Murder/Suicide Suspected; Deputy Involved

By Linda Cicoira

An Accomack jailer is suspected of fatally shooting the mother of his child before turning the gun on himself last weekend while the couple and their infant were in a vehicle at the old ferry dock outside of Mappsville.

Elizabeth Madison Ann Jensen, 20, of Sanford and Jonan Faricio Gonzales-Funes, 27, of Bloxom were found dead, apparently from gunshot wounds, according to Sheriff Todd Godwin.

The baby “was evaluated and was determined to be in good health,” the sheriff said. “Custody of the child has since been turned over to other family members.”

The incident was reported at 8:40 a.m. Saturday, July 16. Deputies, troopers and rescue workers rushed to the scene at the end of Pierce Taylor Road.

“Based on the evidence at the scene, it appears that it’s a murder/suicide and that Gonzales-Funes is the homicide suspect,” Godwin said Monday. “We’re still trying to determine what time it happened. There is nothing to lead us to believe there was someone else involved. … However, the investigation is ongoing and laboratory and autopsy results are pending.”

Gonzales-Funes has been with the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office since September 2015.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact the sheriff’s office at 787-1131, 824-5666 or www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org

Prosecutor Takes Retirement Plea

Story and photo by Linda Cicoira

Gary R. Agar has been serious, sensitive and sometimes sarcastic in his 30-year career as Accomack County commonwealth’s attorney. He’s prosecuted so many local criminals in that time that he lost count and plans to convict a few more before Sept. 2.

“In the first few years, you remember but the numbers increase and you don’t stop to recall,” he said Monday, explaining that he just went on to the next case and the next and the next.

Agar sent a letter of resignation to County Attorney Cela Burge on June 16, the day after the Board of Supervisors’ regular monthly session. Burge took it to the supervisors earlier this month when they convened for emergency services training. The board agreed to petition the court for a special election to fill the remaining three years of Agar’s term.

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Parents Complain to Accomack School Board

By Linda Cicoira

Two parents who want Accomack School Board members elected instead of chosen by a court-appointed commission voiced complaints to the current board Tuesday night.

Connie Burford of Bloxom said she requested documents from the School Board Selection Commission to learn why School Board member Janet Turner of District 7 was not re-appointed.

Burford said she learned a letter of reprimand from former School Board Chairwoman Margaret Miles was submitted by “or on behalf of this board.” There were also newspaper articles about Miles’ letter, which was read at a December 2015 School Board meeting in Turner’s absence.

“An anonymous letter filled with inaccuracies” also was submitted to the commission, Burford said. She blamed the documents for the commission’s decision not to re-appoint Turner.

Later in the session, Miles said she reprimanded Turner as directed by the school attorney, D. Patrick Lacy.

Turner attended the meeting, but did not speak. She was reprimanded by Miles for accusing other members of meeting in private with Superintendent Chris Holland, who was then a candidate for his job. One security tape was inspected and Miles concluded there was no wrongdoing. The accused were members Holden, Thornton and Paul Bull. All three denied getting together with Holland.

The selection commission met after deadline Thursday to interview candidates for the District 7 seat. They will make a decision July 28. Publicly, only positive remarks had been made about Turner to the commission.

Burford went on to complain, “We continue to have issues with job descriptions being written based on who certain people want to fill them and huge salaries being paid for positions that do not exist in our cohort groups. If we are going to saddle our teachers and building-level employees with the salaries based on the ones in our comparative school systems, shouldn’t our central office administration start learning to live within the same means?”

“My problem is with the Central Office and the School Board,” said Elizabeth Taylor of Assawoman, a Kegotank PTA, parent advisory and school board election group member. “The board needs to stop listening to the Central Office staff and go out into the schools and see what the school system has to deal with on a daily basis. I will guarantee you will be enlightened to see that the picture the office paints is totally different. … At the present time, you rarely see a School Board member in a school or even get a reply to an email or phone call. The two exceptions are Mrs. (Audrey) Furness” and Turner, “who are extremely active with schools and parents.”

Taylor said the division “no longer has a Facebook page. This was a valued tool to use for delays, double bus runs, post meetings, post school photos and a list of special events at schools.”

The public relations job held by Roberta Baldwin was eliminated effective July 1. The Facebook page was established through her personal page. Parents were given several days to get pictures off the site and a Twitter account before both were shut down recently.

“Really, that couldn’t be absorbed by another overpaid employee at Central Office?” Taylor asked. “At Kegotank, there are still trees on our septic mounds from a storm that happened last year.” Taylor said parents want to know about the new gym, parking and other planned changes at Kegotank but have not gotten an update. “They still have not replaced the playground equipment that was removed last summer in the small kids’ playground,” after she complained it was damaged. “It has come the time to have an elected School Board that can be held accountable by the people that elected them.”

Chief of Operations Mike Tolbert later reported about Kegotank’s plans. He showed a blueprint for the new 5,600-square-foot gym which includes 4,000 square feet for the gym itself, and space for bathrooms, storage and an office. Students will not have to go outside of the school to enter the facility.

Renovation of the old gym would start after next year’s term, he added.
By Linda Cicoira

Accomack County Public Schools (ACPS) could get about $250,000 less this year in state funds that would help pay employees’ salaries. But Finance Director Beth Onley announced Tuesday at a School Board meeting that all 850 contracts will be honored fully.

“I feel quite confident we will be OK because of our contingency money,” Onley reported. “If we did not have this, I would not feel OK. … The reason I can sleep at night … as well as all of you is because of our contingencies.”

That money has been a source of controversy between the Board of Supervisors and the School Board. The supervisors were upset to learn ACPS had been “stockpiling” as much as $8 million.

Onley had told them there was no lack of “transparency” with what was accumulated. The school system requested that carryover funds be appropriated at the end of each fiscal year instead of continuously so that the entire amount would be shown. It was worked out between the two boards and finance heads so that would not happen in the future.

Supervisors contend that ACPS does not need a contingency fund because if an emergency occurred, the county could use its rainy day fund.

Onley said the state had a shortfall of 1.8 percent and must “re-forecast” any amount in excess of 1 percent. She said the 2 percent salary hike is on hold until Aug. 26 when a report will be made by the governor. Onley added that some information would not be available until December. “We’ll keep you updated,” she told the School Board.

Onley also said staff is looking at a state program that could provide free or cheaper single-subscriber health insurance. “This could very well be good for Accomack County,” Onley said. “As soon as we can evaluate it, we will.”

The School Board also unanimously chose member Ronnie Holden as chairman for the 2016-17 fiscal year and member Paul Bull as vice chairman. There was no representative for District 7. That post is vacant because the selection commission did not reappoint Janet Turner and is trying to find someone else for the job.

The board also agreed to spend up to $10,000 on starting blocks that would be used at the Onley YMCA so a swim team could get started. Residents have been pushing for a team for months. Nandua High Athletic Director Gary Reese spoke in favor of establishing the sport and said there are qualified people available to coach it. He said a new stipend would be needed and entry fees of between $300 and $350 per meet would have to be obtained.

The YMCA manager will allow the students to use the pool for free, said Reese. “We gotta get it rolling … it would give us another activity in the winter … they have all the other stuff we need.”

Reese also said students from Arcadia and Chincoteague could compete individually and travel and practice with the team.

$5,000 REWARD offered by the family of Eric Rhatigan for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for his murder on June 15. Contact the Accomack Sheriff’s Office at 787-1131, 824-5666 or www.accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org
Accomack Circuit Court

For using her car as a weapon to hurt another woman, Keyrria Tenai Corbin, 27, of New Church was sentenced last week in Accomack Circuit Court.

Found guilty of malicious maiming for deliberately hitting Sanise Raymond with her vehicle at the Royal Farms store in Onley on Oct. 31, 2015, Corbin was sentenced to five years, with all but a year and nine months suspended. She also got a 30-day suspended sentence for driving on a suspended license.

Accomack Circuit Court

A case against Howard Nathaniel Matthews Jr., 51, of Church Road in Tasley will not be prosecuted, according to court records. Matthews was charged with having carnal knowledge and oral sex with a child between 13 and 15 years old on July 23, 2015.

Sentencing was deferred until presentence reports are completed for:
- Joshua Jamar Cooper, 30, of Pocomoke, Md., who pleaded not guilty to abduction, use of a firearm, assault and battery of a family or household member and reckless handling of a firearm, occurring Sept. 28, 2015. He was convicted of all but the reckless firearm charge, which was dismissed.
- Randolph Giddens, 55, of Melfa, who pleaded guilty to accommodation of cocaine, occurring Dec. 16, 2015. He initially was charged with cocaine distribution.
- Davison Marquise Walker, 20, of Boggs Road in Painter, who pleaded guilty to two counts of having carnal knowledge of a child between 13 and 15 years old, occurring Aug. 7, 2015.
- Jeremi Smith, 20, of Keller Pond Road in Keller, who pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana on Aug. 26, 2015.
- Rondell Dashon Williams, 34, of New York City, who pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute cocaine, felony eluding and driving on a suspended license.

Charges of possession of psilocyn and marijuana against Jeremy Michael Swift, 24, of Chincoteague were dismissed.

Accomack District Court

A North Carolina man who was working on the Eastern Shore was arrested last week and charged with felony shoplifting from Walmart in Onley.

David Lee Skipper, 26, of Maxton is accused of the July 13 crime and arrested the next day. He is being held in Accomack Jail without bond.

Northampton District Court

According to records filed in the Northampton General District Court, Keshon Kellam, 28, of Exmore was charged with a burglary occurring July 1. He was arrested the same day.

William Trevaugh Townsend, 22, of Cape Charles was charged with an unauthorized use of a vehicle and destruction of property, occurring July 9. He was arrested the next day.
Joint Board Session Set

By Ron West

At last week’s meeting of the Northampton School Board, Superintendent Eddie Lawrence said there is a need for a joint session with the Board of Supervisors. Lawrence said the two boards should meet with an engineer to get a clear picture of the condition of Northampton High School. Over the past several years, the 60-year-old building has addressed a number of structural problems, ranging from the replacement of an entire rear wall to the most recent reconstruction of a portion of the cafeteria.

The School Board has been seeking the support of the Board of Supervisors for several years to replace the aging structure. While the supervisors have generally agreed that the building needs to be replaced, finding the financial resources to do so has presented an almost insurmountable challenge.

The School Board agreed to seek a joint session with the Supervisors and an engineer on or about Aug. 8 at Northampton High School.

Lawrence also said all three county schools need to expand their offerings to include such things as code writing and additional arts programs, and to put more emphasis on the gifted and talented programs.

Assistant Superintendent Annette Gray reported on the results of the teacher survey conducted at the end of the school term. She noted that a number of participants expressed concern over the need for teachers to contact parents of students who fail to complete assignments on time.

