Elections Set Course for Towns Throughout Shore

Story and photo by Linda Cicoira

Town elections on the Eastern Shore Tuesday resulted in several new mayors and a few unseated council members in the 16 incorporated areas that participated.

The hottest races were in Cape Charles in Northampton and on Chincoteague Island, Onley and Hallwood in Accomack County. No decision was available on the outcome of the Belle Haven mayor’s race or council contest at press time Thursday.

With 51 percent turnout in Cape Charles, the majority of voters chose candidates who favored the sale of the old school to developers for transformation into apartments rather than those who felt sentimental ties and wanted the building for public use.

George R. Proto beat out Councilman F.E. “Frank” Wendell 264 to 149 in the race for Cape Charles mayor, which carries a four-year term.

Three seats (half the panel) were up for grabs on Cape Charles Town Council. Vice Mayor L.G. “Chris” Bannon and Councilwoman Joan L. Natali were returned to their posts with 258 and 251 votes, respectively. Recently retired Police Chief Charles F. “Sambo” Brown, who has served on council in the past, got 238 ballots and will fill the third seat. Those are also four-year terms.

Unsuccessful candidates were Deborah A. Bender with 129 votes, David C. Gay with 150 and L. “Lynn” Mitchell-Fields with 168.

On Chincoteague, there were four vying for three council seats. Councilman E.O. “Tripp” Muth III was unseated with 294 votes, about 18 percent. Councilwoman Ellen W. Richardson with 515 votes, more than 31 percent, Ben G. Ellis Jr. with 463 (28.5 percent) and James T. “Jim” Frese with 336 (nearly 21 percent) were the winners. Frese is a former council member who was unsuccessful in his quest for reelection last time around.

In Exmore, where 18 percent (186 voters) turned out, there was a close contest for the top job. Acting Mayor Douglas W. Greer Sr. was returned to the post with 93 votes over Carla Clark, who took 89 ballots.

Four candidates wanted the three Exmore council seats. Ousted was Councilman Charles G. Ward Sr. with 94 votes. Acting Councilman Bryon P. Heaster was the top vote getter with 157. Councilman T. Bradley Doughty garnered 104 and newcomer G.W. Atkins III got 105 ballots.

In Onley, Mayor Jack J. Pierson was returned with 64 votes, 81 percent. Fifteen write-in ballots also were col-

Local Hospital Tops Delinquent Taxpayer List in Northampton

By Linda Cicoira

Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital owes Northampton County nearly $108,000 in delinquent real-estate taxes for 2013 and heads the Top 40 list posted late last month on the treasurer’s website, www.co.northampton.va.us/gov/delinquent_taxes.html.
hospital was not on the tax rolls.

“Under Virginia code, anything tax exempt prior to 1971 shall remain tax exempt,” she said. County records show the property is still in the name Northampton-Accomack Memorial even though it is owned by Riverside Health Systems.

“They contend they are not subject to tax,” said Sayers, who has asked hospital officials to tell her why they think they should have a tax-exempt designation. She says they have not complied with her request.

The commissioner added the hospital is not in the state code’s exempt list, which includes things like “churches, Boy Scouts, volunteer fire companies, veterans’ (groups), the Boys & Girls Club (and) the Red Cross by classification.”

Sayers said by designation things like Arts Enter and the local historical society are tax exempt. “They applied to the county, the county agreed and sent it to the legislator and it was approved,” she added.

The subject of the hospital and tax revenue came up at a supervisors’ meeting in late 2012-early 2013. It was around the time Riverside Health System decided to build a hospital near Onley in Accomack County and Northampton officials tried to stop Riverside from getting state approval for the move. Riverside plans to close the hospital in Nassawadox.

Heading the Top 40 delinquent list for personal property in 2013 in Northampton is Riverside Physician Services. The bill there came to $19,250.
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**Used-Car Lot Gets Planning Commission OK**

*By Ron West*

The Northampton County Planning Commission considered a special-use permit request Tuesday for a commercial venture sought by Armour Savage Treherne in the Treherneville area.

The request drew several questions by Commissioners Roberta Kellam and Mike Ward.

Treherne wants to operate a used car lot at the intersection of Lankford Highway and Treherneville Drive. He explained that the property has been in his family for nearly a century and that several members of his family had operated a business at the site. Treherne said he would use one of the existing structures as an office while the other would be used for storage. Egress to the property would be from Treherneville Drive rather than from Lankford Highway.

Kellam asked if there would be any repairs made to vehicles at the business and was advised that none would be performed there.

The applicant will need to comply with any Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) regulations regarding an entrance from Treherneville Drive onto the site.

The commissioners agreed to support the applicant’s request.

A final request for a special-use permit was made by the Board of Supervisors. County Administrator Katie Nunez spoke of the county’s desire to repurpose the cafeteria of the former middle school in Machipongo as a community or commercial kitchen. Nunez said the concept is to open the kitchen for community members who wish to process products for sale, as a way to encourage small start-up businesses. Those who want to use the kitchen for a short time would pay a rental fee.

The commissioners agreed to support the permit request and noted that all four of the special-use permits would be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for consideration at its session May 13.

**Reminder**

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Plan for Wild Ponies’ Home Scheduled for Release

**Story and photo by Linda Cicoira**

Wild ponies aren’t the only ones who always go back to Assateague Island. The minds of Chincoteague town officials and residents constantly are making the trip as they consider what the beach and refuge mean to their survival.

Next week, federal Fish and Wildlife (F&W) officials are going to finally release the Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) for Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge. On Monday, Chincoteague’s mayor and town council said they plan to meet with a representative of F&W and the Accomack Board of Supervisors at 5 p.m. May 14 to get a preview.

“The meeting is to roll this out to elected officials,” said Mayor Jack Tarr. The session will be held at the refuge.

Councilman Gene Taylor said the beach is supposed to be “wide, dune and fence.” He complained that there was a place “where it washed out just last week … it’s not protected the right way.”

Losing parking places close to the ocean waves due to flooding is a persistent fear for local businesses. F&W has considered busing visitors to and from the beach instead of rebuilding the spaces, but residents agree that would cause many tourists to stop visiting the area. Such plans will be included in the CCP.

The beach will probably be there for centuries,” Mike Myers, a town resident, told town leaders. “The problem is access and (the possibility that) all the people would start saying they want money back at hotels. What is Plan B?” he asked.

“The town doesn’t have an official plan,” Tarr admitted. “We need to work on an official plan.” He recalled that in 1996-97 after a storm, “we worked out an agreement … and vehicles parked at the horse corral. They (the visitors) had to do a lot of walking to get to the beach.”

In other business, planner Bill Neville reported the Planning Commission has reached the halfway mark in reviewing the town’s Comprehensive Plan. He reminded officials that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will have an insurance expert at the unveiling (FEMA) will have an insurance expert at the unveiling of new flood plan maps next week. The session is set for 5 to 8 p.m. May 13 at Metompkin Elementary School. About 1,000 properties are designated to come out of the Chincoteague flood plain, which means the owners would not be forced to purchase flood in-

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**Police and Court Postings**

**By Linda Cicoira**

**Accomack Sheriff’s Office**
A local Coast Guard officer is being held without bond in Accomack County Jail on charges of maliciously shooting a fellow serviceman and using a firearm in that felony in connection with an incident that was reported early Sunday morning near Pickpenny Road.

It was after 2 a.m. when neighbors in the area heard frantic calls for help just before officers from the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office arrived. Sheriff Todd Godwin said his department was alerted about an “altercation between two subjects” at about 2:25 a.m.

“While deputies were en route to the scene, additional information was received that indicated a subject had been shot at this same address,” Godwin said. The call came from a residence on Back Road between Melfa and Wachapreague.

The suspect, Petty Officer Second Class James V. Rankin, 31, lived in a housing development where the shooting allegedly occurred.

Godwin and the Coast Guard withheld the name of the alleged victim pending further investigation. Petty Officer First Class Brandyn Hill, a spokesman for the Coast Guard, said the other serviceman was treated for a gunshot wound to the leg.

Rankin is an active-duty member of Coast Guard Station Wachapreague. Hill would not disclose where the victim was stationed nor any other details of the incident.

A spokesperson for Eastern Shore 9-1-1 Center said Wachapreague rescue was called to the scene. Godwin reported the victim was taken “to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital and later transferred to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital where he was treated and subsequently released.”

“Upon law enforcement’s arrival on the scene, one victim was located with an apparent gunshot wound to the body and a suspect was located nearby and taken into custody,” Godwin continued.

Once Rankin was arrested, a magistrate refused to set bond for him. He was arraigned Monday in Accomack General District Court where Judge Gordon Vincent also denied bond.

Vincent stated at that hearing that Rankin made too much money for the court to appoint an attorney for him. Chief Charles Gordon, also of the Wachapreague Coast Guard station, had intended to observe the hearing but then spoke up to tell about the Coast Guard policy that requires pay and allowances be forfeited when a service member is in custody because he cannot perform his duties. Vincent then appointed attorney Patrick Robbins to the case.

Hill said Rankin is a machinery technician with duties at Wachapreague, including routine maintenance of equipment. Hill stressed this was an isolated incident during off-duty hours. He said the Coast Guard is working closely with state and local police regarding the case.

“It’s hard to tell what is going to happen,” said Hill. “Once the outcome has been determined, then the Coast Guard will conduct its investigation.”

Court records state Rankin has been in the Coast Guard for 12 years, three on the Eastern Shore. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for June 16.

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**Accomack Circuit Court**
A New Church man admitted last week in Accomack Circuit Court to beating his wife, choking her, aiming a “hunting gun” at her chest and warning her to be careful what she eats because he was going to poison her with antifreeze.

Patrick Wescott, 41, of Silver Thorne Road pleaded guilty to a third offense of assault and battery of a household member that occurred Dec. 22, 2013, and credit-card larceny that happened Oct. 22, 2013. The victim was Amy Lynn Wescott.

The defendant did not testify. A report filed in the court record states Wescott told police he and the victim were “not getting along due to their financial difficulties.”


Amy Wescott told police he also threw furniture around the house and “threw a frozen turkey at my car. I am very afraid for my and my son’s well-being.”

Brenner said “at some point he spoke to Deputy (D.W.) Tyndall and told him on the telephone, ‘If they come at me with weapons, we’re all going to the grave.’ ”

Brenner said the victim stayed at the sheriff’s department for up to 12 hours because she was afraid to go home.

Defense lawyer Patrick Robbins said the defendant was not armed and has been in jail since the incident occurred.

The court found Wescott guilty of the assault but took no action on the theft. A presentence report was ordered along with an evaluation for detention and diversion programs. His jail attire showed he is being held in Eastern Shore Regional Jail.

