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WHO WE ARE

# Tangier Post Office lifeline to the world

BY MILES LAYTON

**Eastern Shore Post** 

A small-town post office is a community gathering spot and it is a lifeline to the mainland for the island of Tangier in the Chesapeake Bay.

Tangier is about 12 miles from the mainland at Crisfield, Md., with the mail boat, the Courtney Thomas, running six days a week, weather permitting, across the Tangier Sound between Maryland and Virginia.

Postmaster Dolores Daley is a familiar face to many on the island, with her glasses and warm smile — she talks to everyone as they check their mail.

Daley explained what she likes best about working at the post office, a centerpiece of the town.

"I like that I can stay right in my hometown, and I like that everybody

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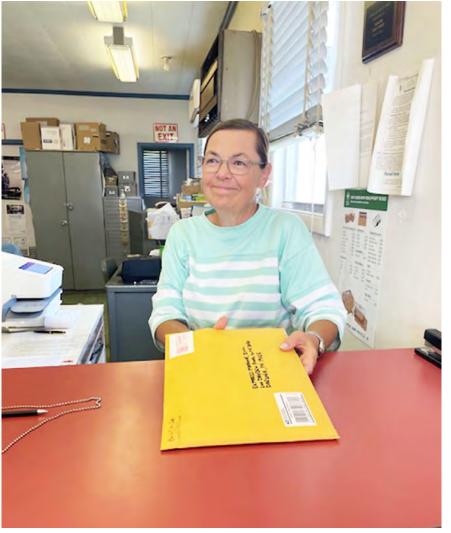


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Tangier Postmaster Dolores Daley loves serving her hometown, an island of around 400 people in the Chesapeake Bay. "I know everybody on a first-name basis," she said.

CAPE CHARLES

# Parking issue gridlocks town council

#### BY STEFANIE JACKSON BOWMANN

**Eastern Shore Post** 

Cape Charles Town Council members recently reviewed proposed regulations for short-term rental vacation homes, but they could not agree on what, if anything, they should do about the most controversial issue in the matter before them: parking.

"This is the peak (tourist) season ... and there's plenty of parking. Why are we creating a regulation if we don't even have a parking problem?" asked Town Manager John Hozey on Thursday, Aug. 8.

But Cape Charles residents have submitted written and spoken public comments and indicated on a survey that parking is a problem.

In the tiny tourist town, which has a population of about 1,200, homes are

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# Cape Charles

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built close together on small lots, and parking on the street is often the only option for residents.

Some have complained that, during the summer tourist season, they can't run a few quick errands without discovering, upon their return, that the parking spots in front of their homes have been poached by tourists staying in neighboring housing.

Councilman Paul Grossman said that, according to a townwide survey, parking is an issue in the R-1 zoning district, the town's primary residential area, as well as parts of the Bay Creek community.

Councilman Andrew Follmer said that parking is a problem throughout Cape Charles' historic district, which includes both residential and commercial properties. Councilman Ken Butta disagreed and said that parking is an issue only in some areas of the historic district, such as Randolph Avenue.

Furthermore, residents of towns like Cape Charles are accustomed to parking a block away and walking to their homes, he said.

Butta acknowledged that this scenario would present a problem for elderly residents with mobility issues.

Councilwoman Tammy Holloway said the parking issue is real, not "perceived," and residents "feel the pain."

Councilman Steve Bennett said, "I don't think it is something to be ignored, but I also don't think that we have a solution that we can offer at this point."

Follmer said that attempting to address parking issues only in the context of short-term rentals would be inadequate, and a townwide parking plan is needed. Holloway, who owns and operates a bed-and-breakfast in town, said that it helps to simply talk to guests about where they should park at certain times and how their cooperation is "for the good of Cape Charles."

"It's a conversation, and it works out perfectly," she said.

Grossman said he was concerned that the town council was "kicking the can down the road."

He noted that occupancy is limited, and he suggested the number of vehicles that may be brought to a vacation home likewise should be limited.

Follmer said that move would "turn neighbors against neighbors."

Councilman Andy Buchholz added that Cape Charles is limited in its ability to regulate parking because the roads are state-owned.

Hozey said of the parking issue, "We'll deal with it later."

# VIMS to host Marine Life Day

The Virginia Institute of Marine Science Eastern Shore Laboratory's 11th annual Marine Life Day will be on Saturday, Sept. 21, from noon to 4 p.m. in the Seawater Laboratory located at 39 Atlantic Ave., Wachapreague.

The event will showcase marine science research being conducted at the Eastern Shore Laboratory and in local waters. Exhibits will highlight work that is fun for visitors of all ages and localities.

Guests will have the opportunity to interact with a variety of marine organisms in touch tanks and live displays, study creatures under microscopes, learn about marine science through activities and crafts, and discuss current research projects with scientists from various fields of study.

This event is free. To pre-register go to <a href="https://www.vims.edu/mld">www.vims.edu/mld</a>

# **Town of Accomac Public Notice**

The Town Council of the Town of Accomac will conduct a Public Hearing beginning at **7:30 P.M. on Wednesday August 28, 2024**, at the Accomac Town Office, 23367 Front St., Accomac, VA for the purpose of receiving comments from the members of the public concerning the proposed town budget for fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024, and ending August 31, 2025. The following is a synopsis of the proposed budget for the fiscal year.

# Estimated Revenue and other Sources for Year Ending August 31, 2025

 Real Estate Tax
 \$53,000.00

 Other Local Tax
 \$42,800.00

 Grant Revenue
 \$24,585.00

 Interset Income
 \$5,000.00

Interest Income \$5,000.00
Reserves \$7,700.00
Totals \$133,085.00

# Proposed Expenditures for the Year Ending August 31,2025

 Waste Removal
 \$50,000.00

 General Government
 \$33,630.00

 Grants Expense
 \$49,455.00

Totals \$133,085.00

#### **Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Tax Levy:**

Increase Real Estate Tax from \$0.15/\$100 value to \$0.17/\$100 value.

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\$730,000



#### **CAPTAINS COVE**

61889: 3BR/2BA golf course home built with safety and security in mind. Open floor plan with unique construction.

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60608: 3BR/2BA Rancher with updates throughout. Unfinished detached suite with living area, bedroom and bath

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#### **CAPTAINS COVE**

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The Courtney Thomas travels about 12 miles one-way from Crisfield, Md, to deliver mail, passengers, and packages to Tangier Island six days a week. When the mail boat arrives around 1:30 p.m. each day, townsfolk work together to unload cargo brought from the mainland.



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# Tangier

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comes to me," she said. "I know everybody on a first-name basis."

A lifelong resident of Tangier, Daley, 67, has worked for the post office for 38 years.

There's no mail delivery to home or business addresses on the island, so Tangier's 400 residents receive their mail in tiny post office boxes that have served the community for decades.

"Because of our location and how close everybody is, we don't have any mail carriers," Daley said.

Folks can pick up their mail anytime, but afternoons are when the latest mail arrives, so that is "when people tend to visit the post office the most to talk and share news about their friends, family, or neighbors," Daley said.

Remember the golden ticket from the movie "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"? On Tangier, a golden ticket is the yellow post office letter announcing the arrival of a package. Folks get excited because they know they've received something good from the mainland.

"The golden ticket is the card — the yellow card — that says come and get your package," Daley said with a smile. "And when the package is too big, which most of them are, to go into the post office box,

we put that card in and you bring it in to get your package. Most people like the yellow slips and they call them golden tickets."

Whether it's rubber boots for wet weather or high tides, or a laptop for a soon-to-be college student, many packages from Amazon arrive each day.

"We get everything," she said.
"We get grass cutters through here occasionally. We get a lot of things through here. We just got chicks the other day. We've received caterpillars for the island's school to turn into butterflies when they do science projects."

Important announcements from town hall or residents are taped to the windows by the front door leading into the post office, whether it's the time and date for the island's annual homecoming or news of a funeral service.

"We've always been a big part of the community," Daley said. "We have a bulletin board of the things that are happening in the town because everyone is going to stop by the post office."

Married to a longtime waterman, Mickey Daley, now retired, Daley said she loves island life.

"I love living here, being here," she said. "People here — we can go off and tend to anything we need on the mainland and come back when we've had enough. Living here in Tangier is my most favorite thing."

# Eastern Shore Birding to host boat tours

Birding Eastern Shore is hosting a series of boat tours on Sept. 4 starting at 8 a.m.

Join Captain Meriwether Payne to get an amazingly close look from the water at the birds of Virginia's Barrier Islands.

The tour will take passengers to the lagoons and marshes behind the islands, home to an abundance of seabirds and shorebirds, including the American oystercatcher, whimbrel, terns, gulls, and raptors.

The first tour of the day is from 8 to 11 a.m. with another tour from 11:30

a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and the final tour from 3 to 6 p.m.

The tours will depart from the Wachapreague town marina. It's recommended to arrive at the boat ramp 10 minutes early.

Sept. 5 is the rain date for tours.

The cost is \$20 per passenger and each trip is limited to six participants.

Reservations are required. To reserve a seat contact Payne at 757-710-2454 before Aug. 28.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Visit & \underline{www.birdingeasternshore.org} \\ to learn & more. \end{tabular}$ 



# Accomack County Grand Jury hands down indictments

On August 5, an Accomack County grand jury issued the following indictments:

Patrick James Berry, 40, of Atlantic, was indicted on one felony count of possession of cocaine for a Feb. 15 incident. He was arrested and later released on \$1,500 secured bond.

Sandra Earlene Pruitt, 58, of Onancock, was charged with two felony counts of possession of crack cocaine and destroying or concealing evidence for an incident on May 21.

Pruitt, who was on probation for drug charges, attempted to swallow crack rocks to destroy evidence, according to court documents. She was released on \$5,000 unsecured bond.

Vaughn Waldo Topping Jr., 65, of Parksley, was indicted on one felony count of possession of crack cocaine related to an arrest on Feb. 6. He was later released on \$3,000 unsecured bond.

Courtney Danielle Fisher, 35, of New Church, was charged with one felony count of possession of cocaine related to an arrest on April 24. She was released on \$2,000 unsecured bond.

Keith Aaron Grinage, 50, of Atlantic, was charged with one felony count of driving while intoxicated, related to a crash in Temperanceville on May 23.

This is Grinage's third DWI offense. He was released on \$4,000 secured bond.

Jimmy Lee White, Jr. 39, of New Church, was charged with three felony counts of eluding, reckless driving, and driving while intoxicated.

On May 26, White was riding his motorcycle on Maddox Boulevard, in Chincoteague, when police Sgt. Jeffrey Stevens signaled for him to pull over after radar detected his speed at 53 in a 25 mph zone. Instead, White turned around in the McDonald's lot, failing to stop again at the exit.

White was pursued down Maddox

Boulevard at a recorded speed of 75 mph. He then ran a red light at the intersection of Maddox Boulevard and Deep Hole Road before leaving the island over the causeway.

He was later arrested after crashing near Chincoteague and Wallops Neck Roads. White was later released on \$5,000 secured bond.

Quanta Markese Mapp, 31, of Painter, was indicted on two felony counts of possession of cocaine while in possession of a firearm. At the time of his arrest on March 16, he was also charged with, but not indicted for, possession with intent to sell. He was released on \$7,500 secured bond.

Justus Earnest, 35, of Enola, Pa., was charged with two felony counts related to an incident on April 21, one count of breaking and entering, and one count of kidnapping/abduction by force.

Earnest was also charged with destruction of property, a misdemeanor. He is being held without bail.

Curtis Samuel McCray, 48, of Hallwood, was indicted on one felony count of illegal possession of oxycodone. At the time of his arrest on May 30, he was also driving on a revoked license. He was released on \$10,000 secured bond.

Jawyne Coston Kente, 34, of Painter, was indicted on charges of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute related to an incident on May 22. This is his second such offense. He remains in custody.

Anthony Rayshard Davis, 31, of Painter, was indicted on three felony charges stemming from a traffic stop on March 16. He was charged with possession of cocaine, possession of a firearm while in possession of cocaine, and carrying a concealed weapon. He was also driving with a revoked or suspended license. Davis was released on \$20,000 secured bond.

Hunter Douglas Weaver, 33, of

Onancock, was indicted on one felony count of assault and battery of a law enforcement officer in a July 24 incident. He remains in custody.

Omar Matias, 39, of Parksley, was indicted on two felony counts of obtaining money, at a value of \$1,000 or more, by false pretenses or statements, belonging to the Department of Medical Assistance Services. He is being held without bail.

Kerwin Antwan Harmon, 44, of Withams, was indicted on three felony charges related to a traffic accident on Dec. 30, 2023. He was charged with possession of cocaine, driving while under the influence, and assault and battery of a law enforcement officer. He was released on \$4,000 secured bond on Jan. 17.

Harmon was also indicted on one felony count related to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon on March 1. He was released on \$5,000 secured bond.