Some of the respondents indicated that it would be exceedingly difficult to spend hours attempting to contact parents daily while trying to focus on grading assignments and preparing lessons. Parents have the option of accessing a teacher’s electronic grade-book to view the grades and missed assignments of their child.

The results of the elementary teacher survey is available at the school systems web site at www.boarddocs.com/vsba/nhcps/Board.nsf/files/ABRR5F6C_1541/$file/2016%20Elementary%20Survey%20Results.pdf and the secondary survey results may be reviewed at www.boarddocs.com/vsba/nhcps/Board.nsf/files/ABRR5H6C170E/$file/Secondary%20Results%202016.pdf

Bay Bridge-Tunnel Project Is Re-bid

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel Commission has announced that revised technical and price proposals have been received from all three teams in the competitive procurement to construct a new parallel tunnel at the Thimble Shoal Channel.

The following revised technical proposals submitted on July 12 and deemed to represent a technically acceptable solution for construction of the project:

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On May 27, the commission invited each of the three teams that had submitted fully compliant proposals by the original due date of April 29 to submit revised proposals for a re-scoped project. The district determined that the best interests of the project would be served by re-engaging with all of these shortlisted teams after all of the original price proposals exceeded the cost estimate for the project.

The re-scoping of the project was focused solely on the reduction of costs by reducing or eliminating unnecessary elements without compromising the quality or performance specified in the Technical Requirements of the Request for Proposals.

The District Project Management Team will consider a recommendation for the commission to award the project at a special called meeting on July 27.
Circuit Court Judge Leslie Lilly ruled for Accomack County Monday in the $8 million lawsuit filed by Atlantic Town Center (ATC), according to a letter he sent to lawyers representing the two adversaries.

Lilly found no merit to the development company’s claims against the Accomack Board of Supervisors regarding its disapproval of a conditional-use permit for a sewage system at the Wattsville site where ATC wanted to construct stores and homes.

Protests from local residents dominated the development firm’s plans for years before the lawsuit was filed. The company wanted about 77 acres rezoned from Agricultural to Residential to allow a multi-family development. NASA was opposed to development because part of the property is in a hazard area. The Navy is using the runway for Field Carrier Landing Practice group’s training. One of those planes recently lost 800 gallons of fuel while flying nearby, a NASA representative had explained.

ATC argued the county didn’t have the authority to prohibit a sewage system since there were state regulatory agencies for such operations.

At the conclusion of a 14-page correspondence, Lilly directed attorney Andrew McRoberts of Richmond, who represents the Accomack County Board of Supervisors, “to prepare a final order incorporating this decision, not expanding upon it, for circulation and submission to the court.”

“It is unfortunate that the good faith efforts of the county and the plaintiffs have come to the point of a yes or no decision from the court where it appears … that the desires of the county and those of the developer were not wholly incompatible, at least at the outset,” Lilly wrote.

“The court has found … that agricultural zoning under the county code remains a reasonable use of the land and thus the denial of the rezoning application is fairly debatable and within the sound discretion of the board,” the judge continued. “The court finds no merit in the allegations of the county’s violation of the vested rights of the plaintiffs or that the county demanded an unconstitutional proffer or that the failure to proffer such a condition was a reason for the denial.”

“Development is always an uncertainty and dependent upon governmental approval,” the judge continued. “The General Assembly has enacted certain statutes intended to balance the needs of its localities with the interests of landowners in the reasonable development of the land and to promote investment in each locality.”

“Along the road to Chincoteague … the issues of residential versus agricultural uses, reasonable and sustainable density, the provision of sanitary sewer facilities, and the impact of the draft JLUS (Joint Land Use Study) for the NASA Wallops Island Facility remain challenging and elusive issues for future resolution by the Board of Supervisors,” he concluded.
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Family Fun Day will be held at the new Cheriton Town Park Saturday Aug. 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., to dedicate the new park and playground.

There will be a $5 bracelet fee (at park entrance table) for unlimited access to inflatables, selfie booth, baseball game and sack races.

Separate fees will apply for the purchase of food, cotton candy and Town Park fundraisers: "Cheriton Days Gone By ... Reminisced" DVD, and town and tie-dyed T-shirts.

All proceeds from the event will go toward the park.

The U.S. Coast Guard is hosting an open house on its base at Chincoteague Tuesday, July 26, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The public is invited to come learn about the variety of careers offered by the Coast Guard, as well as its missions on the Eastern Shore. Visitors will be able to meet the crews and tour the boats that are used for search and rescue and law enforcement.

The Coast Guard boats and crew that maintain the buoys and markers that help boaters navigate also will be on site. The electronic systems specialists will be talking about maintaining and operating marine radios, and illustrating proper radio etiquette.

A wet trainer will be on site to demonstrate and try various damage control techniques. Visitors will be able to try their hand at knot tying and line heaving. There will be activities and prizes for the kids, while boaters can try using the interactive boat-driving simulator for a realistic experience driving and docking a boat.

Coast Guard Auxiliary members will be on hand to explain the items required by state and federal regulations for recreational vessels, to illustrate safety equipment available for boats and paddle craft, and to schedule free Vessel Safety Checks with vessel owners.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary mascot, Coastie the Safety Boat, will be attending the open house with a variety of boating safety messages for the public, especially children.

Everyone will have the opportunity to try on and learn about the latest styles of life jackets, with a special guest, Sammy the Sea Otter.

Coast Guard Auxiliary members will be available to answer questions about the personal watercraft and motorboat operators' education laws in Maryland and Virginia. Virginia Marine Resources Commission officers will be available to answer questions about state boating laws and fishing regulations.

Pending operations conflicts, a demonstration of a Coast Guard search-and-rescue helicopter is anticipated in the early afternoon.

The Coast Guard Base is located at 3823 Main Street. Identification will be required and there will be a bag check at the gate; shoes are required. For more information, call the Coast Guard at 336-2874.

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The Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority recently installed this 100’ monopole tower in Bloxom to provide broadband services in the Bloxom area. The pole will be used by service providers and will be connected to the ESVBA fiber network.
Stephanie N. Schiavo To Wed Cory S. Chance

William Schiavo of Salisbury, Md., and Babette Kennovin of New Church announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie N. Schiavo, to Cory S. Chance.

The bride-to-be is a 2009 graduate of Holly Grove Christian School and a 2013 graduate of Salisbury University, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting. She is a senior accountant at TGM Group, LLC.

Chance, the son of Denise and Larry Chance of Saxis, is a 2007 graduate of Arcadia High School and a 2011 graduate of Del Tech. He is a facilities technician with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport.

An October wedding is planned. The couple will reside in Greenbackville.

Woman with Shore Ties Is in Library Display

Eastern Shore Public Library in Accomac is displaying a Library of Virginia traveling history exhibit, titled “Strong Women: Virginia Women in History,” through July 31.

The exhibit is free to view during hours of operation.

A genealogical chart of one of these eight historic women, Mary Elizabeth Nottingham Day, is included in the exhibit. Local genealogist M.K. Miles noted that Nottingham Day had ancestors on the Eastern Shore.

Major Doughty Scholarship Winners Announced

In 1984, Dr. William H. Turner created a scholarship to honor the memory of a high-school friend. Since that time, the Major Robertson Doughty Scholarship has provided over $97,000 to Accomack County students. This year’s scholarship in the amount of $3,000 each was awarded to Yazmeen Stratton and Tobiath Troyer. The students are pictured with Melvin Drummond, who has been a member of the Major Robertson Doughty Scholarship Committee since its inception.

Three Named to Longwood Dean’s List

Local students named to the Dean’s List at Longwood University for the spring 2016 semester were Kelli Coleburn Burford-Dunton of Bloxom, Chase Jordan Doughty of Nassawadox, and Taylor Douglass Lewis of Parksley.
Son of Shore Parents Dies

Mr. Robert Lee “Bobby” Brashears Jr., 73, of Swansboro, N.C., passed away Saturday, April 2, 2016, at home, surrounded by his family.

He served six and a half years in the Army, was an electronics technician for the National Weather Service, spent four years as chairman of Relay for Life of Carteret County, and was a past master of the Virginia Masonic Lodge and a Shriner with the Scottish Rite Bodies.

Mr. Brashears is survived by his wife, Janet Brashears; daughter, Janet Elaine Gottle (and husband, Domenick) of Swansboro; son, Robert Brashears III and granddaughter, Zoë (ick) of Swansboro; son, Robert Brashears of Kansas City, Mo.; and numerous cousins. He was predeceased by his parents, Robert Lee Brashears Sr. and granddaughter, Zoë

Retired Farmer Dies

Mr. Ernest Rufus Finney, 85, died Friday, July 1, 2016.

Born in Acco-
mack County to the late John and Tassy Ames Finney, he attended Acco-
mack public schools and at an early age joined St. Paul AME Church in Pungoteague. He later became a member of Gaskins Chapel AME Church in Savageville. He married Audrey Lee Garrison on May 2, 1953. To this union were born two children, Ernest and Va-
nessa. Mr. Finney worked at a sawmill and at Watson’s Furniture Store. From the time he was a young man, he helped his father on the farm and later became a successful full-time farmer himself.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his daughter, Vanessa (Regina) Rivers of Weddington, N.C.; sons, Ernest C. (Kimberly) Finney of Manhattan Beach, Cal., Cornelius (Sharon) Carr and Thomas “Butch” Knock, both of Philadel-
phia; brother, John H. Finney of Virginia Beach; brother-in-law, John Garrison of Amityville, N.Y.; sisters-in-law, Margaret Finney of Virginia Beach, Amy Jarrett of Wheatley Heights, N.Y., and Dorothy Finney of Philadelphia; nephew, Rufus Drummond of Melfa; devoted friend and helper, Wayne Scarborough of Craddock-
vil; and several grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted Sat-
day, July 9, at Gaskins Chapel AME Church by Rev. Stephanie M.C. Webber. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123; or any Carteret County or Eastern Shore of Virginia Relay for Life team. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Onancock Retiree Dies

Mr. William E. Sharkey, 84, of Onancock died Monday, July 4, 2016, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in New Hampshire, he was the son of the late William E. Sharkey and Hilda Wall-
ach and served as a photographer for the U.S. Air Force, attaining the rank of airman first class. He attended Pratt High School in Brooklyn, N.Y., and studied at the North School of Fine Industrial Arts. Mr. Sharkey was employed as an indus-
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dinech and served as a photographer for the U.S. Air Force, attaining the rank of airman first class. He attended Pratt High School in Brooklyn, N.Y., and studied at the North School of Fine Industrial Arts. Mr. Sharkey was employed as an indus-
trial artist in material and fabric for Mannington Mills in New Jersey and then as an industrial designer for an international carpet manufacturer, for which he traveled extensively.

Married in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., to the late Ilene Corneh Sharkey, he also was predeceased by a daughter, Sand-
a Graham.

