The six-member Smith family huddled together in an upstairs storage area as the temperatures dropped and water levels rose. Three adults, a teenager and two children filled the triangle-shaped space. It was only six feet long and four feet wide at the broadest point. Power had been out for hours. Candles offered dim light and little heat.

Hurricane Sandy was smacking through the Eastern Shore village of Sanford and at times the newcomers thought they might die in the storm. They fashioned metal “HELP” signs with red and purple letters and posted them in their sunroom windows, hoping someone would come to the rescue.

It worked after hours of waiting and two near liberations. First, a man in a boat came through. But he didn’t have enough room for the Smiths and promised to get help to come back. Then when the highway department came in with trucks to clean the marsh grass off the Saxis causeway, it was still too dark and the Smiths’ pleas couldn’t be heard over the rumbling of the vehicle’s engine.

“I just didn’t think it (the storm) was going to happen,” Reggie Smith said Monday. Donna, his wife of 18 years, had taken the threat more seriously. She contended schools were closed for a reason and insisted they get supplies.

Both 40-something, the couple met in Maine about two decades ago. Reggie is originally from Detroit. Donna is a native of Massachusetts. They have three sons. Jordan is 15 and an Arca-dia High School student. Kasim, 7, and Dakarai, 5, attend Kegotank Elementary. Donna’s sister, Theresa (Terry) Meade, also 40 plus, has health issues and lives with the family.

The Smiths were so new to the area they didn’t know how to get emergency information and were naive as to the power of the Chesapeake Bay. They had moved to Sanford in September. They were watching movies while their neighbors were evacuating. The Smiths didn’t have Internet access.

They did try to get ready for the storm and found that there was no water nor bread left in local markets. “It looked like people were preparing,” Reggie said. The Smiths went to Pocomoke, Md., and still didn’t locate those supplies. They continued north to Salisbury and finally found a store with water. On the way home, they stopped in the T’s Corner area and got a cashier’s opinion of the weather.

“They’ve had this happen before,” the woman told them. “I wouldn’t worry about it. I don’t think the storm is going to come.” The Realtor who told
Plans for Wallops Research Park Look “To Infinity and Beyond’

By Linda Cicoira

Acomack supervisors committed Wednesday to borrowing up to $4 million to install water, sewer, roads and other amenities to Wallops Research Park (WRP), a move their financial experts assured them could be made without raising taxes.

The 8-1 vote also promised the county would apply for a $4 million state grant that would fund construction of a taxiway connecting NASA’s runway to the research facility and would remove a deed restriction from property needed to complete WRP.

The parcel was given to Accomack by the federal government for recreation. To change the use, the county plans to swap it for the former J. Franklin Jones Lumber Mill on Joynes Neck near Accomac. The county Parks and Recreation Board recommended the 35-acre site Tuesday night.

The Wallops property was recently appraised at $128,000. The supervisors met in a closed session to discuss negotiations for purchasing the old mill parcel, which includes buildings that could be used for office space for county departments. At one point the property was assessed at $394,800.

Caroline Massey, assistant director of Management Operations for the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, sweetened the deal by pledging to send business to the research park. “We are turning projects away,” she told the supervisors. “NASA will not compete with the private sector. … Commercial entities shall be directed to WRP. All interests for office space, staging and storage shall be directed to WRP.”

Massey touted the potential of Wallops due to NASA, NOAA, the Navy, Orbital Science and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport. “Location, location, location,” she said. “That’s why they will continue to come.” She said aerospace giants like Boeing and Bigelow have expressed interest in locating at Wallops. “We’re free of encroachments,” she added. And restricted airspace is available. “If you’ve got it, you’ve got a real gem.”

The NASA representative also noted how well the rebuilt beach held up during Hurricane Sandy. “That shoreline was worth every single penny,” she said. Massey reported that WRP is one of the seven properties in Virginia listed on strategic maps and the area is one of three economic priority locations. “The state is very actively engaged,” she said.

Massey also listed all the money that was recently spent here, including $100 million by the federal government, not including $200 million by NOAA, $42 million for MARS, $40 million in private industry and $28 million for broadband and other capabilities. She said that Congress has extended $1.9 billion contracts for Orbital and SpaceX. The deals were set through 2021.

Supervisor Grayson Chesser was the only supervisor to vote against the project. He said after hearing the presentation he felt better about it, but still couldn’t support the action. “I will spend it (county money) just like it was coming out of my own pocket … I don’t think we have a very good track record,” he added, citing the industrial park and seafood and farmer’s markets in Melfa.

Chesser also wondered how long Wallops will be around. “You can’t beat the ocean,” he said, estimating the island has “no more than 20 years at the most” left. Chesser also blamed the shoreline work on Wallops for problems on the mainland. “Assawoman retreats faster … even if you had nothing to do with it, it’s moving faster.”

“They’re not building things because of a pipe dream,” said Supervisor Ron Wolff. “It’s solid … we need to look to the future. Bigelow Aerospace wants to come. They already have satellites in orbit.”

“This is probably the best opportunity we’re ever going to have,” said Vice Chairwoman Wanda Thornton.
Sandy Slams Chincoteague to the Tune of Almost $2 Million

By Linda Cicoira

The cost to clean up Chincoteague Island’s storm damage from Sandy totaled more than $1.9 million, according to a report released Monday night by Town Manager Robert Ritter.

“I’ve been flooded out six times” since 2009, said Joe Justice, who owns a home, motel and trailers on Chicken City Road. This time the damages were estimated at $46,000 and brought a foot of water into his den, kitchen and motel.

“I’m broke and I can’t stand much more of this,” he added. “We don’t have that kind of money.” Justice and his wife, Gloria, are both over 70 and have been making repairs themselves because hiring workers is too costly, they said.

Justice told the mayor and Town Council that ditches need to be cleaned out and floodgates should be installed. He urged them to ask the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to get involved.

But officials said the Corps lacks funding and floodgates would only cause problems in other areas of the island.

Thirteen mobile homes on Chincoteague were destroyed in the storm while another four had major damage and 22 were found to need minor repairs, according to the assessment. Those damages totaled $411,200. About 80 percent of the damaged property had flood insurance.

A single-family house was ruined, two others had major damage and 119 need minor repairs. The total cost of those was $657,600, with 80 percent covered by flood insurance.

Four Chincoteague businesses were wiped out, while another suffered major damage and 20 companies need minor repairs. That damage was estimated at $732,595. Seventy percent of those had flood insurance. One multi-family structure also was listed as having minor damages estimated at $500.

The report listed debris removal at $100,000. But during the Town Council session, it was mentioned that it would cost $268,000. Emergency protective measures were estimated at $12,000 and cleanup for parks and recreation facilities totaled $5,000.

“More homes may have damage to the interior from flooding that we are unaware of at this time,” the report noted.

Resident Spiro Papadopoulos reported problems with phone service during the storm, which he said keeps citizens from getting reverse 9-1-1 alerts. Papadopoulos said it took more than a week for the telephone company to come to his aid, but when it did the problem was fixed in “two minutes. This is a serious problem,” he complained.

Harvey Spurlock, director of Chincoteague’s Public Works Department, said a state disaster proclamation is expected, allowing the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to re-imburse localities for 75 percent of the cost of debris removal. The other 25 percent would be re-imbursted by the state.

All the officials praised each other, the workers, volunteers and agencies for working together during the emergency.

“What a fantastic job,” said Supervisor Wanda Thornton. “We are so fortunate to live on Chincoteague and have a community like we have … everyone pulled together.”

Thornton warned islanders to be proactive in identifying infestations of pine bark beetles. “Trees will be more stressed from the storm” and are more likely to be preyed upon, she said.

Northampton Storm Damage Put at More Than $½ Million

By Linda Cicoira

Storm damage to private and public property in Northampton from Sandy was estimated at nearly $532,000, according to an assessment report prepared by County EMS Director/Chief and Coordinator of Emergency Management Hollye Carpenter.

Included in that tally was $300,000 in “major” damage at both the Nicklaus and Palmer golf courses at Bay Creek and for beach erosion, damage to the pier and harbor in Cape Charles.

Carpenter said $150,000 worth of loss occurred to one of the Sea Breeze Apartment buildings on Washington Street, also in Cape Charles. Seven families were forced to evacuate because of structural damage from an extreme high tide. An eighth apartment was vacant.

Roof leaks at Northampton High School and Kiptopeke and Occohannock elementary schools are expected to cost about $10,000 to repair. Debris removal was estimated at $20,000 and emergency protective measures cost $30,000.

For private property, $18,200 was estimated for minor damage to two single-family dwellings. Carpenter said one house is in Cape Charles and another is in an unincorporated portion of Northampton.

Early Accomack Loss Estimate: Near $6 Million

By Linda Cicoira

A “very preliminary” estimate of damages in Accomack County caused by Hurricane Sandy showed $5,850,395 in losses, Tom Brockenbrough, GIS Coordinator with the Department of Planning, said Wednesday.

The figure was based on fieldwork performed by the county’s Building Department. “This does not include any crop damage or any damages sustained by Public Works,” Brockenbrough added.

“It also does not include Chincoteague.”

Brockenbrough added that the results could “change drastically” and were based on four categories of losses — calculated as either 100, 75, 50 or 25 percent of the assessed value of the structural improvements on the property.