Kenneth Tankard Short, 32, of Onancock, was indicted on one felony count of cocaine possession related to an incident on April 6. He was released on \$2,500 unsecured bond.

Deandria Marcus Brown, 51, of Oak Hall, was indicted on two felony charges of credit card larceny without consent. He was released on \$5,000 unsecured bond.

William Shertenleib, 61, of Sanford, was charged with one felony count of possession of cocaine related to an incident on March 11. He was released on \$2,500 unsecured bond.

Austin Tyler Burland, 24, of Parksley, was charged with one felony count of attempted burglary in a May 24 incident. On that date, Burland tried to break into the Family Dollar in Parksley after hours in the hopes of obtaining cigarettes. He later turned himself in to police, according to court documents. He was released on \$3,000 secured bond.

Richard Liddle, 47, of Chincoteague, was charged with two felony counts related to an incident on April 30. Liddle, who was living in Horntown at the time of the incident, was charged with strangulation and assault and battery of a law enforcement officer. He remains in custody.

Gerri Latasha Fitch, 44, of Pocomoke City, Md. was charged with four felony counts of forgery regarding checks written and signed between July and October of 2023. She was released on \$2,000 secured bond.

Crystal Blue Ebberts, 38, of Chincoteague, was charged with a total of three felony counts of strangulation related to a June 4 incident. After being arrested Ebberts was released on \$2,000 bond.

On Aug. 5, in addition to the indictment for strangulation, she was charged with two additional felony counts of breaking and entering. She was arrested for these two additional charges on Aug. 6 and released on the original bond.

Steven Giddens, 52, of Birdsnest, was indicted on four felony counts related to an incident on April 17. The charges were felony eluding, possession of cocaine, possession of a weapon by a convicted felon, and possession of a firearm while in possession of cocaine. He remains in custody.

Travis Ross Marshall, 34, of Tangier, was indicted on multiple felony charges stemming from two separate incidents.

Marshall was arrested and charged with receiving stolen property on or about March 15 and was later released on \$1,000 secured bond.

He was also indicted on three additional felony counts related to an incident on May 10. He was charged with possession of cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, and possession of ammunition by a felon. He remains in custody.

# ESCC's Foxworthy and Summer Interns Tackle Allergen Research

Under the leadership and guidance of Biology Instructor Dr. Alex Foxworthy, Eastern Shore Community College has established a National Allergy Bureau (NAB) registered aerobiology station at ESCC. The NAB is the organization which maintains the network of sampling stations that provides data on daily pollen and mold spore levels in the United States, which are particularly relevant to those suffering from allergies.

Currently, there are only 50 active stations in the entire country, and the ESCC station is the only one in the state of Virginia. The current level of coverage is not sufficient to provide meaningful allergen data to people in most of the localities in the U.S.. Understanding what is in the air in our community is essential for people seeking to manage and treat their allergies.



Dr. Foxworthy and ESCC interns Sarah Baugh, Mark Niederhofer and Jesus Lopez.

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Dr. Foxworthy stated that "surprisingly little is known regarding what biological substances are in the air, how these vary from location to location, and how these vary depending on different meteorological and geographical features. In addition to providing pollen and mold spore counts for our area, ESCC is also performing a number of scientific studies together with our students."

Mark Niederhofer and Sarah Baugh have been investigating differences in mold and spore counts in different locations across the shore and at different altitudes. Another ESCC student, Jesus Lopez, has been working together with Luke Groff,a UVA graduate student working in Oyster at UVA's Coastal Research Center, to further investigate these regional and altitudinal differences in Oyster and at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel in Kiptopeake.

Mark Niederhofer elaborated on his summer internship on the project. "We've worked to record and process the allergens we've collected for the National Allergy Bureaubetween using rotorods, the Bukard Sampler, and the now the AI enabled automatic sampler made by PollenSense™."

"The samplier uses AI to automatically detect and analyze air particles", Foxworthy added. The ultimate goal would be to use such automated devices to expand the coverage of ESVA and eventually the whole state of Virginia. To this end, the first Virginia Community College System (VCCS) collaborator - Shalini (Shalini Upadhyaya) at J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College in Richmond- will be running similar experiments along with ESCC starting in the upcoming fall semester.

All together, these efforts will provide critical information about what is in the air in our communities and how this is changing over time. It also provides an opportunity for students to engage in real and meaningful scientific research both through internships and through regular classroom experiments.

If you have any questions regarding these efforts or ideas for collaboration, please feel free to reach out to Dr. Foxworthy at wfoxworthy@es.vccs.edu.

# **EDITORIAL**

# **Eastern Shore Post**

# Eastern Share Post

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THE PAPER'S POSITION

# It takes awareness to prevent suicides

This is a harrowing statistic: There were 105 cases of suicide on the Eastern Shore for a 16-year stretch that ended in 2021, the last year of available state records.

This is unimaginably sad. It is also a jolting reminder that we all need to be sympathetic and aware of the plight of others.

An Aug. 2 article in the Eastern Shore Post reported on this issue and how the Eastern Shore Community Services Board works to address it.

Suicide is a community problem that is frequently ignored. Many issues are fetched into the churn of Eastern Shore daily discussions — tax rates, highway traffic, the weather, and the like.

It is hard to conceive of a subject more important than suicide prevention. But it is rarely a conversational topic on the Eastern Shore. Vehicle deaths are discussed. Homicides are discussed. Self-inflicted deaths are not.

Experts say the stigma around mental illness prevents loved ones from talking about suicides. But mental illness should be treated like physical illness — with care, concern, and professional help.

Experts also say community awareness, normalized conversations, and an investment of finances and time are needed to combat self-inflicted deaths.

That starts with all of us. Let's check on each other. Let's advocate for mental health funding. Let's work to cut down on the number of suicides on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

■ If you are having thoughts of suicide or know someone at risk, call 988. The Eastern Shore Community Service Board's 24-hour crisis line is 757-442-7707 or 800-764-4460.

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# **GUEST COLUMN**

# Accomack superintendent ready for school opening

### **BY RHONDA HALL**

Guest columnist

Welcome to another school year at Accomack County Public Schools. I hope you and your family took the time this summer to have fun and are ready for what promises to be a great school year.

We are excited to embark on this journey with you once again and look forward to a year filled with learning, growth, and successes.

I remain committed to fostering a learning environment that inspires, encourages, and supports students.

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Providing a safe learning environment for all students and staff was a priority for the 2023-2024 school year. Metal detectors were utilized in all schools.

Safety remains a priority and for the 2024-2025 school

year, we will be providing another layer of safety by using security officers in all schools.

Our commitment to academic excellence remains unwavering.

During the 2024-2025 school year, our kindergarten through eighth grade staff will be provided with professional

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# Beth Sharpley is United Way's campaign chair

The Board of Directors for the United Way of Virginia's Eastern Shore announces that Beth Sharpley will serve as the chair of this year's campaign.

As an Eastern Shore native and an active member of the community, Sharpley brings a unique perspective to this year's campaign, the board of directors said in a prepared release.

Her community involvement has placed her on many boards that support initiatives to improve lives on the Eastern Shore.

Some of these boards include serving as a member and second vice chair of the board of directors of the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce.



Beth Sharpley

the president and founder of the Worcester Preparatory School Grandparent's Association, and past chairman of the Salisbury Children's Choir Board of Directors.

Sharpley brings much experience to the role of cam-

paign chairman for the United Way, directors said.

Last year, she was the celebrity dipper for the Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity, raising over \$103,000.

She is also a volunteer and active in fundraising for Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore.

Besides these accomplishments, Sharpley has performed with the Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers for 35 years and in productions at North Street Playhouse, along with other productions on the Shore.

Sharpley is office manager at Coastline Chemical and SharpTech USA.

She previously served as the director of admissions and development at Broadwater Academy.

"The goal for this year's United Way campaign is \$200,000 and is very realistic if all of the Eastern Shore embraces the work of the

United Way and its impact on agencies whose programs support a better quality of life for residents of the Shore," the board of directors said

Since its inception in 1991, the United Way has raised over \$8.4 million for local nonprofits.

Much of this money has been raised through employee campaigns and all the funds raised stay on the Eastern Shore of Virginia to benefit the community.

For more information on how you can start a campaign in your organization or contribute to the United Way of Virginia's Eastern Shore, visit www.esunitedway.org

# 'Tabor' book wins more awards

"Tabor — A Christmas Tale," written by Betsy Wallace of Belle Haven, received a gold medal from the Christian Book Awards 2024 and was listed as one of the best children's books on its Facebook page.

It was also featured online in the second quarter of "Book Mad Magazine," and more recently Emmy

award-winning news anchor Logan Crawford invited Wallace to join him in an interview on the Spotlight television network to discuss the book.

The book has been made into an animation trailer and is available to view on YouTube TV.

The book is a 2023 American Award Winner finalist in the category of pets and animals and was a 2023 finalist of the International Author's Network in the category of Outstanding Holiday Book of the Year.

# Climate equity workshop set for Aug. 21

An ESVA Climate Equity Workshop will be held at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley on Aug. 21 starting at 3 p.m.

The event will feature interactive stations, presentations, and opportu-

nities for input.

Dinner will be served and child care will be provided.

Participants can learn how insights gathered from the previous workshops have evolved the project research and models, and they'll have the opportunity to test and provide feedback on the Climate Equity Atlas prototype, an interactive data tool on climate equity.

To register visit: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/5bpvvhuw">https://tinyurl.com/5bpvvhuw</a>

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development, which will help them navigate the Virginia Literacy Act.

This initiative will provide research-based reading instruction to students in grades K-8.

This year, we will be developing our 2024-2029 division-wide strategic plan, which will include goals based on our comprehensive needs assessment.

The strategic plan serves as a blueprint, guiding how the division

operates.

We will continue to provide challenging and engaging instruction that meets the individual needs of all learners.

We encourage you to support your children's education by reinforcing good study habits and staying engaged in their academic progress.

Regular attendance is crucial for academic success. Students are expected to attend school every day, to arrive on time, and to be prepared to learn.

Absence and tardiness can significantly impact a student's ability to keep up with coursework and fully participate in classroom activities.

Let's work together to ensure that every student attends school regularly.

To maintain a focused and respectful learning environment, cellphones are to be turned off and stored away during classroom instructional time.

The implementation of this initiative will help to minimize distractions and encourage students to fully engage in classroom instruction.

We sincerely appreciate your assistance with ensuring that your children understand the new cellphone policy.

I am excited about the opportunities this school year holds and committed to supporting each student's academic journey.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to our central office or building level administrative team.

Together, we can build a partnership that will ensure the educational needs of your children are met. Thank you for your dedication and support for our schools.

■ The writer is superintendent of Accomack County Public Schools.

# **ENTERTAINMENT**

# Eastern Shore Post

### Friday, August 16

- FARMERS AND FLEA MARKET: 7 a.m., Pocomoke Farmers and Flea Market at the riverfront parking lot. It is free to become a vendor. Call 410-957-1333 for more information.
- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- BOOK SALE: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m, Friends of the Cape Charles Memorial Library Book Sale on the corner of Pine Street and Mason Avenue, Cape Charles. Proceeds help fund the purchase of computers, summer reading programs, and more. Held the third Friday of each month through September.
- KIDS GAMES: 1 p.m. Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Geared towards kids 7 to 11 years old with both board games and video games.
- STEM PROGRAM: 2 p.m., Dino Dig at the Cape Charles Memorial Library, 201 Mason Ave., part of its STEM popup series. Dig up some dinosaurs.
- CRAFT: 3 p.m. Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library adult craft. This week's craft is an embroidery bookmark.
- LIVE MUSIC: 6 to 8 p.m., Great Machipongo Clam Shack, Peg Volk and Ellen Grimes perform a selection of originals, Americana, and Great American Songbook.
- COMMUNITY DINNER: 6:30 p.m., Giddens' Do Drop Inn, Celebration of Life Dinner to boost awareness for organ, tissue and eye donation. Donors and recipients are invited to attend and be recognized. Dinner is free and open to the public but seating is limited. Reserve a seat by contacting Jane Cabarrus at 804-513-0532 or Tracy at

# **Best bets**

- Saturday, Aug. 17, Ker Place in Onancock will host Crab Crackin'. Featuring all-you-can-eat steamed crabs, sweet corn, and barbecue. Live music will be provided by Randy Lee Ashcraft. Visit shorehistory.org for tickets.
- Wednesday, Aug. 21, an Eastern Shore of Virginia Climate Equity Workshop will be held at The Eastern Shore Regional Library in Parksley. The event will feature presentations and interactive stations that aim to increase knowledge on the current and future impacts of climate change on the Shore. Dinner will be provided.

