposals or on habitat items not on the agenda must be provided by 12:00 p.m., Monday, October 23, 2023, to Mike Johnson, VMRC Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Fort Monroe, Virginia 23651, or sent by email to mike.johnson@mrc.virginia.gov with the subject heading “Commission Comments.”

I. Chapter 4VAC20-1410-10 et seq., “Utility Line Encroachments Beneath or Over State-Owned Subaqueous Beds”

The Commission proposes to adopt Chapter 4VAC20-1410-10 et seq., “Utility Line Encroachments Beneath or Over State-Owned Subaqueous Beds” to promulgate a general permit for utility line crossings of State-owned subaqueous bottom.

The purpose of this chapter is to provide a general permit for certain activities beneath or over State-owned subaqueous beds whereby owners of private or commercial properties, public utility companies and political subdivisions, and their official designees, are granted authority for the installation of aerial and directionally drilled utility lines that do not involve instream work, in an expeditious manner.

VMRC DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES; THEREFORE, IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS BECAUSE OF A DISABILITY, PLEASE ADVISE MICHELE GUILFORD (757-247-2206) NO LATER THAN FIVE WORKDAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING DATE AND IDENTIFY YOUR NEEDS.



RATE SCHEDULE (AMENDED) • Effective July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

1. **WASTEWATER TREATMENT CHARGE** – All customers except those in the Small Communities

Consumption based accounts with water meters per 100 cubic feet*	\$7.60
Minimum charge per day – metered customers	\$0.30
Flat rate accounts (single family residential) per day	\$2.00

2. **SMALL COMMUNITIES RATES** – (Small Communities include King William, Middlesex, Urbanna, Surry, West Point, and the communities of Virginia’s Eastern Shore.)

Community	Total Wastewater Treatment and Collection Rate Per 1,000 gallons	Flat Rate Per day
Small Communities (except King William)	\$16.08	\$2.21
King William	16.31	2.24

Community	Wastewater Treatment Rate Per 1,000 gallons	Flat Rate Per day
Small Communities	\$10.16	\$2.00

Metered customers minimum charge per day \$0.30
Unmetered customers – Single Family Residential (Flat Rate per day) \$2.21
Unmetered customers – (Other than Single Family Residential) shall be billed a flat rate based on Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU).

Service	Cost per ERU Per day
Treatment and Collections	\$2.21
Treatment Only	2.00

Mathews residential customers – billed a flat rate based on an Equivalent Residential water Usage (ERU) of 12,000 gallons per quarter.
Mathews commercial, government and professional customers - billed based on ERU schedule of fractions or multiples by customer category.

Community	Per 1,000 gallons	ERU Usage Rate
Mathews	\$16.08	\$2.21

Lawnes Point subdivision of Isle of Wight County metered customers - billed Isle of Wight Public Utilities published Sewer Rate in addition to the Wastewater Treatment Rate listed in the aforementioned section 1.

3. **TOWN WHOLESALE TREATMENT RATE** – Incorporated towns with population less than 2,000

Consumption per 1,000 gallons	\$3.55
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4. **HIGH STRENGTH OR UNUSUAL WASTE SURCHARGE**

Type	In Excess of	Per mg/L per 100 Cubic Feet*	Per 100 pounds
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	297 mg/L^	\$0.000185	\$ 2.96
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	282 mg/L^	0.000612	9.80
Total Phosphorus (TP)	7 mg/L^	0.009258	148.30
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN)	57 mg/L^	0.002784	44.59

Other Unusual wastes may be assigned a special rate. ^ Domestic Quality Wastewater

5. **NUTRIENT CREDITS**

Type	Asset Charge (\$/pound/year)	Operational Charge (\$/pound)
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	\$8.39	\$0.1274
Total Phosphorus (TP)	58.55	1.0226
Total Nitrogen (TN)	13.49	0.2897

6. **HAULED WASTEWATER** (Indirect discharge/tank truck waste)

Type	Per gallon
Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG)	\$0.3517
Other approved hauled wastes	\$0.1812

7. **VOLUME BASED FACILITY CHARGE**

Water Meter Size	Facility Charge	Water Meter Size	Facility Charge
5/8-Inch	\$2,420	6-Inch	\$456,620
3/4-Inch	\$4,210	8-Inch	\$889,185
1-Inch	\$7,410	10-Inch	\$1,491,070
1 1/2-Inch	\$18,395	12-Inch	\$2,274,730
2-Inch	\$35,825	14-Inch	\$3,251,050
3-Inch	\$91,665	16-Inch	\$4,429,645
4-Inch	\$178,485		