Jimmy Lee Fiddemon, 38, of Queens Court in Mappsville was sentenced to eight years in prison for four counts of forgery that occurred Dec. 22, 2012, and Jan. 19, 2013. The two-year terms were set to run consecutively, with all time suspended. The crimes involved posing as his uncle during traffic stops.

Nakia Keetwon Reid, 21, of Linhaven Circle in Painter was sentenced to five years in prison for possession of a firearm by a violent felon. The offense occurred on Sept. 25, 2013.

Cleo Kelley III, 28, of Tasley pleaded guilty to felony eluding July 20, 2013. Nicholas Drummond, 22, of Daugherty Road in Tasley was sentenced to five years in prison each for distributing marijuana on June 1, 2012, and selling cocaine on July 9, 2012. All but nine months was suspended. His
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Northampton Circuit Court

A Nassawadox man was sentenced to a total of 10 years in prison Monday in Northampton Circuit Court for grand larceny and a gun offense.

All but a year of the term was suspended for Carlos Brinkley Cardoza, 41, of Hospital Avenue. The breakdown shows five years each for possession of a firearm by a felon and grand larceny in connection with incidents that occurred on Oct. 26, 2013.

The sentences were set to run consecutively, with all but six months each suspended.

Northampton District Court

A Birdsnest woman accused of feloniously stealing and obtaining money on false pretenses was convicted last week in Northampton General District Court of misdemeanor crimes.

Neshawae Nicole James, 36, of Nickel Lane was found guilty of petty larceny and sentenced to six months and 20 days in jail, with six months suspended. James was fined $150. She was given a six-month suspended sentenced for misdemeanor obtaining money by false pretenses.

Accomack District Court

Judge Gordon Vincent of Accomack General District Court found probable cause Monday to certify a drug charge against a Norfolk man to an Accomack Grand Jury.

Hector Nicholas Soto, 29, of Armfield Circle is accused of transporting 166 grams — nearly six ounces — of cocaine, worth between $6,000 and $7,500, into Virginia from New York. According to testimony at the preliminary hearing, Soto told police he committed the crime as payback for a marijuana bill he had incurred.

He remains free on $75,000 unsecured bond.

Special Agent C.S. Wade, coordinator of Eastern Shore Drug Task Force, said Maryland authorities alerted him on Dec. 6, 2013, that a suspicious vehicle passed through the Pocomoke area and was heading toward Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

The officers “intentionally targeted people they thought were involved in criminal activity,” Wade said. “Route 13 is an established and well-known corridor for cocaine.”

Wade said he spotted the white 1997 Lexus traveling south on Lankford Highway south of Walmart in Onley. After observing the vehicle twice swerve off the road, Wade said, he pulled the car over in front of the State Police barracks. The expert witness said Soto acted typically of a drug transporter as he was sweating profusely, shaky, gripping the steering wheel and avoiding eye contact by staring straight ahead.

The agent said Soto gave him permission to search the vehicle, where he found the illegal drug in a vacuum-sealed container in a duffle bag in the trunk.

Vincent also found probable cause to certify charges of malicious wounding and threatening to burn down a house in the case of Latisha Pepper, 28, of Old Nelsonia Road in Bloxom. She was allowed to remain free on unspecified bond.

The crimes allegedly occurred on March 3. According to testimony, Pepper made the fire threat to officers when they arrived at the scene. She also told officers that she was protecting herself. The victim, who was only identified as Mr. Lewis, told police she struck him first and he attempted to subdue her.

A charge of conspiracy to commit grand larceny will not be prosecuted against Michael Anthony Press, 45, of Fleming Road in Horntown, Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan told the judge. The offense allegedly occurred on March 22. Press was arrested on April 8.

Jessica Curtis, 25, of Stockton, Md., will not be prosecuted on a charge of burglarizing a house belonging to Larry Layman and conspiring to steal his property on March 22. She was arrested April 10.
Local fire departments are coming together to host an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner Saturday, May 10, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at Parksley Volunteer Fire Company for $10 per person. 

All proceeds will be given to Saxis Volunteer Fire Company Chief Coley Beasley and his family. Beasley was burned while working a marsh and woods fire in the Saxis and Sanford area on April 13, will be out of work for over a month, and has extensive medical bills.

Anyone wishing to contribute by donations or making a dessert can contact Tony at 757-990-0502 or Wayne at 757-710-9274.

Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company will host a chicken-and-dumpling fund-raiser Friday, May 16, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Dinner will include chicken, dumplings, mashed potatoes, peas, and dessert. Iced tea or lemonade will be available for dine-in only. Carry-out is also available. The cost is $8.

Community News Items

Community News Items can be faxed to the Eastern Shore Post at 789-7681 or e-mailed to editor@easternshorepost.com

‘Package Deal’ Proposed for Exmore

By Ron West

Exmore Town Council heard a proposal Monday from Public Utilities Director Taylor Dukes for replacing the town’s wastewater plant.

According to Dukes, the current plant has a load limit of 60,000 gallons per day (gpd) and treats about half that. While the plant could handle additional customers, Dukes noted that portions of the facility need to be replaced because of extensive corrosion.

Approximately half of the town’s 1,500 residents are connected to the plant; the remainder have traditional septic systems. Dukes said that more residential and commercial residents would like there property to be connected to the system, but the current infrastructure is not able to accommodate them.

Dukes and Town Manager Robert Duer proposed replacing the wastewater plant with a new “package plant.” According to Dukes, a package plant consists of a pre-built unit constructed from composite materials. The proposed system would handle between 75,000 and 100,000 gpd, most, if not all, of the residential and commercial customers in town if accompanying wastewater lines were installed.

The initial cost estimate for the new package plant is approximately $500,000, much of which might be covered by grants, for which the town could apply.

Dukes said the new plant could be online in about two years.

The new facility could possibly serve the Willis Wharf and Belle Haven areas.

Once the new wastewater plant was in place, the building that houses the existing plant could be converted to a home for the Public Works Department.

Council took no action on the proposed facility, but asked Dukes for additional information.

Duer reported that the town’s financial health is well on the road to recovery and that the town had seen a net gain over expenses of about $6,000 for April. He attributed the financial improvement to a combination of hard work and dedication by the town’s workforce, as well as an increase in revenue from traffic enforcement by the Police Department.

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The proposed real estate tax rate will increase to a total of $0.06 per $100.00 of county valuation. Decal fee will remain $27.00 for cars and $25.00 for motorcycles. Full budget figures will be available prior to public hearing at the Town Hall. Public hearing will be held at the regular meeting of the Town Council on May 20, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 19539 Main Street. Melfa.
Church Awards Scholarships

Gaskins Chapel AME Church commemorated the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a special ceremony that featured a message delivered by Rev. Vanessa Copeland, pastor of Mt Zion AME Church of Virginia Beach. Gaskins Chapel, under the leadership of Rev. Oretha P. Cross, the Scholarship Ministry and its president, Sis. Doris Pruitt, honored its eight community scholarship recipients. Tsara Nock, an honor student at Nandua High School, was the 2014 recipient.

Combs, Hore and Nock Earn $1,000 Electric Co-op Scholarships

Three local high-school seniors have earned scholarships awarded by the Educational Scholarship Foundation of the Virginia, Maryland & Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives. Tyler Combs of Cape Charles, Madhurima Hore of Machipongo and Tsara Nock of Accomac will receive a $1,000 Worth M. Hudson Scholarship. Combs, the son of Shelby and Jill Combs, and Hore, the daughter of Roo-pali and Saumen Hore, are Northampton High School seniors. Nock, the daughter of Shywanna Nock and Sylvia Fiddeman, is a senior at Nandua.
**Former Melfa Resident Passes Away**

Mrs. Marion Fowler Shackford, 93, a resident of The Hermitage in Richmond, Va., formerly of Melfa and West Chester, Pa., passed away at her residence on Wednesday, April 23, 2014.

Born in Westerly, R.I., she was the daughter of the late Charles Sherwood Fowler and Nora Gordon Fowler. Mrs. Shackford was a member of Holy Trinity Church in Onancock.

Mrs. Shackford was predeceased by her husband, Charles Chauncey Shackford; and a daughter, Judy Ricks Shackford. Survivors include her children, Marion March Shackford of Quinton, Va., and Robert Gordon Shackford; and a daughter, Judy Ricks Shackford. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

**Retired Air Force Nurse Passes Away**


Born in Painter, she was the daughter of the late Luceal and Grover C. Chandler. She joined the Army Nurse Corps in 1947, transferring to the newly formed Air Force Nurse Corps in 1949 and continuing on active duty with assignments in Germany, Alaska and Vietnam until retiring in November 1970. She was an active member of the Society of Air Force Nurses and Frazier Memorial U.M. Church.

Predeceased by her brothers, Grover and Vernon Chandler, she is survived by her children, William Everett Taylor Sr.; and the father of some of her children; and 16 great-grandchildren. Flowers, DVD, Portrait, Professional Service, Concrete Vault.

**Painter Resident Dies**

Clindora Harmon, 92, of Painter died Tuesday, April 29, 2014.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, May 10, at 11 a.m. at Shiloh Baptist Church in Boston. There will be a viewing one hour prior to the service. Internment will be in the church cemetery.

**Former Machipongo Resident Dies at RSMH**

Mrs. Elizabeth Dae Lewis Ward, 85, a resident of The Hermitage, formerly of Machipongo, passed away Wednesday, April 30, 2014, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Born in Cheriton, she was the daughter of the late Seymour Lewis Sr. and Mary Burnette Richardson. Mrs. Ward is most noted for being the best mom and grandma ever.

She was predeceased by her husband, Austin Carroll Ward Jr., and is survived by her children, Austin Carroll Ward III, Michael Blair Ward Sr., Charles Manning Ward Sr., Richard Anthony Ward and Carolyn Dae Ward Gaskins, all of Machipongo; 12 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

**Bell Atlantic Retiree Dies at Hermitage**

Mrs. Elsie Dize Scott, 86, of Tasley passed away Wednesday, April 30, 2014, at the Hermitage on the Eastern Shore, in Onancock.

The daughter of the late Andrew Dize and Hazel Johnson Dize, she was a graduate of Onancock High School.

Mrs. Scott was employed by C&P Telephone Company, later Bell Atlantic, for 40 years. Mrs. Scott was married to the late James E. Scott for 70 years, and was a lifelong United Methodist.

She is survived by her brothers, Colburn L. Dize of Onancock and Benjamin G. Dize of Chesapeake, Va., their families; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by an infant daughter.