There will be no funeral service.

Memorial donations may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

Saxis Woman Passes Away

Katelynn Leanne Sterling, 20, of Saxis died Wednesday, July 13, 2016, at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Md.

Memorial donations may be made to Saxis U.M. Church, Saxis Volunteer Fire Dept., or Eastern Shore Little League. To sign the guest book online, visit Thornton Funeral Home & Cre-
mation Services: Parksley.

Wallop Retiree Dies

Mr. Henen Christian “Ben” Bent-
thall Jr., 84, of Parksley, husband of Evelyn Mears Ben-
thall, died Thurs-
day, July 14, 2016, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in York-
town, he was a son of the late Henen Christian Benthall and Ada Edwards Benthall. A gradu-
ate of Poquoson High School, where he won the state championship in track, he was offered a baseball contract with the Pittsburgh Pirates and was awarded a football scholarship to Virginia Tech. Following a football injury at Tech, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, was later sent to Air De-
fense School, then assigned to the 505th missile battalion on Long Island, N.Y., as a radar systems specialist. Mr. Ben-
thall was released from the Army with an honorable discharge as a warrant of-

ifer and began work at Fort Eustis.

After losing his first wife to illness, he moved in the late ‘60s to the East-
ern Shore, where he worked at Wallops Flight Facility as radar systems super-

visor, and more importantly, where he
spent the happiest years of his life with his wife, Evelyn. Mr. Benthall was passionate about sharing the word of God. His hobbies included woodworking and he owned a craft business with his wife, traveling to trade shows throughout Virginia. He was a member of many clubs and civic organizations, and was a foster parent in his younger years. In addition to being a faithful member, junior warden, and lector of St. James Episcopal Church, Mr. Benthall attained a degree in Christian education and was a volunteer and employee of the former Christian broadcasting station, WOLC, in Princess Anne, Md. If there is one thing he would want those who knew him to attribute to his memory, it is this: “To God Be the Glory.”

Other than his devoted wife of nearly 35 years, survivors include his daughter, Jane Travis of Salisbury, Md.; stepchildren, Richard Steven Mears Jr. (and wife, Linda) of Omaha, Neb., Mark Allen Mears (and wife, Cindy) of Newport News, Thomas Wayne Mears (and wife, Dorothy) of Calabash, N.C., Margery Mears Hinman (and husband, Warren) of Gloucester and Michael Benthall Mears (and wife, Sara) of Bloxom; sister, Anne McCormick of Charlottetown; brother, Joseph Benthall (and wife, Mary) of Knoxville, Tenn.; grandchildren, Joni, Joshua, John, Julia, Jackson, Melanie, Richard III, Kristy, Mark Jr., Jennifer, Tom Jr., Christina, Christopher, Katherine, and Kelli; 14 great-grandchildren; one niece; and one nephew.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday, July 19, at St. James’ Episcopal Church by Rev. Cameron Randle. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery, Parksley.

Memorial donations may be made to the Isabella Grace Jensen Education Fund, c/o PNC Bank, P.O. Box 117, Belle Haven, VA 23306. To sign the guest book, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Memorial services will be conducted Saturday, July 23, at 2 p.m. at Sanford U.M. Church by Rev. William Jefferson. Interment will follow in Williams Family Cemetery on Flag Pond Road in Sanford. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to the Isabella Grace Jensen Education Fund, c/o PNC Bank, P.O. Box 117, Belle Haven, VA 23306. To sign the guest book, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Mears Resident Dies

Mr. George Edward “Eddie” Marshall Sr., 66, of Mears went to be with his Heavenly Father Sunday, July 17, 2016.

Son of the late Norman Elton Marshall and Billie Jo Marshall, he grew up in the Saxis area and attended Atlantic High School with the class of 1967. He married Teresa Ann Smullen on May 2, 1973, and worked as a waterman and at Holly Farms. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, cooking, going to flea markets, and sitting on his front porch watching the hummingbirds. Mr. Marshall was a member of First Baptist Church of New Church and former member of Saxis Volunteer Fire Company.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his sons, George Edward Marshall Jr. of Mears and Richard “Richie” Elton Marshall (and girlfriend, Christal Johnson) of Mears; adopted granddaughter, Tabatha Thornton and adopted mother, Betsy; sister-in-law, Patty Malin (and fiancé, Chris); sister, Kay Eversole; nieces, Lauren, April, Theresa, and Pam; nephews Adam, Brian, T.J., and Van; and his loving furry companion, Butch. He was preceded in death by his brother, Norman Elton Trent Marshall; and sisters, Angela Marshall and Anita Merritt.

Memorial services will be held at First Baptist Church Saturday, July 23, at 10:30 a.m. The family will receive family and friends one hour prior to the service. Pastor Robert Parks will officiate.

Memorial donations may be made to First Baptist Church, 31027 Depot St., New Church, VA 23415. Sign the guest book at www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home, Parksley.

Retired Waterman Dies

Mr. Larry P. Williams, 70, of Lee-mont, passed away Sunday, July 17, 2016, at Beacon Shores Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Virginia Beach.

The son of the late John Williams and Mary Catherine Hart Lewis, he was a retired waterman and attended St. Thomas U.M. Church in Bloxom.

Survivors include his sisters, Daisey Jenkins of Acacoma and Robin Wessells of Nelson; and several nieces and nephews. Mr. Williams was predeceased by a brother, Bobby Williams.

Services will be held at a later date. To sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Modest-Town Man Dies

Mr. Charles Leonard “Charlie” Evans, 88, of Modest Town, husband of Mary Greene Evans, passed away Monday, July 18, 2016, at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

Born in Wadesboro, N.C., he was a son of the late William and Ella Blackburn Evans. He served in the U.S. Navy, retired from the Government Printing Office, and was a member of Modest Town Baptist Church and the North Accomack Rutarian Club.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his brother, Claude Evans (and wife, Naomi) of Florida; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by four brothers.

Graveside services were conducted Thursday, July 21, at Modest Town Baptist Church Cemetery by Rev. John Cullop.

Memorial donations may be made to Modest Town Baptist Church, c/o Tina B. Wessells, P.O. Box 7, Modest Town, VA 23412. Memory tributes may be shared at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Coast Guard Retiree Dies

Mr. William Kenneth Lawson, 85, of Quinby, husband of Carolyn Layne Lawson, died Monday, July 18, 2016, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

A native of Quinby, he was the son of the late Robert Lee Lawson and Nettie Marshall Lawson.

He was a retired U.S. Coast Guard senior chief, Mason, and member of Smith Chapel U.M. Church and the Chief Petty Officers Association.

Besides his loving wife, survivors include his daughter, Jill Poe of St. Michaels, Md.; niece, Lisa H. Drummond of Painter; and nephews, John M. Henderson (and wife, Nancy) of Painter, Robbie Lawson (and wife, Ann) of Willis Wharf, and Lee Henderson (and wife, Jenna) of Painter.

To honor Mr. Lawson’s wishes, no public service will be held.

Online condolences may be offered at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Sanford Woman Dies

Ms. Elizabeth Madison Ann Jensen, 20, of Sanford passed away Saturday, July 16, 2016.

Born in Salisbury, Md., she was a member of Sanford U.M. Church and an employee of Food Lion in Oak Hall. She loved horseback riding.

Left to cherish her memory are her mother, Kerrie Elizabeth Ann Jensen; daughter and best friend, Isabella Grace Jensen; brother, Christian Tyler Wescott and fiancée, Jennifer Huynh and their son, Landon; grandparents, Jennifer and David Williams; uncle, Cody Williams; father, Patrick Wescott and Amy; half-brother, Isaiah Wescott; grandmother, Joanna, and other cherished relatives and dear friends.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, July 23, at 2 p.m. at Sanford U.M. Church by Rev. William Jefferson. Interment will follow in Williams Family Cemetery on Flag Pond Road in Sanford. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to the Isabella Grace Jensen Education Fund, c/o PNC Bank, P.O. Box 117, Belle Haven, VA 23306. To sign the guest book, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements were made by Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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~ Agar ~

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According to state law, Deputy Commonwealth’s Attorney Matthew Brenner will temporarily assume the top seat on Sept. 3. The special election is set for Nov. 8 by an order signed July 12 by Circuit Judge W. Revell Lewis.

Agar is retiring.

“My health is fine as far as I know,” the Melfa area resident said Monday. “I’ve completed my term of service at … full retirement. I have a lot to do around the house. I have a 14-year-old son. … Given the opportunity, I may travel.”

In February 1987, Agar was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Commonwealth’s Attorney Jon C. Poulson, which ran until December of that year. The appointment was made by all eight judges of the 2nd Judicial Circuit, including the late Judge N. Wescott Jacob.

The then 35-year-old Agar was a partner in the Accomac law firm of Fears & Agar. He had practiced with the late Sen. William E. Fears since 1979. Agar, a Democrat, was first elected in November of that year and has successfully run every four years since.

Prior to all that, he graduated from Central High School in Painter, the University of Richmond and George Mason University School of Law. He was also in the Peace Corps and is fluent in Spanish, a skill that likely helped him in some of his cases.

When a defense lawyer once argued that a client hadn’t communicated a threat to burn down a house after pouring an accelerant on the window-sills, Agar replied, “I don’t think he was announcing the initiative of a Mexican hat dance, your honor.”

“Then there was the guy that jumped out of the window” of the second story in the old courthouse in Accomac, Agar recalled. “I understand he hit the bottom and went into a few convulsions and stuff. I was busy at the time myself. His family was asking me, among other things, if I was happy now.”

“The jury had just recommended a 27-year sentence” for the man who entered a house “while armed with a deadly weapon” and fired at a grandmother who was attempting to barricade herself in the bedroom with the children.

When a judge handed down the actual sentence, he “reduced the (jury’s) recommendation by five years, stating that jumping out the window was a sign of remorse,” Agar recounted. The prosecutor was still amazed and added, “That’s a true story.”

Yes, Agar has had some obstacles. But he didn’t let any get in his way.

Asked what was his most memorable case, he replied, “I don’t know what to say. … Each one had its own character. Some were more complex than others. I have crime victims that could be very sensitive to any comments I could make.”

“On several occasions, I’ve had defendants, after they served their sentences, come to me and thank me because I helped them, and tell me I am fair,” he said proudly.

“In some ways I do feel good about the work I’ve done,” Agar said. But he isn’t happy about changes in the law that restore civil rights to felons, especially violent ones.

“For a governor to openly restore everyone’s civil rights to vote, sit on juries, all kinds of things (including the) right to petition that they own firearms … when you see things like that, it’s a giant step backwards in law enforcement. You don’t know if the state’s always behind you … with changes in the law that are not promoting criminal prosecution.”