Register here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/5bpvvhuw">https://tinyurl.com/5bpvvhuw</a>

804 513-4342 or email tracygj@me.com

# Saturday, August 17

■ TENNIS LESSONS: 9 a.m., for the 30th year, the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague will be offering free tennis lessons at Memorial Park. Lessons for children ages 6-16 will begin at 9 a.m. and for adults at 10:15 a.m. Matt Ryan, the assistant tennis coach at Salisbury University, will be the instructor. For more information and registration contact:

communitytennisassoc.2013@gmail.com

- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Market, corner of Market and Ames streets, Onancock.
- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Exmore's Mid-Shore Market, held at the town park next to Western Auto. It features produce, flowers, fresh baked goods, handicrafts, artwork, and more. For more information, visit its Facebook page.
- FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, 6309 Church St. There will be fresh local seafood, produce, arts and crafts, and live music. Free admission and parking. Also visit the Kitchen Art Gallery with works by many local artists. Visit <a href="https://www.chincoteagueCA.org">www.chincoteagueCA.org</a>

- Theater Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague. Chincoteague Island Arts Organization will hold a yard sale to benefit the Island Theater. Usable items can be donated for sale or community members may purchase a table to sell their own items. Tables are \$10 for a card table or \$15 for a 6-foot table. To participate, call Mary Anne Robinson by Aug. 15 at 757-336-0074.
- NATURE PROGRAM: 10 a.m., Kiptopeke State Park, Nocturnal By Nature will teach visitors of all ages about the nocturnal critters of Kiptopeke.
- FRENCH CONVERSATION: 10 a.m. to noon, gather with a group to speak French every third Saturday at the Cape Charles

Coffee House, 241 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.

- SUPPLY SWAP: 10 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Swap unwanted craft or hobby supplies with fellow hobbyists. Participants can also enter to win a prize basket.
- ART FOR KIDS: 10 to 11 a.m., Historic Onancock School, kids ages 5 to 8 can participate in an art adventure. Email info@esartleague.org to register.
- SURFING: 11 a.m., Cape Charles Public Beach, Day on the Bay brings generated 1 to 2 foot waves to the Chesapeake Bay. K Coast will have surf boards on hand but, participats are encouraged to bring their own board or float to ride the waves. The event kicks off with a short distance paddle board race at 11 a.m., followed by a skim board exhibition at 12 p.m. A boat will begin generating waves at 1 p.m.
- BOAT DOCKING: 12 p.m., Dockside, 2 Riverside Drive, Pocomoke City. Pocomoke Boat Docking Challenge.
- OPEN HOUSE: 12 to 4 p.m., ESO Art Center, 15293 King St., Belle Haven. Live music, kids games, beer garden, live art demonstrations, and tours of ESO.
- LIVE MUSIC: 2 p.m., Historic Cokesbury Cultural Center, 13 Market St., Onancock, presents Ed Satterfield, a troubadour and storytelling musician performing folk music and blues for kids and adults alike. Audience participation is encouraged. There will be instrument demonstrations and giveaways.
- FESTIVAL: 4 to 8 p.m., Ker Place Crab Crackin' includes all-you-can-eat crabs, sweet corn, and barbecue. Live music provided by Randy Lee Ashcraft. Visit shorehistory.org for tickets.

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# **Be included**

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

editor@easternshorepost.com

# ■ ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: For meetings in Accomack and Northampton, visit www.aaeasternshoreva.org or call 757-350-0466.

# ■ AL-ANON: For more on Al-Anon, a group of relatives and friends of alcoholics. visit <u>www.</u> <u>vaalanon.org/districts/</u> <u>district-7-eastern-shore</u>

# ■ OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: Group meets every Wednesday at Rock Church, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Call 757-999-6771.

**Important standing meetings and emergency numbers for the Eastern Shore** 

# ■ COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: All-day, every-day hotline for those impacted by domestic violence or sexual assault: 757-787-1329.

# ■ SUICIDE HOTLINE: If you are having thoughts of suicide or know someone at risk, call 988. Call the local 24-hour hotline at at 757-442-7707 or 800-764-4460.

# Calendar

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- LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m., KG Band Trio with opening act Darren Francis McDowell at Chicoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. Admission is \$5 for adults or \$2 for kids 12 and under. Cash bar available.
- LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m., Cape Charles Central Park. Good Shot Judy performs as part of the Concerts in the Park series. Bring a chair or blanket.

# **Sunday, August 18**

- SPECIAL SERVICE: 9 a.m., Jerusalem Baptist Church, Temperanceville, is holding a pack-the-house program.
- YARD SALE: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Island Theater Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague. Chincoteague Island Arts Organization will hold a yard sale to benefit the Island Theater. Usable items can be donated for sale or community members may purchase a table to sell their own items. Tables are \$10 for a card table or \$15 for a 6-foot table. To participate, call Mary Anne Robinson by Aug. 15 at 757-336-0074.
- SPECIAL SERVICE: 11 a.m., New Allen AME Church, 7044 Bayside Road, Franktown will observe its annual homecoming service with pastor Timothy Johnson.
- LIVE MUSIC: 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Free admission.
- SPECIAL SERVICE: 6 p.m., Cheriton Methodist Church, 21309 Bayside Road, Cheriton, 11th Annual Sunday of Hope, a special service to celebrate hope in the fight against cancer.

#### **Monday, August 19**

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- STORY TIME: any time, all day story time at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley and the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox.
- NATURE PROGRAM: 10 a.m., Kiptopeke State Park, Nocturnal By Nature will teach visitors of all ages about the nocturnal critters of Kiptopeke.
- BINGO: Doors open at 5 p.m., first game

at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.

■ POLITICAL MEETING: 7 p.m., Sage Diner, Accomack Republican Party meeting. Contact Sam Sellard at 757-709-8252 for more information.

#### **Tuesday, August 20**

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- TECH HELP: All day technology assistance at the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox.
- BINGO: Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.
- GAMING: 5 to 6:30 p.m., teen gaming at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley.
- BOOK CLUB: 7 p.m., Chincoteague Island Library, Island Readers Book Club meets to discuss books on a variety of topics.

# Wednesday, August 21

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, 6309 Church St. There will be fresh local seafood, produce, arts and crafts, and live music. Free admission and parking. Also visit the Kitchen Art Gallery with works by many local artists. Visit <a href="https://www.ChincoteagueCA.org">www.ChincoteagueCA.org</a>
- WEIGHT LOSS SUPPORT: 10 a.m. weigh in, 10:30 a.m. meeting start, Market Street Methodist Church Hall. Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting. For more informa-

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- STORY TIME: any time, all day story time at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley and the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox.
- DISCUSSION: 1 to 2:30 p.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library. Ending the Silence, a presentation to help families learn about the warning signs of mental health conditions and what steps to take if a child or loved one is in need of help.
- WORKSHOP: 3 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Eastern Shore of Virginia Climate Equity Workshop, with presentations and interactive stations that aim to increase knowledge on the current and future impacts of climate change on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Dinner will be provided. Register here: https://tinyurl.com/5bpvvhuw
- ART CLASS: 4 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance Community Center for the Arts. Paint a watercolor floral greeting card with Lucy Roehm. The cost is \$25 and includes all supplies. To register visit <a href="https://www.chincoteagueca.org">www.chincoteagueca.org</a>
- BINGO: Doors open at 6 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Co., 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter.

■ SUPPORT GROUP: 7 p.m., Melfa United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 9444 Main Street, Melfa, support group for Caregivers of People with Mental Illness. Light refreshments will be offered. This is a nondenominational group. All caregivers of people with mental illness are welcome. For more information contact 757-710-8025 or pastorbarbara08@gmail.com

### Thursday, August 22

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- BIBLE STUDY: 10 a.m. Thursdays at the Community Church of God, 9079 Birdsnest Drive, in the social hall.
- PARK CLEANUP: 10 a.m. to noon, Thursdays in the Park, sponsored by the Cape Charles Citizens for Central Park. Meet in the vendor parking area on the south knoll of the park. Watering, pruning, weeding. Bring your own gloves and water bottle. Call 757-331-0798 for more information.

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# A&N ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ANNUAL MEETING

6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at

The Cooperative Tasley Office 21275 Cooperative Way, Tasley, VA 23441

The meeting will be broadcast live on WESR (103.3 FM)

NO REGISTRATION GIFTS OR DOOR PRIZES THIS YEAR

ALL CO-OP MEMBERS WHO RETURN A VALID PROXY WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN ONE OF SEVERAL BILL CREDITS FROM \$50-\$250

Return your completed proxy to the Cooperative by Monday, Aug. 19.

MEMBERS PLANNING TO ATTEND SHOULD PRE-REGISTER BY CALLING 757.787.9750 OPTION 3 OR SUBMIT A PRE-REGISTRATION FORM AT ANEC.COM



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- FARMERS MARKET: 3 to 6 p.m., Captain's Cove Marina Club, 3323 Dock Court, Greenbackville. Captain's Cove Farmers and Artisans Market, open to the public. Fresh produce, handcrafted goods, and more.
- MOVIE: 7 p.m., movie night at Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapeague.

# Friday, August 23

- FARMERS AND FLEA MARKET: 7 a.m., Pocomoke Farmers and Flea Market at the riverfront parking lot. It is free to become a vendor. Call 410-957-1333 for more information.
- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- GOLF TOURNAMENT: 9 a.m. Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club, ESVA Chamber's Shore Fest Golf Tournament, includes prizes and lunch.
- ART SHOW: 10 a.m., Island Community House, Daniel P. Turner Thomas exhibition "Chincoteageu Views in Watercolors" opens. The exhibit will be on display until Aug. 31. Hours for the exhibit are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 12 to 4 p.m.
- HOT DOG CART: 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., No Limits Eastern Shore hot dog cart at 24546 Coastal Blvd., Tasley.
- STREET FESTIVAL: 5 to 8 p.m., Fourth Friday Street Festival, Pocomoke City, with sidewalk vendors, food sales, beer and wine, kids' activities, and live music. This month's theme will be trucks and trains. There will be a special touch-a-truck exhibit. Live music provided by Neal Hooks.

# Saturday, August 24

- BREAKFAST: 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., VFW Post 2296 will host a breakfast featuring scrambled eggs, fried potatoes, scrapple, sausage, bacon, pancakes, donuts, and biscuits and sausage gravy. A minimum donation of \$10 is requested. Open to the public.
- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Market, corner of Market and Ames streets, Onancock.
- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Exmore's Mid-Shore Market, held at the town park next to Western Auto. It features produce, flowers, fresh baked goods, hand-

# **Eastern Shore class reunions**

- The Central High School Class of 1969 will celebrate its 55th reunion at a luncheon on Friday, Sept. 13 at the Island House Restaurant in Wachapreague. Contact Claudia Carpenter Harmon for details at 757-787-7096.
- The Northampton High School Class of 1984 will have its 40th year class reunion Saturday, Sept. 21, at the Exmore Moose Lodge in Belle Haven. For more information, contact Toyka Spady Kellam at 864-982-1097, toysimspa@yahoo.com, or on Facebook, Instagram, and Classmates.com.
- The Mary Nottingham Smith High School Class of 1964 is planning a reunion for September 2024. Contact Conway Bailey at 443-564-9496 or conbail46@aol.com for reunion information. Those interested also can visit the private Facebook page called "Mary N. Smith Class Reunion '64."
- The Northampton High School Class of 1964's 60th class reunion will take place on Sept. 14 at the Island House Restaurant, Wachapreague. For more information, contact Smith James (757-442-0659) or Faye Collins Godbey (757-710-0688). The private Facebook site for class members is Northampton High School Class of 1964. This is a way to get additional information and connect with other class members.
- The Eastern Shore Post wants your announcements for class reunions. They will run in this space each week at no charge leading up to the reunion date. To include your class reunion, email the information to editor@ easternshorepost.com.

icrafts, artwork, and more. For more information, visit its Facebook page.

- FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, 6309 Church St. There will be fresh local seafood, produce, arts and crafts, and live music. Free admission and parking. Also visit the Kitchen Art Gallery with works by many local artists. Visit <a href="https://www.chincoteagueCA.org">www.chincoteagueCA.org</a>
- PICNIC: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Samuel Outlaw Blacksmith Shop and Museum, Boundary Ave., Onancock. Shoe Box Lunch Festival featuring live demonstrations and a picnic lunch. Bring a blanket or chair.
- NATURE PROGRAM: 10 a.m., Kiptopeke State Park, Nocturnal By Nature will teach visitors of all ages about the nocturnal critters of Kiptopeke.
- NUTRITION CLASS: 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Island Community House, learn how to shop for healthy food on a budget during Healthier Together: Shop Smart, part of a series of nutrition classes. Call 757-336-1993 to RSVP.
- CAR SHOW: 4 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company, Third Annual Frank "Sonny" Etz Memorial Car Show. Registration is \$20 in advance or \$25 the day of. To register email cheritonvfd@gmail.com or call 757-678-2685.
- LIVE MUSIC: 6 p.m., Liam Purcell and Cane Mill Road in Chincoteague's downtown waterfront park, part of the free

Music at the Dock concert series presented by Chincoteague Cultural Alliance and co-sponsored by Seaside Vacations. Bring chairs or blankets.

- LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m., Cape Charles Central Park. Rhythm in Blue performs as part of the Concerts in the Park series. Bring a chair or a blanket.
- OUTDOOR MOVIE: 7:30 p.m., Historic Onancock School, watch the Tom Hank's classic "Big" during the free Movie Under the Stars. Popcorn is included. Bring a blanket or chair. Rain date Aug. 31.

### **Sunday, August 25**

■ LIVE MUSIC: 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Free admission.

# Monday, August 26

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- STORY TIME: any time, all day story time at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley and the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox.
- NATURE PROGRAM: 10 a.m., Kiptopeke State Park, Nocturnal By Nature will teach visitors of all ages about the nocturnal

critters of Kiptopeke.

■ 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, August 27**

- TECH HELP: All day technology assistance at the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox.
- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts.

All skill levels are welcome.

- BINGO: Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.
- GAMING: 5 to 6:30 p.m., teen gaming and Manga Book Club at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley.

### Wednesday, August 28

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Island Farmers and Artisans Market, 6309 Church St. There will be fresh local seafood, produce, arts and crafts, and live music. Free admission and parking. Also visit the Kitchen Art Gallery with works by many local artists. Visit <a href="https://www.chincoteagueCA.org">www.chincoteagueCA.org</a>
- STORY TIME: any time, all day story time at the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley and the Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox.
- WEIGHT LOSS SUPPORT: 10 a.m. weigh in, 10:30 a.m. meeting start, Market Street Methodist Church Hall. Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting. For more information call 757-710-2075.
- BINGO: Doors open at 6 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Co., 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter.

# Thursday, August 29

- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- CAR SHOW: registration begins at 9 a.m., show starts at 10 a.m., Masonic Lodge 121, 10268 Lankford Highway, Temperanceville.

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Food and drinks will be available.

- BIBLE STUDY: 10 a.m. Thursdays at the Community Church of God, 9079 Birdsnest Drive, in the social hall.
- PARK CLEANUP: 10 a.m. to noon, Thursdays in the Park, sponsored by the Cape Charles Citizens for Central Park. Meet in the vendor parking area on the south knoll of the park. Watering, pruning, weeding. Bring your own gloves and water bottle. Call 757-331-0798 for more information.
- FARMERS MARKET: 3 to 6 p.m., Captain's Cove Marina Club, 3323 Dock Court, Greenbackville. Captain's Cove Farmers and Artisans Market, open to the public. Fresh produce, handcrafted goods, and more.
- CRAFT: 6 p.m., Northampton Free Library. Make an embroidery bookmark. Registration required, call the library at 757-414-0010 to register.
- ART CLASS: 6 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance Community Center for the Arts. Acrylic Paint Night with Cheryl Tay-

lor. Cost is \$45. To register visit www.chincoteagueca.org

- LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m., Cypress Park, Pocomoke City. Fab 2,3,4 performs as part of the Concerts in the Park Summer Series. Lawn chairs and picnics are welcome.
- MOVIE: 7 p.m., movie night at Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapeague.

### Friday, August 30

- FARMERS AND FLEA MARKET: 7 a.m., Pocomoke Farmers and Flea Market at the riverfront parking lot. It is free to become a vendor. Call 410-957-1333 for more information.
- FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.
- STORY SWAP: 7 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, tell a story of your own or listen to others spin a yarn. The topic will be dog days of summer or how to beat the heat. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., cash bar available.

# **Saturday. August 31**

■ FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to noon,

Onancock Market, corner of Market and Ames streets, Onancock.

- FARMERS MARKET: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Exmore's Mid-Shore Market, held at the town park next to Western Auto. It features produce, flowers, fresh baked goods, handicrafts, artwork, and more. For more information, visit its Facebook page.
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- NATURE PROGRAM: 10 a.m., Kiptopeke State Park, Nocturnal By Nature will teach visitors of all ages about the nocturnal critters of Kiptopeke.
- FESTIVAL: 5 to 9 p.m., Cape Charles Central Park will play host to Love Fest, featuring live music by The English Channel, food trucks, and specialty drinks. A prize will be awarded for the best 1960's outfit.
- BARBECUE DINNER: 5 to 7 p.m., VFW 2296, Tasley, barbecue dinner fundraiser featuring pulled pork, homemade

baked beans, coleslaw, dessert, and beverages. Cost is \$12 per person and is open to the public. Eat in or take out.

- LIVE MUSIC: 6 p.m., CAISO Steel Drum Band in Chincoteague's downtown waterfront park, part of the free Music at the Dock concert series presented by Chincoteague Cultural Alliance and co-sponsored by Seaside Vacations. Bring chairs or blankets.
- LIVE MUSIC: 8 p.m., "Queen Nation: Tribute to the Music of Queen," at the Historic Palace Theatre, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$15 for students. For tickets visit www.artsentercapecharles.org

### **Sunday. September 1**

■ LIVE MUSIC: 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles.

# **Monday, September 2**

■ FREE TENNIS: 9 a.m., the Community Tennis Association of Chincoteague meets every weekday for round-robin play at the Memorial Park tennis courts. All skill levels are welcome.



# **OBITUARIES**

# Eastern Shore Post

# Bonnie Poynter

Mrs. Hortense "Bonnie" Bonniwell Poynter, 95, peacefully passed away Aug. 6 at her home in Felton, Del. holding her daughter's hand. A native of Harborton, she was the daughter of the late George A. and Gracie E. Bonniwell.

She graduated from Central High School in Painter. Her working ca-



Mrs. Poynter

reer included an array of varied jobs from Playtex to duPont. She finished her career at age 55 with Delmarva Power. In addition, she and her husband proudly owned Poynter's

Tree Farm and Christmas Shop for 57 years.

Throughout the years, Bonnie and Bob enjoyed jumping in the pickup with the Airstream in tow behind and traveling around the United States in a caravan with the Airstream Club. They spent their winters at their home in LaBelle, Fla. and their summers at their home in Pungoteague, always arriving back to their home in Felton in time to be Mr. and Mrs. Christmas.

Bonnie was the oldest living member of the Felton Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary. She was a member of the Felton Avon Club, the Felton Chapter of the Rebekah Lodge, and a member of Moose Lodge #534.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 70 years, Robert A. Poynter; her sisters, Virginia Bonniwell and Kathleen (Warren) Albrecht; and her brothers, Lynn (Margie) Bonniwell, George (Alma) Bonniwell, William (Frances) Bonniwell, and Milford (Jean) Bonniwell.

Bonnie is survived by her sister, Gracie A. (Ed) Green; three daughters, Jeannie (David) Wood, Bonnie Kaye Shockley (Bruce), and Robin (Mark) Achenbach; two granddaughters, Wendy Rust (Nate) and Stacey Webb (Lauren); three grandsons Wesley Wood (Sherri), Daniel Wood (Meghan), and Dakota Achenbach (Ashley) and 14 great-grandchildren, Riley Wood, Elle Wood, Malory Wood, Ella Morton, Brayden Morton, Wayland Wyatt Wood, Rylan Rust, Regan Rust, Ridge Rust, Rylei Webb, Stella Webb, Landon Poynter Bromley, Quinn Hinch, and Gannon Hinch. In addition, she is survived by many nieces and nephews whom she loved like her own children.

Services were held on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 2 p.m. at Berry-Short Funeral Home in Felton, with a viewing from noon to 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Camp Pecometh, 136 Bookers Wharf Road, Centreville, MD 21617 or Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (Cardiac Unit), 3401 Civic Center Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Arrangements were in the care of Berry-Short Funeral Home, 217 Main St., Felton, Del.

Online condolences can be made at  $\underline{www.shortfuneralservicesandcremation.}$  com

# Zack Mitchell

Mr. Richard Zachary "Zack" Mitchell, 24, of Pungoteague, passed away the evening of Tuesday, July 23, 2024. Born on Feb. 29, 2000, in Virginia Beach, he was



Mr. Mitchell

the beloved son of David and Linda Mitchell.

Zack was a bright and spirited young man with a passion for physical fitness and martial arts. Whether he was boxing, practic-

ing martial arts, or engaging in other forms of exercise, he embraced fitness as a vital part of his daily life. He attended Broadwater Academy until the ninth grade before transferring to Nandua High School. Zack then pursued higher education at James Madison University for two years until the pandemic brought him back home to Pungoteague.

Known for his sharp wit and clever humor, Zack brought laughter and joy to his family, especially during their many travels together. He cherished the time spent exploring nature, from the desert in Palm Springs, Calif., to the red rocks of Sedona, Ariz., to the beaches of the Eastern U.S. and the breathtaking landscapes of Canada. A well-traveled soul, Zack treasured every adventure he shared with his parents.

In his professional life, he tried out many trades. He worked in restaurants, on the crew of a solar panel installation company, as a waterman, and at his father's custom home construction company. In his free time, Zack was an accomplished gamer, known for his quick jokes while playing Fortnite, World of Warcraft, or the many other PlayStation games he enjoyed so much.

Zack attended St. George's Episcopal Church in Pungoteague, where he found spiritual guidance and comfort.

Zack was without a doubt one of the best friends anyone could ask for. His unique personality made him the life of the party, and he took pride in not fitting into any mold. A Saturday night for Zack included great friends, some loud music, a lot of laughter, and, for a time, the infamous green Prius. As one friend described, he had an unmatched ability to "command the energy around him like no other man."

Zack leaves behind a deep void in the hearts of those who loved him, along with many unanswered questions. His passing is a poignant reminder to always be kind, as we never know the struggles others may be facing.

Left to cherish his memory are his parents, David and Linda Mitchell; grandparents, John and Lois Chudzinski, of Winter Haven, Fla.; uncles and aunts, Jay Mitchell (and wife, Julie), of Atlanta, Mike Mitchell, of Hampton, Joe Reynolds (and wife,

Marina), of Cape Coral, Fla., Mark W. Reynolds (and wife, Leslie), of Emerald Isle, N.C., and Mark L. Reynolds (and wife, Lori), of Williamsburg; aunt, Patricia Fowler, of Virginia Beach; cousins, Sarah Reynolds, of Emerald Isle, and Cecilia and Hunter Mitchell, of Atlanta; other family members including Cary Fowler and his wife, Elizabeth, and their children, Kelly and Mary Beth, of Virginia Beach, and Kathy Fowler and her husband, Keith Collison, of Norfolk; and Zack will also be missed by many dear friends.

A celebration of life will be planned at a future date. If you would like to be included in the celebration of life, please email zackhere@me.com.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

# Frances Porco

Mrs. Frances Porco, of Onancock, passed away peacefully on Monday, July 29, 2024, at the age of 91.

Frances was born May 14, 1933, in Pennsylvania, just a few months after her father died in a mining accident. She was raised in Brooklyn, N.Y., af-



Mrs. Porco

ter her mother remarried. She had four brothers and sisters, all of whom predeceased her.

Frances was also preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Frank V. Porco,

of Brooklyn. Upon his death, Frances moved to Onancock to be near family.

Frances loved to travel and cherished the memories of many trips and cruises with her late husband. Frances also loved art and going to museums, so she took up oil painting as a hobby. She loved to attend many of the gallery showings in Onancock, especially on "Second Friday."

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# **Obituaries**

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She also enjoyed cooking, fine food and wine, and dining at local restaurants. She enjoyed her long and full life. She was a gracious and kind person loved by all who knew her.

Frances is survived by her loving daughter, Christine Porco, of Onancock; son, Frank Porco, of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; granddaughter, Alice Porco, of San Diego, Calif.; grandson, Frankie Porco, of Jersey City, N.J.; and several nieces and nephews.

Per her request, no services will be held. There will be a private celebration of life at a later date.

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

Arrangements are by the Wil liams-Onancock Funeral Home.

# Alyssa Taylor

Ms. Alyssa Nicole Taylor, of Oak Hall, passed away on Sept. 14, 2022, in a traffic crash near Hillsborough, N.C.

The daughter of Krista Taylor, also of Oak Hall, she was born June 2, 1997.

Alyssa is survived by her three sons,



Ms. Taylor

Samuel Oakley, Julian Oakley, and Gabriel Taylor.

Alyssa attended Arcadia High School in Oak Hall and attended Hallwood Baptist Church as a child.

A stay-at-home mother, Alyssa

enjoyed dressing up for Halloween with her boys. She also enjoyed baking, doing crafts, and spending time with her family.

Funeral services will be private.

# **Newspaper obituaries**

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# Bill Edmondson

Mr. William P. Edmondson, better known as "Bill," husband of JoAnne Edmondson, died Monday, Aug. 12, 2024, at the age of 65. Growing up in Norfolk, he later adopted the Eastern Shore as his home.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, William P. Edmondson Jr. and Margaret



Mr. Edmondson

Wilkinson, and a brother, Thomas Tabb Edmondson. He is survived by his sister, Susan Edmondson Phillips (Jerry); niece Holland Tabb Phillips; stepchildren, Suzie (Peter) Henderson

and Sarah (Max) Rodriguez; and grand-children, Conner, Charlotte, Anthony, Isaac, and AJ; and many cousins, friends, and coworkers.

