No Debate About It
By Linda Cicioira

If the turnout is any indication of the future, most districts in Accomack will get a 5-cent hike in the real estate tax rate per $100 valuation. The proposed increase is due in part to the $124 million decline in property values.

The presentation took longer than the comment segment Monday night when Accomack Supervisors conducted a hearing on the proposed fiscal 2014-15 county budget. No one spoke against the tax increase. A few who spoke, favored spending as they advocated funds for their departments or agencies.

Half the increase will cover $654,000 that is anticipated to be lost due to the 6.8 percent across-the-board drop in property values. “Equalizing the rate” by 2.5 cents, will allow the county to take in the same money and balance the nearly $52 million spending package.

Property values dropped by about $124 million or to $3,481,138,279. Atlantic District values plummeted 2.4 percent for a decrease of more than $11 million in property values. Captain’s Cove saw the biggest drop or 14.5 percent, which totaled nearly $35 million. Metompkin values declined by 4 percent or nearly $17.7 million. A 3.3 percent drop was reported for Lee District or more than $26 million. Pungoteague District values were down 2.3 percent or by $16.9 million. Chincoteague real estate values dropped 1.9 percent or about $17 million.

The 5-cent proposed increase would take the real estate rate to 58 cents in Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee and Pungoteague Districts and to 49 cents on Chincoteague.

Half the proposed hike is earmarked to fund Emergency Medical Services including new positions and the EMS response deployment model also known as SPRINT. That increase would not impact Chincoteague.

The majority of the budget or more than 41 percent goes for county schools. Dr. Rhonda Hall, interim superintendent, asked the board to give $217,000 over last year. She said it would cost about $850,000 to fund the one-time salary bonus for school employees that is proposed for all other county departments.

Chairman Peaches Dodge and Director Christie Lawton of the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ESCADV) said an additional $5,000 would make a “critical” difference in the agency’s quest for grants that require a 25 percent match.

“You put us on the map,” said Dodge. “It’s really important that you support us.”

The agency wants to provide sexual assault services since the Shore is one of four areas in Virginia that does not provide it and the state requires the services be offered.

Mary Parker, director of Accomack Social Services, asked the supervisors to continue the health insurance retirement benefit past Jan. 1, 2017. “Consider the employees who have worked very hard,” she said.

In addition to the 2 percent bonus for workers, major spending in the proposed budget includes $300,000 for landfill equipment, $254,000 for facility critical maintenance, $222,000 for the community college construction, $202,000 for solid waste convenience center improvements and $783,000 for the Rainy Day Fund.

Onancock Shooting

By Linda Cicioira

After receiving a complaint, Onancock police officers and Accomack deputies found a man who was shot multiple times in the Hill Street area of Onancock late Wednesday, according to Sheriff Todd Godwin.

The name of the victim was not released at press time Thursday. He was taken to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital and later transferred to a Hampton Roads medical facility for additional treatment. Godwin said he was listed in stable condition. The state police and Onley officers assisted in the investigation.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call (757) 787-1131, (757) 824-5666 or (757) 787-8577.

Voting Since the 1930s
Story and photo by Linda Cicioira

I da Eunice Pettit Hatton of Parksley is 97½ years old and thankful that she has lived to see a black man take the highest office in the United States. President Barack Obama’s picture hangs on her living room wall not far from those of family members. She plans to stick around until a woman is elected president. She’s hoping it will be Hillary Clinton.

The life-long Democrat has voted in every election since 1938. “I don’t think I missed any,” she said earlier this week. Mrs. Hatton also is waiting until she becomes a centenarian to meet Obama and boasted about how her great-, great-, great-niece, Nyerah Hope, had that pleasure when she went with the Arcadia High School Chorus to sing at the White House in 2012.

Mrs. Hatton said the best president during her lifetime was Franklin Roosevelt. “He opened up a lot of doors,” she noted. She called Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. the most important figure of the 20th
Public Schools Set Make Up Days

In Accomack

By Linda Cicoira

Updates to the Accomack Schools’ calendars were made this week, according to Interim Superintendent Dr. Rhonda Hall.

The schedules needed to be changed to make up for 11 missed days due to closed due to inclement weather.

Five make up days were included in the school calendar and three days were approved and excused by the Virginia Department of Education.

April 9, which was previously scheduled to be a teacher workday will be a regular school day, Hall said.

The third nine weeks will end on April 14 and the fourth nine weeks will begin on April 15. The fourth nine weeks will only have 42 instructional days with June 17 being the last day of school unless additional days are missed.

Revised calendars are on the school website www.accomack.k12.va.us.

All Accomack County Public Schools will close two hours early on Wednesday, April 16. The Spring Vacation will begin on Thursday, April 17 with schools being closed through Monday, April 21. Schools will reopen on Tuesday, April 22.

Graduation dates are June 2 for Chincoteague, June 4 for Nandua, June 5 for Tangier Combined and June 6 for Arcadia.

In Northampton

By Ron West

Northampton’s School Board agreed recently to use April 8 as a make up day for classes missed due to weather. Two half-days will become full ones.

Superintendent Walter Clemons said it would not be necessary to use the Memorial Day holiday, Spring Break or Saturdays to fill the void.

Michael Myers, the new principal of Northampton High, was introduced at the session. Previously, he worked for Pulaski Schools. His family lives in the Williamsburg area.

The Board also discussed Standards of Learning (SOL) scores for math and language arts. The members quizzed math coach Alvin Colman about test questions and class time spent on math concepts some students have difficulty mastering.

Board Member Randy Parks, a former math teacher, suggested reviewing previously covered skills while teaching new ones. Parks questioned how students could be expected to understand concepts taught in higher grades when they had not mastered skills from lower grades. He also noted recent math scores from Grade 7 showed a marked decrease compared to scores made by the same students when they were in a lower grade.

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Occonehauck Elementary Principal Ron Yorko said elementary students get about 120 minutes of class time daily for math while middle school students only get 60 minutes.

Dunham said since other options are not viable, county supervisors should be thinking about how to fund a new middle school and/ or high school. Construction estimated are between $30 and $35 million.

Supervisors indicated they are not able to borrow additional funds due to current debt. Dunham said if the county waits five years to borrow for construction of new secondary buildings, the tax rate would have been increased by 15 cents per $100 valuation. She said by raising the rate 3 cents a year, the tax rate would be increased by 15 cents per $100 valuation.

“The kids deserve to have a school that is not going to fall down on their heads,” said Dunham. She added it is apparent the county wants to use portions of the former middle school for offices of Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Parks and Recreation or the Extension Service.

Regarding the dress code, Yorko said the board should ensure all students follow the rules to the letter. “Right now there are too many clothing variations.”

Chairman William Oakley said what is acceptable should be listed rather than what cannot be worn.

Stephanie Zodun, a parent, said the code should be enforced or thrown out the window. She reported non-compliance at Kiptopeke School. Zodun also suggested adding another Talented and Gifted (TAG) teacher to help the existing one.

Parents told Molera they want dress standards but not necessarily uniforms. “Make them reasonable and enforce the code consistently throughout the system,” she said. Molera also suggested a committee be established to study the code and to make recommendations for age groups.

In addition, she recommended the board hire a nursing supervisor, a post that was once eliminated. Molera said there are times when a nursing assistant is left to handle whatever might occur. Having a supervisor would also provide someone to oversee training required for other staff members, she said.

Additional extra curricular activities and sports should be returned, said Parks. The move might help bring students back to the system, he continued.

County schools serve 1,568 students in grades K-12. Special Programs Director Karen Plowden reported 245 students or 14 percent require special education services. The state average is 12 percent.

The panel will meet again at 6:30 p.m. April 24 at Occonehauck Elementary School (OES). An “open chat” session will be at 6 p.m.
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Accomack Circuit Court

Leon O’Bryan Crippen, 22, of Temperanceville pleaded guilty last week in Accomack Circuit Court to taking part in an August 2013 Sanford home invasion that ended with a shoot out and left a man dead.

The Chesser Road resident admitted to armed burglary, robbery and use of a firearm in a felony. He could get up to two life sentences plus three years (mandatory for use of a firearm) and $105,000 fine for the crimes. He is in jail awaiting sentencing.

No witnesses testified at the trial. A summary of the evidence was presented.

Lamesha Cropper, 26, of Salisbury, Md. and Titus Lysander Floyd, 20, of Mappsville were also charged with the crimes. A fourth suspect, Master Caine Wesley, Jr., 23, of Nelsonia, died from gunshot wounds to the torso. Cropper was also shot.

In a statement filed with the court, Crippen told police the four discussed robbing the Marsh Market Road house before they got there. He said, “Lamesha had a big black gun and Master had a silver revolver. Titus had a machete and I had a flashlight.”

Titus planned the robbery, Crippen told authorities. “He said he knew there was money in there.”

Cropper and Wesley went in first because they were armed, Crippen said. “Me and Titus followed.” Once inside, Cropper punched a man and both Crippen and Wesley started yelling, “Don’t nobody move. Where the money at?”

“I saw a guy give Master money out of his pocket,” Crippen continued. The defendant and Cropper went upstairs. “She had a guy come up with us. Mesha took guns out of the safe. I found a brown safe and took it. I heard a gun shot downstairs. Mesha shot three times upstairs. I ran downstairs and out the door. The rest of them followed. I got to the truck first with Titus,” Crippen said he heard the other two say they were shot. Mesha was able to make it to the truck. I had to run back and get Master and put him in the truck.”

Floyd pleaded guilty earlier this year to the same charges. A May 1 trial is scheduled for Cropper.

At another proceeding, Brandon Durrua, 25, of Onley was sentenced to 20 years for breaking into Neal Melvin’s house and grand theft on Nov. 29, 2012, breaking into a house belonging to the estate of Andrew Hannah on Dec. 15, 2012 and breaking into the home of Shannon Penland and grand larceny on Jan. 8, 2013. Durrua was given 12 months for petty larceny for a total of 21 years with all but four years, three months suspended. Durrua was remanded to jail and ordered to pay $1,665 in restitution.

