Melded Zoning Ordinance Gets OK in Northampton

By Ron West

The newly elected Northampton supervisors made good on their campaign promise by voting Tuesday to repeal the 2015 Zoning Ordinance.

Board Chairman Spencer Murray, joined by Supervisors Robert Duer and Granville Hogg, voted to replace the three-month-old ordinance with the newly minted 2016 version.

Supervisors Larry LeMond and Oliver Bennett, both of whom had supported the 2015 version when it was put in place last December, stressed the need to have a clean document of 200 pages or fewer that would be easy for residents to use and that would support commercial businesses within the county, including some areas along Lankford Highway.

Referring to Lankford Highway as a linear city, Murray noted the need to try to capture some of the money that flows north and south as travelers pass through the county.

Duer said he believes the 2015 version of the ordinance was not in the best interest of the towns within the county.

Hogg, while voting to support the new 2016 Zoning Ordinance, stated that he is not happy with either the 2015 nor the 2016 version. He noted the need to guide transient traffic to commercial areas in such a way that it improves traffic safety within the county.

Murray charged the county staff to work to streamline the 2016 ordinance and to merge the appropriate portions of the 1983, 2000, and 2009 versions.

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Fair-Thee-Well

Executive directors from Eastern Shore, Chincoteague and Northampton chambers of commerce register participants Wednesday at the Accomack-Northampton Regional Job Fair held at Eastern Shore Community College’s Workforce Development Center. More than 40 employers from all over Delmarva and Hampton Roads participated, promoting dozens of job opportunities.
Accomack Schools Rank Eighth in Surplus Funds

Story and photo by Linda Cicoira

Accomack County Public Schools (ACPS) ranks 8th in the state for percentage of carryover funds for FY2015. That position was evident in a spreadsheet compiled this week by County Finance Director Mike Mason with figures taken from the state superintendent’s annual report.

The division’s year-end balance was $8,756,046, nearly 16 percent of the overall budget. Now it’s just over $4 million, according to officials. A dispute between Accomack’s School Board and Board of Supervisors regarding the stash is expected to culminate when a report about the funds is discussed by school officials Tuesday night and then brought to the supervisors the next evening.

The seven divisions with higher percentages are Franklin with 66.5 percent ($11.6 million), Manassas with 31 percent ($44.2 million), Winchester with 28.2 percent ($15.5 million), Bland with 26.6 percent ($2.2 million), Roanoke City with 25.9 percent ($47.6 million), Arlington with 23.6 percent ($136.6 million) and Prince William with $17.8 million ($201 million).

In Stafford County there is also a debate going on between county and school leaders. The surplus there has been reported at over $8 million and a forensic audit is being conducted. In Mason’s analysis, that school division ranks 25th with 8.6 percent carryover ($26.2 million). Stafford’s superintendent is Bruce Benson, who held that position for a few years in Accomack earlier in this decade.

“The superintendent’s report makes it clear that many localities have leftover funds, which varied, at least in FY15 from a high of 66.5 percent of balances held to total receipts to 0,” County Administrator Steve Miner noted this week. He suggested schools Finance Director Beth Onley or Superintendent Chris Holland be contacted regarding the disposition of carryover money.

“Some of it is probably leftover federal money, some is probably enterprise funds from, say, the school food program, which is supported by charges to students,” Miner continued. “I am sure I don’t know, and equally sure they should know.”

Onley responded, “The balance above the $6.2 million represents federal funds that are required to be kept separately and used for a specific function, such as School Food Services. The entire balance of $6.2 million in carryover funds are state funds.”

In written correspondence, state Deputy Superintendent Kent Dickey of Finance & Operations, told Mason school divisions may use the remaining FY15 Direct Aid to Public Education Fund carryover appropriated to the school division to fund capital expenditures, if the school division chooses and the funds were appropriated in a lump sum by the locality.

Earlier, Mason said he learned in a conference telephone call that the money could be spend on anything that is considered education, including books, supplies and buildings. Onley was connected to the call. The next night when addressing the School Board, she said she called back and got information that made her believe the money could not be spent however they choose.

Supervisors were irate because they borrowed $1.8 million at the division’s request to fund a new gym and other needs at Kegotank Elementary School.

School officials have been accused of “hoarding” millions of dollars since 2010, possibly to purchase a new location for its cramped Central Office. The school division said the money was for contingencies. Onley compared it to the county’s Rainy Day Fund.

County officials say the Rainy Day Fund, now at about $10 million, is for catastrophic emergencies like a hurricane, and includes all county operations, including the schools.

Both sides have agreed that ACPS needs to spend the money in the next year or two or the state will take it back when the biennial budget cycle ends.

“Surplus state money was always recaptured by the state before the recession,” said Miner. “Starting, it appears, in 2010, the General Assembly was fearful it might not make its projected revenues and started allowing schools to keep the leftover direct aid to public education funds in case they didn’t.”

Northampton School Division is among 17 with a zero balance at the end of FY15.
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Accomack Grand Jury

It may have been “mutual combat” that killed Breonya Collins, a seventh-grade Nandua Middle School boy, shot to death at his Keller Pond Road home last October.

The second-degree murder charge that has held Nicholas Martinez White, 23, in Accomack Jail for the last six months, was reduced to voluntary manslaughter in Accomack Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court last Friday morning at the request of Deputy Commonwealth’s Attorney Matthew Brenner.

Judge Jack Wescoat cleared the courtroom upon Brenner’s request because of the young age of a witness to the shooting of the 13-year-old boy. A few minutes later, other witnesses were separated and several investigators also were asked to leave the courtroom.

Wescoat later found probable cause to send to an Accomack Grand Jury the manslaughter charge as well as a count of use of a sawed-off long gun in the Oct. 16 killing. The grand jury is next scheduled to convene June 6.

Records that were sent to Accomack Circuit Court stated the charge was to “commit voluntary manslaughter … without malice, while engaged in mutual combat, upon a sudden heat or on reasonable provocation.”

Included in the items that were confiscated from the Keller home were two 12-gauge shotguns and a Winchester 12-gauge shot-shell case.

Breonya died of a gunshot wound to the head that day. While warrants give White’s address as Onancock, defense lawyer Shannon Dunham said the defendant was living at the house where the shooting occurred.

Records state White told police that both he and the boy possessed guns and that his weapon discharged.

Accomack Circuit Court

She said he raped her twice by scarifying her into submission and made her feel too intimidated to flee. He told police they had consensual sex four times during the same timeframe.

Judge W. Revel Lewis III concluded there wasn’t sufficient evidence to convict Clifford E. Albritton III, 39, of Big Pine Road near Painter. So after hearing hours of testimony Wednesday in Accomack Circuit Court, he dismissed the charges of rape and abduction.

Sentencing was deferred pending completion of a short-form presentence report. Scott was remanded to jail.

Pam Clark, 29, of Withams Road in Withams pleaded guilty to distribution of heroin on Oct. 8, 2014. A short-form presentence report was ordered. Clark was released on existing $2,000 bond. Restitution of $120 also was ordered. Records show she was on probation when the crime occurred.

James Winston Scott, 46, of Guard Shore Road in Bloxom pleaded guilty to distribution of heroin, occurring Dec. 11, 2014. Sentencing was deferred pending completion of a short-form presentence report. Scott was remanded to jail.

Felicia Marie Gaskell, 24, of Savage Road in Melfa was sentenced for possession with intent to distribute between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana on Nov. 23, 2014, to three years in prison, with all but 45 days suspended. Work release will be permitted.

Terrell Charles Thomas, 30, of Fleming Road in New Church pleaded guilty to felony eluding that occurred Dec. 11, 2015. He is being held in Accomack Jail pending a presentence report.

Kendall Darrell Bibbins, 48, of Powhatan Trail in Melfa pleaded guilty to two counts of failing to register as a violent sex offender on May 26 and Aug. 19, 2015. A presentence report was ordered.

Northampton Circuit Court

A Machipongo man was sentenced Monday in Northampton Circuit Court to a total of seven years in prison for a drug offense, assault and battery of police officers and other charges in connection with a July 25, 2015, incident.

Thirty-five year old Antwine Jermaine Reid was sentenced for distribution of cocaine to 20 years, with 15 suspended; for two counts of assault and battery of the officers to five years on each count, with four years each suspended; for resisting arrest to a 12-month suspended sentence; and for obstruction of justice to two 12-month suspended sentences. The terms are to run consecutively.

Accomack District Court

Judge Gordon Vincent found probable cause Monday in Accomack General District Court to certify to a grand jury a charge of dredging oysters without a permit against a Maryland man.

Marine Police Officer T.K. Fitchett testified that Capt. James Melbourne Carman of Crisfield committed the crime Dec. 8, 2015, in Virginia waters of the Chesapeake Bay near the state line.

Fitchett said he was sure of this because he could clearly line up the buoy markers and see the boat, which used an orange marker as its bullseye for circling, a common practice with dredging. The marker was in Virginia waters near Saxis, the officer testified.

Fitchett went aboard the vessel and soon learned that a chart plotter on the boat also showed that the vessel had been in Virginia.

“I watched him go into Virginia waters several times,” Fitchett said. The officer was unsure how many oysters had been caught, but remembered there were some in baskets, on a table and in the dredge.