“Oh, it’s been a rewarding career,” Agar added. “I’ve done what I can. I think for the most part, people believe I’ve worked hard.”
Property Transactions

• From Elaine Spencer
  To John and Nancy McCarthy
  Lot 4, Simpkins Siding near Eastville
  For $97,900

• From Kenneth Mason and George Pilkington
  To José Rodríguez & Nuriberta Ramirez
  Parcel on Sylvan Scene Dr., Machipongo
  For $22,500

• From William Steadman
  To Linda Lines
  4 lots in Cape Charles
  For $370,900

• From The Pierson Group, Inc.
  To Lionel and Caroline Chandler
  27361 Bobtown Rd., Melfa
  For $241,000

• From Jane Lawrence, trustee
  To John and Lisa Fiege
  Lot 115, Unit 3, Trails End
  For $14,000

• From Steven Loomis
  To Windel Blake
  25222 Saxis Rd., Temperanceville
  For $6,000

• From John & Patricia Porter, trustees
  To Paul and Valerie Miller
  Lot 115, Unit 3, Trails End
  For $14,000

• From KYJA, LLC
  To The Pierson Group, Inc.
  Lot 2, Village at Deer Point, Melfa
  For $104,000

• From Henrik Shelley
  To Phillip Ettinger and James Stevens
  Fine Ridge Development, Chincoteague
  For $45,000

• From Scott and Adela Taylor
  To Audrey Blossic
  6248 Ocean Blvd., Chincoteague
  For $195,000

• From Gennard and Patricia Aveta
  To Stephen and Sandra Gallup
  7145 Silver Sales Landing, Chincoteague
  For $255,000

• From Allan Laws
  To Mary Knight
  Section 1, Lot 1200, Captain’s Cove
  For $72,000

• From Marilyn Klosko trust
  To Charles Parvis
  6477 Pine Dale Dr., Chincoteague
  For $179,000

Upcoming Live & Timed Auction Events By Zeb B. Barfield, Inc.
Business Liquidation of Real Estate & Restaurant Equipment & Furnishings
THE LUNCH BOX RESTAURANT (Station 7)
18752 Greenbush Rd., Parksley

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REAL ESTATE: Fri. July 29 @ 5:05 PM Selling On Site
Restaurant on large corner lot with upstairs apartment with Rec-Room
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Furniture, generator, tools, old wagon wheels, glassware

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FRIDAY JULY 22
★8 a.m. - Breakfast at the VFW - VFW Post 2296, Tasley - donations
★11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Alzheimer's Caregivers' Support Group
- Riverside Shore Rehab Center, 26181 Parksley Rd., Parksley - 665-5133 (Lori Wilson)
★6 p.m. - Open Forum: Building a Bridge w/the VA State Police - Foundation of Faith Ministries, Belle Haven
★6 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Family Life Center, Onancock - Meal: $6/single or $10/family
★7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven

SATURDAY JULY 23
★9 a.m. - Zumba Class - YMCA, Chincoteague
★10 a.m. - Overeaters' Anon. mtg. - Christ UMC, Chincoteague
★noon & 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock
★noon-1:30 p.m. - Lunch & Learn: Shore Worth Savin' - Cape Charles Civic Ctr.
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville VFC

POST TIMES
July 22 – 28
SUNDAY JULY 24
★noon - Social Luncheon - Calvary Bible Church, Accomac
★12:30 p.m. - Bingo - Vietnam Veterans' Monument Era
- Bldg., Main St., Onley
★5 p.m. - Spanish Mass - St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 545 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles

TUESDAY JULY 26
★9 a.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
★10 a.m. - Bingo - Acomack Sr. Village, Onancock
★10 a.m.-1 p.m. - Kids’ Watercolor Workshop w/Thelma Peterson - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles - adults’ class: 2-5 p.m.
★11 a.m. - Duplicate Bridge - Sage Diner, Onley
★1:30-3 p.m. - Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg. - Downing’s UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall - 789-5000
★5-6:30 p.m. - Fathers and Sons mtg. - ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore
★6 p.m. - Onancock Lions Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley - 787-2059
★6 p.m. - Rachel Leah Ministries - 787-2486
★6 p.m. - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks
★6:30-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
★7 p.m. - Fourth Tuesdays w/Bentley Boyd - library, Accomac
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - smoke free - Cheriton VFC
★7:30 p.m. - Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg. - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague

WEDNESDAY JULY 27
★7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Acc. mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Tops mtg. - Market St. UMC, 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
★6-7 p.m. - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
★7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon. mtgs. - RSMH, Nassawadox
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC
★8 p.m. - Movies at the Palace: “Frozen” - Palace Theatre, Cape Charles

THURSDAY JULY 28
★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Veterans’ Employment Representative Avail. - Chincoteague Town Office
★10:30 a.m. - Children's Story Hour - library, Accomac
★10:30 a.m. - Story Time - Cape Charles Library
★5 p.m. - Chess Club - Cape Charles Memorial Library
★5:30 p.m. - Shore Losers mtg. - Drummondtown Baptist, Accomac - $1/wk.
★5:30 p.m. - TOPS VA-550 mtg. - Zion Baptist, Parksley - 787-7099
★6:30 p.m. - Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague mtg. - St. Andrew's Catholic
★6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Melfa
★7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God
★7 p.m. - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC
★8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague

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The Virginia Department of Transportation invites heavy equipment owners to sign up for the rental of their equipment with operators for SNOW & ICE REMOVAL purposes in the Accomac Residency which includes the counties of Accomack and Northampton during the winter of 2016-2017. Price per hour shall include operators, fuel, tire chains, supplies and required insurance. VDOT will need dump trucks, pickups with plows, motorgraders, backhoes, dozers, loaders, tractors, rubber-tire loaders and farm tractors. All equipment shall be equipped for night work and be in good mechanical condition to ensure a safe and dependable 24/7 operation. VDOT reserves the right to determine acceptability of equipment size and condition for the task. Contractors submitting prices meeting the requirements of the Agreement may be contracted with and may be eligible to receive a mobilization payment.

Snow Removal Equipment Packages, which includes contract requirements, may be obtained on eVA at http://eva.state.va.us/vendors or at the Accomac Residency Office, 23096 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Va. 23301 from 8:15 to 5:00 Monday – Friday. Request for Agreement Packages must be received at the Accomac Residency by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, August 31, 2016, to be considered. The Accomac Residency is holding an Open House Informational Meeting on Friday, August 12, 2016, at 10:00 AM for interested parties to go over the Snow Removal Equipment with Operator Signup.

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

**Thursday 8/4/2016:**
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - Come watch the Oyster Buy Boats as they arrive from the deck of the Oyster Farm Seafood Eatery
5:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Welcoming Party for the Captain and Crews on C-Dock, Seafood & Live Music on C-Pier with Mercy Creek Music Open and Free to the Public

**Friday 8/5/2016:**
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm - Buy boats will be open to the public (Free)
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Steamers, Suds and Sounds on C-Pier with Lewis McGehee
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Private Buy Boat Tours - enjoy local raw oysters from 10 different aqua cultures, craft brews and a history lesson from 10 different Buy Boat Captains about their vessel - only selling 150 tickets at $75 each. half of the proceeds will benefit the Chesapeake Bay Buy Boats Association. Call 757-331-8640 for tickets
4:00 pm - 10:30 pm - Amusement rides, Arts & Craft vendors, food vendors open!! Admission is Free, Tickets can be purchased for the Amusement Rides.
4:00 pm - 6:30 pm - Live music on the Main “Stage Popwire”
6:30 pm - 9:30 pm - Live Music on C-Pier – Ju Ju on the steel Drums.
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm - 3rd Annual Steamed Clam Eating contest. $20.00 Entry Fee, $200 first Place, $100 second Place, $50 third Place. Trophies Awarded, Under the event tent - MC Flea!
7:30 pm - 10:30 pm - Live Music - Main Stage Gina & The Cow Tipping Playboys
10:00 pm till Closing!! DJ JD Outten in the Cabana Room

**Saturday 8/6/2016:**
10:00 am - 5th Annual Shriners Parade on Bay & Mason Ave.
11:00 am - 10:30 pm - Amusement Rides, Arts & Craft Vendors, Food Vendors.
11:00 am - 2:00 PM Live Music on the Main Stage Nikki Love Project
12:00 pm - 8:00 pm “Everything Oysters at The Pearl Event Center”
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm “Oyster Buy Boats” Open to the Public
12:00 pm - till “Corn Hole Championship” $20 per team entry, $200 first place $100 second place, $50 third place, Trophies Awarded.
12:00 pm - 7:00 pm Crab pot Cork Painting Contest. $5.00 to Enter, all participants get to keep their corks, Trophies awarded.
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Seafood and Live Music on C-Pier “Johnny Smallwood”
2:00 pm - 3:00pm - Inaugural Kings Creek Smith Island Skiff Races on C-Pier – MC Flea
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Seafood and Live Music on C-Pier “Jackson Lebeau”
3:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Live Music performed by up and coming Pop/Country singer Celeste Kellogg
4:00 pm 4:30 pm “Inaugural Shuck-N-Suck Team (1 male - 1 female) Raw Oyster Eating Contest” $20 entry fee, $200 first, $100 second, & $50 third place. Trophies Awarded MC Flea
6:00 pm Practice Runs
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Seafood and Live music on C-Pier “Matt Redford”
7:00 pm - 10:30 pm - Live Music performed by up and coming Country Singer Madeline Smith
9:15 pm - Fireworks
10:30 pm till closing- Dance the night away with DJ Flea in the Cabana room!!

**Sunday 8/7/2016:**
11:00 am Gates open $17 adults - $13 in advance - $7 Children ages 4 - 10. Children 3 and under free, all ticket prices do not include state and local taxes.
11:00 am Live Music “Dustin Furlow”
12:00 pm Practice Runs Begin
12:55 pm Prayer for a safe race
1:00 pm Our National Anthem Performed by Angela Mabalot
1:05 pm Inaugural Oyster Farm Boat Docking Contest with MC Flea!
4:00 pm Trophy Presentation on C-Pier
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Live music on C-Pier by “Heather & Nathan”
Beachgoers on the Eastern Shore of Virginia are never far from a tide chart when making their Sunday afternoon plans.

The same beach where 20 or more boats loaded with adults, children and canines arrive on a Sunday afternoon for a day of fun may be under water the following Sunday. It’s all about the tides.

Many of my childhood memories center around Sunday afternoon trips to a sandbar at the mouth of Ochonnock Creek that stretched almost to the channel. After church, there would be a mass exodus to the ramp at Davis Wharf, where boats loaded with families and food would go the sandbar for a delightful afternoon.

Although that particular sandbar has long disappeared, there are still sandbars on many creeks along the Chesapeake Bay. Many of these strips of sand show at low tide, only to be covered at high tide.

On the seaside, the barrier islands serve as the mecca for a Sunday afternoon of fun in the sun.