Dontrelle Walker, 24, of Boston Road in Painter was given five years with all but a day suspended for possessing cocaine on June 4, 2012. He was ordered to be on good behavior for five years. His driver’s license was suspended for six months.

Sied Dontay Hopkins, 20, of Locustville Road in Onley was sentenced to three years with all but three months suspended for two counts of receiving stolen property in April 2013.

Willie Lamar Tazewell, 22, of Myrtle Street in Exmore pleaded guilty to stealing amplifiers and a pocketknife valued at about $290 from Walmart on Oct. 23, 2013. A presentence report was ordered.

Teresa Mae Wilkins, 39, of Mt. Nebo Road in Onancock pleaded guilty to two felony counts of illegally obtaining money. The incidents occurred at Walmart on Feb. 2. Restitution of nearly $542 and a presentence report were ordered.

Northampton District Court

Markius Lovnell Weeks, 34, of Machipongo Lane in Machipongo was charged March 19 on a count felony credit card larceny, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court.

He was arrested two days later. Deputy Carlos Moyano of the Northampton County Sheriff’s Office (NCSO) investigated. A preliminary hearing was set for May 8.

Accomack District Court

A Bloxom woman was arrested Sunday and charged with maliciously causing bodily injury and threatening to burn down a house, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Latisha Pepper, 28, of Old Nelsonia Road is being held without bond. The crimes allegedly occurred on March 3. Cpl. E.J. Nottingham of the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office investigated.
Due to unusually cold weather Accomack Northamton Electric Cooperative’s (ANEC) wholesale power supplier, Old Dominion Electric Cooperative (ODEC) increased rates April 1. ANEC members will see a hike of $.00528 per kilowatt-hour in the Energy Adjustment charge on monthly bills beginning in this month.

According to ODEC, “The unusual, prolonged, and geographically expansive cold snap which led to record high electric and natural gas demands resulted in acute price spikes for wholesale electricity which will impact hundreds of thousands of consumers across the country. The series of cold snaps in the Midwest, Mid-Atlantic, and Northeast pushed hourly power purchase prices... to nearly 10 times the normal retail rate.

Unfortunately, these increases in gas and power prices will result in increases in the monthly utility bills of ODEC’s members,” the company stated. For more information, visit www.anec.com.

**NORTHAMPTON SHERIFF’S OFFICE TAKING BACK UNWANTED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ON APRIL 26, 2014 AT 5211 THE HORNES EASTVILLE, VA**

Eastville - On April 26, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Northampton Sheriff’s Office and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public another opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous, expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your medications for disposal to Northampton Sheriff’s Office at 5211 The Hornes. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last October, Americans turned in 377,080 pounds - 188.5 tons - of prescription drugs at over 5,300 sites operated by the DEA and nearly 4,000 state and local law enforcement partners. In its three previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners took in almost a million pounds - nearly 500 tons - of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescriptions are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines - flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash - both pose potential safety and health hazards.

Four days after the first event, Congress passed the Secure and Responsible Drug Disposal Act of 2010, which amends the Controlled Substances Act to allow an ‘ultimate user’ of controlled substance medications to dispose of them by delivering them to entities authorized by the Attorney General to accept them. The Act also allows the Attorney General to authorize long term care facilities to dispose of their residents’ controlled substances in certain instances. DEA is drafting regulations to implement the Act, a process that can take as long as 24 months. Until new regulations are in place, local law enforcement agencies like Northampton Sheriff’s Office and the DEA will continue to hold prescription drug take-back events every few months.
Mrs. Hatton was the oldest of eight children born to James Oscar Pettit and Estella Snead Pettit. Born in Pastoria in 1916, she remembers growing up in Locustville. When she was nine, her mother got sick and she took over the care of her siblings. She had two brothers and five sisters.

Her 80-year-old brother, Herman, and her 84-year-old sister, Mercier, are the only others still living. Her mother, who died at 55, was Mrs. Hatton's best friend. Her father, a farmer, was hoping for a boy when she was born. She said she was able to do all the chores except work the plow in straight rows.

Mrs. Hatton tells the stereotypical story of walking two miles in the snow (and every other kind of weather) to go to school in Daugherty in a building that is now part of St. Luke’s AME Church. Recently she was honored with other seniors in her age bracket at that church's annual program.

Her best memory is “going to (cosmetology) school and becoming a beautician.”

Mrs. Hatton also recalls food rationing during the Great Depression and blacking out windows for safety and making tents “for the quartermaster” during World War II. Her family's first car was a Model T.

She owned and operated a beauty shop in Brooklyn, N.Y., for decades and has probably heard everything.

Another recollection is the time she was left in charge of her brothers and sisters and they brought a cow into the house to milk. It was a cold day for the chore. Her parents got home from their outing before the animal was returned to the barn because it wouldn’t walk back down the steps despite coaxing.

Still independent, Mrs. Hatton cleans her own house, which is spotless, drives herself to the store to shop and does her own cooking, though she admitted she has a hard time keeping all the recipes in her head and sometimes calls her niece, Evelyn Hope, who lives across the street, for reminders.

Cheesecake is her specialty.

She and Levi Hatton, also a Shore native, were wed in 1936. The couple was together for 50 years before he died.

“Once he saw me, he never let me go,” she said. “I liked him too.”

A few years after he died, the retired Mrs. Hatton returned to Accomack County where she is a faithful member of Metompkin Baptist Church. She was baptized there at an early age. She knows that “God’s got better plans for us.”

Mrs. Hatton had a lot to say about today’s youth. “This generation, they think they know everything. It’s got to be their way or no way,” she added. “I find the children today, they are very smart but they make stupid choices. They worry me. They don’t listen to old people. They think old people are crazy.”

Her secret for a long life is “hard work, trying to help other people (and) doing the best that I can.”

Mrs. Hatton misses those who have passed. “I do feel kind of lonesome sometimes with all my family almost gone,” she said. “It bothers me.”
By Angie H. Crutchley

Four Eastern Shore musicians are taking a shot at the big time in Nashville after a five-week East Coast tour.

“Fat Tuesday and The New Custards,” a band reminiscent of “Phish” and “Led Zeppelin,” consists of Philip Simpson of Assawoman on bass, Kody Muhic of Painter on drums, Austin Riopel of Machipongo on guitar and vocals, and Cole Newsom of Parksley on lead guitar.

“We’re a danceable rock-fusion group ... It’s our own sound,” said Newsom.

They recently toured with “Delta Rae,” an Americana group heavy on harmonies. “Delta Rae” is “down to earth and a lot of fun” despite being nationally-known and being signed with Warner Brothers. That band will tour with the Lollapalooza Festival this summer.

As the back-up band for Accomac resident Angelica Garcia, the group played to sold-out crowds in five cities. They rocked the historic Bowery Ballroom in NYC, always with a handful of Shore folks cheering them on.

“I remember looking out at the crowd and there was not an inch of space,” Simpson said. “The balcony and stairs were full. It was so surreal. We, the band and Angie, are just so thankful and grateful to the widespread support of people.”

The cheerful Garcia agreed. “We were pretty excited especially because we got this tour without being signed.” Garcia has her own website, angelicagarcia.net It showcases her music including her professionally recorded songs “Destination Nowhere” and “Woman, I’m Hollerin’.”

Garcia met “Fat Tuesday” while recording at the home of Red Miller, a local radio program host. She moved to the Shore from Los Angeles three years ago and has been writing music since 2010. “Fat Tuesday” and Garcia practiced two to three hours a day to prepare for the tour. She is pursuing a record deal.

“We are so grateful to Angie and ... ‘Delta Rae’ for giving us that opportunity. We played amazing venues to new audiences. It was great to travel and spend time with your friends on the road,” said Riopel.

It was four years ago, that the former Broadwater Academy students started playing together. Halfway through they began to get a following and eventually played at Norfolk’s NorVa Theatre, Spaghetti Fest, the Happiness & Harmony Festival, the Cape Charles Clam-Slam, Shore-Made Music Hour and Music for the Hungry, to name a few.

In January the band recorded an EP, “Nameless Highway,” that was mixed and mastered by Grammy Award winner Tom Carr. It can be downloaded for free (donations accepted) at fatwho.bandcamp.com. The band’s website, www.fatwho.com, is loaded with music videos and live recordings. Songs like “Skunt” and “Quinby Bennett” have become cult favorites.

At the end of the tour, “Fat Tuesday” stopped in Roanoke to record three new songs at Deep Roots Productions, run by Shore native Dustin Lee.

“The new songs are really exciting,” said Riopel. “You always feel that the next songs are the best songs you’ve ever written. We’re more polished and more composed than the more improvised stuff we’ve done in the past,” he added.

The band’s rock n’ roll roots are genetically enhanced. Newsom’s uncle, Tommy Newsom, was assistant director in the NBC Orchestra on The Tonight Show starring Johnny Carson.

Simpson started his music career at a Guilford church. His grandfather’s cousin, Cleveland Gaskins Jr., is rumored to have played the first left-handed American flag guitar (not Chet Atkins).

Riopel, whose father plays guitar, began taking lessons at age eleven. He minored in music at the College of William and Mary. Muhic’s father used to play accordion.

“My mom always said I was beating on pots and pans when I was a kid,” laughed Muhic. “I also had a Fisher Price drum set.”

Since moving to Nashville the boys have been beating the pavement making connections and booking gigs. “Our career is music,” said Simpson, who acts as the band’s booking agent until an agent and manager can be found in Nashville. “Nashville is that next step.”

Coming back to the Shore this summer, “Fat Tuesday” will play Kelly’s Pub in Cape Charles on June 20. Then they’ll be at the big Independence Day bash/cancer benefit at the Elk’s Lodge in Accomac on July 3. And the boys in the band are booking shows in Ocean City, Baltimore and the Outer Banks.
The Cheriton Town Council is considering modifying plans for a boundary adjustment with the county. Over the years, the council, and panels that preceded it, sought to grow the town by expanding its borders. At first, when the town application was presented to the Northampton County Board of Supervisors, it was not met with a warm reception, leaving the council to contemplate abandoning the concept.

