By Linda Cicoira

The Navy didn't pick Wallops as the East Coast base for its MQ-4C Triton Aircraft System. The 400 employees that would have come with the prospect are staying in Florida. Local officials were hoping the unmanned, unarmed, remotely controlled aircraft would have set out from NASA to conduct operations, most of which would have occurred over international waters 12 miles or more offshore.

Wallops Research Park (WRP) learned in July that it wasn’t suitable for the project “because the runway that they need to use there was not a line of sight,” said Julie Wheatley, park manager. But she added, there was still hope for the Triton to come to the NASA base after more information was requested in November. “We still thought we were doing well.”

Months ago it was announced that the Navy had narrowed its search between the two places. But the Triton squadron is based in Florida at Naval Air Station Jacksonville. The announcement stated, “Located in a fleet concentration area, Naval Station Mayport provides the most operational, maintenance, and family support for the least cost within its existing Navy facilities and services.”

Last April, Tom Young, then chairman of WRP’s leadership council, accused the supervisors of having a “negative business environment relative to the NASA Wallops Flight Facility and rocket launches.” He said prospective businesses do internet searches of the area and could find articles about the panel’s negative statements. He concluded it would be hard to market the park and resigned his position.

The supervisors took offense to the remarks as they have given $4 million to help build the park and had supported the enterprise. Young’s comments were meant for Supervisor Grayson Chesser, the only member of the board to vote against building the park and the one who spoke out about possible adverse affects of launches on children at nearby Kegotank Elementary School.

About the same time the decision regarding the Triton system was announced, Accomack supervisors went into a closed session with County Attorney Celia Berge to discuss another matter regarding the research park - the probability of legal action from E.V. Williams, the contractor who built the park.

No action was taken when the panel came back into public session and members declined to discuss the issue.

Before that, Supervisor Ron Wolff said the first drones took off on the new runway on Wallops Island Tuesday. “Experimental drones were flying on it,” he said.

Wheatley later explained the 3,000-foot runway was built on the island specifically for the aircraft and is called “The Drone Runway.”
Northampton School Board Considers Graduation Rates, Budget

By Ron West

The graduation rate was the focus of a Northampton School Board work session on Feb. 9. The graduation rate, along with the Standard of Learning (SOL) tests and other measures, are used by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) to rate the success of schools. In practice, students entering Grade 9 are expected to complete a mandated course load within four years.

Schools earn 100 points for each student who obtains a standard or advanced diploma, 25 points for each who earns a modified diploma and 50 points for each earning a GED. Students still in school beyond the four-year period earn 75 points and those who drop out earn zero points. The state totals the scores currently are among the lowest paid in Virginia. Each year a number of Northampton teachers leave to Accomack County while others move to Hampton Roads or out of state. Still others opt to leave the education field all together. Each year, a number of Northampton teachers leave in search of better pay, housing or more social opportunities. Some head to Accomack County while others move to Hampton Roads or out of state. Still others opt to leave the education field all together. Each year, the school system is faced with recruiting new staff members, training them to handle the state curriculum, and then attempting to retain them at the end of the year. The surveys, designed to seek input of the satisfaction with the systems, will be sent out later in the spring.

Lawrence also discussed the revised teacher survey that is being prepared for distribution to the schools. Northampton County teachers currently are among the lowest paid in Virginia. Each year a number of Northampton teachers leave in search of better pay, housing or more social opportunities. Some head to Accomack County while others move to Hampton Roads or out of state. Still others opt to leave the education field all together. Each year, the school system is faced with recruiting new staff members, training them to handle the state curriculum, and then attempting to retain them at the end of the year. The surveys, designed to seek input of the satisfaction with the systems, will be sent out later in the spring.

Lawrence made it clear that while the budget of $20.5 million is about $500,000 more than the current year, many of the costs, such as the Virginia Retirement System (VRS), which will increase by $160,000, are unavoidable.

Additional teachers are needed at all three schools. A small increase in student enrollment puts more students in some classrooms than are allowed by the state. If a school fails to meet the ratio of students per classroom, it can result in the loss of a portion of state funding. The 2017-18 budget will be based on 1,520 K-12 students. While the division provides services to more students than that, such as pre-K and those who receive special services, they are not counted in the same way for funding.

Of the funding requested, approximately half will be paid by federal and state monies, leaving more than $9 million to be obtained from county coffers. Virginia allocates approximately $4,400 per student annually.

Teacher Leslie James urged the school board to consider adding an extra science teacher for the elementary schools. Currently, James handles much of the Grade 4 and 5 science education at her elementary school.

The other only speaker of the evening was Northampton Education Association President Justin Wheeler, who is a Northampton elementary school teacher. He urged the school board to press ahead with the budget and to insure a pay increase for staff members. Wheeler and Lawrence agreed that it was important for staff members to attend the board of supervisors budget hearing. If the supervisors fail to approve the budget as approved, it will be up to the school board to determine what programs will need to be axed.

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Exmore Asks Residents To Help Qualify for Grants to Pay for New Wastewater System

By Ron West

At least 300 residents are needed to complete a confidential financial survey to help Exmore get up to $1 million for a new wastewater system.

Utilities Director Taylor Dukes said the current facility is unable to handle all the town’s needs and recommended getting a new system. The cost would be several million dollars. Dukes said the town could apply for a community development block grant, but to qualify, town residents would need to complete the survey. They can obtain copies by at the town office or by downloading from the town’s website at http://exmore.org/town-of-exmore-community-survey/ or emailing Dukes at tdukes@exmore.org.

Exmore must apply for the grant by Feb. 27. A public hearing on the issue will be held March 6. About 180 residences and several businesses have private septic. The new system would be designed to handle all of these users.

Dukes gave a report on an adequate and safe water. He noted the process of improving the town’s water supply is long overdue. Exmore has engaged an engineering firm to assist in designing improvements to the water and wastewater systems.

Minerals found in the groundwater need to be addressed. While most cause few, if any health concerns, state regulations dictate that they be addressed. Dukes said, “back washing” would be used. It is a process similar to what backyard pool owners do when they reverse the flow of water through a filter to clear out any residue that has accumulated.

The town’s need is on a much larger scale since 30,000 gallons of water must be back washed on a regular basis and that the water must then go through a septic system. The process would require the town to pipe the wastewater to a drain field west of town. Dukes said the alternative would be for the town to purchase a tank truck, hire extra employees and shuttle the tanker several times each day to a disposal site in Maryland.

Council agreed to pay $38,000 in engineering costs for the pipeline. A cost estimate was not provided.

During the public comment session, Tim Holloway and Phil Custis spoke of ongoing needs of the 28-year-old Randy Custis Memorial Park in Nassawadox that has served thousands of youth on the Eastern Shore. It includes several athletic fields, an indoor training facility and several accessory buildings. Scores of Little League Baseball and T-Ball teams, volleyball and soccer teams use the facilities throughout the year.

Exmore, Cheriton and Nassawadox contributed to assist the operation. Northampton supervisors were asked for help and offered to fund up to $20,000 while they reviewed options. Eastville indicated support but could not afford to contribute financially. Cape Charles will be approached in the near future.

Town Manager Robert Duer reported town finances continue to be stable. He said the town park community building and stage were completed. Council needs to develop guidelines and a fee structure. Members agreed to spend $4,000 for additional lighting, a public address system and security cameras for the park.

Town offices will be closed on Feb. 20 for Presidents’ Day.

Chincoteague Cemetery Clean-Up

The Museum of Chincoteague Island is partnering with the Town Cemetery Committee to clean up the Christ Union Baptist Cemetery in honor of Black History Month on Saturday, Feb. 25, from 9 a.m. until noon.