A memorial service was conducted at the Hermitage Monday, May 5, with Pastor Robert Fletcher officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Drummondtown U.M. Church, P.O. Box 267, Acomac, VA 23301; or the Hermitage Employee Fund, c/o Hermitage on the Eastern Shore, 23610 North St., Onancock, VA 23417. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.
Mrs. Goldman is survived by her children, Wanda T. Justis (and husband, Bill) of Parkesley, Dareldya “Vicki” Taylor (and husband, Donald Vogel)man of Parkesley, Beverly T. Ayres (and husband, Kenny) of Bloxom, Joyce T. Donathan (and husband, Ron) of Blacksburg, Va., David Wayne Turner (and wife, Brandy) of Bloxom, and James Louis Turner III (and girlfriend, Peggy Killmon) of Bloxom; daughter-in-law, Margaret Ann Taylor (Billy’s wife) of Mearsville; 16 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and the late Rev. Goldman’s five children.

Graveside services were conducted at Liberty Cemetery Saturday, May 3, with Pastor Bob Boyce officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Parkesley Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 14, Parkesley, VA 23421. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parkesley Funeral Home.

Former Onancock Resident Dies in Florida

Mrs. Dorothy Bell Bennett, 89, of Davenport, Fla., formerly of Onancock, passed away Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at The Crossroads Nursing Home in Davenport.

Born in Onancock, she was the daughter of the late Calvin and Elizabeth Chambers Bell. Mrs. Bennett was a devoted member of Onancock Baptist Church.

Mrs. Bennett was predeceased by her husband, Hayward Hanson Bennett II. Survivors include her children, Hayward H. Bennett III (and wife, Connie) of Davenport and Karen Hippie (and husband, Fred) of Chincoteague; grandchildren, Elizabeth Hippie and Christopher Rockemann (and wife, Rose); great-grandchildren, Hannah Rockemann and Raven Mundy; great-great-granddaughter, Karlie; and her beloved dog, Bisque, who often visited her at the nursing home.

Graveside services will be conducted at Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock today, May 9, at 4 p.m., by Pastor Andy Cobb.

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

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Exmore Foods Retiree Dies at Heritage Hall


A native of Wardtown, he was the son of the late Ernest D. and Mildred Mears Ward. He served in the Merchant Marines, was a U.S. Army veteran, retired from Exmore Foods, and was past fire chief of Community Fire Company, past governor of Exmore Moose Lodge 683, and a member of Belle Haven U.M. Church.

Mr. Ward was predeceased by his wife, Myrtle Melson Ward; a brother, Dunton Ward; and two sister-in-laws, Elmira Ward and Marion Ward. He is survived by his children, Dixie W. Greer (and husband, Douglas) of Exmore, Diane W. Justice (and husband, Barron) of Wardtown, Deborah L. Ward of Exmore, and Tommy Ward (and wife, Angie) of Exmore; son-in-law, David W. Mears of Exmore; brother, Charles G. Ward of Exmore; nine grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, May 7, at Belle Haven U.M. Church, with Reverends Judith Worthington, Rob Kelly, Jonathan Carpenter and Mike Muender officiating. Interment was in Belle Haven Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care 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.

Retired Keller Postmistress Dies

Mrs. LaBelle Pruitt Tyndall, 80, of Keller passed away Sunday, May 4, 2014, at her residence.

A native of Locustville, she was the daughter of the late Harry T. and Ada E. Killmon Sturgis. She was a retired postmistress for Keller Post Office and a member of Hollies Baptist Church.

Mrs. Tyndall was predeceased by her husband, Samuel William Tyndall. She is survived by her children, Patricia Smith (and husband, Patterson) of Exmore, Thomas E. Pruitt (and wife, Brenda Lee) of Craddockville, Keith Pruitt of Exmore, Judi Renwick of Keller, Paul Tyndall (and wife, Mary Lou) of Wattsville, Larry Tyndall (and wife, Sybil) of Vera Beach, Fla.; sister, Marion Colonna of Onley; brother, Everett Sturgis (and wife, Ginger) of Wichita Falls, Texas; 10 grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, May 8, at Hollies Baptist Church by Rev. Joe McKnight. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to New Testament Church on Tangier, Thursday, May 8, with his grandson, Elder Duane Crockett, and Pastor John Flood officiating. Interment was in the Crockett Family Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alice Byrd Tawes Nursing Home Activity Fund, 201 Hall Hwy., Crisfield, MD 21817. Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams Funeral Homes, Parkesley and Onancock.

Mother of Parkesley Woman Dies

Mrs. Marilyn Golt Benton passed from this life into eternal life Monday, (Obituaries Cont’d. on Next Page)
May 5, 2014, at her home in Grasonville, Md., surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Dominion on Kent Island, she was the third of seven children born to George and Lillian Roe Golt. She graduated from Stevensville High School in 1952, and worked for a time at Nichols Real Estate Company. On April 20, 1957, she married William Edgar Benton Jr. and they resided in Grasonville, near Cabin Creek, for 57 years. Her real purpose in life began with the births of her grandchildren, Candace Welch Vernon Bert, of Magnolia, Del.; as well as her nieces and nephews; and some very good neighbors. She was predeceased by her sister, Jean Golt Marshall; and two brothers, Sonny and Bert Golt.

At her request, her memorial service will be private.

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

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

‘Miss Emily’ Dies

Mrs. Emily Mae Saunders Bundick, 80, of Coal Klin, Painter, passed peacefully into her final rest, following a short illness, Wednesday, May 7, 2014, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Nassawadox.

Born into a large hillside family farm at Goodview, in Bedford County Va., she was the last surviving of five children born to Joseph and Snow-white Wright Saunders. She lived on the family farm and worked at the family’s Coal Klin Grocery.

“Miss Emily,” as she will be affectionately remembered, was a long-time cornerstone of the Methodist Camp, Camp Occohannock, where she fed the souls in her “food ministry” of countless people and the Emmaus faithful. The camp was the true calling of her life, as were her cinnamon buns and pigs-in-the-blankets. She worked in the cafeterias of Central, Onancock Learning Center, and Nandua High School for 23 years, retiring in 2008. While there, she baked her famous yeast rolls and dispensed her locally famous pickle relish. She was a loyal member of Painter-Garrison’s U.M. Church, and advocate and member of ARC-Eastern Shore.

She was predeceased by her husband of 58 years, Herman L. Bundick, and is survived by her children, Carl Herman Bundick and family, Len Joseph Bundick and family and Thalia Mae Bundick Shrieves and family, which includes her beloved grandchildren, Joshua, Kyle, Kristi, Morgan, Caleb, Olivia, Adam; great-grandchildren, Alex and Parke; sister-in-law, Virginia Bundick and family and Thalia and is survived by her children, Carl Herman Bundick and family, Len Joseph Bundick and family and Thalia Mae Bundick Shrieves and family, which includes her beloved grandchildren, Joshua, Kyle, Kristi, Morgan, Caleb, Olivia, Adam; great-grandchildren, Alex and Parke; sister-in-law, Virginia Bundick and family and Thalia

Exmore Resident Dies

Mr. Clarence Bailey, 77, of Exmore died there Monday, May 5, 2014.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, May 10, at 2 p.m. at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Wardtown. A viewing will be held at Smith and Scott Funeral Home Chapel in Exmore.
The Virginia Marine Resources Commission has released the 2014 blue crab winter dredge survey, which showed the abundance of spawning-age female crabs has dropped to just below the minimum safe level of 70 million and they are in a depleted state.

While juvenile crab numbers increased and last year’s harvest remained at a safe level (under the target fishing removal rate) for the sixth consecutive year, the total abundance of crabs remains comparatively low, at approximately 297 million.

“This is disappointing news,” said Virginia Marine Resources Commissioner John M.R. Bull. “Crabs live in a constantly changing ecosystem, and their abundance levels are influenced by coastal currents, weather patterns, predators, water temperatures and a host of other factors.”

The long cold winter appears to be one cause of the low abundance level. Low water temperatures resulted in one of the worst cold-kill events since the start of the survey in 1990, causing the death of an estimated 28 percent of all adult crabs in Maryland.

“We are now faced with two challenges: conserving adult females through targeted harvest reductions so they survive to spawn this summer, and conserving this new generation of crabs in order to increase their chances of reproducing in even larger numbers next year,” Bull said.

The decline in spawning age females will be the biggest factor in determining new management actions by VMRC, Maryland, and the Potomac River Fisheries Commission to increase reproductive potential in 2014 and 2015.

Although the number of juvenile crabs in the Chesapeake Bay was up 78 percent from 2013’s record low, this segment of the population remains at pre-2008 levels, when a coordinated baywide stock rebuilding program kicked off.

This year’s low numbers would seem to preclude the possibility of reopening the winter crab dredge fishery, which has been closed annually since 2008.

The three jurisdictions remain committed to collaborating on a two-pronged management approach this year. The first action will be to protect the adult females that will be spawning this summer. The second will be designed to protect the current population of juvenile females through next spring, to build up the female population that will spawn in 2015. The three jurisdictions will consult further with scientists and stakeholders to identify the specific actions to be implemented.

Management efforts will be aimed at producing a more productive and vibrant recreational and commercial blue crab fishery in 2015.

“Even though our 2008 conservation measures were designed to allow for naturally occurring fluctuations in crabs, these results are not what we had hoped to see,” said DNR Fisheries Director Tom O’Connell. “What is most important here is that the structure we put into place to cooperatively manage this fishery is strong, and that we will continue to work with our partners and stakeholders to adjust our management strategies as needed.”

The annual Winter Dredge Survey is the primary assessment of the bay’s blue crab population, and has been done annually by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science and Maryland DNR since 1990. The survey employs crab dredges to sample blue crabs at 1,500 sites throughout the Chesapeake Bay from December through March. Sampling during winter when blue crabs are usually buried in the mud and stationary, allows scientists to develop, with good precision, estimates of the number of crabs present in the bay.

The Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessment Committee is reviewing the survey results. VMRC has begun discussions with its crab management advisory committee.
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lected for nearly 19 percent, but were of no consequence.

The race for Onley Town Council was a bit more complicated as 84 write-in votes were counted. Write-in candidate Matt Hart, who got 45 ballots, unseated incumbent Billy Page Chance Sr. by one vote. The other top five vote-getters were Councilmen E. Don Strautz Jr. and Henry E. “Ned” Finney, each with 66; Councilwomen Susan M. Rillo and Dawn Evans Dize, each with 65; and newcomer John L. Dennis Sr. with 49. Write-in candidate Kim Ferguson was unsuccessful in her quest for council with 28 votes.

In Cheriton, where 19 percent of the voters went to the polls, Mayor Joseph A. Habel was returned to office. He was not opposed.