But, Mayor Joe Habel and the town council decided to scale back the request and cast an eye at properties east of town. The handful of property owners, who live in the area under review, wrote letters to the town asking to formally become a part of the community. Habel said the new request was a better fit and the needs of the properties could be met in the scaled-back request. Once the final proposal has been submitted, it will be up to the supervisors to decide.

In February, Wisneski reported the matter to council and said he would seek removal. While some of the materials were taken away, Wisneski said, another request is needed to resolve the matter to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Wisneski also reported he is ready to begin an inspection process for rental properties, similar to what is conducted in Cape Charles. He recommended council members consider imposing annual inspections to ensure renters’ rights and safety and to provide the owners with information about the status of their property.

Officials agreed there is a need but did not formally act on the recommendation.

Habel brought up a drainage problem on Stoakley Court. The panel agreed to move forward with excavating the ditch to locate and make necessary repairs to promote proper drainage.

American Legion Post 56 can no longer be used as a District polling place. Elections could be held at a nearby church, but Town Clerk Stacy Sparrow said the county would first have to approve the change.

Council discussed the town election in May. Five council members filed on time for re-election. Councilman Wesley Travis missed the deadline. To return he must run as a write-in candidate.

**Boys & Girls Benefit**

“Voices of the Shore,” a benefit concert for the Boys and Girls Club, Eastern Shore, will be held at 7 p.m. April 25 at Franktown United Methodist Church.

The event will feature Shore native and world-renowned opera singer Larry Giddens Jr. and Marilyn Kellam, who has performed in regional operas, cabarets, recitals and over 40 musicals.

The $20 tickets are available at Book Bin in Onley and Rayfield’s Pharmacy in Nassawadox. About 200 youth belong to the local club. They receive a hot meal, academic tutoring and life-skill lessons each school day at Occohannock Elementary. The club operates from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays in summer.

**Eastern Shore Artisan Trail Benefit**

A benefit auction for the Eastern Shore Artisan Trail will be held Saturday, April 5 at the Island House Restaurant in Wachapreague.

A silent auction will be offered from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. There will be a social hour at 7 p.m. and a live auction at 8 p.m. Musical entertainment will be Van Lewin and Melinda and the Benders. Reservations are recommended.
Women Recognized

The Accomack County Woman’s Club honored Laura Belle Gordy, Martha Joyal and Gloria Broad for being in the organization for 25 years or longer.

The group also celebrated all the members who are 80 or more years young. Most are still active in the club.

All those members mentioned were recognized for helping the club meet its goals in promoting education, conservation, philanthropy, public welfare, moral values, civic affairs and fine arts.

High Honors

Blue Crab Bay Co.’s Jalapeno Infused Margarita Mixer recently took best new beverage at the 2014 Virginia Food and Beverage Expo held in Richmond.

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services bestows the Diamond Award to best new beverage product, best new food product, and best new product during the expo. Judges evaluate on the basis of originality, taste/aroma, creative packaging, visual appearance, and presentation.

Students Saw the Need and Found the Solution

Nandua High School’s Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) helped the Shore’s homeless population recently by collecting 810 pounds of canned food for Lighthouse Ministries Shelter in Keller.

The project also educated Nandua students through displays and videos and by sponsoring the food-drive contest.

According to the shelter, FBLA’s donation is the largest one time donation of food to date.

Ms. Diane Ames’ Block One class won the contest with 277 items totaling 4,254.65 ounces.

Perdue Donates to Foodbank

Representatives of Perdue Farms delivered 20,000 pounds of chicken products and presented a $10,000 Arthur W. Perdue Foundation grant Thursday to the Eastern Shore branch of the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia’s Mobile Pantry Program.

The generous gesture was part of Perdue’s commitment to fight hunger.

Farmer Funds Firefighters

Local farmer Wayne Revell recently directed $2,500 to Atlantic Volunteer Fire and Rescue. Funded by America’s Farmers Grow Communities (AFGC), the donation will help the squad replace a 1975 tanker truck.

“I have been involved with the fire and rescue for 40 years,” said Revell. “My sons volunteer as well. Fire departments can be underappreciated until they are needed and this donation will help them keep our community safe.”

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Obituaries

Barber Passes Away

Mr. LaVal Dixon, 49, of Portsmouth, Va., died Friday, March 21, 2014 at Sentara Leigh Hospital in Norfolk.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 29 at Mt. Sinai Gospel Tabernacle in Cape Charles. Interment was in the Cape Charles Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Smith and Scott Funeral Home in Exmore.

Shore Native Dies


Born in Nassawadox, she was the daughter of Nancy Parks Russell of Nancoc Gardens, Onancock, and the late Walter Thomas Russell. She graduated from Onancock High School and the Pennsylvania School of Nursing, and was a former RN before becoming a nurse anesthetist. She was an avid lover of literary arts, film, music, flowers, her family and her dear friends.

In addition to her mother, survivors include her brother, Walter Thomas “Tom” Russell Jr. (and wife, JoAnn) of Onancock; dear friend and companion of 27 years, Stephen “Spike” Perkins of New Orleans; and nephews, Patrick Michael Johnson of Philadelphia, Pa., Erik Kjell Johnson (and wife, Min) of Cleveland, Ohio, and Walter Thomas “Tommy” Russell III of Blacksburg, Va. Besides her father, she was predeceased by her sister, Brenda Russell Johnson.

Funeral services were conducted from Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Saturday, March 29 by Pastor Andy Cobb. Interment was private at Mount Holly Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Onancock Baptist Church, P.O. Box 36, Onancock, VA 23417. Memorial tributes may be shared with family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Saxis Man Dies

Mr. Ralph James Miles, 84, of Mechanicsville, Va. passed away Tuesday, March 25, 2014 after a brief illness.

Mr. Miles was born on September 8, 1929 in Saxis, the second son of Aldon and Louise Miles.

He was a long-time resident of Saxis and a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Mr. Miles was a lifelong waterman and a co-owner of Aldon T. Miles & Sons Seafood Co.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Viola Annis Miles, and his older brother Aubrey Miles. He is survived by his sons, Rodney (and wife Lana); and Gary (and wife Faye); grandchildren, James, Christy, and Ashley; great grandson, Trevor; his sister, Lula Mae Justice; and his brother, Joe Miles.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 29 at Downing’s Cemetery in New Church with Rev. Freddie Ward officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Saxis United Methodist Church or Saxis Volunteer Fire Company.

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

N.J. Native Dies

Mr. John Edward Wiertel, 81, of Melfa, formerly of Long Island, N.Y., passed away at his residence on Friday, March 28, 2014.

Mr. Wiertel was born March 1, 1933 in New Jersey. He was a master craftsman and renovation carpenter. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, greatly loved and enjoyed woodworking and was a member of the American Legion.

He was predeceased by his wife, Mildred Francis Halsbohn Wiertel. Survivors include his daughter, Patricia “Patty” Thomson (and husband Dan) of Melfa; his son, Gary F. Cramer (and wife Debbie) of Loxahatchee, Fla.; a sister, Charlotte Kladaski of Riverhead, N.Y.; two grandchildren, Sean Smith (and wife Jenna La Cour) of Ridge, N.Y. and Chantz Cramer of Loxahatchee; two great-granddaughters, Sydney M. Smith of Ridge and Aubrey Cramer of Loxahatchee; a beloved friend, Joe Goguen of Melfa; two nieces; and four nephews.

Private services will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the S.P.C.A., P.O. Box 164, Onley, Va. 23418 or Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market Street, Suite 3, Onancock, Va. 23417 or the American Legion Post 101, P.O. Box 771, Onley, Va. 23418. Memorial tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Former Onley Man Dies

Mr. David Thomas Belote Jr., 70, passed away at his residence on Friday, March 28, 2014.

Mr. Belote was a resident of Newport News, Va. for the past 31 years.

Born January 10, 1944 and reared in Onley, he was the son of the late David Thomas Belote and Doris Long Belote. He was a department supervisor in electrical engineering for ESTG at Newport News Shipbuilding.

Mr. Belote retired in 2008.

Mr. Belote was a member of the Masonic Lodge and enjoyed accounting, computer electronics, and walking his dog, Sassy. His kind words of wisdom, quick-wit and humor were known by all who were fortunate to have shared his company and will forever be cherished.

In addition to being a devoted husband to his dear wife of 46 years, Linda Kilmon Belote, Mr. Belote was a loving and caring father to his three children, Lori Belote Williams (and husband Todd) of Williamsburg, Va., David Christopher (Chris) Belote (and wife Pam) of Williamsburg, and Jennifer Belote Fajardo (and husband Kevin) of Colorado Springs, Col.; a very proud and admiring “Deedad” to his eight grandchildren, Christopher Belote, Ashley Williams, Lindsey Williams, Landon Belote and Andrew Williams, all of Williamsburg, and Megan, Maren and Brady Fajardo, all of Colorado Springs; and an affectionate and loyal brother to his sister, Deborah (Debbie) Beley Roberts of Onancock. Also surviving are his brother-in-law, Donald Wayne Kilmon of Bloxom; niece, Angela Gibson; nephews, Mark Russell Hawk, Joshua Holmes and Donald Wayne Kilmon Jr.; and extended family, Donna and Jimmy Belote, Gloria Fitchett and Gary and Kathy Ewell.

Funeral services were conducted at Fairview Lawn Cemetery on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 with Rev. Robert Chapman officiating. Flowers will be accepted or memorial donations may be made to the S.P.C.A., P.O. Box 164, Onley, Va. 23418. Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Carpenter Dies

Mr. Jeffery Scott “Unk” Walker of Chincoteague passed away on Friday, March 28, 2014 at his residence at the age of 52.

Born in Nassawadox on April 21, 1961, he was the son of the late Louis and Doris Clark Walker. He was a member of the Union Baptist Church and had been a carpenter for many years.