On Sundays for many area families. But most creeks up and down the Eastern Shore bayside have these sandbars, spawning a popular local T-shirt, “Sandbars: Some people park on ‘em. Some people party on ‘em. Only on the Eastern Shore.”

For all the many hundreds of miles of shoreline on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, there are only a handful of beaches accessible by car. Thus, those who love the beach usually own a boat or have friends with a boat.

One recent Sunday, there were 25 boats parked on the beach at the mouth of Craddock Creek. Carolina Skiffs are popular on the creek, where the water depth never surpasses 10 feet. But families coming from points north and south often arrive on Grady Whites, loaded with gear and food for a day at the beach. Pontoon boats are popular with families or couples who pool their resources to own a boat perfect for cruising or entertaining on the beach.

Several years ago, a seaplane often joined the boats at Craddock Creek, landing nearby and tooting its way in the midst of the boats. It happened so often, few took notice by Labor Day.

And then this past Sunday — I kid you not — a helicopter landed on the sandbar with the occupants joining the throng for about 30 minutes before lifting off and heading inland.

Children play in water on either side of the sandbar. On the bayside, a child can walk 100 yards in shallow water, giving parents comfort. On the inlet side, kids navigate their paddle boards or enjoy tubing behind a powerboat.

Dogs romp on the beach and chase objects thrown by their owners or simply chase each other, often frolicking in the water. There are no leash laws here.

The aroma of burgers cooking or fish frying on a grill wafts its way down the beach. Many families arrive in the early afternoon and don’t depart until just before sunset.

Blake Johnson, who takes Sundays off from his busy Island House restaurant in Wachapreague to spend time with his family, describes the sandbar experience this way.

“What I love about the sandbar is … indescribable. There is truly nothing in the world I would rather do on a Sunday afternoon than pull up to that sandbar where not only my wife and I get to see and visit with our friends, but my children are equally as excited to see their friends. Heck, even the dogs get excited to go! Throw in some music off of someone’s boat, the smell of a grill cooking off some burgers, a football being thrown around, and children entertaining themselves for hours, allowing the parents to reset themselves before heading back to work on Monday, and there just isn’t anything more enjoyable. And the best part? It costs $5 in gas! People spend thousands of dollars trying to replicate what we get to enjoy every Sunday the good Lord gives us nice weather.”

Rhonda Petka expresses her feelings on Sundays at the sandbar this way. “You just say the words ‘Sandbar Sunday’ and they make you smile. Gosh, what a beautiful place. People spend thousands to go to a secluded beach, and we have it right in our backyard. And the greatest thing is, it’s a secluded beach with all your favorite people. Seriously, a slice of heaven right here on Earth! I love that the kids play all day long, from a wiffle ball game to paddleboarding. They have no electronics, just play! And the adults join in on the fun or we can just sit back and relax and catch up with everyone!”

Anna Sexauer, just 16 but a veteran of the sandbar, says “I love the sandbar because you become friends with an entire new community of people. I love that at the end of each work week, I can rely that there will be a place I can go and relax with friends and family and not have to worry about anything other than my boat getting stuck due to changing tides.”

And what happens on those Sundays when a high tide covers these sandbars? Many boaters go to a nearby beach on the shoreline that doesn’t offer all the “amenities” of the sandbar. But a few hardy souls park their beach chair in a foot of water and enjoy the cooling waves of the bay, knowing the following Sunday that pearly strip of sand will be awaiting them.
The 15th annual Northampton County Sheriff’s Office Charity Golf Tournament will be held Friday, Sept. 30, at Bay Creek Golf Club. Proceeds will benefit Riverside Hospice Fund and the Randy Cusitis Memorial Fund.

The event will be captain’s choice with a shotgun start at noon. The $440 entry fee per team includes greens fee, carts with GPS, lunch, dinner, and prizes. Hole sponsorship is $300 for non-playing sponsor and $700 with team.

There will be prizes for first-through fourth-place teams in two flights in addition to closest to the pin and hole in one on all par threes, and prizes for longest drive on two holes.

Spaces fill up fast, so send registration and one check per team as soon as possible to Friends of David Doughty, P.O. Box 113, Eastville, VA 23347. Provide names of team members and contact information. For more information, call 678-0440, ext. 751, or 678-0458.

ESSHL Junior Sign-Up

Registration for the 2016 Junior League for the Eastern Shore Street Hockey League (ESSHL) is now open for boys or girls ages 12-16. Experience is not needed to play in the league.

Parents can go to www.ESSHL.org to register their child. Registration is $45 for the season, which includes 24 games, an all-star game/skills challenge and playoffs.

Registration also will be accepted through mail by downloading the registration form on the ESSHL website and sending it to the address indicated.

The registration deadline is Aug. 13, after which a late fee will be charged. The league will host a tryout/open day for players Saturday, Aug. 13, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the rink in the Parksley town park to meet coaches and practice before teams are picked.

For questions, contact League Director Brad Ford through the website.

Poker Run July 30

The Pungoteague Ruritan Club will sponsor its annual small boat “poker run” on Saturday, July 30.

Registration for the event is open until July 29. The entry fee is $90 and captains may include as many crew members aboard as Coast Guard regulations allow. Registration forms are available from any Pungoteague Ruritan member, by calling Paul Custis at 442-2931, and at Sandpiper Marina, Western Auto in Exmore, Shore Marine, Davis Wharf Marine, Don’s Tackle Shop, K&E Marine, Deep Creek Marina, Island House Restaurant, Seaworthy Marine, HW Drummond, Mallard’s at the Wharf, and Eastern Shore Outfitters.

The navigation prize will be $500 and the poker prize will be a Fall Vacation Getaway package of equal value.

Proceeds from this event will benefit the club’s scholarship program and its handicapped-access ramp project fund.

Soccer League Forming

A Christian Recreation Sports League has been formed and is holding soccer games this fall.

There will be one practice and one game each week, with a unique substitution system that ensures every athlete plays equal time.

Players will receive a game day uniform and other sports-related gear. Coaches will focus on athletes’ development and age-appropriate character both on and off the field.

The league is open to children ages 3 to sixth grade. The registration cost is $35.

Those interested can register online at www.trinitybythebay.com or in person on the two evaluation dates.

All players must attend one evaluation, either Saturday, July 23, or July 30 between 9 a.m. and noon.

Practices will start the week of Aug. 15. Games start on Saturday, Sept. 10.

All games and practices will be held at Cape Charles Central Park.

For questions, contact Doug Nichols at dougnichols64@gmail.com

Shields Memorial Softball Tourney Reset

The Monica A. Shields Memorial Softball Tournament has been rescheduled for Saturday, July 30, at 8 a.m. at Arcadia High School. Registration is $150 per team.

For more information, contact Tonya Young at 757-709-1989 or Shenae Cooper-Drummond at 302-222-5290.

All proceeds benefit the Relay for Life in memory of Monica Shields. The event is sponsored by the Accomack-Northampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Bay Fishing Tourney

A derby-style fishing tournament, the Chesapeake Summer Slam, will run until Sept. 17.

The target species are striped bass, bluefish, Spanish mackerel, speckled trout and redfish. It is a photo-based tournament with all submissions posted at www.technicalfisherman.com

The person with the longest combined length of the target species will win. There will be various categories for different types of anglers.

The entry cost of $40 includes a tournament shirt. There will be prizes awarded to winners of each category and an awards ceremony and party on Sept. 17.

The tournament boundaries are the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland, Virginia and its tributaries.

Details of the tournament are at www.technicalfisherman.com

Bay Creek Amateur

The 9th Bay Creek Amateur will be held on the Palmer and Nicklaus courses at Bay Creek Resort Saturday, Aug. 6, and Sunday, Aug. 7.

The format is two rounds of stroke play beginning at 8 a.m., with one round on each course. Flights will be made by handicap index with USGA verified handicaps required. Scoring will be gross once flighted. The entry fee of $200 per player includes golf, cart, lunch each day and prizes. There will be a limit of 140 paid entries.

Go to baycreek.net for an entry form or call 331-8623 for more information.

Bayside Kayak Paddle

The Pungoteague Ruritan Club is sponsoring the “Bayside Kayak Paddle” Saturday, July 30.

The event begins with a kayakers’ meeting at 1 p.m. and concludes with an awards cook-out at 5 p.m. There will be a “short course” within Nandua Creek that includes points of interest and locations to identify. Each boat’s actual paddle is determined by the kayaker based on the parameters and rules given at the meeting.

An entry fee of $15 is requested to benefit the club’s community service projects.

Following the paddle, participants will enjoy live music by the local band Pound Net and a complimentary grilled dinner served at a creekside location. This paddle is being held on the same day as the club’s power boat Bayside Poker Run, but is a separate event for kayakers, SUP paddlers, and canoeists.

Entry forms are available from all Pungoteague Ruritan Club members or by contacting Paul Custis at 442-2931 or pcustis@es.vccs.edu.

The weather date for the event is the following Saturday, Aug. 6.

Nandua Football Meeting

A meeting for parents and players interested in participating in football for Nandua High School this fall will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, July 25, in the Nandua cafeteria. Equipment will be handed out from 5 to 7 p.m.
Shore Little League in Regionals; C-A Competes in States

The Shore Senior Softball All-Stars (13-16) open play today in the Southeast Regional Tournament against Georgia at 1 p.m. in Salisbury, N.C.

The double-elimination tournament also includes, Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia. The Shore Little League team, coached by Dale Wright, will represent Virginia in its bid to become the Southeast Regional Champion and advance to national play.

C-A Boys Open Today

The Central-Accomack Major Baseball team (10-12) opens play today against Louisa in the state tournament at Fleet Park and Azalea Little Leagues, playing on three consecutive nights in pool play. Central-Accomack won the District 8 tournament with a come-from-behind win in the championship game.

C-A Girls Conclude Play

Central Accomack Little League Major softball all-stars won two of five games in the past week in pool play in Portsmouth but did not make the finals.

The 11- and 12-year-old girls opened with a 10-1 defeat of Culpeper last Friday before falling to Honaker 7-2 on Saturday. On Wednesday, Central Accomack lost to Atlee 18-6.

On Monday, Central Accomack lost to McLean 14-6. On Tuesday, playing its fifth game in five days across the bay, Central Accomack rebounded to beat Bristol 14-3.

Northampton Announces Fall Sports Dates

Northampton High School has announced starting dates for fall sports. Varsity and JV football will open practice Aug. 1 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Varsity and JV volleyball will start Aug. 1 from 8 to 10 a.m. Varsity field hockey will begin Aug. 2 at 5 p.m. Varsity and JV cross country will start Aug. 8 at 7 p.m.

NOTICE OF MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Va. Code Section 15.2-2204, notice is hereby given that the Town of Painter Town Council, during its regular monthly meeting, and the Town of Painter Planning Commission, during a special meeting of such Commission, will hold a joint public hearing on the matters specified below on Monday, August 8, 2016, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits at the Painter Fire Hall, adjacent to the Town Office at 17118 Wayside Drive, Painter VA 23420.