Bill attended Blue Ridge School, Lynchburg College, and Johnson & Wales Culinary Institute (1991), where he trained to be the much beloved chef at Stingray's and Aqua (The Oyster Farm). For many years, he was known as "Cape Center Bill." Bill's clam chowder and many other delicacies he concocted were coveted by many.

Bill was an avid fisherman and enjoyed time in the duck blind. He loved being out on Hungar's Creek with JoJo catching speckled trout or getting up at the crack of dawn with Conner to shoot a black duck or two.

Bill also loved being with his grandchildren. He was Isaac's gaming buddy and he loved playing in the floor with AJ and his toys. He kept a swimming pool ready for his "boys" to swim in all summer

Bill enjoyed socializing with his friends at the American Legion and Yuk Yuk and Joe's and going to the casinos from time to time with his wife. He enjoyed his free time.

Services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 22, at 11 a.m. at Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home (Cape Charles) followed by a reception at the American Legion (Cheriton).

Online condolences may be sent to the family at <a href="https://www.doughtyfuneralhome.com">www.doughtyfuneralhome.com</a>

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

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# Area group proposes historical marker program

#### BY STEFANIE JACKSON BOWMANN

**Eastern Shore Post** 

A Northampton County historical group is leading efforts to establish a local historical marker program ahead of Virginia's commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution.

Cara Burton, chair of the Northampton County VA250 Local Commission, asked Northampton supervisors for their support in the matter on Tuesday, Aug. 13.

The local commission. Northampton 250, recently produced a self-guided driving tour of historical locations in Northampton County, which begins at the visitors center at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel and ends in Willis Wharf.

Northampton250 then set its sights on expanding the number of historical markers along county roads, but it discovered that the Virginia Department of Historic Resources has a backlog of applications for the state-issued markers.

On the advice of DHR, the commissioners sought to establish a local historical marker program, as permitted by Virginia Code.

Northampton250 received Northampton County Tourism grant to help fund the program and will pursue a match from the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Virginia 250 program, Burton said. The commission is not seeking county funding.

The top three historical marker suggestions that DHR said it most likely would have approved are:

■ The Rev. Thomas Nelson Baker Sr., who was born in Eastville in 1860 and was the first African American to receive a Ph.D. in philosophy. The location of this marker is to be determined.

■ Hungars Church and Shorter's Chapel, two historic churches in Bridgetown. The intended location of this marker is on Bayside Road.

■ The Northampton Protest of 1652, which involved Eastern Shore residents who were required to pay taxes vet were denied representation in the Virginia House of Burgesses. The intended location of this marker is on Bayside Road, near Weirwood.

Other suggested historical marker topics and locations include the Bethel AME Church, Eastville: the farm where an enslaved woman taught herself to read, to be determined; the Golden Quarter, lower Northampton County, on the seaside; the Upshur Plantation, Brownsville: the Legendary Giddens Do-Drop-Inn, Franktown; the Quaker meeting house, Franktown; and Cushman's Landing, on the

7:00 pm. All makes and models welcome!

seaside.

Supervisor John Coker suggested also placing a marker in Cape Charles, at the site of the former rail vard.

Burton said that historical markers could be placed in strategic locations to promote Northampton County tourism, such as on the Eastern Shore rail trail, on nature trails, at wharves, in public parks, and in towns.

She noted that many of the state historical markers are on U.S. Route 13 and other busy roads, where drivers speed past and miss the signs.

Northampton Board of Supervisors Chair Betsy Mapp said, "I think it's a great idea to put some markers on the rail trail because the people will be going slow enough that they can read them."

The supervisors voted unanimously to authorize Northampton250 to draft a policy for the local historical marker program.

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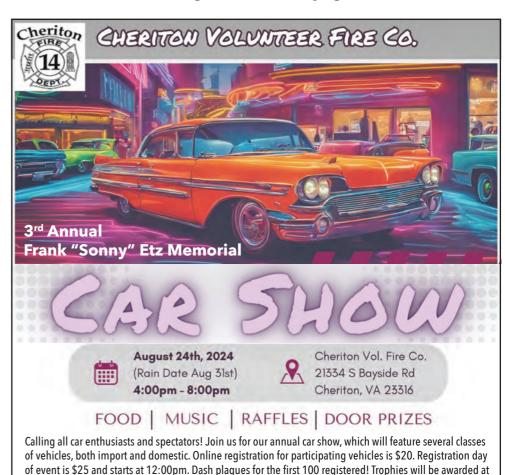
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# **SPORTS**

# Eastern Shore Post

# After Debby, productive angling returns

The Eastern Shore of Virginia was spared any lasting impacts from the remnants of Hurricane Debby, as the



Bill Hall storm took a more westerly track.

Apart from a few missed days of fishing opportunities due to some wind and rain at the end of last week, productive angling action had returned by the weekend.

# Upper Shore

Captain Matt Abell, at the Sea Hawk Sports Center, reported that the shallow waters of the upper Pocomoke Sound and Tangier Sound continue to provide puppy drum action.

Natural bait such as chunks of peeler and soft crab have recently outproduced artificial baits. However, popping corks with suspended light-weighted jig heads tipped with Berkley Gulp Swimming Mullets, Gulp Shrimp, or Gulp Paddletails are still putting fish into the net.

The best action is occurring during the last of the incoming tide at dusk and at daybreak.

Larger red drum are starting to hit out along the deeper channels. The fish have been hitting large pieces of cut bait fished along the bottom and occasionally have been found chasing bait along the surface, where they have hit large swimming grubs on heavy jig heads.

Spanish mackerel and bluefish have been hitting Clark Spoons

pulled behind small planers and inline sinkers.

# Chincoteague

Jimmy Vasiliou, at Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle, told me that the flounder fishing inside the inlet has been "stronger" than it has been on the wrecks, which is unusual for this time of year.

Scattered catches of flounder have come from the waters of Queen Sound, Chincoteague Channel, and Assateague Channel.

Chincoteague Bay is holding a population of panfish, including croakers, pigfish, and kingfish (whiting). Kingfish catches are being made inside the Chincoteague Inlet.

A few large red drum continue to be caught and released in the Assateague surf. David Reedy released a 45-inch red and Steve Van released a 36-inch red, while Randy Downes beached a black drum over the weekend.

Surf anglers fishing big baits for drum are also hooking their share of larger sharks.

Recent offshore action has consisted of meager catches of dolphin (mahi mahi), tuna, and a few bill-fish releases.

# Wachapreague

Captain Lindsay Paul, aboard the Almost Persuaded, told me that the good flounder action was only temporarily affected by the wind and rain of late last week.

The flounder bite resumed over the weekend, with some anglers reporting limit catches. The last of the flood tide through the beginning of the ebb produced the best



Shane Whealton pitched a live bait in front of this 52-inch cobia while fishing along the Chesapeake Bay

Bridge-Tunnel aboard the Parkdaddy.

catches, with Gulp combined with live minnows or silversides proving the most effective bait combinations.

Black sea bass are still biting on the offshore ocean wrecks, while the offshore flounder remains slow.

Deep dropping for tilefish remains good, but the offshore blue water trolling action remains an overall disappointment.

# Lower Shore

Jeb Brady, at Bailey's Bait & Tackle, commented that the weather had played a role in angling action at the end of last week.

He said the bottom fishing for cobia improved in the waters off Cape Charles. Sight casting for cobia "remained decent," according to Brady, with reports of 42- to 46-inch fish being found from Buoy 42 down to Latimore's.

Spanish mackerel catches have been made by anglers trolling spoons in the deeper water depths.

Flounder fishing has been good when clear water can be found along the pilings of the Fishermen's Inlet Bridge and the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel, as well as over some of the offshore wrecks.

Kingfish (whiting) are hitting small clam baits fished on the bottom around the concrete ships off Kiptopeke.

The lower bay piers have been seeing catches of ribbonfish and small croaker.

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.

# Poker Run competitors spend day on bay

The 2024 Bayside Poker Run, held on Saturday, July 27, was a great success of a boating day featuring beautiful Chesapeake Bay weather.

The exciting event involved small boats cruising the Chesapeake Bay in a navigational competition that included Onancock, Pungoteague, and Nandua creeks. This 18th annual event was sponsored jointly by the Onancock Rotary Club and the Pungoteague Ruritan Club.

Following the Blessing of the Fleet and a captains meeting, boaters spent a day on the bay locating six checkpoints and two mystery locations. A large crowd of crew members gathered at the end of the day's adventures for an awards celebration at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club on Pungoteague Creek.

This year's small boat competition once again included the Chesapeake Challenge in the navigational component of the event. This challenge required the crew of each boat to compete in a physical or nautical activity at each checkpoint. When the final points were tabulated, the At Last, captained by Mark Lusby, of the Pocomoke River, topped the leaderboard with 200 points and claimed the \$500

prize.

Following closely with 194 points was the crew of the Booty Pirates, captained by Matthew Freeze. The best poker hand, winning a weekend vacation valued at \$500, was revealed at showdown by Captain Robert Helbig, of the Yellow Boat.

Thanks to the generosity of over 50 local businesses that provided sponsorships and donated merchandise, many hundreds of dollars of additional dock prizes were won by captains and crew members of the fleet of boats.

In addition to thanking the businesses for their contributions, event coordinator Courtney Nottingham also expressed appreciation to the Eastern Shore Post, WESR Radio, East Point Marina, Keith Lilliston State Farm, Bill and Dawn Dougherty, Tom Weeks, the Procter and Shelly families, Cokesbury, and the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club for helping to make the event possible.

The generosity of the many donors and supporters will help the Onancock Rotary Club and the Pungoteague Ruritan Club contribute to community service outreach activities and also award college scholarships to local students.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Hannah and Robert Helbig won the best poker hand at the 18th annual Bayside Poker Run on Saturday, July 27, with the awards ceremony held at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The crew of the At Last, captained by Mark Lusby, won the Chesapeake Challenge in the navigational component of the 2024 Bayside Poker Run. The awards ceremony was held at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club. From left are Pete and Brook Duer, Grace and Will Sexauer, Anna Sexauer, and Mark and Brook Lusby.

# **GOLF**



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Nina Hemby won the Ladies Club Championship at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club by defeating five-time champion Margie Byrd over a two-day stroke event. Hemby had a 36-hole score of 173 to better Byrd by 10 strokes. July Neely was the first flight winner with a two-day net total of 146, and Meredith Riddington was the first flight runner-up with a score of 155 after adjustments for handicap.



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Laura Walker, 86, of Pungoteague, is a world-class swimmer who has competed in several national events. She was a member of a relay team that set world records in three events.

# Walker just keeps swimming

Laura Walker, of Pungoteague, followed the swimming portion of the recently completed 2024 Olympics in Paris with more interest than most viewers largely because she is a world-class swimmer herself, currently ranked in the top five for two events. She is now third in the 200-meter backstroke with a time of 4:47.51 and fifth in the 100-meter backstroke with a time of 2:16.20 for women aged 85 to 89.

Furthermore, current rankings have her second in the U.S. Masters in the 50-meter freestyle with a time of 54.34 and second in the 50-meter backstroke for her 85 to 89 age group with a time of 1:04.04.

Walker, 86, who did not start swimming competitively until she was 55, was a member of a relay team in her 70s that set world records in three events.

Walker began swimming with no

intention of setting records. "Swimming was a good release for me and helped me so much mentally and physically. Then I met so many great people of all ages who encouraged me to swim competitively," Walker said.

Walker, who swims at the Onley YMCA on a regular basis, has continued to swim for 30 years now despite a rotator cuff injury, a broken hip, and back problems. "Swimming has helped me heal with everything I've dealt with," said Walker, who did not require surgery for her rotator cuff injury.

Walker has traveled to California, Texas, and Indiana to compete in national swim meets, but her worldwide rankings in the 85 to 89 age group stem from times compiled by the World Aquatics Masters organization by recording times from swims completed at sanctioned pools.

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# Mason stands tall for Ponies volleyball

#### BY MARK MORING

**Eastern Shore Post** 

Most days, Olivia Mason stands an even six feet tall, which came in handy as she led Chincoteague High School's volleyball team to the Eastern Shore District championship last fall. At season's end, she was named District Player of the Year.

But some days Mason stands about 6-foot-6 if you count the tall crown she wears as winner of the Miss Chincoteague pageant. Mason wore the crown, and the accompanying sash, at a few recent community appearances — including Pony Penning Days, the Volunteer Fireman's Carnival, and the town's Blueberry Festival.

"When I wear the crown, people are like, 'Wow, you're really tall, Miss Chincoteague,'" Mason says, laughing. "But I love it. I enjoy going to these events, taking pictures with people, and representing my town. I take pride in it."

