Governor Offers "State of the Shore"

*Story and Photo by Ron West*

A crowd of well over 200 gathered at Eastern Shore Community College Tuesday to hear Gov. Terry McAuliffe address the State of the Shore.

And the governor’s prognosis for our area was considerably sunnier than the blustery winds and torrential downpours that delayed his arrival and forced the governor to travel by land rather than air.

Addressing his goals of improving jobs and the economy throughout the commonwealth, McAuliffe spoke of the need to develop renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power as a way to make the state and nation less dependant on fossil fuels. “Virginia should become a leader in the development of wind power,” he said, stressing that wind turbines deployed in offshore waters should be made in Virginia.

The governor suggested that the Eastern Shore likewise has the potential…

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Governor Terry McAuliffe addresses the gathering at ESCC Tuesday. (See more on the governor’s visit on Pages 12-13.)

Saxis VFC Firefighter Hurt in Line of Duty

*By Linda Cicoira*

“The wind changed direction and got me cornered,” Chief Coley Beasley of Saxis Volunteer Fire Company said of his injuries Wednesday.

The firefighter was one of about 50 firefighters from Saxis, Atlantic, Bloxom, Parksley, New Church, Virginia Department of Forestry and Accomack County Public Safety (ACPS) battling a blaze late Sunday morning that spread from Saxis Road through the woods and marsh to Shad Landing in Sanford.

Battalion Chief C. Ray Pruitt of ACPS said Beasley suffered second-degree burns to his hands and first-degree burns to his face. He was taken to Peninsula Regional Medical Center (PRMC) in Salisbury, Md., and later transferred to the burn unit in Baltimore.

“I’m still in a lot of pain,” Beasley said. “I just got home last night.”

Pruitt said about 3,000 acres were involved. “It did extend up behind some homes. It also went behind Tall Pines Campground.”

“Trooper 4, the State Police helicopter, was called to give an aerial view,” said Beasley. “At noon about 1,000 acres” were on fire.

A spokesperson for the 9-1-1 Center said at first just the Saxis company was called to the blaze. A short time later, Atlantic and Bloxom units were dispatched. Then Forestry and eventually Parksley were called. At nearly 10 p.m., New Church firefighters were alerted. Oak Hall rescue and ambulances from Saxis and Bloxom were also on the scene. They all left after midnight. Saxis firefighters were called back out at 3:18 a.m. They cleared the scene at 4:17 a.m.

Robbie Lewis of the Forestry Department is investigating the fire, said Beasley.

Man Drowns at Morley’s Wharf

*By Linda Cicoira*

A 30-year-old Nassawadox man accidentally drowned early Monday morning at the fishing pier at Morley’s Wharf in Wardtown.

The Virginia State Police Search and Rescue Team recovered the body of Troy Sental Tankard of the 9500 block of Franktown Road more than seven hours after a report was made that the man entered the water and never resurfaced. Tankard’s body was found about 20 feet from the pier at around 8:55 a.m.

State Police Sgt. Michelle Anaya said that at approximately 1:20 a.m., Trooper J.J. Renas was called to the scene by Northampton authorities.

Witnesses called into the 9-1-1 Center, stating that Tankard “went in to retrieve his car keys that had been thrown … into the water with his wet clothing,” Anaya continued. “Witnesses attempted to locate him prior to calling emergency personnel.”

“This incident is being treated as an accidental drowning with no signs of foul play,” the officer added.

Northampton County Sheriff’s Office, the U.S. Coast Guard and Virginia Marine Resources Commission also responded, a spokesperson for 9-1-1 said.
Allegations of Onley Fire Co. Embezzlement Unfold

By Linda Cicoira

When officers of Onley Volunteer Fire & Rescue were preparing to apply for non-profit status in 2012, alleged crimes were discovered, according to papers filed in Accomack Circuit Court recently.

On Nov. 1 of that year, Bill Ferguson, the company’s president, and Chief Scott Taylor went to Treasurer James Randolph Morris’ house to pick up company records. They intended to take the documents to an accounting firm to start the 501c3 application.

Since then, 82-year-old Morris, a resident of Coastal Boulevard in Onley, was indicted by an Accomack Grand Jury on nine counts of embezzling funds intended for the operations of the fire station between Jan. 1, 2008, and June 30, 2012. He is free on $1,000 bond pending the outcome of his May trial, which is anticipated to be heard by a judge, not a jury.

The indictments do not specify how much money was taken. Each charge spans over six months. Records from a special meeting of the fire company dated Nov. 8, 2012, tell the story Ferguson relayed to others about what happened after they got to Morris’ home.

“Morris confessed to Scott and Bill that he had received verbal permission from a former” officer “to borrow money from the treasury and repay the company,” according to the meeting minutes. “He further stated that he had personal debt at one time of around $150,000 and that he was probably indebted to this organization for around $98,000.”

He had spoken with attorney Henry Custis about this matter and was open to offering his farmhouse and land on Texacotown Road as reimbursement to the company for this debt or considering it as a salary for the position.”

Morris said “his attorney would confer with him and he would advise us of what they suggested,” the fire company minutes continue.

“The day following this disclosure … Ferguson informed the membership that he contacted Special Agent A.R. Ashby of the Virginia State Police … and received advice,” the minutes continue. Ashby told Ferguson, the minutes state, “If this much of a potential dollar amount was admitted, the amount could easily double that.”

Attorney “Stanley Barr advised … Ferguson to secure our records, ask for the treasurer’s resignation, see if we had a bonding agent and thus insurance coverage for losses such as this and contact the commonwealth’s attorney, all of which has been done,” the minutes state.

On Nov. 7, fire company members Chris Davis and Tres Atkinson picked up the records from Morris. “He admitted (to the two men that) the potential amount taken from the treasury could be around $200,000,” the minutes state. “Morris verbally resigned as treasurer after giving Mr. Davis the financial records.”

According to the minutes, “A quick examination of the records, show a loss in a four-month period of about $10,000.”

“Ferguson advised that basically we have two choices, either shut the doors or move on,” the minutes continue. “All attending agreed that we should move forward. Some of the older members had been contacted about assisting as they could and seem favorable to this.”

Ferguson told the group, “We have $25,000 worth of loss coverage for theft. But, prosecution and conviction are to be included with this on behalf of the bonding company.”

Ferguson then, at the request of Agent Ashby, “asked for anyone with financial skeletons in the closet to come forth and be honest and to confer with him as soon as possible and give full disclosure before the investigation begins.”

Charges have not been filed against any other fire company member.

Davis told the members “he had discovered … four separate bank accounts and three locations. This was unknown to the membership. He also advised that the records have been secured and will be taken to an accountant to organize them as they are in a state of disarray, unsanitary and unkempt.”

The membership also discussed getting a written resignation from Morris. It was decided that would be done at 4 p.m. the following day.

It is unclear how long Morris served as treasurer. He is a lifetime company member, according to the company’s website. Morris’ lawyer said the defendant is a veteran of the Vietnam and Korean wars and that he has had numerous jobs in which he handled money.

A source close to the case told the Eastern Shore Post that between $400,000 and $500,000 was missing from the fire company’s coffers.

Major Bids Accepted for Wallops Enhancement

By Linda Cicoira

Accomack supervisors approved bids of more than $6 million Wednesday for construction of roads and utilities at Wallops Research Park and the taxiway that will link the facility with NASA’s runway.

E.V. Williams, Inc. of Virginia Beach was awarded the $4,493,000 taxiway contract. Dixie Construction of Churchville, Md., will build the first phase of roads and utilities at Wallops Research Park and the taxiway $6 million Wednesday for construction of roads and utilities for $1,565,422. The Wallops Research Leadership Council recommended both bids.

Park Director Julie Wheatley also was formally introduced to the supervisors.

In other business, flood-plain changes made by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) were reported. Building Director David Fluhart said new maps would be presented from 5 to 8 p.m. May 13 at Metompkin Elementary School. As soon as digital imagery is available, maps will be put on the county website, he added.

Fluhart said there are “25,000 address structures” in Accomack. Of those, 8,126 are in the flood zone. The new maps would require only 5,835 to have flood insurance.

“This is the best thing that could happen for Accomack,” said Supervisor Wanda Thornton of Chincoteague where about 1,000 houses and businesses would no longer have the mandate. “We should all be jumping for joy.”

“But with the good news is bad news,” Fluhart said. He explained that 240 structures would move into the zone. Most are on the bayside north of Parksley.

“It’s kind of jaw dropping,” he said of the difference in maps. The other “good news” is that the county has a rating that will save property owners 10 percent on flood insurance, a total of $245,000 in premiums. The average savings is $88 per policy, Fluhart estimated.

Action on Atlantic Town Center’s request for a conditional-use permit for construction and operation of a wastewater-treatment plant near the intersection of Thompson and Chincoteague roads in Wattsville was postponed.

In a 7-1 vote, with Supervisor Grayson Chesser absent, the board followed its policy of waiting until all members are present to make a decision. Chairman Jack Gray reported that Chesser was ill. Supervisor Laura Belle Gordy was opposed to the delay. “I think we’ve waited long enough,” she said.

Residents of the area voiced opposition, citing noise and the possible need for land acquisition from neighbors for road widening.

“I think it shouldn’t be there,” said Gary Dickerson, who works in the wastewater field. “It can bring insects and pests … we haven’t gotten a full-scale report. I know stuff that can happen. It could create an unhealthy environment for us on Thompson Road.”