The matters to be considered at the public hearing are generally described as proposed amendments to the town subdivision ordinance and to the town zoning ordinance to comply with recommendations of federal and state authorities related to Chesapeake Bay preservation.

The proposed amendments to the subdivision ordinance are as follows:

(1) In Section 3-3.B, changing the reference to “Section 62.1-13.2” to “Section 62.1-44.15:72,” and adding a sentence at the end of the paragraph requiring that any building or clearing within the Resource Protection Area (RPA) is limited to water dependent facilities or redevelopment.

(2) In Section 4-3.G, adding a sentence at the end of the paragraph requiring any disturbance or clearing in the RPA must receive additional review and approval by the Town.

(3) In Section 4-3.J, adding a sentence requiring that any plat for land in the RPA or the Resource Management Area (RMA) contain a notation advising that on-site septic systems must be pumped every 5 years.

(4) In Section 6-1, adding definitions at the end of the section for “RPA” and “RMA.”

The proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance are as follows:

(1) In Sections II-15, II-56, II-57, III-6.3, and III-6.6.A, updating references to the Code of Virginia and/or the Virginia Administrative Code to conform the zoning ordinance to corresponding renumbering or recodifications of the respective state code sections.

(2) Updated zoning map, Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area, and lot requirement figure representations, to reflect all changes to date, including a most recent federal determination of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Boundary.


(5) Adding a sentence at the end of the newly renumbered paragraph E of Section III-6.15 that reads, “Exceptions to §III-6.12.B may be made provided that the findings noted in §III-6.15.C are made.”

(6) In Section XII-3.A, adding a provision requiring that any plat for development of land in the RPA or in the RMA contain notations advising that on-site septic systems must be pumped every 5 years, and that any land or water disturbance in the RPA must receive additional review and approval by the Town.

Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission may provide its recommendations to the Town Council, and the Town Council may act upon the proposals and recommendations without further notice. A copy of the proposed amendments may be inspected at the Town Office, address aforesaid, prior to the public hearing.
Cape Charles Pier Hosting Queen of the Bay Fishing Tourney

Cape Charles and Special Angler Family Bruce and Jone Gittinger will be hosting the Queen of the Bay (QOB) Pier Fishing Tournament July 27-30.

Registration for the tourney is being conducted on a first-come, first-served basis. Early registrants receive “Priority Passes” for entrance to the pier when the number of anglers is limited. Complete details and online registration can be found at http://fishdispatch.com/queen-of-the-bay.html

In-person registration will be available at the foot of the pier Monday, July 25, and throughout the tournament until sold out.

The QOB Fishing Tournament is a totally public tournament with $1,000 in prize money evenly disbursed among the four major divisions: Open, Lady, Special Angler, and Youth. Additionally, there is a QOB Grand Prize Division seeded with $100, a Military Appreciation Calculatta (unlimited cash purse), and nearly $700 of additional in-kind prizes donated by sponsors, including Chris’ Bait and Tackle, the Shanty, Moonrise Jewelry, Timothy Smith & Sons, and Kelly’s Gingernet Pub.

Joseph Smith, director of the tournament, said “We have created this particular tournament (teamed with Fish Dispatch, USA) as a ‘pivot’ from our predominant involvement in the rugged ‘big boy’ boat tourneys. We felt at the end of 2015 we needed a more accessible type tournament that could service a wider audience with a more flexible venue. We didn’t want to make our anglers hostage to a charter boat the entire day.”

Fish Dispatch is providing the live leaderboard capability that will show the current results and webcam streaming from the pier during the tourney at http://content.fishdispatch.com/Leaderboards/2016CapeCharlesQOBLeaderboard.html

Eastern Shore fans will be keeping their eyes on team “Arc Angels,” captained by Janie Pease, whose 20-plus person team has seven anglers eligible for 750 points who can compete for the QOB grand prize.

The Gittingers are serving as the Ambassador Family for the tourney. Gittinger took first place in the 2015 National Catch-n-Release tourney by scoring 13 different fish species catches off the same pier in which the QOB tourney will be competed. He will be relying heavily on the featured night-fishing component of the tourney to go after sharks and stingrays.

UnderwaterFishingLights.com is providing the green moonlight to aid these evening anglers.

Anglers fish from the Cape Charles pier in last year’s Queen of the Bay Fishing Tournament. Anglers will compete next weekend for prizes.

Eastern Shore Fishing Report

Matt Abell of Seahawk Sports Center in Pocomoke, Md., says the offshore bite has continued to dominate the positive fishing reports.

The Lumpy Bottom chunk bite has cooled considerably, says Abell, but great mahi action is still available. The best tuna action has moved out to the Washington Canyon and lumps off Ocean City. Abell says the Railcars near Blackfish Banks are still producing good numbers of flounder while spades and triggers are supporting a hit-and-miss bite on some of the shallower wrecks. The flounder inside have been OK. One day they’re on and the next is slow, says Abell, adding that the important thing is to find clear water and remember that fishing is so much better than work anyway you look at it.

Steve’s Bait and Tackle on Chincoteague says the croakers are finally starting to show up. He adds that the hardhead are running small now, but should increase in size the next few weeks.

Chris at Chris’ Bait and Tackle says reports of coolers of croaker being caught at the fourth island of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel are being heard.

Dr. Julie Ball says cobia action is still noteworthy, with anglers reporting a dozen or more hook-ups on outings. Plenty of rats ranging up to around 30 pounds are responding well to offerings from sight casters in lower bay waters, and along the ocean front lately. Some bigger fish are also available, with cobia pushing to over 50 pounds boated this week. Chummers battling the heat continue to hold their own with some good action, but plenty of trash fish also are competing for their bait right now.

Ball adds that the hot summer flounder scene continues to draw attention, with nice doormats hitting the scales lately. Anglers working structures with jigs adorned with artificial baits such as Gulp Jerk Shads and live bait are scoring along the CBBT pilings and tubes. The fourth and first island areas of the CBBT are the best flattie hot spots this week. Several boats also are finding good hauls of nice fish on inshore and nearshore wrecks. The Eastern Shore seaside inlets continue to hold their own lately, with reports of limits of keepers this week.

Along the span of the CBBT, sheepshead anglers are faring well with some big fish, using fiddler crabs or clams as bait. Aggressive triggerfish also will take your offerings in the same areas. Spadefish are having a good year, with a nicer class of fish pushing to around eight pounds available around the islands and pilings of the CBBT, at the Chesapeake Light Tower, the Tower Reef, and several inshore wrecks. The inshore wrecks are also harboring some nice seabass, triggerfish and flounder.

Joe Gittinger of Cape Charles won his division last year and will be back to compete in the Queen of the Bay Fishing Tournament at the Cape Charles pier next weekend.
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Announcements

Relay for Life Dinner and Auction
There will be an auction and dinner at the Exmore Moose Lodge in Belle Haven to benefit Relay for Life on Saturday, July 30. Preview items at 4:30 p.m. and then enjoy dinner from 5 to 6 p.m. The auction starts at 6 p.m. There is no admission fee for the auction; dinner with dessert is $15 per person.

Items in the auction include decoys, quilts, paintings from many local artists, pottery, crafts, Longaberger, custom oyster knives, a week at Camp YMCA, a condo in Ocean City for a week, jewelry, gift certificates, and more. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.

For more information, contact Christina Huerther Freeze at 757-710-5940 or email chhfreeze7@gmail.com.

All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

CHECK THE CLASSIFIEDS NEXT FRIDAY, JULY 29, FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF AUCTION ITEMS!!!

Help Wanted

Arcadia Nursing & Rehab Center
Part-time Activity Assistant
M-F, Some weekends, evenings, and holidays may be necessary. Some documentation required daily. Must have a valid driver’s license and good driving record to drive facility van (Must present prior to hiring). Experience with long-term care is preferred. Contact info: Apply in person (757) 665-5555 or send resumes to debra.padgett@afshealth.org for the activity assistant position only.

Hiring RNs, and LPNs, for all shifts
Part-time CNA positions & PRN coverage
7a-3p, 3p-11p, & 11p-7a
Send resumes/applications to lisa.courtney@afshealth.org for nursing positions only

Part-time Housekeeper
Experience preferred but will train
Must be able to work every other weekend.
Contact Info: Apply in person or download application from website www.afshealth.org (757-665-5555) Send resumes/applications to amita.drummond@afshealth.org for housekeeper position only.

Arcadia Nursing & Rehab Center is an EOE company

Ditch Maintenance Supervisor
F/T position with benefits
Salary Range: $32,150.00 - $46,618.00 (based on experience)
Accomack County is currently recruiting for a full-time Ditch Maintenance Supervisor. The position is responsible for evaluating project sites; obtaining easements and regulatory clearances; ensuring underground utilities are located and marked; operating and maintaining excavating equipment and power tools; and performing related manual labor. The position also compiles and submits required written reports. Minimum qualifications are: a H.S. diploma or GED; supplemented by vocational/technical training in equipment maintenance and repair; 1-3 years experience in operating heavy equipment and conducting preventive maintenance and repairs; or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience. Possession of a valid Commercial Driver License and the satisfactory completion of a criminal history and DMV records checks are required prior to employment. Full details and description are available online: http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities.

Additionally, applications may be obtained at the Accomack County Public Works office at 24420 Lankford Highway, Tasley, VA 23441. Review of applications will begin on Thurs., July 28, 2016 for applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on Wed., July 27, 2016. Completed applications must be returned to Human Resources, Accomack County Administration Building via mail, hand delivery or electronically.

Accomack County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Eastern Shore Community Services Board is seeking candidates for the following positions:

**Intellectual Disability Aide**
MH Skill Building Specialist
Mental Health Case Manager
Developmental Services Case Manager

For more information or to apply, please visit the ESCSB’s website at www.escsb.org
ESCSB is an EOE

HELP WANTED

Remote, Part-Time
Exmore Diner

Cook Needed
Apply in person at the Exmore Diner or print application from
exmorediner.com

Experience preferred, but will train the right person
PLEASE NO PHONE CALLS

The County of Northampton Commissioner of Revenue is accepting part-time employment applications for:

**APPRAISAL DATA COLLECTOR**

General duties include field work for the Commissioner of the Revenue’s Office - Real Estate Division. This position involves inspecting, photographing, verifying, and gathering data on all pertinent information on all taxable real estate property. This position provides support to the Property Appraisal staff. This is an entry-level part-time position and pay rate for this position is $14.00 / hour.

Applicant must have High-School Diploma or GED. Good communication skills are essential.

Experience in technical functions related to property appraisal and assessment, sketching/drawing preferred. Good knowledge of basic arithmetic, some knowledge of building materials and construction, ability to record figures accurately and legibly, ability to conduct effective, cooperative, and professional working relationships, observation skills, and mental alertness.