“I didn’t count ’em,” Fitchett said. “If you gathered them all up, you might have had a bushel.” It was “more than two or three dozen.”

In another case, a malicious wounding count against Diego Aytur Jimenez, 18, of Church Road in Onley was certified to the grand jury. The incident involves the alleged Feb. 28 wounding of a Bloxom man whose home Jimenez was visiting. According to testimony, Jimenez started swinging his knife when he was challenged about working for police. A witness said the victim and others thought the man was joking. The victim then pulled out a taser and Jimenez gashed open the man’s hand.

Defense lawyer Terry Bliss said there was no malice and that testimony did not show an intention to maim.

Deputy Commonwealth’s Attorney
Matthew Brenner argued, “When you swing a knife at somebody … close enough to … create that kind of cut, you obviously intended to cut them …. It was malicious in its nature.”

Asking Vincent to set bond, Bliss said, “He has a small child and needs to take care of his family.” The judge refused.

Brenner was opposed to bond. He stated that Jimenez had a couple of violent convictions as a juvenile and is in this country illegally though he has lived here all his life. “No social security number or driver’s license number was ever given for this defendant,” said Brenner.

Bliss said Jimenez has lived with his grandparents in Onley since he was 6 after being abandoned by his parents. “This is his home,” she said.

Northampton District Court
James Edward Green Jr. of Chesapeake was arrested April 4 and charged with felony possession with intent to distribute marijuana, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court.

The alleged offense occurred the same day. He was arraigned Tuesday.

Exonerated Teacher Won’t Return to Classroom

Pocomoke Middle School teacher William Albert Cathell Jr., who lives in Parksley, was acquitted earlier this month of charges that he sexually assaulted students. While he had been suspended pending trial, Cathell has decided not to seek re-instatement and has issued the following statement.

“Having proven my innocence in a court of law, I have formally tendered my resignation to Worcester County Public Schools. I have decided that it is now time for me to move on to another career outside the field of public education.

“On Friday, March 18, a Worcester County Circuit Court judge threw out two cases, accounting for 12 of the 24 charges against me. After about 90 minutes of deliberation, I was found not guilty of the other two cases and those 12 counts by a unanimous jury.

“I have lost so much that is irreplaceable. I cannot begin to convey the extent of those losses or the magnitude of devastation that being branded by these falsehoods has wrought. It will be a life-long struggle to repair the damage and rebuild my reputation and my life.

“My wife and I are extremely grateful to the parents, students, friends, family, churches, and other community members who stood by us and showed their support. Times like these reveal who your true friends are and they mean the world to us, forever having a place in our hearts.

“I implore Worcester County Public Schools and all school districts to install cameras in all classrooms for the protection of both teachers and students, and to prevent potential future incidents of false allegations.

New $199.5 Million Orbital Contract Includes Wallops Launches

NASA has awarded its Sounding Rocket Operations Contract III to Orbital ATK, Inc., in Greenbelt, Md.

The cost-plus-fixed-fee contract, with a technical performance incentive fee, has a one-year base period and four one-year options. The total contract value, including the option periods, is approximately $199.5 million.

Under this contract, Orbital ATK will manage and be responsible for providing all associated services and supplies for the Sounding Rockets Program, except those provided as government-furnished property.

The contractor will conduct an estimated 18 launches per year throughout the period of performance.

The work will be performed at NASA’s Wallops Flight Facility; White Sands Missile Range in White Sands, N.M.; remote launch sites, including the Poker Flat Research Range in Fairbanks, Alaska, Andoya Rocket Range in Andenes, Norway; and mobile launch sites, including Reagan Test Site in Kwajalein Atoll, Republic of the Marshall Islands, and Woomera Test Range in Woomera, Australia.

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Accomack County Public Schools will conduct registration for 4-year-old and Kindergarten students on April 20, 2016. A variety of registration activities are planned. At that time, parents and students will have an opportunity to visit the classrooms, tour the building, and talk with the principal and teachers. The hours for registration are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the school day and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. during the evening.

The registration schedule is as follows:

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Enrollment for both Kindergarten and the 4-year-old program requires the following information for each child:

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The child’s original BIRTH CERTIFICATE is required to begin school in September.

Students who attended Accomack County Public Schools’ Pre-K program are required to have a physical if the one for preschool would be over 12 months old by September 6, 2016.

SOL Test Results Improve Status of Some Accomack Schools

By Linda Cicoira

Accomack County Public Schools will start the upcoming year with a “clean playing field,” Sandra Drummond, the division’s accountability and curriculum coordinator, recently reported to the School Board.

The “good news” is schools previously designated as priority or focus schools will be removed from that status, Drummond said. “It does not mean to get off the gas pedal … we’ve got to continue.”

Metompkin Elementary, where the School Board session was held, has been among the lowest performing 5 percent of Title I schools in the state. The designation remains with a school for three years.

“We are not going to be on that list,” Drummond said. “More changes are coming absolutely.”

Metompkin principal Karen Riner, who was transferred to the school last July from Chincoteague Elementary, said 16 teachers were replaced, a new assistant was brought in, a new bookkeeper was hired and the custodial staff has been replaced since she came on board. “It has been so exciting to be part of the transition this year.”

The goal of getting students to read more went beyond expectations with “4,000 books read and counting.” Riner said there was more parent involvement with more than 200 families attending various events. A program titled Positive Behavior Intervention and Support also was initiated, giving “everyone something to strive for” with good behavior being rewarded.

High-school Standards of Learning (SOLs) test scores from fall of 2015 also were discussed at the board session.

At Arcadia High School, 68 percent of students passed the English writing 11 SOL, 82 percent passed reading, 74 percent passed biology, 83 percent passed chemistry, 73 percent passed earth science, 80 percent passed Algebra I, 77 percent passed geometry, 81 percent passed Algebra II, 61 percent passed U.S. history, 62 percent passed world geography and 66 percent passed World History II.

At Nandua High, SOL passing rates were 77 percent for English writing 11, 81 percent for reading, 87 percent for biology, 75 percent in chemistry, 75 percent for earth science, 81 percent for Algebra I, 75 percent for geometry, 75 percent for Algebra II, 53 percent for U.S. history, 73 percent for world geography, 62 percent for World History II and 84 percent for World History II.

SOL passing rates at Chincoteague High were 75 percent for English writing 11, 100 percent for English writing 8, 83 percent for reading, 92 percent for biology, 90 percent for chemistry, 91 percent for earth science, 96 percent for Algebra I, 100 percent for Algebra II, 79 percent for U.S. history, 100 percent for world geography, 60 percent for World History II and 73 percent for World History I.

At Tangier, 71 percent of students passed the English Writing 11 SOL; 86 percent passed reading; 100 percent passed biology, earth science, and world geography; 80 percent passed Algebra I; and 83 percent passed Algebra II.
Northampton Begins To Whittle Budget

By Ron West

Northampton supervisors met for a second time this week Wednesday, in an effort to begin chopping away at the $3 million plus deficit that must be dealt with for the FY2017 budget.

With a decrease in county assessments of over 20 percent, the board will need to adjust the taxes on real estate and if needed, tack on a few extra cents to cover the extra funding that may be needed.

County Finance Director John Andrzezewski itemized each of the budget increases, noting the largest requests were from the Emergency Medical Services Department ($810,146) and the School System ($391,781).

The board next reviewed requests by Sheriff David Doughty for his department, including four replacement vehicles, an additional school resources officer, a code enforcement officer, and an animal control officer. The board discussed the sheriff’s vehicle replacement schedule as well as the positions being requested. Doughty said he tries to replace vehicles when they approach 100,000 miles, which generally means replacing four units each year.

The board previously had agreed to fund two law-enforcement vehicles through the U.S. Department of Agriculture grant replacement deal brokered by County Administrator Katie Nunez. The board agreed to keep the four vehicles in the budget, but deferred a decision on the three staff positions. The county eliminated the full-time code enforcement position. Doughty has offered to include the position in his department if given an additional officer.

Supervisor Granville Hogg spoke of the need for resource officers to be in the schools and his colleagues agreed. For the moment, those positions remain in the budget.

The next budget session is slated for April 19 at 5 p.m. at which time the board will begin to review the School Board's budget requests.
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Forbes Recommends Wallops for Drones

Congressman J. Randy Forbes, who represents Virginia’s Fourth District, which includes parts of Norfolk and Chesapeake, as well as Franklin, Emporia, Blackstone, Short Pump and Petersburg, visited Wallops Island, April 12th, 2016 to tour space facilities and meet with the Wallops Island Regional Alliance.

His visit coincided with the Navy’s consideration of Wallops Island as the East Coast base for the MQ-4C Triton unmanned maritime surveillance aircraft, which would require the stationing of up to 400 personnel plus family members at Wallops.

“Wallops Island does important work, with tremendous potential to play an even more significant role for NASA, our national defense, the commercial space industry, and the economy of the region,” Forbes said. “As a member of the House Armed Services Committee and Chairman of the Sea-power subcommittee, I am particularly interested in opportunities to bring new military missions to Wallops. With its prime location, room to grow, and experience operating unmanned systems, Wallops is an ideal place to base the Navy’s new Triton aircraft, and I look forward to discussing that option with the Pentagon.”