“It’s not helping neighbors at all,” complained Robert Taylor. “Surrounding residents don’t want it.” Taylor feared that nearby retired residents would be forced to connect to the water plant and have to pay a bill.

Developer Chris M. Carbaugh and his attorney, Mark Baumgartner, have been trying to get permits to build a business and residential community for years. Baumgartner said road widening, if necessary, would involve Carbaugh’s property. He promised that the water and sewer facility would be used only for the development and the noise would be regulated at less than conversation level.

The supervisors also opted to regulate the county’s stormwater management program rather than leave the issue for the state Department of Environmental Quality.

“The state don’t know what the hell they’re doing,” said Supervisor Donald Hart. “Why would we trust them to do it?”
An Accomack Grand Jury indicted an Onley man on violent charges earlier this month. The papers were made public Tuesday.

Robert James Northan, 28, of Daugherty Road was indicted on counts of maliciously shooting Keevin Pettit, using a firearm in the shooting, and possession of a firearm by a felon convicted in the last 10 years.

According to Sheriff Todd Godwin, the incidents occurred on Church Street in the Whitesville area of Parksley on Oct. 13, 2013. Shots were fired following an altercation between at least two people, Godwin said.

A 50-year-old Exmore man, who beat and “scalped” his girlfriend, was ordered Monday in Northampton Circuit Court to serve 20 years in prison.

Carolyn Ann Stevens of Frederick Douglass Road woke up on May 13, 2013, to Larry Lee Holmes beating her, Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Beverly Leatherbury told the court. Holmes shared the residence with Stevens.

He got on top of her and beat her in the face with a closed fist, breaking her nose and choking her until she spit up blood, Leatherbury said. Then Holmes got a knife and “actually cut the scalp from her head ... this is a horrible offense ... a behavior we simply cannot tolerate.”

Stevens, 61, testified that she and Holmes had been together five years and were planning to marry. “He should be set free because he really didn’t do nothing to me,” she said.

“I’m sorry for what I done,” Holmes told Judge W. Revell Lewis. “I just feel ashamed for what I’ve done. I just want to apologize to everybody. I know there should be some punishment ... if I could get another chance,” Holmes added. “I’m sorry for taking up your time with my stupid ways.”

Records show Holmes committed the crimes because he was upset Stevens asked someone else to work on her car. The two had been drinking alcohol, according to the file.

“Everybody in this courtroom wishes Mrs. Stevens didn’t have to go through what she went through,” said Judge Lewis. “It doesn’t get any more violent and brutal than what you did to her. Now she’s denying it. “This is just unthinkable,” the judge added.

“She doesn’t think light of it,” defense lawyer Shannon Dunham said of Stevens before the terms were pronounced. Dunham asked Lewis to consider giving the low end of allowable sentences.

Dunham contended that in Holmes’ criminal history, “there are no crimes against a person.” Evidence showed his prior convictions, for which he served seven years in prison, included robbery.


Lewis sentenced Holmes to 40 years for malicious wounding, with all but 12 years suspended, five years for strangulation, a year for attempting to get a witness to commit perjury, and two years for violating a protective order.

Stevens moaned from the third row of the courtroom when she heard the sentence. “Jesus, have mercy,” she said as she walked out.

In another case, Keena Anton Davis, 30, of Exmore was sentenced for felony eluding, occurring Oct. 27, 2012, to four years in prison, with all but 10 months suspended. Lewis said Davis has “demonstrated a complete disregard for the law.” He owes $5,000 in unpaid fines and costs and has numerous driving convictions. Davis’ license was suspended for six months.

Nathaniel Fitchett Jr., 35, of Cheriton was sentenced to 20 years on each of two counts of possession with intent to distribute cocaine in October 2012. All but nine months was suspended. His driver’s license was suspended for six months.

Corey Beckett, 34, of Belle Haven was sentenced to 10 years for each of two counts of possession with intent to distribute cocaine on April 23, 2013, with all but three years and six months suspended. His driver’s license was suspended for six months.

Antwine “Twitty” Reid, 32, of Machipongo was sentenced to 10 years on each of three counts of possession with intent to distribute cocaine on Jan. 23 and 24, 2013 with all but two years suspended. His driver’s license was suspended for six months.

Harry Anderson, 66, of Monroe Avenue in Cape Charles was given five years in prison for possession with intent to distribute cocaine on Dec. 27, 2012. Four years of the term was suspended.

Norman Shaunte Harmonson, 34, of Sealy Road in Birdsnest was sentenced to three years each for counts of credit-card larceny, credit-card forgery and credit-card fraud that occurred between Feb. 28 and April 30, 2013. All but seven months was suspended.

Jeffrey Robert Chance, 42, of Cape Charles was acquitted of possessing between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana with the intent to distribute it. His attorney was Paul Watson.

Presentence reports were ordered for:
•Wayne Arthur Kellam, 30, of Nassawadox, who pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm by a felon;
•Lawrence Glenn Galloway, 57, of Sylvan Scene Drive in Machipongo, who was charged with a fifth offense of DUI in five years.

A Painter man will not be prosecuted on arson charges in connection with a fire that occurred in late February, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Charles Allen Watson, 48, of Linhaven Circle was accused of breaking into a house on Feb. 27, 2014, and deliberately setting it on fire while occupants were inside.

Painter, Onancock, Melfa and Exmore fire companies fought the blaze at 15490 Ethel Lane. Court records did not disclose why the charges would not be pursued at this time.

Local offenses also will not be prosecuted against Marquis Dashun Gathers, 30, of Amsterdam Avenue in New York City, N.Y., because he will be brought before a federal judge on a drug charge instead. Federal authorities took custody of Gathers Tuesday.

Locally, he was accused of possession with intent to distribute more than an ounce of heroin and transporting an illegal drug into Virginia with intent to sell it. Gathers also was awaiting extradition to New York for an alleged probation violation. He was convicted there of possession of crack, according to records.

A criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Norfolk on April 10 charges Gathers with distributing a controlled substance in Accomack County on March 2.

In another case, Jessica Curtis, 25, of Fleming Road in Horntown was charged with burglary of a house belonging to Larry Layman and conspiring to steal Layman’s property March 22. Curtis was arrested April 10. Secured bond was set at $4,000.

Ra’shaun Brown, 18, of Budd Street in Parksley was charged with breaking into a dwelling on April 3. Secured bond was set at $8,000.

Orlando Turlington, 57, of Wachapreague is accused of assault and battery of a police officer and strangling his sister, Barbara Widgeon, on April 8.

A 19-year-old local man was charged with robbery and malicious wounding in connection with incidents that occurred April 9, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court. Aprentiss Rashead Finney of Willis Wharf Road in Exmore is being held without bond in Eastern Shore Regional Jail, charged with hurting Alvin Robinson.

In another case, Nicholas A. Vatis, no age available, of Cape Charles was charged with possessing or transporting a firearm after having been convicted of a felony in the last decade. The alleged April 8 incident involved Vatis’ grandfather’s heirloom 22-caliber gun.

Vatis is free on $1,000 secured bond.
Proposed Zoning Changes Spark Debate in Northampton

By Ron West

Members of the Northampton Planning Commission recently voiced diverging opinions on how to proceed with changes to the Zoning Ordinance developed over the past year by the planning and development staff.

At the start of the session, Commissioners Martina Coker and Roberta Kellam pressed to add more detail to the monthly minutes from the comments and letters received during the public hearing process.

Kellam continued to urge the hiring of consultants to help with reviewing the Comprehensive Plan and looking at how it matches up with the proposed Zoning Ordinance changes. Kellam asked Chairman Dixon Leatherbury if the Board of Supervisors had responded to the request for a paid consultant. She added that she does not feel comfortable voting on the zoning changes without input from a consultant.

Commissioner Jacqueline Chatmon asked why Kellam expected a response when the commissioners had not formally voted to actually ask for one. She noted that the vote had been 4-2 against it. Leatherbury said he did not recall the vote.

When Kellam commented that 500 individuals had spoken against the zoning changes, Chatmon replied that 500 people does not reflect a real majority when the county has a population of over 12,000.

Coker voiced concern over having so many uses by right in the proposed ordinance, rather than requiring a special-use permit (SUP), which would require public hearings.

Chatmon spoke of the need for the commissioners to move on with their work. Commissioner Mike Ward agreed, adding that they had spent nearly three years reviewing the Comprehensive Plan. “If we are missing studies or other data, it is our fault for not having asked for it before now,” Ward said.

Coker responded that studies were done for the Comprehensive Plan but not for the Zoning Ordinance changes. Kellam expressed “overwhelming opposition” to the ordinance changes, saying she doesn’t want the county to turn into a Virginia Beach.

Kellam then moved on to her opposition to the recommendation that the seaside of the county be removed from the umbrella of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act. While the seaside was not designated originally to be under the act, members of a previous Board of Supervisors added it to the protection area. The current board has indicated that there is no need for seaside inclusion, as it has nothing to do with the Chesapeake Bay.

County Development Director Charles McSwain noted that there is still a vegetative buffer requirement of 50 feet for seaside properties. Kellam continued to argue for more, citing the value of the aquafarming industry and the need to prevent pollution of seaside waters.

Chatmon complained that the commission is spending a lot of time on unnecessary things and should move forward.