Individual must possess a valid Virginia driver’s license.

Job descriptions and applications are available online at www.co.northampton.va.us or at Northampton County Human Resources, 16404 Courthouse Rd. Eastville, Virginia 23347 (phone: 757-678-0440 x 551). Send application to PO BOX 66 Eastville, VA 23347 or email to jdavis@co.northampton.va.us. Deadline is August 1, 2016.

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Looking for part-time person with cashier, computer & customer service experience (no phone calls). Drop off resume w/references to E.S. Mini Storage office, 21012 Fairgrounds Rd., Onancock, VA 23417.

Chincoteague’s Newest Hotel - Looking for year-round housekeeping, front desk, & housekeeping supervisor; 1 yr. hotel exp. req’d. Marina Bay Hotel, Chincoteague, 410-390-1486.

NOW HIRING... Experienced, Hard-working, Honest & Reliable WAIT STAFF and BARTENDERS. Apply in person at Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven, 442-4956.

MILLWRIGHTS PIPE FITTERS/WELDERS MAINTENANCE MECHANIC MIG - TIG - STICK FT - PT - Weekends

EXMORE MARINE Service Rep. Exmore, VA 23437

Apply In Person at: 4040 Main Street Chincoteague, VA 23336
**Boats, Etc.**


78 GRUMMAN PONTON BOAT - 20-ft. w/ 60 h.p., extra's. MUST SEE!!! $6,000 OBO. 757-787-2595.

5 INFLATABLE BOAT W/ TRAILER FOR SALE - Suzuki outboard, trolling motor & all accessories. $1,200. 442-5436.

72 16-F. BOSTON WHALER - 60 h.p. Mercury motor, just overhauled, take conse & bench, always kept inside, $16,000 firm. 410-957-3259.


1998 VENTURE TRAILER FOR SALE - 18’BT47. Good condition. $600. 757-678-6140.

73 GRADY WHITE - Good cond. Boat & Trailer included. No rigging needed, engine, unskilled $1,600 OBO. Call 442-7511 after 5 p.m.

78 MAXUM 2800 SCR twin 4.3L V6 engines. Exc. cond. w/recent (2020) maintenance record. Many extras - $8,500 OBO. Call 540-287-5047.

70 PONTOON BOAT - '08 Aqua Photio 24-ft, 3-gate fish & cruise, ski tow bar, vinyl deck, 27 pontoons, performance pkg; '08 Lund tandem trailer; 115 h.p. Honda (200 hrs), spare prop. $15,600. 442-2131 or 710-4876.


1988 13’ R17 SS APOLLO PROPELLER - Like new. $250. Call 442-7511 after 5 p.m.


91 ‘08 TROPHY - Very good cond. & extras. Can be seen at K & K Marine, across from Perdue plant. $1,100. 757-678-3622.

91 19.5-FT. PRIVATERE - Custom from factory open, full-length custom canopy. 40 h.p. Honda w/40 hrs. elec. start & tilt, all stainless steel deck fittings, Load-rite trailer w/teflon rollers. $9,500: it is a steal! Call 757-875-0268.

11-20’ FOR CAROLINA SKIFF - 115 4-stroke Yamaha, (100 hrs.), T-Top, fully loaded, $14,500. Call 757-589-8901.

84 GRADY WHITE - 25’ ft, w/enclosed hard top, 2 Mercruiser 150 h.p. outboards, alum. 3-axle trailer, outriggers, fighting chair, bait table, 442-5908.

81 WELLCRAFT Cuddy Cabin V20 steelfit, depth sounder, VHF radio, Mer Cruiser, low hours, with trailer $3,000. 757-331-1053.

79 CHARTER BOAT - '15,000 OBO - 34’ Delta-ville Dead-Rise. $15,000 OBO. Charter Fishing Boat. 2012 Re-Power Cat 320 BT (757) 678-3718.

77 22’ CATALINA SAIL-BOAT - Swing keel, new fiberglass, clean cabin, good sails, 6 h.p. Yamaha long shaft, Load-rite trailer. REDUCED: $2,800. 442-1132.

NEW 18’ CAROLINA SKIFF w/40 h.p. Yamaha Outboard 4-stroke + new Loadrite trailer + lots of extras (cammouflage wrap). $13,000. REDUCED: $11,000. 757-787-3360.

89 SUNBIRD CUTTY-CAB - 130 h.p. Evinrude, 222 hours, w/trailer, $3,500. 757-709-2371, leave msg.


36 FOOT BOX STERN - Rebuilt 653 diesel about 3 years ago, also a spare 653 diesel engines & go with it and a net wheel $6,000. OBO. Call 757-635-5241.


BOAT WHEELS - 4-blade, 1 pair, 19’ x 23-1/2” shaft. REDUCED $400. Call 757-999-3437 & leave msg.


90 22-ft. BOSTON WHALER - Origi. owner, w/150 h.p. 4-stroke Honda still under warranty (less than 50 hrs.) Alum. trailer, T-top, 2-GPS/compass units, $22,000 firm. Will take older 15 to 17 ft. BW on trade. 434-821-9027 or 434-665-9260.

71 CATAMARAN - '18, 75 used! Mercury eng. & trailer. Bought new in 2002. Low engine hours & exc. cond. $8,000 OBO. 331-1319.

MERCEDES OUTBOARD PROP. SS 22’ - Like new. $455,000. Call 442-7511 after 5 p.m.

91 1998 ventura trailer for sale - 18’BT47. Good condition. $600. 757-678-6140.

In-House w/3BR, for sale: craddock - 757-678-7631. underground electric and beach. No building time, boat ramps and stairs. For more info, contact us today! Craddock Foundation, either call or visit our website.

1757-391-0714.

Hartley Hall Senior Housing in Pocomoke City, Md., is accepting applications for 3-bedroom and efficiency apartments in an elderly housing subsidized apartment complex. Contact 410-957-2252 for application or visit office at 1006 Market Street in Pocomoke City. Equal Housing Opportunity.

CRISPUS ATTUCKS APTS.
3208 Thurgood Marshall Rd., Exmore, VA 23350 (757)442-4173

Applications are being taken for two- and three-bedroom apartments. Applications will be available at 3208 Thurgood Marshall Road, Exmore, Virginia from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm, Monday thru Friday. Applications may be requested by calling the Crispus Attucks office number:

- Housing Choice Vouchers Accepted
- Rental Assistance Available

WE BUY:
- Copper, Brass
- Aluminum, Stainless Steel, A/C Units
- Computers

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

TOO HOT & TIRED OF LOOKING!!!
Cool off in your new home? Contact us today! Exmore Village I & II Apts. (757)442-9471

This institution is an equal opportunity employer.

Services


PARKS PAVING

SIMPSON TREE & BOBCAT SERVICE - Tree trimming, removal and stump grinding. 757-2100 or 710-8477. FREE ESTIMATES. We accept credit cards.

Rentals - Houses

IBR/IBA CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND Walk-in closet. Barn doors, Dual shower heads, Master F/BT, Security cams, AC + Ceiling fans, Furn kitchen sink, Screened porch, Cable, Internet, W/D, Gas fireplace, Garage space for boat storage, Furnished. $1,800/mth, w/yr. lease. (540) 454-2161. irembrey@aol.com


NANDUA MINI STORAGE Rt. 650, Taylor Rd., Tasley. 757-787-3059. $10 Off 1st month's rent

Storage

757-785-7584.


2-STORY RENTAL APARTMENT FOR SALE in Exmore. $90,000 OBO. Call 757-350-9513.

For Sale: CRADDOCKVILLE - House w/3BR, 1.5BA, on 1/2 acre lot w/g, workshop & outbuilding. Enclosed den & screened front porch. Lg living & dining rooms. WOW: only $125,000. Call 442-9436.

1.7 ACRE BUILDING LOT IN MELFA Includes well & septic. Zero Down. $445/mo. Call Larry at 301-222-2064.


Vehicles - Cars, Trucks, SUVs, RVs


2004 INFINITI G35 $2,900 - 4-door sedan. Call (757) 787-4808 or email: mtprospect@verizon.net

196 GEO METRO 5-SPD. - Great gas mileage, body & tires in good cond., needs some engine repair. $1,200. Call after 6 p.m.: 665-7310.

1981 MUSTANG GT 5.0 - 6-spd. auto., red exterior & black interior. 9,900 mi. $22,000. 410-957-4508.


2000 FORD FIESTA 38,888 MI $6,300 OBO - Air, AM/FM, CD/waux jack, auto trans, seven airbags. Call 757-678-5468 kyranes10@gmail.com

Funky Kitty & Big Papa Pup say...Call John Miller

Tree & Stump Removal, Stone, Dry Clam Shells, Top Soil, Fill Dirt, Excavation, & Backhoe Work

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John C. Miller at 757-665-4026

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14319 DEER PATH HALLWOOD, VA 23359 (757) 990-1131 Residential • Commercial FREE Estimates • Stump Grinding • Lot Clearing • Excavation Licensed and Insured

WE ACCEPT


1973 FORD TRUCK TRAC V6, auto., 4X4, sun roof, good tires, great cond., 212K miles, $4,300 OBO. 787-7699.

1976 CHEVY TRUCK VOYAGER VAN - 3.3 V6, full power, 154K hwy. miles, premium sound system. $3,800 OBO. 757-694-5332.
Legal Ads & Auctions

TRUSTEE SALE
37539 Bayside Drive, Greenbackville, VA 23356
Accomack County

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $511,500.00, dated January 30, 2012 recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of the Accomack County, Virginia, in Document No. 201201683, 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 on the premises of the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 970, Section 1, Captain’s Cove, with improvements thereon.

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH: A deposit of $20,000.00 or 10% of the sales price, whichever is lower, cash or certified check will be required at the time of sale, but no more than $10,000.00 of cash will be accepted, with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. Sale is subject to post-sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale, as well as to post-sale confirmation of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser’s sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of his deposit without interest. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Pursuant to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, we advise you that this firm is a debt collector attempting to collect the indebtedness referred to herein and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

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

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
CRISFIELD HEAD START/HIGH SCHOOL
CRISFIELD, MD

The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company has been awarded the construction for the Crisfield Head Start/High School project and is inviting qualified contractors to bid on this project. Please note that all contractors must be pre-qualified by The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company for their bid to be considered.

The project consists of the additions and renovation to the Crisfield High School and associated site work in Crisfield, MD. An invitation to bid with a Website link to the contract documents will be distributed to all pre-qualified bidders for a number of construction trades. Instructions for bidding can be obtained at https://whiting-turner-box.com/c/v/crisfieldheadstart

Bids are due July 29th at 2:00 p.m., with the Notice to Proceed to be issued August 10, 2016.

