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Tommy Arnold, left, and Hal Floyd ring bells in Exmore for the annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing campaign. All the funds collected are used to support families in need in Northampton and Accomack counties. In Northampton County, kettles are at the Food Lion stores in Exmore and Cape Charles and the visitors center at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. In Accomack, kettles are at Walmart, Food Lion in Onley and Oak Hall, Roses in Onley and Off the Rails in Parksley.

EXMORE

Utilities director assures residents town water is safe

BY STEFANIE BOWMANN
Eastern Shore Post

Exmore's director of utilities addressed concerns about the safety and quality of the town's water at the council meeting on Monday, Dec. 2.

"I want to know what's being done with the water line that's bringing heavy metals like iron into the houses there," said Eileen Kirkwood during a public comment session. "We're paying for water we can't drink."

"The water is 100% safe to drink," said Taylor Dukes, the utilities and zoning director who will become Exmore's town manager upon Robert Duer's retirement at year's end.

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Winners so far include Weldon

Ashby, Kenny Walker, Gar Kellam, Cathy Richardson (a two-time weekly champion), and Kinsey Rayfield, all of whom are qualifiers in the final round for a chance to win \$500.

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Mary N. Smith Cultural Center renovation costs projected to total \$14 million

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

Accomack County has met all its requirements as part of a planning agreement with the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for grant funds to develop a feasibility study for the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center.

The county will take steps to close this phase of the project out by Dec. 31 to comply with the terms of the agreement, County Administrator Mike Mason told the Accomack County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, Nov. 20.

Leslie West, owner of Beyond Numbers Consulting in Onancock, provided the board of supervisors with an update on the project.

Richmond-based Commonwealth Ar-

chitects was hired to conduct the feasibility study, which included gathering input from the public, as well as the Mary N. Smith Alumni Association, owners of the building, West said.

Out of these meetings, along with on-site reports from various engineers and architects who took a close look at the building, several project goals were developed, with a phased approach in mind.

Initial plans include improving the building's exterior, such as creating more curb appeal for visitors and installing energy efficient windows.

A big goal, West noted, would be to replace the existing roof of the approximately 50,000-square-foot building and also to elevate its pitch.

"There are challenges having a flat roof in a building that size," she said.

Interior plans include providing addi-

tional adult, senior, and youth enrichment spaces, the creation of a Mary Nottingham Smith museum, dedicated multi-purpose and events spaces, and renovating existing restrooms and constructing new ones to meet required needs.

Long-term plans include the renovation of the current gym, plus the creation of approximately 15 residential apartments on the second floor, if it is determined the building can handle the weight load.

Renovations on the exterior and outdoor spaces will cost around \$8.9 million, West said. The entire project is estimated to cost approximately \$14 million.

Currently, the gym and cafeteria are leased or rented out short-term to various groups, including the Boys and Girls Club, generating ongoing revenue for the project.

West said the hope is to also make these

spaces available for weddings, theater events, meetings, conventions, and workshops.

Plans also include space for a music room and a recording studio.

The feasibility study recommended updating or replacing the building's mechanicals and establishing a long-term maintenance plan for its future.

West said the next steps in 2025 involve developing and initiating a capital campaign, including increasing programs and spaces offered to the public to continue to generate additional income for the project.

For fiscal year 2026, the goal is to approach the board of supervisors to apply for a Community Development Block Grant for funding to address construction costs.

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Rocket Lab grapples with Neutron rocket logistics

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

Rocket Lab USA, Inc., is prepared to win the space race with its first Neutron rocket launch from the Wallops Flight Facility scheduled in the next year, according to Jennifer Goodrum, the company's Director of State and Local Operations.

Goodrum provided a mission update in a presentation before the Accomack County Board of Supervisors at its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 20, seeking its continued support for plans for infrastructure needed to bring this to fruition.

The Electron rockets the company currently launches from Wallops are roughly a bit larger than a school bus, she said, whereas a Neutron rocket is much larger, at 140 feet long and 25 feet in diameter.

Rocket Lab has been exploring various options for bringing the large components for the neutron rocket to Wallops, where it will be built.

It has all but ruled out transport from Queens Sound on the Chincoteague causeway due to logistical challenges, Goodrum said.

The best option, she said, remains to refurbish a dock at the facility, which will also require dredging.

A beach landing still remains a backup plan, according to Goodrum.

However, issues associated with transporting large rocket parts across sand need to be resolved.

This method also has challenges associated with the weather and the nesting of protected species.

A Neutron rocket has 40 times the payload capacity of an eElectron rocket and is capable of both sub-orbital and orbital launches.

These rockets also have the ability to launch complete constellations, which are groups of satellites that work together, capable of providing continuous coverage by literally surrounding the globe.

The rockets are designed to be fully renewable by being retrieved and refurbished after a completed mission, Goodrum added.

Rocket Lab will continue to launch its Electron rockets from Wallops.

"Everything that goes to space should have a Rocket Lab logo on it," Goodrum said.

REGIONAL

Accomack to reimburse Norfolk Southern \$158K

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

Accomack County needs to reimburse Norfolk Southern railroad for a glitch that erroneously resulted in the railroad paying personal property taxes on 48 trucks and sport-utility vehicles that were never kept in the county.

Norfolk Southern also paid taxes on the vehicles as "rolling stock," which exempts them from being taxed as personal property, said Mike Mason, county administrator, during the Accomack County Board of Supervisors meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 20. A total refund of \$158,713 is in order, according to Mason, going back to 2020.

This includes interest, as required by the code of Virginia in such matters.

He added that it required a decrease in the county's personal property tax budget by this amount, coupled with a similar increase in its income budget.

When asked by Supervisor Robert Crockett how this might have occurred, Mason explained it was likely the result of a simple computer drop-down menu error at the DMV, given that Accomack County is first alphabetically in the computer system, that went undetected for a few years until discovered by Norfolk Southern.

The supervisors voted unanimously to approve Mason's request.



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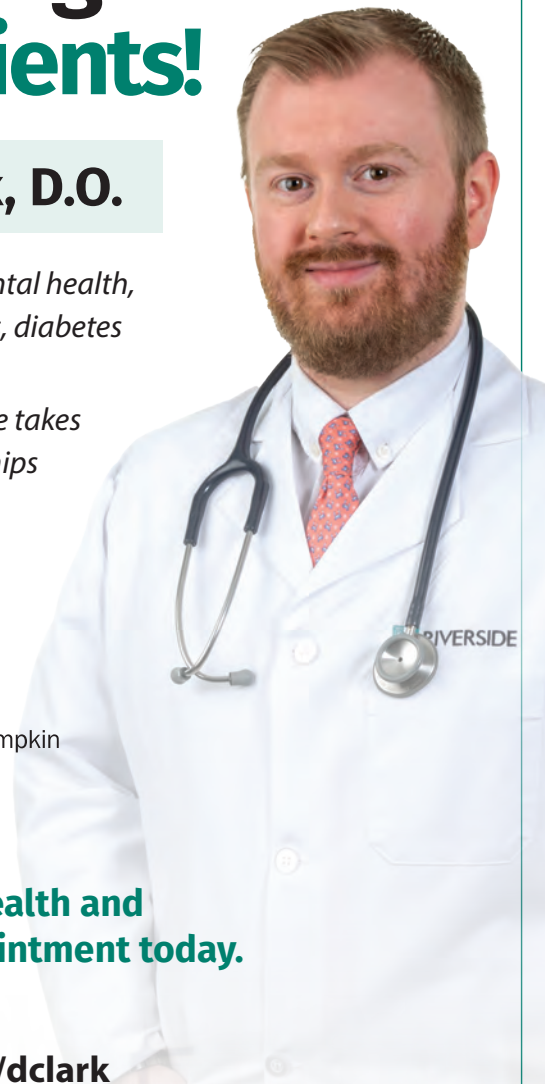
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Water

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Dukes explained that impurities like iron and manganese are not in the town's pipes but in its groundwater.

Water samples are taken twice a month, and the water is cleaned and filtered, he said.

The water is chlorinated and run through greensand filters, which remove iron, manganese, and other contaminants.

The filters are made with glauconite, or greensand, so named because of the greenish color of the natural marine sediment.

Dukes noted that the filtration system reduces the amounts of iron and manganese to safe levels but does not completely remove the minerals.

Kirkwood asked how deep Exmore's wells are and how deep the wells would be if the town sourced its water from another aquifer.

Dukes said the depth of the wells is 170 feet, but if the wells were deeper, "we would have more expense in treating."

When the town upgraded its water system in 2020, the plan was to drill the new wells to a depth of 220 feet, he said.

However, testing revealed the presence

of arsenic in the water at that depth.

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality required the town to seal off those wells and drill to a depth of 170 feet, Dukes said.

Contaminants like arsenic must be removed by methods such as reverse osmosis, which can be costly.

Since the Eastern Shore peninsula is surrounded by salt water, deeper wells tend to produce saltier water, further increasing treatment costs, Dukes said.

"So what can be done with the pipes? Because it's not really as good as you say," Kirkwood asked.

"People are using less water and it lies in the pipes. We've got to blow our pipes out more often. ... That'll help," Duer said.

Kirkwood also asked about a water line and service points that were identified for replacement.

That project was initiated after the Virginia Department of Health tested for and found lead in the system, Dukes said.

He noted that the federal government creates issues when it mandates certain projects without funding them.

Exmore also has about 10 miles of water mains that eventually will need to be replaced.

"Right now, it's about \$1 million a mile to replace," Dukes said. "But they don't have the money right now."

ACCOMACK

Gillespie, Strand are co-grand marshals

The Onancock Business and Civic Association has announced the co-grand marshals of the annual Onancock Christmas Parade on Sunday, Dec. 15. The parade will step off at 5 p.m.

Thelma Gillespie and Clinton Strand, of Onancock are the co-grand marshals.

The OBCA "is thrilled both accepted and equally pleased to be able to recognize and honor these two longstanding community leaders who give so much to the Shore at large and to the northeast section of Onancock in particular," said a release from the OBCA.

In addition to being very active

members of their churches and passionate drivers of the ongoing northeast community revitalization, both have been long-time advocates of those in need.

Strand is active with the Salvation Army, particularly during the holidays. Gillespie, a former Onancock Town Council member, is celebrating her 28th anniversary as a volunteer with Hospice on the Eastern Shore.

Those interested in participating in the Christmas parade can get entry forms at the Onancock Town Office or by emailing the Onancock Business and Civic Association at 23417OBCA@gmail.com.

Shore businesses, organizations receive grants for off-season marketing efforts

More than \$581,607 in matching grant funds will be awarded to 108 small businesses, destination marketing organizations, downtown business associations, and chambers of commerce as part of the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program.

This funding program is designed to leverage local marketing dollars with matching state funds to increase visitation and traveler spending in the offseason.

This funding cycle, local partners will commit more than \$700,168 in private-public sector funds to match the Virginia Tourism Corporation funding, providing more than \$1.29 million in new marketing activity focused on increasing offseason visitation to Virginia's small tourism-oriented businesses and events.

The funding will be awarded to 108 marketing programs, ultimately

impacting 432 combined partners, and supporting more than 1,050 full-time and part-time jobs.

Several businesses and organizations on the Eastern Shore were awarded funding.

In Accomack County

■ The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce was awarded \$3,000 for an initiative called "Explore the Shore."

■ Refuge Motor Inn was awarded \$5,000 to promote three-day Chincoteague getaways.

■ Onancock Main Street was awarded \$10,000 for a marketing initiative called "Cozy up to Onancock."

■ The Eastern Shore of Virginia Tourism Commission was awarded \$9,764 for "Shorely Wed: Weddings on Virginia's Eastern Shore."

In Northampton County

■ Peachy Outlook was award-

ed \$2,500 for a Women's Wellness Weekend.

■ Chatham Vineyards was awarded \$5,000 for expenses for the Chatham and Eastern Shore Wine and Brine websites.

■ Moonrise Jewellery was awarded \$5,000 for a "Girls Getaway Guide to Coastal Cape Charles."

The Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program is designed to increase visitor spending by leveraging limited marketing dollars to stimulate new tourism marketing through partnerships, and to extend the Virginia is for Lovers brand to drive offseason visitation.

Using the hub-and-spoke tourism model to create multi-day itineraries, five Virginia entities partner financially to apply for funding. Partners may consist of Virginia cities, towns, counties, destination marketing organizations, chambers of

commerce, museums, attractions, cultural events, and other tourism-related businesses.

The matching marketing dollars will be used to encourage visitors to come to Virginia and support tourism-oriented attractions and small businesses during the holiday, late winter, and spring break season.

Of the total Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program grant funding, \$168,675 is being awarded to areas of Southwest Virginia that were impacted by Hurricane Helene. This needed marketing funding will help jumpstart the tourism economy and encourage visitors to support affected tourism-oriented businesses.

Virginia Tourism Corporation will have additional Marketing Program grant and sponsorship rounds opening. For more information organizations and businesses interested in applying can visit vatc.org/grants

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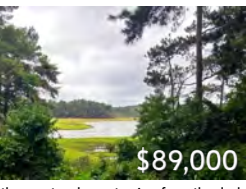
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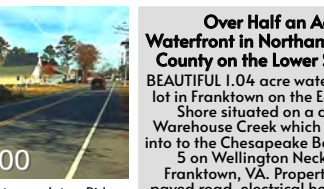
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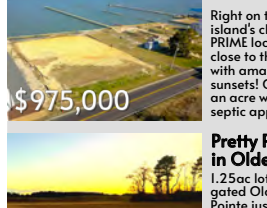
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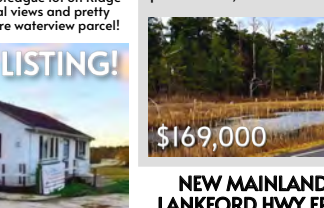
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THE PAPER'S POSITION

Farm Bureau helps localities control solar energy projects

The president of the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation told farmers that the organization helped defeat legislation in this year's General Assembly that would have taken away local governments' ability to determine where commercial solar energy facilities are located.

"This is extremely important because mandates under the Virginia Clean Economy Act of 2020 include goals of having 16,100 megawatts of solar power in the commonwealth, which will require between 80,500 and 161,000 acres of land to achieve that goal," VFBF President Wayne F. Pryor told producers from across the state on Dec. 4. "That could potentially take away over 160,000 acres of Virginia land. Between 2017 and 2022, we lost nearly 500,000 acres of farmland, and one of the causes was farmland being used for solar facilities."

Pryor's remarks came during the 2024 VFBF Annual Convention in Hot Springs. He told delegates to the event that when the VFBF governmental relations staff encouraged producer members to ask their representatives to vote against Senate Bill 697, more than 700 people responded.

He also shared with convention participants that VFBF governmental relations staff created a workgroup led by the Board of Veterinary Medicine and the state veterinarian's office to address the large animal veterinarian shortage. A lack of large animal vets has plagued many rural communities in the commonwealth for years.

Pryor told Farm Bureau's volunteer leaders that 2024 was a successful year for the organization in many ways.

The Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom program raised a record \$508,000 to fund free agriculture-themed resources for educators. Some of that funding came from county Farm Bureaus; for a third consecutive year, all 88 county Farm Bureaus in Virginia made donations AITC.

— Virginia Farm Bureau

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LETTERS

Bells are ringing on the Eastern Shore

To the editor :

The Salvation Army bells are ringing on Virginia's Eastern Shore thanks to many volunteers. The local chapters in Northampton and Accomack use the donations placed in kettles at Food Lion and Walmart to assist families during times of genuine need. Through these programs, we assist hundreds of families during the holiday season and throughout the year.

Salvation Army works in conjunction with government agencies, nonprofit organizations, Northampton Social Ministries, and the Accomack Interfaith Council to assist individuals or families facing housing, food, and medication crises.

We also reach out into our community to support fire and accident victims, the elderly, those imprisoned, and children. We organize the Salvation Army Toy Closet Program and the Angel Tree Program. Northampton

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Social Services also works with these programs. This year we distributed hundreds of angels on trees at local businesses and churches throughout the counties. Through the beginning of January, we welcome donations to the Salvation Army Kettle Fund. Many dedicated volunteers from the Shore ring bells in two-hour shifts until Christmas. Donations in the kettles on the Shore are used to support the needs of the two counties.