In addition, County Administrator Steve Miner said the total “does not contain any estimated aquaculture losses … preliminary crop losses don’t appear to be large, but this can change.”
By Linda Cicoira

Parking spaces wiped away at Assateague Beach by last week’s storm will be replaced in time for next tourist season, Supervisor Wanda Thornton announced to Chincoteague Town Council Monday.

She noted that Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Manager Lou Hinds promised 50 spaces would be made available even sooner. Beach Road is closed beyond the visitor’s center because of damages. The wildlife loop also is closed.

Thornton, gave credit to fellow Republican, Rep. Scott Rigell, for getting the answers from Hinds.

But Supervisor Grayson Chesser said Tuesday Hinds could not make such a promise. “Parking is the responsibility of the Parks Service,” he said. “I believe the road is the responsibility of the Fish & Wildlife. I heard him say he is going to put that road back as soon as possible … basically what I heard him say was that was all above him.”

“I’m sorry but I believe that’s wishful thinking,” he said of Thornton’s announcement.

Hinds was not available for comment by press time Thursday.

At the Monday town session, Thornton also voiced her dismay over a special meeting of the Accomack Board of Supervisors that was called by Chesser regarding refuge damage.

“I wasn’t consulted until after the meeting was called,” complained Thornton. “I have never seen such an action as this. … I had water up to my knees in one of my houses (and) had to cancel a meeting with an insurance adjuster. … Everyone (on Town Council) had to leave cleanup (efforts) to come.”

In an email to supervisors last Thursday, County Administrator Steve Miner wrote that Chesser told him there was “interest among several members for a tour of Assateague … to see the effects of Hurricane Sandy on the Chincoteague Beach and the parking area.”

“Due to this,” Miner continued, “I have initiated an inquiry to see if we can get a guided tour, perhaps as early as Saturday.” Miner asked the supervisors to “let us know directly if you are interested in a tour. I will let you know as soon as possible of the ability of the Fish & Wildlife Service to take a group out there.”

The press was notified around 1 p.m. Thursday that a tour would be offered at 10 a.m. Saturday. At around 4:30 p.m., Thornton wrote back to Miner, the rest of the board, Hinds and others.

“I am somewhat disturbed that Mr. Chesser has taken it upon himself to ask Mr. Miner to set up a meeting to tour Assateague while we are still cleaning up from our storm damage,” Thornton wrote.

“Maybe he has forgotten that I represent the Island District, which includes Assateague, not him. I would have set up a meeting for the Board of Supervisors to tour with the … town council after we had an opportunity to get our community cleaned up. Many homes and businesses were flooded, hundreds of trees down.”

At the Town Council meeting Monday, Thornton reported that 500 trees fell during the storm — 70 on her property.

“People are still displaced,” she wrote in the email. “In this critical time I find it offensive for Mr. Miner or Mr. Chesser not to contact me to ask my opinion. I have represented this district for 17 years and never have I seen so much discourtesy … I would never have considered being so disrespectful to any of our board members.”

“I have not toured Assateague nor have any of our council members. I believe the mayor flew over it yesterday,” she wrote. “Mr. Hinds has not even shown the courtesy of giving me an update, but obviously has talked to his good friend Grayson Chesser. We are in the recovery mode and Mr. Chesser knows this, which makes me wonder, what is he trying to accomplish.”

In a telephone interview Tuesday, Chesser said, “I just wanted to go see what condition the beach was in. I didn’t think it was right to ask Lou Hinds to take me over there … I just thought it was a very productive meeting.”

Chesser said Miner polled the supervisors to see if they wanted to do it. Supervisors Reneta Major, Donald Hart and Kay Lewis did not attend, he said.

“How many times have you heard how important that (beach) is to the county (and) to Chincoteague?” Chesser asked. “I took her at her word for that,” he said of Thornton.

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Silver Beach B&B Gets Provisional OK

By Ron West

A request for a special-use permit to operate a bed and breakfast (B&B) was presented to the Northampton County Planning Commission Wednesday.

Pamela Barefoot and James Green applied to operate a B&B in their home at 6235 Osprey Ln. near Silver Beach. The property is currently zoned Agriculture/Rural Business.

The request met with some resistance at Wednesday’s public hearing. Attorney Bert Turner, who represented neighboring property owners, said they had objections to the proposed business. Turner said that if the permit is approved, the owners of Occhanoack Family Farm LLC (OFF), which is across the creek from the proposed B&B, want to place a number of restrictions on it, including erosion of buffers, a prohibition on smoking on the property, exterior lighting limitations, no business advertising signs on the property, and no pets allowed on the property. The OFF owners also requested that the permit not be conveyed to any future owners of the property.

Barefoot responded that she and Green did not object to most of the restrictions and did not have any plans to sell it.

Commissioner Mike Ward questioned if it is even legal for the Planning Commission to impose such restrictions on a business owner.

Judy Brunk said she does not believe that one property owner should be allowed to place restrictions on what neighboring property owners could do with their property. “You can’t limit what someone does inside of their home, such as smoking,” she said. “We’re getting so many laws in our country that it won’t be long before we won’t be allowed to do anything we want with our property.”

Ward stated that if owners invest in their property or business, they should have the right to sell it with the permit. “People should not have to come to the Planning Commission and say, ‘Can I sell my business please?’” he said, adding that the county is trying to be more business friendly.

Ward said he does not like to see restrictions imposed, such as not allowing a person to smoke on his own property or owning pets. He added that he is concerned about how far the Planning Commission can go with regards to mandating what people can do with their own property.

~ Elections ~

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Gary Johnson got 83 and Jill Stein received 37. Twenty-five write-in votes were cast for other unspecified candidates. In Northampton, Goode got 16, Johnson garnered 33, Stein received 19 and there were 6 write-in ballots cast.

In the race for Congress in Accomack, 8,593 votes went for Rigell while 6,797 were received for Hirschbiel. In Northampton, Rigell got 2,956 of the votes while Hirschbiel got 3,333.

In the Senate contest, Kaine got 3,734 votes in Northampton and 7,519 in Accomack. Allen took 3,657 in Accomack and 2,065 in Northampton.

For breakdowns by precinct, go to the website electionresults.virginia.gov
Police and Court Postings
By Linda Cicoira

Accomack Sheriff’s Office
A local assisted-living facility resident is being held without bond after he was accused of stabbing a worker there, according to Accomack Sheriff Todd Godwin.

Charles Stewart Young, 36, of G.F. Horne Assisted Living Community on Hartman Avenue in Onancock was charged with malicious wounding in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred at about 4:45 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 1.

Godwin said the 9-1-1 Center alerted the sheriff’s office of the stabbing. Onancock Police Department assisted the sheriff’s office of the stabbing.

The cases against Mary Margaret Edna Smith, 49, of Exmore were continued pending completion of a presentence report. The 2011 incidents occurred on Oct. 24 and 27 and Nov. 2, 7 and 9. Smith was arrested on March 15, 2012, court records showed.

Accomack District Court
Two Accomack residents were accused of felonies last week, according to documents filed in Accomack General District Court.

Lethon Jamie Williams, 34, of Paige Fisher Road in Atlantic was charged with possession of a controlled substance with the intent to distribute it on Oct. 6, 2011, and obstruction of justice on Oct. 19, 2012. He was arrested.

Northampton Circuit Court
A county woman pleaded guilty Monday in Northampton Circuit Court to five counts of possession with intent to distribute cocaine, according to Commonwealth’s Attorney Bruce Jones.

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Accomack Circuit Court
Judge W.R. Lewis III made decisions about several criminal cases last week in Accomack Circuit Court.

Lamonte Demetrius Johnson also known as Lamon Johnson and Lamon-ty D. Johnson Jr., 19, of Pine Ridge Drive in Melfa was sentenced for breaking into the home of Willie Mae Bailey on Nov. 25, 2011, and stealing property to 10 years in prison, with all but two years suspended. He was ordered to pay $162 in restitution.

David Evans Guy, 37, of Onancock was sentenced for credit-card larceny in October 2011 to 10 years in prison, with all but seven suspended.

Charges of burglary and petty larceny filed against Ashley Parks Hopkins, 26, of Willis Wharf were dismissed for lack of evidence. The September 2011 case involved Wachapreague General Store.

Hopkins was convicted of two counts of welfare fraud in connection with cases that occurred between April 2011 and January 2012. A presentence report was ordered.

Bernadette Mills, 32, of Brook Lane in Melfa was convicted of grand larceny, petty larceny and identity theft that occurred last year. Mills was released on existing bond pending sentencing.

Fondrell Shawntez White, 22, of Hall Street in Onancock pleaded guilty to breaking into R&A Auto Sales last May and stealing property. Lewis ordered a presentence report and remanded White to jail.

Wendy Everett, 37, of Lankford Highway in Accomac pleaded guilty to identity theft that occurred last November; “resulting financial loss was greater than $200 from Shore Bank (involving) an account belonging to William Colonna.” A presentence report was issued and Everett was released on existing bond.

Bonnie Lou Thompson, 52, of Chincoteague pleaded guilty to charges of distributing hydrocodone, methylphenidate, buprenorphine and diazepam. She was remanded to jail to await completion of a presentence report.

Ronald Allen Norwood, 51, of Georgetown Road in Laurel, Del. pleaded guilty to stealing a computer valued at nearly $500 from Walmart in Onley in May 2012. A presentence report was ordered. Norwood was released on existing bond.

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BY LINDA CICOIRA
them the house had similar comments when he inquired about water standing in nearby yards.