This will involve hedge clipping, leaf raking and trash gathering. Please bring hedge cutters, clippers, hand saws, rakes and protective clothing.

Meet at Christ Union Baptist Cemetery on Willow Street (behind the carnival grounds). Volunteers of all ages and abilities are welcome. No RSVP is necessary. Questions about the event can be directed to the Museum of Chincoteague Island’s Executive Director Maria Grenchik, at 757-336-6117. You may also email her at museumofci@gmail.com.

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**Northampton Approves New Verizon Tower; Denies Moving District 4 Poll**

*By Ron West*

Northampton supervisors voted 4-0 Tuesday to rent property in Hare Valley to Verizon for a 199-foot communications tower. A 3-1 vote approved a special use permit for the endeavor.

Supervisor Granville Hogg was opposed to the permit. He wanted completion to be stipulated within 18 months. Supervisor Larry LeMond was absent due to illness. The property is at the waste center at 10195 Hare Valley Rd.

Stephen Romine, an attorney for Verizon, said the tower would improve wireless communications in the upper end of Northampton. He noted that more and more phone customers are moving to wireless or cell phones as opposed to landlines in their homes and businesses. Users want reliable service that could be used anywhere, he said. The tower would bridge a gap between Exmore and Birdsnest, and is scheduled for the 2017-18 build program.

Bob Meyers of Silver Beach noted poor cell coverage in his area. He suggested Verizon consider adding antennas to a tower in that area.

Kerry Allison, of the Eastern Shore Tourism Commission, discussed updates to the agency’s advertising and promotional program. She said tourism was up for the region, adding that many of those who visit the Eastern Shore receive information via word of mouth, from social media sources and the internet.

Thornton Tayloe urged the supervisors to enforce county policies regarding permitting and zoning. Meyers urged officials to discontinue using its current legal staff and obtain another attorney when and if one were needed.

A request was heard to move the District 4 election poll from the former Northampton Middle School to the Eastville Fire Department Bingo Hall. The former school has mold, a leaking roof, insufficient restrooms for poll workers and no place for the workers to have a meal during the 16-hour day.

Registrar Terry Flynn asked the board to schedule a public hearing. But members agreed not to do it.

Hogg said a survey of the facility was to be conducted and the board plans to make some repairs such as those to the roof. Portions of the building, including the gym (which is the location of the polling site), are used during the year by other county departments, including Parks and Recreation. Supervisor Robert Duer said distance to the polling place needed to be considered. The district runs from the Wardtown area to the south end of Eastville. Some voters would have to travel nine miles, or about four more than they currently do.

The proposed move would require those voting in Eastville elections to use the same polling place as District 4. In the most recent town election, less than 20 votes were cast for some candidates. There are 109 registered voters in Eastville.

Chairman Spencer Murray said there are about 1,600 voters in District 4 and it made more sense to keep the polling site in the center of the district rather than move it to the extreme end.

Meyers said the school administration building in Machipongo might be an alternative.

Ken Dufty, of Wardtown, wants the poll place to be left alone. He said some voters already have transportation issues and that moving the polling site farther south would only add to their problems.

**Chincoteague Island Theatre Co. To Perform "The Curious Savage"**

The Chincoteague Island Theatre Company will perform “The Curious Savage,” a warm and hilarious comedy, Feb. 18 and 19, at Chincoteague Cultural Alliance’s Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; show at 7 p.m.

In the play, Ethel P. Savage’s step-children commit her to a psychiatric hospital because they are angry that she is giving her late husband’s fortune to charity instead of to them. They figured that anyone who would give away $10 million is insane. While her fellow patients are simple, honest, and kind, Savage’s greedy, high society stepchildren go berserk when she claims to have forgotten where she put the money.

Tickets for the play are $10 and can be purchased at Sundial Books and H&H Pharmacy on Chincoteague with cash or a check, or online at ChincoteagueCulturalAlliance.org.

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*Week of Feb. 18 - Feb. 24, 2017*

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**Sunday**

- Lunch: 3PC Fried Chicken $9

**Dinner:**

- Pot Roast: Potatoes, Carrots, & Onions $10

**Monday**

- Wings $.60 Each
  - 4 Wings & 2 Sides $7

**Tuesday**

- Hot Turkey Sandwich $10

**Wednesday**

- Meatloaf & 2 Sides $9

**Thursday**

- Chicken & Dumplings w/ 1 Side $9

**Friday**

- BBQ Combo: Ribs & Pulled Pork $13
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North Carolina Man Plunges Over Bridge-Tunnel During Feb. 9 Strong Winds

By Linda Cicoira

A North Carolina man, who was driving a tractor-trailer truck south over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel (CBBT) Thursday, Feb. 9, ran through guardrails and off the left side of the bridge plunging into the swift, cold waters between the two spans.

Joseph Chen, 47, of Greenville, N.C., later died in route to the hospital.

“We got a 9-1-1 call and then responded to the scene,” said Chief Edward Spencer of the CBBT Police Department. Officer Deon Rogers was first on scene and saw the truck was in the water. “We did not see the cab,” said Spencer. “The trailer was floating. It quickly floated through the guard rail,” Spencer said.

Chen was rescued by a Navy helicopter that was conducting exercises nearby. The tractor-trailer was not full but had about 4,000 pounds of seafood on board. Chen was driving for Evans Seafood of Washington, N.C.

Due to high winds, restrictions were up on the bridge-tunnel that morning. Spencer said there was a Level 1 restriction with winds of up to 40 mph when the incident occurred. According to the facility’s website, “Large pick-up campers; camper trailers; house trailers; anything being towed; vehicles with any exterior cargo” are prohibited at that time.

The chief said at 12:45 p.m. the restrictions went to Level 2.

An autopsy performed by the Norfolk Medical Examiner’s Office showed that Chen died from “drowning with hypothermia.” The manner was ruled “accidental.”

The incident continues to be investigated. Spencer said it is not known if wind was the cause of the incident. The cab has been recovered. The chief said they “hope to get information off the black box” to learn more. Unconfirmed reports indicate the trailer has been seen 20 miles out in the ocean.

Spencer said in 2015 and 2016, the bridge-tunnel went into Level 1 status 100 times with no incidents. The winds at the time of the crash were between 41 and 44 mph. Level 2 restrictions were put on at 12:45 p.m. That is when the winds are 47 mph. At that level, in addition to other vehicle restrictions, “Tractor-trailers must gross 30,000 pounds payload in addition to the weight of the rig and six-wheel trucks must gross 15,000 pounds payload in addition to the weight of the rig in order to be allowed to cross the facility during Level 2 wind restrictions.”

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STAR Transit Ridership Strong

By Linda Cicoira

People are riding STAR Transit. More rides were taken on the bus system in December than in the previous year, bringing the total up by 7.5 percent, according to a report made to the Accomack-Northampton Transportation District Commission last week.

The ridership in December 2015 was 7,015 compared to 7,539 in December 2016.

In January 2016, it was at 6,128. January 2017 figures aren’t in yet. But the total is expected to be good as ridership was “exceptionally strong” despite the snow storm and more than five inches of rain.

“The 472 riders recorded on Thursday, Jan. 19, was the highest single day for any month,” the report stated. There were also five days with more than 400 rides as of Jan. 26.

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Court Postings
By Linda Cicioira

Woman Sentenced in Case of Hiding Evidence When Boyfriend OD’d

A Chincoteague woman, who was accused of hiding evidence when her boyfriend died of an overdose last year, pleaded no contest to possession of heroin last week in Accomack Circuit Court.

Alisha Denise Herrmann, 27, of School Street on Chincoteague, was sentenced to 10 years in prison with all but six months suspended for the offense. She was also given indeterminate supervised probation. Herrmann was taken back to Accomack Jail. Officer C. G. Butler of the Chincoteague Police Department investigated.