Cheriton council members Daniel C. Dabinett with 47 votes, Frederick J. Diggs Sr. with 50, B.B. “Barry” Downing Jr. with 57, Gregory S. Hardesty with 53 and Norma P. Spencer with 52, got their jobs back. Councilman J. Wesley Travis, who was late filing and didn’t get on the ballot, won a write-in campaign with 23 votes. Former Mayor Robert K. “Bo” Lewis Sr. got 20 votes for council and was not successful.

In Eastville, 23 percent of registered voters participated. Mayor Jimmy Sturgis was unopposed and got 42 ballots. All six council members also were returned and received votes as follows: John D. Crockett, 25; Ben T. Fox, 20; Eleanor C. Gordon, 25; Nancy M. Mulligan, 24; R. Todd Simpson, 23; and Edgar S. Sturgis III, 20. Anouck F. LeFur was unsuccessful in gaining a position with nine votes.

Nineteen Nassawadox voters (6 percent) participated in the election. Edward H. “Ed” Gibb had no competition in his quest for mayor and thereby won with 17 votes. Councilmen Isaac A. Smaw Sr., John W. Hallett Sr. and Claude Francis Jones were returned to council with 18, 13 and 15 votes, respectively. Rex F. Ingram was a first-time council seat winner with 15 votes. Sandra K. Beerends and former Councilwoman Grace Smaw, who is Isaac Smaw’s spouse, each got one write-in vote and a chance to serve on council.

Accomac Mayor Brooks E. Allen was returned with 16 votes, 80 percent of the canvass for another two-year term. Four write-in ballots for that office also were cast. Council members C. Craig Cropper with 17, James M. Johnson Sr. with 18, Joyce Metcalf Lewis with 15 and Patricia T. Smith with 16 also were returned. Richard P. Wallace, a newcomer, got 17 votes and a place on the panel. Paul White Jr. got nine of the 13 write-in votes and won a seat.

Belle Haven elections were undecided at press time, with write-in votes still to be re-evaluated by election officials. The state election website stated there were 29 write-in votes for town recorder, but the winner’s name was not given. It also reported 29 write-in votes for mayor and 22 votes for mayoral candidate H.A. “Herb” Thom Jr.

There were eight candidates for Belle Haven Town Council, with two write-in votes in results that Registrar Patricia White said also need review. The top voter-getters and winners, according to the website, are Douglas R. Wehrer with 36, John Alan Nyberg with 32, Thomas K. Noonan with 32, George H. Ludlow Jr. with 24 and Robert O. Pase and daughter Elizabeth M. Pase, each with 23. Edwin R. Long and Lee E. Tapman got 21 and 22 votes, respectively. There were also two write-in ballots, according to the website.

In Hallwood, Mayor J.W. “Jackie” Poulson Jr. was returned with no competition for his job. Eight people competed for council through registered election and write-in campaigns. The winners were Councilwomen Barbara A. Ferriell and Gladys E. “Sicky” Hicks, each with 28 votes; E. Stanley Young with 29; Claudia Linton with 24 write-ins; Donald Heerdt with 24 write-ins; and Rebecca M. Like with 23 write-ins. Cheryl D. Gunter and political activist John W. Smith Jr. were unsuccessful with 12 votes each.

In Keller, where Mayor Mary “Ginny” Mueller did not seek re-election and Charlotte B. Wingfield withdrew her name, nine valid write-in votes were cast for the top post.

Councilwoman Bonnie Warren Wallace actually was elected to two positions. She got 17 votes for council and won back her seat, and eight write-in votes for mayor. When contacted Wednesday afternoon by telephone, she...
said she was undecided about which job she would take. The remaining write-in vote was cast for Beth Hart.

The other five Keller council members were returned as follows — Margaret F. Miles and her husband Samuel N. Miles each with 17 votes, Lee Ann Nottingham got 13 and her husband, R. Greg Nottingham Sr., got 18 and Georgie Mae Stevens took 14. There were three write-in votes for council, which could become important if Wallace decides to take the mayor’s post. Beth Hart, Robert Addison and Autumn Nottingham each got a vote.

In Onancock, Mayor Russell A. Jones was unopposed and got 100 votes, nearly 92 percent. Nine write-in ballots were cast.

There were three council seats in Onancock up for grabs and an equal number of candidates to fill the positions. Councilman Fletcher D. Fosque was returned to office with 102 votes. Joshua A. Bundick got 97 votes. M. Catherine Krause was the top ballot-getter with 103. Councilwomen Kathy-ann Runninger and Michelle Marsh did not seek another term. There were 16 write-in votes.

In Parksley, five people wanted the three town council seats. Incumbents Frank A. Russell II with 35 and Rodney Smoot with 38 were returned. Newcomer John Carter Parks also got a post with 33 votes. Challenger Steven M. Atkins got 12 votes and R. Wayne Marshall Jr. took 11, thereby losing.

Saxis Mayor Denise L. Brewer was returned with 44 votes, 100 percent of the ballots. Seven people sought six seats on council. The winners were Aubrey Lee Miles Jr. and Andrew Patrick Linton, both with 44 votes; Darrell D. Marshall with 42; Jacob S. Foerster Jr. and Linda L. Miles, each with 40; and Michael A. Marshall with 35. Former Councilman Kenneth L. Glisson got 16 votes. There was one write-in vote.

Tangier Mayor Tangier James W. “Ooker” Eskridge was a shoo-in with 139 ballots, nearly 98 percent of the vote. There were three write-in ballots of no consequence.

The race for Tangier Town Council included 122 write-in votes. Jean Crockett got the majority of those, 116 of 122 write-in ballots. Also elected were Paul R. McCready with 145, James R. Parks with 152, Anna E. Pruitt-Parks with 148 and Bradley Al-len Thomas Jr. and Cindy S. Wheatley, each with 155.

Wachapreague Mayor Frederick M. Janci Jr. was elected with 36 ballots, 100 percent of the votes. There were 41 write-in votes for town council. Of those, Susan Atkinson got 13 and Sandy Wood garnered 7 votes for wins. The rest of the write-in votes amounted to between 1 and 3 votes for various people and were inconsequential. Council members Stuart P. Bell with 27, Aileen Z. Joeckel with 26, John W. Joeckel with 25 and Bonnie B. Munn with 28 were returned to office. The Joeckels are husband and wife.

Bloxom Acting Mayor R. Scott Callander, who is a former councilman, was elected to the town’s top position with 26 ballots, nearly 69 percent of the vote. There were 12 write-in ballots.

Six candidates filled the six Bloxom Town Council seats. They are council members Jennifer Shelton Barns with 33 votes, Peter G. Bourbeau II with 35, Gary W. Heintzelman with 36, Richard L. Taylor Sr. with 35 and Thomas W. Beasley with 32. Christopher F. Kreisl won a seat with 26 votes. There were 12 write-in votes.

The preliminary maps that will be shared at the Open House are an update of the existing FIRM, which dates back to March 16, 2009. These preliminary FIRMs and the associated Flood Insurance Study (FIS) provide the basis for flood risk education and floodplain management measures. The County of Accomack, along with various Incorporated Towns, is required to adopt updated maps to continue participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which makes flood insurance available to the community.

As a result of these map updates, some buildings and property in the County of Accomack, the Town of Belle Haven, the Town of Wachapreague, the Town of Onancock, the Town of Saxis, the Town of Tangier, and the Town of Chincoteague may, for the first time, be included in a high-risk flood zone, known as the Special Flood Hazard Area, or SFHA. This may result in mandatory purchase of flood insurance for those property owners who are affected. Other properties that have been previously included in the SFHA are also proposed to be removed from the flood zone. FEMA staff will be at the Open House and will be available to talk to property owners about the update and what it means to them.

Public Open House scheduled for Tuesday, May 13, 2014

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released updates to the coastal flood maps, known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), for the County of Accomack. These updates were preliminarily issued to Accomack County and the Incorporated Towns on July 19, 2013. The FIRMs indicate flood-prone coastal areas in Accomack County, and insurance companies use FIRMs to determine flood insurance rates for buildings and contents. Accomack County residents and property owners are encouraged to learn more about their flood risk and the updates shown on the preliminary maps.

The County of Accomack, along with the Town of Belle Haven, Town of Wachapreague, Town of Onancock, Town of Saxis, Town of Tangier, and the Town of Chincoteague will hold a public Coastal Flood Risk Open House on the updates at Metomkin Elementary School, 24501 Parksley Road, on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Using interactive flood maps at this Open House, representatives from the State, County, and Incorporated Towns, as well as FEMA and their mapping partners, will be available to answer flood risk and insurance questions, and explain the preliminary maps.

Flooding is the number one natural disaster in the United States; it is vital for property owners to understand their risk, and take advantage of tools and programs available to them, including flood insurance, to help reduce flooding impacts.

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Additional information is available on the County of Accomack website at www.co.accomack.va.us, and more information, including links to the interactive mapping website, can be found on www.R3Coastal.com.

Residents within the County of Accomack with additional questions can contact the County of Accomack Building and Zoning Office at 757-787-5721. Residents within Incorporated Towns should contact the respective Town at the following numbers: Town of Belle Haven, 757-442-5031; Town of Wachapreague, 757-603-359-5806; Town of Onancock, 757-787-3363; Town of Chincoteague, 757-336-6519; Town of Saxis, 757-710-4747; and Town of Tangier, 757-891-2438.
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Friday, May 16, at 8 p.m.

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Doors open @ 7:30
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Free Skin Cancer Check-ups
June 9 at Shore Cancer Center

Time outdoors after a long, hard winter is good for the body’s production of vitamin D and is a good mood elevator.

However, too much unprotected time in the sun can lead to skin cancer, sometimes with devastating results. Experts agree that any tanning or reddening of the skin indicates damage which is susceptible to turning to cancer in the future. Prevention is the best defense, whether by wearing sunscreen or by covering up with clothing.

Early detection of suspicious skin areas can be achieved with a periodic head-to-toe skin check. Early detection can mean the difference between a simple removal of the affected area and a more extensive treatment for widespread cancer.

ABCDE is a handy acronym for the early detection of skin cancer. ABCDE stands for finding a skin irregularity that is Asymmetric or lopsided, with an irregular Border, with Color that is uneven (shades of brown, tan or black are present), with a Diameter wider than a pencil eraser or that is Evolving into a different color, shape or size.

Riverside Shore Cancer Center is holding a free skin cancer screening event on Thursday, June 19, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Nurse practitioners will perform skin checks and will recommend follow-up action if any is needed.

Appointments are required for the screening event. Call 414-8355 for an appointment.

May is National Foster Care Month
Make a difference in one child’s lifetime. Become a Foster Parent.
For more information, call the Northampton County Department of Social Services at 678-5153, ext. 328, or ext. 334 and ask for Auzalia Brown or Olivia Collins.