Reggie and Terry kidded Donna about her cautiousness. She laughingly said she told them they would be sorry when they were hungry and thirsty.

While the film “Ghostbusters” played, Reggie began to get concerned and started watching the storm. The wind picked up and it began to pour. Still it seemed like just another rainy day. As he moved the car just in case a leaning tree collapsed, Reggie noticed that there weren’t as many vehicles in the neighborhood.

About 10 minutes later, around 11:30 a.m. Monday, the power went out.

“Oh well, I guess we’re going to spend the night in the dark,” he thought. “Glad we’ve got candles.”

He kept looking out the front and back doors and noticed about a half-inch of water on the ground. A second movie had been put on. “We didn’t know what to do,” he explained. “We decided to pack some things in case we had to leave in a hurry. We waited for the power to come back on. We were getting nervous.”

Twenty minutes later, they could no longer see the street. “I couldn’t imagine that rain could do that,” he said. “Like a blink of an eye, we saw neighbors’ trash cans and buoys floating down the roads.” It was ankle deep outside when they decided to leave. “Five minutes later, the water is up to my knees,” said Reggie. They drove about 25 feet when “the car just shut down.”

Reggie, Donna and Jordan managed to climb out the car windows and push the vehicle to a higher spot so they could get the others to safety. Then Reggie noticed that there weren’t as many vehicles in the neighborhood. “They got a little farther than us,” Reggie said.

After the storm, he and the man from that family explained their dismay at not helping the other. “I saw you and your family … I had my own family I had to worry about,” said Reggie. “We were all just trying to save our families,” he said the man told him.

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Engine Performance — Get engine driveability problems (hard starts, rough idling, stalling, diminished power, etc.) corrected at a good repair shop. Cold weather makes existing problems worse. Replace dirty filters — air, fuel, PCV, etc.

Fuel — Put a bottle of fuel de-icer in your tank once a month to help keep moisture from freezing in the fuel line. Note, too, that a gas tank that’s kept filled helps prevent moisture from forming.

Oil — Change your oil and oil filter as specified in your manual — more often if your driving is mostly stop-and-go.

Cooling System — The cooling system should be flushed and refilled as recommended. The level, condition, and concentration of the coolant should be checked periodically. (A 50/50 mix of anti-freeze and water is usually recommended.) Never remove the radiator cap until the engine has thoroughly cooled! The tightness and condition of drive belts, clamps, and hoses should be checked by a pro.

Heater/Defroster — The heater and defroster must be in good working condition for passenger comfort and driver visibility.

Windshield Wipers — Replace old blades. Stock up on windshield washer solvent. Carry an ice-scaper.

Battery — Only professional equipment can detect a weak battery. Routine care: Scraper corrosion from posts and cable connections, clean all surfaces, re-tighten all connections. If battery caps are removable, check the fluid level monthly. Removal of cables can cause damage or loss of data/ codes on some newer vehicles, so check your manual. Wear eye protection and rubber gloves.

Exhaust System — Your vehicle should be placed on a lift and the exhaust system examined for leaks. The trunk and floorboards should be inspected for small holes. Exhaust fumes can be deadly.

Tires — Examine tires for remaining tread life, check sidewalls for cuts and nicks. Check tire pressure. Rotate tires as recommended. Don’t forget your spare, and be sure the jack is in good condition. Under-inflated tires or poorly aligned wheels make your engine work harder and thus use excess gasoline. Also have your brakes checked periodically.

Transmission — Routine checks and fluid changes at prescribed intervals can prevent very costly repairs.

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The Eastern Shore Railway Museum in Parksley will hold a Spaghetti Supper Friday, Nov. 16, at the Parksley Firehouse Social Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. The menu includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, and an assortment of cakes for dessert. The cost of the dinner is $7 for adults and $4 for children under 12 years of age. Carry-out dinners also will be available.

All money raised will benefit the Eastern Shore Railway Museum.

If you have any questions, please call 665-5060 or 665-6271.

The Second Annual Mayor’s Ball will be held at Chincoteague Community Center Saturday, Nov. 17, beginning at 7 p.m.

Dinner will be provided by Bill’s Seafood and dance music will be performed by Bigger Dreams. The cost is $50 per person. Tickets are available at Chincoteague Center and Shore Bank on Chincoteague.

“A Magical Weekend in Cape Charles” will take place Saturday, Dec. 1.

Bed and breakfasts will be decorated and offering cookies from 2 to 4 p.m.

Santa’s House at Cape Charles Christian School will present crafts programs for children from 3 to 6 p.m. and Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for pictures.

At 6 p.m., the Clauses will parade over to Central Park to watch the Grand Illuminations.

At 7:30 p.m., “It’s a Wonderful Life” will be shown at Palace Theater, where hot chocolate and cookies will be served.

The Society for the Preservation of the Onley Train Station (SPOTS) will again be hosting Santa at the Historic Onley Train Station Saturday, Dec. 1, as he visits the Eastern Shore on the Bay Coast Railroad. SPOTS elves have been very busy at the Historic Onley Station. The improved station will open at 2:30 p.m. with refreshments and a preview of the “Play with Trains” program. It is designed to introduce children to model railroading by teaching them how to design, build, and run their own model railroad layout. SPOTS members hope to bring this program into the schools as it fulfills many of the Virginia Standards of Learning requirements.

The Historic Onley Station is on Pennsylvania Avenue at Maple Street, next to the railroad tracks.
Local Artist to Appear at Waterfowl Festival

Lisa Byrd of Saxis has been selected to exhibit at the 42nd Annual Waterfowl Festival on Nov. 9, 10, and 11 in Easton, Md.

Byrd has been working with duck and waterfowl decoys for over 30 years. She has her own decoy business in Saxis and her work has been featured in Wildfowl Magazine and Ducks Unlimited catalogs.

The Easton Waterfowl Festival features wildlife art in varied disciplines, including painting, carving, sculpture, photography and fine crafts. Only 300 wildlife artists, artisans and collectors have been selected.

Navy Promotes Edward Eder

Navy Seaman Apprentice Edward E. Eder, son of Barbara A. Gareipy of Painter and Eddie E. Eder of Onley, was promoted recently to his current rank upon graduation from recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Eder received the early promotion for outstanding performance during all phases of the training cycle.

Eder is a 2012 graduate of Broadwater Academy.

• a daughter, born to Abigail and Dan Davis of Chincoteague Oct. 31
• a son, born to Rosetti and Vernon Giddens III of Painter Oct. 31.
Mrs. Doris Mae Fulcher, 87, of Sanford, passed away Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012, at the home of her daughter, Doris Watkinson, in Saxis.

Born in Sanford, she was the daughter of the late Arcemus and Estelle Linsley. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Coley Williams; her second husband, John U. Fulcher; a grandson, Rodney Bunting; and a special great granddaughter, Maribeth Birdsall, and Taylor Stewart; namesake, Ruby Olivia Hyra, Noah and Jason, Ryan and Justin Kristof, her husband, William (of Nassawadox, Samantha Colona (and husband, William) of Melfa, Jamie Gentry (and husband, Aaron) of Painter, and James Tipps (and wife, Carla McCray) of Melfa; grandchildren, Billy and Trinity Decker, Chassity and William Colona, Nickolous Jones, Gabriel Gentry, and Jayla Tipps; and sister, Priscilla Weaver of Florida. He was predeceased by two sisters.

Funeral services were conducted from Melfa U.M. Church Monday, Nov. 5, by Rev. Glenda Turlington.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Retired Postmaster Dies

Mr. Carlisle Lamar Nottingham, 92, a resident of Heritage Hall Healthcare in Nassawadox, passed away Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012, at his residence.

A native of Cape Charles, he was the son of the late Dr. Carlisle L. and Eliza Caine Nottingham. Mr. Nottingham was a retired postmaster of Wachapreague Post Office, a former deacon and member of Powelton Presbyterian Church, past master of Ocean Masonic Lodge AF&AM, and member of Loyal Order of the Moose 683, and American Legion Post 56. He was a U.S. Air Force lieutenant, having served in World War II, and was a P.O.W.

Mr. Nottingham was predeceased by two wives, Faye Phillips Nottingham and Hattie Brunley Nottingham; and two sisters, Mary G. Nottingham and Rosa Caine Seaward. He is survived by his daughters, Liza Nottingham Soderstrom of Quinby and Rosa Caine Custis (and husband, Wayne) of Belle Haven; grandchildren, Beth Burnley of Willis Wharf, Christopher Custis of Charleston, S.C., Carla Russell of Richmond, Va., and Patrick Soderstrom of Popomoke, Md.; and 10 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Sunday, Nov. 4, at Wachapreague Cemetery, with Rev. Tammy L. Estep officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23316.

Arrangements were made by Marshall Funeral Home in Alva and Williams Funeral Home in Parksley.

Melfa Resident Dies

Mr. James R. Tipps, 61, of Melfa, formerly of Miami, Fla., passed away Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2012, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Florida, he was the son of the late James R. and Cameron Tipps. Mr. Tipps was owner and operator of James Tipps Masonry and Concrete, and greatly enjoyed his family and fishing.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria M. Tipps; children, Miechella Decker (and husband, William) of Nassawadox, Samantha Colona (and husband, William) of Melfa, Jamie Gentry (and husband, Aaron) of Painter, and James Tipps (and wife, Carla McCray) of Melfa; grandchildren, Billy and Trinity Decker, Chassity and William Colona, Nickolous Jones, Gabriel Gentry, and Jayla Tipps; and sister, Priscilla Weaver of Florida. He was predeceased by two sisters.