8. **SERVICE FEES**

Access Card Replacement	\$25
Account Documentation Fee	\$10 per account per 12-month period
Advance Service Fee	Based on previous 12-month billing
Damaged Lock Fee	\$100
Damaged Meter/Antenna Fee	\$250 plus cost of meter and/or antenna
Delinquency and Restoration Fee	\$15 plus cost imposed by water supplier, if applicable
Inaccessible Meter Fee	\$50
Late Payment Fee	1.5% per month
Meter (Deduction) Fee	\$2.00 per meter per month
Meter Reading Fee	\$75
Meter Removal Fee	Based on the charge imposed by water supplier
Returned Payment Fee	\$25
Service Restoration Fee	\$100

*100 Cubic Feet = approximately 748 gallons
Additional information is available at: www.hrsd.com/finance or by calling 757.460.2261

Sports Trivia
by Ryan A. Berenz

1. What wide receiver for the Houston Oilers (1986-94) celebrated touchdowns with the “Electric Slide” dance?
2. Baseball Hall of Famer Robin Yount won two American League MVP awards (1982, ‘89) as a member of what team?
3. American-born freestyle skier Eileen Gu won two gold medals and one silver medal at the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics competing for what country?
4. What tennis player was disqualified from the 2020 U.S. Open after hitting a ball that struck a line judge in the throat?
5. In November 2012, Grinnell College basketball player Jack Taylor set the NCAA record for most points scored by an individual in a game with how many?

Answers

1. Ernest Civism.

2. Milwaukee Brewers

3. China

4. Novak Djokovic

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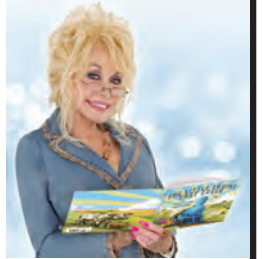


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■ Katie Louise Heere, 33, and Robert Donald McKenzie II, 56, both of Wernersville, Pa.
■ Shelby Deraya Ortman, 28, and Norman Kenneth Bailey, 29, both of Parksley
■ Charlene Alicia Leizear, 56, and Deane Law Starr, 58, both of Lusby, Md.
■ Kara Marie Fields, 26, of Ocean City, Md., and Christopher William McMahon, 31, of Milton, Del.

Northampton property transfers

■ From Beverley Bowles, trustee To Norman and Letisha Owens Lot, 1.005 acres, near Bayview For \$195,000
■ From Paul and Sheryl Eulitt To Vincent Conigliaro Lot 98, The Colony at Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$125,000
■ From Virginia Builders LLC To Constance Adams, trustee Lot 5, Tower Hill, Capeville For \$389,900
■ From Kin Tak Yu, by Mabel Yu, attorney-in-fact To Darryl Glenon Lot 3, Peaceful Lakes, Occohannock Neck For \$21,500
■ From Lisa Lunger To Stephen and Katherine Rogge Lot 37, The Colony at Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$1,040,000
■ From Northampton Growers Produce Sales Inc. To Baker and Baker Holdings LLC Several parcels in and near Cheriton For \$390,210.50
■ From Joseph Mercer and Megan Doughty To Louise Hastings Lot 111, Bay Creek, Phase IV, The Colony, Cape Charles For \$85,000

■ From David and Patricia Sepety To Dustin Lanier Lot 4, Kiptopeke Landing, Phase One, Capeville district For \$90,000
■ From Preserve Homes & Neighborhoods VA LLC To Judith Trumbull Lot 27D, The Fairways, Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$583,851.18
■ From Terry and Sandra Robinson To Charles and Diane Laws Lot 44, Cape Charles For \$390,000
■ From Elfriede Noonan To Brian and Nora Palvik Lot 205, Cape Charles For \$764,000
■ From Keith Shackelford and Robin Benson To Martin Rosen and Karen Moynihan Lot 14, Bay Creek South, Cape Charles For \$862,999
■ From Virginia Builders LLC To Westerhouse Holdings LLC Lot 4, Tower Hill, Phase 1, For \$399,900
■ From Municipal Corporation of Cape Charles To Austin, Lauren, and Katherine Wagner Lot 418A, Cape Charles For \$300,010

Accomack property transfers

■ From Rose C. and Brian B. Derrickson To Christi L. and Scott A. Bortner Lot 1599, Section 3, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$6,000
■ From Terri Gould To Debra Schouppe and Ira Hudson Lot 239, Unit 1, Trails End, Horntown For \$72,000
■ From Mara Nicole and Edward Kleese To Erin M. and Thomas F. Darcy 3070 Navigator Drive, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$260,000
■ From Jeanette L. and Charles J. Rühle III To Jeffrey M. Klinefelter 20145 Quinby Bridge Road, Quinby For \$120,000