But Mason truly stands tallest on the volleyball court. The senior middle hitter and team captain "eats, sleeps, and breathes volleyball," says her coach, Tylar Libertino. "She does not take a break. Every year, she just gets better and better."

Mason started playing volleyball in the seventh grade and immediately showed promise. But due to the COVID-19 pandemic, she never had the opportunity to play on a team until ninth grade. She mostly sat the bench that freshman year and worked hard in the offseason to improve.

In a preseason scrimmage game as a sophomore, Mason caught the eye of referee Rob Pinchak, founder of the FreeState Volleyball Club in Snow Hill, Md. "He said I had a lot of raw potential and talent," Mason remembers. "And he recruited me to be on his club team at FreeState."

That turned out to be Mason's big breakthrough. "I was already crazy about volleyball, but that skyrocketed my interest completely," she says. "I started focusing on my mechanics in hitting, serving, everything. I learned everything I know at FreeState."

When her junior season — last fall — rolled around, it soon became clear that Mason was the district's premier player. She led the Ponies to a 6-0 record in the district and 12-7 overall. They advanced to the regional semifinals before losing 3-1 to Middlesex.

Despite the loss of six seniors, including three all-district first-teamers, Libertino believes this will be another good year. The Ponies open their season Aug. 20 at Wicomico and play again the next day, hosting Broadwater.

"I feel like the energy from last year is just going to roll over to this year," says Libertino. "Especially to Olivia and Aly. They're going to go out with a bang."

Aly is senior setter Alyson Clark, also a first-team all-district pick last year who plays on the FreeState club team with Mason.

"We have a lot of new girls this year," Mason says. "But I'm pretty confident about them."

Mason hopes to play college volleyball and has already gotten some looks from Division III schools. She wants to attend a smaller school so that volleyball won't be all-consuming, and so she can focus on academics. She has a 4.0 GPA and is interested in the sciences, possibly pre-med.

Away from volleyball — and when she's wearing the sash and crown — Mason works at Mister Whippy, the town's legendary ice cream shop. She's also involved in community service through the school's Future Business Leaders of America club and at St. Andrew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church. "My faith is an



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Olivia Mason, a 6-foot senior hitter, was the District Player of the Year last fall. She also is the current Miss Chincoteague.

important part of my life," she says.

Mason is the daughter of Duffy and Cathy Mason. Duffy works with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) at Wallops Island, and Cathy is the librarian at Chincoteague Elementary School. Mason also has an older brother, Evan, a senior at the Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut.

Olivia says she's grateful for a

supportive family. "They're my biggest fans," she says.

And she wants to make the most of her final season as a Pony.

"It's hard to believe it's my senior year," she says. "These four years have flown by, and I've really enjoyed bonding with my team and playing with my best friends. We might come from a small town, but you can be small but mighty."

# LEWIS EARNS HONOR



On Thursday, Aug. 8, William "Bill" Lewis, past commander of Cheriton Post American Legion 56, received the award of 1st District of Virginia American Legion Legionnaire of the Year 2024.



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People crowd around the Deloreans — a popular 1980s tribute band — on Sunday, Aug. 11, at Cape Charles Central Park. The concert drew 3,000 people.



CAPE CHARLES

# Free summer concerts again draw thousands

### BY STEFANIE JACKSON BOWMANN

**Eastern Shore Post** 

The free summer concerts in Cape Charles Central Park are drawing large crowds again this year, despite bad weather causing one show to be canceled and others to have some decreases in attendance.

Approximately 3,000 people attended the concert by the Deloreans — a popular 1980s tribute band — on Sunday, Aug. 11, said Hank Mayer, of Cape Charles Citizens for Central Park, the nonprofit that organizes the concerts.

The number in attendance was around the same as the Deloreans drew to Central Park last year, even though

weather has deterred some live music fans from coming out this summer.

Roughly 30% of concertgoers are from Northampton County, and the remaining 70% includes residents of Accomack County and visitors from places like Norfolk and Richmond, who are less likely to turn out when the weather forecast is unfavorable, Mayer said.

Despite poor weather conditions nearly every weekend, the Deloreans managed to draw a sizable crowd on Sunday.

"They have a strong following, they play great music, and they've got a great light show that they put on ... behind them on the gazebo when they're playing," Mayer said.

The Deloreans made their Cape Charles debut last year and returned this year by popular demand.

"Normally, with our concerts, everybody sits in the grass, on a chair or on a blanket or something like that, and you have some people up front, to the gazebo, dancing," Mayer said.

But "with the Deloreans, for instance, there was, I'd say, people 10 deep standing in front of the gazebo.

"Everybody has a grand time," Mayer said. "I would love to have more bands like that."

Cape Charles Citizens for Central Park invites a mix of old and new bands every year — about two-thirds are returning bands and the rest are first-timers at the venue, Mayer said.

The Deloreans "definitely" will be invited back next summer, but they may return to Cape Charles for another concert as soon as this fall, he said.

Another definite return invite will go to the English Channel, which plays at Cape Charles' annual Love Fest held every Labor Day weekend.

The Deloreans concert on Sunday was the wrap-up of a special double feature weekend that also included a concert by the Morgan Lynsey Band on Saturday, Aug. 10.



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# Unique Cape Charles surfing event slated for Aug. 17

#### **BY SARAH BARBAN**

**Eastern Shore Post** 

Cape Charles is not known for its swells, but that won't stop Spencer Travis from transforming it into a surfing hot spot, at least for a day.

Travis is the brains behind K-Coast Cape Charles' Day on the Bay, which is set to be held on Saturday, Aug. 17, starting at 11 a.m.

On that day, Travis, who manages K-Coast Cape Charles, a Mason Avenue surf and clothing shop, has arranged for a large boat to make waves along the town's normally placid beach, giving everyone an opportunity to surf.

As a child, Travis would sneak off with his father's vintage surfboards and carry them down to the Cape Charles beach just to paddle around in the water, practicing for the day when he got to surf for real.

"This is the manifestation of a childhood dream that I am able to give to the children around town today," Travis said.

"It's wild when you're out there in the water with other people all doing the same thing and having fun. I can hear the laughter and see the joy on the kids' faces and the proud parents who can't believe their kids are surfing."

Capt. Thomas Heath is the one who will really be making waves at Day on the Bay. Heath will steer his boat back and forth along the beachfront to create a wake that will form consistent



PHOTO COURTESY NICOLE HART

Spencer Travis gives Maia Kuester a little help during the 2023 Day on the Bay.

one-to-two foot waves for boarders of all ages and stripes to ride.

"We've had probably 40 to 50 people surf for the first time in their lives at Cape Charles beach," Travis said. "Some of whom were 4 or 5, some of whom were 55 or 60. It's a guaranteed opportunity to have a safe and controlled environment where you can feel comfortable. You're not fighting ocean currents and you're in waistdeep water."

K-Coast will have boards available on the beach on a first-come, firstserved basis for people who want to try their hand at surfing, but attendees are also encouraged to bring their own ride, whether it's a float, boogie board, paddle board, skim board or just their

own body.

Day on the Bay kicks off with a short-distance paddle board race at 11 a.m., followed by a skim board exhibition at noon. The main event starts at 1 p.m., when Heath will begin generating waves.

There will be regular safety patrols and the event will have Coast Guard support, but Travis encouraged parents to assist their kids in the water.

"Make sure that kids are water savvy and safe first," he said. "Parents please join your kids in the water to get the best seat in the house or to ride with them. Please bring adequate flotation devices and make sure vou're helping your fellow surfers."

The Day on the Bay is all about giving back to the community and building a surf culture in Cape Charles, Tra-

"Day on the Bay is a 100% free event," he said. "We just do this for the community as a way of saying thanks and to generate stoke, which is a real thing in a surf community."







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Eastern Shore Rural Health will open a full service dental office at Occohannock Elementary School in partnership with Northampton County Public Schools in early 2025. Pictured left to right are: Superintendent Dr. Lisa Martin, Jeannette Edwards, Rural Health CEO, and Dr. Scott Wolpin, Rural Health chief dental officer.

# Dental unit opening at Occohannock

Eastern Shore Rural Health has partnered with Northampton County Public Schools to offer improved access to oral health services for children at Occohannock Elementary School.

The goal is to prevent students from attending school with mouth pain, which can affect their academic performance.

The new dental location, which opens in early 2025, will be open year-round and provide services to both prevent and repair damage to teeth for kids ages six months through 18. Currently, Rural Health provides only preventive care at Occohannock Elementary one day per week through a traveling program.

Rural Health has been awarded a \$159,000 federal appropriations grant in support of this new school dental unit. The funding will be used to renovate a modular unit owned by Northampton County Public Schools and furnish the unit with dental equipment.

The grant award, recommended by Sen. Tim Kaine and Sen. Mark Warner, will be managed by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

The Occohannock Elementary dental unit is part of an existing initiative with Northampton County Public Schools to give children more access to services that prevent dental disease and repair damage.

Rural Health was approached by Northampton County Public Schools to establish a comprehensive, schoolbased dental program in 2021.

The first NCPS dental unit at Kiptopeke Elementary School began seeing patients on Sept. 19, 2022. Rural Health hopes to open a third unit at the combined Northampton High/Middle School in the future. The NCPS program is modeled after a similar successful program Rural Health operates in partnership with Accomack County Public Schools.

Oral health education will also be provided at the new Occohannock Elementary dental site. One dentist, two dental assistants, and a business assistant will focus on children who previously have not had a dental provider or those with untreated dental disease.

REGIONAL

# U.S. Senate passes bill with funding for bay dredging, oyster recovery

The Senate recently passed the Water Resources and Development Act of 2024, which help maintain clean drinking water across the country and includes key provisions to deepen and widen channels in the Chesapeake Bay, strengthen Virginia's coastal resiliency, improve recreational access to Virginia's waterways, and support the Chesapeake oyster industry, among other Virginia priorities.

"The Water Resources and Development Act is a crucial package that provides key funding and resources for infrastructure projects across the country and the Commonwealth," said Sen. Mark Warner. "I'm glad to see the Senate-passed version of this legislation include provisions to keep our communities healthy and safe, while also authorizing key priorities for the Commonwealth. This legislation will help support Virginia's efforts to combat the effects of rising sea levels and increased flooding from significant weather events, as well as support our ovster industry and recreational development. I look forward to final passage of this legislation so that we can start benefitting Virginia's communities."

"Reliable water infrastructure is

key to the health and well-being of any community," said Sen. Tim Kaine. "I'm glad that this year's Senate-passed water infrastructure bill not only authorizes crucial resources to help maintain clean drinking water across the country, but also contains key Virginia priorities. From dredging in the Norfolk Harbor and supporting Virginia's oyster farmers, to boosting recreation and helping to keep coastal communities safe from rising sea levels, the Senate has passed a bill that's great for the Commonwealth. I urge my colleagues in the House to pass this legislation as quickly as possible so it can be signed into law."

The legislation would help repair aging drinking water, wastewater, and irrigation systems across the country, in addition to supporting the following Virginia priorities:

- Increasing the authorized funding levels for the Chesapeake Bay Oyster Recovery Program from \$100 million to \$120 million.
- Encouraging shallow draft dredging in the Chesapeake Bay to promote tourism, recreation, and fishing.

The next step for the legislation is a vote in the U.S. House of Representatives.

**EVENT** 

# Support group for caregivers to meet

A support group for the cargivers of those with mental illness will meet in the Melfa United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 9444 Main St., Melfa on Aug. 21 at 7 p.m.

The group will be led by Barbara Parker, who is a pastor, a parent of a son with mental illness, and served as both secretary and president of the National Alliance on Mental Illness Virginia Beach.

This is a nondenominational group. Light refreshments will be offered. All caregivers of people with mental illness are welcome.

For information, questions, or concerns contact 757-710-8025 or pastorbarbara08@gmail.com

# Town joins lawsuit over chemicals in water

# What it means

- Chemicals were found in Chincoteague's drinking water, which is sourced from wells on the NASA Wallops Flight Facility property.
- The chemicals, or PFAS, came from firefighting foam used by NASA to extinguish aircraft fires and train firefighters.
- Chincoteague has joined a class-action lawsuit against the makers of the chemicals. Filters now treat the water and remove PFAS from drinking water, officials said.

PFAS are now filtered from island drinking water sourced from NASA wells, officials say

#### BY STEFANIE JACKSON BOWMANN

**Eastern Shore Post** 

Chincoteague is now a party to a multibillion-dollar class-action lawsuit over chemicals that were found in the town's drinking water seven years ago.

Town Manager Mike Tolbert told Chincoteague Town Council members on Monday, Aug. 5, that he had completed the paperwork for the town to participate in a lawsuit against multinational companies 3M and Du-Pont over contaminated public water supplies.

The companies manufactured poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS, which were detected at various levels in 2017 in water from Chincoteague's three shallow wells, locat-

ed on NASA Wallops Flight Facility property.

PFAS are commonly used in fire retardants, nonstick cookware, takeout containers, and many other products.