Next Kellam stressed the need to include all state code definitions in the document.

The commissioners spent time discussing the meaning of small-scale biomass production. Biomass refers to using natural substances or plants to produce alternative forms of energy. Replying to Kellam’s comment about the use of definitions, Chatmon noted that the proposed changes to the ordinance use the same wording as the state code.

Kellam urged the Planning Commission to meet with various communities to see what each wants. “We need to set up meetings with the residents of the villages and hamlets to do this,” she said.

Leatherbury replied that the same would need to be done for each of the more than two dozen zoning districts in the county. The proposed changes to the ordinance would drop that number by nearly half.

Chatmon noted that if they were to make changes for each district, the county would end up with a multitude of small plans rather than one for the whole county. “No matter what we do, we will always have some who like what we do and some who don’t,” Chatmon said. “If we don’t move on, we will never get through with this task.”

Kellam insisted that they did need to hold the meetings. The matter was left unresolved.

Kellam then moved on to the issue of allowing B&Bs (bed and breakfasts) in hamlets. She raised concerns over parking spaces and the fact that they might allow parties and thus be too intensive a business to have in a hamlet setting. Kellam also noted that she does not want assisted living facilities in hamlets.

She said she wants county staff to add the intent for each type of zoning district to the document. That motion passed on a 3-2 vote, Ward and Chatmon voting against and Commissioners Hank Heneghan, Kellam, and Coker in favor.

The commissioners also discussed where to allow single-wide mobile homes. Public comments have suggested that mobile homes be allowed in more of the proposed districts. Ward supported the right of owners to use their property as they want, within reason. “If a person owns a piece of property and can only afford a single-wide mobile home, then he or she should be allowed to put it there,” Ward said.

Chatmon supported the recommendation, adding that given the current financial status of the county and many of its residents, this might be all they could afford. “I’d rather see a citizen be able to get a single-wide mobile home than nothing,” Chatmon said.

Heneghan agreed, noting that he supports putting them in as many districts as possible.

The vote by the commissioners was unanimous to support the recommendation.
Storm Wrecks Havoc With Ships

The Coast Guard is working with local response agencies and the Virginia and Maryland Pilots Tuesday after receiving a report of a collision between two ships in the Thimble Shoal Channel and are responding to several subsequent reports of ships dragging anchor in the lower Chesapeake Bay.

The 79-foot rig vessel, Petite, and the 1065-foot container ship, MSC Charleston, reportedly collided due to weather in the main ship channel at approximately 7:30 p.m. There was no initial report of damage, pollution or injuries to either vessel, and both are safely anchored pending a Coast Guard investigation.

Winds gusting to 70 mph at Cape Henry caused 12 ships anchored in the vicinity of Lynnhaven to drag anchor and caused the 751-foot bulk carrier, Ornak, that was anchored in the Lynnhaven Anchorage east of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel to run aground at approximately 8:35 p.m. near First Landing State Park.

To help stabilize the ships, the Virginia Pilot office dispatched 11 pilots to embark the anchored vessels at anchorage.

Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads Command Center watchstanders are working with local partners, the Virginia and Maryland Pilot’s Associations and local tug boat companies to coordinate assistance to ships dragging anchor and others requiring tug support to remain moored at several facilities due to strong wind gusts.

“The Coast Guard, commercial industry and port partners are coordinating efforts to respond to the current adverse weather conditions and are monitoring all efforts to safely attend all vessels,” said Capt. John Little, the commander of Sector Hampton Roads. “Weather events such as this storm illustrate the continued need for close partnerships between the Coast Guard, industry and local emergency crews responding to maritime incidents.”

There are currently no reports of pollution or injuries.

Schools Consider Recycling Options

By Linda Cicoira

 Accomack’s School Board adjusted the division’s fiscal 2014-15 budget Tuesday night to come up with $463,160 for bonuses for school workers.

The total cost of the 2-percent one-time perk is $650,000. The rest was already included in the spending package.

Members unanimously agreed to make reductions that would have the “least impact on instruction.” The Bus Replacement Fund was cut from $503,000 to $335,333 to help finance the bonuses. The board also reduced the Chromebook Expansion Fund from $250,000 to $100,000.

Money for coursework for teachers that helps them work on master’s degrees and other higher education was cut by $50,000. About $100,000 in instructional equipment for science labs was moved to the bonus treasury.

The board was urged by Waste Watchers to make improvements to school recycling initiatives.

Facilities Coordinator Mike Tolbert reported he had received several inquiries regarding recycling and four of 11 schools are participating. However, he said the contracted disposal company stopped taking all materials and is only recycling paper. Another company could do single-stream recycling which involves putting all recyclables in one dumpster.

The current contract for paper disposal costs the system $40 per school per month for an 8-yard dumpster. For 10 schools, the total cost would be $4,800. For single stream, the cost would be $130 per month for a total of $1,560. Tangier Combined School is not included in the mix.

There are 22 dumpsters at the schools, each emptied an average of 132 times a year at $30 per dump. Tolbert said it costs $3,200 per dumpster to put down a concrete pad and enclose the dumpster with a chain link fence to keep students from climbing inside.

No action was taken on the issue. The board wanted further study and for staff to work with Accomack County on the task.
By State Sen. Lynwood Lewis

The Senate returned to Richmond Tuesday, April 8, to consider amendments to the governor’s introduced budget, which had been passed by the Senate Finance Committee Monday. We now have a House version and a Senate version of our budget.

Agreement on a new, $96 billion spending plan for the commonwealth continues to be complicated by the question of recapturing our federal tax dollars for healthcare coverage expansion. We were called to a Special Session called by the governor to produce a budget for the commonwealth. Having been through two of these Special Sessions in prior years, I am, unfortunately, very familiar with the political posturing and sloganeering which takes place on both sides of the aisle on the way to finally developing a responsible budget for our commonwealth. The process of developing a budget, in both the House and the Senate, is governed by customs, traditions, formal rules and the Virginia Constitution. The procedure may seem overly burdensome to some, but it is part of our process and has generally stood us in good stead over time. I am confident that cooler, more moderate heads will prevail and that we will develop a budget for Virginia in advance of the end of our current budget, which is July 1. Should we fail, there would be no authorization for spending beyond that date and government functions would gradually come to a halt, but that is highly unlikely.

I have been fortunate enough to represent this area in the Virginia General Assembly, first in the House and now in the Senate, since 2003. During those years, I have seen an increasing political division in Richmond, which is troubling. It makes doing the business of the commonwealth, as a member of a citizen legislature, very difficult, as highlighted by this budget standoff.

I think it is most important to remember, as I have said before, this is Virginia, not Washington and the question before us as Virginia legislators is a fairly narrow, common-sense business decision.

I was pleased that we were able to, again, have inserted in the latest Senate version of the budget an item providing funding for the construction of an unmanned aerial system runway on Wallops Island. This continues to be an important economic development project and I am hopeful that we will be able to maintain it in the final budget. I know that the governor’s office is very excited about the prospect of our designation by the Federal Aviation Administration as a UAS test site. The domestic UAS industry will likely be significant and offer tremendous opportunities for the Shore and the commonwealth.

We go back to Richmond on April 23 for the Reconvened or Veto Session when we consider the governor’s amendments and vetoes to various bills that were passed during the 2014 Session. Usually this is a one-day session, which can stretch into the night, depending upon the number of bills for which the governor has submitted amendments and, also, the number of vetoes and the controversial nature of each.

After the Veto Session, when the fate of all the 2014 legislation is fully and finally known, I will begin having my usual series of post-session town halls across the district to discuss the 2014 General Assembly.

I have returned from the General Assembly Session and I am available at my office in Accomac. My local contact information is P.O. Box 760, Accomac, VA 23301, phone 757-787-1094, district06@senate.virginia.gov.
The Greater Exmore Business & Community Association (GEBCA), in concert with the Town of Exmore, will host a large yard sale Saturday, May 17. Rather than being a townwide event, this “Spring Fling” yard sale will be limited to the large green space to the east of the railroad tracks, with food vendors located on the town park next to the quonset hut on Bank Avenue. The rain date is Saturday, May 31.

Those wishing to set up for the sale can mail a check or money order to GEBCA, c/o Ken Dufty, 6182 Wardtown Rd., Exmore, VA 23350. Rates are $15 for a 10’x15’ space. Purchased by cash on the morning of the event. Rates are $15 for a 10’x15’ space.

For further information, please email GEBCA at enviroduf@aol.com.

The Greater Exmore Business & Community Association (GEBCA), in concert with the town government working together to showcase this town and throw out the welcome mat for those who love to come to our great town,” said Mayor Doug Greer. “This event will kick off what we believe will be a very exciting year for the Town of Exmore.”

The parking-lot project at the corner of Parker and King streets will include replacing pavement in the center of the lot with permeable pavers that allow runoff water to soak into the ground and toward a vegetated area planted with native trees and grasses.

The project, believed to be the first on the Eastern Shore to use permeable pavers, is designed to catch, absorb and treat runoff before it can enter Onancock Creek, parts of which are polluted, according to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

The $50,000 project, which is expected to be completed in several weeks, is funded by a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Other partners include the Center for Watershed Protection, Onancock Tree Board, and Eastern Shore Landscape Management.

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) and the Town of Onancock have begun construction on a project designed to collect and treat runoff water flowing off the town hall parking lot.