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Elves working at the Museum of Chincoteague Island

BY KATHY MARTIN

Guest columnist

What a wonderful time of year on Chincoteague Island. I am enjoying my first holiday season on the island with all the special activities that go along with it.

I am very excited to have been invited to be one of the judges for the Christmas parade.

The town is all decked out for Christmas and here at the Museum of Chincoteague Island, elves are working hard putting together the Christmas Tree Village for your enjoyment.

We invite you to visit us in the pavilion at the museum and vote for your favorite tree.

A vote only costs \$1 and all proceeds will go to support the museum. There will be an evening with carols and several chances to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus.

We look forward to celebrating the season with you.

We are currently accepting photo submissions through Jan. 4, 2025, for the annual Chincoteague Island Today photo exhibit wall.

Please send original photos (not screenshots) that are at least one MB in size. Volunteers will review all submissions and make selections for the 2025 wall. Submissions can be sent via email to mofci.roadsscholar@gmail.com.

The museum cannot accomplish

all that it does without your support. As 2024 draws to a close, would you please consider including the museum as part of your end-of-year charitable giving with a one-time gift or commitment as a monthly donor? All donations are tax deductible and can be made via our website at www.chincoteaguemuseum.com

You may also send a check directly to the museum. Another opportunity to support the museum is to take part in our Winter Auction.

This is an online auction featuring treasures of all sorts for yourself or to give others for Christmas.

Information regarding the opening date of the online auction and a link to the site will be announced shortly

via the museum's Facebook page.

We will remain open on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Dec. 14. We will be closed for the winter from Dec. 15 to mid-March. Staff and volunteers will be hard at work during this time preparing new exhibits to share with you in the spring.

On behalf of the board of directors, staff, and volunteers, we thank you in advance for your continued support of the museum.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

■ *The writer is the executive director of the Museum of Chincoteague Island.*

Northampton launches successful after-school program

BY SAMUEL OLEJNIK

Guest columnist

Northampton County Public Schools is thrilled to announce the successful launch of the 21st Century Community Learning Center After-School Program, which serves Kiptopeke and Occohannock Elementary students.

Following NCPS's receipt of the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant, the program has quickly established itself as a hub of enrichment, learning, and creativity for our K-6 students.

From its inception, the program has been a platform for students to

engage in a wide range of activities, from instructional enrichment and thematic learning to art and health awareness.

Under the guidance of teachers and YMCA-trained instructors, students are honing their literacy, teamwork, and problem-solving skills—all within the unique theme of "Life on the Eastern Shore." This theme serves as a gateway to career exploration, character building, and social-emotional skills, all of which are crucial for their future success.

An exciting upcoming focus of the program is on fostering family engagement, with future events

designed to bring families into the learning journey.

These gatherings will give parents and guardians meaningful ways to stay involved in their children's experiences and offer insights into supporting their growth and education.

NCPS invites all families to watch for announcements on these parent engagement opportunities, which promise to build community connections and support family learning.

This program is designed to serve approximately 98 students per school and brings together dedicated teachers, YMCA instructors, and community partners who inspire and men-

tor students daily. With the award of the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant, there is no cost to the families for participation in the program. NCPS extends its gratitude to everyone supporting this initiative and looks forward to a fantastic year of growth, engagement, and enrichment.

To learn more about the program and how to get involved, please visit our website at <https://www.ncpsk12.com/page/after-school-program>

■ *The writer is the communications and parent engagement coordinator for Northampton County Public Schools.*

ESYCC Rockfish Tournament is scheduled

The third annual Eastern Shore Yacht & Coun-

try Club Rockfish Tournament will be held Friday, Dec. 13, and Saturday, Dec. 14, with the registration deadline Monday, Dec. 9.

Entry fees are \$50 for junior anglers 15 and under, \$125 for members, and \$150 for non-members.

Fifty percent of the entry fees go to the prize pool. Call 757-787-1525 or email cstodghill@esycc.com for more information or to enter.

There will be a captain's meeting Thursday, Dec. 12.

ENTERTAINMENT

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Friday, December 6

■ **CHRISTMAS DISPLAY:** 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Visit Christmas Tree Village, a beautiful display of decorated Christmas trees. Stop by at 5 p.m. for Christmas carols or visit with Santa between 5 and 7 p.m.

■ **DONATION NIGHT:** 4 to 8 p.m., The Island House Restaurant, 17 Atlantic Ave., Wachapreague. Make a reservation for donation night and 10% of the check will be donated to Camp Occohannock for its Polar Duck Dip. Call 757-787-4242 for reservations.

■ **OPEN HOUSE:** 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Cape Charles Museum, Cape Charles. Enjoy special treats like baklava and hot cider at this holiday open house. There will also be a raffle and Neville Bros. clam chowder for sale.

■ **BENEFIT DINNER:** 5 to 7 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fair, 2037 Broad St. Cheesesteak sub meal, \$10; chicken tender meal, \$8. Call 410-422-9195 to place a pickup order.

■ **CHRISTMAS EVENT:** 5 to 7 p.m., Parkesley Pavilion, Downtown Parkesley. Parkesley's Old Fashioned Christmas will feature visits with Santa at the Eastern Shore Railway Museum, kid's crafts, a white elephant sale, vendors, cider, cocoa, cookies, popcorn, s'mores, hayrides, carolers, and more.

■ **PIZZA FUNDRAISER:** 5 to 8 p.m., drive-through pizza fundraiser at New Church Fire and Rescue, New Church. Pepperoni, sausage, or bacon 16-inch pizzas for \$14, or combination pizzas for \$15.

■ **FRIDAY NIGHT DAYCARE:** 5 to 8 p.m., parents can drop off their kids at Epworth United Methodist Church, 4158 Seaside Road, Exmore, and enjoy an evening out. There will be a dinner of pancakes and sausage at 5:30 p.m. and a movie, "The Muppet Christmas Carol," at 6:15 p.m. It is

Best bets

■ **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Dec. 6 through 8, The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers perform holiday music at North Street Playhouse. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$25 for adults. For more information visit northstreetplayhouse.org**

■ **Thursday, Dec. 12, at 5:30 p.m. Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital will light up the night for their annual Festival of Lights. Gather under the carport and watch as the holiday lights come alive.**

for children aged 4 and older.

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** 5 to 8 p.m., downtown Cape Charles, entertainment, shopping, restaurant specials, performances, and experiences to celebrate the holiday season. The Cape Charles Library will be hosting a cash-only bake sale from 5 to 8 p.m. See National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation for free at the Historic Palace Theater at 8 p.m.

■ **DRIVE-IN MOVIE:** 6 p.m., parking opens, 7 p.m. movie starts, Newtown Park, Pocomoke City. Watch "The Nightmare Before Christmas" for free during Movies Under the Stars. The first 20 cars to park will get a free bag of kettle corn.

■ **BINGO:** 6 p.m. doors open, games start 7 p.m., Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, Chincoteague. The cost is \$25 and includes all games, including the \$500 blackout game at the end. Extra cards will be available for purchase. Food and drink will also be available for purchase.

■ **SANTA'S SUPPER:** 6 p.m., The Great Pocomoke Fair, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. Eat supper with Santa and The Grinch. Their grand entrance will be at 6:30 p.m.

There will be photos with Santa, a bake sale, a sub sale, and Christmas crafts. Participants can bring new, unwrapped toys to be donated to children affected by Hurricane Helene.

■ **TREE LIGHTING:** 6 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. Light up the holidays with the annual lighting of 30 Christmas trees on the lawn at Ker Place.

■ **LIVE NATIVITY:** 6 to 8 p.m., Onley Baptist Church, 25501 W. Main St., Onley. View the live nativity and then enjoy refreshments in the fellowship hall or watch a screening of "The Shepherd."

■ **CLOTHING GIVEAWAY:** 6 to 8 p.m., Cheriton Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 21291 N. Bayside Road, Cheriton. All are welcome to grab any clothing needed during the giveaway. There are clothes for all genders and sizes.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. The Sonic Ukes perform live. Cash bar available.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. Audio Tribe performs live..

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., The Pearl, 7452 East Side Road, Chincoteague. 8 Track Mind performs live.

■ **HOLIDAY MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers perform their holiday program. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$25 for adults. For more information visit <https://northstreetplayhouse.org>

Saturday, December 7

■ **TOY RUN:** 9 to 11 a.m. registration, Walmart, Onley. The Chincoteague Police Department's annual Toy Run will begin at Walmart in Onley and riders will end at Capt. Zach's Seafood on Chincoteague. The registration fee is one new, unwrapped toy per rider.

■ **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** 9 to 11 a.m., Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department, 1479 Stockton Ave., Greenbackville. Sit down for a meal with old Chris Kringle at the Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, ham, and eggs. There is no charge for the event but donations will be accepted.

■ **HOMES TOUR:** 10 a.m., Bay Creek Life Center, Holiday Homes Tour with vendors, refreshments, and tours of homes.

■ **HOLIDAY PARTY:** 10 a.m. to noon, Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, Accomac. Kids 12 and under accompanied by an adult can enjoy arts and crafts, goodies, and photos with Santa.

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parkesley. Santa and his elves will visit the children's room at the library. There will be age-appropriate books for all kids under 12 and candy canes for everyone.

■ **CLOTHING GIVEAWAY:** 10 a.m. to 4

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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 www.vaalanon.org/districts/district-7-eastern-shore

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

■ **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 757-442-7707 or 800-764-4460.

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p.m., Cheriton Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 21291 N. Bayside Road, Cheriton. All are welcome to grab any clothing needed during the giveaway. There are clothes for all genders and sizes.

■ **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., The Village Mall, Chincoteague. Get a jump on holiday shopping at the Village Mall Christmas Bazaar. Shops will be open throughout the mall, there will be refreshments, music by DJ Mikey B, face painting, photos with Santa, and chair massages.

■ **STORYTIME:** 10:30 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids under 5 can listen to a story and learn play literacy through toys.

■ **SANTA PHOTOS:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company, Bloxom. During Christmas with Santa kids can get their picture taken with Santa and deliver their Santa letters. There will also be hot dogs, cookies, and drinks.

■ **HOLIDAY HOMES TOUR:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Chincoteague Island. Tour 15 beautifully decorated homes. Tickets are \$20 and all proceeds benefit Manna Café. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/488jcta7> for tickets.

■ **BOOK SIGNING:** 1 to 3 p.m., Curtis and Lynn Badger will be signing books at the Barrier Islands Center in Machipongo. They are the authors of "The Many Faces of Assateague," a book for young readers just published by the Barrier Islands Center. They also will have copies of Curtis Badger's new book of poems and photographs, "The Rise and Fall of Tides."

■ **CHRISTMAS MARKET:** 2 to 6 p.m., Vaux Hall Farms, 27698 Bobtown Road, Melfa. Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus and browse vendors during this holiday market.

■ **LIVE NATIVITY:** 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Capeville United Methodist Church, 4301 Capeville Drive, Capeville. There will be live nativity performances at 5:30, 6, and 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served after each performance.

■ **GRAND ILLUMINATION:** 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Central Park, Cape Charles. The Grand Illumination will include a lighted golf cart parade, music, and a special visit with Santa.

■ **CHRISTMAS PARADE:** 6 p.m., Main Street, Chincoteague. Chincoteague's Old Fashioned Christmas Parade returns for the 44th year. This year's theme is "Out of This

World Christmas."

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, 10 North St., Onancock. Fil Rhythm performs live.

■ **HOLIDAY MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers perform their holiday program. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$25 for adults. For more information visit <https://northstreetplayhouse.org>

Sunday, December 8

■ **SIP AND SHOP:** 1 to 4 p.m., American Legion Post 56, 21210 N. Bayside Road, Cheriton. Make holiday shopping easy at 4th annual Holiday Sip and Shop. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.

■ **DANCE SHOWCASE:** 2 p.m., Historic Palace Theater, Cape Charles. Get in the holiday spirit at the Merry Movement dance student showcase. The suggested donation for the performance is \$10.

■ **HOLIDAY MUSIC:** 2:30 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers perform their holiday program. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$25 for adults. For more information visit <https://northstreetplayhouse.org>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 p.m., Historic Palace Theater, Cape Charles. Shore Singers performs its holiday concert.

■ **CHRISTMAS MUSIC:** 6:30 p.m., Exmore Baptist Church, Exmore. Rod Propes performs live.

Monday, December 9

■ **BINGO:** Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.

■ **ART CLASS:** 6 to 8 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Learn about eco-printing at this botanical printing class. Experiment with steam-

ing patterns onto silk scarves or pounding botanicals into paper. All materials are provided. The cost is \$60. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/yv7vmw2y> to reserve a seat.

Tuesday, December 10

■ **VETERANS BREAKFAST:** 8:30 to 10 a.m., there will be a Veterans Café serving a free breakfast to all veterans and active military at American Legion Post 159, 4023 Main St., Chincoteague.

■ **TECH HELP:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get on-demand help with tech issues.

■ **STORY TIME:** 10:30 a.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. Enjoy stories and activities geared towards kids ages 4 and under.

■ **CRAFTS:** 1 to 3 p.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague. Join the Hooks and Needles Craft Group with your favorite craft for a little social creative time.

■ **TEEN GAMING NIGHT:** 5 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids from 13 to 18 can play board games or video games and make a craft.

■ **CROCHET STITCH-A-LONG:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Bring a pattern and get

hands-on assistance with crocheting.

■ **WINE GLASS PAINTING:** 6 to 9 p.m., the Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. Paint on wine glasses during this craft night. The cost is \$40. To reserve a spot call 540-655-0564.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 10 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, 9480 Lankford Highway, Temperanceville. The Irie Tree band performs live.

■ **HEALING CIRCLE:** 6:30 p.m., Blissed, 6743-1 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. The healing circle is a nurturing space to connect, relax, and support others on the journey towards stress relief. Bring a beach chair. Registration required. To register email blissed@linked2carellc.com or text 757-957-9835.

■ **CHOIR CONCERT:** 7 p.m., Northampton High School Auditorium, Eastville. The Northampton High School concert choir performs holiday songs.

■ **VETERANS SUPPORT:** 7 p.m., Veterans Support Committee will meet at 7 p.m., at American Legion Post 100, 18475 Dunne Ave., Parksley. The meeting focuses on what can be accomplished on the Eastern Shore to improve veterans' lives.

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■ **OPEN MIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., The Onancock Taphouse, 8 North St., Onancock. Share a song at open mic night.

Wednesday, December 11

■ **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.

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** 11:30 a.m., Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Boston Road, Painter. Bring a lunch and listen as Reverend Annette Austin will teach from Jeremiah. Drinks and desserts will be provided.

■ **HISTORY PROGRAM:** from 1 to 5 p.m. the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley will host a scan-a-thon. Community members can bring up to three photos depicting Eastern Shore Christmas-es and have them scanned into the library's photo archives.

■ **KIDS GAME DAY:** 4 p.m. Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids ages 5 to 11 can play games in the kids room.

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

■ **BUSINESS AFTER HOURS:** 6 p.m., Chincoteague Fire House, 5052 Deep Hole Road, Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce and the fire department are gathering local leaders and business owners to brainstorm a community-wide celebration for the 100th anniversary of Pony Penning. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP by Dec. 6 by emailing events@chincoteaguechamber.com or calling 757-336-6161.

■ **PUZZLE RACE:** 6 to 8 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Individuals or teams of two compete to see who can put a puzzle together fastest. Teams keep the puzzle afterwards. The cost is \$25 per team. To register visit island-community-house.square.site

Thursday, December 12

■ **EXERCISE PROGRAM:** 10 a.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague, low-impact exercises for seniors.

■ **STORY TIME:** 10 a.m., Chincoteague Island Library, Chincoteague. Tales 4 Tots story time with stories, stretching, songs, a

take-home craft, and snacks.

■ **BOOK CLUB:** 11 a.m., Chincoteague Island Library, Chincoteague. Nancy's Thursday Book Club meets monthly. All are invited.

■ **HOLIDAY LIGHTS:** 5:30 p.m., Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Onley. Watch as Riverside's Festival of Lights kicks off under the carport at the hospital when the lights go on.

■ **LEGO COMPETITION:** 6 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Kids ages 5 to 11 can compete to see who can build the best winter wonderland out of Legos.

■ **AUTHOR TALK:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Arthur Fournier will discuss his newest book "Intern! Life on the Ward of a Public Hospital: 1973."