Tolbert said the source of the PFAS found in Chincoteague's well water was the firefighting foam used by NASA to extinguish aircraft fires and train firefighters.

Some scientific studies suggest a link between PFAS and certain types of cancer, higher cholesterol levels, and suppressed immune systems.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency states that because there are thousands of PFAS found in many consumer products, it is difficult to study and determine the potential risks PFAS pose to human health and the environment.

Tolbert noted that in 2021, a water filtration plant began operating, which treats Chincoteague's water and "does an excellent job of removing PFAS to the point where it's non-detectable."

He said 3M and DuPont have agreed to a settlement, but it has not been approved by a judge.

DuPont agreed to pay nearly \$2 billion, and 3M agreed to pay almost \$12 billion, but "there are several claimants that think that's not quite enough money," Tolbert said.

He said he consulted the town attorney on the matter, who said it will likely be "several years" before the settlement is finalized and Chincoteague and the other claimants receive any money.





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The Virginia Spaceport Authority held a ceremony to recognize its 2024 summer interns on Wednesday, Aug. 7.

# Virginia Spaceport celebrates interns

The Virginia Spaceport Authority celebrated the end of its summer internship program during a ceremony at the Chincoteague Community Center on Wednesday, Aug. 7. More than 100 staff, family, and friends were in attendance.

Ten college students from across the nation converged on the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport in May for three months, working alongside engineers, electricians, and other staff in the various departments making up the spaceport.

"This was an extraordinary internship class," said Roosevelt "Ted" Mercer, CEO and executive director of the Virginia Spaceport Authority. "They were working on real-world problems and giving us real-world solutions."

During the ceremony, each intern was recognized for their contributions and had an opportunity to talk about their many accomplishments.

Mason Lebakken, an engineering student at Embry-Riddle University who was completing a second internship at the spaceport, called it an "invaluable experience in a growing industry."

"They were not just participants of the program," said Sidnee McGee, chief of education and intern development. "They were members of the team." This summer's cohort of interns represented nine colleges and universities and included the following:

■ David Tonacci, University of Virginia

■ Mason Lebakken, Embry-Riddle University

■ Austin Thomas, University of Florida

Ryan Rigatti, Virginia Tech

■ Alena Anderson, Virginia Tech

■ Addie Remsberg, University of Tennessee

■ Brady Gibbons, Eastern Shore Community College

■ John Meckley, Old Dominion University

■ Kayla Jones, College of William and Mary

■ Christy Bonefont, American Public University System

In addition to operating a spaceport, the Virginia Spaceport Authority is focused on providing educational and research opportunities in the aerospace industry.

Internships are available to college and university students and community college students in qualified certification programs.

Spaceport interns gain invaluable experience and exposure to the spaceport's day-to-day operations.

To learn more about upcoming in-

# **TOURISM**

# Visitor spending was up almost 10% in 2023, hit new record

Virginia's tourism industry generated a record high \$33.3 billion in visitor spending in 2023, an increase of nearly 10% from 2022, according to the Virginia Tourism Corporation.

The tourism industry in Virginia directly supported over 224,000 jobs in 2023, an increase of over 13,000 jobs relative to 2022.

Direct travel employment is now at 93% of pre-pandemic employment levels.

Travelers spent \$91 million a day in Virginia in 2023, up from \$83 million in 2022.

Virginia visitors directly drove \$2.4 billion in state and local tax revenue, an increase of 9% from \$2.2 billion in 2022.

Overnight visitation to Virginia increased by 1.4 million to 43.6 million visitors in 2023, up from 42.2 million in 2022, essentially reaching full recovery to pre-pandemic levels.

All five categories of visitor spending in the commonwealth have now fully recovered to pre-pandemic levels and beyond.

Those categories include recreation, transportation, lodging, food and beverage, and retail.

Recreation was the fastest growing category in 2023, up 12% over 2022 and 24% beyond pre-pandemic levels, more than any other category, as travelers continue to show a strong preference for experiences.

Transportation saw the second highest growth, up 11% in 2023, placing it 11% above pre-pandemic levels. Transportation captures the largest share of visitor spending at 30% due to Virginia's major gateway airports, Washington Dulles International and Reagan National.

Lodging spending grew by 9% in 2023, surpassing 2019 levels by 13%. Throughout 2023, Virginia's visitor economy benefited from balanced hotel performance as business and group demand recovered strongly on

weekdays against a backdrop of stable leisure demand during weekends.

"The full recovery and growth of all five categories of visitor spending reflects the diverse and dynamic tourism assets that Virginia has to offer," said Caren Merrick, secretary of commerce and trade. "The attributes that make Virginia the best place to live, work, and raise a family are also some of the same qualities that attract visitors to vacation here. Accelerated tourism growth is a win for all Virginians — visitor spending saves every Virginia household \$955 in state and local taxes, showcasing the tangible benefits of a robust tourism industry."

The Virginia Tourism Corporation receives its annual economic impact data from Tourism Economics.

The information is based on domestic visitor spending (travelers from within the United States) from per-person trips.

Visitors included those who stayed overnight or traveled more than 50 miles to the destination.

"We are incredibly proud that Virginia's tourism industry reached unprecedented heights in 2023, with visitor spending hitting a record over \$33 billion," said Rita McClenny, president and CEO of the Virginia Tourism Corporation. "This \$3 billion increase from 2022 not only surpasses pre-pandemic levels by an impressive 14.7% but also underscores the resilience and appeal of our commonwealth as a premier travel destination.

"As our current flagship campaign emphasizes, 'Vacation starts with VA,' and as Virginia looks ahead, the Virginia Tourism Corporation remains committed to promoting the commonwealth's unique offerings and supporting the growth of the tourism industry. The success of 2023 sets a strong foundation as we build on this momentum in the years

# Town questions light change at traffic signal

#### BY STEFANIE JACKSON BOWMANN

**Eastern Shore Post** 

Exmore's police chief is skeptical about a recent decision by the Virginia Department of Transportation that was intended to improve safety on U.S. Route 13.

In early July, VDOT installed a traffic signal with a flashing yellow arrow "to help make left turns safer and more efficient" at the intersection of U.S. Route 13 and Broadwater Road in Exmore, according to a VDOT press release.

Southbound vehicles frequently turn left at that intersection to stop at the McDonald's on the east side of the highway.

The flashing yellow arrow tells drivers that they can turn left after yielding to oncoming traffic and pedestri-

They thought they had enough time and they were blasting through it, striking cars.'

Exmore Police Chief Angelo DiMartino, describing a new flashing vellow traffic light

ans crossing the street.

The traffic signal also features three additional arrows: a solid yellow arrow indicating the light is about to turn red, a solid red arrow telling drivers to stop, and a solid green arrow telling drivers they have the right of way to turn left.

But within the last month, there have been two accidents in Exmore at intersections with yellow flashing arrows.

Exmore Police Chief Angelo DiMartino on Aug. 5 told the town council that there were four reportable crashes in the town in July, and half of them involved intersections with yellow flashing arrows.

"I don't know why VDOT thought it was a good idea to make that decision," he said of the installation of the new traffic signal.

Both accidents at the yellow flashing arrows involved drivers who "failed to yield. They thought they had enough time and they were blasting through it, striking cars," DiMartino said.

One of the accidents at a yellow flashing arrow involved a driver who

"blew the light, hit a car, and actually took off," DiMartino said. "Luckily, it damaged the vehicle bad enough that it got down to the rest area, and he had to pull in there, because it disabled the vehicle. It ran hot. He was easy to catch."

DiMartino also asked drivers to be careful when approaching the intersection of Route 13 and Oakland Drive, by Royal Farms.

"Those intersections were bad enough with the light that tells you, 'green, go, red, stop.' Now they've given you a flashing yellow to ... 'Let me try and make it,'" he said.

DiMartino said he will track how many accidents occur at the yellow flashing arrows "so that if it becomes a real problem, we can complain to VDOT and say, 'This was not a good idea."







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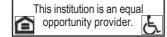
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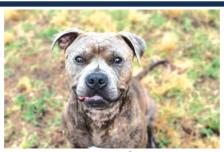
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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for a full-time Communications Officer. Job does require shift work, nights, weekends, and some holidays.

Qualifications: Over the age of 18 and have obtained a high school diploma or GED. This full-time position is open to both certified and non-certified applicants; however, all part-time applicants are required to be certified prior to applying.

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

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#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TECHNICIAN

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time IT Technician in the Information Technology Department.

The essential function of this position is to assist in the daily operations of the department, covering all county facilities. This individual will need to be able to operate independently and be familiar with basic systems administration, network administration, and technical support.

The successful candidate should have:

- Diagnostic and problem-solving skills
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- Knowledge of internet security and data privacy
- Ability to communicate technical concepts to varied audiences
- Strong sense of discretion and confidentiality
- Experience with WAN/LAN networks

Bachelors' degree in an IT related field is desired. This position requires a valid Virginia drivers license and a criminal background check.

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#### LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

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

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

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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

# Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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Open until filled. erson at the Eastern Sho

# Apply in person at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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# **Strange But True**

By Lucie Winborne

- \* The Apollo 11 astronauts had to go through customs upon their return to Earth and declare moon rocks, moon dust and other lunar samples, according to the form signed by all three and filed at the Honolulu Airport in Hawaii on July 24, 1969.
- \* Cymothoa exigua is a parasite that severs the blood vessels of a fish's tongue and becomes a new functional tongue.
- \* Pineapples were a status symbol in 18th-century England. In fact, they were so expensive that you could rent them by the night and take them to parties with you.
- \* In 1895, there were only two cars in the entire state of Ohio ... and they still ended up crashing into each other.
- \* An estimated 10% of Europeans are immune to HIV infection because they have an ancestor who survived bubonic plague.
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# **Sports Trivia**

By Ryan A. Berenz

- 1. Who slid into home plate to score the winning run in the Atlanta Braves' 3-2 win over the Pittsburgh Pirates in Game 7 of the 1992 National League Championship Series?
- 2. Who was ESPN's "Monday Night Football" play-by-play announcer from 2018-19?
- 3. In 1989, the UCLA Bruins' Pooh Richardson was the first draft pick in the history of what NBA franchise?
- 4. Pitcher Dennis Martinez, who threw a perfect game as a member of the Montreal Expos in 1991, hailed from what country?
- 5. What sportswriter from The Boston Globe got into a physical altercation with **New England Patriots** cornerback Raymond Clayborn in the locker room following a game in

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# Legal Ads

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, you are hereby notified of a Public Hearing that will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Accomac, Virginia at 10:00 A.M., Thursday, August 22, 2024, the following applications will be heard:

Judy M. Taylor — VMRC #2023-2359

This application is for the following described project:

The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the after-the-fact construction of a 75 linear foot bulkhead. This project is located in the Captains Cove subdivision in Greenbackville, VA 23356, tax map# 5A3-1-

Glen Brooks — VMRC #2024-1485

This application is for the following described project:

The portion of the project, which is in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction, is the proposed replacement of the failing 100 linear foot bulkhead with a new vinyl bulkhead 2' channel-ward of the existing bulkhead. This project is located in the Schooner Bay subdivision in Onancock, VA 23417, tax map# 75D-4-4-26.

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

# NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than 60 DAYS on the property of Diane Hines, 7135 Mason Drive, Chincoteague, VA 23336, 757-894-5376.

Description of watercraft: 16' 1991 Alumacraft Blue, Hull # ACBX6468FO91; Reg # PA 7162 AY

Application for Watercraft Registration/Title will be made in accordance with Section 29.1-733.25 of the Code of Virginia if this watercraft is not claimed and removed within 30 days of first publication of this notice. Please contact the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources with questions.

# 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 Northampton County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: August 16, 2024 to September 16, 2024

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

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Virginia-American Water Company; 2223 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314; GWI000185

NAME AND LOCATION OF WATER WITHDRAWAL: Cape Charles Water; 2140 Stone Rd., Cape Charles, VA 23310

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Virginia-American Water Company has applied for a reissuance of a permit for potable public water supply for the Town of Cape Charles. The permit would authorize the applicant to withdraw a maximum of 63,200,000 gallons per year and 7,900,000 gallons per month from the Upper and Middle Yorktown-Eastover aquifers. The ground water withdrawal will support municipal water supply for the Town of Cape Charles. The top of the Upper Yorktown-Eastover aquifer at the proposed withdrawal site was determined to be 80 feet below land surface. 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 <a href="https://www.deq.virginia.gov/permits/public-notices/water/water-withdrawal">https://www.deq.virginia.gov/permits/public-notices/water/water-withdrawal</a>

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 requester, 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: Nicole Reungoat; DEQ Central Office, P.O. Box 1105, Richmond, VA, 23218; Phone: 804-698-4192; E-mail: nicole.reungoat@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.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. Jeffrey E. Zerby (VMRC #2024-0382) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to construct a riprap revetment adjacent to property serving 27096 Underhill Point Road situated along Underhill Creek in Accomack County.