Funeral services were conducted from Melfa U.M. Church Monday, Nov. 5, by Rev. Glenda Turlington.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

(Obituaries Cont’d. on Next Page)
Holly Farms Retiree Dies

Mrs. Margaret Wimbrow Hinman, 87, wife of Warren L. Hinman, Sr., of Guilford passed away Friday, Nov. 2, 2012, at her residence.

Born in Silva, Va., she was the daughter of the late Douglas and Mary E. Ennis Wimbrow. Mrs. Hinman retired from Holly Farms, where she worked in the labeling department. She was a member of Guilford U.M. Church and Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company.

She is survived by her sons, Warren Hinman Jr. (and wife, Margery) of Gloucester, Va.; daughter, Wanda Hinman Bowden (and husband, Douglas) of Bloxom; sisters, Pat Lamberston and Jackie Wimbrow; brothers, Norman Wimbrow, Edwin Wimbrow, Elwood Wimbrow and Charles Wimbrow; grandchildren, Dawn Bowden, Wendy Bowden, Douglas Bowden Jr., Christopher Hinman, Katherine Renison and Kelli Hinman; and great-grandchildren, Ashley Collins, Alissa Maree Lock, and Allison Clare Renison. She was preceded in death by a sister, Eloise Ennis; and three brothers, James Wimbrow, Calvin Wimbrow and Douglas Wimbrow.

Graveside services were conducted Monday, Nov. 5, at Parksley Cemetery by Pastor Veronica Barrell.

To sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net.

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

R&G Retiree Dies

Mrs. Hattie Gay Martin, 91, of Saxis, passed away Sunday, Nov. 4, 2012, at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Md.

Born in Saxis, she was the daughter of the late James Hathaway Spen-ce and Arenthea Linton Spence. Mrs. Martin worked at R&G Shirt Factory in Parksley and was a member of Saxis U.M. Church.

Mrs. Martin was predeceased by her husband, Carson Martin; nine siblings and a granddaughter. She is survived by her children, Roger Martin, Dixie Wells, Jackie Baldwin and “Gus” Martin; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were conducted Thursday, Nov. 8, at Downings Cemetery in Parksley by Pastor William Jefferson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, P.O. Box 309, Salisbury, MD 21078-0309. To sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Oil Company Retiree Dies

Mr. Thomas John “Tom” Pittman, 80, of Deep Creek passed away Monday, Nov. 5, 2012, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Charleston, W.Va., he was a son of the late George Labon Pittman and Ada Greenleaf Pittman. Mr. Pittman served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Midway; was a member of Leatherbury U.M. Church; was a previous office manager at the former Nordstrom Oil Company, now Bagwell Gas and Oil Company; and was a former member of Chesapeake Lodge 158, AF&AM.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Smith “Dimp” Pittman; sons, Thomas Jay Pittman (and wife, Pamela) of Pocomoke, Md., and Jerry Spragg Pittman of Exmore; grandchildren, Andrew, Elizabeth, Joseph, Jenna, and Anna Paige Pittman; and close cousin, Charles Pittman of Michigan. He was predeceased by two brothers, George and Heber Pittman.

Graveside services will be conducted at Mount Holly Cemetery in Onancock today, Nov. 9, at 1 p.m. by Rev. Jon Woodburn and Rev. Charles W. Parks.

Memorial donations may be made to Leatherbury U.M. Church, c/o Mrs. Linda Bradford, P.O. Box 36, Tasley, VA 23440. Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Onancock Resident Dies

Mrs. Irene Louise Short, 85, a resident of Onancock for the past 17 years, formerly of Parksley, died Monday, Nov. 5, 2012, at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

Born in Chincoteague, she was a daughter of the late Henry and Julia Shrieves White, and was reared by special parents, the late Bernard and Ellen Core. Mrs. Short was a homemaker, a Baptist, and a former member of Parksley Volunteer Fire Company’s Ladies’ Auxiliary.

She was predeceased by her husband, James William “Bill” Short Sr.; son, John Thomas Short; two sisters, Mary Betts and Agnes Allen; and two brothers, James White and Edward Core. Survivors include her children, Anna L. Warren (and husband, Randall) of Quinby, Rhoda M. Ross (and husband, Jackie) of Onancock and James William “Jimmy” Short Jr. (and wife, Lucille) of Virginia Beach, Va., formerly of Parksley; grandchildren, Aaron Warren, Rickie Ross, Lori Bella, Nicole Spivey and Billy Short; great-grandchildren, Chris Blake, Tyler Warren, Taylor Bella, Ryan Ross, Dylan Ross and Addison Spivey; and a sister, Betty Beasley of Parksley; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Thursday, Nov. 8, with Deacon Bobby Bella officiating. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Memory tributes may be shared with www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Tangier Waterman Dies

Mr. Willie F. “Bill Frank” Pruitt Jr., 80, of Tangier passed away there Monday, Nov. 5, 2012.

Born on Tangier, he was a son of the late Willie Frank Pruitt Sr. and Mamie Earl Crockett Pruitt. Mr. Pruitt was a retired waterman, and a faithful member of New Testament Church, where he served as an elder.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Marie Pruitt; children, Sherry Pruitt and financed Ralph Wade of Fruitland, Md., and Steve Pruitt (and wife, Nina) of Tangier; sister-in-law, Marie Pruitt of Crisfield, Md., for-
Property Transactions

- From Richard Vesely & Jillian Poole
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  To Pierson Group Inc.
  Lot 25, Deer Point
  For $257,035

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  To Michelle Renaud & Ann Slahafer
  Lot 4, Section 1, The Greens
  For $50,000

- From Larry and Patricia Parks
  To Debra Crockett
  Tangier lot
  For $3,000

- From Arnold and Marie Cheever
  To Fred and Panya Peck
  Lot 103, Section 11, Captain's Cove
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  For $170,000

- From Fannie Mae
  To James Piotrowski & Karen Colonnello
  Greenbush parcel
  For $65,500

- From David McCready
  To Thomas and Karen Clark
  Chincoteague parcel
  For $45,000

- From Special Commissioner James Elliott and Shirley Finney
  To Ann Wessells
  Nelsonia parcel
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- From Gregory Manter
  To Barry and Sharon Piccione
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- From Chincoteague Bay Trails End Association, Inc.
  To Bruce Ford
  Lot 316, Unit 3, Trails End
  For $4,500

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  To John and Judy Burr
  Onley parcel
  For $18,000

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  For $5,500

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The fall sports season is coming to an end with only regional playoffs on the schedule.

I wrote earlier in the year about how much I enjoyed watching volleyball and all its intricacies.

Football is obviously much more familiar to me, having played it in high school and watched it my entire life.

Golf is also a passion of mine that some might call an obsession.

But the one sport I covered this fall that I have neither participated in nor watched before was cross country.

As one parent told me, “It’s not really a spectator sport. You see your kid at the start and at the finish line. Seldom do you see them in between.”

Maybe more than any other sport, cross country takes dedication and perseverance. It’s run on a 3.1-mile course that this year I have seen wind through cornfields, the woods and over stone roads.

You are on a team, but cross country is primarily an individual endeavor. Skill is difficult to define with cross country runners. Usually, it is simply your preparation — or lack of it — that will determine your time.

It can be a lonely sport. Cross country does not get the fanfare of other sports. Practices can be grueling experiences with thoughts of other kids doing fun things after school rather than running to exhaustion.

But there are rewards. It’s all about personal best. A runner can finish well back in the pack, but if the time was his or her best, it is a victory.

And there is a camaraderie among the runners that is unique to sport. The runners of all teams share in their pursuit of a personal best.

Tom Wilson, who coached cross country at Arcadia from 2003 to 2009, has coordinated the district meet for the past three years at Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge.

His teams dominated the event in the years he coached, taking 33 of the top 40 positions at the district meet among both boys and girls.

It’s obvious he has a passion for cross country, having been one of the top high-school runners in the state at Norfolk Collegiate and then attending VMI on a cross country scholarship.

“Cross country is a loving sport,” Wilson told the runners that day. “Out there on the course it’s cutthroat. You want to beat your competitor, even your teammates. But back at the finish line, we are all friends.”

This week, Wilson said he took his runners to premier meets in Maryland and Norfolk to challenge them. “To be your best, you have to run against the best,” he noted.

Wilson also said he tried to bring fun to the sport. “We would run at the beach and bring sandwiches to eat together afterward.

“We always practiced the first possible day in the summer. I could usually beat most of them that first day and talk trash about an old man outrunning the young guys. By the end of the season they could all beat me and let me know about it.”

Wilson said almost without exception his runners were honor roll students. “I never had a problem with academics among my runners,” he said.

“And that is usually true at all schools.”

Among the current district coaches, Dr. Rich Wilfong at Northampton has fielded the best teams in recent years. This year, Aran Teeling has been the standard bearer, winning the district, finishing fourth in the region and now competing at the state meet this week. His time at the district meet was six seconds off the course record.

Evan Lawrence of Nandua, who often finished second to Teeling, is only a freshman.

Among the girls, like Teeling, Kristina Dedicatoria of Arcadia repeated her first-place finish from 2011 and smashed the course record for girls by over 30 seconds. She, along with Northampton’s Madisen Lewis, will join Teeling at the state meet at Warrenton.