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., The Onancock Taphouse, 8 North St., Onancock. Steve O'Boyle performs live.

■ **MOVIE:** 7 p.m., Roseland Theater, Onancock. Grown ups can enjoy a holiday movie just for them with a screening of the French film "Joyeux Noel."

Friday, December 13

■ **BALLET:** 7 to 9 p.m., Nandua High School, Onley. ESO presents "The Nutcracker Swings." Enjoy this holiday classic with a swing twist. Tickets are \$30 for reserved seats, \$25 for general admission, and \$15 for students. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2zuyzfyb>

■ **SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS:** 5 to 7 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Stop by and visit Santa and Mrs. Claus.

■ **SECOND FRIDAY:** 4 to 8 p.m., downtown Onancock, shops, boutiques, and galleries will have extended hours.

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** 5 to 8 p.m., downtown Cape Charles, entertainment, shopping, restaurant specials, performances, and experiences to celebrate the holiday season. See "Elf" for free at the Historic Palace Theater at 8 p.m.

■ **HOLIDAY DINNER:** 6 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. Beautiful decorations only add to the cheer of good food and company at Shore History's annual Holiday Dinner. Tickets are \$125 and include drinks. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/mwcecvph> for tickets.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Two Bridges performs live. Cash bar available.

■ **BINGO:** Doors open 6 p.m., first game

7 p.m., Arcadia High School Gym, Oak Hall. The Arcadia Boosters Club is hosting a cash bingo night. Regular games will pay out \$100 and bonus games pay out \$200. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Only those over 18 are permitted. The cost is \$40 at the door.

■ **THEATER REVUE:** 7:30 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. "Santa's Mixed Bag Goes to Hollywood" combines comedy, song, and dance for a fun performance by young actors. Tickets are \$15. Visit <https://northstreetplayhouse.org> for more information.

Saturday, December 14

■ **COOKIE WALK:** 8 a.m. to noon, Mears Memorial United Methodist Church, 18186 2nd St., Keller. Purchase a box for \$10 and see how many cookies can fit inside.

■ **HOLIDAY SALE:** 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Woman's Club of Accomack County, 25405 Richmond Ave., Onley. The 21st annual Greens, Gifts, and Goodies sale will feature live greenery, baked goods, soups, and ready-made foods. There will also be local vendors selling their goods.

■ **COAT CLOSET:** 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Onley United Methodist Church will open its coat closet. Anyone in need of a coat, hat, scarf, or gloves is invited to come by the coat closet and collect what they need. For more information contact Jeanette Edwards at 757-710-1524.

■ **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** 9 to 11 a.m., Island Community House, Chincoteague. Enjoy a pancake breakfast and photos with Santa. There will be two seatings, one at 9 a.m. and one at 10 a.m. Call 757-336-1993 to reserve a seat.

■ **COOKIE SALE:** 9 a.m. to noon, annual cookies-by-the-pound sale by St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 18 Third St., Pocomoke City. There will be plenty of beautiful and tasty homemade cookies, candies, and other treats for sale at only \$10 a pound. Come early for the best selection.

■ **TURKEY SHOOT:** 9 a.m. to noon, New Church Volunteer Fire Company, 4264 Firehouse St., New Church. This fundraiser turkey shoot also features a 50/50 raffle and ham and turkey raffles. The maximum barrel length is 32 inches, 12 gauge only with no scopes. The kids round is 410 gauge. For more information call 757-824-9724.

■ **COOKIE SALE:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. Choose an assortment of homemade holiday cookies.

■ **CHRISTMAS CRAFT:** 10 a.m. or 2

p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Make a felted Christmas ornament with JoAnn Stratakos. Choose from a Christmas tree or a snowman. The cost is \$30. To reserve a seat call 757-336-6117 or sign up in person at the museum.

■ **ARTISANS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Historic Onancock School, Onancock. Shop local for holiday gifts at the Holiday Artisans Market. To reserve a space as a vendor email info@historiconancockschool.org

■ **STORYTIME:** 10:30 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids 5 to 11 can hear a story and learn with play literacy toys.

■ **SANTA BY BOAT:** 11 a.m., Onancock Wharf, Onancock. Watch as reindeer in kayaks guide Santa into the town wharf for his visit.

■ **CHILI SALE:** 11 a.m., to 2 p.m. Tasley Volunteer Fire Company, Tasley. This drive-through fundraiser features homemade chili, clam chowder, clam fritters, and more. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/yc8293bs> to place your order.

■ **SANTA'S TRAIN WONDERLAND:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Tour a train-filled winter wonderland. Visit Santa between 1 and 3 p.m.

■ **BOOK SIGNING:** 1 to 3 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. Meet authors with local ties and learn more about their works. Authors include Curtis Badger, Jake Jacobs, C.L. Marshall, Barry Mears, Keith (Kim) Mathias Miles, Kristin Rutkowski, Chris Slavens, and works by Kirk Mariner.

■ **HOMES TOUR:** 1 to 5 p.m., tour historic homes throughout Onancock during the 23rd annual Onancock Christmas Homes Tour. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at <https://tinyurl.com/mv8paut6>

■ **CHRISTMAS MUSIC:** 2 to 4 p.m., Cokesbury Cultural Center, 13 Market St., Onancock. The sounds of the season will fill the air during the Cokesbury Christmas Music Festival. Performers include the Orchestra of the Eastern Shore, One Sound, and Circle of Friends. Admission is free.

■ **COOKIE TRAIL:** 2 to 5 p.m., Downtown Cape Charles. Tour beautifully decorated homes and bed and breakfasts while sampling cookies. Begin the trail at The Hotel Cape Charles. Entry is free but canned goods or monetary donations will be accepted.

■ **THEATER REVUE:** 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. "San-

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ta's Mixed Bag Goes to Hollywood" combines comedy, song, and dance for a fun performance by young actors. Tickets are \$15. Visit <https://northstreetplayhouse.org> for more information.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** 3 p.m., Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Department, Cape Charles. Tool Mania fundraiser featuring raffles and live and silent auctions for tools. Tickets are \$25 and include food and non-alcoholic beverages. Beer will be available for purchase.

■ **SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS:** 5 to 7 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Stop by and visit Santa and Mrs. Claus.

■ **PIE AND CAKE BINGO:** 5:30 p.m. doors open, 7 p.m. games start, The Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. Help raise funds for an AED at the Newtown Park little league fields at this charity bingo game. There will be 20 games. There will also be door prizes and a Chinese auction. Tickets are

\$30 before Dec. 13 and \$35 at the door. For advance tickets call 443-953-6219 or 908-499-1185.

■ **CHRISTMAS PARADE:** 6 p.m., downtown Exmore, the Exmore Community Fire Company's annual Christmas Parade returns. To participate in the parade pick up an application at Exmore's Town Hall.

■ **MEETING:** 6 p.m., Market Street Methodist Church, Onancock. All Eagle Scouts are invited to gather to share stories, network, and reconnect. Refreshments will be served. Those interested in attending can contact T.J. Cordero at 302-531-6834 or email tjcordero@dmvc.org.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, 10 North St., Onancock. Medium Wave Jay performs live.

■ **DANCE:** 7 p.m., Giddens' Do Drop Inn, 8204 Bayford Road, Franktown. Willie C and the Gang will be providing the music for the Winter Dance at Giddens' Do Drop Inn. Hor d'oeuvres will be served. Tickets are \$20 in advance and can be purchased at the Book Bin or Rayfields Pharmacy. Tickets are \$25 at the door.

■ **BALLET:** 7 p.m., Nandua High School, Onley. ESO presents "The Nutcracker

Swings." Enjoy this holiday classic with a swing twist. Tickets are \$30 for reserved seats, \$25 for general admission, and \$15 for students. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2zuyzfyb>

■ **BALLET:** 7 p.m., Ella Fitzgerald Performing Arts Center, 10832 Academic Oval, Princess Anne. All About Dance presents "The Nutcracker." Tickets are \$16. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/3baxnsw4> for tickets.

■ **HOLIDAY CONCERT:** 7 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. Listen to holiday music performed by young local musicians. A cash bar will be available. This event is free, but donations will benefit the Chincoteague High School band classes.

Sunday, December 15

■ **SANTA'S TRAIN WONDERLAND:** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Tour a train-filled winter wonderland. Visit Santa between 1 and 3 p.m.

■ **HOLIDAY CRAFT:** 1 to 3 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. Learn to make a sea glass

Christmas tree. The cost for the class is \$45 for museum members and \$55 for non-members. All supplies are included. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/5bbx935f> to sign up.

■ **BALLET:** 2 p.m., Nandua High School, Onley. ESO presents "The Nutcracker Swings." Enjoy this holiday classic with a swing twist. Tickets are \$30 for reserved seats, \$25 for general admission, and \$15 for students. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2zuyzfyb>

■ **MOVIE:** 2:30 p.m., Roseland Theater, Onancock. Get ready for a little holiday cheer with a free screening of the holiday classic "Elf."

■ **BALLET:** 4 p.m., Ella Fitzgerald Performing Arts Center, 10832 Academic Oval, Princess Anne. All About Dance presents "The Nutcracker." Tickets are \$16. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/3baxnsw4> for tickets.

■ **HOLIDAY PARADE:** 5 p.m., Market Street, Onancock. Get in the festive spirit at Onancock's annual holiday parade.

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Monday, December 16

■ **COFFEE WITH A COP:** 8 to 10 a.m., Blackfin Island Grill and Tapas Lounge, 7085 Maddox Blvd, Chincoteague. Officers from the Chincoteague Police Department will be serving coffee and engaging with the community during Coffee With a Cop. Citizens are invited to ask questions, raise concerns or just chat.

■ **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, December 17

■ **INFO SESSION:** 10 to 11 a.m., Village Neighbors of Chincoteague, 6240 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Learn more about the Village Neighbors program over a warm beverage at Village Neighbors Coffee Talk.

■ **TECH HELP:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get on-demand help with tech issues.

■ **STORY TIME:** 10:30 a.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. Enjoy stories and activities geared towards kids ages 4 and under.

■ **TEEN MANGA BOOK CLUB:** 5 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Teens can discuss their favorite manga during teen gaming and manga night.

■ **HISTORY LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Dennis Custis delivers the second part of his lecture "Henry Wise and Friends."

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 10 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, 9480 Lankford Highway, Temperanceville. The Irie Tree band performs live.

■ **BOOK CLUB:** 7 p.m., Chincoteague Island Library, Chincoteague. The monthly Island Readers Tuesday Night Book Club. This month's meeting will feature a talk by local author Brooks Birdwell Yeager, followed by a Q&A. Light refreshments will be served.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., The Onancock Taphouse, 8 North St., Onancock. Joe Bonsignore performs live.

Wednesday, December 18

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** 11:30 a.m., Mears Memorial United Methodist Church, corner of 2nd Street and West Street, Keller. Bring a lunch and listen to Reverend Carrie Talbott

teach from Isaiah. Drinks and desserts will be provided.

■ **MEMORY CAFÉ:** 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Memory Café is a social engagement for caregivers and people living with memory issues. Each café will include refreshments and unstructured conversation.

■ **CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG:** 4 p.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague. Sing along with beloved Christmas carols.

■ **DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS:** 5:15 to 8:15 p.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. Join this 18-and-up group for adventures.

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

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., Historic Palace Theater, Cape Charles. World renowned vocalist and pianist Gerry Gennarelli performs live. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for students.

Thursday, December 19

■ **EXERCISE PROGRAM:** 10 a.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague, low-impact exercises for seniors.

■ **COMMUNITY LUNCHEON:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Share a meal with neighbors at this community luncheon. Visit Island Community House's Facebook page for a menu.

■ **LEGO COMPETITION:** 5 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids 5 to 11 can compete to build a LEGO winter wonderland.

■ **CRAFT:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Adults can learn how to make a cross stitch ornament. There will also be a kitchen gift basket giveaway.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., The Onancock Taphouse, 8 North St., Onancock. Margot and Gabe perform live.

■ **COMMUNITY DINNER:** 6 to 9 p.m., Cape Charles Fire Department, Cape Charles. Cape Charles Main Street is hosting Heart and Soul, a community dinner. They'll provide soup and drinks; guests only need to bring a bowl. To reserve a seat RSVP to info@capecharles-mainstreet.com

Friday, December 20

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** 5 to 8 p.m., downtown Cape Charles, entertainment, shopping, restaurant specials, performances, and experiences to celebrate the holiday season. See "Nightmare Before Christmas" at the Historic Palace Theater at 8 p.m.

■ **LIGHTS TOUR:** 6 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Hop aboard a trolley and tour the beautiful holiday lights of Chincoteague. Tickets are \$25. Treats will be included at two stops. Call 757-336-6117 or visit the Museum at 7125 Maddox Blvd., to reserve a seat.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone, 10 North St., Onancock. Heinz and the Red Bird performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Stomp, Clap, Yeah performs live.

Saturday, December 21

■ **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.

■ **PAINTING CLASS:** 10 a.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. Paint holiday ornaments during this class. Kids and adults are welcome. For more information and ticket prices visit <https://tinyurl.com/5fkmd2v9>

■ **SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS:** 2 to 4 p.m., Beebe Ranch, 3062 Ridge Road, Chincoteague. Kids can visit with Santa and have their photo taken. Pictures can be emailed or texted afterwards. There will also be holiday crafts. Admission is \$10.

■ **LIGHTS TOUR:** 6 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, Chincoteague. Hop aboard a trolley and tour the beautiful holiday lights of Chincoteague. Tickets are \$25. Treats will be included at two stops. Call 757-336-6117 or visit the museum to reserve a seat.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., the Historic Palace Theater, Cape Charles. Virginia Symphony Orchestra performs Holiday Brass. Adult tickets are \$40. Tickets are \$15 for students.

Monday, December 23

■ **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, December 24

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 5 p.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague. Experience a beautiful candlelight service.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** at 6 p.m., Onancock Baptist Church, 1 Crockett Ave., Onancock, is hosting a candlelight service.

Thursday, December 26

■ **EXERCISE PROGRAM:** 10 a.m., Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague, low-impact exercises for seniors.

■ **TEEN CREATIVE WRITING:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. This month's session will focus on how to write about magical systems and creatures.

Saturday, December 28

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone, 10 North St., Onancock. Paul Parks performs live.

Tuesday, December 31

■ **TECH HELP:** 10 a.m. to noon, Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get on-demand help with tech issues.

■ **BINGO:** 6 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fair, Pocomoke City. Help raise funds for the upcoming horse show season. The cost is \$40 for 20 games. Prizes include horse-related items such as tack, boots, and feed store gift cards. For \$300 reserve a table with eight seats, includes games. Extra cards will be available. Food and drink will be available for purchase. To reserve a spot call 814-279-7286.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone, 10 North St., Onancock. Medium Wave Jay performs live.

■ **HORSESHOE DROP:** 11 p.m., Robert Reed Downtown Park, Chincoteague. Get ready for the Pony Island Horseshoe Drop and Costume Promenade. This year's costume theme is "should've been a cowboy." Costumed revelers will gather at Robert Reed Park at 11 p.m. before the horseshoe drop rings in the new year at midnight.

Wednesday, January 1

■ **POLAR PLUNGE:** 1:25 p.m., Assateague Island National Seashore, Assateague Island. Dress up in your silliest outfit and take a dip in the water or watch from the beach as others take the Pony Polar Plunge. There is no fee to participate, but those entering the water will need to sign a waiver.

Exmore Town Council to spend \$900K in Rescue Act funds

BY STEFANIE BOWMANN

Eastern Shore Post

The Exmore Town Council has set a plan to spend about \$900,000 in remaining American Rescue Plan Act funds that needed to be appropriated by Dec. 31.

“It’s a lot of money, but we’ve got to either spend it or send it back,” Town Manager Robert Duer told the council on Monday, Dec. 2.

The spending plan, which was approved in a unanimous vote, includes:

- A trash truck that will cost \$245,000, a purchase that the town council authorized in November.

- Replacement of a water line that the Virginia Department of Health found to contain lead. The cast-iron pipe, which will be replaced with a plastic water line, is about 3,700

feet long and extends from Tru Blu to Royal Farms. The project will cost \$125,000.

- Installing additional police cameras in town at a cost of \$100,000. Town staff noted that none of Exmore’s traffic signals have cameras, and the funds could pay for a camera on every one.