Mr. Walker is survived by his children, Mallorie N. Walker and Scott W. Walker, both of Chincoteague; their mother, Sue Walker; three sisters, Vivien Keech of N.C., Shelley Adams of Exmore and Gail Walker of Parksley; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Debbie Reed and a brother, Terry L. Walker.

A memorial service held Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at Fox & Holston Funeral Home on Chincoteague with Rev. Maury Enright officiating.

Online condolences may be made at www.foxfuneralhomes.com

Baptist Woman Dies

Ms. Judy Lynn Angell Lessard, 64, a resident of Eastville, Va., passed away Saturday, March 29, 2014 at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

A native of Mount Clemens, Mich., she was the daughter of the late Joseph James Angell and the late Olga Myers Angell. She was a member of Lower Northampton Baptist Church. Ms. Lessard was born on Jan. 29, 1950.

She is survived by a son, Clinton Lessard of Chesapeake; a daughter, Tammy Lessard of Norfolk; a brother, Norman V. Stafford of Florida; and a grandson, Gregory Lessard of Acomac.

A Celebration of Life Service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Sat., April 5, 2014 at Lower Northampton Baptist Church with Rev. Jeff Conrow officiating. Condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Islander Passes Away

Mr. James Lewis “Jimmy” Jenkins, 89, loving husband of Jean P. Jenkins, passed away Saturday, March 29, 2014 at his home in Onancock.

(Obituaries Cont’d. on Next Page)
Born on October 31, 1924 on Tangier, he was a son of the late Robert James Jenkins and Florida Ellen Pruitt Jenkins.

Mr. Jenkins retired from Bell Atlantic with 35 years of service, was a member of Market Street United Methodist Church, past Master of Chesapeake Masonic Lodge # 158 A.F. & A.M. and a member of V.F.W. Post # 2296 in Tasley. He served in the Marine Corps in World War II and was among the first wave of troops that landed on Iwo Jima.

In addition to his wife of 63 years, he is survived by two children, James L. Jenkins Jr. (and wife Mary) and Gloria J. Bradley; and two grandchildren, Kristen Paige Jenkins and Travis James Bradley. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a brother, William Jenkins and a sister, Myrtle J. Killmon.

Funeral services with military honors and Masonic rites were conducted at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 1, 2014 with the Rev. Robert Chapman II officiating.

Flowers will be accepted or memorial donations may be made to the Market Street United Methodist Church, 75 Market Street, Onancock, Va. 23417.

Memorial tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Shore Native Dies

**Mr. Jeffery Bruce Taylor**, 51, of Norfolk passed away Saturday, March 29, at DePaul Hospital in Norfolk.

Born in Nassawadox, he was the son of Ann Atkinson Taylor of Exmore and the late Gary Taylor. He was a longtime faithful employee of Mona Lisa Pizza in Ocean View and a faithful member of Lighthouse Community Baptist Church in Ocean View.

In addition to his mother, Mr. Taylor is survived by two children, Jade S. Taylor of Newark, Del. and Jeffery B. Taylor II of Charleston, S.C.; a sister, Luci Prince of Petersburg, Va.; a brother, Donald Williams of Hebron, Md.; the mother of his children, Elizabeth Taylor of Chincoteague; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Peggy Tyler.

A memorial service will be conducted Wednesday, April 2 at Maranatha Baptist Church at 12354 Lincoln Ave. in Exmore.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Jeffery B. Taylor Fund, c/o Thornton Funeral Home, P.O. Box 264, Parksley, Va. 23421, to assist with funeral expenses. Sign the online guest book at thorntonfuneralhome.net

**Miss Quittapahilla Dies**

**Mrs. Janet Schopf Ebersole**, 92, wife of the late Walter K. Ebersole and a 60-year resident of Bellport, N.Y., passed away Sunday, March 30, 2014 at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Lancaster Co., Penn., she was the daughter of the late Paul F. Schopf and the late Pauline Yentzer Schopf.

Mrs. Ebersole graduated from Lebanon Valley College, where she was Miss Quittapahilla of 1943. She was the organist and choir director for the Bellport United Methodist Church for 30 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebersole were active in developing musical activity with wide community participation in Greater Bellport.

Friends will also remember Mrs. Ebersole’s devotion to weekly meetings where news was exchanged and bridge was played.

She is survived by three children, John P. Ebersole of Natick, Mass., Ann Ebersole Terry (and husband, Pete) of Willis Wharf and David Ebersole of San Diego, Cal.; five grandchildren, Jay Ebersole, Heather Terry Lusk (and husband Roland Lusk), Laura Terry Annon, Dylan Walter Ebersole and Derek Lawrence Ebersole; and three great grandchildren, Tyler Tate Annon, Lela Lusk and Wescott Bowdoin Lusk.

A celebration-of-life service will be held in Bellport in late May. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite #3, Onancock, Va. 23417 or at https://hpces.thankyou4caring.org or the Cancer Research Institute, One Exchange Plaza, 55 Broadway, Suite 1802, New York, NY 10006 http://cancerresearch.org/giving-to-cri/ways-to-give/give-now Online condolences may be sent at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

**Onancock Woman Dies**

**Mrs. Cynthia Kirk Jester**, 77, of Onancock passed away April 1, 2014.

She was a special woman who knew no strangers. Mrs. Jester worked for Turner Sculpture for 30 years and for the last few years at Blue Bay Crab Company, which she dearly loved. She enjoyed traveling, and cherished being with her husband, family and friends. Her spirit will live on in all who knew and loved her.

Mrs. Jester is survived by her husband of 59 years, Wayne B. Jester; her children, Wayne Kirk Jester (and wife Carol) of Virginia Beach, Deborah Anne Jester of Melfa and Lisa Michele Jester (and husband Mark Stow) of Newark, Del.; her grandchildren, Dustin Jester, Ashley Couch, Courtney Couch and Mallory Jester; and numerous nieces, nephews and other family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 5, 2014 at the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home with Rev. Albert L. Crockett officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market Street, Suite 3, Onancock, Va. 23417, or at www.hpces.org. Tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

**Local Soroptimist Dies**

**Mrs. Sue Mason Poulsom Chesser**, 80, of Atlantic passed away Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center in Parkesky.

Born July 8, 1933 in Accomac, she was the daughter of the late O. Thomas Mason Sr. and Nellie M. Mason.

Mrs. Chesser retired from the Accomac Social Services Department where she was a secretary. She was a member of Atlantic Baptist Church.

She was a loyal and faithful member of the Accomac Soroptimist Club, serving as chairman of the Rachel B. Hall Crape Myrtle Project; a past-president and secretary of the A-N Antique Car Club and member of Women on Missions.

Mrs. Chesser is survived by her beloved husband, Herman E. Chesser; three nieces, Murlee Mason Thomas (and husband Keith) of Leesburg, Fla., Susan Nell Mason of Tenn., and Martha Mason Simpson (and husband Allen) of Largo, Fla.; one nephew, James Stewart Mason of Daugherty; eight great-nieces and nephews; sixteen great-great-nieces and nephews; and two godchildren, Christopher Miles of Sign Post and Lynne Miles Carter of Fla.

She was predeceased also by her first husband, Wallace Poulsom; and a brother, O. Thomas Mason Jr.

Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 6, 2014 from the chapel of Williams-Parksley Funeral Home with Rev. Richard Inman officiating. Interment will follow at Atlantic Baptist Church Cemetery. Visitation at the funeral home will be an hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Soroptimist Club of Accomack County, c/o Margaret T. Miles, P.O. Box 392, Parksley, Va. 23421; Atlantic Baptist Church, c/o Audrey Furness, 33190 Taylor Farm Road, Templemanville, Va. 23442; Atlantic Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 207, Atlantic, Va. 23303; or Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market Street, Suite 3, Onancock, Va. 23417.

**Machipongo Man Dies**

A funeral service for **Mr. Douglas L. (Buddy) Outten** of Machipongo will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 5, 2014 at Johnson’s Cemetery with Rev. Clarence Bowen officiating.

Visitation will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 4 at Fox and James Funeral Home in Eastville.

Memorial contributions may be made in care of Kenneth Webb, Johnson’s Cemetery Fund, 13527 Deerfield Trail, Machipongo, Va. 23405. Condolences may be sent to: www.foxandjamesfh.com

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  To Christopher and Sandra Johnson
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  Parcel 085 for road improvement
  For $1,800

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  To Commonwealth of Virginia
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The programs are a public service of UVA’s Virginia Center for Diabetes Professional Education. Partners in this effort are the Virginia Department of Health’s Office of Minority Health and Health Equity, VDEMP and the UVA Office of Telemedicine. To register call Peggy Holloway, health educator at ACHC, at (757) 824-5676 ext. 628.

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I return from a special Governor-called three-day General Assembly (GA) budget-session only to report no action. Our boards of supervisors will have to guess what will be allocated to them from the state.

The Senate left Monday after one day on the job. The House stayed to finish work only to deliver our budget to an empty Senate chamber. The governor will not move from his decision to expand Medicaid. He dropped his idea of “Marketplace Virginia” to one of expanding the existing Medicaid program and the idea of putting perceived savings into a “Recovery Fund” and replaced it with promises of raises to all state employees from savings he says will occur.

My stance has not changed. We need to pass a budget now without Medicaid tied to it. He should then call a special session to discuss the whole Medicaid program. Virginia spends 22 percent of its current budget on Medicaid. It is growing at a rate of 8 percent with revenues rising only 4 percent. This is a recipe for disaster.

Education spending for K-12 is around 29 percent of the state budget. Medicaid competes every year for dollars that could be spent on schools, transportation and public safety. Virginia has to have a balanced budget and there is only one way to make up the shortfall - higher taxes.

The savings promised have yet to be realized and are inflated at best, costly at worst. When Medicaid was created the first-year cost projection was $238 million. Actual costs were over $1 billion. The federal government is $17 trillion in debt and we are asked to trust it to cover the expansion cost. We need to plan for all expenses without the Federal Government’s help because it can’t continue to cover checks it writes.