As a team, Northampton missed the state meet by one place, but was hurt at the region meet by having its second best runner out with an illness.

Ryan Bono and Caroline Hiler both finished among the top 25 runners in boys and girls, respectively.

“We set goals before the season,” said Wilfong, who is affectionately called “Doc” by his runners. “We didn’t reach them all, but it gives us something to reach for during the year.”

At Broadwater, Eric Hack has developed a strong cross country program where there was none five years ago.

Both the boys’ and girls’ Broadwater teams finished second in the Metro Conference meet, with Jake Golibart placing second among the boys and Kristen Lewis second among the girls. Jean Tankard, only a sixth grader, finished seventh in the girls’ division.

In addition to those three Vikings, Dallas Sims, Nick Gomer, Rachel Finney and Rachel Sturgis made All-Conference in cross country.

Goal setting, discipline, perseverance — they are all values that last throughout life, and seem to be a constant among cross country runners.
Turkey Trot Fun Run/Walk Nov. 17

The Northampton County Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring the Annual Turkey Trot Fun Run/Walk Saturday, Nov. 17, in front of Riverside Shore Cancer Center in Nassawadox.

Registration for runners and walkers will begin at 9 a.m. the day of the race, which will begin at 9:30 a.m. Entry fees for participants will be $5. Children 12 and under will be free. Additional contributions will be accepted and will benefit the Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation Department. Prizes will be given at the end of the race to overall division winners and first-place age bracket winners; the first 25 registered racers will receive a free Turkey Trot T-shirt.

For more information, contact the Northampton County Parks and Recreation Department at 678-0468/parks@co.northampton.va.us

Deer Hunt Set at Wildlife Refuge

The Eastern Shore of Virginia National Wildlife Refuge near Cape Charles will host its annual deer hunt this fall.

The firearms hunt will be Dec. 1 through Dec. 8, excluding Sunday, Dec. 2. Firearm Check-Station Hours are 5 a.m.- 6:30 p.m. The refuge visitor center and photo blind will be open during these dates; however, the remainder of the refuge, including the Wise Point Boat ramp will be closed on firearms hunt days for safety reasons.

The annual hunt is conducted to minimize deer browse on vegetation, which is needed by migrant birds and other wildlife for shelter and feeding.

Hunt participants are chosen by lottery each day and selected hunters must meet all state hunting license requirements and must purchase a refuge permit. Refuge hunt permits are $30 and only checks or money orders will be accepted in payment. Payment should be made out to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

For more information on the hunt, contact the refuge at 331-2760 or visit www.fws.gov/northeast/easternshore/

Bingo Will Benefit Softball Team

A Basket Bingo sponsored by the Lady Shores fast-pitch softball team, girls ages 16 and younger, will be held Sunday, Nov. 11, at the Moose Lodge in Belle Haven.

Doors will open at 12:30 p.m. for food, a silent auction and raffles. Bingo will begin at 2 p.m.

Prizes are items from Longaberger and Thirty One. Auction and raffle items will include carvings and paintings, and gift baskets. A 50/50 raffle will be held. Baked goods will be on sale.

For additional information call 442-0802 or 757-710-1414.

Deer Donations Sought by Group

The Eastern Shore Chapter of the Hunters for the Hungry announces the start of the 16th season of helping hunters donate deer to local needy individuals though the Food Bank and other organizations. The local chapter started in 1997 and has processed over 4,000 deer.

The processors this year are Brent Powell in Wachapreague (787-7107) and Matt Killmon of Bucktrails (787-1351) in Onancock. There will be refrigerated collection trailers at the Foodbank in Tasley and B&B Market on Lankford Highway in Machipongo. All deer must be properly registered and field dressed.

The local chapter is soliciting financial contributions to cover processing costs. There is currently some matching money available depending on the source of the donation, please inquire. The program is 501-c-3 program and donations are deductible.

For any questions, to volunteer to help or to arrange a speaker for a group, contact the local director, Worth Saunders, at 757-710-0049 or aes3ptocs@yahoo.com. The mailing address is P.O. Box 1702, Parksley, VA 23421.

Striped Bass Seminar Set

Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore of Virginia announces its next seminar which is titled “Striped Bass.”

The free hour-long seminar will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 16, in the Lecture Hall of Eastern Shore Community College in Melfa.

George Reiger and Ken Schultz will lead the seminar and will explain the life cycle, history, biology and importance of this fish to the East Coast and the Chesapeake Bay. They also will discuss fishing methodologies.

Schultz and Reiger, who both live on the Shore, were journalists, authors, broadcasters, and staff writers for Field & Stream magazine for over three decades.

Prospective attendees are urged to check the seminar’s website at www.SciPhi.org within two days of a scheduled date since at times a session may be postponed.

All seminars are open to the public. Admission is free.
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Nandua Crushes Northampton 42-0, Now in VHSL Playoffs

Nandua prepared for its playoff game tonight against Manassas Park with a dominating 42-0 win over Northampton Friday night.

The win concluded the Warriors’ regular season with an 8-2 record and secured their 11th-place ranking among 16 teams in the Eastern Sectional, Division I playoffs. Nandua is traveling today to 6th-ranked Manassas Park — about two hours north of Richmond — for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff. Manassas Park, 7-3 on the season, defeated Arcadia 63-0 at Oak Hall earlier in the year.

“I feel we match up with Manassas Park very well,” said Nandua coach Chris Miles. “We are peaking at the right time, and I expect our team to play well.”

The Warriors looked sharp Friday night on the Jacket field as they struck early on a 60-yard pass from Tyreim Blake to Anthony Smith early in the first quarter.

Montrae Armstrong added a 15-yard touchdown run later in the quarter, then Blake avoided tacklers in the backfield and found Will Grier for a 35-yard touchdown pass to give the Warriors a 21-0 lead after the first quarter. David Wright, who was 6 of 6 on extra point attempts for the night, added the conversions after each touchdown.

Devin Splawn blocked a punt in the end zone, with Blake recovering it for a touchdown early in the second quarter. Smith then raced for a 46-yard touchdown run to give Nandua a 35-0 lead.

Blake finished the first-half scoring with a 10-yard run, giving the Warriors a 42-0 halftime lead on Homecoming night for the Jackets.

Nandua, resting its starters for the playoffs, played almost all reserves in the second half as a running clock shortened the game.

Javante James led the Warriors with 101 yards on eight rushing attempts. Smith had 46 yards and Wright added 40.

Northampton coach Charles Kel-lam, who saw his Jackets go 0-10 for the second straight year, said his young squad will improve. “I’m proud of these guys,” he said. “They hung in there until the end. These guys are special. We will try it again next year.”

Northampton loses only four seniors and should return as many as 16 juniors plus newcomers from a JV team that lost only one game this season.

Chincoteague Closes Season With 35-0 Loss to Greenbriar

Chincoteague concluded its season with a disappointing 35-0 loss to Greenbriar Christian last Friday on the road.

“It really hurt only having one day of practice last week,” said Pony coach Nick Howard, who saw practice limited by the closure of school after Hurricane Sandy hit the island.

Still, Howard was pleased with his young Pony squad, who had only two seniors and featured 20 of 26 players who were either freshmen or sophomores. “We really came a long way this season. I’m proud of our two seniors and their leadership. I believe the future looks really promising,” said Howard, whose Ponies finished the season at 3-6, winning three of the last five games.

“Our team really improved throughout the season, and we have a lot of momentum for next year,” added Howard.

Larry Harper was 5 of 8 for 60 yards. Randy Bowden carried the ball 22 times for 89 yards to cap a stellar season on the ground. On defense, Jake Rickman led the team with six tackles.

Arcadia Cheerleaders Third at Region

The Arcadia cheerleaders, who won the Eastern Shore District title, finished third at the Region A competition on Nov. 1 at King William and will advance to the state meet for the eighth year in a row on Saturday at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

King William won the competition with Windsor, finishing only a half point ahead of Arcadia.

Nandua, runner up in the district competition, finished sixth in the region cheerleading meet.

Jackets Fall in Field Hockey State Playoffs

The Northampton field hockey team lost 2-0 to Faquier County Tuesday in state playoff action at Virginia Beach.

The Lady Jackets were up against larger schools in the playoffs after winning the district. Only three Group A teams in the region have field hockey teams.

Coach John Gorman led a senior-laden squad that was undefeated in district play and had wins over perennially powerful Maryland squads.
Broadwater Bounces Brunswick, To Face Foe Again in Playoffs Tomorrow

Photo and story by Bill Sterling

It will be déjà vu for Broadwater on Saturday as it faces Brunswick in the VISSA Division IV State semifinals at 1 p.m. at Bynum Field in Exmore. That is the team the Vikings vanquished last week 42-6, leading 42-0 after three quarters before Viking reserves flooded the field.

Brunswick, also known as the Vikings, came into the contest with a 7-2 record that matched Broadwater’s mark, but that’s where the similarities ended as the local Vikings proved to be swifter and stronger in all areas.

Broadwater received the opening kickoff, and seven plays later, Ben Holland threw a 6-yard touchdown pass to Michael Riopel. The extra point kicked by Brendon Burrows was good.

Broadwater scored again late in the first quarter on a 2-yard run by Adam Bowen.