“We are excited to be working with the Town of Onancock on a project that will help reduce urban runoff from one of the town’s larger paved areas,” said CBF Virginia Executive Director Ann Jennings. “Once completed, the project will help protect water quality in nearby Onancock Creek and the Chesapeake Bay.”

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Tangier Healthcare Program Recognized

In recognition of its efforts to improve the health of its patients and community, Riverside Health System in Newport News has been awarded the Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association’s 2014 Community Benefit Award for its long-term support and social accountability to the David B. Nichols Health Center on Tangier Island.

The award, which recognizes member organizations that have aided their communities in extraordinary ways, was founded on the belief that the partnerships between a hospital and its community are necessary to build and sustain health.

“Thirty-five years ago Dr. David Nichols visited the remote Tangier Island and was determined to provide quality health care to its residents,” said Kim Clark, practice leader for Riverside White Stone Family Practice upon accepting the award. “The David B. Nichols Health Center provides this community with immediate access to health care. His legacy of providing outstanding health care to these Virginians continues because of Riverside’s strong commitment and support. We are deeply honored to be recognized by VHHA with this award.”

“Our congratulations and heartfelt thanks to Riverside for its dedication to the citizens of Tangier Island,” said Laurens Sartoris, president of VHHA.

Years ago on Tangier Island, it was common to see people lined up outside a dilapidated, dank and moldy building waiting to see one of the doctors who visited the island occasionally. Because the visits were inconsistent, residents jumped at the chance to see a physician when they could. Without access to regular and preventive care, when islanders did seek care on the mainland, their conditions had escalated more acutely.

And then Riverside Medical Group primary-care physician Dr. David Nichols, who lived and worked on the Northern Neck, began flying to Tangier every Thursday to provide care. Dr. Nichols continued his service on Tangier for more than 30 years. The clinic he advocated and for which he raised funds, opened just months before he died of cancer in 2010.

These days, four Riverside team members provide care for Tangier residents five days a week and around-the-clock for emergencies. The island’s clinic is connected to Riverside.

Tech Grads Announced

Graduating Dec. 20, 2013, from Virginia Tech were:

- Abeni Ajayi of Cape Charles, who earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from the College of Science;
- Justin Hill of Eastville, who earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Studies from the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences magna cum laude;
- Chelsea Hall of Parksville, who earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences magna cum laude;
- Peter Verity of Parksville, who earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Wildlife Science from the College of Natural Resources and Environment.

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Obituaries

Parksley Woman Dies

Ms. Lilian Parks Thorne, 77, of Parksley passed away Wednesday, April 9, 2014, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Born in Deep Creek, she was a daughter of the late William Thomas Parks and Merle Johnson Parks. Ms. Thorne was a staunch Republican and dedicated supporter of the Republican Party, and a longtime follower of Jimmy Swaggett.

She is survived by her children, Pat Burdette (and husband, Pony), and Sammy J. Taylor (and wife, Sherry), all of Mears, and Joanna Thorne, and Michael Taylor (and wife, Vicki), all of Parksley; sisters, Mary Alice Phillips of Nelsonia, and Grace Bailey of Frankford, Del.; brother, William T. Parks Jr. of Onancock; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a sister, Betty Chase; and two brothers, Stanley Parks and Woody Parks.

According to her wishes, funeral services will be private.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Cedarview ‘Sheriff’ Dies

Mr. Floyd Wilbur Gaskill, 82, loving father, loyal friend, and unique character departed this life on Saturday, April 12, 2014.

Born in Tuckerton, N.J., and raised in Ewing, N.J., he was happily retired in Cedarview Beach for the last 25 years. Mr. Gaskill was a “come here” to the Eastern Shore and was proud to become a “been here.” He lived a thousand lives, which are not limited to a carpenter, fisherman, farmer, clam-house operator, importor of Black Forest cuckoo clocks, small seafood restaurant, and Indian chief. At Cedarview, he fished, patrolled the neighborhood, and earned the nicknames, “Sheriff of Cedarview” and “Flash.” His quick humor, captivating stories, and pleasant company will long be treasured. He always lit up the room.

Mr. Gaskill was predeceased by his beloved daughter, Debra Gaskill Raie; his former wife, Lorraine Gaskill; and his sisters, Ida Roberts, Dorothy Clay, Anne McNeamer and Mina Voorhees; and brother, John. Left to cherish his memory are his longtime companion, Kathy Benson; children, Dan (and wife, Laura), Bob (and wife, Gina), and Patricia Fleming (and husband, Rick); grandchildren, Kimberly, Michael, Kevin, and Brian (and wife, Susan); brother, William Gaskill; and son-in-law, Rich Raie (and wife, Kim).

As per Mr. Gaskill’s wishes, cremation was private.

Online condolences may be offered at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home, Exmore.

Retired Teacher Dies

Mr. William Stanley Nicholson, 79, died peacefully at Riverside Regional Medical Center in Newport News, Va., Sunday, April 13, 2014, following a 15-year battle with leukemia.

Born in Grangeville, he was the son of Willie Oakland Nicholson and Lula Chance Nicholson. Mr. Nicholson retired from teaching after 41 years, 16 years at Central High School, and 25 years at Eastern Shore Community College. He was an avid reader, and loved to write and take pictures. His book, “Historic Homes and Churches on Virginia’s Eastern Shore,” was published in 1984. His first play, “Ye Bear and Ye Cub,” was written and performed by his senior class at Central High School in 1963. Mr. Nicholson wrote and produced “To Frame a Place” for Onancock’s tri-centennial celebration in 1980. That play was rewritten and produced, in 2007, by Theresa Bliss and her North Street Players.

Mr. Nicholson was a member of St. George’s Episcopal Church in Pungo, and a longtime follower of Jimmy Swaggett.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn L. Lamm; children, Michael L. Lamm of Nesbit, Miss., and Jaye Dee Iiams of Virginia Beach, Va.; sister, Gloria Lamm of Lucama, N.C.; grandchildren, Sarah Beth Lamm, Wilson Lee Lamm, Bridgette Irk, and Ethan Iiams; great-grandchildren, Evalyn Lamm and Madison Irk; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, April 19, at 2 p.m. at Craddockville United Methodist Church, with Rev. Rob Kelly officiating. Interment will follow in Belle Haven Cemetery. Family will join friends at the church one hour prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to Craddockville United Methodist Church, c/o Mrs. June Custis, P.O. Box 66, Craddockville, VA 23341; or to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Exmore Resident Dies

Mr. Alonzo Williams, 84, of Exmore died Sunday, April 13, 2014, at Heritage Hall Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Nassawadox.

Funeral services will be conducted today, April 18, at noon at New Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Painter. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Smith and Scott Funeral Home in Exmore.

USN Retiree Passes Away

ADCS U.S.N. Ret. Ashley Lee Lamm, 76, of Craddockville passed away Sunday, April 13, 2014, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

A native of Wilson County, N.C., he was the son of the late Walter Lee Lamm and Ella Mae Turnage Lamm. Mr. Lamm retired from the U.S. Navy and was an aircraft inspector and farmer. He was a member of Craddockville United Methodist Church and served as chairman of the Board of Trustees. He was also a member of Capeville Masonic Lodge 107, Eastern Shore Royal Arch Chapter 2, Khedive Temple Shrine, and Pungoteague Rutarian Club and was past governor of Exmore Moose Lodge 683.

Obituaries can be faxed to the Eastern Shore Post at 789-7681 or e-mailed to editor@easternshorepost.com
Property Transactions

- From USA Bank
  To Margie and Carroll Budd
  Parcel near Pastoria
  For $35,000
- From John Schuman
  To Robert and Paula Aiello
  Lot 161, Unit 3, Trails End
  For $8,900
- From John Harvey and Heath Parrish
  To Miguel and Patti Larsen
  Chincoteague parcel
  For $250,000
- From Cathy and Eric Plant
  To Jerry and Larisa Thomas
  Chincoteague property
  For $675,000
- From MF Olde Mill, LLC
  To Brian and Gina McMahon
  Lot 60, Olde Mill
  For $29,900
- From John and Mary Spangler
  To Chincoteague Properties, LLC
  4427 Main St., Chincoteague
  For $248,600
- From Bank of New York Mellon and
  First Horizon
  To Manuel Natal
 Parcel between Onancock and Onley
  For $13,500
- From David Brown, Karen Taylor
  and Bettie Smoot
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- From Paul Mayfield
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Dante Richardson, M.D.

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Bridge-Tunnel Hosts Its Own 50th Birthday Party

Story and Photo by Ron West

How do you find a venue large enough to handle a few hundred folks who have come to celebrate your 50th birthday? Why not do it in the middle of the Chesapeake Bay? That’s exactly what the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel commissioners decided to do Tuesday, and to top that, they invited anyone and everyone who happened to be in the “neighborhood.”

Topping the invite list was Gov. Terry McAuliffe, who “just happened” to be driving by. The governor was joined by a posse of state senators and delegates and dozens of commissioners, former commissioners, employees, and former employees.

While most birthdays begin with a more traditional song, this celebration got underway with former employees Michael Flanagan and David Mitchell leading the group in a rendition of the National Anthem.

McAuliffe praised those who had the vision over 50 years ago to try the unthinkable of building a crossing over 17 miles of open water at the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. The feat took five years to plan and obtain the necessary funding and another four to build. Every year, hundreds of thousands of visitors marvel at the islands that seem to have risen from the ocean along with seemingly endless rows of pilings that support the roadway that rests just 20 feet above the surface of the water.