Clifton Marshall, 44, of Sign Post Road in New Church, pleaded guilty to possession of cocaine, a felony, and possession of marijuana, a misdemeanor. Both offenses occurred July 27, 2016. A guideline and history report were requested by the judge. Marshall was allowed to remain free on existing bond.

Rodney Lee Singleton, 37, of Pungoteague Road in Pungoteague, was sentenced to seven years with five years suspended for grand larceny of a scooter belonging to Sunsations, of Chincoteague, on Sept. 9, 2015. He was put on five years of supervised probation and 10 years of good behavior. Restitution of $125 was ordered.

Men Charged With Shooting From Vehicle

Two county men were arrested Thursday, Feb. 9, and charged with shooting out of a vehicle and related felonies, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Ronreccus Harold Wharton, 30, of Nocks Landing Road in Atlantic, was charged with possession of a firearm after being convicted of a violent felony, shooting from a vehicle, failing to stop at a stop sign and DWI. He was described in a paper filed in the court as being “extremely polite and cooperative with law enforcement officer.”

Rynell Crippen, 27, of Macedonia Drive in Bloxom, was charged with possession of a firearm after being convicted of a felony in the last 10 years, shooting from a vehicle and public intoxication.

Both are being held without bail in Accomack Jail. Deputy David Gladding of the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office (ACSO) investigated.

Gladding wrote in the file he was “dispatched to 20738 Bayside Road for a shooting at a residence.” He was advised to be on the look out for a dark colored car driving towards Tasley. He was close to there and saw a vehicle matching the description that was going “at a high-rate of speed on Merry Branch Road, which connects to Bayside Road. I observed the car turn on Rt. 316 without stopping at the stop sign. I initiated my emergency equipment. The vehicle turned east on Wharton Road (and) continued for approximately 100 yards before stopping.”

The driver was Wharton. Gladding said he smelled a strong odor of alcohol coming from Wharton. Crippen was the front seat passenger.

Gladding was told there were no weapons in the vehicle. In a search of the vehicle, a “revolver was found under the driver’s seat close to the rear floor area ... I felt the barrel. It was still hot. I smelled a strong odor of gun powder. I opened the cylinder. I observed the cylinder had six spent, fired, casings.”

Wharton agreed to take a breathalyzer test and showed .20 grams per 210 liters of breath, the court file stated. The legal limit is .08 grams.

In another case, Sharon Szymankiewicz, 31, of Turkey Run Road in Mears, was charged with burglary and grand larceny in connection with property belonging to Kathy Taylor valued at more than $200 on Jan. 31, 2017. Secured bail was set at $7,500. She was arrested Feb. 2.

Cpl. E.J. Nottingham of ACSO investigated.

Eastville Man Accused of Vehicle-Related Felonies

An Eastville man is accused of committing felonies in two separate incidents, according to files recorded in Northampton General District Court.

Everardo Maldonado-Rosales, 25, of Robins Circle in Eastville, was charged with three offenses that occurred on Dec. 30: hit and run with injury, a felony; and driving on a suspended license and reckless driving, both misdemeanors.

On Jan. 15, he was charged with assault and battery of both Deputy Carlos Moyano and Deputy Danny Bell of the Northampton County Sheriff’s Office (NCSO), removing a firearm from an officer, removing a stun gun from an officer, obstruction and giving a false report to an officer.

He was previously convicted of DUI and sexual battery. Deputy William Lewis investigated. Maldonado-Rosales is being held without bond. A March preliminary hearing is scheduled.

William Lee Tatum, 61, of Trower Road in Wachapreague, was charged with passing two or more bad checks in 90 days between Jan. 5 and 10, 2017. Officer Keith Brady of Exmore Police Department investigated.
Former Exmore Resident
Lived for Agriculture

Mr. Stephen Wilson, 62, of Mon-dovi, Wis., for- merly of Exmore, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017, at his home. He was born and raised on the family dairy farm in Hockessin, Del. He was the second son of the late Henry P. and Marion (Gilmore) Wilson.

Mr. Wilson graduated from Sanford Preparatory School in Hockessin, class of 1973, and chose to attend Indian River Technical School in New Richmond, Wis., in dairy herd management. While attending classes, he also worked on a dairy farm in Roberts, Wis. Upon completing his certificate, he worked on a dairy farm north of York, Pa. After back surgery, he moved to Virginia, living with his mother, Marion. There, he started his own lawn service business, Wilson Lawn Service. After his mother's death in 2006, Mr. Wilson deci-ded to retire. He then returned to Wis-con-sin, living near his sister, Dr. Linda C. Wil-son, in Mondovi.

Mr. Wilson’s whole life was agriculture, in one form or another. He kept current on the latest crops, dairy herds and the production of each, and new agriculture equipment coming on the market, through his vast readings of agriculture newspapers and journals. No one had to ask him twice to attend any agriculture event.

In addition to his sister, Linda, he is survived by a brother, Dr. Henry P. Wilson Jr. (passing on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017), and his two children, his niece, Sara R. Wilson, and nephew, Brian R. Wilson. He is further survived by many cousins and friends from Florida and Delaware to Pennsylvania and Nevada.

A memorial service will be conducted for Mr. Wilson at the Hockessin Friends Ceme-tery, Hockessin, Del., later this spring.

Memorial donations may be made in Stephen Wilson’s name to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com Arrangements were made by Dough-ty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Former Onancock
Resident Passes in Indiana

Mr. Christopher T. Nolan, former resident of Onancock, passed suddenly on Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2017, in Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. Nolan was a member of the wrestling team, and loved drawing and playing his guitar. He was not afraid to try different areas; he also lived in South Carolina, Hawaii, and Indiana, and Washington state where he met his wife.

Mr. Nolan took great pride in buy-ing, restoring and selling cars. He loved animals, games, tried to see the better side of people in believing every-one deserved a second chance, and had a great sense of humor!

A memorial prayer service will be held for him on Saturday, Feb. 18, 12:30 p.m., at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 338, Onan-cock, VA 23417. Please reference Chris Nolan’s name.

Ms. Rebecca West Mears, 85, passed away peacefully on Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, at River-side Shore Reha-bilitation Center in Parksley. Born Sept. 9, 1931, she was the daughter of the late Eva Ross Mears and Lloyd Thomas Mears. Ms. Mears and her twin sister, Ro-berta, were the youngest of five children, including her elder brothers, James and Caroll Kay, and elder sis-ter, Louanne.

Ms. Mears grew up in Modest Town with a mischievous streak that she would keep until the day she passed. She had a quick wit and was always ready to tease. She did not need to know you well to kid around with you; that is just what she did. Ms. Mears worked in the restaurant business for much of her life and loved interacting with the locals and the people that would pass through.

Although Ms. Mears did not have children of her own, she doted on her nieces and nephews and she was much beloved by them. She was well known for her generosity — and for taking the children’s side if there was ever trouble.

Ms. Mears also enjoyed attending estate sales where she and lifetime friend, Ruth Anne Watkins, would shop for antiques, jewelry and whatever else they could find. She was born with a sweet tooth (or two or three), and even as her health failed, her eyes would light up at the sight of chocolates. To the very end, she loved her sweets!

In addition to her parents, Ms. Mears was preceded in death by her brothers, James and Kay, as well as her twin sister, Roberta, and nephew, Bobby Fletcher. She is survived by her loyal sister, Louanne Fletcher; nieces and nephews, Seala Fletcher-Kelly, Thomas Mears and Dru Anne Mears; sister-in-law, Ann Mears; great-nephew, Samuel Graham Kelco; and
Mrs. Betty Carroll Richardson, 83, wife of the late James Arnold Richardson and a resident of Exmore, passed away Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017, at Heritage Hall Healthcare in Nansemond. Born on Hog Island, and reared in Willis Wharf, she was the daughter of the late Walter D. Carroll and the late Virginia Bell Carroll Poulson. She was a retired postmaster for the Jamesville Post Office and member of Epworth United Methodist Church.