- A hydro excavator at a cost of about \$100,000. The machine uses high-pressure water and vacuum technology to remove soil, rocks, and debris from the ground in a non-invasive manner that does not damage underground utilities or nearby structures. Town staff said Exmore needs but does not own a hydro excavator. Public works employees have been installing the new sewer system using a hydro excavator that was borrowed from the project contractor.

- An additional sewer service truck that will cost \$80,000.

- A police vehicle that is expected to cost \$55,000.

- A steam cleaner and a trailer for transporting it, which together will cost \$7,500. The steam cleaner will be used primarily to remove grease from sewer pumps.

- An additional electronic speed sign for use by the police department, which will cost \$4,500.

These items will cost a total of about \$717,000. The spending plan allowed for remaining ARPA funds to be applied to town employee salaries.

The approximately \$900,000 in federal funds was awarded during the COVID-19 pandemic and must be spent by July 1, 2026.

“It’s free money right now. It beats ... borrowing money,” Duer said. “I

was saving the money for the sewer project, but we’re not going to need it.”

Councilman Chase Sturgis had expressed concern in October that the town was paying the sewer project engineer around \$1 million every month, but there was only about \$1.5 million left to spend with three months of work ahead.

Sturgis, Councilman Bryon Heaster, and Director of Utilities Taylor Dukes have since met with the contractor to review the numbers and resolve their concerns.

The payment on the sewer project was about \$569,000 in November and \$473,000 this month.

Later at Monday night’s meeting, the town council also decided to use ARPA funds of no more than \$55,000 to purchase roughly five acres in town from the railroad.



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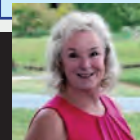
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OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

Valentin Gonzalez

Mr. Valentin Gonzalez, 85, of Accomac, died on Monday, Nov. 25, 2024. Known to all by his nickname, “Speedy” was born in Vanderbilt, Texas, on Feb. 14, 1939. He was the third born (and first surviving) child of Santos and Gerarda (DeLeon) Gonzalez.

Baptized at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Inez, Texas, Speedy spent his childhood in Texas and Florida before



Mr. Gonzalez

volunteering for the U.S. Army, serving in Germany during the Berlin Crisis. He led a colorful life as a musician and nightclub owner before settling on Virginia’s Eastern

Shore. He ran his business, Speedy’s Auto Body, for nearly 30 years before retiring. Speedy was a man who loved entertaining, and in his later years, he enjoyed tinkering on cars, watching old Westerns, and the companionship of his pup, Ginger. Speedy was most proud of his service to his country in the U.S. Army, but it was his beloved grandson, Jamison, that brought him his most joy.

He is survived by his daughter, Lisa Tucker, of Orlando, Fla., and his son and grandson, Tino and Jamison Gonzalez, of Hudson, Fla. He is also survived by two sisters, three brothers, and many nieces and nephews.

A mass of Christian burial was held at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Onley on Saturday, Nov. 30, at 11 a.m., with Father Michael Imperial officiating. Interment followed in Edgehill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Speedy’s name to the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, <http://www.shorespca.com>

Memory tributes may be shared with

the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Daniel Lytle

Mr. Daniel Royer Lytle passed away on Nov. 21, 2024, at his residence in Jamesville.

Son of the late Robert Paul and Martha Stewart Lytle, Dan was the beloved husband of Ann Hayden,



Mr. Lytle

loving father of Jennifer Lytle Bennett (Bruce) and Elizabeth Anne Storelli, and grandfather to Naomi and Gabriel Bennett, Joshua Lytle (deceased), and Justin and

Anthony Storelli. He was predeceased by his brother, Thomas (Mary Lou).

Dan was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., attended Valley Forge Military Academy, and graduated from the University of Richmond. He was second lieutenant in the U.S. Army from 1964 through 1966, an experience that helped shape his character throughout his years.

Dan lived his life in full measure. He was an ad guy, working in Rochester, N.Y., and on Madison Avenue. In addition to his family, he loved shooting sporting clays, smoking cigars, his bird dogs (Tilly), fishing, tending Purple Martins, a good story, a great laugh, and great music, and especially cherished the many close friends he made along the way.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wildlife ER, 7027 Mackatouces Point Road, Jamesville, VA 23398.

Services will be at a later date.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Bruce Ford

Mr. Bruce Charles Ford Sr., of Parksley, passed away on Sunday, Nov. 24, 2024, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock, just one day shy of his 69th birthday. Born on Nov. 25, 1955, in



Mr. Ford

Willow Grove, Del., he was the son of James Thomas Ford Sr. and Thelma Beatrice Ford.

A proud graduate of Caesar Rodney High School in Delaware,

Bruce lived life with energy and determination. He was a long-distance runner for most of his life, a brown belt in karate, an avid fan of the Atlanta Braves, and could listen to the blues until the cows came home. In the 1970s his family moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where he started his own family and lived for the rest of his life.

A hard-working man, Bruce dedicated decades of his life to Perdue before continuing his career with Valley Proteins after their acquisition of the rendering operations.

Bruce was a devoted family man who rarely missed a youth sporting event. Cheering on games near and far, he was always there to watch his grandchildren swing for the fences.

Coaching came naturally to Bruce — he enthusiastically guided his children in every sport that captured their interest. Stubborn as a mule and a touch hard-headed, according to his kids, Bruce had a big heart that always ensured he showed up when it mattered most.

He found peace riding the creeks with his loyal dog, Jessie, and long-time love, Mary, where the beauty of the Eastern Shore brought him joy.

Bruce is survived by his chil-

dren, Gregory Charles “Greg” Ford (Amy), of Dingley’s Mill, Bruce Charles “Chuck” Ford Jr. (Shanna), of Melfa, Joshua Charles “Josh” Ford (Caitlin), of Onley, and Mary Louise Ford, of McLean; honorary son, Stewart Annis, of Parksley; loving partner, Mary Riser, of Parksley; sisters, Rosemarie “Rosie” Thompson and Nancy Lee Ford, both of Delaware; grandchildren, Kerry, Kacey, Grayson, Hudson, Colin, Kylie, Isabella, Brynlee, and Dylan; and furbabies, Thelma and Bear.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Thelma Ford; siblings, James “Dickie” Ford Jr., Thelma “Sissy” Barbour, and Herman Hurd “Doc” Ford; and precious sidekick and companion, Jessie (his furbaby).

Per his request, no public service will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Bruce’s memory to the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, <http://www.shorespca.com>; the Nandua High School Booster Club, 26350 Lankford Highway, Onley, VA 23418; and American Diabetes Association, 870 Greenbrier Circle, Greenbrier Tower II, Suite 404, Chesapeake, VA 23320, <http://www.diabetes.org>

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

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Newspaper obituaries

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Obituaries

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Gloria Doughty

Mrs. Gloria Jones Doughty, 77, resident of Exmore, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2024.

She is survived by her son, Kevin Doughty, and his wife, Andrea; and



Mrs. Doughty

her grandson, Tanner, all of Belle Haven. She was predeceased by her husband of over 50 years, Tankard Bradley Doughty.

A special thanks to Debbie Kelley for her

love, friendship, and special care she gave to Gloria.

Services will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Eastern Shore SPCA, Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Betty Fitchett

Mrs. Betty H. Fitchett, of Richmond, formerly of Locustville, passed away on Nov. 10, 2024, at the age of 92.

She was born on Oct. 25, 1932, on Chincoteague Island, to Edward G. Hopkins and Margaret Mary Connor Hopkins, both of whom predeceased her. In addition to her parents, Betty was predeceased by her husband of 49 years, Clarence Edward Fitchett.

Betty graduated in June 1950 from Chincoteague High and in August 1953 from Peninsula General Hospital School of Nursing in Salisbury, Md., where she received the Doctor's Award for best grades.

Betty explored several aspects of nursing before settling into her favorite, occupational health nursing. She worked for NASA at Wallops Island Station, part of Goddard Space Flight Center, for 30 years.

In her spare time, she enjoyed needlework, reading, gardening, and traveling, especially with girlfriends to the beach.

Betty is survived by her son, Kenneth Fitchett (Allie); grandchildren, Paxton Fitchett, Megan Shaver (Craig), and Kelsey Fort (Chuck); and four great-grandchildren, Issac and Wren Fort and Mark and Emma Shaver, all of Richmond.

A private graveside service will be held at the Edgehill Cemetery in Accomac.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams Funeral Homes, Onancock and Parkesley.

Patrick Donahoe Jr.

Mr. Patrick Riley Donahoe Jr. — loving son, husband, father, and brother — passed away Thursday, Nov. 21, 2024, at the age of 40. Born Aug. 24, 1984, in Nassawadox and raised in Lee Mont, he was the son of Patrick Riley Donahoe and Michelle Lewis Donahoe, of Sanford.

A jack of all trades, Patrick had an uncanny ability to fix just about anything, a skill that served him well both



Mr. Donahoe

at work and at home. He was as quick with his hands as he was with his words, known for his love of conversation almost as much as his selfless nature. Patrick touched more lives than he ever realized, offering his charismatic, caring, and strong-willed spirit to anyone in need. Though humble to the core, those who knew him best would agree he was a rock of strength and a light of kindness to all he loved.

In addition to his parents, Patrick is survived by his devoted wife, Sara Justice Donahoe, and his cherished daughters, Arianna, Chris, Carrie, and Gracie, as well as his loving sister, Kassidy Donahoe.

To honor his wishes, family and friends will gather privately to celebrate Patrick's life.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

John Farlow Jr.

Mr. John Edward Farlow Jr., 50, husband of Sharon Wroten Farlow for 30 years and a native of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, passed away Monday, Nov. 25, 2024, at Sentara Princess Ann Hospital in Virginia Beach. He was born to the late John Edward



Mr. Farlow

Farlow Sr. and the late Thelma Simpson Farlow on Oct. 12, 1974. John was a waterman, a fanatical Cowboys fan, and was a believer in Christ.

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by three children, Brandon, Nathaniel, and Emma. Although they are Sharon's children, they loved John as a father and best friend. He is also survived by a brother, Matthew Farlow. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, Dec. 7, at noon, at Doughty Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Kidney Fund, 11921 Rockville Pike, Suite 300, Rockville, MD 20852 or to help with final expenses, P.O. Box 233, Willis Wharf, VA 23486.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Reade Bonniwell

Mr. Paul Reade Bonniwell Jr., 65, of Quinby, husband of Stephanie Marie Bonniwell, passed away Friday, Nov. 29, 2024, in his home. Born Dec. 29, 1958, he was the son of the late Billie L. Bonniwell and Paul R. Bonniwell Sr.

Reade loved his family and friends and was always generously helping others. He was most often found outside working on his property or in his shops working on various automotive or boat projects or turning wood in his carpentry shop. He was a problem solver and took great pride in creating solutions for whatever was in need of repair and for whom ever needed it.

Reade always had room for animals and enjoyed the many dogs and cats he and his family adopted over the years. And if you were one of

Reade's grandkids, you knew that the go-karts, the tractors, and the boat and the fishing rods would all be tuned up and ready to go when visiting Granddad/Grandpa Reade.



Mr. Bonniwell

Reade's spirit will live on in those he loved most, his son, Jeremy Reade Bonniwell (Jessica) and grandson, McKoy; his daughter, Christy Baylis (Shawn) and grandson, Aiden; his daughter, Cindy Daniels (Brian) and grandson, Connor, and granddaughter, Caitlin; his daughter, Connie Cooper and granddaughters, Elyana and Ruby; his sister, Tracy Johnson (Chandler) and nephew, Chandler; his aunt, Diane Custis (Roy); and his wife and very best friend, Steph.

Reade was predeceased by Cindy Matthews, mother to Jeremy, and Diana Bonniwell, mother to Christy, Cindy, and Connie.

As per Reade's request, no funeral or memorial service will be held.

Should you wish to remember Reade with a memorial contribution, please consider the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418; Friends of Animal Control of the Eastern Shore (FACES), 18299 Killmontown Road, Melfa, VA 23410; or Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ESCADV), 12 Hartman Ave., Onancock, VA 23417.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

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Obituarios en el Post

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Obituaries

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Lesa Smith

Mrs. Lesa Ann Green Smith, 58, of Sanford, beloved wife of James Edward “Jimmy” Smith, was called home to be with the Lord on Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024.

Born on Dec. 4, 1965, in Nassawadox, Lesa was the cherished daughter



Mrs. Smith

for her radiant smile, kind spirit, and

of Anne Caroline Godwin Pruitt, of Pocomoke City, and the late John Daniel Green. She was raised in Sanford and Parksley and was a graduate of Arcadia High School. Known

selfless heart, Lesa was a source of joy and comfort to all who knew her.

For many years, Lesa worked as a floral designer for Floral Express and Gifts, where her coworkers thought of her as family and customers knew she'd always go out of her way to brighten their day.

A faithful servant of the Lord, Lesa was a devoted member of Halls Chapel Church and proudly shared his word with others. Her enthusiasm for life extended to her roles as a coach and mentor. Over the years, she inspired many young athletes coaching volleyball at Holly Grove Christian School and both volleyball and softball at Arcadia High School.

Lesa was also a dedicated fan of her favorite sports teams, especially the Washington Redskins/Commanders. Above all, Lesa treasured her family and cherished every moment they spent together.

Lesa is survived by her loving hus-

band of 34 years, Jimmy; her mother and stepfather, Anne and Johnny Pruitt; children, Andrew J. Smith, of Fishersville, Kristen L. Smith, and Jacob M. Smith, both of Pocomoke City; brothers, Daniel Green and his wife (Allison), of Tennessee, and Jamie Green (Samantha), of Texas; parents-in-law, Norman and Florence Smith, of Salisbury, Md.; sisters-in-law, Karen Smith, Patty Smith, Lori Smith, Peggy Hamlin (Phil), and Sherri Coates (Harold); and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Other than her father, she was predeceased by her brother, Sean Green.

A memorial service will be held at Halls Chapel Church on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 11 a.m., with Mr. Scott Wade officiating.

Contributions in Lesa's memory may be made to Central Accomack Little League (C.A.L.L.), P.O. Box 486, Onancock, VA 23417 or Accomack County Department of Social Services,

c/o Peggy Gray Williams Foster Care Special Needs Fund, P.O. Box 210, Accomac, VA 23301.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Anthony Holley

A service to celebrate the life of **Mr. Anthony Holley**, 62, who passed

away on Nov. 30, 2024, will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 11 a.m. at African Baptist Church, 4224 Sunnyside Road, Cape Charles, VA 23310. There

will be a viewing on Friday, Dec. 6, at African Baptist Church from 5 to 7 p.m.



Mr. Holley

ACCOMACK

No-wake zones planned for Chincoteague, Assateague channels

BY STEFANIE BOWMANN

Eastern Shore Post

The Chincoteague Town Council held a public hearing on Monday, Dec. 2, on proposed no-wake zones in Chincoteague and Assateague channels.

A no-wake zone prohibits boats from traveling so fast as to create a wake, or swell of water, that could cause damage or harm to other property, people, or wildlife.

The Chincoteague Channel no-wake zone would run from the southern point of Marsh Island to the northern end of Lewis Creek.

The Assateague Channel no-wake zone would run from Tom's Cove Aquafarms to Sheepshead Creek.

The town council had approved the harbor committee's recommendation for a Chincoteague Channel no-wake zone in September.

The town had submitted an application in 2017 to the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources for an Assateague Channel no-wake zone, but it was not approved, so that application will be

resubmitted.

John H. Leonard, a boat tour guide, said he opposes the no-wake zones because there is “no alternate route” around either area.

“Time is money, and small differences make a big difference when added up,” he said.

Leonard, who completed 700 boat tours within the last year, said that if a trip was slowed down by five minutes in each direction, or 10 minutes per trip, that would result in 100 hours of lost time annually.

He acknowledged that the fishing docks at Chincoteague Channel are used for unloading catch but “it's not worth putting a no-wake zone there just for that reason alone.”

Ricky Scherer, a fisherman, disagreed.

He recalled when he had a large boat tied to the dock and “people would come by and slam the boat against the dock so hard, it would crack the paint on the seams of the boat. Now that's a blast.”

Scherer said many fishermen invest \$300,000 or \$400,000 in a boat and “take care of their

boats; take pride in them. That's their living.”