Virginia Transportation Secretary Aubrey Layne Jr. joined McAuliffe and pointed out that over 100,000,000 vehicles had passed over the “floating” roadway since it was opened in 1964. He added that 25 percent of Virginia Beach visitors use the bridge. “The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel is a good example of how the state and private individuals can come together for a project,” Layne said. “This was built without a penny of state funding.” Layne noted the need for new tunnels and a deepening of the existing channels to handle deeper draft vessels that will want to use the port of Hampton Roads once the Panama Canal expansion has been completed.

Lt. Gov. Ralph Northam spoke of being raised on the Eastern Shore and coming from a family of watermen and what the bridge meant to the Shore. Prior to 1964 when the bridge was opened, the trip from Northampton County to Norfolk meant a 90-minute ride on one of seven car ferries on open water.

The bridge has aged gracefully but like many who reach middle age, a bit of plastic surgery has been needed. The tunnels have had a facelift and the piles have on occasion needed a “knee job.” The parallel span of bridges and trestles, added a few years ago, has enabled traffic to move more safely and efficiently, but traffic continues to increase every year.

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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.

Pictured is the first vehicle to cross the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. It was a 1948 Willys Jeep owned by Welford Lucy of Norfolk, an engineer who worked on the CBBT project and used the Jeep for that work. The Jeep is currently owned by Jeff Walker of Nassawadox.
that the General Assembly had accomplished the Medicaid system needs to be reformed. And while it is, Bloxom believes it should be removed from the budget to allow a budget to get voted on.

With regards to the ongoing issue of healthcare and the insurance coverage gap, McAuliffe stressed the need for the General Assembly to move forward with a budget that includes Medicaid expansion. He noted that Virginia has sent $26 billion to Washington that needs to be used to help provide health coverage for nearly 400,000 Virginian’s who lack care.

“Morally and socially, it’s right to close the coverage gap,” the governor said.

He also spoke of the growth in tourism and jobs that will result from the development of the space industry at Wallops Flight Facility. With a nod toward his surroundings, McAuliffe noted that the community college system is a good place to obtain the skills necessary for those new jobs.

Joining the governor Tuesday were State Sen. Lynwood Lewis Jr. and Del. Robert Bloxom, who addressed healthcare and economic issues.

Bloxom expressed optimism for the Eastern Shore, citing two new agricultural businesses that are replacing tomato growers who ceased operations on the Shore over a year ago. The new growers are expected to begin growing tomatoes and potatoes this year, with the possibility of adding additional fruits or vegetables next season.

Bloxom spoke of the need to bring natural gas to the region, indicating that local facilities could benefit from the reduced utility costs. He addressed the healthcare reform issue by noting that it is going to go to a committee in the General Assembly to be thrashed out. He added that much of the tax money collected by the commonwealth currently goes toward healthcare coverage and that the Medicaid system needs to be reformed. And while it is, Bloxom believes it should be removed from the budget to allow a budget to get voted on.

Lewis spoke of the positive things that the General Assembly had accomplished over the winter, noting the efforts to cut back on the excessive Standards of Learning (SOL) tests that many educators have argued hinder the learning process.

With regards to healthcare, Lewis supported the governor. He pointed out that the Affordable Health Care Act was passed by Congress and upheld by the Supreme Court, making it apply to the entire nation. Twenty-six states and the District of Columbia have decided to expand their Medicaid coverage and Lewis noted that they are the beneficiaries of the taxes that Virginians pay.

Northampton Board of Supervisors Chairman Larry LeMond spoke of the county's potential for growth, especially in and around Cape Charles. Recent contracts captured by Bayshore Concrete will provide work for the company for the next three years and offer the opportunity to increase its workforce. Also in the harbor area will be the addition of Cape Charles Yacht Repair Center.

LeMond addressed the need for the county to move forward with approval of the revised Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan. He noted that the Planning Commission had been reviewing and rewriting the Comprehensive Plan for nearly three years and the county needs to end its “no growth—not in my back yard” attitude. “We need a simpler and more user-friendly zoning code,” LeMond said. “The old code exceeds 400 pages while the new code is only 125 pages. It is easier to understand while making it easier for property owners to use their property without undue restrictions while still providing reasonable safety and setback features.”

Accomack County Board Chairman Jack Gray spoke of the growth that will come with the expansion of Wallops Flight Facility. Noting that the board had approved a $52.9 million budget, Gray conceded that it was necessary to increase the tax rate by 5 cents. Gray said that housing starts are down in Accomack County, but new companies filling the void left by the loss of a tomato company will translate into more funds being returned to the county.

During the question period that followed, Ken Dufty of Exmore addressed LeMond, saying the county needs to back away from some of the proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance. He was critical of the idea of removing the seaside from the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act. Additionally, he pressed for the board to allow the Planning Commission more time to complete the Comprehensive Plan and to review the zoning changes. LeMond reminded Dufty that the planners had spent nearly three years on the Comprehensive Plan review and that the county needs to move forward, not stand still. “Most of the people in the county agree with the need for the county to move forward,” LeMond contended.

Cape Charles resident Dorie Southern pressed Lewis and Bloxom on the need to restrict the Town of Cape Charles in its sale of the former Cape Charles School. She said she had wanted a bill to be introduced in the General Assembly to that effect, but it had not been done. Southern asked if there was anything that could be done to protect public buildings from being taken over by developers.

Lewis noted that he was well aware of the issue, but no laws were broken when the town sold the property. He said it is not the place of the General Assembly to interfere with local government when a citizen is not happy with a decision. Lewis said that citizens who do not agree with an action by their town council, they should address it at the ballot box. “You want Richmond to intervene on your side and the next time the other side will want us on their side,” Lewis said.

Following the session, the governor headed to Onley Community Medical Center and Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital and concluded the day with a visit to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel to help celebrate its 50th anniversary.

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**10 a.m.** - **Duplicate Bridge** - Sage Diner, Onley - 442-2474

**6 p.m.** - **Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.** - Family Life Center, Onancock - Meal: $6/single or $10/family

**7 p.m.** - **“7 Last Words”** - Harvest Time Deliverance Center, 36228 Seaside Rd., Painter

**7 p.m.** - **Good Friday Worship Service** - Epworth UMC, 4158 Seaside Rd., Exmore

**7:30 p.m.** - **Life Teach Series** - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486

**7:30 p.m.** - **AA mtg.** - Downings Methodist Church, Oak Hall

**7:30 p.m.** - **Bingo** (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven

**9 a.m.** - **Zumba Class** - Chincoteague YMCA - $5 - 336-3535

**9 a.m.-noon** - **Teen Lit Day** - library, Accomac - 1 free advance reading copy to any teen with a library card

**10 a.m.** - **Accomack Parks & Rec. Easter Egg Hunt** - Metompkin Elementary School - through age 12 - 787-3900

**10 a.m.** - **Easter Egg Hunt** - Epworth UMC, 4158 Seaside Rd., Exmore

**10 a.m.-until** - **Easter Egg Hunt** - House of Prayer UMC, Bloxom - lunch served

**10:30 a.m.** - **Easter Egg Hunt** - Calvary Bible Bldg., 22344 Front St., Accomac - 665-4466

**11 a.m.** - **Easter Egg Hunt & The Easter Bunny Arrives** - Powell Memorial Park, Wachapreague - coloring contest

**11 a.m.** - **Easter Egg Hunt & Pizza** - Drummondstown UMC, Accomac - karaoke & prizes - 787-2772

**noon & 7:30 p.m.** - **AA mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock

**1 p.m.** - **Easter Egg Hunt** - Antioch Baptist Church, Treherneville

**5 p.m.** - **Easter Egg Hunt** - Herbert Baptist Church, Wachapreague

**7:30 p.m.** - **Bingo** - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

**Monday April 21**

**10 a.m.** - **TOPS mtg.** - Market Street UMC, Onancock - 787-3635

**5-6 p.m.** - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Market St. UMC, Onancock

**6 p.m.** - **Bingo** - Elks Lodge, Tasley

**6 p.m.** - **Central Shore Lions Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

**6:30 p.m.** - **Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg.** - Grace UMC, Parksley

**7 p.m.** - **SPOTS mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

**7 p.m.** - **AA mtg.** - Keller Town Hall

**7:30 p.m.** - **Accomack County Taxpayers’ Assn. mtg.** - Accomack Cty. Admin. Bldg.

**Tuesday April 22**

**9 a.m.** - **Al-Anon mtg.** - St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chincoteague

**10 a.m. -** **Bingo** - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock - 787-3900

**5:30 p.m.** - **TOPS mtg.** - Belle Haven Presbyterian Church - 442-9776

**6 p.m.** - **Rachel Leah Ministries** - 787-2486

**6 p.m.** - **Bingo** - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA

**6 p.m.** - **Lions Club mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley - 787-2059

**6:30-8:30 p.m.** - **GED Class** - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa

**7 p.m.** - **Narcotics Anon. mtg.** - Jerusalem Baptist Church, Temperenceville

**7:30 p.m.** - **Al-Anon mtg.** - Atlantic UMC - 824-5386

**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.** - **AA mtg.** - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock

**Wednesday April 23**

**7:45 a.m.** - **Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg.** - Sage Diner, Onley

**noon &** **AA mtg.** - Methodist Church, Onancock

**2 p.m.** - **Children’s Story Hour** - E.S. Public Library, Accomac

**4 p.m.** - **Arts & Crafts Time** - Cape Charles Memorial Library

**5:30-6:30 p.m.** - **Free Meals for the Hungry** - Epworth UMC, Exmore - 442-6391

**5:30-8:30 p.m.** - **Tick Talk Seminar** - ESCC, Rm. 170, Melfa - 787-3420

**6-7 p.m.** - **Prayer Line Open** - Call 665-7403 or 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests

**7 p.m.** - **AA & Al-Anon mtgs.** - RSMH, Nassawadox

**7:30 p.m.** - **Bingo** - Painter VFC

**Shore Eco-Volunteer Opportunities Available**

The Nature Conservancy is offering several volunteer opportunities to restore the Shore:

- **April 24-30:** Oyster Restoration near Machipongo (50 vol. needed) - contact Jen at 434-951-0572
- **May 1-2:** Marsh Grass Planting & Living Shoreline Workship in Belle Haven (RSVP: lunch provided) - contact Jen at 434-951-0572
- **May-August:** Visitor Outreach Volunteers at public boat ramps - contact Jen at 434-951-0572

**Renaissance & Craft Faire**

The 6th Annual Renaissance and Craft Faire will be held at Arcadia High School in Oak Hall on Saturday, May 17, from noon to 4 p.m. The event will take place on the athletic fields except in the case of inclement weather; it will be moved to the gym.

The faire includes vendors, live theater & music performances, demonstrations of medieval fighting & crafts, games & more.

Cost is $5 for adults or $4 for students ($1 off if in costume.)
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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The Teacher Who Made a Difference

William Nicholson at Central, 1969

Last week in a column on Nate Wilson, I made reference to his English teacher at Central High School, William Nicholson.

I did not know at the time that Mr. Nicholson was critically ill and would, in fact, die two days after the publication of the column.

Not wanting this column to be a weekly tribute to a deceased person from my past, I, nevertheless, need to point out that the one individual responsible for where I am today professionally was William Nicholson.

You see, he was my teacher too, and the person who took an interest in me beyond the classroom.

I grew up on a farm, but not really cut out for the farming life. I had no aptitude for keeping things running or interest in the tools in my father’s shop. In school, though I made decent grades, math and science never appealed to me.

The two things I liked to do most as a youth were bounce a ball and read, almost to the exclusion of anything else.

Mr. Nicholson spurred that interest in words. He made literature fun with his sense of humor and his sometimes offbeat analysis. He was the reason I majored in English in college.

On Fridays he would often have us write compositions. Staring at a blank sheet of paper was intimidating for some students, but it taught me the need to start writing and then just let the words flow, no matter how silly they might seem at first.

I remember writing one day about being the 50-yard line on a football field awaiting the big game that night. Instead of butterflies in my stomach, I had earthworms stirring. It must have been a lame analogy, but he encouraged me to write more.

In my senior year, during lunch when my friends were relaxing and socializing in the courtyard, he had me come to his office where he built a darkroom in a corner and taught me the basics of photography. I took and developed most of the photographs in our senior yearbook with his help. He showed me tricks like superimposing the football player’s head on the cheerleader’s body.

When he decided to buy newer photography equipment for himself, he sold me his camera, lenses and darkroom equipment for almost nothing.

I continued to take and develop photographs in college, and it was those skills, in addition to my interest in writing, that gave me the courage to apply for a newspaper job as a sports writer one year out of college.

But Mr. Nicholson did other things that stretched my comfort level. I had an open class my senior year and couldn’t decide what to take. Some of my friends took shop, but I knew I would probably kill someone with a tool in my hand. Mr. Nicholson had me signed up for typing class.

Remember, this was before computers, and typing was a skill for future secretaries. It must have been a strange sight to see two of my football teammates and me in a class full of girls who could make the typewriters sing as they waltzed across the keyboards.

I stumbled and pecked my way through the class, but typing was another skill that got me a job in the newspaper business. It turned out to be a lot more important to me than that biology or physics class I took.

Mr. Nicholson, with the help of Nancy Irvin, staged some ambitious productions at Central in the 1960s. There was “Oklahoma,” “Li’l Abner” and “The Music Man.” Very few of my football teammates were involved in these plays, but Mr. Nicholson encouraged me to take part, even though I could not carry a tune in a bucket.

I had small parts in the latter two plays, always saying I was typecast because I played a law-enforcement officer in both.

Speaking in front of people was terrifying for me. I had no qualms about playing a sport in front of large crowds, but coming on stage and delivering my lines was one of the hardest things I did in high school.

But it prepared me for my one year of teaching middle-school English and later giving talks to groups while at the newspaper.

An added benefit is that we joined forces with Onancock High School students to stage those productions, and I got to know some of the guys I competed with on the football field or the girls who were cheerleaders for the opposing team. These people became more than just names with which I was familiar, and many of the friendships continue today.

I did not have much contact with Mr. Nicholson after high school. I talked to him some when he was teaching at the college, but after he retired he became a very private person and we seldom crossed paths.

But I did see him once at a wedding. I summoned the courage to tell him how much he meant to my career and thanked him for encouraging me to do things I would not have otherwise attempted.

We never talked much about anything but the basic stuff, and it was probably an awkward moment for both of us. But I am glad I did that.

You should too for the teacher who made a difference in your life.
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 $35. 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 sponsor 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 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 has announced that its first annual golf tournament will 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.

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.

Easter Decoy & Art Festival on Chincoteague April 18-19

For some, the arrival of spring is signaled by flowers bursting into bloom. For others, it’s the arrival of laughing gulls to the shores of Virginia. But to carvers and artists along the Eastern Seaboard, spring is heralded by the Easter Decoy & Art Festival held on Friday and Saturday of Easter weekend on Chincoteague Island.

This year’s event features over 70 artists from Pennsylvania to North Carolina and will be held on April 18 and 19 at Chincoteague Combined School.

Admission is $4 per day. Hours are Friday: noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Capt. Zack’s Seafood Carryouts and Island Creamery Ice Cream will offer food for sale.

The festival chairwoman is Donna Leonard.

Ribbons are awarded for the People’s Choice of Best Carving and Best Art Display. The Curtis Merritt Award of Excellence is bestowed upon the exhibitor chosen by his/her peers. The winner of last year’s People’s Choice Best Carving Display was Bill Veasey. Gerald Putt’s debut at the Chincoteague show in 2013 earned him the People’s Choice ribbon for Best Art Display.

Rose Taylor took home the ribbon in 2013 for the Best Photograph of Chincoteague or Assateague, which was of the wild Chincoteague ponies on the beach. Mary Lou Troutman from Maryland was chosen by fellow exhibitors “as an artist or craftsman displaying excellence and showing goodness as a person and vision from deep within” to receive the Curtis Merritt Award of Excellence in 2013.

For a complete list of 2014 exhibitors, visit www.chincoteagedecoyshow.com.

Show highlights include silent auctions of hand-painted and decorated wooden Easter eggs donated by the exhibitors; and Pre-Loved Treasures, whose proceeds go to the Memorial Park Playground Fund. Items include carvings, paintings, a U.S. Coast Guard uniform of Robert Bowden who served on Chincoteague in the ‘50s and ‘60s, old watering cans, Southern Living cookbooks, a Wm. C. Bunting oyster can, mirrors, platters and serving dishes, gift cards and unique items.

Boating Safety Course Offered by USGA

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12-02 is offering its “Boating Skills & Seamanship” course starting April 26 at Craddockville United Methodist Church. This course is for both the beginning boater who needs to understand the fundamentals of boating and the experienced boater who needs a refresher course.

The course covers such subjects as knots, boat handling, safety equipment, weather, and navigation. The instructors are qualified by the Coast Guard Auxiliary and have many years of boating experience. This course satisfies requirements for the State of Virginia Boating Safety Education program.

For information on the course and pre-registration, call Russell Vreeland at 442-7029.

Exhibitor Russell Fish talks to attendees at last year’s Easter Decoy and Art Festival.
Nandua Socks Arcadia Behind Round Trippers

Story and photo by Bill Sterling

Hunter Taylor and Tyreim Blake each hit two-run homers in the sixth inning to provide Nandua a 10-0 win over Arcadia last Thursday.

Jake Guy pitched the shutout for the Warriors, allowing just two hits while striking out nine and walking none.

Taylor was 2 for 4 and scored three times. In addition to Taylor and Blake, David Strautz, Ryan Haynie, Curtis Ormsby and Guy each had singles for Nandua. Evan McGregor also had an RBI on a sacrifice.

Austin Bagwell started for Arcadia and held Nandua in check until the fifth inning, allowing only a pair of runs until Nandua broke through for three in the fifth inning and five in the sixth. Bagwell was also hurt by four Arcadia errors.

Ponies Blast Jackets

Chincoteague used a 10-run first inning to take a 16-1 road win over Northampton in baseball last Thursday.

Corey Riefler was 3 for 4 with three doubles and five RBIs. Dylan Mason was also 3 for 4 with a double and an RBI. Joe Thornton was 2 for 4 with three RBIs. Mason Marshall was 2 for 4 with two doubles and three RBIs and Colin Derrickson was 2 for 4 with a double and two RBIs. Spence White and Trevor Reed each had a single.