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Shorekeeper Award Nominees Sought

The Virginia Eastern Shorekeeper is seeking nominations for the 3rd Annual Waterway Guardian Awards. Recipients will be recognized at the Shorekeeper’s annual clamboree on Aug. 16.

“The intent of these awards is to recognize groups, agencies, and individuals who have made significant contributions toward clean water on the Eastern Shore of Virginia,” said Jay Ford, executive director of the Shorekeeper organization. “We intend to shine a light on those whose local work and actions have been a positive force for our creeks, bays, and other precious natural resources.”

There are three categories of awards: individuals and nongovernmental organizations; government agencies and/or elected or appointed government officials; and commercial enterprises. All nominees must live in or work on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, and there may be multiple award recipients in each category.

Shorekeeper invites anyone to make a nomination using the nominating form found at www.shorekeeper.org/Guardian_Awards.html.

The deadline for submitting a nomination is July 1.

A public hearing on this proposed budget will be held Monday, May 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Council meeting at The Northampton Free Library in Nassawadox. This hearing will be held prior to the May meeting. The meeting will be open to the public and the Town Council will answer questions and listen to comments on the budget at this time.

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New Northampton Flood-Risk Maps Will Be Explained Monday

With the recent release of updated flood maps, the County of Northampton will hold a Flood Risk Open House at the Northampton County Department of Social Services building at 5265 The Hornes, Eastville, on Monday, May 12, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to inform property owners about their flood risk and their proposed zone on the preliminary maps. Some flood zone areas are changing on the proposed maps.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has released updates to the county’s flood maps, known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs). The FIRMs indicate flood-prone areas in Northampton County, and insurance companies use FIRMs to determine flood insurance rates for buildings and contents. Using interactive flood maps at this meeting, FEMA officials will be available to answer flood-risk questions and explain the preliminary maps to the public. Those with internet connections may go to http://maps.riskmap3.com/VA/NorthamptonCo/ to view the changes to the Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

Residents with additional questions can contact Peter Stith, Long Range Planner at 757-678-0443 ext. 545 or pstith@co.northampton.va.us

Photo by Linda Cicoira
Flooding poses a perennial threat on the Shore.

Happy Mothers’ Day to All Our Readers!
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- From Carl and Arlene Meixner
  To Leo and Deborah Meushaw
  Lot 7, Ocean Breeze
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- From William and Rosalie Pierson
  To Carol-Lynn Moran
  Hacksneck Moran
  For $6,200

- From Karen Roper
  To Edward and Mary Stewart
  Lot 247, Unit 3, Trails End
  For $6,200

- From Elfego Perez
  To Imelda Morales
  Parksley parcel
  For $12,000

- From HSBC Bank USA
  To Wilson Gonzalez and Vinicio Diaz
  Groton Town parcel
  For $15,000

- From Larry Sr., Jr. & Dawn Williams
  To Jedediah and Melissa Purdy
  6296 Clark St., Chincoteague
  For $154,300

- From Leslie and Montra Ervin
  To Dwight and Adaline Bowler
  Lot 83, Corbin Hall
  For $415,000

- From J. Wayne Williams
  To Godwin Farm, LLC
  161 acres, Jolly's Neck
  For $345,000

- From Bobby and J. Lynne Petty
  To Mark and Donise Boone
  Chincoteague parcel
  For $170,000

- From Matthew Ralls
  To Mary Mabe
  Lot 33, Section 8, Captain's Cove
  For $20,500

- From Kenneth and Nancy Williams
  To Victoria Hutchinson
  Chincoteague parcel
  For $157,000

- From Dawn Usack, Ann O'Grady
  and Jessica Bonati
  To Wayne and Cynthia Stevens
  7.5 acres, Hack's Neck
  For $380,000

- From Special Commissioner James
  Elliott and Carlas, Trashell, Terrance,
  Tabias and Taniesha Ames
  To Winston Custis
  Lot near Painter
  For $18,100

- From Richard Luck
  To Eunice and Abraham Wescott
  Property in Accomack County
  For $155,000

- From Greene Family Property, LLC
  To Adam Vincz
  Chincoteague parcel
  For $40,000

- From Robert and Nancy Ward
  To Charles and Donna Youmans
  Cashville parcel
  For $153,000

- From Glenn Latshaw
  To Larry and Susan Birchfield
  Lot 1217, Section 1, Captain's Cove
  For $400,000

- From Kathleen Porterfield
  and Mary Harman
  To Arthur and Sandra Mather
  Lot 13, Lakewood in Onley
  For $219,900

- From Macedonia Masonic Lodge 19
  To Commonwealth of Virginia
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It’s never too early to learn the ABCs of car care, says the Car Care Council.

A – Always follow a preventative vehicle maintenance plan.

B – Be sure to have your car inspected when you suspect there is a problem.

C – Correct the problem to help avoid the inconvenience and potential safety hazards of breaking down away from home.

“Most young people can’t wait to drive, but their car care education should begin well before their parents hand over the keys,” said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. “Understanding the basics of car care before taking the wheel will help keep new drivers safer on the road.”

The Car Care Council recommends that new drivers keep a free copy of its popular Car Care Guide in the glove box and learn about 10 car care inspection procedures that are an important part of any preventative vehicle maintenance plan:

• Check all fluids, including engine oil; power steering, brake and transmission fluid; as well as windshield washer solvent and antifreeze/coolant.

• Check the hoses and belts to make sure they are not cracked, brittle, frayed, loose or showing signs of excessive wear.

• Check the battery and replace if necessary. Make sure the connection is clean, tight and corrosion-free.

• Check the brake system annually and have the brake linings, rotors and drums inspected at each oil change.

• Inspect the exhaust system for leaks, damage and broken supports or hangers if there is an unusual noise. Exhaust leaks can be dangerous and must be corrected without delay.

• Schedule a tune-up to help the engine deliver the best balance of power and fuel economy and produce the lowest level of emissions.

• Check the heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) system as proper heating and cooling performance is critical for interior comfort and for safety reasons, such as defrosting.

• Annually inspect the steering and suspension system, including shock absorbers, struts and chassis parts, such as ball joints and tie rod ends.

• Check the tires, including tire pressure and tread. Uneven wear indicates a need for wheel alignment. Tires should also be checked for bulges and bald spots.

To request a free copy of the Car Care Council’s 60-page Car Care Guide or to view the electronic version, visit www.carcare.org/car-care-guide

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Daily Sudoku

by Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 3x3 box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

* Moderate ★★ Challenging ★★★ HOO BOY!

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I knew I would write this column someday. I just wasn’t sure when. Didn’t think, however, I would be writing it at 3:30 in the morning because sleep this night seems all but impossible due to various parts of the body that ache and maybe a bit of melancholy.

In December of 2000, my brother’s Christmas gift to me was the pick of the litter from his dog Jill, who was due to have puppies in early January.

On Jan. 14 the following year, Jill gave birth to eight Labrador puppies, six black and two chocolate. At the time, my brother Mark bred Labradors, and this litter came with a pedigree dotted with field champions. In fact, only a couple of generations back, a highly decorated male had been shipped from England to breed with a female from the North Carolina kennel where my brother had purchased his dog.

As the guy with the pick of the litter, I watched those eight puppies closely over the next eight weeks. I helped my brother take them to the vet for shots. I ran the puppies through little tests to determine their interest in retrieving. I watched them feed to see which puppies were aggressive and which had to wait their turn.

I had my eye on one of the chocolates or a black male, wanting a hunting companion. But one of the females always seemed to nestle in my lap as I played with the puppies on the floor. More and more she seemed to recognize me as I stopped by the kennel most days after work.

In the end, I picked her and named her Nikki.

Living alone at the time, it was just her and me. She was only eight weeks old when I took her for her first boat ride. I had not even backed the boat out of the ramp when a man on the dock said, “Mister, your dog just jumped overboard.” I had to scoop her out of the water and back into the boat.

The shock of hitting the water must have traumatized her, because for the next few weeks she refused to leave the beach to go into the water, always stopping at the water’s edge when I tossed an object to retrieve. I thought, “What Lab will not go into the water? This will never work for duck hunting.”

In time, with lots of reassurance from me, she grew to love the water. I also got her used to loud sounds by having a friend first fire a BB gun while I petted her, than graduating to a .410 and finally a 12-gauge shotgun.

There was never a boat ride, a walk in the woods or a weekend romp in the pickup she did not go with me. When I worked evenings at the office, she would accompany me and sleep at my side, although one time she got bored and chewed the corner off a nice chair. That first summer was a good one for her. I would put her in her pen before I went to work. About 15 minutes later, my Onancock neighbor and friend, Dennis Custis, would release her from the pen and take her to his place on Folly Creek, where she played in the yard all day, went swimming to cool off and ate to her heart’s delight from the leftovers in his kitchen.

I would pick her up in his basement that evening, where she would often be asleep in his lap while he was carving or watching TV. Though I know she loved me, she sometimes did not want to come home, preferring to stay with the guy who spoiled her like a grandfather spoils his grandchild over the guy who confined her to a pen every weekday morning.

Just before Nikki turned 2, I moved to my family farm on Craddock Creek, where she never again was confined to a pen or knew the feel of a leash. She had a large farm to roam and the nearby creek to take a dip in hot weather.

Now when I went to work, she would wander to the home of my sister, who owned Nikki’s brother from that litter, Maverick. In the summer, my sister, a teacher, would be there. In the winter, she would often find my brother-in-law, a farmer. Maverick was always there, and they would sleep side by side during the day. Nikki always sought company wherever she could find it.

But now, instead of me having to pick her up, she would sit at the edge of my sister’s yard in the late afternoon and wait for me to return home. She seemed to have some internal clock that told her what time to be there, but if I was unusually late that day, she never seemed to mind, although I am told she showed her disappointment when other cars came down the lane. But when she spotted me, she would race to my car and then follow me home.

Over the years, there were some memorable duck hunts, where she made tough retrieves in icy, choppy waters. Her one weakness was that she loved it so much I had trouble restraining her when the guns sounded. There was no waiting for my command before she bolted the blind in search of the birds.

She also developed quite a sweet tooth, being named the “Cookie Monster” by my children’s friends. At various times, she consumed a pound cake, a dozen doughnuts and numerous loaves of bread when the objects were left too near the edge of the counter. Often, she would hide the evidence — wrappers — in the corner of the next room. She always looked remorseful when scolded, but it took a tightly secured bread box to end the smuggling of sweets.

One year just before Christmas, I left her in the house for rabbit hunting on the farm because I was told she threw off the scent of the hounds. It was one of the few times outside of work she did not go with me. Probably,
in anger as much as anything, she
rummaged under the Christmas tree
and found a box of chocolate-covered
cherries and devoured the contents. In
previous years, she had consumed mul-
tiple boxes of Hickory Farms cheeses
and meats.