He acknowledged Leonard's remarks but said it is “easier” for a guide to schedule a few extra minutes for a tour instead of “tearing somebody's boat up.”

Scherer said there has been a need for a no-wake zone for about 15 or 20 years.

Councilman Gene Taylor said he supported the no-wake zones and acknowledged the property damage that can result when boaters don't slow down.

Councilwoman Denise Bowden said that at the dock near the American Legion, “a boat will come flying through there and some people almost don't make it onto the dock. ... For me, it's a safety thing.”

Mayor Arthur Leonard noted that boat motor capacity has increased over the years and many boaters lack the ability or care to maintain a safe speed.

He said the no-wake zone will give another enforcement tool to the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, which patrols Chincoteague's waterways.

A motion was made to approve the no-wake zones, which passed unanimously.

Hickman re-elected to Farm Bureau board

Accomack County vegetable and grain producer David L. Hickman, of Horntown, was elected Dec. 4 to a 10th three-year term on the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation board of directors.

Elections of officers and directors were held at the 2024 VFBF Annual Convention in Hot Springs.

As a board member, Hickman will represent Farm Bureau producer members in Accomack, Isle of Wight, and Northampton counties and the cities of Chesapeake, Suffolk, and Virginia Beach.

He chairs the VFBF Specialty Crops Advisory Committee and is a member of the organization's Finance and Governance committees. He is a past president of the Accomack County Farm Bureau and former chair of that orga-

nization's Young Farmers Committee.

In addition to his Farm Bureau involvement, Hickman is a past chair of the Virginia Irish Potato Board and a member and past director of the Virginia Potato and Vegetable Growers Association.

He is the co-owner and operator of Dublin Farms Inc., which produces corn, potatoes, snap beans, and soybeans. He and his wife, Chessie, have three sons, two of whom are involved with the farm operation.

With more than 135,000 members in 88 county Farm Bureaus, VFBF is Virginia's largest farmers' advocacy group. Farm Bureau is a non-governmental, nonpartisan, voluntary organization committed to supporting Virginia's agriculture industry.



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DIARY OF A COLLEGE ATHLETE

The third in a monthly series about the experiences of an Eastern Shore high school graduate as she juggles college classes and competition

Grateful for friendships this Thanksgiving

We recently wrapped up our fall season on a high note, winning the eight-team Randolph-Macon Invitational and moving into the top 25 in the Division III rankings.

At that meet, my personal highlight was the 100-yard backstroke, where I placed third and met my goal of breaking one minute with a time of 59.51.

Not only did I have my teammates on deck to support me, I also had my family and friends cheering me on from the stands.

After the meet, I got to spend Thanksgiving week with my fam-



Grace Bentley

ily back home in Painter, giving me a chance to reflect on the last few months.

I'm particularly grateful for the friendships I've made in and out of the pool at Washington & Lee. When I left the Shore in August, I was nervous about attending a school where there would be no familiar faces. Little did I know how quickly that would change.

At W&L, all first-years are placed into a variety of five-day experiences called Leading Edge trips, ranging from volunteer trips in West Virginia to backpacking outings in Appalachia.

They told us these groups would form friendships that would continue past our time at W&L. I didn't see how that was possible until I experienced it for myself.



COURTESY PHOTO

Grace Bentley (left) and fellow Washington & Lee University first-years enjoy a meal on their Leading Edge trip.

My trip, called "Around the World in Five Days," was intended for people who have never been out of the country before.

We stayed in Lexington most of the week, experiencing different cultures and eating all types of cuisines. (My love of Japanese food was reaffirmed; I can never get enough sushi!)

On the trip, I was with the same small group of people all day, every day. Having the shared experience of adjusting to our first year in college, it was inevitable that we became close.

Even now, three months later, we still laugh about memories from our first days here. These have turned out to be some of the closest friendships I have formed.

I knew the swim team would be an-

other place to form more friendships, but coming from a small team in high school where I had really close relationships with my teammates, I was nervous about this new team dynamic.

I had met most of the other incoming swimmers at an orientation day back in April, and they were a driving force behind my decision to come to W&L.

Most of my time is spent with the swim team — and luckily, it's like one big family with lots of opportunities for bonding.

One of the first team bonding experiences was on a Saturday before practices started, when the whole team went for a hike to a nearby waterfall.

Since then, we've fallen into the routine of eating team dinners at the dining hall after practice. When

recruits visit, we have team activities such as scavenger hunts, bonfires, pumpkin carving, and friendly competitions. These events serve two purposes: to introduce recruits to the team and to build the team dynamic.

The upperclassmen girls have also invited us over to eat pancakes, bake cookies, or just hang out. So now, three months in, I definitely feel like I am part of the team, and I have made some great friends.

■ *Grace Bentley, a freshman on the Washington & Lee University swim team, was an all-state swimmer, three-sport star, and salutatorian at Nandua High School. This is her third monthly journal for the Post, describing her first season as a college athlete.*

Rocket Lab's remarks about ramp draw concern

BY STEFANIE BOWMANN
Eastern Shore Post

Chincoteague Mayor Arthur Leonard on Monday, Dec. 2, addressed resident concerns about rumors that Rocket Lab is preparing to proceed with plans to transport rockets on trailers on barges to the Queen Sound boat ramp.

He called a mass mailing on the issue “fake news” and noted that, at the last town council meeting, a Rocket Lab representative confirmed the idea was a “backup plan” that is now “off the table.”

The plan would have involved lifting a trailer holding a rocket off of a

barge docked at Queen Sound, placing the trailer on the Chincoteague causeway, and delivering the rocket to Wallops Island.

Beverly Fleming spoke during the public comment period and advised town officials that “assurances not be listened to as fact” and any further promises should be put in writing.

She said that if a similar proposal is made in the future, the safety of Chincoteague residents should be considered first.

Fleming pointed out that the causeway is a two-lane road and getting off the island in an emergency can be difficult.

If the road is ever used to transport rockets, there should be a limit of 12 trips per year, excluding the months of July and August, she said.

John H. Leonard said he appreciated the clarification about the postcard that caused residents “worrisome feelings” about the Rocket Lab proposal.

“But I do implore people to have a can-do attitude rather than a ‘no, not here, not today’ attitude,” he said.

Glen Liebig, Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport general manager for the Virginia Spaceport Authority, said he made his contact infor-

mation available for anyone with further questions or concerns.

“I want there to be a truth to the answers you get. I don’t want to work off ... rumors and such,” he said.

Eli Grobin said residents seemed to be “up in arms” over Rocket Lab’s previous proposal, but Chincoteague should not be seen as “anti-business” with dozens of people showing up at council meetings with an attitude of “not in my backyard.” over any new initiative.

“I trust you ... our elected representatives, to do what’s right and to figure out a way to make it happen ... to make it work for everybody,” he said.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Hope propels Arcadia past Peninsula Catholic

On Tuesday, Dec. 3, Amani Hope had 17 points, five rebounds, and seven steals to lead Arcadia’s girls basketball team to a 53-21 win at Peninsula Catholic.

Other top performers for the Firebirds (1-0) included Megan Montross (14 points, seven steals), Ashaureya Tankard (10 points, eight rebounds, three assists), and Payton Taylor (seven assists, six rebounds).

Arcadia coach Casey Cordrey said the team goals were “to bring energy, work as a team, and stay mentally strong, and we met those goals the ma-

jority of the game. We are excited to see what this season has in store for us.”

Firebirds fall at Warhill, 71-65

On Monday, Dec. 2, Arcadia’s boys basketball team (0-1) fell at Warhill, 71-65.

Broadwater boys, girls sweep Isle of Wight

On Tuesday, Dec. 3, Grayson Ross and Kacey Ford led Broadwater’s boys

and girls basketball teams, respectively, to season-opening victories at Isle of Wight Academy.

Ross had 19 points and seven rebounds, and Noah Pruitt added nine points and eight rebounds to lead the boys to a 48-46 win.

In the girls’ 46-33 win, Ford had 22 points, three rebounds, and two steals, while Leah Smith added 10 points, seven rebounds, three assists, eight steals, and a blocked shot.

Northampton boys fall in hoop opener

On Monday, Dec. 2, Northampton’s boys basketball team dropped a 72-70

heartbreaker to visiting Lancaster. Jaylen Anderson’s 30 points, five assists, and four steals led the Yellow Jackets, who also got 11 points from Amir Bailey and 10 from Malique Collins.

Burrell, Garcia lead Nandua girls hoops

On Tuesday, Dec. 3, Corrin Burrell and Natalyn Garcia scored 12 points each to lead Nandua’s girls basketball team (1-0) to a 36-27 win at Windsor. Keira Wheatley added 11 rebounds for the Warriors.

“It was a great team effort,” said coach Shaquontae Kellam.

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Also, we like to write human-interest stories about student-athletes. If you have any questions or story ideas, please contact sportswriter Mark Moring, at mark@easternshorepost.com. Thank you for your help and cooperation, and good luck to you and your teams!



ESCC expands drone education opportunities

Eastern Shore Community College is proud to announce its approval to join the Federal Aviation Administration's Unmanned Aircraft Systems Collegiate Training Initiative Program.

This achievement marks a significant milestone in ESCC's commitment to advancing unmanned aircraft systems education and training in partnership with Sentinel Robotic Solutions.

The program is designed to promote and support unmanned aircraft systems education at colleges and universities nationwide.

By integrating technology into academic programs, the initiative prepares students for careers in this rapidly growing field while fostering innovation, safety, and best practices in unmanned aircraft systems operations.

As a member of this prestigious program, ESCC will enhance its curriculum, offering students access to state-of-the-art technology, expert instruction, and hands-on experience in unmanned aircraft systems operations.

"Expanding drone education opportunities is a high priority for ESCC," said James Shaeffer, ESCC's president. "From supporting our partners at NASA Wallops to our local agricultural community, our health care providers and our local governmental agencies, drone education will improve delivery of services and provide new career opportunities for residents of the Eastern Shore. ESCC looks forward to working closely with the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Collegiate Training Initiative to grow our learning capabilities."

The Eastern Shore of Virginia, even though it has a relatively small population, has a large geographic footprint that creates numerous



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Kaleb Jefferies of Sentinel Robotic Solutions watches as a participant in a summer drone camp handles a drone controller. Sentinel Robotic Solutions and Eastern Shore Community College have partnered to expand unmanned aircraft systems education at the college.

opportunities for incorporating drone technology into daily life, including delivery of medicines, supporting agricultural operations, monitoring impacts of coastal shore erosion and storms, assisting with emergency response operations, and supporting the continued growth of NASA Wallops.

"Joining the FAA Unmanned Aircraft Systems College Initiative is a testament to our dedication to providing top-tier education and training in the unmanned aircraft systems field," said Jason Taylor, director of unmanned aircraft sys-

tems programs, FAASTeam drone pro, and lead unmanned aircraft systems instructor for Sentinel Robotic Solutions at ESCC. "This partnership empowers our students with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in an industry that is continuously evolving and full of opportunities."

Sentinel Robotic Solutions, a leader in unmanned aircraft systems training and operations, has been instrumental in achieving this milestone.

Sentinel's collaboration with ESCC has led to the development of

comprehensive unmanned aircraft systems training programs that are poised to meet the needs of both students and industry professionals.

"We are thrilled about the future of unmanned aircraft systems training at Eastern Shore Community College," said Erika Bale, CEO of Sentinel Robotic Solutions. "Our partnership not only enhances the educational opportunities available to students but also contributes to the advancement of unmanned aircraft systems technology and expertise within our community."

As ESCC embarks on this new chapter, the college is poised to become a regional hub for unmanned aircraft systems education and innovation, preparing the next generation of professionals and contributing to the growth of the industry.

For more information about Eastern Shore Community College's unmanned aircraft systems programs, please visit <https://es.vccs.edu/> or call (757) 789-1789.

Visit <https://www.srsgrp.com/> for more information about Sentinel Robotic Solutions or call 757-824-0600.

What to Know

- Eastern Shore Community College has been approved to join the FAA's Unmanned Aircraft System Collegiate Training Initiative Program.
- Sentinel Robotic Solutions partnered with ESCC to develop comprehensive drone training programs.
- To learn more about ESCC's unmanned aircraft systems programs visit <https://es.vccs.edu/>

Virginia Food Access Investment Fund grant applications to open Feb. 3

The preproposal and application dates for the next round of Virginia Food Access Investment Fund program grants have been announced.

Administered by the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Virginia Food Access Investment Fund program supports local food systems by investing in new or expanding food retailers that address fresh food access issues in the Commonwealth.

The preproposal period, from Dec. 1 through Dec. 31, allows interested applicants to submit proposals to ensure mandatory requirements are met and to ask questions.

The application period for both programs will begin on Feb. 3 and end on Feb. 28. Grant awards will be announced in spring 2025.

“Improving food access and building partnerships with community food organizations and private industry is an innovative approach to increasing access to nutritious food and eliminating hunger in urban and rural Virginia,” said Gov. Glenn Youngkin. “In addition to increasing market opportunities for our farmers, focused expansion of the Virginia Food Access Investment Fund program helps us to incentivize economic development, support Virginia farmers, and create jobs in the Commonwealth.”

The program provides grants from \$10,000 up to \$50,000 to support business development, construction, rehabilitation, equipment upgrades, or expansion.

Eligible grant recipients include grocery stores, small food retailers, and innovative food retail projects in low-income communities that experience low ac-

cess to fresh food.

VDACS is encouraging submissions from eligible projects from communities impacted by Hurricane Helene or other recent natural disasters.

For the upcoming funding round, VDACS is expanding the program to include a large-scale retailer category, competing for grant awards of \$100,000 up to \$250,000.

Large-scale retailer grants are only available for grocery stores, -exceeding 15,000 sq. ft. that are located in underserved communities and meet published program guidelines, including a requirement for accepting expenditures of benefits provided under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and participating in a program that matches or supplements these benefits, such as Virginia Fresh Match.

“The Virginia Food Access Investment Fund program helps to improve our ability of addressing food deserts and grow food access in the communities that need it the most,” said Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry Matthew Lohr. “The new focus on larger retailers allows us to leverage scale to expand food access, with consideration given to areas of the Commonwealth impacted by natural disasters.”

To access additional information on either Virginia Food Access Investment Fund program visit <https://tinyurl.com/2bfmu-fan>

Program applications are also available on the Virginia Food Access Investment Fund website.

Interested applicants should visit the program website often for program updates and application workshops.



COURTESY PHOTO

Eastern Shore Cruisers held 19 car shows in 2024 with proceeds benefiting many local community organizations. The Cruisers' annual Axing Out Cancer show benefited patients at the Riverside Shore Cancer Center. Axing Out Cancer has a seven-year history of generous support totaling \$35,000, according to the Cruisers' president Chester Jackson. “The Eastern Shore Cruisers club is not just about going out and showing your car off and coming back home,” Jackson said, “It’s more about giving back to the community.” Jackson is pictured presenting a check to Nick Chuquin, president of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital. Cruisers car shows will start back up again in April.

MILESTONE

Onancock woman to celebrate 100th birthday

Catherine Northam, of Onancock will celebrate her 100th birthday on Jan. 1, 2025.

Northam is a long-time resident of Onancock and has lived in the same house since the 1940s.

She is a member of St. John's Baptist Church in Onancock, where she has attended all of her life.

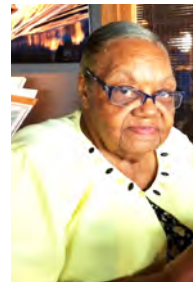
She currently resides with family members and enjoys her family and especially the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her fa-

vorite shows are the “Golden Girls,” “Everybody Loves Raymond,” and she also enjoys singing her hymns and watching the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries programs.

She worked as a housekeeper for Herbert and Joyce Lassiter of Lassiter Realty from the early 1960s until she retired at the age of 75.

She was a dedicated, hardworking, and loyal employee who raised her children and stewarded their growing years as best as she could.

Always faithful and relying on her own abilities, she has led a good life and loves her family. She is looking forward to more years enjoying her family members, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Catherine Northam

Northampton Historic Preservation Society receives \$35,000 for museum

The Northampton Historic Preservation Society received a \$35,000 grant from the Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Foundation to help make significant progress toward the completion of the 1907 Jail Museum in Eastville.

This grant will aid the Northampton Historic Preservation Society in its preservation and education efforts for both Eastern Shore visitors and residents.