With the score 13-0 after one quarter, Broadwater scored on a 10-yard run by Wesley Shrieves. The speedy and elusive Shrieves suffered a leg injury late in the first half and sat out the remainder of the game with an ice pack on his thigh.

Broadwater scored before halftime on a 16-yard pass from Holland to Preston Richardson. Broadwater’s Frank Long ran the ball in for the 2-point conversion.

Early in the third quarter, Broadwater’s R.C. Cooley intercepted a pass. The ensuing drive led to a 15-yard touchdown run by Burrows, who broke tackles in the Brunswick secondary all day and usually went down with several defenders hanging on. Burrows kicked the extra point as well.

It was Broadwater’s Bowen who scored the final touchdown on a 44-yard run, giving the Broadwater Vikings a 42-0 lead. Bowen led the Vikings with 162 yards on nine carries.

Preston Richardson had 58 yards on four receptions. Holland had 132 yards passing and two touchdowns on the day.

Jonathan McClaskey led the Vikings with 10 tackles. Austin White had eight. Burrows and White each had a sack.

Arcadia Sees Playoff Hopes Vanish, Falls to Charles City 50-14

By Bill Sterling

Arcadia saw its playoff hopes fade with a 50-14 loss to Charles City Friday night on the road.

Charles City jumped to a 20-0 lead in the first quarter, taking advantage of five turnovers the Firebirds committed on the night.

Arcadia got on the scoreboard with a Mikey Geffrard 74-yard run with 8:31 left in the half. Chris Burton added a 2-point conversion to pull the Firebirds to 20-8. However, Charles City scored on a 30-yard run and a 38-yard pass to give the hosts a 34-8 halftime lead.

Following two Charles City scores in the third quarter, Arcadia’s Chris Burton had a 79-yard kickoff return to complete the scoring.

“We did not execute on offense as well as we have been doing the past two games,” said Arcadia coach Tony Nock. “We had five turnovers in the game, which really hurt us and gave Charles City very good field position each time we turned the ball over. We played well on defense for most of the game, but kept giving up the big pass plays,” added Nock.

“Our seniors played above and beyond their ability and left all they had on the field. They are a fine bunch of young men who will be sorely missed,” said Nock.

Geffrard was the leading rusher with 92 yards. Burton had 85 all-purpose yards. Treyon Copes had 26 yards rushing.

Tony Holden was again the leader on defense with eight tackles, followed by Devin Wilson and Geffrard with five tackles each. Tyler Major had four tackles and Caleb Lucy had three.

Arcadia finished 3-7 on the season. However, all but three of its games were against playoff teams, including top-ranked Essex in Division 2 and second-ranked Sussex Central in Division 1. The Firebirds also played Nandua’s playoff foe, sixth-ranked Manassas Park.
Chincoteague Rolls to District Volleyball Tourney Title

Photos and story by Bill Sterling

Third-seeded Chincoteague pulled off what was on paper two upsets, with wins over Northampton in the semifinal and a straight three-set win over Nandua in the championship game of the Eastern Shore District tournament last Thursday.

“We battled these teams hard all season and lost some tough games, but we finally had a close one go our way,” said Chincoteague coach Danielle Love. “We have seven seniors, and they played solid and smart tonight.”

In an event delayed by Hurricane Sandy that was to be played out over two nights, all four teams converged at Nandua to play out the entire tournament in one evening.

Nandua topped Arcadia in straight sets in the first match to reach the finals, then Chincoteague, 3-6 during the district season, took on Northampton, which tied Nandua for the best record at 6-3 in the regular season.

The Ponies won the opener 25-23 before the Jackets took the second set 25-22. With teams playing a best of three format in the semifinals, the decisive third set was 12-12 when Chincoteague took the last three points to advance to the championship game.

Cari Parks, with seven digs, two blocks, seven kills and two assists, and Sarah Cathey, with eight aces, 10 digs, two blocks and six kills, led Chincoteague. Emily Haugh also contributed seven digs, three blocks and three kills.

Roxanne Sudendorf led the Ponies with 16 assists.

For Northampton, Katelyn Weber had four kills, three aces, four assists and a block. Olivia Boswell had seven kills, Taylor Webb had 14 assists, Rachel Leffel had four kills and three aces, and Kennedy Webb had two kills.

Chincoteague had lost its three previous matches against Nandua, but most of the sets were very competitive, as was the first set of the final, where both teams had service points to win the game. Chincoteague prevailed 29-27, then took a 22-14 lead in the second set and held on for a 25-21 win.

The third set was back and forth as Nandua’s Kinsey Kellam reeled off four straight service points to pull Nandua to a 14-14 tie, only to see Chincoteague’s Emily Haugh respond with four points. Nandua battled back, but Chincoteague staved off the rally to win 25-23 and complete the sweep, setting off a celebration.

Cathey had one ace, 10 digs, two blocks and 11 kills to lead Chincoteague. Sudendorf added two aces, three digs, five kills and 15 assists. Haugh had two aces, and six digs.

Kellam led Nandua with eight kills, 15 digs, three blocks, three aces, and two assists.

Caroline Harvie had five kills and 18 digs, while Janay Joseph had six kills and 12 digs. Ashley Fisher had 10 assists. Sarah Puchalski had 23 digs.

Chincoteague Falls in Regional Play

Chincoteague fell to Rappahannock Monday night at home in a Region A volleyball contest. The Ponies were stopped in straight sets, 25-12, 25-11 and 25-17.

Sarah Cathey had three aces, seven digs two blocks and four kills to lead the Ponies. Emily Haugh added two aces, five digs, three blocks and one kill. Cari Parks had three digs, three blocks and one kill.

Nandua Stopped by Mathews

Nandua lost to defending state champions Mathews in three sets Monday night in Region A volleyball play.


Coach LeAndra Nock, in her first season as the Nandua coach, said it was a successful season as she looks to return most of her squad next year.
The Eastern Shore Ducks Unlimited Membership Social will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Barrier Islands Center located at 7295 Young St. in Machipongo. Gates will open at 4:30 p.m. and the event will kick off with bluegrass entertainment by local band, No Spare Time, which will play throughout the evening. Food will be served at 5:30 p.m. with an all-you-can-eat menu of steamed oysters, steamed clams and barbecue.

Highlights of the event are the renowned silent and live auctions that will follow dinner. A wide array of items will go “on the block” with auctioneer Henry Nicholson calling the live auction. Decoys by “Carver of the Year” Kenny Marshall, Grayson Chesser, Mark McNair, Arthur Leonard, Mark Daisey, Jimmy Pruitt, Andy Dunton, Robbie Lewis and many others will be in the lineup. Paintings by local artists Carole Peirson and Marty Burgess will be auctioned along with an assortment of DU prints. The final live auction item of the evening will be the DU “Gun of the Year,” a Browning Maxus 12-gauge with special engraving. The silent auction will have a wide variety of items, including jewelry, watches, artwork, decoys and various hunting and outdoor living items. A raffle that includes a shotgun, rifle and kayak, Yeti cooler and many other items will be ongoing throughout the evening.

Advance ticket prices for this event are $50 per person or $75 per couple, which includes food and an annual membership to Ducks Unlimited. Tickets purchased at the door will be $100 per person. “Bottomless” cups/glasses for beer and Chatham Vineyards wine will be available for $10 at the event.

Tickets can be purchased at the Barrier Islands Center (Machipongo), Branscome office (Tasley), Chris’ Bait and Tackle (Capeville), Eastern Shore Outfitters (Exmore), The Island House Restaurant (Wachapreague) and Seaworthy Marine (Exmore). Additionally, they can be purchased from DU committee members or on-line at www.ducks.org/virginia/events/28730/eastern-shore-oyster-roast

For more information or tickets, contact P. G. Ross at (757) 442-3546 or rossdecoys@msn.com
Eastern Shore Homecoming and Football Royalty

At left is Nandua’s Football King and Queen Javante James and Carol-lin Savage. At right is Homecoming King and Queen Jha’Tavius Poulson and Janay Joseph.

At left is Arcadia’s Homecoming King and Queen Bryant Townsend and Fantacee Duffy. At right is Football King and Queen Devin Wilson and Trinice Duffy.

Chincoteague Football Queen and King Alyson Hick-man and Barrett Whealton.

Broadwater’s Homecoming King and Queen Logan Holland and Kristen Lewis.

Northampton Homecoming Queen and King Sydney Kellam and Davae Williams.