■ From Kathy S. and Allan W. Mason To Rose and John H. Shinn 37302 Spar Court, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$195,000
■ From Jacquelyn A. and Steven K. Liming To William James Bass 6707 Megan Lane, Chincoteague For \$250,000
■ From Diana L. and George T. Celona Sr. To Amy E. and Darrell D. Gustin 37459 Broadside Drive, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$315,000
■ From Donna L. and Robert A. Paraskewich To Isora Maria and Stacy Lee Ruble Lot 3, Nocks Landing, Atlantic For \$140,000
■ From Todd A. Nelson To John G. Sanders Lot 42, Seaview, Accomac For \$7,500
■ From Richard A. Fletcher To Brandy J. Rill 34164 Wright Road, Atlantic For \$100,000
■ From Maxcine S. and Robert Collier Sr. To Erika Padilla Gallegos and Jaime Gilberto Larreinaga-Castro 24567 Front St., Accomac For \$49,000
■ From Nancy P. Lewis To Agnes C. and Philip J. Reed Lot 24, Custis Street, Wachapreague For \$38,000
■ From Gail A. and David K. Harris To Benjamin L. Cropper 2395 Brigantine Blvd., Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$255,000
■ From Susan T. and Dennis G. Savage To Robert S. Jarusinski 16161 Red Bank Lane, Melfa For \$535,000
■ From Grand Bay Properties LLC To Valerie L. Morris Lot 59, Corbin Hall, Horntown For \$45,000
■ From Richard E. Lewis To Channing T. Furr Lot 85, Seaview North, Accomac For \$82,000

■ From Paulina S. and Gary G. Baublitz To Sarah J. and Christopher B. Smedley 5019 Blue Heron Drive, Trails End, Horntown For \$65,000
■ From Michael L. Andreucci To Chappell's Property Management Lot 17, Unit 2, Trails End, Horntown For \$25,000
■ From Ana M. and William T. Rounds To Karen Smith and Robin Roberts Lot 1856, Section 4, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$12,500
■ From Debra M. and John V. Marklin To Sarah Elizabeth Miller 6377 Annessex Lane, Chincoteague For \$405,000
■ From Sandra E. and William H. Jackson IV To William H. and Daneyell W. Register Lot 438, Unit 1, Trails End, Horntown For \$54,500
■ From Mildred Ilene Wheatley and Deborah Lynn Towers To Christina A. and Jesus A. Davila Jr. Trails End Lot 616, Unit 1, Horntown For \$20,000
■ From Roberta M. and James F. White To Lala Fatima Alaoui Ismaili and Abderrahim Laassili 3891 Main St., Chincoteague For \$593,500
■ From Sara M. and Nancy Ferguson To Bethharp LLC 15 Liberty St., Onancock For \$225,000
■ From Margaret S. Muhle To Douglas S. Muhle 28075 Harbor Road, Melfa For \$330,000
■ From Susan A. and Donald C. Koelsch To Meghan Oliver and Charles Vernon Clarkson Jr. Lot 23, Assateague West Development, Chincoteague For \$192,000
■ From Charles F. Parvis To Melissa S. Nace and John B. Vergara 6477 Pine Dale Drive, Chincoteague For \$305,000
■ From Carolyn F. O'Connell To Kiezia Darlene and Justin Mika Santo Lot 508, Section 1, Driftwood Drive, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$3,000

■ From Kimberly B. and Steven B. Lang Sr. To Morgan Rebekah Allred and Cameron Robert Phillips 24095 Anns Cove Road, Bloxom For \$281,000
■ From Patricia H. and Harry T. Parker To CMH Homes Inc. Lot 2, Fletcher Road, Bethel Branch Estates, Bloxom For \$26,900
■ From Jessica Powers and Thomas L. Brower Jr. To Judith Zuniga Rocha and Miguel Heriberto Bautista Gonzalez 36151 Belle Haven Road, Belle Haven For \$265,000
■ From Olde Mill Pointe Property Owners Association Inc. To Beula Jean and Vergil S. Davis 40 acres on Fleming Road, New Church For \$230,000
■ From Susan S. and Wesley M. Brown, trustees To Teri D. and Michael W. Scharf 85 acres on Parker's Neck, Parksley For \$425,000
■ From Daniel R. Matthews To Kalyn Bloxom 24414 Maxwell St., Parksley For \$255,500
■ From Robert W. Thornes To Elourde Germine and Dunuck Jean 25412 Virginia Ave., Onley For \$165,000
■ From BCM Group LLC To Kaleni Custom Homes LLC Lot 1405, Section 3, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$200,000
■ From Gwendolyn J. and Earl E. Sollenberger To Kimberly D. and Robert D. Oldland Lot 311, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown For \$58,000
■ From Donna Lynn Mitran To Denise C. Gareis and David M. Onda Lot 207, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown For \$22,500
■ From Stephanie Booth Bailey and Kelly Boothe Horner To CMH Homes Inc. 6160 East St., Chincoteague For \$100,000