She is survived by three children, James A. Richardson Jr., of Exmore, David F. Richardson and his wife, Michele, of Jamesville, and Sharon C. Damiano and her husband, Joe, of Severn, Md.; three grandchildren, Aaron O’Hara, Timothy O’Hara, Jimmy Lord; and a great-granddaughter, Eva O’Hara.

A graveside service was conducted Feb. 13, 2017, at Belle Haven Cemetery, with Sandra Walters officiating. Memorials may be made to SPCA Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418 or the Barrier Islands Center, P. O. Box 206, Machipongo, VA 23405.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

New Cut Road

The $4 million road that will link Cape Charles Harbor, Bay Creek housing development, Bayshore Concrete and the Industrial Park in Cape Charles to Stone Road without using “The Hump Overpass” is expected to be completed by December.

“This project will provide safety improvements and enhance access to the Cape Charles Harbor,” said Paula Miller of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). The road “will consist of two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulders, 4 feet of which will be paved for bicycles and pedestrians.” Chris Isdell, VDOT director on the Eastern Shore, said the road was the top priority of the Northampton Supervisors for their six-year road plan. Construction began in August.
Foodbank Banking on Renovations to Improve Services to Hungry

By Beth Nunnally

For five months, from April to September 2016, the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia in Tasley, operated out of a temporary trailer on its property. “We didn’t miss a beat,” said Foodbank Branch Manager Charmin Horton. “We continued our business and distributed more than a million pounds of food last year, consisting of 937,000 meals to 11,000 individuals.”

The building remodel included increasing warehouse space, upfitting the offices and reception area and removing the thrift store. Horton said they decided the thrift store was not the best use of space, and improving storage and offices was what they needed to carry out their main mission of receiving donations of food and related resources and distributing them to the hungry.

Reaching everyone in need and receiving enough donations are the organization’s two greatest hurdles. There is a lot of need on the Shore. People’s lives change, and they find themselves in need of help. Many of its clients are the elderly, who after working all their lives, find themselves taking care of grandchildren or extended family — expenses they had not planned on, said Horton.

The Foodbank serves both Accomack and Northampton counties with various programs designed to reach different segments of the population, such as the Backpack Program serving children through elementary schools, Mobile Pantry for the homebound, and Community Gardens where volunteers can donate time and knowledge, to name a few.

If you are in need or would like to explore the ways you can help, visit http://foodbankonline.org/ or call 757-787-2557.

Hermitage on the Eastern Shore is now offering, short-term “Respite” stays. If you or a family member are in need of a quick retreat or somewhere to help with Physical Therapy, call Matt Parker, Sales and Marketing Director

757.787.4343
Community College President: New Building Ready for Bid

By Linda Cicoira

The new $18 to $20 million Eastern Shore Community College building is expected to be occupied by mid to late spring 2019, according to the latest report school President Linda Thom-
Shore Swimming Makes Big Waves of Success in Team’s Debut Season

By Krystle Bono

The 2016-17 season marks the competitive launch of the newly founded Shore Swimming team. Last January, Kimberly Wert and Caroline Turner, now seniors at Nandua High School, proposed the idea of a swim team to the Accomack County School Board during a January 2016 meeting. Months later, Shore Swimming began their tenure under the direction of coaches Bryan McElwain and Morgan Johnston.

McElwain, an instructional assistant at Nandua, caught wind that the newly formed team was in need of a coach and felt it was his not only his time to give back to the community, but that his qualifications gave him an opportunity to also help the swimmers learn, improve and achieve success.

As an Onley Skimmer for 14 years, McElwain also was a surf rescue technician, where he lifeguarded in various locations up and down the East Coast oceanfronts.

The team was given a neutral name, considering the members are from not one, but three Accomack County Public Schools; four from Chincoteague High School, four Arcadia High students and 20 athletes from Nandua High make up the 28-person roster.

The team of swimmers found early success, recording their first double victory just three meets into the inaugural season. The boys’ and girls’ teams defeated both Prince William and Appomattox. The squad had nine regular season meets, traveling everywhere from Pocomoke, Md. to as far as Delaware and Farmville.

On Saturday, Feb. 10, the team competed in its first Regionals in Arlington. There were different heats for each event, and the top 10 individual times moved on to the state tournament. Shore Swimming had 10 athletes advance to states; five individual events and three relays.

Chincoteague’s Lauren Johnston got second-place overall in the region for 100-yard butterfly; Johnson also earned third in the 200-yard Individual Medley.

Arcadia’s Mackenzie Lucy grabbed a second-place finish in the 100-yard breaststroke and fifth in the 100-yard freestyle. Nandua’s Carter Harmon finished eighth in the 200-yard individual medley.

Relay teams had to place in the top eight in order to advance to states, and both the girls’ and boys’ teams made the cut and will head to the next level of competition.

(Continued on page 15)
The boys’ relay team, consisting of Caleb Laxton, Billy Kelly, Carter Harmon and Zach Davis, qualified in the 200-yard freestyle relay. The girls’ relay team, represented by Turner, Leah Truitt, Christen Eller, Anna Wallace and alternate Wert, qualified in the 200-yard individual medley relay and the 200-yard freestyle relay.

McElwain’s hope is that others will hear about the team’s success and that will spark interest for members in the future. He also plans to reach out to the middle schools and make parents in the county aware that swimming is now an option in the Accomack public school system. Feeder systems through the local YMCA and Onley Recreation Association Pool are also on his radar.

“The Onley Pool offers a swim team, and the YMCA also has a swim team. Hopefully, we can start a feeder program through our local establishments to start kids swimming, learning and competing early. The team had huge amounts of success the first year. I feel and hope it will only get better in the years following,” explains McElwain.

Practices are held every Monday - Thursday at the YMCA in Onley from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Fridays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. to make it more accommodating for swimmers traveling from schools farther away in the county.

“They are all great kids and tremendous athletes. I was honored to receive the coaching position and it has been a privilege to work with all the students from all three schools. It is extremely rewarding seeing great results from a team who has put in hard work. One thing that I’ve heard many people remark on is how well all the kids from three different schools have worked together as teammates,” reflects McElwain.

The state meet was held Wednesday, Feb. 15, in Christiansburg. Results will be posted in next week’s edition of the Post.

Eastern Shore Street Hockey League (ESSHL) Senior League Game Results

Submitted by Michael Garbacz

Game 1: Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 7, Jim Wert Builder Inc. Penguins 8
Sunday’s action kicked off with an utterly insane tilt featuring 15 total goals and 51 combined shots. A short-handed Pens squad gave a “tough love” welcome to rookie netminder CJ Jones, while also taking a dose of that same medicine in their own end on tired legs.

After jumping out to a substantial lead, the Pens couldn’t prevent The Huntsman and company from clawing their way to a lead in the third period, only to have it snatched away in the dying moments. Nearly every player who stepped on the court enjoyed a multipoint game in this thriller.

Leading the way for the Red Wings, naturally, was Brandon Stapleton, who put up five goals and two assists; Taylor Parks notched a goal and an assist; Steve Sharo scored a goal; Danny Tweedy bagged four helpers; Brad Ford and Adrian Clark picked up two assists; Wes Stapleton had an assist.

For the Pens, Josh LoFaso took home four goals and an assist; Randall Stapleton earned a goal and five assists; Michael Garbacz scored a goal and two assists; Kim Mills had a goal and an assist; Pat Christman tickled the twine once.