The museum will contain “stories” from the many jails that once stood on the Northampton Court Green. It will also offer information on how to use the historical documents contained in the Northampton Clerk’s office and other online sources when conducting genealogy research.

“Northampton Historic Preservation Society is grateful for the Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Foundation’s contribution toward the \$50,000 needed to complete the restoration of the jail and museum,” said Eyre Baldwin, president of the Northampton Historic Preservation Society board of directors. “The Eastern Shore is very lucky indeed to have this vital organization champi-

on our community.”

In 1913, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities Northampton Branch (now Northampton Historic Preservation Society), prevented the demolition of the 1731 courthouse and began a century-long program of preservation of the historic buildings on Eastville’s Court Green in partnership with the County of Northampton.

The mission of the Northampton Historic Preservation Society is to preserve the historic heritage of properties primarily in Northampton County through education, advocacy, and restoration activities.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Foundation is a community organization supporting nonprofits to develop a thriving Eastern Shore of Virginia community by connecting people with the causes they care about, including education, the arts, and human services.

To learn more about Northampton Historic Preservation Society’s preservation efforts, programs and events, and information on membership Visit <https://tinyurl.com/4z3x6a32>

66th annual Bank of Cheer seeks donations

It has become a Christmas tradition for local residents, community organizations, churches, and other groups to make a donation to the Bank of Cheer.

This program, now in its 66th year, provides a box of food to needy families just prior to Christmas. With donations from the community, organizers of Bank of Cheer purchase food that will be packed and delivered by volunteers, many of whom have helped for a decade or more.

Donors know that 100% of their

donations go to help the Bank of Cheer recipients. All labor, transportation expenses, and the boxes provided by Dublin Farms for many years now are donated.

Recipients are selected by community leaders, who confer with ministers, organizations, and employees of Social Services departments to determine the families who most need help.

Monetary donations are still needed and can be mailed to Bank of Cheer, c/o Laura Trala, P.O. Box 646, Onley, VA 23418.



COURTESY PHOTO

Beth Sharpley, right, campaign chairman for the United Way of Virginia’s Eastern Shore’s fundraising drive, spoke at the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association meeting recently at the Island House Restaurant in Wachapreague. Sharpley spoke of the many ways the United Way impacts the Shore by supporting local nonprofits, which provide a multitude of services. Since its inception in 1991, the United Way has raised \$8.4 million for Eastern Shore nonprofit organizations. At left is Jerry Phillips, president of the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association, a group which meets monthly to promote Christian principles and ethical decisions in all business dealings. For more information on the association contact Phillips at jpsilverbeach@gmail.com

Teachers can apply for ag in the classroom kits

Free gifts to educators from Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom are intended to bring joy, engagement, and inspiration to schoolchildren year-round.

Virginia teachers can now order a 2025 Creative Agriculture Resources for Educators, or CARE, kit. Each kit includes books, posters, and curricula that use Virginia agriculture and natural resources to teach core content.

“We treat the CARE kits like a ‘request your own Christmas present from us’ in December,” said Tammy Maxey, Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom executive director. “This is our way of saying thanks to teachers across the state.”

This giveaway is open exclusively to Virginia educators. To place an order visit virginia.agclassroom.org and click “Educator Resource Kit.”

The theme of this year’s CARE kit is “Explore Virginia Agriculture,” said

Lynn Black, Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom education coordinator.

“Boxes will feature our new Virginia Agriculture map poster, our signature curriculum booklet, the book “Right This Very Minute” with an accompanying guide, and more,” she said.

Over 1,100 CARE kits were distributed to Virginia teachers in 2024.

“Throughout the year, we connected over 700,000 children to agriculture through grants, scholarships, and Agriculture Literacy Week,” Black said. “Ag Literacy Week saw over 3,100 books distributed, reaching over 70,000 students. Additionally, 75 grants were awarded to teachers around the state, enabling experiential learning in classrooms.”

The free kits can be mailed to an educator’s school or home. To register visit bit.ly/25CARESkits

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State open meeting panel reprimands commissioners

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

In an opinion dated Nov. 25, the Maryland Open Meetings Compliance Board found the Board of Commissioners of Worcester County to be in violation of provisions of the state's Open Meetings Act dating back to its Sept. 17 meeting agenda.

The complaint was filed after this meeting by Pocomoke City resident Chip Choquette, who also operates the Pocomoke City Arrowhead blog on social media.

The compliance board ultimately sided with Choquette, as complainant, who alleged that the board of commissioners insufficiently described an item, #9, in that meeting's agenda.

This item pertained to infrastructure grant money previously awarded to, but unused by, Pocomoke City for fiscal years 2023 and 2024 that was instead awarded at that meeting to the newly formed nonprofit, Pocomoke City Development Corporation.

It was the opinion of the compliance board that, while an agenda item doesn't necessarily need to be overly detailed, it indeed lacked sufficient information for a reader to know the purpose of this item in advance to decide whether to attend the meeting, which is considered a violation.

The board of commissioners had responded to the compliance board, admitting that the omission on the agenda was inadvertent, as it was a late addition, and that additional details were contained in a packet available on its website.

The compliance board responded in its opinion that, while someone reading the website would have sufficient knowledge, perhaps, "such a packet is not part of the agenda itself."

Furthermore, the compliance board found that through the inadvertent administrative error, the commissioners made available an agenda "that omitted an item of business 'known' to at least some members ... when the agenda was prepared."

Just prior to the meeting, Todd J.

Nock, Pocomoke City's mayor, corresponded with Worcester County administrator Weston Young, requesting to repurpose the grant money, along with that from 2025, from one infrastructure project to another.

Around the same time, Commissioner Caryn Abbott, who represents Pocomoke City, received a request from Sara Chapman, of the PCDC, about any available grant money for building rehabilitation projects.

At the meeting, Abbott made a motion for the money to be given to Chapman's group. It passed by a 5-2 vote, with Commissioners Diana Purnell and Joseph Mitrecic dissenting. Purnell also represents part of Pocomoke City.

As a result of November's decision by the Open Meetings Compliance Board, the commissioners were required to, per Maryland Code, "an-

nounce the violation and orally summarize the opinion" at its next meeting, which took place on Dec. 3.

Reference to this was not found on the meeting's agenda but was announced and described as an "end of meeting statement."

Newly elected board of commissioners president Theodore J. Elder read the prepared statement, which referenced the meeting, the repurposed grant money, and the inadvertent omission from the agenda, acknowledging that this was required by law.

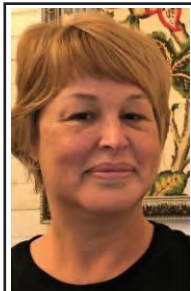
He did not read the contents of the letter from the Open Meetings Board itself but stated that the full opinion could be found on the state attorney general's website.

At press time, Abbott had not responded to a request for a comment.

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Outgoing Chincoteague Mayor Arthur Leonard, center, conducted his last town meeting on Monday, Dec. 2. The town council presented him with a token of appreciation for his years of service to the town. Pictured from left are Councilwoman Ellen Richardson, Councilwoman Denise Bowden, Councilman Chris Bott, Leonard, Councilman William McComb, Councilman Gene Wayne Taylor, and Councilman Jay Savage.

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Terry Savage, right, was recently presented a Certificate of Recognition by his son, Chincoteague Councilman Jay Savage, on the behalf of the Town of Chincoteague on the occasion of his 90th birthday. A lifelong citizen of Chincoteague, Savage is a U.S. Coast Guard veteran. He was also a waterman and a NASA Wallops employee. He is a 62-year life member of the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company and a dedicated member of Union Baptist Church, having served many roles including deacon, men's choir director, and Vacation Bible School coordinator.



COURTESY PHOTO

Ruth Tolbert was presented a Certificate of Recognition on the occasion of her 90th birthday from the Town of Chincoteague. Tolbert is a lifelong resident of the island and has served many roles in the community, such as Vacation Bible School director, teacher, and choir director at the Christ United Methodist Church. She is a retired business owner and Realtor. Mike Tolbert, her son, who is also the Chincoteague town manager, presented his mother her certificate.

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In Cape Charles, a relationship baked into a bakery

BY JIM RITCH

Eastern Shore Post

The origins of Cape Charles' Mason Avenue Bakery trace back to Conesus Lake in Geneseo, N.Y., where Mary Ehmann grew up just three miles from her now husband and business partner, Steve Ehmann.

The couple first worked together in the kitchen of the Beachcomber Restaurant, where Steve, then 17, washed dishes, and Mary, then 16, baked breads and cheesecakes and prepared desserts.

"Her chocolate mousse was exquisite," Steve said.

Despite the chemistry between the pair, the allure of chemical engineering drew Steve to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he eventually graduated with bachelor and master degrees in chemistry.

Mary, led by mutual passions for Steve and to someday open a business, enrolled at nearby Sienna College and studied marketing and management.

From there, their careers led them far from baking.

Steve joined General Electric, working with plastics and developing specialties in automation and efficiency.

Mary became a Cobol programmer, then a sixth-grade math teacher.

The collaboration at the heart of the bakery got off to a quick start in 2005 after the couple landed in Mendham, N.J., and their mutual love of running led them to volunteer at a community track and cross country team, the Mendham Magic.

Their middle-school sons, Peter and Paul, joined about 50 other runners on the team, while their daughter, Emily, competed in high school.

Under Mary and Steve, avid runners who have now completed six and 41 marathons respectively, the team started winning and growing.

After five years, the Ehmann boys



EASTERN SHORE POST/JIM RITCH

Interrupting a busy day at Cape Charles' Mason Avenue Bakery, owners Mary Ehmann, far right, and her husband and business partner, Steve, second from left, pause with staff members Hannah McDaniel, far left, and Erik Pierce, third from left. The Ehmanns first worked together as teenagers in an upstate New York restaurant.

aged out of the Magic, but their parents were having too much fun to stop.

They ran the team for another five years, eventually growing it to more than 200 runners and replacing stop-watches at their meets with precise, digital scoring.

"Mary was the CEO. I was the data guy," said Steve.

For Steve, administering the league taught the most significant business lessons that he has used in Cape Charles, mainly in negotiation and the importance of community activism.

The couple moved to the Eastern Shore in 2019, after Steve accepted an engineering position with a shipping container firm in Norfolk.

Mary took a job with Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore organizing the Between the Waters Bike Tour. She eventually switched back to teaching at Occohannock Elementary School and Cape Charles Christian School.

The couple fell in love with Cape Charles' Bakery on Mason, then owned by Andrew Barbour and Louise Orlando.

After inquiring about buying the bakery, Mary and Steve learned that they were among the bakery's seven best customers.

They so loved the bakery that they purchased all the recipes and hoped not to change the style.

But their own style is slowly weaving into its fabric.

This season, consider sampling their new cranberry-orange bread.

The recipe is a Beachcomber Restaurant original.

High winds fan flames

BY STEFANIE BOWMANN
Eastern Shore Post

A dozen Eastern Shore fire departments responded to two brush fires that were reported within hours of each other on Thursday, Dec. 5.

The first and larger of the two fires, located at the intersection of Boggs Road and Elmore Road in Painter, was reported to the Eastern Shore 9-1-1 Center at 10:08 a.m. on Thursday.

The fire departments that responded included Painter, Melfa, Exmore, Wachapreague, Nassawadox, Tasley, Onancock, Parksley, Eastville, Cape Charles, and the Virginia Department of Forestry.

The second brush fire, located

at the intersection of Mappsville Road and Pierce Taylor Road in Mappsville, was reported at 12:45 p.m., and the Bloxom, Atlantic, and Parksley fire departments responded.

An Eastern Shore 9-1-1 Center representative said the two fires occurring simultaneously was not unusual considering the very dry conditions and the Class 3 fire danger level combined with high winds.

The forestry department has five classifications for fire danger: low, moderate, high, very high, and extreme.

Responses to both of the reported brush fires were ongoing at press time on Thursday.



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A Certificate of Recognition was presented to John Graham by Mayor Arthur Leonard on behalf of the Town of Chincoteague. Graham, who just turned 94 years old, has been a long-time resident of Chincoteague Island. Graham is a U.S. Navy veteran, an honorary member of the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co., and a faithful member of the St. Andrew's Catholic Church.

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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

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

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

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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

* Spiked and studded dog collars derive from the days of the ancient Greeks, who would give their sheepdogs sharply spiked collars to protect their necks from wolves while they watched over a shepherd's flock at night.

* Nepal's Kusunda language has no words for yes or no, or for directions such as left or right.

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ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Public Hearings Schedule December 18, 2024

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors will hold its regular meeting on **Wednesday, December 18, 2024**, at 5:00 p.m. at the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company, 5052 Deep Hole Road, Chincoteague, VA.

A **Public Hearing** will be held at 6:00 p.m. to afford interested persons the opportunity to be heard or present written comments on the following matter(s):

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ARTICLE III AND ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 38 OF THE ACCOMACK COUNTY CODE, ENTITLED "ENVIRONMENT," AND TO RE-ENACT ARTICLE III WITH NEW PROVISIONS GOVERNING THE COUNTY'S EROSION AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW. Receive public comment on Comprehensive Amendments to the Erosion and Stormwater Management Ordinances needed to align with state law.

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

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

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

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

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trading as

Bloxom Mini Mart

25641 Shore Main Drive, Bloxom
Accomack County, Virginia 23308-2811

The above establishment is applying to the **VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY** for a Convenience Grocery Store; beer, wine; off-premises consumption license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Radek Juran

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

ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104

Case No. 24CL00076700
Accomack County Circuit Court
23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA 23301

IN RE: ELIZABETH MARIE DIMARTINO
The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN A NAME CHANGE FOR ELIZABETH MARIE DIMARTINO

It is ORDERED that UNKNOWN appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before JANUARY 28, 2025.

November 26, 2024
Caretta S. Harris, Dep. Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet and conduct public hearings on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia. The purpose is to conduct regular business and review the following applications to forward recommendations to the Board of Supervisors or Eastville Town Council, as applicable.

The Eastville Town Council will meet jointly with the Planning Commission at the same time and place to discuss ZTA 2024-07.

ZTA 2024-07: The Town of Eastville is proposing a Zoning Text Amendment to amend the following articles of the Eastville Zoning Ordinance: Article I – In General; Article II – Definitions; Article III – Nonconforming Uses and Vested Rights; Article IV – Administration and Enforcement; Article V – Amendments and Appeals; Article VI – Board of Zoning Appeals and Variances; and Article VII – Zoning Guidelines and Conditional Zoning. Proposed amendments to the various articles are intended to clarify regulations, ensure consistency and proper reference to the Code of Virginia, and to make typographical and grammatical corrections. Some amendments to terms and definitions, provisions for nonconforming uses and vested rights, administration and enforcement, amendments and appeals, and board of zoning appeals and variances are or may be regulatory in nature, and alter existing or propose new processes and procedures.

Immediately thereafter the Planning Commission will continue with the following public hearing:

Major SUP 2024-12: Jason Hahn is applying for a major special use permit to develop a rustic campground, a use requiring a special use permit in the TE-1 (Town Edge-1) zoning district. The proposed rustic campground would consist of four campsites and associated uses and structures. The property is located at 22464 Bayview Circle, Cape Charles, VA and is further described as Tax Map 84G-1-A1.

The application, as well as the full text of the proposed amendment, are on file and open to public inspection in the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA, and can be viewed electronically at <https://go.boarddocs.com/va/northco/Board.nsf/Public>

Anyone wishing to comment on the above items is invited to attend the meeting and make their comments known. Written comments can be submitted to the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement//P.O. Box 538//Eastville, VA 23347, and via email to olivia.bennett@co.northampton.va.us for consideration at the December 17, 2024, Planning Commission meeting.