You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2024-0382) at <a href="https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/">https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/</a> We will accept comments by the USPS provided they are received within 15 days of this notice to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Hampton, VA 23651.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. Todd Koch (VMRC #2024-1865) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to retain an existing, concrete groin and construct a timber walkway adjacent to the property serving 3705 Main Street situated along the Chincoteague Channel in Accomack County.

You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2024-1865) at <a href="https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/">https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/</a> We will accept comments by the USPS provided they are received within 15 days of this notice to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Hampton, VA 23651.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. Gary Hochschild (VMRC #2024-1490) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to install five (5) stone sills and three (3) trip sills with sand fill and native wetland plantings for the construction of a living shoreline adjacent to property serving 23124 Grey Drive situated along Onancock Creek in Accomack County.

You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2024-1490) at <a href="https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/">https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/</a> We will accept comments by the USPS provided they are received within 15 days of this notice to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Hampton, VA 23651.

#### INVITATION TO BID

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission is soliciting bids from licensed realtors with experience in listing and selling newly constructed homes in Northampton County. Bids will be received until 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2024, local prevailing time, in the offices of the:

Accomack-Northampton
Planning District Commission
Enterprise Building
23372 Front Street
P.O. Box 417
Accomac, Virginia 23301

at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. For more information, contact Eric Luchansky at (757) 787-2936, Ext. 118.

#### **INVITATION TO BID**

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission is soliciting bids from licensed Class A or B general contractors with experience in single- and multi-family home building. Bids will be received until 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, Aug. 28, 2024, local prevailing time, in the offices of the:

Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission Enterprise Building 23372 Front Street P.O. Box 417 Accomac, Virginia 23301

at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The plans, drawings, specifications, and qualification documents are available at no charge and may be picked up at the offices of the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission at the above address. There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2024. For more information, contact Eric Luchansky at (757) 787-2936, Ext.118.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

Pursuant to Code of Virginia § 58.1-3378, public notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for the County of Accomack will meet on the dates and times listed below for the purpose of hearing and acting on appeal applications submitted by appellants for the 2024 tax year concerning uniformity of assessments and erroneous assessments. In accordance with the Code of the County of Accomack, Virginia, the deadline for the submittal of applications requesting appeal hearings with the Board of Equalization was June 17, 2024, and the deadline by which the Board of Equalization must discharge its duty in regards to the applications received is September 3, 2024.

Meetings of the Board of Equalization will be held in the Board of Supervisors Chamber, Room 104, in the County Administration Building at 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia 23301.

Dates and times of the meetings are:
August 26, 2024 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
August 28, 2024 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
August 29, 2024 9:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.
August 30, 2024 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

#### TOWN OF ONANCOCK NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Onancock will hold a public hearing on Aug. 26, 2024, at 7:00 PM at 15 North St. The purpose of the hearing is to solicit public comment on a change in ordinances 26-37 to 26-44 (parking) and 38-496 to 38-503 (special use permits). Please contact the Town Manager at 757-787-3363 or <a href="Matt.Spuck@Onancock.com"><u>Matt.Spuck@Onancock.com</u></a>.

# THE DEADLINE FOR OBITUARIES, CLASSIFIED ADS, AND LEGAL ADS IS WEDNESDAY BY NOON.

# Legal Ads

#### BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024 AT 10 A.M. IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

#### VAR-000667-2024 — Michael Starling, Shoreline Surveyors for David and Angelika Cook — 28009 Harborton Road, Painter

The applicant requests a variance of 40 feet from the 50-foot front yard setback required in the Agricultural District, pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-56. The applicant wishes to construct a single-family dwelling that is located 10 feet from a front lot line. The 0.91-acre site is located at 24000 Block of Tall Pines Drive, Onancock, approximately 425 feet east of its intersection with Little Mimosa Drive, and is on Tax Map #83C-1-30 through 33.

The parcel is zoned Agricultural, is located within the Special Flood Hazard Area (AE5 BFE), and is partially located within the Chesapeake Atlantic Protection Area Resource Protection Area.

# SUSE-000660-2024 — Luann Bellis and Jon Packer — 26400 Block of Moore Farm Lane, Onancock

The applicant requests a special use permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53(27) which permits the use of land not specifically listed as a use permitted by right or by special exception-special use in the agricultural district regulations, which is clearly similar and compatible with the uses listed therein. The applicant intends to locate a 12' x 28' accessory shed on a property with no primary use. The 1.27-acre site is located in the 26400 block of Moore Farm Road, Onancock, approximately 2,050 feet south of its intersection with Crockett Town Road, and is on Tax Map #91-A-53.

The parcel is zoned Agricultural, is located within the Special Flood Hazard Area (AE6 and AE7 BFE), and is partially located within the Chesapeake Atlantic Protection Area Resource Protection Area.

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

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

#### TOWN OF CHERITON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Cheriton Town Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cheriton Town Office, 21314 South Bayside Road, Cheriton. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from the public concerning a request from E. Thornton Tayloe, Kate A. Tayloe, and Louise F. Tayloe to change the zoning on four (4) parcels (84C2-A-1, 84C2-A-44, 84C2-A-28, and 84C2-A-27) from RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-20) to COMMERCIAL GENERAL (CG) and one (1) parcel (84C2-A-2) from RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-20) to RESIDENTIAL MIXED (RM).

Please contact the Town Clerk at  $\underline{\text{clerk@townofcheriton.org}}$  or call (757) 331-8200 if you have any questions.

# Bible Trivia

By Wilson Casey

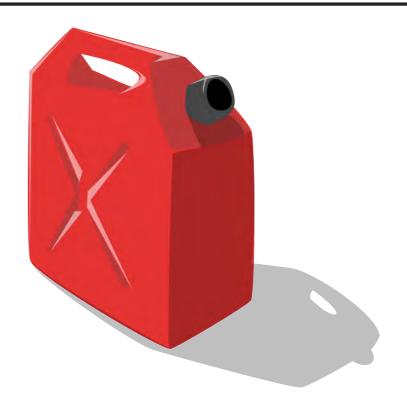
- 1. Is the book of Terebinth (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. What sprang up and shadowed over Jonah's head, delivering him from his grief? (Hemlock, Gourd, Flowers, or Fig tree)
- 3. From Judges 16, where did Samson tell Delilah that his great strength lies? (Deep voice, Mighty arms, Long hair, or Kind heart)
- 4. Who married King David after her evil husband, Nabal, died? (Tamar, Abigail, Vashti, or Sarah)
- 5. Which man's name in the book of Genesis means "hairy"? (Seth, Cain, Abel, or Esau)
- **6.** How many times is the word "Lucifer" in the Bible? (1, 13, 39, or 66)

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> 2. Gourd 3. Long hair 4. Abigail 5. Esau 6. I (Isaiah 14:12)

> > 1. Neither

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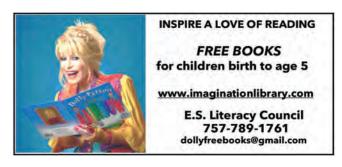






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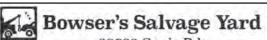
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# Northampton **Property Transfers**

- From Virginia Builders LLC To Edward and Kelly Barham Lot 15. Watersons Point, Tower Hill For \$736.551
- From Patricia and David Sepety To Jamie Vannatter Lot A, 20,314 square feet, Nassawadox For \$287.000
- From Sandra Ruffin To Tribe Property Solutions LLC Lot, 0.284 acre, near Bayview For \$82,000
- From Norma Carpenter, William Marshall, and Nilessa

To Maureen Welch and Arnold Fuoa Lot, Scott Avenue, Eastville Station For \$60,000

- From Jermaine Wingate and Yakima Taylor To CMH Homes Inc.
- Lot D, Sylvan Scene Estates, near Machipongo For \$60,000
- From Charitable Adult Rides & Services Inc. To Tri Anderson Lots 1, 2, and 3, Kelly Farm, near Nassawadox For \$26,000
- From Raymond and Ann LeBlanc To Andrew and Maria Wirths Lot 1, The Colony at Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$499,000

# Accomack **Property Transfers**

- From Richard Lewis and Lauren Lewis, et al. To Ashley E. Elm and Kyle Sloth Lot 15 Folly Creek-Mount Oregon For \$220,000
- From Richard Lewis and Lauren Lewis, et al. To Sherry B. and Kent A. Williamson Lot 14 Folly Creek-Mount Oregon For \$20,000
- From Michael A. Stone To James Michael Gross Lot 64. Hacksneck Road For \$5,000
- From Ann F. Swift To Japen Properties LP 7468 East Side Drive For \$189.080
- From Vivian Rose Helm To Douglas A. Small and Erika N. Small Trails End lot 395 For \$35,500
- From Leonard T. Lilliston Jr. To Christopher Sullivan 14 acres on Evans Wharf Road For \$120,000
- From Paul G. Castells To Spartan Development LLC 21526 Big Pine Road For \$25,000

**■** From Renee Holston To Julio Cesar Diaz Perez 7231 Oak Ridge Place For \$249,000

From Michael T. Crisp Sr. To Anthony Penza Jr. 8034 Mire Pond Road, Chincoteague For \$155,000

- From Christine Richardson and John Richardson To 2 King St. Properties LLC 24 King St., Onancock For \$155,000
- From Tyrone Thomas LeCato Sr., devisee of the estate of Lois V. Moore To Mirielle Mardy and Yves Mardy 31378 Drummondtown Road, Accomac

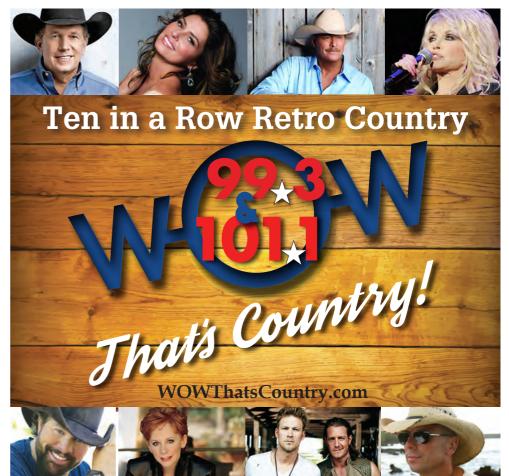
For \$39,000 From Nancy L. Madison

To Daniel Luthy 33371 Nocks Landing Road, Atlantic For \$1,128,000

- From Nicole Ann Olenick and Donna Thurman To Nathaniel A. Phillips 5123 Swan Drive, Horntown For \$41,600
- From Betty L. Hall and Robert Stephens Jr., attorney in fact

To Christina J. Naecker and Karl Naecker Lot 189, section 2, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$19,000

- From CMH Homes Inc. To Asia A. Tankard and Roy T. Tankard 16131 Rockfish Court, Painter For \$268,000
- From Waterside Land Trust LLC To C&A Building and Remodeling LLC Waterside Village 1. Phase 1. Painter For \$149,000
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# Seaside Bayside

		Friday Aug. 16		Saturday Aug. 17		Sunday Aug. 18		Monday Aug. 19		Tuesday Aug. 20		Wednesday Aug. 21		Thursday Aug. 22
Assateague Beach	H L	6:14 p.m. 11:49 a.m.	H	6:29 a.m. 12:46 p.m.	H L	7:21 a.m. 1:41 p.m.	H L	8:12 a.m. 2:33 p.m.	H L	9:03 a.m. 3:25 p.m.	H	9:54 a.m. 4:18 p.m.	H L	10:44 a.m. 5:12 p.m.
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Gargatha Neck	H L	6:31 a.m. 12:28p.m.	H L	7:25 a.m. 1:25 p.m.	H L	8:17 a.m. 2:20 p.m.	H L	9:08 a.m. 3:12 p.m.	H	9:59 a.m. 4:04 p.m.	H	10:50 a.m. 4:57 p.m.	H L	11:40 a.m. 5:51 p.m.
Folly Creek	H	6:23 a.m. 12:13p.m.	H	7:18 a.m. 1:10 p.m.	H L	8:10 a.m. 2:05 p.m.	H	9:01 a.m. 2:57 p.m.	H	9:52 a.m. 3:49 p.m.	H	10:43 a.m. 4:42 p.m.	H	11:33 a.m. 5:36 p.m.
Wachapreague	H L	6:45 p.m. 11:54 a.m.	H L	6:52 a.m. 12:54 p.m.	H L	7:46 a.m. 1:51 p.m.	H	8:42 a.m. 2:47 p.m.	H	9:37 a.m. 3:40 p.m.	H	10:29 a.m. 4:32 p.m.	H L	11:19 a.m. 5:24 p.m.
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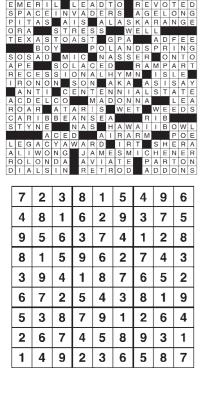
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