The Navy is currently considering Wallops as one of three East Coast options for permanently basing the MQ-4C Triton unmanned maritime patrol aircraft. The Triton provides real-time intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capabilities in maritime and coastal regions. A decision on the permanent basing of the Triton is expected later this year.

Monday Meeting Will Feature Superintendent

Accomack County Supervisor Ron Wolff will hold his monthly constituents’ meeting Monday, April 18, at 7 p.m. at Wolff’s Sandwich Shoppe in Atlantic.

The guest speaker will be Accomack County Public Schools Superintendent Chris Holland.

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Opportunities in travel and tourism, driver education, and health textbooks are being considered for adoption and use at Northampton High and Northampton Middle schools. Parents and community members are invited to assist in this textbook adoption process.

Textbooks for consideration in the adoption process will be displayed in the front hall of Northampton High School. Members of the public may stop by to peruse the displays and offer recommendations for adoption May 2-13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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Obituaries

Onancock Man’s Stepdaughter Dies

Patricia “Pat” Pair-Fisher, 68, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., passed away Sunday, April 3, 2016.

She was the daughter of the late Mary M. Selby-Chandler (aka Sally) from Onancock, and Cecil Pair (aka late Mary M. Selby-Chandler (aka Sally)) from Onancock.

To cherish her memory, she leaves Patricia “Pat” Pair-Fisher, 68, a stepdaughter of Robert Lee Chandler Sr. from Amityville, N.Y., as well as the stepdaughter of Robert Lee Chandler of Onancock.

A memorial service in celebration of her life will be held at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at the Kingdom Hall of the Jehovah’s Witnesses, 2737 Hungary Spring Rd., Richmond.

Mrs. Jennifer Gupman Rodgers, 43, of Atlantic passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at Gilchrist Hospice Care in Towson, Md., surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Ann Arbor, Mich., to Rick and Anne (Erskine) Gupman. Mrs. Rodgers retired as an assistant director of case management for Worcester County Health Department in Snow Hill, Md. She was a member of Atlantic Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company and Oak Hall Rescue.

Mrs. Rodgers is survived by her loving spouse of nine years, Donn Rodgers of Atlantic; father, Rick Gupman (and wife, Marianne) of St. Michaels, Md.; mother, Anne Gupman and Bob Michael of Catonsville, Md.; daughter, Rebecca Rodgers (and fiancé, Max Taylor) of Atlantic; son, Ashton Merritt of Hallwood; granddaughter, Emma Taylor of Atlantic; brothers, Alex Gupman (and wife, Katherine) of Silver Spring, Md., Ricky Gupman (and wife, Anne) of the Virgin Islands, and Steven Gupman (and wife, Katerine) of Atlantic; sister-in-law, Luann Brasure (and husband, Baxter) of Chincoteague Island; brother-in-law, Sonny Rodgers (and wife, Susan) of Chincoteague Island; and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 8, at Saint Andrew Catholic Church on Chincoteague Island, with Father Michael Imperial and Father Conan Timoney officiating. Burial was in John W. Taylor Memorial Cemetery in Temperanceville, with firefighter honors.

Memorial donations may be made to John Petting Fund for Breast Cancer Prevention, 750 East Pratt St., Baltimore, MD 21202; or Atlantic Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, P.O. Box 207, Atlantic, VA 23303. Condolences can be sent online at www.salverfh.com.

Mrs. Rodgers

Atlantic Woman Dies in Maryland Hospice

Mrs. Virginia Gupman Rodgers, 68, a member of the Virgin Islands, and Steven Gupman (and wife, Katherine) of Silver Spring, Md., passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at the home of her daughter in New Church, surrounded by family and friends. She loved her hometown of Crisfield, but had to move due to damages to her home during Hurricane Sandy.

Born in Crisfield, she was the daughter of the late Richard “Dick” and Myrtle Mason Nock. Mrs. Rodgers was a member of Mariner’s United Methodist Church and worked for 15 years as a sales clerk at Dollar General, where she retired. She also worked at the former Mrs. Paul’s Kitchen in Crisfield for many years. Mrs. Ward had a great love for cats, but most of all she loved her family and enjoyed spending her time with them.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Frank H. Ward Jr.; daughter, Beverly Sterling Mister (and husband, Tilton E.) of New Church; granddaughters, Bill “Beetle” Tyler (and wife, Wanda) of Crisfield, Lisa Tyler Linton of Greenbackville, Darrel Tyler of Hawaii, Fairy McPherson (and husband, Chuck) of Pungoteague, and Pam Lynch of New Church; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Teresa Payne; a brother, Harold Wayne Nock; and two special nephews, “Bootie” and Ronnie Payne.

Services were held at Bradshaw & Sons Funeral Home in Crisfield Sunday, April 10, with Rev. Donnie Bailey officiating. Interment was in Sunnyridge Memorial Park.

Memorial donations may be made to Eastern Shore Animal Control Facility, 28167 Beacon Road, Melfa, VA 23410. To send condolences, visit website www.bradshawandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Nassawadox Man Dies at Heritage Hall

Mr. Oscar Lee Trader, 84, of Nassawadox, formerly of Petersburg, Va., passed away Wednesday, April 6, 2016, at Heritage Hall Nursing Center in Nassawadox.

Born in Hacksneck, he was a son of the late Edward Lee Trader and Lottie Davis Killman Trader.

Survivors include his sister, Rose Ann Trader Moore (and husband, Clifton) of Keller; and seven nieces and nephews, Quinn Thorns, Sandra Richardson, Pam Childress, Valerie Elliott, Keith Thorns, Teresa Vincent, Lisa

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Memorial donations may be made to Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 17, Nassawadox, VA 23413. Memorial tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

**Onancock Woman Passes Away at RSMH**

**Mrs. Marilyn Elizabeth Bulin**, 88, of Onancock, beloved wife of the late Edward George Bulin, died Friday, April 8, 2016, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Joseph Thomas Costello and Elizabeth Helen Sellers Costello. A retired registered nurse and devout Catholic, Mrs. Bulin dedicated her life to serving those in need. She and her husband were members of Good Shepherd Roman Catholic Church in Brooklyn until they relocated in 1986 to the Eastern Shore, where they became members of Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

Mrs. Bulin selflessly gave her time to her church and community. She served as past president and vice president of the Holbrook Civic Association, was a member of Church Women United, served on the Justice and Peace Ministry, was a Eucharistic Minister, taught religious education, and volunteered in the community, medically and religiously.

Survivors include her granddaughters, Kendra Gaddis Widger (and William Burland) of Onancock; great-grandchildren, Jessica Thomas, Brittanny Gaddis, Tiffany Gaddis “Lalaa” Stevens, Alexis Widger, Kayleigh Taylor, and Mia Rhea Atkins; great-great-grandchildren, Alyssa Wessells and Percy Thomas; brother, Frank Snyder of Newport News; several nieces and nephews; and many, many extended family members. She was predeceased by a daughter, Sharon Taylor Gaddis; a granddaughter, Tara Lynelle Stevens (survived by Tara’s husband Buck Stevens); and three sisters, Frances, Betty and Harriett.

A visitation will be held at Williams-Parksley Funeral Home today, April 15, from 5 to 7 p.m., with service officiated by Rev. Andy Cobb at 6 p.m. Interment will be at Peninsula Memorial Park in Newport News Saturday, April 16, at 1 p.m.

Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

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**Passes Away at RSMH**

**Mrs. Margaret Nelle Snyder Taylor**, 90, of Onancock, formerly of Newport News, Va., passed away at her residence Sunday, April 10, 2016.

Born in Jewel Ridge, Va., she was a daughter of the late Stanley Fletcher “Mutt” Taylor, and a resident of Onancock, Virginia, and in return, was adored by many.

Survivors include her grandchildren, Alyssa sells and Pery Thomas; brother, Frank Snyder of Newport News; several nieces and nephews; and many, many extended family members. She was predeceased by a daughter, Sharon Taylor Gaddis; a granddaughter, Tara Lynelle Stevens (survived by Tara’s husband Buck Stevens); and three sisters, Frances, Betty and Harriett.

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Awards

Luke Betts Lauded for Volunteerism

Luke Betts, a 17-year-old Chincoteague High School student, has been honored for his exemplary volunteer service with a President’s Volunteer Service Award.

The award, which recognizes Americans of all ages who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their communities and their country, was granted by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program on behalf of President Barack Obama.

Chincoteague High School nominated Luke for national honors last fall.

Betts is the junior president of Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department. He is a certified firefighter and answers calls that involve fires and car accidents. In July, he works at the Chincoteague’s Annual Carnival serving food or running the rides and also

Graduations

Top Pinewood Derby Drivers

Winners of the Virginia District of the Delmarva Council of Cub Scouts’ recent pinewood derby were (from left): Nathaniel Long - first place, Palmer Hubbard - second, David Chew - third, John Moore - fourth, and Brandon Potts - fifth. The event was hosted by Pack 314 and held at the Exmore Moose Lodge.

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volunteers at the annual chili festival each fall.

Betts is second in his class and will attend Virginia Tech in the fall to major in mechanical engineering. He is an active member of the Senior Beta Club.

Betts observed his parents’ community service. “My father and uncle are volunteer firefighters,” he said. “I have experienced firsthand how volunteers have a positive effect on other people’s lives. One day about nine years ago, my father had to put everything on his agenda for the day on hold because a neighbor’s house was on fire. His willingness to stop what he was doing to help his neighbors really inspired me to want to go and do the same. That is why, when I became old enough, I joined the department.”