But chocolate was a different mat-
ter. I took her to the vet’s office and
had her stomach emptied. Charlie, my
friend and vet, said to keep an eye on
her for the rest of the day. So I took her
duck hunting that afternoon with my
hunting buddy, David. Near sunset,
we shot a goose that glided over the
creek before going down. Nikki was in
full pursuit of the fleeing goose, and
there was no stopping her on my part.
Thirty minutes later, with the sun now
set and visibility at a minimum, she
appeared with the wounded but very
much alive goose in her clutches. It
was her greatest retrieve, but probably
fueled by chocolate.

When she was about 9 and slowing
down, I only took her on field hunts,
knowing her heart for retrieving on
open water would outmatch her physi-
cal ability to bear the elements. In the
last few years, she retired altogether
from hunting, and our long walks in
the woods became much shorter. When
she rode in the pickup with me, she
would lie across the seat with her gray
muzzle resting on my leg. The truth is
we were both slowing down.

Now there was a woman in the
house, who brought cats. But Nikki
tolerated the cats and grew to love the
woman.

People often say your dog is like
family. I say they are family.

In her final days, friends and fam-
ily came to say goodbye to Nikki. She
never forgot Dennis. The mere mention
of his name seemed to rejuvenate her.
She would spring for the door to greet
him when others would have to come
to her to pay their final respects.

Two weeks ago, after Charlie came
to the house to help put an end to her
suffering, we buried her on the banks
of Craddock Creek, where she spent
many a pleasurable day in a blind, on a
sandbar or scarfing up the contents of
my bait board while I was busy fishing.

I realize now, 15 years after I thought
I had the pick of the litter, that was not
so. She picked me. And I am a better
and richer man for her having done so.

Le Tour de Shore
Bike Ride May 17

The Eastern Shore Chamber of Com-
merce is sponsoring Le Tour de Shore
bike ride Saturday, May 17. Rides are 17,
30, 55 and 70 miles. All routes start and
end at the Historic Onancock School.

There will be designated rest stops
with restrooms, beverages and light
snacks. Finish-line festivities will be
held from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A BBQ
lunch will be served from 11 a.m. until
1:30 at Onancock School.

The advance registration fee is $55.
It will be $60 the day of the tour. The
fee for children ages 7 to 15 is $25; under
7, free.

Registration is available with a
credit card online, or download a reg-
istration form at esvachamber.org and
drop it off at Eastern Shore Chamber of
Commerce in Melfa, Monday through
Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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

Great Bay Run in
Cape Charles June 21

The second annual Great Bay Run
in Cape Charles will take place Satur-
day, June 21.

The 5K road race and one-mile run/
walk will begin and end at Aqua Rest-
aurant in town. The races will begin
at 8:30 a.m.

The mission of the event is to bring
a competitive and fun racing experi-
tence to the Eastern Shore, while also
generating money for worthwhile
causes.

Proceeds from this year's race will
benefit Boys and Girls Clubs of the
Eastern Shore and the race direc-
tor's cross country and track and field
teams at Broadwater Academy.

Entry fees are $25 for the 5K race
and $10 for the one-mile fun/walk up
until May 21 when prices go up.

For more information on the race
and to preregister, visit the Great Bay
Run in Cape Charles Facebook page.

American Legion
Golf Tourney Set

American Legion Post 56 will hold
its seventh annual golf tournament on
Friday, June 6, on the Arnold Palmer
course at Bay Creek Resort and Club.

There is a 10 a.m. registration and
a noon shotgun start with dinner and
awards to follow.

The cost is $400 per foursome or
$100 per individual and $10 for guests' dinners. For additional information, on
the tournament, call Scott Heneghan
at 757-619-2510.

AHS Golf Tourney

The Arcadia High School Booster
Club will hold a golf tournament at
Captain's Cove on Saturday, May 17,
with registration at 8 a.m. and shot-
gun start at 9 a.m. Registration for the
four-person scramble is $200 per team
or $50 per person. Lunch is included,
with prizes offered. Contact 824-5613
or firebirdsbooster14@gmail.com

Morning Onancock Cycling Group

Dr. Blair Chick and State Trooper J.D. Kirk lead a committed group of cyclists on early morning rides through
Onancock, Onley, and the back roads of Accomac. Other riders include Tom and Mary McKenna, Drs. Al Hall
and Alex Kordis, Dave Gouldin, Elaine Chick, and Dick Freeman. The idea for an early a.m. ride was hatched
by Freeman and Chick during the 2nd Le Tour de Shore last spring. This team has goals of supporting the
Eastern Shore as a world-class bike venue and supporting local riding events.
Hunter Taylor went 3 for 4 with a home run, triple and five RBIs to lead Nandua to a 12-1 win over Chinoteague last Thursday on the island.

Ryan Haynie shut down the Ponies on the mound, allowing one hit and an earned run while striking out six and walking two. Haynie also went 3 for 4 with a homer and two RBIS.

Nandua scored three in the first and held a 4-1 lead after four innings before Farlow struck for a three-run homer in the bottom of the fourth.

Ormsby threw three innings of one-hit ball to get the win. Evan McGregor finished up the last two innings, allowing no hits.

Arcadia Over Jackets,
Arcadia walloped Northampton 15-3 on its homefield Monday as Zach Mills led the Firebirds with two hits and two RBIs and also scored two runs. Mason Grove had three RBIs for the Firebirds.

Nandua scored six runs in the first inning and nine more in the second en route to a 20-0 win over Arcadia Tuesday in Onley.

Arcadia’s Todd McAvene tags out Nandua’s Hunter Hickman at third in the first inning Tuesday, but the Warriors scored six in the opening frame.
Nandua Remains on Top of Softball Race

D'errica Toppin threw a shutout as Nandua topped Chincoteague 3-0 in a well-played softball game last Thursday. Toppin allowed two hits, struck out five and walked only one batter as the Warrior defense played well behind her.

Tyra Bjorlo put the Warriors on the board with a leadoff homer in the second before Sarah Puchalski and T'sara Nock singled, followed by an RBI double by Autumn Ferguson.

Nandua added a run in the seventh when Michaela Wescott singled and raced home on a Chandler Davis single to right.

Wescott made two key defensive plays in the late going to help preserve the shutout. In the sixth inning, Chincoteague’s Stella Everett reached first on an error, then xx Liddle laid down a bunt and was safe at first, but Everett, trying to reach third base unoccupied by the third baseman fielding the bunt, was tagged out by Wescott covering from left field. Then in the seventh inning, Wescott made a sliding catch of a foul ball to get a key out.

Bjorlo, Wescott and Caroline Harvie each had two hits for Nandua. Chandler Davis and Kimberly Wert also had singles.

For Chincoteague, Emily Haugh and Brooke Buckman had singles.

Haugh pitched a complete game, striking out seven and walking none.

Nandua raised its record to 11-1 and remains unbeaten in the district.

Nandua Tops Arcadia

Michaela Wescott banged out three hits and four RBIs and Emily Justis pitched a two-hit shutout to give Nandua a 10-0 win over Arcadia Tuesday.

Caroline Harvie also had three hits, including a triple, while Kimberly Wert, Taylor Lilliston and Tyra Bjorlo both had two hits each. Bjorlo hit a two-run roundtrip in the third inning for her fourth homer of the year.

Justis fanned six and walked two in getting the win.

Jackets Win Pair

Briana Williams went 4 for 5 with three RBIs to lead Northampton to a

Lady Vikings Win Metro Opener

The Broadwater softball team advanced to the second round of the Metro Conference playoffs Tuesday with a 13-1 win over Alliance Christian.

Broadwater coach Noble Palmer said his five seniors keyed the win, with Laura Merritt holding the visitors to one run and getting three hits. Senior Jaime Bloxom also had three hits, including a double. Second baseman Rachel Fox had three assists in the field, including a play where she ranged far to her right.

Palmer said first baseman Kelsey Parker made some nice pickups at first while center fielder Katie Wendell also caught two innings and has proved to be versatile throughout the season.

“The seniors have been a great nucleus of our team and have been a pleasure to coach,” said Palmer.

On Monday, Broadwater defeated Alliance Christian 20-4 in a romp that ended the regular season.

Last Friday, the Lady Vikings lost to top-seeded Isle of Wight 5-1 on the road.

“We played one of our best games of the season against a really good team,” said Noble. “Laura held them in check after they scored three unearned runs in the first. Although we got only three hits, we made good contact and put the ball in play.

Broadwater played Portsmouth Christian yesterday and would likely play Isle of Wight in the championship game if they advanced. Regardless, the Lady Vikings may be hosting a state playoff game next week.

Chincoteague Wins Pair

Chincoteague rallied with three runs in the bottom of the seventh to take an 11-10 comeback win over Salisbury Christian Monday.

Salisbury scored four in the first, and the Ponies responded with four of their own later that inning. The game was back and forth until Mason Marshall and Cory Riefler hit doubles in the seventh after the first two Ponies reached on walks. Riefler’s walk-off RBI was his third RBI of the game.

Dylan Mason was 3 for 4 with a triple, and Collin Derrickson, Miles Lib-ertino, Riefler and Marshall each had two hits.

Chincoteague blanked Northampton 16-0 Tuesday as Joe Thornton was 3 for 4 with a double, home run and six RBIs. Marshall also had three hits with three RBIs.

Alex McGee threw shutout ball, striking out 9 of 17 batters he faced.

Chincoteague is now 7-3.

“It was good to see everyone contribute in the two wins this week,” said Pony coach Will Thompson.

Webb Promoted to AA

Tyler Webb, a 2009 graduate of Northampton High School, has been promoted to the Yankees’ Double AA Trenton team after earning four saves with a 2.77 ERA at Class A Tampa in April.

Webb had 17 strikeouts and only one walk in 13 innings at Tampa.

Lady Vikings May Be Hosting State Play Off Game Next Week

Laura Merritt pitched a hit shutout for four innings, striking out seven and walking none.

Nandua Remains on Top of Softball Race

Nandua’s D’errica Toppin shut out the Ponies last week. 14-8 win over Arcadia last Thursday.

Whitney Metz had a double among her three hits with an RBI. Kaylyn Wright was 3 for 5 with two doubles and an RBI. Taylor Nadeau was 3 for 5 with a double and two RBIs, while Makayla Wilson was 2 for 3 with an RBI.

The Lady Jackets scored three runs in each of the first two innings, added two more in the third and exploded for five in the fourth to take an early 13-2 lead.