Virginia’s Triple-A bond rating must be protected. Prudent long-term planning is needed to ensure Virginia has control of its expenses. Letting the Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources design and direct this expansion without an escape clause is bad business. The governor is bullying the GA in order to get his way. I hope you will join me and tell him to stop playing games and pass a “clean budget” without expanding Medicaid.

You can help by signing this petition at passthebudgetterry.com or by calling (804) 786-2211.

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By Delegate Robert S. (Rob) Bloxom

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Gone But Not Forgotten

Story and Photo by Ron West

Those old enough to recall the days before the waters were spanned by the steel and concrete of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel probably have one or two memories of an era dominated by ferries that transported travelers across the Bay.

Some will remember the long lines at the ferry terminal just west of Mason Avenue in Cape Charles. Others may recollect the lines that seemed to extend endlessly north from the Kiptopeke Ferry ramps. Still others will never forget turning a bit green as the ferries did a slow roll during the 90-minute run to Little Creek.

It was a bookmark in history - a time when things moved a bit slower and everyone took time to wave and say, “hay” to everyone else, regardless of whether they knew them or not. Today, a trip across the Bay takes about 20 minutes. Some make the crossing multiple times each month or even daily. For those who lived between the 1940s and the day the bridge-tunnel opened, the trip was more of a rarity.

Workers made that run multiple times every day of the week. They were the reliable few who loaded vehicles, stood watch in the engine rooms, walked the decks or cast a steady eye seaward from the “bridges” of the seven ferries of the Virginia Ferry Commission.

Passenger steamers had operated from Cape Charles since the 1880s making trips between there and Norfolk every day. As more and more people traveled by passenger train from the northeast to Cape Charles, more and more vessels were added. Car ferries began leaving from the town in 1927 but the mid-1930s saw a major increase in traffic and continued to climb until the bridge-tunnel opened in 1964.

It has been 50 years since the last ferry crossed the Bay. For a dozen or so sturdy souls it was like yesterday as they met for a reunion at the Cape Charles Museum recently. The alumni and some family members were greeted like royalty. They enjoyed a festive spread of food and slide shows and videos that featured the ferries. It was an opportunity to renew old friendships with fellow crewmembers.

Local historian Bill Neville helped orchestrate the event and conducted impromptu interviews with notables such as former Captains Billy Ray Phillips and Richard Belote.

During a slide show that traced the history of the ferries and concrete ships of Kiptopeke, many of the former ferry workers contributed stories about events that occurred during their innumerable trips on the sometimes less than friendly waters of the Bay.

For some in attendance, the opening of the bridge-tunnel meant the end of their time on the ferries. For others, it signaled the need to learn a new body of water as they shifted operations to the crossing from Cape May, N.J. to Lewes, Del.

As with the former crewmembers, time was taking its toll on the seven ships of the ferry service. One story recited by a crewman mentioned the need to be creative in keeping a ship afloat when a hull plate gave way, allowing water to pour in. Television enthusiasts may remember the “MacGyver” series, which featured a character who could mend nearly anything with a role of duct tape. In the case of the hull leak, the crew used a rubber mat, a five-gallon bucket and some timbers to keep the waters back while continuing to make trips for three more days before heading to drydock.

Anyone who traveled on those ships will have their favorite ferry or one that they hated. A story or two about the trips will likely still stick in their heads. For myself, I loved the old M/V Northampton, which was the slowest and rolled the most of any of them.

I’m sure that many teenage couples can recall a moonlight stroll on the decks or even slipping under the cover of a lifeboat as they returned from attending a late night ball game at a school across the Bay.

Regardless of one’s ferry memories, it’s hard to drive across the bridge-tunnel and not have your mind drift back to those wonderful days when you left the “driving” to others as you enjoyed the smell of the salt air and the gentle roll of the ships as they sailed across 17 miles of the Chesapeake.

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Leon called my name the other day as I was leaving the bank. It was good to see Leon, whom I have not seen in many years. He was one of my bosses at the ice plant, where I worked for four summers during college.

After working long hours for my father on the farm during high school, I decided to find different employment while in college. Farm work was often hot and sweaty. Working at the ice plant often required insulated clothing in the summer. But the hours were still long. The difference, however, is I was being paid overtime. On the farm, I had to be satisfied with room and board at home plus a bit of spending money.

Over the years I’ve poked enough fun at myself to make a good case for slander. Although the barbs were admittedly self-inflicted, it still bruises the ego to reveal to the world that you once locked yourself in a 4-foot by 6-foot foyer outside your office, chased a cat ’round town in your pajamas and probed through the garbage for a Christmas present you threw in the dumpster.

I consider the baring of my soul to the world a price I sometimes pay for writing a weekly column.

If you will permit me this one exhibition of immodesty, I would like to relate to you the time I stood and stacked 21 300-pound cakes of ice.

I spent most of that first summer at the local ice plant filling ice boxes with 10-pound bags, a job which required counting up to 100 but little in the way of muscle.

Occasionally, however, they would let me catch the ice as it came into the storage room.

To explain, ice was frozen in cylinder containers and then dumped onto a platform which moved like a conveyor belt toward a chute, where a man stood and shoved each cake in the storage room. Inside the storage room, another man stopped the ice with tongs and pulled it out of the way so the cakes wouldn’t collide and break. Later, both men stood the ice on end and stacked the cakes into neat rows.

Wearing tennis shoes and not very fond of broken toes, I would have made a basketball coach think I was a defensive wizard the way I backpedaled as each cake came shooting toward me. My method was to chomp on the cake with tongs the instant it came to a standstill. By then, my backside was usually against the rear wall. If fewer than 10 of the 21 cakes cracked, I thought I had done OK.

The man, often Leon, pushing the cakes to me didn’t think I did so well, however. He used to complain I made crushed ice without putting it in the bags.

Heeding some advice from Leon, I soon took to wearing steel-toed boots and learned that handling ice is a lot like taming lions: You don’t force lions to do anything they don’t want to do — it is better to convince the lions that whatever they do is your idea.

With ice, a pair of tongs is your whip. The momentum of the ice does the work while the tongs act merely as a guide.

I found that by jerking up on the ice shortly after it sped down the chute, I could use the momentum to pop up the cake and stand it on end. Then with a twist of the wrist and a shove with my steel-toed boot, I could send the ice toward its proper place in the row.

And one fine day, when everything was in sync, I managed to repeat that maneuver 21 times, standing and stacking one cake before the next one came blasting down the ramp.

There was no crowd cheering me on to clinch the perfect game with a strikeout, no frenzied appeals to end the fight with a single thrust of the sword.

My simple reward was the look on Leon’s face when he ambled into the storage room to help me stand and stack the cakes of ice.

He knew that this iceman had come of age.
Run for Animals April 6

The 3rd Annual Run For The Animals will take place Sunday, April 6, at 8:30 a.m. at the Historic Onancock School.

Proceeds will benefit local needy animals.

Participants can choose either the half marathon (13.1 miles) or the 10K (6.2 miles) run/walk.

There will be commemorative T-shirts, finishing medals, trophies by age division, door prizes, and awards for the top three fund-raisers.

Leashed canine companions are welcome.

There will be a post-race celebration. The event is rain or shine.

The registration fee is $50. The reduced student fee is $25.

To register, volunteer, or sponsor, contact Andrea Derby, race director, at 757-999-4999 or acderby@verizon.net.

For more information, go to www.RunForTheAnimals.com.

YMCA Soccer for Youth

The Eastern Shore Family YMCA will host a youth soccer league this spring. There will be age groups competing by grade level in K-2nd, 3rd-4th and 5th-6th. Children must be at least 5 years old to register.

YMCA Soccer is designed to teach the basic skills of soccer to children who have never played the game and improve the skills of those who have. Games will be held at the YMCA on Friday evenings starting April 11. The member rate is $45 and the non-member rate is $60. Register online or at the Y in Onley.

Bay-to-Bay Run/Walk Set on Chincoteague

The Chincoteague Island Family YMCA has announced its third annual Bay-to-Bay 10K Run and 5K Run/Walk to be held Saturday, April 19.

Check-in will start at 6:30 a.m. at Robert Reed Park and the race will start at 8 a.m.

The registration fee is $25 for early registration and $35 for registration after April 12. Active military personnel qualify for a $5 discount. Children under the age of 14 can participate for free.

This year's participants in the 5K portion can either run or walk the course.

First-, second- and third-place awards will be given to male and female runners in 10-year age groupings in both the 5K and 10K races.

Free child care will be available on site for participating parents.

Following the race, there will be a kids’ Easter egg hunt and family games in the park.

To register, call the YMCA at 336-6626, stop by the Y at 6395 Maddox Blvd. or visit www.ymcachesapeake.org.

Arcadia, Booster Club To Hold Three Events

Arcadia High School will host an Indoor Yard Sale and Car Wash Saturday, April 26. Also, the Athletic Booster Club will be sponsoring its first annual Chili Cook-Off.

The yard sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; set-up begins at 7 a.m. Tables for the yard sale are $10. The money raised from the yard sale will go toward various activities at Arcadia High School.

The Chili Cook-Off will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There is a $25 entry fee to enter your best chili. Cast a vote of your favorite chili for $5. The money raised for the Chili Cook-Off will go toward the Virginia High School League clubs at Arcadia.

The car wash will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of the high school. Donations will be accepted. The money raised from the car wash will go toward the DECA Club.

Chamber Golf Tourney Announced for May 2

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce announces its first annual golf tournament to be held Friday, May 2, replacing the annual Shore Fest tournament which will not be held this year by the hospital.

The tournament will tee off at 1 p.m. at Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club after an 11 a.m. registration and lunch, which begins at 11:30 a.m.

Prices for first, second and third places, longest drives and closest-to-the-pin prizes will be given for both men and women.

The entry fee is $100 per golfer, which includes, greens fees, cart, lunch, on-course beverages and the awards reception. The field will be limited to 32 teams.