“Luke … is a well-mannered and well-rounded student with a lot of potential,” said Karen Taylor, Chincoteague High School principal. “He is efficient, knowledgeable, and has a good rapport within the school and community. Luke is a dedicated and personable student always willing to lend a helping hand.”

Megan Kelly Earns Top Girl Scout Award

Megan Kelly, a member of Troop 37 under the leadership of Barbara Lazenby, was chosen recently to represent the Chesapeake Bay Girl Scouts Council for the Eastern Shore of Virginia in Richmond, Va.

Invited to the Governor’s Executive Mansion, she attended a special event to recognize the Girl Scout Gold Awardees on the centennial anniversary of the award, which is the highest award in Girl Scouts.

The Gold Award requires girls to identify an issue in their community and carry-out a Take Action project to address the matter through leadership work. Kelly’s Gold Award project, “Keep It Green,” established two recycling centers that prevented a rent increase for senior residents at Snow Hill Senior Apartments. Her project has received accolades from NASA, the Departments of Arm Forces and President Obama.

It will be displayed at the Virginia State House until August.

Nationwide, less than 6 percent of eligible Girl Scouts earn the Gold Award.

Kelly and 14 other Girl Scout Gold Awardees were recognized on the floor of the Virginia House of Delegates and State Senate. Lt. Gov. Ralph Northam and his wife, Pam, hosted a tea and refreshments. The Girl Scouts also received a private tour of the Governor’s House.

A 2015 graduate of Arcadia High School, Kelly attends Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va., where she majors in the School of Architecture & Design.

She is the daughter of John and Lisa Kelly of Withams, the granddaughter of Myra Rantz, and the great-granddaughter of Izola Jester Savage.

Timisa Johnson Earns BS Degree in Education

Timisa Marie Johnson graduated from the University of Maryland College Park in May with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education with Honors.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy (Lisa) Johnson and granddaughter of Dorothy Cropper and Dorothy Poulson, all of Horntown.

Johnson pledged Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Kappa Phi Chapter, where she was elected president for 2015-16; was inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Lambda, and Phi Eta Sigma honor societies; served as director of training for the Excellence High School Mentoring Program; worked at the Child Development Center; and performed with the Gymnastics and Acrobatics troupe.

She is completing her teaching internship and plans to teach on Maryland’s Western Shore.
The Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague is sponsoring a Meet the Candidates Forum for Chincoteague mayor and Town Council candidates Thursday, April 28, at 6:30 p.m. The forum, which will be moderated by Lexi Hubb, will be held at St. Andrew’s Catholic Church Paschal Hall. It will begin with questions and discussion with the four candidates for the three open Town Council positions. That will be followed by questions and discussion with the three mayoral candidates. Ample time will be available for audience questions.

There also will be an opportunity for citizens to speak individually with candidates during the refreshment time following the forum.

The Oyster Farm at Kings Creek, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) and other partners across Virginia are recruiting volunteers for the 28th Clean the Bay Day Saturday, June 4, from 9 a.m. until noon.

An appreciation cookout with live music will follow on C-Pier at The Oyster Farm following the clean-up of one-and-a-half miles of shoreline.

Local sponsors are Davis Dispos-

The program is open to children ages 6 to 12 and registration is required. Sessions are limited to 15 minutes with one child at a time. A parent may join. Call 331-1300 to sign up and for more information.

PAWS for Reading will take place the third Saturday of each month from 10:45 a.m. to noon.

www.cbf.org/events/clean-the-bay-day/2016-eastern-shore-kings-creek-watershed

Check-in will be at 8 a.m., clean-up from 9 a.m. to noon.

Bring your dinghies, kayaks, waders or walking shoes.

Beginning April 16, Cape Charles Memorial Library will host “PAWS for reading,” which allows children to read aloud to a therapy dog in order to improve reading and communication skills.

Children read individually to trained therapy pets (and their handlers) where they can feel comfortable and confident — and have fun!

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Wild horses of Maryland’s and Virginia’s Assateague Island National Seashore will be featured on the third of 16 Forever Stamp images to celebrate the National Park Service’s 100th anniversary. A photograph by Tim Fitzharris of Fayetteville, Ark., was used to create the image (at right).

The June 2 first-day-of-issue ceremony for the National Parks Forever Stamps pane will take place at New York City’s Javits Center at 11 a.m. as part of World Stamp Show-NY 2016. Dedication ceremonies also will take place at or near each of the national parks depicted on the stamps.

SEPTIC PUMP-OUT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

On a first come, first served basis, there is a septic pump-out assistance program available that will pay 50% of the cost of pumping septic tanks for income qualifying Northampton and Accomack County property owners whose land drains into the Chesapeake Bay. Funds are limited, and applications are due by May 1, 2016. Contact Brenette Hinmon at the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at 757-787-2800 extension 100 to receive an application.

Town of Exmore
Notice of Public Hearing
Monday, May 2, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Meeting Room of the J. Guy Lawson Municipal Bldg., located at 3305 Main Street, Exmore, VA
To receive public comment on the proposed FY 2017 budget

| Estimated General Fund Revenues | $1,306,193 |
| Taxes and Fees | $1,306,193 |
| Enterprise Funds | $323,200 |
| Water Income | $323,200 |
| Wastewater Income | $150,000 |
| Trash Sales | $98,000 |
| Investment Income | $1,806 |
| Grants | $56,572 |
| Farm Rent | $400 |
| Sale of Assets | $2,000 |
| Total General Fund Revenues | $1,938,171 |
| Estimated Expenditures | $1,255,818 |
| General Fund Expenditures | $277,634 |
| Public Works | $277,634 |
| Public Safety | $547,106 |
| General Government | $431,078 |
| Total Estimated General Fund Expenditures | $1,255,818 |
| Enterprise Fund Expenditures | $226,625 |
| Wastewater | $226,625 |
| Water | $271,382 |
| Sanitation | $117,313 |
| Total Estimated Enterprise Fund Expenditures | $615,320 |
| Other Expenses | $1,938,171 |
| Fire Program Fund | $9,416 |
| Contingency Fund | $48,000 |
| Surplus | $9,617 |
| Total Estimated Expenditures | $1,938,171 |

The Town of Exmore is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
Celebrate Earth Day With Two Fun Events

Attend these fun, free, and family-friendly events to learn why it is important to restore biodiversity to our residential properties, and what we can do to make our landscapes functioning ecosystems once again.

“Restoring Nature’s Relationships”
Friday, April 22, 6:00-8:30 PM
Eastern Shore Community College
- Native Plants Presentation
- Book Signing by Award-Winning Author Doug Tallamy
- A Variety of Locally Grown Earth Day Exhibits
- Free Giveaways
- Light Refreshments

All the fun is free and open to the public at the Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Development Center

For more information about either event, contact Josephine Mooney at: Esrdc.projectsdirector@gmail.com; 757-710-7266

“The ES Watersheds Roundtable is funded by a grant from the VA Department of Environmental Quality and administered by the ES RC&D. Members of the Roundtable:

“Planting for a Resilient Landscape”
Saturday, April 23, 12:00-3:00 PM
Exmore Town Park
- Native Tree Planting Demonstration
- Native Tree & Shrub Giveaway (first 30 attendees)
- A Variety of Locally Grown Earth Day Exhibits
- Native Plant Books
- Fun Family Activities, Face Painting

All the fun is free and open to the public Rain or Shine at the Exmore Town Park, Next to 3364 Main St. Exmore

Special Events Noon to 1:00
Live Appearance by SMOKEY BEAR
Live Music by Peg Snowden Volk, Pete Hartzler & Sarah Emerson

This event is part of the Science on the Shore Series and is partially funded from the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program through a grant from the NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NA13NOS4190135) under the federal Coastal Zone Management Act.
Local Nonprofits Hope To Raise $1 Million in 24 Hours

Three local community foundations have come together in an unprecedented partnership to host the third annual Give Local 757 event.

The Hampton Roads, Peninsula and Southeast Virginia community foundations are joining forces with a goal of raising $1 million in 24 hours for over 200 local nonprofits on May 3. Last year, Give Local 757 raised $430,000 in 24 hours for 155 nonprofits. More than 4,000 donations were received from every state and as far away as Hong Kong.

This year, local businesses are stepping up to support the event. Channel 13 and Sinclair Communications (owner of six local radio stations) have come on board to help promote the event. Bank of America contributed $10,000 for the grand prizes and Langley Federal Credit Union is making each of its branches a donation site the day of the event for those who wish to contribute by check. A total of $45,000 has been raised for the incentive prize pool which will amplify what donations are made on the day of the event.

“We were thrilled with the results of Give Local,” said Stephanie Calway from the Southeast Virginia Community Foundation. “We asked our community to embrace this campaign and they responded beyond our wildest dreams. Most importantly, we proved that when our community comes together as one, we can make great things happen.”

Give Local 757 was born out of Give Local America, an initiative created by the Council on Foundations to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the first community foundation. Hundreds of communities from across the country have participated the last two years and over $110 million was raised during the 24-hour event.

“This event is a fantastic opportunity for nonprofits to tell their stories, attract new donors, and raise much-needed unrestricted funds,” said Tammy Flynn, Peninsula Community Foundation’s director of philanthropy.