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



ACCOMACK COUNTY DERELICT BUILDING REMOVAL GRANTS PROGRAM NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The County is now accepting applications for its Derelict Building Removal Grants Program. Grants are available to qualified applicants seeking to remove derelict residential buildings in unincorporated areas of Accomack County. These grants are competitive. To be eligible to apply, the applicant must be a 501(c)(3) or a political subdivision. For detailed information on the program and to complete an online application, please visit the Accomack County website at www.co.accomack.va.us/government/grants

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TRUSTEE SALE 9179 NEAL PARKER ROAD, TEMPERANCEVILLE, VA 23442 ACCOMACK COUNTY

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$176,767.00, dated January 24, 2020, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the Accomack County, Virginia, in Document No. 200000345 and re-recorded in Document No. 200000409, at the request of the holder of the Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance to the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, on January 9, 2025, at 12:00 PM the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Containing one and one-fourth acres, more or less, commencing at the intersection of the northern side of Virginia State Route 695 and the eastern side of Virginia State Route 693; thence running in a northerly direction along the eastern side of Virginia State Route 693, a distance of 320 feet, more or less, to a certain ditch which separates the herein conveyed lot from land now or formerly of V. Linton; thence turning and running along the center of said ditch in an easterly direction for a distance of 196 feet, more or less, to a certain ditch which separates the herein conveyed lot from other land now or formerly owned by W. Holden; thence turning and running along the center of said ditch a distance of 320 feet, more or less, to the northern side of Virginia State Route 695; thence turning and running along the northern side of Virginia State Route 695 in a westerly direction a distance of 153 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. Said lot or parcel of land is bounded generally as follows: on the North, by the ditch separating the herein conveyed lot from land now or formerly of V. Linton, the center of the ditch being the line; on the East, by the ditch separating the herein conveyed lot from other land now or formerly owned by W. Holden; on the South, by Virginia State Route 695 leading from Temperanceville to Sanford, Virginia; and on the West, by Virginia State Route 693, leading from Hallwood to Withams, Virginia, with any improvements thereon

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH: A deposit of \$20,000.00 or 10% of the sales price, whichever is lower, cash or certified check will be required at the time of sale, but no more than \$10,000.00 of cash will be accepted, with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. Sale is subject to post sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale which affects the validity of the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of his deposit without interest. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Pursuant to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, we advise you that this firm is a debt collector attempting to collect the indebtedness referred to herein and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., Substitute Trustee
This is a communication from a debt collector.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C. (90494)
448 Viking Drive Suite 350
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
757-457-1460 - Call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
or visit our website at www.siwp.com

TRUSTEE'S SALE 12356 ATLANTIC RD #R, TEMPERANCEVILLE, VA 23442

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated November 20, 2000, in the original principal amount of \$78,424.72 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia, in Book 0000 at Page 09300 as Instrument No. 000005903. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on January 10, 2025, at 12:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE NEAR ASSAWOMAN, ATLANTIC MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL A ON A CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY ENTITLED "SURVEY OF PART OF PROPERTY FRAZIER EARL DAVIS EST., D.B. 227, P. 430, BEING PARCEL "A" NEAR ASSAWOMAN, ATLANTIC DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VA." DATED FEBRUARY 22, 1995 AND MADE BY EASTERN SHORE SURVEYORS, LTD.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation.

Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

Under Va. Code Ann. § 8.01-324(J), ShoreDailyNews.com, an online-only news publication, hereby provides notice of its intent to file a petition in the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack and the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton to be certified to publish ordinances, resolutions, notices, or advertisements in those jurisdictions that are required by law to be published in a newspaper under Va. Code Ann. § 8.01-324(I).

TRUSTEE'S SALE 31510 SUNSET DRIVE, PAINTER, VA 23420

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated September 9, 2011, in the original principal amount of \$207,706.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 201103422. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomack, VA, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on February 7, 2025, at 12:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE AT CEDAR VIEW, IN PUNGOTEAGUE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, SHOWN AS LOT 22 IN SECTION B ON A MAP OR PLAT OF THE SUBDIVISION OF CEDAR VIEW BEACH, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MADE BY KENTON B. PATRICK, ENGINEER, ON JUNE 23, 1970, WHICH MAP OR PLAT OF THE SUBDIVISION IS ATTACHED TO AND EXPRESSLY MADE A PART OF A CERTAIN DEED FROM GEORGE T. VINCENT SR., ET ALS, TO BEATRICE E. VINCENT, DATED JULY 7, 1970, AND RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN DEED BOOK 290, AT PAGE 499, WHICH PLAT IS RECORDED IN THE AFORESAID CLERK'S OFFICE IN PLAT BOOK 16, AT PAGE 30, TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN CONVEYED.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at the Accomack County Circuit Courthouse, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301 at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

- PARCEL 1: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. KENNETH E. BAKER, JR./DEAN COCKEY
MAP NO. 005A70200011200
LOT 112, SECTION 12, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 2: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. NELLIE BULL
MAP NO. 109A00100000800
OFF BOSTON ROAD (2 PARTS)
- PARCEL 3: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. BRENDA L. DANIELS
MAP NO. 005A50200000600
LOT 6, SECTION 6, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 4: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. BRENDA L. DANIELS/LESLIE B. EVANS
MAP NO. 005A40100192900
LOT 1929, SECTION 4, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 5: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. BRENDA L. DANIELS/
SHANNON C. JOHNSON
MAP NO. 005A40100226200
LOT 2262, SECTION 4, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 6: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GREGORY GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 005A40300254500
LOT 2545, SECTION 5, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 7: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GREGORY GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 005A50300001200
LOT 12, SECTION 8, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 8: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GREGORY GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 005A60100022800
LOT 228, SECTION 7, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 9: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GREGORY GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 005A60200015500
LOT 155, SECTION 10, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 10: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GREGORY GONZALEZ
MAP NO. 005A70100002500
LOT 25, SECTION 13, CAPTAIN'S COVE

- PARCEL 11: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. ROBERT W. HARPER/RUTH W. WATKINS
MAP NO. 02700A000006100
30448 GRETA ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 0.25 ACRE, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 12: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. RHONDA JOHNSON
MAP NO. 022A00100000100
ON MATTHEWS ROAD
LOTS 1, 2, 4 - 6 AND 8 - 25, SECTION 1, PEFLEYS BEACH
- PARCEL 13: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. ROGER L. MILLS
MAP NO. 062A1A0000229A0
4428 PARKER LANE; TOWN OF TANGIER
APPROXIMATELY 0.25 ACRE, MORE OR LESS
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 14: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. SUSAN P. MURTAUGH
MAP NO. 022A00100000700
OFF MATTHEWS ROAD
LOT 7, SECTION 1, PEFLEYS BEACH
- PARCEL 15: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. JONATHON C. PARKS
MAP NO. 121A0A000000400
19625 QUINBY BRIDGE ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 0.50 ACRE, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 16: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. VINCENT A. ROSE
MAP NO. 092000500A0001A
27202 PINE RIDGE DRIVE
APPROXIMATELY 1.03 ACRES, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 17: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. SCOTT C. SPANGLER
MAP NO. 029A10400004300 AND 029A10400004400
LOTS 43 AND 44, UNIT IV, CHINCOTEAGUE BAY TRAILS END
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 18: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. PHILLIP WESLEY WILLIAMS
MAP NO. 03900A000004400
9315 MARSH MARKET ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 0.28 ACRE, MORE OR LESS
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY

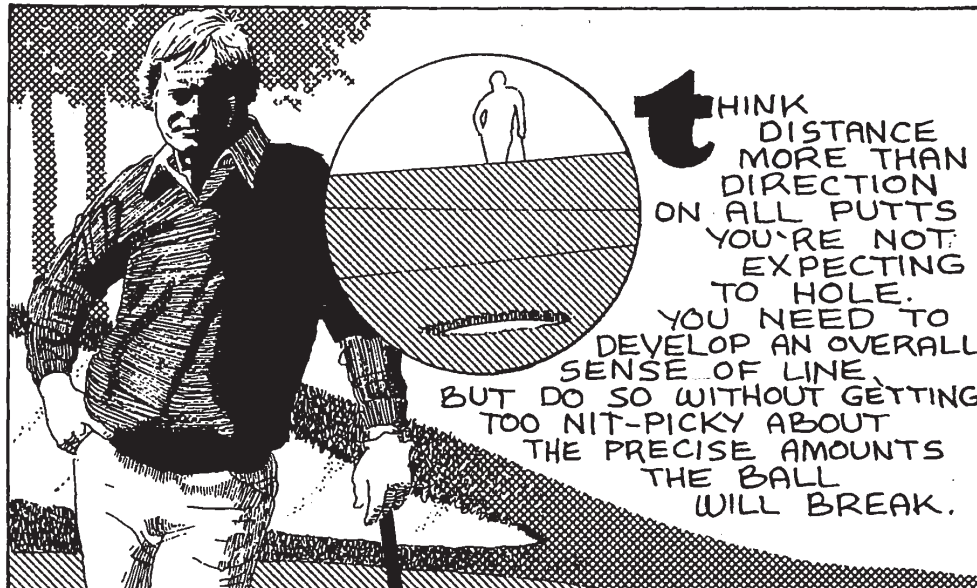
The terms of sale shall be cash or a deposit of 25% of the bid price with the balance due in ten days.

Additional terms will be announced at the sale.

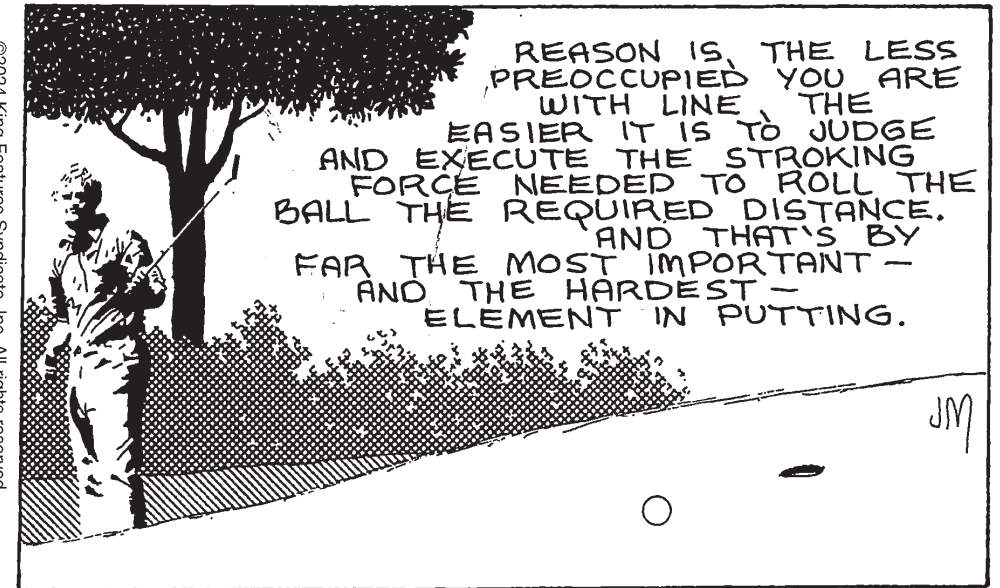
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INVITATION TO BID COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, VIRGINIA REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENT OF BULKHEADS AT WILLIS WHARF HARBOR

The County of Northampton, Virginia is accepting sealed bids for the removal and replacement of existing bulkheads and other various repair work to existing bulkheads around the Willis Wharf Harbor located at 5089 Willis Wharf Rd., Exmore, VA 23350. Sealed bids may be submitted either as a physical hard copy or electronically through eVA, the Virginia Department of General Services central electronic procurement website. Faxed or emailed proposals are not acceptable. Bids will be received until 3:00 PM, Thursday, December 19, 2024. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. Physical bids received after the assigned time will not be accepted and will be returned to the bidder unopened.

Bid documents can be obtained by contacting Chris Thomas, Director of Public Works, at cthomas@co.northampton.va.us or 757-678-3377.

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bidding.

All bidders are subject to and must comply with the provisions of Northampton County's Equal Employment Opportunity Policy and applicable State and Federal anti-discrimination laws.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – VARIOUS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority is seeking letters of interest in the following property management service provision.

Interested individuals or companies can provide information for any or all of the following services of interest.

Services of interest include:

1. On-call maintenance and repair, and preventive maintenance
2. On-call property management including collecting of rents, security deposits, inspection of units and common areas, utility service and purchases
3. Reporting, eligibility of residents, compliance of residents
4. Units turns, including painting and cleaning

All provision of services require compliance with federal, state and local laws prohibiting discrimination in housing.

A letter of interest addressing the Request for Information Components, as itemized in the full packet Request for Information located at www.esvaplan.org/rfi/, will be received until 12:00 PM, Friday, December 20, 2024, local prevailing time at the offices of the:

Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority
The Enterprise Building
23372 Front Street
P.O. Box 387
Accomac, Virginia 23301

To be considered, mailed RFIs must be post-marked in adequate time to reach the address named above by the above deadline. Unless canceled or rejected, the RFI will be evaluated and interviews held with prospective service providers. Negotiation for service contracts may follow.

Please call (757) 787-2936, ext: 118, Eric Luchansky, Director of Housing Development, with any questions.

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 24-621
vs.

The heirs and devisees of MILDRED LEE GREENWOOD
WARFIELD PROPERTIES, LLC
VICTORIA L. PECUNIA
RICHARD C. GREENWOOD
GARY STEWART SEFLIN
ALES GREGOR

The heirs and devisees of NANCY JANE GULMANTOVICZ
CHRISTINE BRYAN
JACKIE LEAHY
MATT GULMANTOVICZ
STEVE A. CODY
JENNIE J. CODY
CAPTAIN'S COVE GOLF AND YACHT CLUB, INC.
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All those certain parcels of land located in Accomack County, Virginia and designated as Tax Map Numbers 005A60200007800, 005A10100106000, and 005A40300237000

standing in the names of Mildred Lee Greenwood, Ales Gregor, and Nancy Jane Gulmantovicz, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et. Seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Mildred Lee Greenwood and Nancy Jane Gulmantovicz, but without effect; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Mildred Lee Greenwood and Nancy Jane Gulmantovicz; that Victoria L. Pecunia, Richard C. Greenwood, Gary Stewart Sefflin, Christine Bryan, Jackie Leahy, and Matt Gulmantovicz are nonresidents of the state of Virginia; that the last known post office address of Victoria L. Pecunia is 241 S. Highland Road, Springfield, PA 19064; that the last known post office address of Richard C. Greenwood is 32 E. Springfield Road, Springfield, PA 19064; that the last known post office address of Gary Stewart Sefflin is 30 W. 3rd Street, Media, PA 19063; that the last known post office address of Christine Bryan is 137 E. Marshall Street, West Chester, PA 19380; that the last known post office address of Jackie Leahy is 102 S. Governor Way, Coatesville, PA 19320; and that the last known post office address of Matt Gulmantovicz is 1259 Wilmington Pike, West Chester, PA 19382.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before December 26, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 26th day of November, 2024.

Arisleydi J. Rodriguez, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
757-898-7000

Bible Trivia

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Advent (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What was the innkeeper's name who turned away the pregnant Mary as there was not room? (Eliada, Jesimiel, Phlegon, or Bible does not specify)
3. According to the Gospel of Matthew, the Wise Men saw the star in the ...? (North, East, South, or West)
4. Jesus was born in Bethlehem of _____ in the days of Herod the king. (Nazarene, Jerusalem, Judaea, or Capernaum)
5. In what type of clothes did Mary wrap the newborn Jesus? (Admonishing, Resurrecting, Swaddling, or Castling)
6. How many times is "swaddling clothes" mentioned in the Bible? (1, 2, 3, or 4)

Answers
1. Neither
2. Bible does not specify
3. East
4. Judaea
5. Swaddling
6. Two
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Sports Trivia

By Ryan Berenz

1. What nonprofit organization, dedicated to fostering an appreciation of American art and culture through the context of baseball history, inducts members into its Shrine of the Eternals?
2. In 1991, the New York Rangers traded Bernie Nicholls, Steven Rice, and Louie DeBrusk to the Edmonton Oilers for what NHL player?
3. Scotty Cameron is famous in the golf industry for designing and crafting high-end pieces of what equipment?
4. Offensive lineman Justin Strzelczyk, who died in 2004 after crashing his car in a high-speed police chase, played for what NFL team from 1990-98?
5. Name the Basketball Hall of Famer who ranks No. 2 on the NBA's career list for blocks with 3,289.
6. Name the socially conscious international street soccer tournament that was first played in Graz, Austria, in 2003.