To enter, send name and address with handicap to Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 460, Melfa, VA 23410.

For more information, call 787-2460 or email info@esvachamber.org.

Free Golf Weekend for New WQ Clubhouse

Pocomoke City officials have announced a grand opening and ribbon cutting for their new clubhouse at Winter Quarters Municipal Golf Course. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 5, beginning at 10 a.m. at the clubhouse at the end of Winter Quarters Drive adjacent the Pocomoke River.

To celebrate the grand opening of the new building, the mayor and council have agreed to provide free golf for any area golfers on either Saturday, April 5, or Sunday, April 6. Golfers may play one round of 18 holes on either day at no cost.

Golfers are asked to call 401-957-1171 or 410-957-1333 to reserve a tee time for either Saturday or Sunday, April 5 or 6, and to reserve an optional golf cart.

Now Is the Time to Get Away to a New Home, “The Island House 2” Starting at $62,900 Until April 30, 2014!
Northampton’s Lewis, Carstens Combine for No-Hitter

**Story and photos by Bill Sterling**

Northampton blanked Franklin 6-0 last Thursday at home behind the no-hit pitching of Nick Lewis, who struck out 13 of 16 batters he faced over five innings. Will Carstens pitched the final two innings, striking out four. The two Jacket hurlers combined to pitch a no-hitter.

Lewis and Ryan Outten went 2 for 2. Carstens and Hunter Pruitt each had a hit for the Jackets.

**Nandua Falls to NA**

Nandua fell to Norfolk Academy 7-2 last Thursday on the road.

The Warriors used six different pitchers for an inning each in the early-season game. Curtis Ormsby took the loss.

Hunter Taylor and Devanta Mason had the only two Nandua hits, with Taylor and Ryan Haynie each collecting an RBI.

**Vikings Blast Jackets**

Broadwater swamped Northampton 19-2 on Tuesday at Eastville as Michael Riopel continued his torrid hitting this season with a 5-for-5 day, including a double and homer, and six RBIs.

Cortland Bunce went 3 for 5 with three RBIs, Ben Holland added a single and triple and scored four runs, and Andrew Hart walked four times and scored four runs.

For Northampton, Cody Johnson went 2 for 3 with an RBI, and Ryan Outten also went 2 for 3 with an RBI. John Curry had an RBI on a sacrifice.

Ben Farlow started for Broadwater and faced eight batters in two innings, striking out six. Both Jacket runners reached base on catcher interference calls.

Holland pitched the third inning, and Justin Shaffner finished up the final two innings.

Broadwater has a double header on the road today against Hampton Christian and then plays a double header at home Monday against Atlantic Shores in a stretch that includes six games. The games Monday are the final home games of the year and include Senior Day ceremonies. First game starts at 4 p.m.

**Arcadia Falls to SC**

Arcadia fell to Salisbury Christian 15-2 Tuesday in baseball. Domnick Seimenski led the Firebird attack with two hits and an RBI, also stealing two bases. Zach Mills also had an RBI for Arcadia.

Mason Grove took the loss for Arcadia, pitching 5.2 innings before Dalton McDaniel got the final out.

**Anglers to Meet April 14**

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club (www.esanglersclub.org) will hold its monthly meeting April 14 in the conference room of Sage Restaurant in Onley. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and will feature a presentation by Capt. Matt Abell of Seahawk Sports Center in Pocomoke, Md.

One of the most accomplished anglers in the area, Abell will talk about spring and summer fishing for flounder in the seaside bays and inlets, and share the knowledge that he’s gained from a lifetime of local fishing. His website is www.seahawksports.com.

The public is invited to attend, and new or prospective members are welcome.
Northampton Blitzes Franklin 25-2, Wright Weaves No-Hitter

*Story and photos by Bill Sterling*

The Lady Jacket softball team got its second victory of the season with a 25-to-2 victory over Franklin last Thursday at home. The Lady Jackets combined for 16 hits, led by Whitney Metz with two triples, including a bases-loaded three-bagger. Metz and Cassie Nadeau each had three hits each, with Taylor Nadeau, Elizabeth Lilliston and Shana Harrison adding two hits each. The Lady Jackets scored 16 runs in the first inning.

Kaylyn Wright pitched a no hitter for the Lady Jackets, allowing three walks.

**Arcadia Softballers**

**Top Salisbury Christian**

The Arcadia softballers beat Salisbury Christian 13-5 Tuesday.

Ashley Justice pitched a complete game with four strike-outs and a walk, on four hits.

The offense was led by Taylor Lewis with a three-run home run and five RBIs. In addition, Tiffany Trader, Ashley Justice, Cana Lankford and Jasmine Holden each had two hits.

Lead-off hitter Sara Jones set the table often by reaching base four out of five times at bat.

**Jackets Edge**

**Broadwater 8-6**

The Lady Jacket softball team ran its record to 3-0 with a 8-6 win over Broadwater Tuesday.

The Lady Jackets were led by Whitney Metz with two hits, including a double, Cassie Nadeau with two hits. Makayla Wilson added two hits as well, including an RBI double. Shana Harrison also had a double for the Lady Jackets.

Kaylyn Wright pitched a complete game, allowing only three hits.

For Broadwater, Laura Merritt went 2 for 2, Anna Sexauer had a hit and scored two runs. Heather Custis, Rachel Fox and Kelsey Parker each scored a run.

Broadwater coach Noble Palmer noted he intentionally walked Briana Williams twice, fearing her power.

On Tuesday, Chincoteague hosts Nan dua and Arcadia hosts Northampton.
Northampton’s Jesus Maldonado scored two goals Wednesday night as the Jackets edged Nandua 2-1 in a soccer match.

Maldonado scored in the first half with just over 19 minutes remaining on an assist by Junior Guildo. Then, after David Wright tied the score at 1-1 with a second-half goal, Maldonado scored the tie breaker with 10 minutes remaining on an assist by Angel Mateo Sanchez.

“It was a good win for our team,” said Northampton coach John Gorman. “We are still trying to find our best lineup.”

Northampton goalie Jose Ibarra took a hard hit in the first half, but remained in the game despite a noticeable limp.

Nandua Girls’ Soccer Earns First Win Ever

The Nandua girls’ soccer team earned its first win in the program’s history with a 4-1 win over Franklin Tuesday night at home.

Ryan Wright scored three goals, with Charlotte Olmsted getting one.

The Nandua girls’ soccer program, coached by Dana Wright, is in its second season.

Northampton Girls Top Essex, 2-1

The Northampton girls’ soccer team edged Essex 2-1 Friday at home.

Meghan Walpole scored on a long shot off an assist by Madisen Lewis in the first half. In the second half, Taylor Webb scored in front of the goal off a crossed ball by Erica Head.

Leading 2-0, the Jackets gave up a goal off a long pass by Essex. “We usually are a second-half team, but not in this game,” said Jacket coach Tabi Webb. “We were not showing the same intensity we had in the first half.”

Northampton had 19 shots on goal to Essex’s four. “We had a few one-on-one opportunities for scores we missed,” said Webb. “But it’s only our second game, and last year we eventually began to score more easily.”

Northampton lost to Smithfield last Thursday 2-0 in Eastville.

“They were fast, and I am still shuffling players around, working on format,” said Jacket coach John Gorman, who added that goalie Jose Ibarra made some outstanding saves.

On Friday, Northampton dropped a 1-0 decision to Warhill on the road.

Northampton hosts Essex tonight at home in a 6 o’clock contest and travels to Arcadia on Monday.
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Fine Arts & Crafts Show & Plant Sale
The Woman’s Club of Accomack County is sponsoring the Third Annual Spring Fine Arts & Crafts Show & Sale, held at their clubhouse on Richmond Ave. in Onley, on Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to the sale of plants there will be dozens of local artists displaying their wares. This is a juried event to benefit the E.S. Public Library Foundation Capital Campaign.

Outdoor spaces for artisans remain available at $25 per space. For more information contact Marcia at 789-3870 or Lynne at 442-3812.

FREE Seedlings on Arbor Day
Come out and celebrate Arbor tomorrow and get some FREE tree seedlings. There will be 3 locations—Northampton County Courthouse grounds in Eastville from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Eastern Shore Community College in Melfa from 9 a.m. to noon; and the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Herbert H. Bateman Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There will be an assortment of trees including Bald Cypress, Hazelnut, Indigo Bush, Loblolly Pine, Persimmon, Red Maple, Sawtooth Oak, White Dogwood, White Oak and Yellow Poplar.
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(Dad) Esley Kellam, Mom (Uvonda Bailey)

**LOST PET:**

**100 REWARD** for the safe return of missing cat. 1-year-old neutered male, gray-striped tiger cat with white face, chest, belly & legs. Went missing March 13, 2014 in vicinity of Johnson Landing Rd. & Lee Mont Rd.

Please call with info: 757-665-4714.

**Auto Supplies**


**Help Wanted**

**Job Title:** Financial Analyst

**Qualifications:** Bachelor's degree in Accounting or Finance with 4 years experience. Job Skills: Ability to analyze financial data and prepare financial reports. Knowledge of federal and state financial regulations. Work requires professional written and verbal communication and interpersonal skills.

**Responsibilities:** Coordinate agency financial planning and budget management functions. Prepare agency financial statements and reports. Oversee daily financial operations and payroll process of agency. Manage the preparation of the official month-end and year-end closes.

**Salary:** $45,000 - $55,000 with benefits

**Contact:** Wayne Bell, Director of Operations

Therapeutic Interventions
757-442-6147
wbell@therapeuticinterventions.com

**Shore Christian Academy in Exmore is seeking a Grade 7 teacher for the 2014 - 2015 school year.** The successful applicant will have strengths in mathematics and sciences as are appropriate for middle school curriculum including algebra and life and/or earth sciences. A complete job description can be obtained by calling the school at 757-442-9791 or visiting the school at 11624 Ocehannock Road.

**Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, a local community bank, is seeking a team player to fill a year-round part-time position at our Pocomoke location. Applicants must be flexible and available to work in our various southern Worcester County locations if needed. Those interested in part-time employment need only to apply.**

The Customer Service Associate will perform transactions in an efficient and courteous manner and suggest products and services to customers to meet the customers’ needs while performing other branch duties. Previous cash-handling and customer service experience is required; banking experience is strongly preferred, but not necessary. The successful candidate must be professional, friendly, organized, detail-oriented and analytical. Computer skills are a must. If you are a team-player with excellent communication skills, we would like to hear from you. We offer competitive compensation commensurate with background and experience.

**How to apply:**

Please submit a resume indicating position applied for and salary requirements to:

**Online:** http://www.taylorbank.com/bank-application-process.php

**Mail:**

Calvin B. Taylor Bank Attention: Human Resources
Job Number: 2014-03
P.O. Box 5
Berlin, Maryland 21811

Calvin B. Taylor Bank is an Equal Opportunity Employer of women, minorities, protected veterans and individuals with disabilities.

**Boats, Etc.**

**16-Ft. CANOE** - Sears Roebeck - 4-person, 600-lb. weight limit, $175 OBO. Call 757-336-4507.

**23’ BAYLINER** - 5.7 L.O.H. 9.9 aux. motor w/ hydraulic lift, anchor puller, sink, fridge, stove, head, sleeps 4, trailer. $8,995. 757-302-1185

**18’-Ft. 75 H.P. SAILBOAT** - 60+ h.p., professionally maintained, $7,500 OBO. 757-442-2783.

**2005 17’-Ft. BAYLINER** - Aluminum, fiberglass boat, 60+ h.p., low h.p., $4,000. 130 h.p., outboard motor, trailer, $14,000. 710-863-2603 or 442-4141

**MERCURY OUTBOARD PROP** - Like new, $1,400. 175-710-0070

**STICKY NOTE PRICES! BOOK YOUR DATE NOW!!**

**Real estate office hiring for full-time position.** VA Real Estate license required. Flexible hours & benefits. If interested, stop by our office for an employment application.

**Chincoteague Resort Realty**
6426 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague Island

**Auto Tech Needed:** Must have min. 5 years exp. & own tools. Top pay rate. Call 710-7394 & leave message.

**Tire & Lube Tech Needed:** Must have min. 18 months exp. & some tools. Call 710-7394 & leave message.

**HARBOR MASTER ASSISTANT**

The Town of Onancock is now accepting applications for a part-time Harbor Master Assistant. This position assists the Harbor Master in the operation of the Town of Onancock Harbor. Duties include managing transient boats in the harbor, assisting in managing reservations and revenues, general upkeep and operation of the Harbor Master Building and Wharf facilities, and outstanding customer service. Must possess some computer skills and be proficient using Microsoft Office, especially Word and Excel.

An application package is available at the Onancock Town Office, 15 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417 during ordinary business hours. Position will remain open until filled.

**HELP WANTED PART-TIME:**

Must have the ability to make decisions on your own. Must have great work ethic. Must have driver’s license and transportation. Must not lack drug abuse. Clean criminal record. View a copy of the job description at www.vec.virginia.gov. Applications must be submitted through the Virginia Employment Commission. Job Order #30295.

**POLICE OFFICER**

The Town of Onancock is now accepting applications for the position of full-time Police Officer. Duties entail full police services to the community. Current Virginia law enforcement certification as a Police Officer is preferred, and experience as a full-time law enforcement officer is a definite plus. Salary is negotiable depending on experience, and the Town offers various benefits to all full-time employees. Applicants who cannot meet the minimum requirements described in Sections 15.2-1705 (A) of the Code of Virginia will not be considered.

Applications, together with copies of the job description and the statute referenced above, may be obtained at the Onancock Town Office, 15 North Street, Onancock, Virginia 23417 during ordinary business hours. Position will remain open until filled.
1988 Grady White
20’, 225 h.p.
Yamaha, 2 axle trailer.
Ready to go.
$10,000.
Call 757-824-5748.

'91 SEARAY SUNDANCER
28’, 106” Beam.
Twin Mercruiser 150, 5.0LX Engines;
AVC w/ reverse cycle heat, new galley.
Sleeps 6, 2 custom canvases, washer/dryer.
Ask $17,000. Reduced to $13,500.
Call 757-999-0002.

2005 22-FT. TROPHY PRO
WA, 150 h.p. Mercury Saltwater, color d/l.
G/P’s., Bimini cover & full cockpit enclosure. 1 new outboard, seats 4.
New canvas, exc. cond., $15,500.
Call 304-671-1879.

28’ CARVER MARINER
Two 350 Mercruiser engines (low hrs.), sleeps 6, 2 custom canvases,
A/C w/ reverse cycle heat, cruiser I/O.
25” Lx Engines; outriggers, down-riggers.
22’-27’ Sea Eagle. Updated 350hp engine.
Transmission OK. $1,250.
Call 757-787-3628.

26’ 1994 MCM NEPTUNE CUTTY CABIN
150 h.p. Johnson engine (completely refurbished), many extras. Boat & trailer in very good running cond.
Call for details. $8,500.

24’-FT. PRIVATIZER W/130 H.P. YAMAHA
2-4 STROKE Boat, motor, & trailer:
asking: $8,000 (check w/ trailer included.)
757-678-6226.

98 SUNBIRD CUTTY-CAB
130 h.p. Evinrude, 222 hours, w/trailer.
$5,000. 757-709-1191, leave msg.

QU'NYARD AREA
74’-ft. Duck Boat for sale w/motor.
Call after 6 p.m.: 442-6422.

20’ OPEN C-HAWK
95 Mercury 200 outboard, trailer, $7,800. 710-2958.

HOLLAND HILL RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY
29279 Tyler Drive
New Church, VA 22451

30’ SPORTSCRAFT 300
Sea Eagle. Updated 350
Vortex 315 h.p. Low hrs.
Reduced to $10,000 OBO. Selling.
Including: Trailer, motor, and misc.

22’-FT. AQUASPORT - Cutty Cabin
140 h.p. Evinrude (low hrs.), 4-wheel trailer, new tires, stainless rollers & bearings, power winch.
$2,400 firm. Call 757-894-0860.

2011 STARCAST SEMI-
V aluminum boat w/ Load-rite trailer (used 3 times)
includes anchor, life preservers, 4 rod holder & Hummingbird fish finder.
Asking $2,000. 336-5683.

27’-FT. F.G. WORK BOAT - 6 cyl.
Perkins Diesel with net drum.
$7,000. Call 757-789-3336.

’02 CATAMARAN - 18’, 75 h.p.
Low engine hours & exc. cond.
$8,000 OBO. 331-1319.

’02 PEARL PROKAT - 27’, 130 h.p.
Hondas, trim tabs, radar, 2 GPS, VHF radio, auto pilot,
elec. anchor windless, outriggers, down-riggers, 2 axle trailer, plus extras.
$32,000. 757-789-3893.
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COMPLETE TREE REMOVAL
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HALLWOOD, VA 23359
(757) 990-1131
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FREE Estimates • Stump Grinding
Stump Removal • Lot Clearing • Excavation
Licensed and Insured

EXMORE - In-town 4BR, 1.5BA, lge. kit., LR, DR, laundry rm., 3-season front porch, central lge. fenced yard, $850/mo., $1,000/sec. dep. No pets allowed. 757-709-9483.

SIMPSON TREE & BOBCAT SERVICE - Tree trimming, removal and stump grinding, 757-720-1200 or 710-8477. FREE ESTIMATES. We accept credit cards.

PARKS PAVING
Driveways, parking lots, paving, sealcoating, joint crack sealing and all patchwork. 757-710-9600.

CUSTOM SEWING & ALTERATIONS
Clothing, clothes, miscellaneous items - Judie Gibbs - 442-6836.

JULIE'S SEWING ROOM
Custom Tailoring - Comfort Fitting - Accessories - 23423, 757-710-8803.

Rental Office - Space


RENT: TEMPERANCEVILLE AREA - Just off Rt. 13. Choice of several lge. buildings, ideal for storage, shop, garage or animals. Good terms. Response to: P.O. Box 323, Atlantic, VA 23303.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY IN PARKSLEY!! Prime location at 24264 Bennett Street for office or business. Corner lot, 1st & last. 302-752-8827.

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Call 894-3151

Pine, Oak, Walnut, Cherry and more for sale. Rough cut or planed available or we saw your logs. Portable Sawmill. 757-331-4848.

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$10 Off 1st month’s rent

'85 FORD ESCORT - 95K mi., automatic, air, 4-door, power windows & locks. $1,800 OBO. 336-4507.

1982 CADILLAC EL DORADO - Diesel. Very good cond. Low mileage. $4,850. Call Rodney 665-4639

1966 BUICK LUCIERENCE CX Garnet red w/grey interior, good cond., 1 owner, $4,000. 757-824-5200.

HOT COW!!! It’s time for your driveway. Better Call John Miller...
Dry Shells, Stone, Clam Shells, Top Soil, Fill Dirt, Excavation, & Backhoe Work
Just Call Site Work Specialist John C. Miller at 757-665-4026


'97 GMC TRUCK - Extended cab, 3-door, 5.7 V8, 235K mi., $3,200. 999-4999

'95 CHEVY IMPALA - 2-dr. sedan, $1,800 firm. 429-2293 after 5.

'05 SPORTSTER HARLEY - 2,000 miles, blue, $7,500 negotiable. Excellent cond. 757-710-9107

'05 MOTOGUZZI 1100V MOTORCYCLE - Low miles. Exc. cond. 757-710-0359.

'04 HARLEY FAT BOY - APEHANGERS - K100RS, 52K miles. Has bags, fairing, & windshield. $3,000 OBO. 50 m.p.g. Call 757-894-5352.

Rotary Annual Goodtimes Auction
April 5, 2014

EXMORE MOOSE LODGE
15315 MERRY CAT LANE - BELLE HAVEN PREVIEW – 5 P.M.
AUCTION – 6 P.M.
(ALL PROCEEDS GO TO LOCAL CHARITIES.)