“Nonprofits that aren’t using this platform are missing out and the foundations are hosting the event to help fill this gap.”

To be a part of the Give Local 757 movement, visit www.givelocal757.org to schedule a reminder to donate on May 3 to be a part of huge change for the Eastern Shore and Hampton Roads area. The minimum donation is $10.

Local Eastern Shore nonprofits so far registered to participate include the Barrier Islands Center, Broadwater Academy, Cape Charles Christian School, Chincoteague Bay Field Station, Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency, Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Eastern Shore’s Own Arts Center, Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, and the Museum of Chincoteague Island.

Beetle Invasion Closes Roads at Refuge

Until further notice, the Wildlife Loop, Black Duck Trail, and Swans Cove Trail on Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge are closed to all public access Monday through Friday until 3 p.m.

Refuge staff is using heavy equipment to cut pine trees which have died as the result of a heavy infestation of southern pine beetles along the west side of the Wildlife Loop and Service Road. The heavy equipment being used from the Wildlife Loop parking lot to the entrance of the Service Road requires a 500-foot safety radius to prevent bodily injury from flying debris.
doing so, he noted the importance of eliminating the need to refer to the multiple editions, which encompass 700 pages, when an individual or business seeks to build within the county.

Earlier in the evening, County Economic and Community Development Director Kris Tucker gave a presentation on the state of the county economy. He noted that Northampton needs to increase the hirable workforce in order to attract new businesses. He also recommended that portions of Lankford Highway need to be selected for commercial development. Referring to the importance of making it easy for travelers to find such things as food, fuel, and a place to stay, he stated, “People aren’t going to go exploring if they are heading for a destination.”

Much of the citizens’ information session focused on concerns over the county’s Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system. A recent request for proposal (RFP) that was advertised by the county brought a large number of EMS workers to the session. According to several who spoke, the RFP appeared to be asking for bids by private ambulance companies to provide EMS coverage for the county.

Northampton EMS Director Hollye Carpenter expressed her concern over a lack of communication between county leaders and county employees. She noted that the county’s paid EMS staff is far more qualified to meet the needs of the citizens of the county than a private ambulance service.

Greg DeYoung of Community Fire and Rescue in Exmore said the RFP was a slap in the face of EMS staffers and volunteers.

Others questioned how supervisors had met, possibly in an unadvertised meeting, to develop the RFP or had even communicated with a private EMS company prior to issuing the RFP.

In response to the numerous comments and concerns raised over the issue, LeMond stated that the board is not actively seeking to replace the county’s EMS staff, but rather is seeking to have a survey conducted by an outside agency. He noted that Carpenter has asked for additional personnel to meet the needs of the county, at a projected cost of approximately $500,000. If approved, it would require a tax increase of 4 or 5 cents per $100 of assessed value. (Currently, the county has 32 EMS staffers.)

According to Carpenter, the move of the local hospital from Northampton to Accomack County is expected to add a strain on the Northampton’s paid and volunteer EMS services, thus the need to add more personnel. LeMond emphasized that the RFP was just a study and not an effort to replace anyone.

Murray said the real issue is to have enough EMS personnel to handle the needs of the county’s population. “Not one of the companies that responded to the RFP owns an ambulance,” he said. “It’s a big issue and we need to do the right thing for the county.”

In a related area, the board agreed to postpone a decision regarding the EMS vehicle garage proposed for the Machipongo area as well as hiring any additional EMS personnel.
Northampton Sheriff’s Office
Accepting Medications for Disposal

On April 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Northampton Sheriff’s Office and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public its 11th opportunity in six years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs.

Pills can be brought for disposal to Northampton Sheriff’s Office in Eastville. (The DEA cannot accept liquids, needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines — flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash — both pose safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 30 Take Back Day event, go to the DEA Diversion website or contact Major Smith with Northampton Sheriff’s Office at 678-0458.

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Town of Eastville - Proposed Budget For FY2017 -- Notice of Public Hearing
Town of Eastville - General Fund - Budget 2016-2017

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Police Action

By 1st Sgt. Ben E. Jeffrey Jones
Virginia State Police - Area Cmdr.
Division 5, Area 31, Melfa

One of the most common questions I am asked is in regards to child restraint laws. Hopefully, I can bring some clarity to this issue and encourage everyone to buckle up their little ones.

Every child under the age of 18 must be secured in a restraint, regardless of where they are seated in the vehicle. This article specifically addresses children under the age of 8.

I fully support the “Click it or Ticket” campaign which begins on May 18 and I have directed my troopers to aggressively enforce all seat-belt and child-restraint violations. Every parent I know would gladly lay down their lives to protect their children, and making sure they are properly restrained is the best way to ensure their safety.

Section 46.2-1095 of the Code of Virginia sets forth the requirements for child restraints. It states, “Any person who drives on the highways of Virginia any motor vehicle manufactured after January 1, 1968, shall ensure that any child, up to age eight, whom he transports therein is provided with and properly secured in a child restraint device of a type which meets the standards adopted by the United States Department of Transportation. Further, rear-facing child restraint devices shall be placed in the back seat of a vehicle. In the event the vehicle does not have a back seat, the child restraint device may be placed in the front passenger seat only if the vehicle is either not equipped with a passenger side airbag or the passenger side airbag has been deactivated.”

There is no longer a weight in which a child can move from a child restraint to a seat belt. Children under age 8 MUST be in either a car seat or a booster seat. It is recommended that parents follow the manufacturer’s recommendations when making the move from a car seat to a booster seat. The most important aspect in making this determination is that the seat belt should fit properly when moving into a booster seat. If the shoulder belt does not fit across the shoulder and chest, a child should remain in a car seat.

Also, it is recommended that children always be placed in the back seat of vehicles, when possible, due to the injuries that may be sustained from the air bag system. It is required that any rear-facing car seat be placed in the back seat of the vehicle, or the passenger’s side air bag system deactivated. Serious injury can result when an airbag strikes a rear-facing child seat.

Once again, my office is committed to protecting our children, and on May 5, Trooper John Feryus will complete his training to become a certified child restraint technician and will be available to assist parents, grandparents and caregivers in the proper installation of child seats. Feryus may be reached by calling my office at 787-5813.

Also, Eastern Shore Rural Health has a program called “Safe Kids Eastern Shore” in place to assist parents who need financial assistance with obtaining a car seat. For more information regarding this program, contact Heather Dean at 442-4819, ext 320.

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Local Scholarship Opportunities Abound

Accomack County Sheriff Todd E. Godwin is accepting applications for the Virginia Sheriffs’ Institute Scholarship Program for young people to pursue an educational curriculum in law enforcement or criminal justice.

Full- and part-time students are eligible. Applicants must be accepted to a Virginia college or university with a major in the criminal justice field and must be a registered Virginian voter.

All students interested in the Virginia Sheriffs’ Institute Scholarship Program for the 2016/17 school year should contact Karen Barrett of Accomack County Sheriff’s Office at 787-1131, 824-5666, or 891-2489.

Applications may be obtained from Accomack Sheriff’s Office or Virginia Sheriffs’ Institute website www.vashersheriffs.org. Students also may contact their school guidance office.

The deadline for applications to be submitted to Accomack County Sheriff’s Office is 5 p.m. April 15.

The Arts Council of the Eastern Shore is looking for qualified students to apply for its scholarships.

Graduating high-school seniors or current college students who plan to pursue study in the visual or performing arts or in education of the visual or performing arts are eligible.

The student also must be a resident of the Eastern Shore of Virginia and have a grade point average of C+ or 2.5 on a 4-point scale.

Applicants must submit a completed application, which can be downloaded from www.acesva.org, two letters of reference, and an official grade transcript. The applicant needs to include a one-page composition describing his or her involvement in the arts and hopes for the future. The application and supporting materials need to be postmarked no later than April 15.

For scholarship information, contact Susan Grove at susan-grove@att.net or 787-8398.

Eastern Shore Training and Consulting, Inc. in Exmore (ESTACI) is offering two $2,500 Young Leaders scholarships to graduating seniors to support their college or vocational career paths after graduation.

Candidates for the Pathways out of Poverty Scholarship Award and Career Choice Scholarship Award must be graduating students in Northampton or Accomack County schools.

Applications must be postmarked or received electronically by 11:59 p.m. April 30.

These scholarships are sponsored by Empowering Women: Overcoming Racism, Sexism and Poverty, an initiative of ESTACI.

For more information or an application, contact Polly or Gerald Boyd at 656-3460 or peaceworkscenter@yahoo.com.

The Northampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is accepting applications for the annual Eunice Fisher Morris Scholarship through May 2.

Mrs. Morris is celebrating her 70th year as a sorority member.

Graduating seniors from Accomack and Northampton County public schools can apply if they are accepted as a full-time college student for fall 2016 with a current grade-point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 grading scale.

Scholarships will be for a minimum of $250 and maximum of $500.

Application packets, available in high-school guidance offices, must be postmarked by May 2. Students should mail their completed application packets to the Accomack-Northampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Attn: Dr. Rhonda Hall, P.O. Box 192, Onley, VA 23418.

As needed, contact Hall at 665-1850.

The Pungoteague Ruritan Club is offering a $1,000 scholarship to students planning to attend or currently attending Eastern Shore Community College or a four-year university.