Funding for this activity is made available through the federally-funded Community Development Block Grant Program. Somerset County is an equal opportunity employer, and strongly encourages submissions by minority and women business enterprises and Section 3 businesses. Davis-Bacon wage rates will apply. This project has a 10% MBE participation goal. All MBE subcontractors must be MDOT Certified. Please respond with your information if you can help us meet this goal.

Any questions can be addressed in writing to:
The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company
Katie Kroening – Project Engineer
Katie_Kroening@whiting-turner.com

We are pledged to the letter and spirit of Virginia’s policy for achieving equal housing opportunity throughout the Commonwealth. We encourage and support advertising and marketing programs in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, elderliness, familial status or handicap. All real estate advertised herein is subject to Virginia’s fair housing law which makes it illegal to advertise “any preference, limitation or discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, elderliness, familial status or handicap, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination.”

This newspaper will not knowingly accept advertising for real estate that violates the fair housing law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. For more information or to file a housing complaint, call the Virginia Fair Housing Office at (804) 737-5300. Toll-free call (888) 551-3247. For the hearing-impaired, call (804) 737-9919.

Email: fairhousing@dpor.virginia.gov
website: www.fairhousing.vipnet.org
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF DANGEROUS NUISANCE STRUCTURES

The Town of Cheriton (Town) is soliciting proposals from interested and qualified Class A Contractors to provide for the safe and responsible demolition and removal of structures that have been deemed a nuisance by the Town.

The full, unabridged Request for Proposal may be obtained from Stacey Sparrow, Town Clerk, Town of Cheriton at 21334 Bayside Road, Cheriton, Virginia 23316 or an email copy may be sent if requested.

All Proposals must be received by the Clerk’s Office of the Town of Cheriton no later than August 23rd, 2016 at 5:00 pm. Questions and requests for more information may be directed to Stacey Sparrow, Clerk, Town of Cheriton at 757-331-8200. Small, women-owned and minority-owned businesses are encouraged to apply.

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPROVAL OF A CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FROM AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR A PROJECT FUNDED THROUGH THE VIRGINIA WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING FUND

PUBLIC NOTICE NO.: WSI-039-15

FIRST PUBLICATION DATE: JULY 22, 2016

The Virginia Department of Health has under consideration a request for a Categorical Exclusion from an Environmental Assessment for a waterworks project proposed to be funded through the Virginia Water Supply Revolving Fund. The applicant is Triangle Enterprises, Inc. The Triangle Mobile Home Park (MHP) is located in Mappsville, Virginia. The Triangle MHP Metering Project consists of the installation of approximately 70 residential water meters. In addition to the residential water meters which will be installed at each mobile home connection, the project also includes the procurement of equipment to read the meters and associated billing software.

The project is excluded by Category No. 3 “Water line replacement/rehabilitation to correct existing water line problems or problems associated with inadequate water pressure” and Category No. 6 “Minor extensions of water lines, which will be located within road right-of-way or otherwise previously, disturbed areas” of the Procedural Guidelines for Drinking Water Funding Recipients dated January 1, 2016.

This project is documented in the Virginia Department of Health’s Application for Construction Funds dated August 29, 2014, and a letter received June 7, 2016 from Triangle Enterprises, Inc. requesting a Categorical Exclusion. On the basis of a review of the request and support documentation, the Virginia Department of Health proposes to approve the request.

Persons may comment in writing to the Department on the proposed approval of the Categorical Exclusion within 30 days from the first publication date. Comments shall include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and shall contain a complete, concise statement of the factual basis for the comments. Only those comments received within this period will be considered by the Department. Following the comment period, the Department will make its determination regarding the approval.

INVITATION TO BID:

Northampton County Public Schools is requesting sealed bids for L.P. Gas product and service for school cafeterias, science rooms and maintenance facilities. Sealed bids are also being requested for food, supplies and dairy products. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at which time all bids will be opened and read aloud. For details and specifications, please contact Trish Bell at (757) 678-5151, Ext. 7000.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE OF 5788 Occhonhock Neck, Exmore, Virginia 23350

In execution of a deed of trust, from ERIC ARNE and VIRGINIA M. ARNE, dated July 30, 2009, in the original principal amount of $137,934.10, recorded in the Circuit Court Clerk’s Office of the County of Northampton, Virginia, as Instrument Number 090001685, (Seth E. Twery, P.C. having been appointed Substitute Trustee under instrument of record and Instrument Number 160009032 in said Clerk’s Office), due to default in payment of the debt secured, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in front of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia on the 12th day of August, 2016 at 11:00 a.m., that certain tract of real estate known as 5788 Occhonhock Neck, Exmore, Virginia 23350, situated in the County of Northampton, Virginia, more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate on Virginia State Route 183 (the road leading from Wardtown to Silver Beach), in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 0.29 Ac. (12826 sq. ft) as shown on that certain plat of survey entitled “Plat of Survey, Parcel of Land Surveyed at the Request of Eric Arne and Virginia M. Arne, located at Jamesville, Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia”, dated July 1, 2009 and made by Seth E. Twery, Inc. Said plat is recorded in the Northampton County Circuit Court Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 090001684. Said lot or parcel of land is bounded generally on the Northwest by the said public road, on the Northeast and Southeast by the land of Deborah J. Benson, and on the Southwest by the land of Marion E. Wilfrid and the land of William Wat Tyler, all as shown on the aforesaid plat.

Included with the sale as an appurtenance to the aforesaid real estate is a 2005 Marlette Manufactured Home – VIN No. LEW050307PAABAC.

Sale subject to all conditions, restrictions, easements, if any of record and now applicable thereto.

Terms: At least 10% cash on day of sale; balance due within 30 days.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Seth E. Twery, Esq.
Seth E. Twery, P.C.
P.O. Box 185
Lynchburg, VA 24505-0185
(434) 845-5285

Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that Lawrence B. Nottingham, DBA Nottingham & Sons Ltd., located at 30302 Seaside Road, Melfa, VA 23410, has applied for authority to operate a Common Carrier of Passengers over Irregular Routes.

If granted, the certificate will only authorize the carrier to transport passengers obtained through VA Premier Health Plan, Inc. For specific coverage area information please contact DMV Motor Carrier Services at (804) 249-5104. Any person who wishes to protest the application, but does not wish to be a party to the matter, may submit a written statement to DMV Motor Carrier Services, Attn: Operating Authority, PO Box 27412, Richmond, VA 23269. The statement must be signed and contain the applicant’s name and DMV Case Number MC1600177EF.

Any person who wishes to protest the application and be a party to the matter must contact DMV Motor Carrier Services at (804) 249-5104 to receive information on filing a protest. The (postmarked) deadline for submitting letters of support, opposition, or protest is Wednesday, August 3, 2016.

TRUSTEE SALE

6309 Highland Park Drive, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336
Accomack County

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $307,500.00, dated September 10, 2010 recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of the Accomack County, Virginia, in Document No. 2010003604, default having occurred in the payment of the Note therein secured and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the entrance to the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, on August 1, 2016 at 10:30 AM the property described in said deed, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 54, as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book No. 8, at Page 29, and that portion of the marshland lying to the southeast of Lot 54, as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 20, with improvements thereon.

Subject to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any, affecting the aforesaid property.

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

This is a communication from a debt collector.

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AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED IN RESPONDING TO TERRORISM HOAX INCIDENT OR BOMB THREAT

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED IN RESPONDING TO DRIVING-UNDER-THE-INFLUENCE (DUI) AND OTHER TRAFFIC INCIDENTS

The purpose of these ordinances is to allow for the reimbursement of fees associated with the expenses incurred by emergency responders to DUI (and other traffic incidents) as well as terrorism hoax incidents or bomb threats.

These proposed ordinances are available for review at the County Administrator’s office, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, during normal business hours. Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the public hearing to express their views.

HANDICAPPED ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE:
Call 757/678-0440
Katherine H. Nunez, County Administrator

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A) Special Use Permit 2016-06: Phillip Custis has applied to obtain a special use permit for Farm Machinery Repair under §154.2.127 Low Impact Commercial Uses (B) Adaptive Re-Use Business on property located on Seaside Rd. near Exmore. The property, described as Tax Map 16, double circle A, parcel 20, is zoned A/RB, Agriculture/Rural Business and contains approximately 38 acres of land.

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Chul Hwang, President
NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

PUBLIC NOTICE
The annual meeting of the Northampton County Local Advisory Agriculture/Forestal District (AFD) Committee will be held on Thursday, August 4, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose is to review new AFD application and to forward recommendations to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors.

The meeting will be held in the Board chambers located on the second floor of the County Administrative Office building, located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia.

The following applications will be considered:
A. A Request to Withdraw from Custis Farms AFD:
Ballard Fish Company has requested to withdraw property identified as Tax Map 10 double circle A parcel 84 and located near Willis Wharf.

Anyone may attend the meeting which is open to the public.
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Dear Editor:

Once again our county supervisors have shown their lack of common sense or concern for the majority of taxpayers in Northampton County. They lower the assessment, then raise our taxes, costing us even more.

Now to add insult to injury, they increase the agricultural-forest land, resulting in more shortfall to the budget and we taxpayers who never get a break have to pay more to make up the difference.

The 52-acre Jamesville parcel was recently fenced-in with an unsightly and expensive fence that was subsidized with taxpayer money. The 75 percent saved on ag-forest taxes pays for such things, as well as the ability to purchase more land to put in ag-forest.

The supervisors are not looking out for the majority of taxpayers, just the largest landowners. Taxpayers who feel overtaxed should drive down Occohannock Neck Road (Silver Beach Road) and see what they are paying for — and remember that next time you vote!

I would like for the supervisors to publish their reasoning behind the continual increasing of ag-forest land at our expense and having to increase our taxes to make up the difference because there is never enough money. Constantly spending taxpayer money without our approval is just wrong. Explain it to us, PLEASE!

I realize that ag-forest serves a purpose, but feel that the ratio of taxes paid is extreme and should be adjusted to a rate more fair to the majority who pay taxes.

Judy Brunk, Jamesville

Ditches Need To Be Cleared

Dear Editor:

In your article about the heavy rain that closed U.S. Rt. 13 a week or so ago, you wrote that the land owners need to clean up this water because it breeds mosquitoes.

This is true, but I think that a bigger problem is the ditches along the roads in Accomack County. They are either completely filled with dirt and trash from previous years of not being cleaned or almost full of water from not being able to drain. I've called the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) three times about this problem. The only thing they do is clean the pipe under my driveway.

The heavy rain like we had last night was backed into my yard. I have ditches that also run to the bay, which need to be cleaned too. I was told that the ditches by the road are the responsibility of VDOT and the ones going to the creek are the county's responsibility. The problem will never be resolved until the county and VDOT take care of their part and clean our ditches.

John Hinderliter, Bloxom
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