TIDE TABLE

Seaside

Bayside

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

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11 Perform a dynamic crowd action in a stadium
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22 Turpentine, for one
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30 Musician DiFranco
31 Africa's Sierra —
33 No-problem advancement
37 What a biting sarcastic person has
41 Ostrich lookalike
42 Olympic swimmer Tom
43 Royal heirs, often
44 Veep's boss
45 NYC subway org.
46 Shocking fish, at times
47 Stuff causing a blowup
48 Conservative moral principles
55 Like Ikea assemblies, for short
56 Sitcom alien
57 Sloop, e.g.
58 Sch. group
59 Summits
62 Smell terrible
65 Splendid
67 Special times
68 Span rotating horizontally to allow ships through
70 Sci-fi guru
71 Natives of Palermo or Catania
73 Runs slowly
74 Peeled
75 Above, in poems
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77 Photo lab blowup: Abbr.
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88 Deep, as a voice
89 Month, to Manuela
90 Put a rip in
91 Luau favors
92 De Mille of choreography
95 Game-airing channel
97 Welcome wind on a hot day
99 Entry at no charge
102 Key just above D
103 Tell untruths
104 Strike caller
105 "... boy — girl?"
106 Trial blasts, for short
109 They die hard, it's said
113 Bob Fosse film title relevant to the starts of eight answers in this puzzle
117 Distributes in shares
118 Shape-fitting game
119 For — (not pro bono)
120 Young superhero of DC Comics
121 Off the mark
122 Road curve

DOWN

- 1 Globe
2 — Paulo
3 Coxa, more familiarly
4 Some nuts
5 Jason's ship
6 Horse hue
7 Perturb
8 Parisian bud
9 Title anew
10 One of the Corleones in "The Godfather"
11 Cry from Homer
12 City in Kansas
13 Actress Wright
14 Fit carmaker
15 Up 'til
16 "Cursed" director Craven
17 Really attack
18 Capital of Austria
19 Junior naval officer
24 Assist illicitly
28 More or less
31 Keep going
32 Business coll. topic
33 Rocker Quatro
34 Lighter — air
35 Imagine
36 Laze about
38 Grand Ole —
39 Firearm rights org.
40 H.S.-level exam
45 Popular dog biscuits
46 Shirk
48 "— the season ..."
49 Sharp taste
50 Place to live
51 Pines
52 Willing to participate in
53 Musical exercise
54 Mixed greens
55 Lover of Lucy
59 Fable penner
60 Town shouter
61 User's shortcut
62 Relatives of geese
63 Rake parts
64 Those elected
65 Rapper — Khalifa
66 Actress Meg
68 Tendon
69 Croissant, e.g.
72 Crooner Julius
74 Dads
77 "Yeah, but still ..."
78 Noun follower, often
80 Open delight
81 Devilkins
82 School in Berkshire
83 Natal lead-in
84 Bando of baseball
85 Sense no danger
86 Oscar winner Minnelli
87 Play — (enjoy some tennis)
91 Alternative to a right hook
92 Drifting at sea
93 Car part between headlights
94 Acupuncture item
95 NFL rusher Smith
96 Savor pekoe, say
97 Certain fuel-carrying ship
98 Take a break
100 Burj Khalifa locale
101 Super-angry
106 Razor brand
107 Skinny
108 Toward dawn
110 Sweetie
111 Make a move
112 IRS ID
114 Env. insert
115 Buddhist discipline
116 Brits' alphabet ender

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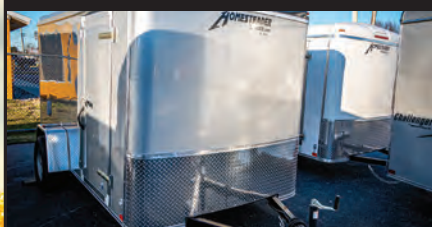
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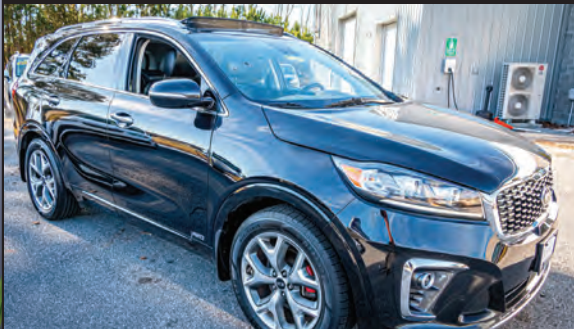


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