On Tuesday, Wright pitched a two-hit shutout for four innings, striking out four and walking two, before Nadeau completed the shutout with a hitless final inning.

Wilson was 2 for 3 with a double and two RBIs. Michaela Lewis was 2 for 3 with two RBIs, while Wright was 2 for 4 with a double and three RBIs.
Northampton Soccer Girls Unbeaten: Nandua, Northampton Boys Meet Monday

The Northampton girls’ soccer team rebounded from giving up a goal in the first minute of the game to register a 3-2 win over a tough Nansemond Suffolk Academy squad last week. Erica Head netted a Taylor Webb rebound off the goalie before Webb scored a goal off a crossed ball from Head and an assist from Alpha Sanchez to give Northampton a 2-1 halftime lead.

Nansemond Suffolk tied the game at 2-2 in the second half before Ashlyn Arnold scored on a cross from Webb.

Jacket goalie Katie Spady had an outstanding game with eight saves.

“It was one of our best wins this season against some good competition,” said Northampton coach Tabi Webb.

On Wednesday, Northampton defeated Nandua 2-0 with Kennedy Webb breaking a scoreless tie with 24:20 remaining in the second half before Madisen Lewis added a goal on a twirling left-handed kick with 6:36 remaining.

With the win, the Lady Jackets stay unbeaten at 9-0.

Nandua Wins Pair

Nandua blanked Chincoteague 10-0 in soccer Monday at home as Elmis Mayorga scored three goals and had four assists. Edgar Sanchez had three goals and an assist. David Wright, Andrew Colona, and Kevin Perez had one goal each.

Neri Marquez had two assists with Jean Louis, Christian Tinoco and Osiris Tinoco getting one assist each.

“I like the heart of Chincoteague. They fought hard, right until the final whistle,” said Nandua coach Paul Nolz.

On Monday, Nandua bested Arcadia 5-1 at Oak Hall. The Firebirds’ Pedro Francisco scored the first goal of the game with a penalty kick.

Edgar Sanchez helped the Warrior comeback with two goals, and David Wright, Jean Louis and Elmis Mayorga had one. Wright had two assists, and Neri Marquez, Tino Tinoco and Andrew Colona had one.

Jackets Take Two

Northampton topped Arcadia 6-0 Monday on the road with Jesus Maldonado scoring three goals, Byron Ortiz netted two and James Teeling adding one.

On Monday, Northampton whitewashed Chincoteague 8-0 on the island as Byron Ortiz scored four goals with Jesus Maldonado adding three and Sammy Pineda netting one.

Northampton and Nandua will meet Monday at Nandua.

Firebirds Top Ponies

Arcadia blanked Chincoteague 5-0 in soccer Friday night for a road win. Josh Sanns and Nurykyhan Aytkeliyev scored two goals each while Caleb Lucy scored once.

Broadwater Boys, Northampton Girls Second at Track Meet

The Broadwater boys placed second with 115 points in a Norfolk Academy Invitational track meet, and the Northampton girls took second with 31 points last week as the host school won both the boys with 148 points and girls division with 112.5 points. The Northampton boys were third with 26.5 points, and the Broadwater girls were third with 28.5 points. Eleven schools participated in the meet.

The meet was cut short due to lightning, and several events, including relays, were not held.

The Viking boys notched 115 points with Preston Richardson winning the discus with a personal best 168-03 and also the shot put with 56-0.25.

Wesley Shrieves won the triple jump (39-02.50) and long jump (20-04) and also tied for first in the high jump (5-04).

Nick Gomer won the 3200 meter run in 13:07.9.

Brendon Burrows was second to teammate Richardson in both the discus (134-09) and shot put (47-03).

Matthew McCaskil was second to teammate Shrieves in the long jump (19-0) and fifth in the triple jump (35-05).

Frank Long was second in the pole vault (9-06).

Broadwater’s Adam Bowen was third in the 100 meter sash in 11.7 while Shrieves was fourth in 11.8.

Northampton’s Christopher Lewis took third in the discus (100-06) and fifth in the shot put (40-03).

Also for Northampton, Marquell Fitchett was fifth in the 100 meters in 11.98.

Northampton Girls Second at Meet

For the girls, Northampton’s Taylor Campbell won the 100 meter dash in 13.0.

Quintara Lyons was third in the triple jump (26-01) and fourth in the 100 meter hurdles (18.55).

Broadwater’s Hazel Tankard won the triple jump (29-04) and was third in the long jump (14-0).

In the JV girls meet, Quazhanik Upshur and Denise Upshur took first (14.13) and second (14.17), respectively, in the 100 meter dash, besting 31 competitors.

Nandua Competes at S. Decatur

At a track meet last week at Stephen Decatur, Nandua’s Tyshia Johnson won first place in the girls discus with a toss of 69-01. For the boys, Evan Lawrence won the 3200 meter run in 1:05. The boys relay team of Pitt, Lawrence, McKinley and Reid also won the 4x800 run in 9:37.

Donesah McIntosh was third in both the 300 meter hurdles (56.1) and the 400 meter hurdles (56.8).

Also for Nandua, Trevon Pitt was third in the 3200 meter run in 11:42, Cameron Walters was fourth in the shot put (37-3.5) and Tristan Snyder was fifth (35-7).

BA Track Stars Invited to Meet

Preston Richardson and Wesley Shrieves of Broadwater are competing today at the Southern Track Classic, one of the most prestigious meets in the region where only 12 competitors per event are invited. Richardson will throw the shot put and discus while Shrieves competes in the long jump.

The team competes in Richmond today in the Lee-Davis Invitational.
Ponies Win Middle School Baseball Title

The Chincoteague Middle School baseball team finished the 2014 season with a 7 - 0 record and recaptured the district baseball championship. For the past two seasons, the Ponies were undefeated and posted a perfect 15 - 0 record. Pictured (from left) are: front row - Sylas Tarr, Nate Blacksher, and Trenton Clark; second row - Voshawn Davis, Tyler Kinnard, Team Captain Dustin Holloway, Braden Watson, Todd Matthews, and Ethan Riley; back row - Asst. Coach Tyler Howard, Team Captain Ryan Mason, Lane Campbell, Colton Kerchner, Matt Reed, Masem Awen, and Head Coach Arthur Leonard.

Ponies Win Middle School Softball Title

The Chincoteague Middle School softball team went undefeated this season with a 7 - 0 record, and captured the district championship. The Ponies won every game this year by slaughter rule. Pictured (from left) are: front row - Carlie Smith, Ronnie Malone, Deliah Flores, and Hope Abell; second row - Madison Tyndall, Zoe Mumert, Tylar Libertino, Jenna Merritt, Ashley Betts, Krista Reed, and Alanah Hall; back row - Coach Matthew Reed, Mackenzie Savage, Caroline Thornton, Coach Suzanne Saulsbury, Sophia Flores, Kristen Eller, and Coach Rick Betts.

Anglers Club To Meet

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club (www.esanglersclub.org) will meet at the Sage Diner in Onley Monday, May 12. A presentation on juvenile red drum, known as puppy drum, will be made by club member Ken Schultz.

A former staff writer for Field & Stream and author of many books on sportfishing topics, Schultz will talk about the recent phenomenon of puppy drum presence on the Eastern Shore, and fishing for this species.

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m., and is open to the public. New or prospective members are welcome.

Boating Class Offered

A boating safety class will be offered by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 12-06 Chincoteague on May 19, 20 and 21 at Sector Field Office Eastern Shore on Chincoteague.

This is a free class.

For additional information, email jeconquest@verizon.net

Preregistration is suggested so that enough materials will be available for the students.

Parker Marshall with a rock of 42 inches caught near Crisfield.

Boating Class in Painter

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering a two-day boating course on May 17 and May 24 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Painter Firehouse. This course will satisfy the requirements for the Virginia Boating Education Program. For information, call Russell Vreeland at 442-7029.

Flounder Tourney

Winners Announced

Taking first place and the $2,000 prize in the Captain’s Zed Flounder Tournament was Ron Greasor of Wachapreague with a 7-pound, 13-ounce, 26.5-inch fish. Second through fifth were: Greg Stanksy, 5 pounds, 12 ounces, 22.5 inches; Mitchell Howard, 5 pounds, 9 ounces, 24 inches; Cindy Stauffer, 5 pounds, 7 ounces, 23 inches; and Gene Stalls, 5 pounds, 6 ounces, 24 inches. Over 400 anglers entered the tournament.

Taking first place and the $2,000 prize in the Wachapreague Marinia Flounder Tournament was Jim Shuty of Nassawadox with a 7-pound, 14-ounce, 26.5-inch fish. Second through fifth were: Gene Stalls, 5 pounds 8 ounces, 24.5 inches; Cindy Stauffer, 5 pounds, 7 ounces, 23 inches; Henry Fabricatore, 5 pounds, 7 ounces, 23 inches; and Jesse Steele, 5 pounds, 5 ounces, 24 inches. Approximately 250 anglers entered.
Sailing Classes

The Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club is offering sailing classes beginning June 23.

One week sessions, Monday through Friday, either 9 a.m. till noon or 1 to 4 p.m. daily, will continue until Aug. 8. Students age 7 through adult are welcome, from beginner to advanced skill levels. Students must pass a basic swim test. Classes are guided by U.S. Sailing certified instructors in the club's fleet of Laser Picos and Optis.

The club also will offer a one-week Beginning Racing Clinic, for students who have sailed before, starting on July 7 from 1 to 4 p.m. — daily teaching timed starts, courses, tide and wind direction compensation, and racing strategies.

Classes are open to the public, but space is limited. Additional information is available at www.esycc.com Call the Business Office at 787-1525 to enroll.

ESSHL Season Winding Down

The Bruins battled their way through the playoffs with back-to-back sweeps in the Bayside Conference by defeating the Hurricanes and Capitals two games to none in the Seaside Conference street hockey. The Bruins will now play the winner of the Blues-Sabres series for the ESSHL Championship starting at 1:30 Sunday, May 18.

Game 1: Blues 7 - Coyotes 0

Game 2: Blues 8 - Coyotes 0
Steve Sharo, James Haley, Henry Chew, Brandon Reiter, Ben Wagner and Bryan Applegate all scored in the series-winning victory.

Game 1: Sabres 3 - Red Wings 2
(OT)
Zach Mills scored the winning goal in overtime, with Michael Garbacz and Mills scoring in regulation. Nate Metzger earned an assist in the win.

Game 2: Sabres 8 - Red Wings 3
Zach Mills tallied five goals in the win, with Derek Hail and Nate Metzger also scoring.

Bruins vs Hurricanes
Game 1: Bruins 8 - Hurricanes 0
TR Hoyt, Matt Ayres, Ben Bundick, Donnie Williams, Scott Millikin and Roger Haeusser all scored in the game 1 win.