Riefler pitched 5.1 innings, allowing five hits while striking out six and walking three. Ale McGee got the final two outs with two strikeouts.

Pony coach Will Thompson said, “It had been a long break from our first game until today. We were anxious to play against someone other than ourselves.”

Thompson noted that big defensive plays, including a Dylan Mason backhand in the hole and gunning a run at first, Mason Marshall’s diving catch in the outfield and Collin Derrickson throwing two runners out at second contributed heavily to the win.

Chincoteague Tops Salisbury Christian

Chincoteague defeated Salisbury Christian 11-3 in baseball Monday as freshman Trey Fisher threw a strong five innings, striking out eight while allowing five hits and two walks, and Collin Derrickson went 3 for 5 with five RBIs.

Corey Riefler added two hits with an RBI and Mason Marshall had a hit and two RBIs for the Ponies. Alex McGee came on in relief, striking out six batters in only two innings.

Pony coach Will Thompson said the defense was outstanding with no errors in the field.

Bunco played a tough aggressive game behind the plate,” said Shaffer.
Nandua, Northampton Roll to Wins

Chandler Davis went 3 for 4, including a solo homer in the second inning to lead Nandua to an 11-0 softball win over Arcadia last Thursday.

The Lady Warriors struck for six runs in the third inning when Tsara Nock, Sarah Puchalski and Caroline Harvie each singled before Kimberly Wert, Davis and Taylor Lilliston delivered RBI singles. Wert had a two-run single in the sixth, scoring Puchalski and Harvie, to cap the scoring.

For the game, Davis had four RBIs, Wert had three and Amanda Baylis added two.

D’errica Toppin pitched 4.1 innings, allowing one hit and no runs while walking four and striking out six. Emily Justis finished up the final 1.2 innings, allowing one hit, striking out one and walking one.

Ashley Justice pitched for Arcadia and allowed eight earned runs, striking out five and walking two.

Tiffany Trader went 2 for 2 for the Firebirds’ only hits.

The win gave Nandua an 8-1 record. The Lady Warriors host Chincoteague on Tuesday.

Lady Jackets Win

Northampton exploded for seven runs in the sixth inning to take a 9-2 win over Chincoteague at home in softball last Thursday.

Kaylyn Wright continued to pitch strong for the Jackets, giving up only three hits.

 Briana Williams was 4 for 4 with two doubles and two RBIs. Taylor Nadeau was 3 for 4 with two RBIs, and Shana Harrison went 2 for 3 with a triple and three RBIs.

The Lady Jackets will host Arcadia on Tuesday.

Broadwater Stops SC

Broadwater registered a whopping 19-5 softball win over Suffolk Christian Monday on the road.

Broadwater coach Noble Palmer said he was pleased with the way his Vikings were swinging the bat. “We hit some good pitching. It was just our day at the plate,” he noted.

Kelsey Parker was 5 for 5 with a triple and double, Heather Custis was 4 for 4 with a triple and homer, and Elizabeth Floyd was 4 for 4 with a double, three runs scored and two RBIs.

Palmer Smith scored four runs while Olivia Kellam had two hits and stole four bases. Rachel Fox also had two hits, including a triple. Katie Wendell was also 2 for 4.

Laura Merritt pitched to 15 batters, allowing two hits and two runs, striking out four. Kaitlin Hill finished up.

“We also fielded the ball really well, making no errors,” said Palmer. “All in all, it was one of our best performances in a long time against a quality team.”

Broadwater Wins

Last week Broadwater won the boys’ track meet at the Walsingham Invitation over six other private schools by amassing 152.50 points, with Bishop Sullivan second at 80.5 and host Walsingham third with 79 points. Peninsula Catholic, Nansemond-Suffolk, Atlantic Shores and Norfolk Collegiate also competed.

“This was probably the biggest win in our program’s history,” said Broadwater coach Eric Hack. “We had great performances against some top track programs.”

Preston Richardson was a dual winner in the shot put (56-01) and discus (167-10) with teammate Brendon Burrows runner-up in both events (43-09 and 138-11).

Wesley Shrieves was first in the triple jump (41-08) and second in the long jump (20-11.5).

Matt McCaskill won the high jump at 5-10, was second in the triple jump with 36-00 and finished fourth in the long jump at 19-08.

Adam Bowen won the 400-meter in 51.64, was third in the 200-meter in 23.40 and fourth in the 100-meter in 11.77.

Morgan Harmon was second in the 110-meter hurdles in 22.70, with McCaskill third in 18.1.5 and also third in the 100-meter hurdles in 15.5.

RU’s Davis on Streak

Whitney Davis, a 2012 graduate of Nandua, has been on a hot streak for the Radford softball team.

The sophomore third baseman had a school-record six RBIs, including a grand slam home run, in an 11-0 win over Presbyterian and had two home runs with four RBIs in a game against Liberty recently.

For the season, she is hitting .301 with 23 RBIs and seven home runs.

Davis is the daughter of Billy and Kathy Davis.
Story and photos by Bill Sterling

The Broadwater boys’ track team was the top local team in the Eastern Shore Invitational Meet Saturday at Eastville, finishing second to Norfolk Academy with 134 points to the winner’s 183.5 points. Nandua was fourth with 39.5 points, Arcadia had 26 and Northampton was sixth among seven teams with 24 points.

Among the girls, Northampton finished second to Norfolk Academy’s 255 points with 98 points. Arcadia was third with 51, and Nandua had 12 points.

Preston Richardson won both the shot put (54-09.5) and discus (166-03), while Wesley Shrieves won the long jump (20-5) and the triple jump (40-04), finished second in the high jump (5-10) and 100-meter run (11.40) and anchored the winning 4x100 relay (46.98) team for Broadwater.

The only other Shore track male to win an event was Evan Lawrence of Nandua, who took the 3200-meter run in 10:54.41 with teammate Trevon Pitt coming in second in 11:33.73.

The Broadwater 4x100 relay team of Adam Bowen, John Gordon, Tyler Major and Shrieves won first place, with Shrieves making up a slight deficit to win down the stretch over Norfolk Academy.

Broadwater claimed second through fifth in the high jump. Following Shrieves were teammates Brandon Burrows (5-10), Tyler Major (5-4) and Michael Riopel (5-4). Nandua’s Robert Bailey tied for fifth at 5-04.

Local schools took the top five spots in the discus, with Burrows (133-0) finishing second to Richardson, and then Nandua’s Tristan Snyder (118-04) and Bailey (109-10) finishing third and fourth, respectively, with versatile Shrieves fifth at 104-2.

Arcadia’s Ritchie Shrieves was second in the 110-meter hurdles in 16.71.

Broadwater’s Frank Long was second in the pole vault at 9-06, with teammate Zack Mitchell fifth at 5-06.

Burrows was third in the shot put (39-09), Riopel was fourth (38-05) and Bailey was fifth (37-1.5).

Bowen was third in the 100-meter (11.45) and the 200-meter (54.45). Broadwater’s Shrieves was fourth in 56.96, while Arcadia’s Marcellous Kellam was fifth in 58.23.

Other top five finishes for the boys were BA’s Nick Gomer (fourth in the 3200-meter in 12:01.35 and fourth in the 1600-meter 5:23.34) and Nandua’s Joseph McKinnie (fifth in the 3200 in 12:47.35).

Northampton’s Clifton Graves (41.48) and Marquel Fitchett (45.37) were third and fourth, respectively, in the 300-meter hurdles.

Arcadia’s Samuel Crippen was fourth in the 800-meter run in 2.22.

Teon Giddens of Arcadia was fourth in the 200-meter in 24.22.

Broadwater’s Tyler Major was fourth in the long jump in 18-11 and Nandua’s Trevon Pitt was fifth at 17-09.75.

Arcadia’s Samuel Crippen was third in the triple jump (37-07.25) and Broadwater’s Riopel was fifth (35-0.5).

Among the girls, Northampton’s Keona Smith won the 200-meter...
dash in 28.21, Taylor Campbell was first in the 100-meter dash in 13.11, Joanne Hubert won the shot put at 32.06.5, and Arcadia’s Emily Leach won the 3200-meter run in 14:26.86 for the only individual wins among local schools.

Northampton’s 4x100 relay team of Taylor Campbell, Desha Fitchett, Antonia Fitchett and Keona Smith won the event in 52.91.

Arcadia’s Kristina Dedicatoria (14:41.02) finished second in the 3200-meter run and fifth in the 1600 meters in 6:57.66.

In the 100-meter hurdles, Nandua’s Donesha McIntosh (18.83) was fourth and Northampton’s Quintara Lyons (19.02) was fifth.

In the 100-meter dash, Northampton’s Antonio Fitchett was second in 13.14 and teammate Desha Fitchell was fifth in 13.47.

Northampton’s Nia Richardson (1:08.7) and Quazhanik Upshur (1:08.71) were fourth and fifth, respectively, in the 400-meter hurdles.

Upshur (28.79) was third in the 200-meter dash, with Arcadia’s Normaya Harris fifth in 29.73.

In the discus, Joanne Hubert of Northampton was second at 101-06 and Arcadia was fourth in 78-11.

The Broadwater girls’ JV team beat five other schools to win its division with 103 points. Northampton had 56.