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A Shot at the Masters that Defies Tradition

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Construction on the new course began in 1931 and the course opened in December 1932. The holes are named for the various plants and trees on the property, including Pink Dogwood, Flowering Peach, Juniper, Carolina Cheery, Nandina and others from the 80,000 plants and over 350 varieties that dot the Augusta landscape.

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A number of golfers that day had responded to the cheers of the gallery to give the skip shot a try. Those who ignored the calling were greeted with a chorus of boos.

It was the first Masters for Ken Duke, playing with Singh, and he had looked forward to honoring the tradition of the skip shot. But after watching Singh hole out, he celebrated with the group and then waved his arms, as if to say, “How do you follow that?”

He picked up his ball and walked on, the crowd giving him a reprieve for not attempting to duplicate a hole-in-one.

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Truck Pull, Family Day
A Truck Pull and Family Fun Day to benefit local chapters of Special Olympics Virginia and the Law Enforcement Torch Run will be held Saturday, April 16, at the Elks Lodge in Accomac.
The entry fee is $150 per team, with up to six per team. Pull Tasley VFD’s brush truck carrying 300 gallons of water 25 feet. Fastest time gets a trophy and shirt for team members.
There also will be a bouncy house, corn hole, face painting and kids’ crafts in addition to booths and food vendors.
Contact Sandy Tayler at 414-1212 for more information or an entry form. Contact Gina Williams at 336-1202 or SOVArarea19vendor@gmail.com for a vendor application.

Shore Fest Golf Tourney May 13
The Shore Fest Golf Tournament will start at 1 p.m. Friday, May 13, at Eastern Shore Country Club in Melfa.
There will be teams of four with an entry fee of $100 per player, which includes greens fees, cart, lunch, on-course beverages and awards reception. Awards will be presented for closest to the pin, longest drive and a hole in one.
The event is sponsored by Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call 787-2460 or go to www.esvachamber.org

Tour de Shore Bike Ride June 18
The 2016 Le Tour de Shore bike ride will be held June 18 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rides of 50k, 100k and 100 miles will be staged starting at Onancock School on College Avenue. There will be designated rest stops with restrooms, beverages and snacks. A barbecue chicken lunch will be served from 1 to 3 p.m. at the finish line at Onancock School.
The event is hosted by Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit YMCA Camp Thunderhead.
Early registration is $55. On-site registration is $65.
For more information, visit the website at www.esvachamber.org or email info@esvachamber.org or call 787-2460. A waiver must be signed to participate.

Boating Education Safety Course on Chincoteague
All motorboat operators as well as PWC operators, regardless of age, must meet the boating safety education compliance requirement by July 1, 2016. Boaters will be required to have a boating safety education card showing that they have taken a boating safety course.
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary 12-06 Chincoteague is offering a free Boating Safety Course May 23, 24 and 25 from 6 to 9 each evening. A boating safety card will be issued with the passing of this three-evening class.
Those interested in taking this class to be held at U.S. Coast Guard Complex Chincoteague can contact J. Conquest at jeconquest@verizon.net
Pre-registration is required to ensure that there will be sufficient books for every student.
Northampton last week. The Ponies are 5-1.

Chincoteague's Dylan Mason crosses the plate in a 14-2 win over Chincoteague. Jaquan Wharton scored three runs, going 2-3 with a two-run home run. McDaniel and Terrell Wharton losing pitcher with relief from Dalton 17-12 last week on the island. Blair had two hits. Garrett Baylis drove attack with two hits. Jake Guy had a double and RBI. Evan McGregor got the win one run in earning the save. Evan McGregor got the win with three innings of two-hit pitching, allowing one run.

Mike McCluskey led the Warrior attack with two hits. Jake Guy had a double and RBI. Garrett Baylis drove in a run.

Ponies Outlast Arcadia

Chincoteague outslugged Arcadia 17-12 last week on the island. For Arcadia, Hunter Lewis was the losing pitcher with relief from Dalton McDaniel and Terrell Wharton. Dom Simenski led the team in hitting, going 2-3 with a two-run home run. Logan Godwin had an RBI hit, Jaquan Wharton scored three runs.

No statistics were available for Chincoteague.

Nandua Tops Collegiate

Nandua scored a pair of first-inning runs and held the lead throughout to gain a 4-2 win over Norfolk Collegiate Friday at home. Austin Atkinson pitched the final four innings, striking out five while allowing one run in earning the save. Evan McGregor got the win with three innings of two-hit pitching, allowing one run.

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McGregor

The Broadwater baseball team dropped a 9-5 decision to Suffolk Christian last Thursday on the road to fall to 2-5 on the season. Ben Farlow had three hits for the Vikings, with Austin Murphy adding a pair. Aidan Blair and Cortland Bunce each scored two runs. Broadwater stole 10 bases but committed six errors in the field.

Sean Hart and Daniel Rohde shared the pitching duties, with Rohde striking out seven in 4.2 innings.

BA Edged by Shores

The Vikings dropped a tough 12-11 decision to Atlantic Shores Saturday. Viking coach Billy Murphy said, "We had a couple of miscues that could have turned the game around." Austin Murphy was the starting pitcher and went four innings.

Coach Murphy said Ben Farlow and Andrew Hart pitched well in relief to keep the game close. Daniel Rohde was 2 for 2 with a double and three walks, Farlow went 3 for 4 with a double, Murphy was 2 for 3 with a double and RBI, and Aidan Blair had two hits.

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Nandua Plays Four

Chincoteague was down only 1-0 after 16 minutes, but once the Warriors found the net, they pounded the Ponies 10-0 Monday at home.

Tio Tinoco had four goals and an assist and Osiris Tinoco and Christian Esteban had a pair of goals and assists. Tanner Troyer each had two goals, and Irving Seauda added one. Tio Tinoco, Jonathan Esteban, Roier Lopez and Eddardo Martinez each had an assist.

On Friday, Nandua lost to Churchland 2-1. Victor Esteban scored the Warrior goal on an assist by Tio Tinoco.

Nandua also tied Smithfield 3-3 in action last week. "Smithfield is a well-coached team with many talented players. I am pleased with the way our team worked and competed together," said Nandua coach Paul Nolz.

Jacket Girls Prevail

Taylor Webb scored three goals and had four assists in leading Northampton to a 8-0 road win over Franklin in a game stopped with 20 minutes left in the game on the slaughter rule.

Ashly Arnold netted two goals, Kennedy Webb and Nohemi Montalvo each scored a goal and had an assist, and Lizbeth Gildo scored a goal to complete the Jacket scoring.

“It was a great game for us, as everything seemed to go our way and the girls were really working well together and moving the ball very efficiently," said Northampton coach Tabi Webb.

Nandua Girls Win

The Nandua girls’ soccer team edged Windsor 1-0 Friday on the road as Ryan Wright scored the lone Warrior goal on an assist by Chastity Colona. Celine Jean Denis got the shutout in the goal.

Wednesday’s Results

Northampton blanked Chincoteague 7-0 as Elian Morales scored three goals and Mariano Gaytan and Arturo Gildo each scored two. Jacket coach John Gorman said José Palacio, Brian Terron, Garrett Marsh and Abimael Ortiz played strong defense, with Gabe Webb getting the shutout in the goal.

Nandua’s Christian Esteban fires on goal as Chincoteague defenders attempt to block the shot in action Monday. Nandua won 10-0.

Soccer Kicks into Full Swing on Shore

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BA Wins Two of Three Softball Tilts

The Broadwater softballers defeated Suffolk Christian last Thursday 11-2 behind a 4-for-4 day and three RBIs from sophomore Anna Sexauer, the Viking catcher, who had a double and triple in her perfect day at the plate.

Parker Murphy was 3 for 3 with a pair of RBIs, including a triple, and scored two runs while Heather Custis had a pair of hits. Palmer Smith and Greta Bunce each had a hit and scored two runs.

The Lady Vikings stole 19 bases, with Smith, Bunce and Kerry Ford each stealing three.

Broadwater trailed 2-1 before erupting for seven runs in the third inning.

On Saturday, the Viking softballers blanked Atlantic Shores 10-0 in less than ideal weather in Virginia Beach.

Murphy had two hits, including a triple, and two RBIs. She also allowed one hit, facing 13 batters on the mound. Natavia Wharton was perfect in facing 12 batters. Sexauer had a double and triple with two RBIs. Olivia Kellam and Smith each had two hits.

Last Wednesday, Broadwater lost to Princess Anne of Virginia Beach 11-5. Taking on a school several times larger, the Vikings were led by Sexauer and Ford, both 3 for 3 on the day. Sexauer knocked in two runs and also scored a pair. Murphy and Wharton handled the pitching duties.

Pony Softballers Top Firebirds

Chincoteague defeated Arcadia 16-3 last Thursday in softball.

For Chincoteague, both Caroline Thornton and Kristen Fox were 3 for 4 with three runs scored. Ronny Malone was 3 for 4 with two runs scored. Sarah Turner was 2 for 4 with two runs scored. Madison Tyndall struck out six and allowed three hits while pitching a complete game.

For Arcadia, Chelsea Gaugler had a single and drove in two runs. Nyderia Samuels and Mariah Tankard each had a single. LeAiysha Taylor had an RBI. Firebird coach Kirsten Waltz said a pair. Murphy and Wharton handled the pitching duties.