Game 2: Bruins 10 - Hurricanes 0
Roger Haeusser, Scott Millikin, Donnie Williams, Ben Bundick, Matt Ayres and TR Hoyt netted the markers for the Bs in the series win.

Blackhawks vs Capitals
Game 1: Capitals 8 - Blackhawks 2
Robbie Parker, Wesley Young, Hannah Mills and Patrick Luckenbach got the goals for the Caps in the win. Scoring for the Hawks were Randall Stapleton and Michael Pryor.

Game 2: Capitals 7 - Blackhawks 1
Scoring for the Caps were Evan Dize, Robbie Parker, Hannah Mills and Pat Luckenbach. Jason Johnson netted the lone marker for the Hawks in the series loss.

Capitals vs Bruins
Game 1: Bruins 2 - Caps 0
TR Hoyt and Donnie Williams scored the goals for the Bs in the game 1 win.

Game 2: Bruins 4 - Caps 1
Coach Donnie Williams scored all four Bruins goals in the game 2 series win. Patrick Luckenbach got the goal for the Caps in the loss.

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Screaming Happy 15th Birthday, Ja’Briah Mears, on May 8! Words can not express how we are feeling—wishing you were here. Missing you now more every day. We wish we could see your smile or hear your voice. You’re gone but never forgotten. We love you, Baby Girl. You will always be our sunshine. Happy 15th Birthday Ja’Briah (a.k.a. BB) Mears Love, Mommy & Daddy, Tysha & Keda, Siblings: Laversa, Keyasha, Stinker, Nasir, Jason, Uniqua, Tykea, Keith Jr.

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**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE**

8 Riley Street, Onancock, VA 23417

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated October 19, 2005, and recorded at Instrument Number 200507029 in the Clerk’s Office for the Circuit Court for Accomack County, VA, securing a loan which was originally $263,000.00, the appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC will offer for sale at public auction at main entrance of the Accomack County Circuit Court, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue on:

**May 29, 2014 at 2:30 PM**

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of: All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Town of Onancock, Accomack County, Virginia, containing 18,529.48 square feet (0.43 of an acre), more or less, which said lot or parcel of real estate is more particularly shown and described on that certain plat of survey entitled “Location Survey for Jeanette Rogers” dated July 17, 1997, prepared by John H. Plummer & Assoc. Inc., which said plat is attached to and made a part of the deed dated September 4, 1997, from George W. Cherrix, Jr., and Sandra G. Cherrix to Jeanette Rogers, recorded in the Accomack County circuit court clerk’s office on September 11, 1997, in Deed Book 749 at page 481.

**TERMS OF SALE:** The property will be sold “AS IS,” WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements, rights of way, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust to be announced at the time of sale. A deposit of $24,000.00, or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, in cash or cashier’s check payable to the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE will be required at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price, with interest at the rate contained in the Deed of Trust Note from the date of sale to the date said funds are received in the office of the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale.

In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses of sale and Substitute Trustee’s fee. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges, whether incurred prior to or after the sale, and all other costs incident to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes, any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of sale at the time of settlement. Purchaser agrees to pay the Seller’s attorneys at settlement, a fee of $445.00 for review of the settlement documents.

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Rosenberg & Associates, LLC (Attorney for Commonwealth Trustees, LLC) 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 750 Bethesda, Maryland 20814 301-907-8000 www.roenberg-assoc.com

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

All that parcel of land near Prunktown, Northampton County, Virginia, fronting 70 ft. on Wellington Road and designated as parcel no. 00020-DA-BLK-00-014, standing in the name of Sam Scarborough, Jr., pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to determine whether Sam Scarborough, Jr. is living, or if deceased, then to ascertain the names and location of all of his heirs, devisees and successors in title; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit, whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Sam Scarborough, Jr.; and that Sam Scarborough, Jr. is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 6700 N. Woodstock Street, Philadelphia, PA 19138.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before May 28, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 28th day of April, 2014

Emily F. Purvis, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
Case No. 14000116-00

Northampton County Circuit Court
5229 The Hornes/P. O. Box 36, Eastville, VA 23347

Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
LARRY MATTHEW LATHBURY
v. ELIZABETH ANNE LATHBURY

The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN A DIVORCE

It is ORDERED that ELIZABETH ANNE LATHBURY appear at the above-named court and protect her interests on or before JUNE 24, 2014.

April 29, 2014
Traci L. Johnson, Clerk
**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Edward H. Bender of Cheriton, Virginia has applied to the Marine Resources Commission to license and relocate one pound net in the Chesapeake Bay as follows:

The proposed net is to be relocated approximately 2,800 feet southeast of Cherrystone Channel Light 2C. The length of the net will be approximately 925 feet. The offshore end of the net is to be located at Latitude 37°11.5840’N and Longitude 76°01.3180’W and the inshore end of the net is to be located at Latitude 37°11.6710’N and Longitude 76°01.1620’W.

The offshore end of the current approved pound net is located at Latitude 37°52.1100’N and Longitude 75°41.7600’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.
Grade A Value Pack Chicken Thighs or Drumsticks $1.29/lb.
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Shurfine Deli Gourmet Browned or Smoked Turkey Breast $3.99/lb.
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Put Your Feet to the Test
By Linda Cicoira

What do you visualize when you hear the word “trip?” Is it the sought-after vacation to a sunny island, your foot slipping over a piece of carpet, a 70s LSD episode or that town councilman from Chincoteague?

If someone were to say you are number one, would you conjure up a trophy with your name on it or a huge “1” floating in the sky?

And when the governor of our fair commonwealth proclaims May 2014 as “Beef Month,” do you see a cow grazing in a field of green grass with her cud dripping down her chin, an old spaghetti western rustler, a thick steak sizzling on the grill or something else?

For me, 1) the trip is definitely the foot, 2) the number 1 levitates in my kitchen and is the cover of the Beatles album by that name, and 3) that old Wendy’s commercial with the lady who asked, “Where’s the beef?” will forever penetrate my skull.

I also sometimes see words going across the roll on a player piano when people are talking. It’s better than caption balloons coming out of their mouths. What can I say? I have an imagination.

May has arrived. When I hear that word, I see it. Then I think of flowers and birthday cakes since my nephew marked his special day on May 1. May is OK with me as long as it stays mild. But around Memorial Day, all hell literally starts to break loose with those 85-degree temperatures and I find myself hiding inside in the air-conditioning and dreaming of icebergs.

I absolutely do not enjoy my skin burning, ticks crawling nor perspiration rolling down my brow for no other reason than that I am roasting. Those thoughts lead to images of snowdrifts, Christmas carols and boot stomping.

Still, is there anything better than walking along the beach with the shorebirds and getting your feet wet early in the month while your friends are huddled under a blanket yards away like nomads in the desert? I think not. My toes are fearless and the shells are mine for the taking. What do you see when you read fearless toes? Mine have fire under them.

By the way, today is Lost Sock Memorial Day. There is not enough time to say an eulogy for all of them. My washing machine eats socks. Now that’s a pretty picture. Can you imagine that apparatus with a set of choppers? I have one. Really.

But, back to ticks crawling, no yippee there. Stop hanging your clothes on the line. I’m serious. It’s a good way to get a tick bite after a colony moves in on your sheets. You can’t always see them. But they are there. Still it’s nothing 40 minutes in the dryer won’t cure. At least that’s what I’ve read.

Why Put Arsonist on Front Page?

Dear Editor:

Surely there must be more important people and much more important topics on the Eastern Shore of Virginia to feature on your front page than Tonya Bundick. It must be really hard to find people who do more important things other than set fires.

The other alternative is to stop shaving, but since this appears to be a world of razor-crazy people who cut off all their feelers, I guess there is no stopping that. Still, if we all had more hair, we would sense a tick crawling on us a lot sooner. And perhaps it wouldn’t be so tempted to bite.

Don’t take this as a political statement since the governor made the announcement, but the idea of “Beef Month” is repulsive to me. I don’t eat it because every time I do, I get ill. I’ve read that it is a moderate allergy since my throat doesn’t close up or itch. Anyway, after not partaking of red meat for almost 20 years, the smell of it cooking is not appetizing.

For me, 1) the trip is definitely the foot, 2) the number 1 levitates in my mind, and 3) the “1” is more palatable than that quest for the beef. Why put an arsonist on the front page?

Kim Wright, via email

Post Office Mail

Cape Charles Is Fiscally Fit

Dear Editor:

Despite frequent alarms from a small but vocal group of Cape Charles citizens in the last year or so, a systematic review of financial performance over the last decade shows that the town is financially healthy. Visitors today see an up-and-coming coastal town blessed with historic charm and abundant natural features that attract nature lovers and sports enthusiasts.

Recently, I revisited the town’s financial health, doing a comparative analysis of the annual financial audit reports that are conveniently on the town’s web page, and 2013 financial statements. From 2004 to 2013, I found the following:

• The town’s total-general government average revenues are up a stunning 150 percent;
• Real-estate tax rates, adjusted for assessments, have increased only 15 percent while consumer prices have increased 26 percent.
• A home assessed in 2004 at $150,000 with a tax bill of $705 is now assessed at $296,000 with a tax bill of $817.
• 500 percent of the real-estate tax revenue now comes from the value of physical improvements to properties not present in 2004.
• Tourist-related tax revenues have increased 516 percent.
• The total town net worth has increased from $6.8 million to 25.6 percent.

What this means is that we borrowed $7.3 million, but got $26.1 million in assets, increasing our net worth by $18.8 million.

Growth has restored Cape Charles to financial health. Current government policies creating a business-friendly and tourist-attractive environment have been successful. The town is more appealing, with more jobs and resources, while taxes have risen less than inflation and real-estate market values. At the same time, our homes and other property have significantly increased in value.

Growth has increased the number of users on our utility systems by at least 406, mitigating the challenge of bringing wastewater treatment to required standards. While no one has been happy with the increased fees for sewer services, the monthly service fees for water, sewer and trash would have been about $150 per month had the town not grown.

It is incumbent upon Cape Charles citizens to encourage those forward-thinking officials who promote growth and are committed to investing in our future.

Patricial A. Buckley
Cape Charles Treasurer, 2004-07

Also, put bird feeders 50 feet from your abode as the treats will drop on the ground and mice will come by for a snack. They run with deer and the ticks that hang out with them are serious business.

Why Put Arsonist on Front Page?

Dear Editor:

Surely there must be more important people and much more important topics on the Eastern Shore of Virginia to feature on your front page than Tonya Bundick. It must be really hard to find people who are doing good things for our community if we have to look at her every time the judge does.

Kim Wright, via email

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