Chincoteague Homecoming King and Queen Nick Haugh and Madison Jennings.
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### Friday Nov 9
- **8:30-11:30 a.m.** - New Technology Seminar - ESCC, Melfa - $10
- **9 a.m.-5 p.m.** (Nov. 9, 10, & 12) - Anniversary Sale - Fellowship House Gifts & Collectibles Shop, Chincoteague
- **10 a.m.** - Duplicate Bridge - Sage Restaurant, Onley - 442-2474
- **12:30 p.m.** - Science & Philosophy Seminar: Nuclear Deterrence - ESCC, Melfa - free
- **5 p.m.** - Fall Festival - Drummondtown UMC, Accomac
- **6 p.m.** - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Family Life Center, Onancock - Meal/$6 or $10/family
- **7 p.m.** - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
- **7:30 p.m.** - Texas Hold ‘em - Parkley VFC

### Saturday Nov 10
- **8 a.m.-6 p.m.** - Stuff the Bus Toy Drive - Walmart, Onley
- **9 a.m.** - Zumba Class - Chincoteague YMCA
- **9 a.m.-3 p.m.** - Holiday Craft Show - Bloxom Vol. Fire Dept. - $2 admission
- **2 p.m.** - Rehobeth Temple Community Outreach Ministry Turkey Dinner - Exmore Community Fire Station
- **4:30-6:30 p.m.** - Old Fashioned Brunswick Stew Dinner - Market St. UMC, Onancock - donations accepted
- **7 p.m.** - Bingo - Atlantic Vol. Fire Co.
- **7 p.m.** - Dean & The Country Travelers - ESO, Belle Haven - 442-3226
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.
- **8 p.m.** - Three Jolly Coachmen - Nandua High School, Onley - The Arts Council: 302-0366

### Monday Nov 12
- **8 a.m.-5 p.m.** - Toys For Tots - Boggs Water & Sewage, Melfa - Drop off a new unwrapped toy now through Christmas.
- **10 a.m.** - TOPS mtg. - Market Street UMC, Onancock - 787-3635
- **5-6 p.m.** - Al-Anon mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock
- **5:15 p.m.** - Friends of Northampton Memorial Library mtg. - library, Cape Charles
- **6 p.m.** - Bingo - Elks Lodge, Tasley
- **6:30-8:30 p.m.** - Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg. - Grace UMC, Parksley
- **7 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Rock Church, Onley
- **7 p.m.** - Multiple Sclerosis Support Group - Hampton Inn & Suites, 4129 Lankford Hwy., Exmore - 442-7722
- **8 p.m.** - Anglers’ Club mtg. - Sage Restaurant, Onley

### Tuesday Nov 13
- **9 a.m.** - Al-Anon mtg. - St. Andrew’s Catholic Church, 501 Randolph Ave.
- **9:30 a.m.** - Moms in Prayer International mtg. - Cape Charles Baptist Church
- **10 a.m.** - E.S. Community Services Board mtg. - E.S. Behavioral Healthcare Center, 19056 Greenbush Rd., Parksley
- **10 a.m.** - Bingo - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock - 787-3900
- **10-11:30 a.m.** - FREE Foster Parent Orientation - Northampton Dept. of Social Services - 678-5153 x328
- **11:30 a.m.** - E.S. Defense Alliance mtg. - Lockheed Martin, Wallops Island
- **noon** - AA mtg. - United Methodist Church, Onancock
- **noon-1:30 p.m.** - Hospice Grief Support Prgm. - Hospice Resource Center, 3306 Lankford Hwy., Exmore - 787-3310
- **4:15 p.m.** - TOPS weigh-in (prgm. @ 5) - Belle Haven Presbyterian Church
- **6 p.m.** - Onancock Lions’ Club mtg. - Sunrise Restaurant, Onley - 787-4278
- **6 p.m.** - Rachel Leah Ministries - 787-2486
- **6 p.m.** - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA
- **6:30-8:30 p.m.** - GED Class - Classroom A-51, ESCC, Melfa
- **7 p.m.** - NA mtg. - Jerusalem Baptist, Temperanceville
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo - smoke free - Cheriton VFC
- **7:30 p.m.** - Order of the Eastern Star (Accomack Chapter #62) mtg. - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague
- **7:30 p.m.** - Al-Anon mtg. - Atlantic UMC - 824-5386

### Wednesday Nov 14
- **7:45 a.m.** - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
- **9 a.m.-1 p.m.** - Veterans’ Employment Representative Avail. - Northampton County Dept. of Social Services, Eastville - no appt. needed
- **11 a.m.-1 p.m.** - Waste Watchers’ mtg. - Chamber of Commerce, Melfa
- **noon** - AA mtg. - United Methodist Church, Onancock
- **2 p.m.** - Children’s Story Hour - Public Library, Accomac
- **2 p.m.** - E.S. Brain Injury Survivors’ Exercise & Support Group mtg. - No Limits, Belle Haven - 442-9334
- **4 p.m.** - Arts & Crafts Time - Cape Charles Library
- **7 p.m.** - Compassionate Friends of the E.S. mtg. - Parksley Baptist Church
- **7 p.m.** - AA & Al-Anon mtgs. - RSMH, Nassawadox
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo - Painter Vol. Fire Co.

### Thursday Nov 15
- **10:30 a.m.** - Story Time - Cape Charles Memorial Library
- **11 a.m.** - Children’s Story Hour - Public Library, Accomac
- **2 p.m.** - Children’s Story Hour - Northampton Public Library, Nassawadox
- **6 p.m.** - TOPS mtg. - Zion Baptist Church, Social Hall, Parksley - 787-2903
- **6:30 p.m.** - Kiwanis’ Club of Chincoteague mtg. - St. Andrew’s Catholic Church
- **6:30 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Trinity UMC, 109 Plum St., Cape Charles
- **6:30-8:30 p.m.** - GED Class - Classroom A-51, ESCC, Melfa
- **7 p.m.** - NA mtg. - Painter Garrisons UMC

Kiwanis Craft Show Looks for Vendors
The Kiwanis Club of Accomack County will hold their annual craft show on Saturday, Nov. 17 at Nandua High School. Now in its 21st year, this is the primary fundraiser for the club.

There are still a limited number of vendor spaces available. Call (757)678-4206 for information and application. The Kiwanis Club meets every Wednesday at 7:45 a.m. at the Sage Diner in Onley. Visitors are welcome. For more information on Kiwanis contact President Connie Campbell at (757)442-4427.

Oyster Roast Planned
Bethel Baptist Church will sponsor an Oyster Roast on Saturday, Nov. 17 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Gidden’s Do Drop Inn, 8204 Bayford Rd., Weirwood. There will be oysters, shrimp, crabs, and much, much more. For tickets call Carmela Williams at (910)625-5677 or Conchata Webb at (757)678-6834.
Last Week’s Answers

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by Linda Thistle

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YARD SALE - Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Boston Rd. Sat., Nov. 10, 8 a.m.-noon. Homemade soups, baked goods, chicken salad, hot dogs, yard sale items, Christmas table, silent auction, & shrubbery.

DOGS, YARD SALE ITEMS, BAKED GOODS, CHICKEN SALAD, & MUCH, MUCH MORE... INDOOR YARD SALE - Nov. 10, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Eastern Shore Literacy Council parking lot, Colonial Square Shopping Center, 36282 Lankford Hwy., Belle Haven. All proceeds benefit the E.S. Literacy Council. To donate items call 442-6637.

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Sanitary Landfill will be accepting storm debris from Hurricane Sandy Free of Charge through Saturday, November 17, 2012. Residents must notify the scale attendant when they enter the facility that storm debris is being brought in. Thank you for your cooperation.

TRUSTEE’S SALE

OF FEE SIMPLE PROPERTY

Craddockville, Virginia 23341

In execution of a deed of trust from Fatima Alther to Deborah Cutchins and Denise Storey dated July 12, 2007, and recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia as instrument no. 200703894, H&E Services, Inc., a Virginia corporation and the undersigned trustee, will offer for sale at public auction two parcels of land secured by the aforesaid deed of trust. Parcel 1 is improved by a dwelling and located at 33215 Chamberlain Road, Craddockville, Virginia 23341 and is designated as Lot 2, Section IV, of the Boston Park Subdivision, and designated by Parcel ID #109C00500000200, and Tax Map #109C-5-2. Parcel 2 is vacant land consisting of 20 acres, more or less, and is located immediately to the Northwest of Parcel 1, and is designated by Parcel ID #10900A000006400, Tax Map #109-A-64. Said parcels are more thoroughly described in the aforesaid deed of trust. The sale will take place at the main entrance to the Circuit Court of Accomack County, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23330 on Wednesday, the 28th day of November 2012 at 11:30 a.m. Terms: Cash. The parcels will be offered for sale first together as a whole, and then separately, and the trustee will accept the highest bid that results from said sales. A deposit in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Trustee in the amount of $5,000.00 or 10% of the successful bid, whichever is lower, shall be required of the successful bidder at the time of sale before the bidding will be closed. Additional terms of sale may be announced prior to the sale.

H & E SERVICES, INC.

Substitute Trustee

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John R. Griffin
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401-7047
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TRUSTEE SALE

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Parksley VA 23421

(County of Accomack)

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $32,000.00 (with interest) from of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $32,000.00 (with interest) from Michael D. Davis, dated April 23, 2007 and recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia in Instrument No. 200702335; default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder (SLM Mortgage Corporation-VA), of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia 23301-0126, on November 19, 2012 at 9:00 o’clock a.m., the property briefly described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

ALL that certain lot or parcel of land located near Whitesville, Parksley, Metompkin District, Accomack County, Virginia, bounded as follows: On the East by lands now or formerly of Bessie O. White; on the North by lands now or formerly of Perlina Parks; on the West by lands now or formerly of Floyd Matthews; and on the South by lands now or formerly of William Lewis. Said lot has a depth of Ninety Feet (90’) and is the back portion of a certain lot conveyed by Garfield Wright to Bessie O. White, et als, by deed dated November 30, 1953, which is recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia in Deed Book 213, at Page 179.

TOGETHER WITH all of the improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging and all easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, and all other matters of record which in any way affect the same or are referred to in the Deed of Trust executed by Said Grantor to Said Successor Trustee and recorded in Deed Book 213, at Page 179.