Nandua's Trevor Wessells (seated center) has signed to play football at Bridgewater College next season. Wessells, the leading kicker in 2A football and fourth overall in all divisions, with six field goals in seven attempts, the longest 36 yards, also will compete at the fullback position. Wessells was 18-of-19 on point-after-touchdown attempts. Nandua coach Tom Rotkowski said having a kicker like Wessells “is quite a weapon for a high-school team. We will miss him.” Pictured with Wessells are his parents, Shannon and Todd. Standing are Nandua principal George Parker, assistant coach Deitrick Downing, Coach Tom Rotkowski and athletic director Gary Reese.

Wessells Signs with Bridgewater

Northampton won a girls’ tennis match against West Point at home last Friday by a 6-3 score.

Angela Head, playing number 1 for the Lady Jackets, scored an 8-1 win. Haley Potts blanked her opponent 8-0, Elizabeth Hernandez copped an 8-5 win and Claudia Fernandez took an 8-4 match. Winning their double matches were the teams of Head and Potts and Hernandez and Fernandez.

The win raised Northampton’s record to 3-0 after 9-0 wins over both Franklin and Middlesex. The Lady Jackets barely dropped a game in each match, with Ada Garvis and Alex Froehlich getting wins, in addition to the four Jacket netters at the top of the lineup.

Arcadia, Nandua Track Athletes Earn Wins at Decatur Meet

The Arcadia boys and girls won eight events at the Stephen Decatur track meet last Thursday.

Arcadia’s Richie Shrieves was first in the 110 hurdles and third in the 300 hurdles as the Firebird boys finished second in the Stephen Decatur Invitational last week. Cameron Vandeneynde was first in the 300 hurdles and second in the 110 hurdles. Devon Rogers was first in the 100-meter run. Hector Cime was first in the 1600 and 3200. Rashon Townsend was first in the discus and second in the shot put.

Among the girls, Arcadia’s Camra Handy won the discus and was second in the second shot. Normeia Harris won the 300 hurdles. The girls finished fifth.

Nandua’s Michael Sutton won the 200-meter and 400-meter runs, Teddy Tazewell was second in the triple jump, Dominic Juran was third in the 100-meter, and Quashon Reid was 4th in the discus. The 1600-meter and 800-relay teams took second while the 400-meter team placed fourth.

Among the girls, Ty’Kara Smith was first in the-100 meter and third in the 200-meter. Gillian Travis was third in the high jump, with Kristen Travis finishing fourth. Tymeca Moore was fourth in the 400-meter. The 800-meter relay team placed fourth.

At the Charles City Invitational last Saturday, Nandua’s Ty’Kara Smith was second in the 100-meter and fourth in the 200-meter run. Gillian Travis was sixth in the high jump, and Janie Hargis was eighth in the 300-meter hurdles. The 3200-meter relay team finished third while the 400-meter relay and 1600-relay teams placed fourth.

Both the boys’ 400- and 100-meter relay teams placed fourth.
Folks from near and far converged on Chincoteague Island Easter weekend for the Easter Decoy & Art Festival sponsored by Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce.

People’s Choice for Best Carver went to Cork McGee, an island native who began carving hunting rigs. He mentored under Cigar Daisey as he “hung out in his shop.” His family lived on Assateague Island for many years.

People’s Choice for Best Artist went to long-time Chincoteague artist Kevin McBride. Known for his depictions of Chincoteague ponies, his latest creation highlights five Chincoteague carvers — Cigar Daisey, Ira Hudson, Dave “Umbrella” Watson, Doug Jester and Miles Hancock. McBride owns and operates the Osprey Nest Art Gallery in Chincoteague and has lived in the area for 36 years.

Best Photograph of Chincoteague or Assateague was presented to Master Captain Debbie Ritter for her photograph of legendary Chincoteague pony Surfer Dude with a large group of ponies coming out of the mist. Ritter has studied and captured images of wildlife on the Eastern Shore for over 30 years and has a large body of work featuring wild Chincoteague ponies. She captains her own cruise boat under the name Chincoteague Nature Encounters.

The Curtis Merritt Award of Excellence is awarded to an exhibitor demonstrating exemplary qualities as an artist or carver as chosen by their peers. Another island native, Russell Fish, was honored as the 2016 recipient of this award. Fish has been an exhibitor since the show began 37 years ago. He is an avid hunter, guide and decoy carver. Fish is always willing to give back to his community by donating carvings to local fundraising benefit auctions.

The Museum of Chincoteague Island’s Miles Hancock Carving Workshop Project was the recipient of the Pre-Loved Treasures silent auction proceeds.

From left, Cork McGee, People’s Choice for Best Carver; Debbie Ritter, People Choice for Best Photograph; Russell Fish, winner of the Curtis Merritt Award of Excellence; and Kevin McBride, People’s Choice for Best Artist.

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Flounder, Togs Top Local Fishing Report; Anglers Hoping for Better Weather

With two flounder tournaments opening up today in Wachapreague with big prize money at stake, anglers won’t be pleased with the northeast winds predicted for the weekend.

Here’s what Dr. Julie Ball is saying about fishing prospects.

With the Virginia cobia season threatened by restrictive regulations this year, anglers are looking for some positive news on the fishing front.

Flounder have debuted in the seaside inlets on the Eastern Shore, where anglers are watching for optimal days to target them with strip bait and gudgesons, especially in Wachapreague and Oyster. This action will only improve as the water continues to warm.

Tautog action is still going strong, and the spring tog bite has really taken off in bay waters. And with fiddler crabs now available, it is game-on. Fiddler crabs and even blue crabs are working well on lower bay structures and wrecks. The rocks and tubes of the artificial islands and the pilings near the high-rise section of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel are providing very good results.

Most anglers are catching limits of fish ranging to around 4 pounds, but some nicer tog over 6 pounds are also in the mix. Deeper water wrecks are also producing nice tautog, with fish to 15 pounds taking offered crab in water ranging to around 70 to 100 feet. Seabass are also available on many of these deeper structures, but they are still illegal to keep.

Boating Safety Graduates

Recent graduates of Boating Safety class given by USCG Auxiliary 12-06 Chincoteague were (from left): first row (seated) - Ruben Ayala and Yaritza Ayala; second row (standing) - Logan Hickman, Slade Eyler and Shawn Eyler; third row - Jeff Heflin, Dale Powell, Anita Stump, Carol Pendrick, William Townsend, Harold Scott, Debra Thornton, Jack Thornton, Charles Carter and Donna Mathis; fourth row - Ronald Travers, Jason Engle, Henry Weiler, Thomas Gadson Sr. and William Brown; fifth row - Robert Stump, Rob Tye, Janelle Embrey, John Shue, Harry Deitch, Mary Deitch, George Pendrick, Phillip Hickman, Herb Watson, Glen Atkinson and Fred Brisner. Also attending but not pictured, J. Wayne Williams, James Bolten and Bill Chrisman.

Discounts on Health Care Services Available to Those Who Qualify

With tax time fresh on your mind, it’s a good time to explore if you can get a discount at Eastern Shore Rural Health!

Discounts are available to qualifying persons based on income and family size. Visit any center with your 2015 tax information to see if you qualify. Rural Health patients who already receive a discount should update their information.

Ask to see a Patient Account Manager at any Rural Health Location!

Atlantic
5219 Lankford Hwy
New Church, VA 23415

Chincoteague
4049 Main St.
Chincoteague Island, VA 23336

Bayview
22214 South Bayside Rd
Cheriton, VA 23316

Onley
20306 Badger Lane
Onley, VA 23418

Franktown
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APRIL 15

★ Library Book Sale - library, Nassawadox
★ 12:30 p.m. - Science & Philosophy Group mtg.
Recovering From Loss & Dealing With Grief - ESCC, lecture hall, Melfa
★ 5:30 p.m. - Spell Rite Adult Spelling Bee - ESYCC, Melfa - $30/tickets (no tickets at the door)
★ 6 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg.
★ 7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah
Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
★ 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Downing's Methodist UMC, Oak Hall
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven

SATURDAY

APRIL 16

★ Library Book Sale - library, Nassawadox
★ 9 a.m. - Zumba Class - Chincoteague YMCA - 336-3535
★ 10 a.m. - Overeaters Anon. mtg. - Christ UMC, Chincoteague
★ 10 a.m.-noon - Empowering Women Potluck Brunch mtg. - ESTACI, Exmore - 709-5113
★ 10 a.m.-1 p.m. - Lego Building Extravaganza - library, Accomac
★ 10 a.m.-2 p.m. - College Preparation Workshop - Nandua High School, Onley - 665-6354
★ noon & 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
★ 3 p.m. - Hats, Fashion & Praise Prgm. - Bethel AME Church, Eastville
★ 3-5 p.m. - Earth Week Bird Conservation Hike - Kiptopeke State Park
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville VFC

MONDAY

APRIL 18

★ 11 a.m. - Children's Story Hour - library, Nassawadox
★ noon - AA mtg. - St. Peter's Catholic Church, Onley
★ 5-6 p.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal, Onancock
★ 5:30 p.m. - TOPS mtg. - Belle Haven UMC - 442-7050
★ 6 p.m. - Bingo - Elks Lodge, Tasley
★ 6 p.m. - Central Shore Lions Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 6-9 p.m. - GED Class - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall
★ 6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg. - Grace UMC, Parksley
★ 7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Keller Town Hall
★ 7:30 p.m. - Accomack Cty. Taxpayers’ Assn. mtg. - Accomack County Administration Bldg.
★ 8 p.m. - Nightly Revival (April 18-22) - Hallwood Baptist Church - dinner served at 6 p.m.