Game 2: Eastern Speed Shop Avalanche 2, Blues 0
The pair of teams in the following contest decided to turn in a much less silly hockey game. This time around, the Avs served up a goose egg to the Blueshirts, edging them out in the skill department in a game where real estate was hard to come by. All of the scoring occurred in the first frame, and it was a tense affair thereafter.

Chris Garcia performed the Dance of Joy upon earning the shutout win. Mr. Tease and Garret Baylis had the markers for the Avs; Nate Metzger, Dustin Palo and Bryan Applegate each netted a helper.

Game 3: K&E Marine Capitals 8, Jim Wert Builder Inc. Penguins 1
Running on a short bench, the Pens ran out of gas after two periods. Unfortunately for them, hockey is a three-period game, and they found themselves on the business end of the proverbial frying pan there.

The Caps relentlessly hammered shots on net, to the tune of 39 for the game. The Pens are reportedly hopeful that goalie Guy Parks will report for duty this Sunday. The Pat Trick scored two goals and three assists; Preston Shover was smilin’ like a butcher’s dog after netting a hat trick plus an assist; Justin Wheeler earned a goal and two assists; Ray Schreffler picked up two goals; James Haley had two assists; Cliff Windsor picked up a goal. The Pens managed to spoil Dylan Harrington’s shutout bid on a LoFaso goal; Garbacz had the assist.

Game 4: Eastern Speed Shop Avalanche 5, Branscombe Predators 2
The El-Presidente-less Preds continued to search for their identity against an Avs squad coming in hot after their prior shutout win. The youthful Avs didn’t allow much room for the Preds to operate, playing keep-away and pining them in their own end for stretches. But the Preds fought the good fight, and managed to keep it close until the third, when the Avs busted the dam open.

Jesse West boasted both Preds goals; Guy Shover picked up a helper. All-American sweetheart Le’Andra Sabatino matched that effort with two goals of her own for the Avs in the win; Baylis netted two goals and an assist; Palo found the back of the net once; Applegate had two assists; Metzger rang up two assists. Mr. Tease had a relatively quiet game, picking up a helper.

Game 5: EZ Loan Bruins 7, Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 0
The Bs got down and absolutely medieval on the Wings, who found themselves with a shorter bench after their first game. With the methodical precision of a Swiss clock-maker, the Smooth Criminal and team served up a perfectly prepared soft-boiled goose egg to their counterparts.

Newly minted goalie CJ Jones did the lonely work only a goaltender knows, and kept his head held high throughout the tough affair. On the other end of the rink, veteran Dave Sepelak picked up the shutout win. The Bruins spread the scoring love in this affair; TR Hoyt, Zach Webb and Scott Millikin all picked up two goals and an assist apiece; Dustin Aigner netted a goal; Donnie Williams pocketed two helpers; Jason Johnson earned an assist.

Game 6: Blues 1, K&E Marine Capitals 2
While the first game of the day may have been the most entertaining, the best game of the day was probably this particular tilt. The feisty Blues ran neck-and-neck with the over stuffed skill of the Caps, hanging on to the very end despite being outshot 28-16.

Though the Caps moved the ball with a confidence and smoothness only surpassed by the Bruins, Blues goalie Mark Stapleton was up for the challenge, proving as hard to beat as a goalie can get in the ESSHL. All of the games goals were scored in the second period, with Preston Shover and The Pat Trick each netting a goal for the Caps (Luckenbach also had an assist). Danny Miller found the back of the net for the Blues, with helpers from Jennie Rice and Joe Cornwell.

Game 7: EZ Loan Bruins 7, Branscombe Predators 1
Like a Ferrari racing a Yugo, the Bs blew the doors off of the Preds in this affair, and cruised to an easy win.

Hoyt scored two goals for the Bruins in the win; Millikin scored a goal and two assists; The Smooth Criminal put up a hat trick plus an assist; Johnson scored a goal; Dustin Aigner registered an assist. Guy Shover spoiled Sepelak’s shutout bid by scoring an unassisted goal.

The Senior ESSHL’s next set of games will be held on Sunday, Feb. 19, beginning at 1 p.m., at Stapleton Rink in Parksley.
By Krystle Bono

The Nandua Warriors girls’ basketball club hosted Maggie L. Walker Governor’s School Monday night for the first game in their Conference 33 series. The girls fell, 43-35, to Walker.

Kyteia Smaw threw the team high in points for Nandua with 12. Angel Taylor netted 11; Jada Locklear hooped seven and Shacoria Baines potted five.

Nandua will hit the road to Brunswick for another Conference 33 matchup tonight (Friday) at 5:30 p.m.

The Arcadia Firebirds lost their road conference tilt on Monday night, 53-28, to the Bruton Panthers.

On Tuesday, the Broadwater Vikings defeated the Isle of Wight Chargers in Exmore, 28-23. They headed out of town to battle Alliance Christian Academy Thursday night; results will be published in next week’s edition of the Post.
Across the Shore

By Krystle Bono

Monday night, the Nandua Warriors dropped their home Conference 33 contest to the Bruton Panthers, 73-41.

Leading the boys’ efforts in the loss was Jordan West, who potted 11 points. Jaylen Smith and Brynden Sampson each posted seven and Jashawn Wharton threw six points.

Rounding out the score board for Nandua was Phillips Stamps, who tallied five points; Chris Locklear and Rodrick Bailey posted one point. Smith threw the team-high in 3-pointers with three.

The Warriors will travel to Brunswick tonight (Friday) for another Conference 33 battle.

On Tuesday night, the Broadwater Vikings boys’ varsity fell to their visiting opponent, the Isle of Wight Chargers, 57-52.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets hosted Surry County Wednesday night for the Conference 41 semi-finals in Eastville, where they topped the Cougars, 73-68, for a bid in tonight’s (Friday’s) finals.

Northampton got things rolling pretty quickly with a two-point shot from Jawaun Bell and another two points from Tamaze Brisco in the first 40 seconds of the game. Franklin responded, and after a few successful foul shot attempts, the score rose to 6-3, in favor of the Yellow Jackets.

Bell swished a 3-pointer just under the six-minute mark and by the first timeout whistle, the board read 12-3.

The Cougars threw six points over the next three minutes; Bell netted a free-throw point and with 57 seconds left in the first, the Yellow Jackets brought the score to 15-9 by the end of the initial eight minutes.

By halftime, Northampton led Surry by a 40-28 marker, however, their visiting rival would rise to the occasion and outshoot them by seven points over the remaining 16 minutes.

The Yellow Jackets gripped their lead to the end and stayed on top, 73-68, to earn a spot in the Conference 41 finals against the Franklin Broncos, taking place tonight (Friday). The regional tournament will begin next week.

Bell led the Yellow Jackets in both points and assists, potting 28 and throwing seven helpers. Sheldon Payne followed his scoring lead with 13 points; Antonio Robinson hooped nine and Brisco planted eight points through the twine.

Robinson led Northampton in rebounds, grabbing six; following close behind were Brisco and Keondre Ames, who both rebounded four. Brisco stole a team high of three and also had the second-best assist effort alongside teammate Quai’zal Kellam with three.

By Krystle Bono

Northampton’s Jawaun Bell (1) goes for a two-point basket at Wednesday night’s home contest against Surry.

By Miranda McGregor

Warrior Jashawn Wharton (5) shoots during Nandua’s Conference 33 semi-final game Monday night in Onley, against the Bruton Panthers. The Warriors fell, 73-41. The team will face Brunswick tonight (Friday) for another Conference 33 game.