This conveyance is made expressly subject to the easements, conditions, restrictions and reservations contained in duly recorded deeds, plats and other instruments constituting constructive notice in the chain of title to the property hereby conveyed, which have not expired by limitation of time contained therein or otherwise become ineffective.

Tax Map No.: 078-A2-0107-00

TERMS OF SALE: CASH. A deposit of 10% of the sales price, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. (Time is of the essence.) Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, I 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.

L. Richard Padgett, Jr., P.C., SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
L. Richard Padgett, Jr., P.C.
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Virginia: In the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack

The County of Accomack, Virginia

Plaintiff

Civil Case No. 12-210

Vs.

Stephanie M. Cropper
Ochia Cierra Cropper
Eastern Shore Surveyors, Ltd.
Verizon Virginia, Inc.
Branch Banking and Trust Company
Masten Lumber and Supply Company
Peninsula Regional Medical Center
Shore Health Services, Inc.
dba Shore Memorial Hospital
Worldwide Asset Purchasing, LLC

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land near Horntown-Signpost State Road, Accomack County, Virginia, bounded Northwest by Hattie Wise, Northeast and Southeast by John W. Dickerson and designated as parcel no. 014A00100B00012.

standing in the name of Stephanie M. Cropper, also known as Stephanie Wise, and Ochia Cierra Cropper, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Stephanie M. Cropper and Ochia Cierra Cropper, each having a last known post office address of 35251 Cold Kall Road, Horntown, VA 23395.

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 5, 2012 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 5th day of November, 2012
Nancy-Jo Revell, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott, P.Q.
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
7100 U.S. Route 17
Yorktown, VA 23692
(757)898-7000
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 Thursday, November 15, 2012, at the Accomack County Circuit Courthouse, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, VA 23301 at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

PARCEL A: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ABC AIRCRAFT LEASING & MANAGEMENT MAP NO. 005A0100000700

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 7, Section 14, Captain’s Cove.

PARCEL B: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs LORI CARPENTER MAP NO. 029A10100035000

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 350, Unit 1, Sheet 1, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL C: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs STERLING L. CHIDESTER MAP NO. 005A40100231100

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 2311, Section 4, Captain’s Cove.

PARCEL D: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs STERLING L. CHIDESTER MAP NO. 005A90300013600

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 136, Section 16, Captain’s Cove.

PARCEL E: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs STERLING L. CHIDESTER MAP NO. 005A70100029600

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 151, Unit 2, Sheet 2, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL F: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs STEPHEN M. DALEY MAP NO. 09300A0000093B0

All that parcel of land on Virginia State Route 126 leading from the Village of Talsley to the Town of Onancock, designated as Lot 1 on a plat recorded in Deed Book 747, at page 154.

PARCEL G: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs WILLIAM J. HASSAN, TRUSTEE MAP NO. 005A30100182100

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 1821, Section 3, Captain’s Cove.

PARCEL H: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs SCOTT MARSHALL MAP NO. 005A40300241300

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 2413, Section 5, Captain’s Cove.

PARCEL I: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs TULLY W. PARKER MAP NO. 11100A00004300

All that parcel of land known as the “Webb Land”, situated near Keller, being 50.00 acres, more or less, bounded North by County Cross Road; East and South by Maggie E. F. Smith and Sue M. Fosque and West by John R. Sturgis.

PARCEL J: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs LEONARD S. RAY, SR. MAP NO. 029A01000151100

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 151, Unit 2, Sheet 2, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL K: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs JAMES A. SHEPARD MAP NO. 075C00100003500

All that parcel of land in Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 35, Section 2, Crystal Beach Colony, as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 19, at page 72.

PARCEL L: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs JAMES A. SHEPARD MAP NO. 075C0010003600

All that parcel of land in Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 36, Section 2, Crystal Beach Colony, as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 19, at page 72.

PARCEL M: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs JAMES A. SHEPARD MAP NO. 075C0010004100

All that parcel of land in Lee District, Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 41, Section 2, Crystal Beach Colony, as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 19, at page 72.

PARCEL N: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs ALAN C. SIMANSKI MAP NO. 029A20300016500

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 165, Unit 3, Sheet 3, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

PARCEL O: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs CAROLYN ANN TAYLOR MAP NO. 084000600A0005

All that parcel of land near Onancock, Accomack County, Virginia, on Chestnut Stump Road, being 2.25 acres, more or less, beginning at a pine on the Chestnut Road leading from the Main Chestnut Stump Road northwardly toward Deep Creek where the land of Woody Muster and George T. Fosque adjoin on said Road and running in a southwestwardly direction down said Road a distance of 5.05 chains to an iron axle; thence westerly 4.50 chains to an iron axle; thence northerly to the line separating the land herein from J. S. Scott marked by an iron axle; thence down said line easterly to the point of beginning.

PARCEL P: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs CHRISTINE VORCE MAP NO. 005A70200004900

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 49, Section 12, Captain’s Cove.

PARCEL Q: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs WILLIAM A. WISE MAP NO. 076B0A00000200

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being 0.50 acre, more or less, bounded northeast by Zora Russell; Southeast by the county road leading from Ayres Chapel to Onancock; Southwest by Rachel Griffin and Northwest by E. F. Ayres.

PARCEL R: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs YEGEN DEVELOPMENT CORP. MAP NO. 029A10300021500

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 215, Unit 3, Sheet 6, Chincoteague Bay Trails End.

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

Additional terms will be announced at the sale.

Each sale shall be subject to confirmation by the Court.

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POST CARDS
Dear Editor:

I want to give a big thank you to all the wonderful workers of A&N Electric. They left their homes and families during the storm to make sure everyone had electricity. I know I speak for a lot of people that we are fortunate to have such wonderful neighbors.

It would be remiss of me not to also say thank you to the WESR family for keeping the Shore informed on the storm. Charlie, Nancy and Will, as always, were calming voices during treacherous weather.

We are happy that we are part of the Eastern Shore.

Pat Check and Justine Shields, Onancock

A&N Is the Best

Dear Editor:

This is a shout-out to the linemen and other employees at A&N Electric on the Shore. Though we have only been living here for a short time, we have experienced three major storms.

In the November 2009 nor’easter, I drove by a line crew working along Metompkin Road on a downed line at about 10 o’clock at night. The trees were whipping around like giant fly rods in the high winds all around a bucket crew. When I got to my house nearby, the power was out, but came on about 10 minutes later.

During Irene last year, the lights flickered on and off a few times but we never did lose power.

During Sandy, large numbers of poles were down in our grid and I was amazed that we were only out for about a day. When I called to report the outage or check status, a friendly person answered the phone and provided accurate information.

We have lived all over the country and have never had better utility service than we’ve found here. You rock!

Scott & Vicky Belfit, Assawoman

Chincoteague Grateful for Help

Dear Editor:

A tremendous thank you goes out to the officials and agencies involved in keeping the residents of Chincoteague safe during the hurricane. Words cannot express our appreciation to the first responders, fire company, police, and town workers.

A special two-thumbs up goes to Brian Rush’s coordinated effort and A&N’s electricians who risked their safety to restore and keep the power on for the people of Chincoteague.

Thank God that no deaths or serious injuries occurred here during those frightful days. There was damage on the island. It will be a while before all is cleaned up and we are back to normal. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the people of New York and New Jersey who bore the brunt of the storm.

When the cleanup is over and things do return to normal, our greatest concern will be “what happened to the beach.” The biggest industry on Chincoteague is, by far, the tourist industry. The vast majority of Chincoteaguers depend on the tourist industry to make a living. Let’s face it, the tourists come here for the beach. Our island supervisor, Wanda Thornton, and our town government have done an excellent job of preserving the beach by enlisting the help of state and federal officials on our behalf.

Tommy Daisey, Chincoteague

Turned out no one was lost. The very elite Virginia team was waiting for orders from FEMA on exactly where they would go during the storm. The federal government activated Virginia Beach’s elite urban search and rescue team for deployment to deal with the effects of Hurricane Sandy. The team, known as Virginia Task Force Two, had loaded up on two large tour buses early this morning and headed north, perhaps to New Jersey, they were not sure.

The tour buses parked in the Walmart parking lot also carried supplies to last for two weeks.

Task Force One from Fairfax County, Va., already was stationed at Ft. Dix, N.J.

These are just two of the many Virginia groups that deploy all over the world to help in emergency situations with little to no recognition from the media. As I walked out, I thanked the uniformed gentleman who held the door for me. He smiled and replied “Stay safe.”

Betty Flowers, via email

Generous Neighbors Appreciated

Dear Editor:

I would like to begin by saying life is too short for us not to make the time to thank the citizens of our community for their utmost kindness and generosity in one’s time of need.

I am a caregiver for my totally disabled wife of 24 years and I have been since her first stroke in 2000. In February of this year, I was diagnosed with a medical condition that required more than 40 urgent doctors’ visits I had to make without a driver’s license. But thanks to the grace of God for the wonderful people of Davis Wharf and Craddockville, I never missed one appointment and I am healed. Not only did these generous citizens help me during my successful medical journey; they are always there to pick me up when they see me standing a little way from my home when I need to go to town to purchase the things I need to continue taking care of my loving wife. Some have been generous enough to give me their phone numbers to call if I need to go somewhere.

To the wonderful and very generous citizens of Davis Wharf and Craddockville, my wife and I would love to say thank you so very, very much for all you have done for us over the years and are continuing to do. Your sincere acts of generosity and kindness will never be forgotten.

Michael and Connie Jacob

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