WANTED

BUYING junk cars, scrap metal, copper, aluminum, brass, tin, & aluminum rims. Paying top dollar. Turn your scrap into cash!! Cars picked up the same day, free of charge. We also buy Elec. Motors & batteries. So call Bob Shores. 757-710-3719 or cell 894-7705.

Yard Sales

Estate Sale Indoors - Sat., April 5, 9 a.m.-? 23427 Uphur’s Neck Rd., Quinby. 4th house on the left after post office. No early birds. Cash sales only. Household, Ethan Allen, dining room set, something for everone.

Estate Sale OANCOCK - 8:30 a.m. April 4 & 5. Art, antq., hshld mdse, collectables, 21 Market St./garage on King St.

NOW ACCEPTING

WANTED

REPAIR

36-inch drum fishing trip, with dinner for two; Sharp Energy; Panpered Chef Magic Pot; 20-pound cylinder refill (Suburban Propane); toy front-end loader (collectible); Artisan ceramic tile mirror (Versna Zidovec); Mosaic item (New Ravenna); brass bed (double); Wren carving (Carl Allums); fresh arrangement (Florist by The Sea); season pass, North Shore Playhouse; two matching cane bottom chairs; weed eater (Shore Saw and Mower); Detail Car Wash bucket with accessories (Napa, Belle Haven); deer hunting – morning and evening, with lunch provided (Fall, 2014); 5X6 rug (LeCato Interiors); puppy toys and 12 inches Frontline for puppies/dogs up to 22 pounds (Atlantic Animal Hospital); and gift certificates from Little Italy, Big’s Place, Book Bin, Exmore Diner, Quail Cove, A&J’s Meat Market, Yuk and Joe’s, Gull Hummock, A Cut Above, Shore Total Fitness (Exmore), Aqua and Esteville Inn.

DINNER SPECIALS AND CASH BAR

Legals & Auctions
AUCTION
Saturday, April 5, 2014 @ 10 AM
Selling the contents of Godsey’s Garage, Accomac, Va.
Directions: Turn East on Rt. 13 onto Rt. 662, or Baylys Neck Rd., and go about 1/3 mile. Auction will be on left.
Signs will be posted at Rt. 13.


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The Acomack County School Board will hold a special closed meeting on Thursday, April 10, 2014. The meeting will be held in the School Board Office Conference Room in Accomac, VA starting at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to meet with representatives regarding the superintendent search process.

Gretta L. Smith
Clerk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
Case No. 14CL069

Accomack County
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia 23301

Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
BRENDA SUE PARISH, ET ALS
v. MICHAEL BRUCE HILL

The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN DAMAGES FOR LIFE TENANT’S BREACH OF DUTIES TO REMAINDERMEN IN RE:

It is ORDERED that MICHAEL BRUCE HILL appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before May 29, 2014.

March 31, 2014
Caretta S. Duncan, Deputy Clerk

INVITATION TO BID
Northampton County invites sealed bids on the following motor vehicles and other items:

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Vehicles can be seen at the Facilities Management Office located at 5181 Stumptown Drive (just outside Eastville) during normal business hours and are being sold AS IS. Ring the door-bell at the Side Entrance for admittance.

For more information, contact Katie Nunez, County Administrator, PO Box 66, Eastville, Virginia 23347. Telephone: 757/678-0440 ext. 515.

Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 16, 2014, at the County Administrator’s Office, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, at which time bids will be opened and publicly read. Bids can be mailed to the County Administrator’s Office, PO Box 66, Eastville, Virginia 23347 or delivered to the Courthouse Road Offices.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any and all informalities and to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids.
USDA Choice Porterhouse or T-Bone Steaks                                                        $7.99/lb.  
Bone-in Center Cut Pork Roast or Value Pack Pork Chops                                        $2.89/lb.  
12-oz. Pkg. Fresh Express Garden Salad                                                       99¢  
Bone-in Shurfine Spiral-Sliced Half Ham                                                         $1.69/lb.  
Shurfine Smoked Whole Boneless Hams                                                          $1.79/lb.  
12-oz. Pkg. Asst. Mueller’s Pasta                                                            88¢  
Celery Hearts                                                                                  $1.88/each  
Shurfine Fresh Red Potatoes                                                                   $2.99/5 lb.  
1-lb. Pkg. Land O Lakes Butter                                                                2/$5  
Fresh Asst. Pork Chops                                                                        $2.19/lb.  
Hatfield Sliced Bacon                                                                         $3.99  
Shurfine Deli Gourmet                                                                         $3.99/lb.  
Brown Sugar or Off-Bone Ham                                                                  $2.99/lb.  

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**POST Script**

By Cheryl Nowak

Organ transplants and the opportunity to be an organ donor always have been precious to me. My interest is somewhat selfish in that I received my right-eye corneal transplant in 1988 and my left-eye cornea in 1993. In addition, I authorized the donation of my husband’s corneas on Nov. 19, 2009, the day he died. They would accept no other organs since he had cancer.

Well, April is National Donate Life Month, and to celebrate that important designation, I want to share the wonderful life story of a Shore resident who has joined me in a personal appreciation for organ donors, and a plea to others to keep giving even after death.

Tonya Bagwell chose the unusual approach of speaking to her donated kidney as a way to humanize the path she has tread.

“It was many years ago when I met you and from that day to this day, we have been together,” Bagwell addresses her “new” kidney. “I do all I can to keep you well and close to me. I never thought my life would be like this, but I’m so thankful that it has been great.”

Bagwell explains, “It all started when I was 11 years old, and I was diagnosed with glomerulonephritis. I went from doctor to doctor. At the age of 14, I had to make a decision whether to go to dialysis or not. I decided to do dialysis and I did it at home. Being a teenager, I could not do everything others did. After about two years of home dialysis, I ended up on hemodialysis at the center for about three years. On Feb. 26, 1997, I was called to go to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital to check to see if I was a match. On Feb. 27, 1997, I received my renal transplant. My family got together and named you ‘Herman’ and you have been that ever since. I have been able to finish and graduate high school, attend college and receive an Associate Degree in Medical Assistant, hold down a job for 13 years as a phlebotomist and also work in home care. I am currently in school pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree in Health Care Management/Administration.

“I have no idea where my transplant came from but would like to know so that I can thank those who felt the need to donate. I truly am thankful for all that has transpired in my life and for those who are in my life. My favorite song is ‘This Battle Is Not Yours, It’s the Lord’s.’ I truly would like to encourage those who don’t think about donation; it is something to think about. You could be the one who saves a life.”

Though I have not met Tonya, she and I might as well be sisters as we herald the wonders of transplants and glory in the benefits that we reap from them.

To be honest, our lives would not be what they are — and might not be at all — were it not for the unselfishness of those who have given us the gift that we can never repay.

All Tonya and I ever can do is ask everyone we meet, everyone who reads our words, to please, please, donate anything they have once they are done with their bodies. We truly are humbled by the bounty we have received, and only hope we can ever do half as much for anyone else.

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**Post Office Mail**

For Bloxom, Not Same-Sex Marriage

Dear Editor:

Our new delegate in Richmond is Robert S. Bloxom Jr. I wish him well because he is new to politics and he will be facing some serious issues while in office. Fortunately, his father served us very well in the past and I’m confident that he will provide sound advice for his son.

One of the more serious issues pending is same-sex marriage. Mark Herring, our new attorney general, has stated that the laws of Virginia are incompatible with the U.S. Constitution on this subject. The facts are: 1) the blueprint for the Virginia Charter and the Constitution of these United States is the “Virginia Accords,” written by George Mason of Virginia and 2) a number of recent referendums have soundly defeated proposed same-sex marriages in Virginia. Therefore, our laws are consistent with the Constitution and the people don’t want homosexual marriages in Virginia. Furthermore, Mr. Herring’s remarks are not only bogus; they are absurd!

As a concerned citizen of our heritage-rich commonwealth, may I urge our legislature in Richmond to demand that Mr. Herring publicly recant his statements and, again, promise to uphold all of Virginia’s laws as written, with each word defined by any standard dictionary, and not by a political agenda? He is the chief attorney, not another legislator. If Mr. Herring refuses, I then suggest that he be removed from office by either a legislative or a judicial body for failure to fulfill his oath of office.

Should the attorney general’s office be vacated, I further suggest that Mr. Mark Obenshain be asked to fill the vacancy in light of the nine or 10 votes that decided this election.

Congratulations, Mr. Bloxom. I wish you well and you will have my support while in office.

*Bill Weston, Mappsville*

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**Thanks To Ocean Deli**

Dear Editor:

We often don’t take the time to let those around us know how much their love and support is appreciated. I would like to take this time to let Andy and Kelly Tiftikidis and the rest of the staff at Ocean Deli know how much they are appreciated for the support they gave our father, Olen Pinkston.

My father lost his license several years ago due to his diabetes. He could no longer drive, but insisted he wanted to live independently as long as possible. Dad always loved eating at Ocean Deli at Wallops Island. He always said no one could make chicken noodle soup like Andy.

When Andy found out my dad could no longer drive, he made it clear to Binky Vanhart, and the rest of his staff, that when dad called in an order, it was to be delivered to his home.

For several years and on many occasions, Binky would get the call and would immediately deliver dad’s order. This great kindness enabled my dad to remain in his home until his death in March.

On behalf of my family, I would like to thank Andy, Kelly, Binky and the rest of the staff at Ocean Deli for their kindness and support during my father’s illness. Your kindness and generosity will never be forgotten. We are so fortunate to have Ocean Deli as a part of our community. They have supported our community in so many ways.

Once again, thank you to all at Ocean Deli for making a difference in my dad’s life and in our lives. We love you.

*Sandy Bowden, Assawoman*
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**Trailers**
- 5 x 8 Trailer: $989
- 6 x 10 Trailer: $1,290
- 6 x 14 Trailer: $1,492
- 6 x 12 Trailer: $2,686
- 6 x 10 Trailer: $2,745

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