By Krystle Bono

Broadwater’s Nathan Crumb (50) goes up against Isle of Wight during Tuesday night’s jump ball in Exmore.
By Krystle Bono

The Nandua Warriors and the Arcadia Firebirds competed in the Region 2A East wrestling tournament in Strasburg, last Friday, Feb. 10, and Saturday, Feb. 11. An under-manned Nandua team finished in the 15 spot out of 22. The top four wrestlers in each respective weight class move on to the State Championships.

Jack Schreiber, Nandua’s 126-pound grappler, qualified for the 2017 VHSL 2A Championship by virtue of his second-place finish.

Schreiber won his first round match by pin in 40 seconds over Goochland’s Hunter Thompson, and he won his second round match by pin of 1:20 over Caleb Varner of Page County. Schreiber’s semifinal match was against Cullen Bendel of Buffalo Gap. Bendel entered the match 42-5 for the season and placed in the State Championships in 2016. Schreiber pinned Bendel by a fall time of 2:54.

The win set up a rematch against Joe Paul of Maggie L. Walker; Schreiber and Paul wrestled in the Conference 33 finals the week prior, where Schreiber defeated Paul by pin, 1:59. Paul was able to prevail in the rematch, 5-3, in overtime, defaulting Schreiber to his second-place finish.

Schreiber will wrestle in the State Tournament beginning tonight (Friday) in Salem.

Kenny Valle of Arcadia will join Schreiber at the tournament, as he finished third in the 138-pound weight class. Valle went 3-2 for the tournament.

James Burr of Nandua is an alternate for the State Tournament, as he placed fifth with a record of 3-3. Nandua’s 106 wrestler Kyle Solnowski finished 2-3 for the tournament; Hunter Cobb went 1-2 in the 132 weight class. Matthew Tea- sley and Joe Castiglia went 2-2 at 170 and 220, respectively.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets wrestled in the Region 1A East wrestling tournament last Friday and Saturday at Riverheads High School. As a team, the Yellow Jackets placed second with 164 points, behind Riverheads.

Representing Northampton in the State Tournament this weekend in Salem are Myles Lewis, Taylor Shreaves, Sean Marsh, Gary Peart III, DJ Upshur, Durell Robinson and Masen Ingram.

Lewis took home a first-place finish in the 106-pound bracket, going 4-0 for the weekend after defeating Aaron Miles of Mathews by a fall time of 3:09 to claim the Region 1A Championship.

Robinson finished in the second-place spot at 182 with a 3-1 record. Shreaves, Marsh and Upshur all grabbed third-place spots in their respective weight classes. Ingram earned a fourth-place finish in the 220-pound bracket.

Yellow Jackets Tyrone Cephas (285), Marvielon Holt (195) and Cody Goller (138) all nabbed fifth-place finishes. Devon Johnson earned sixth in the 126-pound weight class.
Annual Nandua High School Softball Camp

The Nandua softball team will hold its annual softball camp at Nandua High School on Saturday, Feb. 25, for players aged 8-12. All ability and skill levels are welcome. There will be a morning session from 9 to noon, and an afternoon session from 1 to 4 p.m. Players can attend both sessions for $35, or either the morning or afternoon session for $20.

Flyers and sign-up forms with more details are available by calling Lynn Williams at 757-710-4242. All proceeds will benefit the Nandua softball program. This will be a great way to shake off those rusty skills and get ready for spring.

North Accomack Little League Registration

North Accomack Little League (NALL) registration is now ongoing. You may register using the following link, https://active.leagueone.com/Olr/Pages/Welcome.aspx?ClubId=13299 or in person in the Chincoteague High School gymnasium during Youth Rec basketball games on Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., starting Feb. 11.

We have divisions for boys and girls from ages 4-16. NALL boundary is from Groton Town Road, north to the state line, and from Saxis to Chincoteague. You must live or attend school within the boundaries to be eligible to play.

For more information, contact Craig McComb at 757-694-7074 or Tony Montross at 757-990-0502.

Little Shooters Hockey at the Y

Sign up today for little shooters hockey at the Y. Hockey is held on Mondays, beginning Feb. 20, at 5:15 p.m. in the youth gymnasium for kids ages 3-6. Your child will learn how to play on a team, about the YMCA core values and they will have a lot of fun. The cost is $35 for members and $45 for prospective members. Call the YMCA for more information at 757-787-5601.

Shore Little League Registration

Registration for Shore Little League is now open. Register before Feb. 16, and get $5 off registration and family maximum. Regular registration is $60 per child and $90 per family. After March 4, late registration begins and it will go up to $70 per child and $100 per family. Visit http://shorelittleleague.org to register.

Spring Training for Eastern Shore Junior Rifle Team

It is time to get geared up for our 2017 season with the Eastern Shore’s only Junior Service Rifle Team. This exacting sport builds self control, attention to detail, and self confidence. Girls and women are fully represented in this sport and on our team!

For prospective members aged 14 or over, the first requirement is to report to Spring Training Day session one on Mar. 11, at noon. The second Spring Training Day will be March 18.

Bring the following items to Spring Training: long pants, sturdy shoes or boots, long-sleeved shirt, and a regular jacket or coat, a billed hat, glasses if required for everyday activities or for reading; pen and notebook.

We will provide cookies, soft drinks, ear protection, eye protection, rifles, ammo, training, new friends and fun. If you have friends ages 13-16 who would like to come along please bring them; they are welcome to attend Spring Training. Adults are welcome too, but must pay for their own ammo and cookies.

Any questions, call 757-442-3013.

Accomack Parks and Recreation Games

Accomack Parks and Recreation Basketball games that were scheduled to be held at Nandua High School on Saturday, Feb. 18, will be held at Arcadia High School beginning at 9:30 a.m. Donation for the games is $1.

9:30 a.m. - Knights 1 vs. Hornets (ages 5-8)
10:30 a.m. - ACPR Heat vs. ACPR Wizards (ages 5-8)
11:30 a.m. - ACPR Lakers 1 vs. Celtics (ages 9-12)
12:30 p.m. - ACPR Celtics 2 vs. ACPR Lakers 2 (ages 9-12)
1:30 p.m. - ACPR Knights 2 vs. ACPR Cavaliers (ages 9-12)
2:30 p.m. Braves vs. Nandua Middle (ages 13-15)

Accomack Parks and Recreation Cheerleaders will also meet Saturday at Arcadia High School from 11 a.m. to noon for practice and from noon to 1:30 for cheer. Cheerleaders should wear their purple and white uniforms.

Don’t forget your fundraiser order and money is due Saturday, Feb. 18. For additional information, contact 787-3900, 824-0314, 710-1947, or 678-2137.

Inaugural Friends of Shore Little League Oyster Roast

Shore Little League will host its Friends of Shore Little League Oyster Roast in Exmore Town Park March 11, at 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets are available at http://friendsofssl.org
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Christo  Nenê  Suharto  Yanni
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20  Nest and trim  55 Steed
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23  Egyptian river's condition?  60 Decide on
25  "Howards End" novelist  64 Bureaucracy
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by Linda Thistle

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Harborton’s Havens: A Local “Treasure” Shows Off His Town

By Bill Sterling

The assignment, though not simple, seemed to be a brief task.

I was asked by an old newspaper friend, Bill Sherrod, now the editor of A&N Electric Cooperative Living, to take a photo of 1952 Olympic gold medalist Frank Havens, of Harborton, for an upcoming cover of the magazine. The story already had been written by Priscilla Knight, who knew the now 92-year-old Havens from his days in the Washington Canoe Club on the Potomac River.

As luck would have it, this Sunday in December is a beautiful day with temperatures reaching the 70s. I had called Havens a couple of days earlier, and we agreed to meet at noon. In a clear, jocular voice, he said he thought he would have finished off a pile of oysters his son had left him by then.