Broadwater’s Hazel Tankard won three events in the high jump (4-10) long jump (13-07) and triple jump 30-01. Lauren McClaskey won two events, in the 100-meter hurdles (20.30) and 300-meter hurdles (1:02.25).

Northampton’s Denise Upshur won the 100-meter dash in 13.63.

The Jackets’ 4x400 relay team also won in 5:23.35, with Evelyn Dunton, Ariana Tankard, Kiyanna Stratton and Denise Upshur.

**Arcadia Edges Chincoteague 3-2 on Soccer Field**

**Story and photo by Bill Sterling**

Arcadia held off Chincoteague 3-2 in soccer Monday evening at home after holding a 3-0 halftime lead.

The Firebirds’ Edgardo Martinez scored early in the contest on a long shot that bounced over the Ponies’ keeper, then Josh Sanns left-footed a shot in the corner with 18:07 left in the half. With only 24 seconds remaining, Jose Hernandez scored off a corner kick to give Arcadia a 3-0 lead.

Chincoteague bounced back in the second half with a goal by Hunter Lewis off a corner kick and a header by Ace Owies. The Ponies mounted a late charge on goal, but the Firebirds held on for the win.

**Lewis Nets 5 Goals in Jacket Win**

Madisen Lewis scored five goals to lead the Northampton girls to an 8-0 soccer win over Franklin last Thursday.

Ashlyn Arnold scored the first goal of the game with an assist by Caroline Hiler six minutes into the first half. Then, Lewis scored off a crossed ball by Kennedy Webb and one minute later off a corner kick by Webb. Hiler scored an unassisted goal with just over six minutes left before Lewis dribbled in and scored her third goal of the half at the one-minute mark, giving the Jackets a 5-0 halftime lead.

Seven minutes into the second half, Lewis scored on a deflection off the goal keeper. With seven minutes left in the half, Hiler scored a long-range goal off a back pass from Eric Head. Lewis capped the scoring off a corner kick by Webb.

The Lady Jackets took 31 shots on goal as its goalie did not touch the ball due to the strong Jacket defense.

“The girls did well to work on their passing and work on shooting opportunities, despite Franklin’s aggressive goalie, who had 17 saves,” said Northampton coach Tabi Webb.

**Jacket Boys Victorious**

Northampton defeated Arcadia 3-1 last Thursday in soccer at Oak Hall, coming from behind after Jose Hernandez put the Firebirds up 1-0 on a penalty kick at the 25-minute mark in the first half. Northampton rebounded when Sammy Pineda scored on a one-touch play in the air off a corner kick. Pineda scored again before the half on what Jacket coach John Gorman described as a “perfect cross” from Junior Guido.

Holding a 2-1 halftime lead, Northampton scored on a 30-yard shot by Byron Ortiz with about 10 minutes remaining.

Gorman said, “Arcadia was really fast and had multiple opportunities to score, but barely missed. The game was a lot closer than the score.”

Arcadia coach Patrck Cornwell said, “The game was exciting and packed full of exciting fair play from both sides.”

The two teams meet again next Wednesday in Eastville.

**Nandua Plays Tough**

The Nandua girls fell to King William 2-0 Friday on the road.

“We had our chances,” said Nandua coach Dana Wright, “Ryan (Wright) had a few shots off the cross bar. The girls are working hard and never give up.”

In the previous week, Nandua fell to Essex 3-1, with Wright scoring.

Nandua is in only the second year of its girls’ soccer program.

They meet Franklin on Wednesday.
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Accomack County Public Schools

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
The Parksville Town Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 2014, in the Town of Parksville’s Council Chambers to consider the following zoning request:

1. A request from Jo Ann C. Kirkpatrick, for a Special Use Permit pursuant to Article IX for the purpose of converting a single-family dwelling located at 24412 Bennett St. into two apartments.

Application is on file and may be examined in the Town Clerk’s Office, 1844 Dunne Ave., Parksvilla, Virginia, during normal business hours. Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the public hearing to express their views.

Handicapped Assistance Available: Call (757) 665-4618.

Fred Matthews
Zoning Administrator

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Curtis A. Heath Jr. of Townsend, Virginia has applied to the Marine Resources Commission to license and locate one pound net in the Chesapeake Bay as follows:

The proposed net is to be located approximately 1.25 miles south-southwest of the mouth of The Gulf. The length of the net will be approximately 1.200 feet. The offshore end of the net is to be located at Latitude 37°21.307’N and Longitude 76°00.2384’W and the inshore end of the net is to be located at Latitude 37°21.1883’N and Longitude 76°00.0450’W.

Please send comments or inquiries within 30 days to: Virginia Marine Resources Commission, Fisheries Management Division, 2600 Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor, Newport News, Virginia 23607.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
Case No. 14CL069

Notice is hereby given that Brandon Lee Simpson of Suffolk, Virginia has applied to the Marine Resources Commission to license and locate one pound net in the Chesapeake Bay as follows:

The proposed net is to be located approximately 3,750 feet southeast of Cherystone Channel Light 2C. The length of the net will be approximately 1.200 feet. The offshore end of the net is to be located at Latitude 37°11.4974’N and Longitude 76°01.1474’W and the inshore end of the net is to be located at Latitude 37°11.5913’N and Longitude 76°00.9299’W.

Please send comments or inquiries within 30 days to: Virginia Marine Resources Commission, Fisheries Management Division, 2600 Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor, Newport News, Virginia 23607.

JONNY STEVENSON, Town Clerk

Bearing Construction, Inc. is currently seeking State of VA certified DBE and SWAM subcontracts to bid on the Septage Receiving Station project for the Town of Onancock, VA. For a full scope of work please contact Leslie Miller at leslie@bearingconstruction.net. Bid date is April 29, 2014.

Jonny Stevenson, Town Clerk
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Dear Editor:

I read your article about the ladies who were thankful to receive their organ donations. On Sept. 13, 2011, I donated my kidney to my husband after he suffered stroke. With April being National Donate Life Month, we also want to encourage living donation. I get to see the value of the gift that I gave to my husband each day. We don't have to wait until we're deceased to make a difference. Thank you.

Marquetta Harmon Reaves, formerly of Atlantic

Cape Charles Citizens Need To Be Involved in Town Decisions

Dear Editor:

Cape Charles Town Council has thrown all caution to the wind without informing the public about what is in store for us. Local developer Patrick Hand has an idea to redevelop the old Be-Lo grocery store property on Mason Avenue.

There is no question that the old shuttered grocery store building blights the streetscape of Mason Avenue. No one can argue against having a nice new building on that lot. But Cape Charles has important matters to consider about Mr. Hand’s proposal.

At a recent Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, Mr. Hand told us that he approached some members of Town Council six or seven months ago about his plans for the property. He has been talking with the Art Walk Steering Committee about his for a while.

He even proposed selling some of the property to the town for public parking, but he and Town Council could not agree on a price. But rather than ask town residents what we want, council cut off negotiations. Why did Town Council think it was more important to have seven empty lots entering town than parking on Mason Avenue?

Residents, homeowners, shop owners and some members of Town Council were left in the dark about Mr. Hand's project until just a few weeks ago. For most of us, the plan was revealed at the March council meeting. A few adjacent property owners received a letter about the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting that took place last Monday.

Mr. Hand’s proposal has never been raised with the Planning Commission or the Harbor District Review Board. It seems that they are only needed when it is time to pull out the rubber stamp.

For going on 20 years, the parking lots at the old Be-Lo have been available to the public.

True, in the winter when the hotel is closed and not a lot of people are in town, there is no parking problem. What about in the summer when the town is full of visitors and second-home owners?

Where will tourists and shoppers on Mason Avenue park when those lots are closed? My guess is that people will stay home if there is no place close to park. Do we want to take that chance?

At the very least, there should be community discussion and consideration of what should be done. I have attended many Town Council meetings and spoken on matters of concern to me. I have never felt that the mayor or most members of council paid attention to a word I said.

I would truly like to commend the Board of Zoning Appeals because members took my concerns seriously. They are considering Mr. Hand’s request, but they are not discounting the needs of the adjacent businesses and those who frequent them.

It would be nice if our Town Council would make an equal effort, with transparency, to make sure that both the needs of the town and the needs of Mr. Hand’s development are evaluated.

I believe that if the public is invited to address their concerns about this project, it will end up as a better project.

Deborah Bender, Cape Charles

Let’s Vote on Whether We Should Elect School Board Members

Dear Editor:

Public education, its funding, application and results are common grounds of interest for all citizens of any community. We all have a stake in the outcome for it determines to a great degree the economic and social health of our nation. Benefits of a well-educated society are not the question. Shall the voters have a direct say in who shall guide the public schools in the question?

In a recent Letter to the Editor, a gentleman from Pennsylvania is dubious and urges caution. Good advice. Is it a bad idea that direct elections will have input from even the less well-off county citizens he speaks of? Do they not have even a greater stake in the outcome for their children?

This is a non-partisan issue. Some people think it is a bad idea to elect school board members directly. Many have reservations about the present method that provides exactly zero voter input in the selection process.

Let the debate begin. Support the petition now to put the question on the November ballot. Answer the question at the ballot box. Trust our citizen electors to make the right choice for Accomack County.

Paul Muhly, Parksley

Letters to the Editor may be sent by fax, email or U.S. mail using the addresses in the Publisher’s Circle below. While the Post will withhold a writer’s name with just cause, all letters must be signed and include a phone number for verification.
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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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