Answers
1. The Baseball Reliquary
2. Mark Messier
3. Putters
4. The Pittsburgh Steelers
5. Dikembe Mutombo
6. The Homeless World Cup
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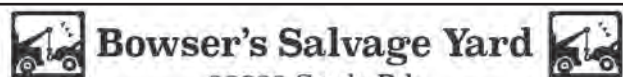
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Northampton Property Transfers

- From Michael and Stephanie Holvick To Benjamin Burton Parcel E, near Cheriton For \$480,000
- From Jan and Amy Hoeter To Thomas Bates Lot, 18.85 acres, Church Neck For \$350,000
- From Fully Alive Church Inc. To Sara Weber Lot 37, Vacluse Shores For \$34,500
- From Ivy Land Company LLC To AHV World of Business LLC Lot 6, 1.08 acres, Peaceful Ponds, Occohannock Neck For \$15,000
- From Elizabeth Carter, Eric Jones, Andrea Williams, James Richardson III, and Janice, Jamara, Shawana, and James Richardson To Michael Ryan and Donna Wilkins Lot A, 0.237 acre, James H. Brickhouse lot For \$26,000
- From Beacon Custom Homes LLC To Keith and Theresa Erbstein Lot 18, Village L, Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$1,488,066
- From Marie Williams To Jennifer and David Sloan Sr. Lot A, 5.35 acres, Cobb Station Estates For \$49,900

Accomack Property Transfers

- From Richard Graham Mance To Stephanie McKane and Justin Askew Lots 9 and 10 Mink Farm Road For \$295,000
- From Carol Sue Johnson and Deborah Ostertag To Carol Sue Johnson and Carol Sue R. Johnson 6375 Vacation Park Lane, Chincoteague For \$50,000

- From Sandra J. Stewart and William R. Stewart To Charey Michael O'Toole 4334 Nelson Road, New Church For \$185,000
- From Richard Graham Mance To Stephanie McLane and Justin G. Askew Lots 9 and 10, Mink Farm Road, Onancock For \$167,100
- From Deborah E. Ostertag and Carol Sue R. Johnson To Elizabeth Sue Johnson and Carol Sue R. Johnson 6275 Vacation Park Lane, Chincoteague For \$82,100
- From Dandra J. Stewart and William R. Stewart To Charey Michael O'Toole 4334 Nelson Road, New Church For \$185,000
- From CMH Homes Inc. To Rachel Marie Strawser 6160 East St., Chincoteague For \$258,953
- From Rita Dianne Petry and Neal Allen Petry To Amy Lauren Dove and Andy Todd Dove Sr. Lot 79, Olde Mill Pointe, New Church For \$99,500
- From Robert D. Uphlett Sr. To Alison Liscum and Steven Lyle Liscum Lot B, Nature's View, Chincoteague For \$37,500
- From CMH Homes Inc. To Dawn Marie Mosely 8226 Sea Gull Drive, Chincoteague For \$247,000
- From Tonya Harmon Alexander To Amy Amadeo 19053 Poplar Cove Road, Onancock For \$139,900
- From Sarah Bailey To Phillips Home Solutions 25437 Main St., Onley For \$135,000
- From Patricia A. Abramson To Tracy Gibrall and Paul E. Gibrall 12105 Nandua Shores Road, Painter For \$435,000
- From Jennifer Leigh Lyons and Michael William Lyons Sr. To Bianca Perez and Gregory Geesaman 2243 Captains Corridor, Greenbackville For \$279,900
- From Beach Transformations Inc. To Dru Mears 24 Justis St., Onancock For \$311,000

- From Angela D. Fairhurst and Devon H. Fairhurst To Kathleen Roalie Easley-Lucy and Mark Albert Lucy Lot 8, Green Landing, Onancock For \$49,000
- From John Insley Pruitt To Stuart O. Gordon 4405 Twin John Lane, Tangier For \$110,000
- From Deborah A. Beall and Jeffrey A. Beall To Mary R. Bratton 2179 Yardarm Drive, Greenbackville For \$343,000
- From CMH Homes Inc. To Dentelle Warner Trader 14508 Fletcher Road, Mappsville For \$256,757
- From Ilmer Rudy Escalante-Perez To Tracey Amanda Stone and Andrew Stone 10041 Atlantic Road, Atlantic For \$70,000
- From Philip K. Wilson To Lauren Efaw and Sherman T. Efaw Jr. 5 Liberty St., Wachapreague For \$320,500
- From Hunter Scott Taylor and Stella T. Rohde To Gerson Soto Perez Lot 45, Deer Point, Melfa For \$26,000
- From Norma S. Brown To Wendy S. Tannis and Theron K. Tannis Lot on Nelsonia Road, Nelsonia For \$20,000
- From Susan Gallerizzo and Michael G. Gallerizzo To Rezarta Pejo and Arben Pejo 6321 Captains Lane, unit 109, Chincoteague For \$515,000
- From Victoria Savage To Samantha Lynn Beasley and Christopher Ray Beasley 16162 Blue Crab Way, Painter For \$256,000
- From Michelle M. Evans, Sheila L. Coulbourne, and Melissa A. Cold To Katherine N. Stitely Parcel on Saxis Island For \$30,000
- From Gail Helen Martin, Michelle Anne Anderson, and Douglas Leroy Anderson Jr. To Stanley Stefanski Trails End lot 249, unit 1, sheet 1 For \$30,125

- From Gail Helen Martin and Jimmy Kay Wilson To Stanley Stefanski Trails End lot 250, unit 1, sheet 1 For \$30,125
- From Christopher Robin Berry To Herbert J. Kelder 14380 Ridge Road, Bloxom For \$415,000
- From Marsha B. Green To Billy K. Baynes Lot 356 Sea Bass Drive, Trails End, Horntown For \$29,000
- From Jennifer Mance Rensen To Chad A. Saunders Lot near Onancock For \$89,000
- From Juan D. Godoy To Travis S. Nock 15262 Hinman St., Bloxom For \$20,000
- From Ann D. Marshall and Steven Marshall To John Henry Norris III 11434 Corbin St., Hallwood For \$12,000
- From JWL Enterprises LLC To Christopher Massey Captains Cove lot 1485A For \$10,000
- From Mary C. Beaty and Timothy A. Beaty To Carol Ann Barylski and Paul S. Barylski One-half acre in Harborton For \$75,000
- From Linda S. Rogers and Berran L. Rogers To Barry C. Parker Jr. 31518 Big Pine Road, Painter For \$15,000
- From Michele Shank and William Shank To Tara Schley and Michael R. Turner 6172 Bay Breeze Drive, Trails End, Horntown For \$59,500
- From Mason Rentals LLC To Melody Schlegel and Walter M. Schlegel Jr. Captains Cove lot 112, section 2 For \$52,000
- From Marlys A. Edwards and Russell D. Edwards To Elaine Nowakowski and Kenneth Nowakowski 6067 Slipper Shell Drive, Trails End, Horntown For \$140,000
- From Shawna A. Kilmon and Donald W. Kilmon Jr. To R2D2 LLC Bayly's Neck lot 5 For \$50,000

TIDE TABLE

Seaside

Bayside

		Friday Dec. 6		Saturday Dec. 7		Sunday Dec. 8		Monday Dec. 9		Tuesday Dec. 10		Wednesday Dec. 11		Thursday Dec. 12
Assateague Beach	H L	11:31 a.m. 6:19 p.m.	H L	12:23 p.m. 6:16 a.m.	H L	1:20 p.m. 7:19 a.m.	H L	2:20 p.m. 8:25 a.m.	H L	3:21 p.m. 9:31 a.m.	H L	4:19 p.m. 10:37 a.m.	H L	5:15 p.m. 11:40 a.m.
Chinco. Channel	H L	11:34 a.m. 6:08 p.m.	H L	12:29 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	H L	1:28 p.m. 7:21 a.m.	H L	2:27 p.m. 8:29 a.m.	H L	3:27 p.m. 9:35 a.m.	H L	4:25 p.m. 10:37 a.m.	H L	5:20 p.m. 11:35 a.m.
Gargatha Neck	H L	12:27 p.m. 6:58 p.m.	H L	1:19 p.m. 6:55 a.m.	H L	2:16 p.m. 7:58 a.m.	H L	3:16 p.m. 9:04 a.m.	H L	4:17 p.m. 10:10 a.m.	H L	5:15 p.m. 11:16 a.m.	H L	6:11 p.m. 12:19 p.m.
Folly Creek	H L	12:20 p.m. 6:43 p.m.	H L	1:12 p.m. 6:40 a.m.	H L	2:09 p.m. 7:43 a.m.	H L	3:09 p.m. 8:49 a.m.	H L	4:10 p.m. 9:55 a.m.	H L	5:08 p.m. 11:01 a.m.	H L	6:04 p.m. 12:04 p.m.
Wachapreague	H L	12:00 p.m. 6:19 p.m.	H L	12:51 p.m. 6:24 a.m.	H L	1:45 p.m. 7:30 a.m.	H L	2:44 p.m. 8:34 a.m.	H L	3:47 p.m. 9:39 a.m.	H L	4:47 p.m. 10:42 a.m.	H L	5:42 p.m. 11:41 a.m.
Quinby Inlet	H L	11:31 a.m. 5:58 p.m.	H L	12:23 p.m. 6:51 p.m.	H L	1:20 p.m. 6:58 a.m.	H L	2:20 p.m. 8:04 a.m.	H L	3:21 p.m. 9:10 a.m.	H L	4:19 p.m. 10:16 a.m.	H L	5:15 p.m. 11:19 a.m.
Machipongo	H L	12:01 p.m. 6:27 p.m.	H L	12:53 p.m. 6:24 a.m.	H L	1:50 p.m. 7:27 a.m.	H L	2:50 p.m. 8:33 a.m.	H L	3:51 p.m. 9:39 a.m.	H L	4:49 p.m. 10:45 a.m.	H L	5:45 p.m. 11:48 a.m.
Tangier Sound Light	H L	3:27 p.m. 9:10 a.m.	H L	4:24 p.m. 10:16 a.m.	H L	5:24 p.m. 11:25 a.m.	H L	6:26 p.m. 12:34 p.m.	H L	7:12 a.m. 1:42 p.m.	H L	8:12 a.m. 2:46 p.m.	H L	9:08 a.m. 3:45 p.m.
Muddy Creek	H L	3:50 p.m. 9:56 a.m.	H L	4:41 p.m. 10:57 a.m.	H L	5:36 p.m. 12:03 p.m.	H L	6:37 p.m. 1:13 p.m.	H L	7:23 a.m. 2:23 p.m.	H L	8:27 a.m. 3:28 p.m.	H L	9:26 a.m. 4:29 p.m.
Guard Shore	H L	3:42 p.m. 9:52 a.m.	H L	4:33 p.m. 10:53 a.m.	H L	5:28 p.m. 11:59 a.m.	H L	6:29 p.m. 1:09 p.m.	H L	7:15 a.m. 2:19 p.m.	H L	8:19 a.m. 3:24 p.m.	H L	9:18 a.m. 4:25 p.m.
Chescon. Creek	H L	3:17 p.m. 9:04 a.m.	H L	4:08 p.m. 10:05 a.m.	H L	5:03 p.m. 11:11 a.m.	H L	6:04 p.m. 12:21 p.m.	H L	6:50 a.m. 1:31 p.m.	H L	7:54 a.m. 2:36 p.m.	H L	8:53 a.m. 3:37 p.m.
Onancock Creek	H L	3:31 p.m. 9:24 a.m.	H L	4:22 p.m. 10:25 a.m.	H L	5:17 p.m. 11:31 a.m.	H L	6:18 p.m. 12:41 p.m.	H L	7:04 a.m. 1:51 p.m.	H L	8:08 a.m. 2:56 p.m.	H L	9:07 a.m. 3:57 p.m.
Pungoteague Creek	H L	2:47 p.m. 8:38 a.m.	H L	3:38 p.m. 9:39 a.m.	H L	4:33 p.m. 10:45 a.m.	H L	5:34 p.m. 11:55 a.m.	H L	6:41 p.m. 1:05 p.m.	H L	7:24 a.m. 2:10 p.m.	H L	8:23 a.m. 3:11 p.m.
Nassawadox	H L	1:27 p.m. 6:59 a.m.	H L	2:22 p.m. 7:59 a.m.	H L	3:21 p.m. 9:05 a.m.	H L	4:24 p.m. 10:15 a.m.	H L	5:27 p.m. 11:25 a.m.	H L	6:29 p.m. 12:30 p.m.	H L	7:07 a.m. 1:31 p.m.
Occhohan. Creek	H L	2:02 p.m. 7:48 a.m.	H L	2:54 p.m. 8:51 a.m.	H L	3:50 p.m. 10:02 a.m.	H L	4:49 p.m. 11:09 a.m.	H L	5:49 p.m. 12:15 p.m.	H L	6:50 p.m. 1:23 p.m.	H L	7:37 a.m. 2:25 p.m.
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
 Unlisted clue hint: WATCH ON A CHAIN

Analog	Fob	Night	Stop
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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Super Crossword

BREEDS ON THE DECLINE

- ACROSS**
- Lagoons
 - Jaunty greeting
 - Basics
 - Aid in crime
 - Full of vitality
 - Purim's month
 - Patio cooker
 - Sage guide
 - Pope after Sergius II
 - Acting Ward
 - "Same here"
 - Arab country
 - Player hitting to prepare for a spike
 - Energetic journalist
 - Chicago-to-Tampa dir.
 - Suffix with leopard
 - Caroling song
 - Journalist covering a particular sector
 - To be, to Bardot
 - Lock of hair
 - Dubai's country, for short
 - "Kung Fu Hustle" director and star
 - Canonized Mlle.
 - Campers under canvas
 - Field unit
 - Jarred
 - Having no commercials
 - High-scoring hoops shot
 - Met or La Scala frequenter
 - "That didn't escape my notice"
 - Prior to, to bards
 - Pooch's cry
 - Country singer Blake
 - Andrea — (ill-fated ship)
 - Swimming sensation at the 1972 Olympics
 - Nine-sided shape
 - Comic buffoon
 - Entertainer Zadora
 - Deli salad
 - Injury rehab professional
 - Scattering in the field
 - Baja blanket
 - Vandals, e.g.
 - Gillette brand
 - Genghis Khan followers
 - Silvery gray
 - Deliverer of a fine spray
 - Text-scanning device, briefly
 - Revises text
 - First letter of the Arabic alphabet
 - 130-to-135-pound bout competitor
 - "— Well That Ends Well"
 - Cavity fillers' org.
 - According to
 - Sheriff's star
 - Popular yoga pose ... or something found seven times in this puzzle
 - Color shade
 - Research facility
 - TV "Warrior Princess"
 - Duck with soft feathers
 - Tortilla treat
 - One of the singing Braxton sisters
 - Eternally
 - Love, to Lucia
 - Place of bliss
 - Stuck-up type
 - Relaxation
 - Crowded
 - Sports sites
 - Snitching sort
 - Sort of sword
 - Fill totally
 - Sch. worker
 - Went wrong
 - See
 - Give a bias to
 - Wildlife-tracking aids
 - Lulu Hogg player Peggy
 - Stitch up
 - GI address
 - "Blecch!"
 - "The Raven" poet
 - Spanish river
 - See
 - Brand of toothbrushes
 - DOJ heads
 - She wrote "Jane Eyre"
 - Apple quaffs
 - Most sluggish
 - Past time
 - Lousy pieces of advice
 - Rub out
 - Piano fixer
 - Talk like Daffy Duck
 - Past time
 - See
 - 27-Across
 - See
 - 30-Across
 - Petri dish gel
 - Old JFK jet
 - Meadow
 - Haughtiness
 - Gridiron
 - score after a throw, in brief
 - Street urchin
 - Alternative to "Section 2"
 - Steadfast
 - Spring farm machines
 - Earthen pot
 - Interpret wrongly
 - Starts eating, informally
 - "— kick from champagne" (Cole Porter lyric)
 - Milk, in Italy
 - Homer epic
 - Bulb unit
 - See
 - 104-Across
 - Two of Henry VIII's wives
 - Append
 - Active sorts
 - Match up
 - "— Only Just Begun"
 - Very thin coin
 - 2,000 pounds
 - See
 - 119-Across
- DOWN**
- Give birth, as a whale
 - Margarines
 - Forerunners of cellos
 - Pernicious
 - Like July, order-wise
 - Dinosaurs, so to speak
 - Exemplar
 - Passageway
 - Brand of toothbrushes
 - DOJ heads
 - She wrote "Jane Eyre"
 - Apple quaffs
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