I find him in an easy chair reading the Sunday newspaper with a news program on the TV. “Like Mark Twain said, I always like to read the obituaries to make sure I am not in there,” says Havens with a twinkle.

That starts an hour of conversation sprinkled with lighthearted comments and remembrances from Havens’ amazing life. Years ago, I had written stories about Havens, particularly in Olympic years, but this day I take no notes since I am not writing a story, only hoping to take a photo suitable for a magazine cover.

Havens’ story has been told by many, including Emmy-award-winning filmmaker Bud Greenspan. But it always bears repeating because rarely does a story come full circle in such a poignant manner as this narrative.

Frank’s father, Bill Havens, was the top-seeded member of a four-man crew that qualified for the 1924 Olympics in Paris. But when the ship left with Team USA for France, Bill Havens stayed behind to be with his wife, who was expecting their second child. The U.S. crew team, which included Bill Havens’ brother, Bud, won medals in six events: three gold, one silver and two bronze.

Four days after those Olympic events concluded, Bill Havens’ wife gave birth to their second son, Frank.

Twenty-eight years later, Frank Havens was in Helsinki, Finland, competing in the 1952 Olympics in the solo, 10,000-meter canoe race. Frank Havens took the gold, setting a new world record of 57.41. He remains the only American to have won an Olympic gold medal in a solo single-blade race.

After the race, Frank Havens sent his father a telegram stating, “Dear Dad, thanks for waiting around for me to get born in 1924. I’m coming home with the gold medal you should have won. Your loving son, Frank.” He presented his father with the medal when he arrived back in the States.

As great as that memory was, on this day Havens recalls with a touch of sadness that his late brother, Bill Havens Jr., was supposed to be in Helsinki as well, competing with him in tandem events. “We had already beaten the teams we would be facing in the Olympics,” explains Havens, “but Bill severed tendons in his hand while helping a teacher free her car that was stuck in the snow.”

More than an hour into the visit, I raise the camera for the first time and suggest we go to the creek to shoot some photos. Havens walks with the use of a cane, but gets around town easily on a golf cart. Last fall he was in the news when a thief stole his cart from his yard. A local business came to the rescue and donated a new cart. Havens says it is an upgrade from his previous cart, which was later discovered at the bottom of the nearby creek.

Havens has a method for entering his canoe that involves straddling a board before seating himself. It takes a few minutes, but once he has the paddle in his hands, he guides the canoe like the champion he is. In addition to competing in the Olympics, which included four in all, Havens won 10 national championships in canoeing.

Havens won a silver medal in the 1948 Olympics held in war-torn London. After winning his gold medal in 1952, he did not medal in the 1956 or 1960 games. “I had no business going to the 1960 Olympics when I was 36 years old, but who can resist Rome?” asks Havens with a smile.

Still competing at the age of 61, Havens won eight gold medals in the Masters Games in Toronto in 1985, with his brother, Bill Jr., earning two golds, two silvers and a bronze. Frank purchased a house in Harborton with his now-late wife, Kay, that same year. Now in his 90s, he paddles a mile each day when the weather cooperates.

With the photo session done, Havens asks me if I am in a hurry to leave. Enjoying his company — by now he is calling me “Big Guy” — I say I am up for whatever he has in mind. Thus begins a whirlwind tour of Harborton, an historic town on Pungoteague Creek, whose first settler arrived in 1678.

The first stop is the art studio of Jane Hornsby Hall. Havens points out one scene on the wall, saying it reminds him of a nearby location where he used to enjoy hunting. When Hall says she had attended Atlantic High School, I make the connection to her father, the late Bev Hornsby, a pharmacist and longtime member of the Accomack Board of Supervisors. I remember him as friendly and always helpful to a young reporter. Jane’s husband, Clay, and I talk about waterfowling of the past. Many of Jane’s scenes are landscapes of nearby natural areas.

Jane says, “Frank is a treasure. I’ve contacted Steve Hartman of CBS to do a feature on him for their ‘On the Road’ pieces.”

With cheery goodbyes and hugs, Havens says it is time to get back on his cart and continue the tour of the town. Along the way, he greets everyone he sees, including the pets, by name or maybe a nickname he has created. The next stop is another artist, Kitty Roberts, who this fine day is painting, only it is her kitchen. Her small dog jumps in the cart and greets Havens like an old friend.

For a town of less than 200 people, Harborton is rich with artists. In addition to Hall and Roberts, Jenny Budd, Lisa Harlow and Helen Bongiovanni are also artists. And Doris Tosi, a close friend of Havens, paints gourds.

As the tour continues with Havens’ golf cart, the only moving vehicle on the
town’s main road at this hour of the day, we breeze past the waterfront as Havens points out several stately homes and informs me who lives in each.

On the backside of town, I notice the Harborton History Museum, of which I was not aware. He asks if I want to see it. I say I would, but it appears closed on this Sunday afternoon.

“No to you and me, it isn’t,” says Havens in a confident manner, tooling up to the front door.

A knock on the door brings Mary Ellen Belote to the entrance with a warm greeting. She was the postmistress in Harborton for 49 years, and one end of her house where the post office was once located is now a museum. Her son, Douglas, is the curator, having collected artifacts related to Harborton and the area. He also built models of many old Harborton buildings and produced a replica of the ferry to Richmond sign for the museum.

“I was showing some items from Harborton at yard sales,” says Doug Belote, “and people seemed interested in them, so when the post office moved next door, I started the museum here last June.”

Belote says his favorite item is a boiler-plate from the old fish factory that burned on the water’s edge in 1919. “I found it in the creek and pulled it up,” says Belote.

Area residents have donated objects for the museum too, including the torch Havens carried prior to the 1996 Summer Olympics. There’s also a plaque detailing Havens’ Olympic story and his gold medal win.

For Belote, it is a labor of love, entirely self-funded with the help of small donations from visitors. The Harborton History Museum is open one day a week, Saturday, from 2-5 p.m. year-round.

Leaving the museum, we complete a circuitous route of the town and arrive back at Havens’ house, near the entrance of Harborton. We connect the golf cart to the charger and make our way to the steps, some three hours after I first arrived at his front door.

“If it’s OK with you, Big Guy,” says Havens, “I am going to watch some football and fall asleep in my easy chair.”

I ease out of town glad that I had re-connected with such a remarkable man who took time to show me his delightful village, Harborton.

New ESPL Youth Services Librarian

The Eastern Shore Public Library (ESPL) recently hired Janice Felker as the new Youth Services Librarian. This new position is responsible for coordinating youth literacy programs for the four libraries in Accomac, Cape Charles, Chincoteague, and Nassawadox. These programs include the Summer Reading Programs, a new Winter Reading Program, STEM resource hubs, and some new initiatives.

Felker will be meeting with literacy leaders and educators to plan library priorities for providing the Eastern Shore’s children with vibrant, relevant programs and promoting the many library resources available to help their education. She will be collaborating with and supporting the initiatives of other literacy and education providers, such as Healthy Communities, HeadStart, and our local schools.

Felker most recently worked as librarian at Broadwater Academy and previously in the Suffolk Public Library System. Also known locally as co-owner of Mattawoman Creek Farms, Felker earned her Masters in Library Science from Catholic University. Her office will be co-located in Accomac and Nassawadox libraries.

Educators and literacy providers can reach Felker at youthservices@espl.lib.va.us or call the Accomac library at (757) 787-3400. Upcoming children’s programs can be viewed at the library’s website at www.espl.org or by calling the library.

Amateur Radio Club Puts out “All-Call”

By Connie Morrison

Earl Rush remembers the allure of ham radio equipment in his uncle’s basement on the outskirts of Baltimore. The homemade equipment, coupled with his uncle’s ability to talk with people in far-away places, was entrancing — and long before the internet and cell phones were in use.