TUESDAY

APRIL 19

★ 9 a.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
★ 9:30 a.m. - MOMS mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church, upstairs - 709-9351 - bring a snack & your kids
★ 10 a.m. - Bingo - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock
★ 11 a.m. - Duplicate Bridge - Sage Diner, Onley - 442-2474
★ noon - Church Women United mtg. - Hermitage, Onancock
★ 1-2:30 p.m. - Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg. - Fidelis House by Cape Charles Baptist Church, 509 Randolph Ave. - 789-5000
★ 6 p.m. - Rachel Leah Ministries - 787-2486
★ 6 p.m. - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA
★ 6:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
★ 6:30-8:30 p.m. - English As a Second Language Class - Arcadia High, Oak Hall
★ 6:30-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Melfa
★ 7 p.m. - Northampton Cty. Democratic Committee mtg. - American Legion Post 400, Eastville
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - smoke free - Cheriton VFC

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 20

★ 7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 10 a.m. - TOPS mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718
★ 10-11 a.m. - Alzheimer’s Caregiving Group - Hermitage, 23610 North St., Onancock - 787-2592 (John Kellam)
★ 10 a.m.-noon - Accomack AARP mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Debedeavon Toastmasters’ mtg. - NASA/Wallops Base - Call Owen Hooks at 824-1941 for base access.
★ noon - AA mtg. - UMC, 75 Market St., Onancock
★ 2 p.m. - Children’s Story Hour - E.S. Public Library, Accomac
★ 5-7 p.m. - Soup Kitchen & Clothes Closet - Grace and Truth Ministries, Onancock - Donations: 789-5369
★ 5:30-6:30 p.m. - Free Meals for the Hungry - Epworth UMC, Exmore - 442-6391
★ 6 p.m. - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
★ 6:30 p.m. - GED Class - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall
★ 6:30 p.m. - E.S. Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #62 mtg. - Market St. Grill, Onancock - 709-5212
★ 7 p.m. - Man to Man Prostate Cancer Support Group mtg. - Riverside Shore Cancer Center, Nassawadox
★ 7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon. mtgs. - RSMH, Nassawadox
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC

THURSDAY

APRIL 21

★ 10:30 a.m. - Children’s Story Hour - library, Accomac
★ 10:30 a.m. - Story Time - Cape Charles Library
★ 4 p.m. - Chess Club - Cape Charles Memorial Library - all ages, levels welcome
★ 5:30 p.m. - Shore Losers mtg. - Drummondont Baptist, Accomac - $1/wk.
★ 5:30 p.m. - TOPS VA-550 mtg. - Zion Baptist, Parksley - 787-7099
★ 6:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
★ 6:30 p.m. - Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague mtg. - St. Andrew’s Catholic Church
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★ 7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God
★ 7 p.m. - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC
★ 7 p.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Atlantic UMC
★ 8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, Chincoteague

POST TIMES

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SUNDAY

APRIL 17

★ 11 a.m. - Annual Women’s Day - New Allen Memorial AME Church, Franktown
★ 2 p.m. - Bingo - VFW Post 2296, Tasley
★ 4 p.m. - The Reunion Quartet & Dinner - Hallwood Baptist Church
★ 4 p.m. - Pastoral Anniversary - Living Word Church of Deliverance, Parksley
★ 4-7 p.m. - Pancake Supper & Bazaar/Bake Sale - Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Jenkins Bridge

Help Charley Fight Cancer Fundraiser
Charley is a 23-year-old with Stage 3 Hodgkins Lymphoma. She is undergoing treatments and will be unable to work for several months. She also has a 19-month-old son.
A fundraiser for to help will expenses will be Saturday, from 4 to 8 p.m., at Downings UMC in Oak Hall.
Live entertainment will be by Dee Ervin. A silent auction will take place with locally donated items. Burgers, hot dogs, baked goods and soft drinks will be on sale throughout the event.
According to 2015 information provided by the Eastern Shore News to the Virginia Press Association, the total distribution of the News is down to 4,384.

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**LOST DOG!!!**

Her name is Rosie and her family is very worried. She's fixed (spayed), grey with white on the chest & a scar on her left cheek. She's a grey pit bull mix (can appear brown depending on lighting) and she's the love of my life. She has no monetary value but I am offering a reward of $750.00 for her safe return home.

No questions asked. Thank you.

My phone number is (631)404-8848.

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TOWN OF BLOXOM PUBLIC NOTICE
On Tuesday March 29, 2016 the Town Council voted to move the Council Meeting from the fourth Thursday of the month to the fourth Tuesday of the month effective April 26, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

The Town of Nassawadox, Inc., is soliciting proposals from interested and qualified service providers to establish, own, operate, and provision a broadband network in the town. Any providers interested should attend our next council meeting at the Northampton Free Library at 7:00 pm. on April 25, 2016, or submit a written proposal beforehand:
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Submitted by Ed Gibb, Mayor, Town of Nassawadox, Inc.

TRUSTEE SALE
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In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $49,500.00, dated January 25, 2001 recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of the Accomack County, Virginia, in Document No. 00000357, in Book No. 2001, at Page 01607 and modified in Document No. 201003405 and modified in Document No. 201302703, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance to the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, on April 18, 2016 at 10:30 AM the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

All that certain lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Village of Temperanceville, Virginia, on the Southwest side of County Highway No. 695 which leads from the Village of Temperanceville to the Village of Makemie Park; said lot fronting a distance of 48 ft. on County Highway No. 695 and extending back therefrom between parallel lines a distance of 360 ft. and bounded as follows: On the Northeast, by the County Highway No. 695; on the Southeast, by the land of now or formerly of K. W. Mears; on the Southwest, by the land of now or formerly of S. W. Nock, formerly of P. N. Mears; and, on the Northwest, by the land of now or formerly of M. Kelley, with improvements thereon.

LESS AND EXCEPTION that portion of the property conveyed to the Commonwealth of Virginia by deed recorded in Deed Book 629, Page 301.

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SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., Substitute Trustee

This is a communication from a debt collector.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C. (8405)
5040 Corporate Woods Drive, Suite 120
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462
757-457-1460 - Call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or visit our website at www.siwpc.net

TRUSTEE SALE
19157 Dix Drive, Parkesly, VA 23421
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In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $87,500.00, dated August 3, 2012 recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of the Accomack County, Virginia, in Document No. 201203148, default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance to the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, on May 2, 2016 at 10:30 AM the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

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I recently had the pleasure of visiting relatives in the Philadelphia area and meeting a few of their friends.

As is often the case in such situations, it didn’t take long for someone to comment on my vernacular. While, as a local town’s resident, I don’t see anything unusual about the way I speak, obviously some of those not as fortunate to live here find it slightly peculiar. Apparently, it’s not only the so-called “accent,” but also some of the terminology.

For example, I like to never get one woman to understand that “like to never” is just another way of saying “almost.” “Why don’t you just say ‘almost’?” she challenged me. “Guess I just like to never thought of it,” I told her.

There is, however, one group of folks who have given a lot of thought to our local vocabulary, and for a very good reason. Seems this bunch of medical folks decided they better compile a list of Eastern Shore medical terms in order to make new clinicians aware of what they might come across.

For example, with this list in hand, a new doc coming in from wherever will know that if a patient says he’s “giddyheaded” he’s dizzy, but, according to the guide, “not classically vertiginous.” However, if the patient says his head feels “right funnified,” he’s just light-headed, which is a less severe version of giddyheaded.

Now, if said patient claims he’s “weak as a soft crab,” that’s probably not going to mean much to a new doc from Arizona, but a quick look at this vocabulary list will let that doc know that newly shed crabs with decalcified shells are fairly listless.

Patients complaining of discomfort are most often asked to describe it. There is “misery,” which translates to a pressure sensation or a dull ache, but not an acute or stabbing pain. Those are known as “quickies.” Meanwhile, if you have “sprangles” before a headache, this could correspond to scintillating scotomata or perhaps paresthesias. (With those types of proper terms, no wonder we defer to sprangles!)

Then there are the numerous patients with colds and flu who might complain of an “arster” in the throat or “coals” in the chest, indicating a buildup of mucus or a wad of phlegm. At least that’s better than “vomicking” which can happen if you eat some bad arsters.

According to the authors of this medical explicit list, patients often express concern they will have to go on the “sheen” if their kidneys fail, meaning they fear needing a dialysis machine. Of equal concern to some is the effect of various medications on their “nature,” otherwise known as erectile function.

Perhaps the most puzzling and time-consuming complaint presented to the docs is being “sick all over.” The guide warns the uninitiated provider to prepare for “systemic illness, undifferentiated, usually accompanied by a diffusely positive review of symptoms.”

The list goes on, but I can’t.

I got the grouch in my toe and Arthur is killing my hip.

To make it worse, I got the sugar and my glucometer has went up.

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