“He made an amplifier that just about heated the whole room,” said Rush, adding, “but he never caught anything on fire.”

Those memories are part of what drew him to the Eastern Shore Amateur Radio Club following retirement.

The club will be broadcasting live to other amateur radio stations from the 2017 Heritage Celebration at the Eastern Shore Community College on Feb. 25. It will serve as a demonstration of the club’s dual purposes of a hobby and backup emergency communications, says club member Eric Dodge.

“We provide the last source of communication when everything else has gone down,” said Dodge.

The group has placed radios in all of the school emergency shelters. The radios can talk to each other and with the emergency operations centers. During annual Field Day, members staff an emergency station at a public location making contacts around the country with thousands of other Field Day operations over a 24-hours to a test equipment and connections.

Repeaters are used repeat radio signals and are the means by which signals are passed along.

The trailer from which the group will broadcast at the Heritage Celebration is portable enough to be taken anywhere in the county, Dodge said, and it can communicate across the Bay, which could be crucial during an emergency.

Rush hopes that the demonstration during Heritage Days will accomplish two purposes: “Public awareness and recruitment of new members.”

While Rush has only been a member for about a year, Dodge said that was not the case for most members. “Most of us got our licenses when we were teenagers.”

The club’s youngest member is Zach Brenner, who just received his license. The license is issued by FCC and club members are willing to assist members who wish to seek licensing.

If you go...• 2017 Heritage Celebration • Saturday, Feb. 25, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. • Free to the public; more than 70 exhibitors will be on hand.

Ken Sterling in the interior of Accomack County Amateur Radio Club’s portable broadcast trailer.

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Visitors Explore Fisherman Island in Annual Limited Open Season

**Article and Photos Submitted**

*By Max Lonzanida*

Most of us know Fisherman Island as the small, southernmost island when driving south to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Visitors might not even notice it, and its 1,600 acres of prime untouched wildlife habitat are easily gone with the blink of an eye. The island is easy to miss when travelling at 55 mph. What many don’t know is that the island is operated by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service as a National Wildlife Refuge. Due to the sensitive nature of birding habitats that the island hosts, it is closed from March through October each year. The island hosts roughly 600 visitors annually during the open season, and only during special tours.

Visitors from nearby Virginia Beach took advantage of those special tours Jan. 20 and Jan. 21 when the refuge hosted the annual Winter Wildlife Festival. The festival is hosted by the Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation Department, and each year tours to the island and nearby Kiptopeke State Park quickly book to capacity months in advance. The festival aims to get urbanites outside, even in the cold and uncooperative weather, to experience the outdoors and nearby rural areas such as Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge and Kiptopeke State Park. Fisherman Island did not disappoint for both days, and the weather brought a light drizzle of rain and fog during both tours. This did not stop refuge volunteers Jack Humphreys, Kathy Fountaine and Bob Toner from putting on a memorable tour.

Fisherman Island is no stranger to visitors. During the late 1800s, it hosted an immigration quarantine station for ships heading to Washington, D.C. and Baltimore, Md. During World War II, it was a portion of Port John Custis and was home to roughly 150 soldiers of the Coast Defense Artillery Corps that manned the 6-inch guns, 90 mm guns, and various observation towers to protect the Chesapeake Bay. In fact, the island has an intact artillery bunker, a gun pit, a buried mine casemate, and rusting marston mats as remnants of military activity.

After the war, the island served the military until 1967, when it was formally turned over to the U.S. Department of Interior as part of Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge. In 1984, the island became part of the newly formed Eastern Shore of Virginia National Wildlife Refuge. After its establishment as a refuge, the island quickly became one of 12,000 sites worldwide to be recognized as an Important Bird and Biodiversity Area by the National Audubon Society. This is due in main part to the American oystercatchers, piping plovers, ospreys, northern harriers, turkey vultures, American bald eagles, and even the occasional white-tailed deer that call the island home.

Year-round bird residents, along with migrating waterfowl such as buffleheads, surf scoters and great blue herons took center stage during the tours. Visitors were treated to turkey vultures flying in droves overhead, countless yellow-rumped warblers in the scrub brush, and a pair of curious white-tailed deer. Throughout the tour, refuge volunteers pointed out the plethora of shells such as knobbed whelk, oysters, lightning whelk, and bay scallop shells. Volunteers also discussed the importance of salt marsh, oyster reef and sea grass conservation efforts, and pointed out some of the holly trees and eastern cottonwood trees growing on the island.

A stop at the infamous show and smell area brought visitors face to face with various pieces of marine debris that Park Ranger Max Lonzanida pulled from the beach; including dozens of wooden crab bushels, derelict crab pots, pieces of fishing buoys, a duck decoy, American sturgeon carcasses, turtle ribs, buckets, and even lumps of coal. The tour stopped to point out the entrances to the World War II bunkers that once protected the lower Chesapeake Bay, and finally concluded with a walk on the beach. This beach treated visitors to vistas of both spans of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel and an opportunity to pick up shells.

At the conclusion of both tours, visitors boarded the school bus back to Virginia Beach with cameras full of pictures, minds full of memories that only this remote island can produce, and ear-to-ear grins after experiencing something only a National Wildlife Refuge can bring.

Max Lonzanida is the visitor services park ranger at the Eastern Shore of Virginia National Wildlife Refuge, part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service near Kiptopeke.

Exmore Adds Wi-Fi to Town Park

With an ongoing focus on providing more amenities and services for its residents, Exmore announced the recent installation of broadband wireless internet in the town park on Main Street.

The broadband, provided free, courtesy of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority, is accessible from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

“Improving the experience of living, working and playing in Exmore is central to everything we do,” said Mayor Doug Greer. “Special thanks to the ESVA Broadband Authority for making it possible for us to add high-speed broadband to the town park. This levels the playing field for many individuals, who might not have access to reliable internet service otherwise, including students.”

Park facilities continue to expand. This spring, Exmore will cut the ribbon on a multi-use building. The 36-foot x 60-foot structure, equipped with electrical outlets and retractable doors, will be available for use by individuals and organizations, based by reservations. An adjacent 16-foot by 20-foot performance stage is receiving final touches.

“We invite everyone to come out and enjoy Exmore and test our broadband,” Greer added. “The park is equipped with benches and picnic tables for those who want to work or study.”

For more information, visit [www.exmore.org](http://www.exmore.org) or follow Exmore on Facebook.
By Jay Diem

A group of performers brought opera, with a black history lesson, to students and Hermitage residents this week.


The short play featured a selection of spirituals and arias Anderson sang, intertwined with prose about the singer’s life and professional struggles. Anderson is regarded as one of the most celebrated black singers of the twentieth century. The performances were presented by Arts Council of the Eastern Shore.

Tesia Kwarteng played the role of Marian Anderson who gives a student working on a history paper a brief lesson on her life.

Originally the Herndon Foundation Emerging Artists performed “An Afternoon of Opera & Broadway” on Sunday at Nandua High School. The opera singers involved with “Deep River” were able to give an encore performance at the Hermitage the next day.

Arts council board member Joseph Betit said the goal of the performances are to expose youth to the classical arts to help establish an appreciation at an earlier age.

“Our young people here won’t get exposed to it until they go off to college,” Betit said. “We’re bringing the arts to the young folks firsthand so they can touch it.”

In addition, the performances give students exposure to expanded possibilities in the world of music and performing arts.

“We want to make more people aware of not just the music itself, but opportunities in music,” said arts council member Janet Rochester who attended the Hermitage performance.

The program had grant funding from anonymous donors originally from the Eastern Shore, now living in Newport News, who want to sponsor Virginia Opera youth events.

A complete list of upcoming Arts Council of the Eastern Shore sponsored events can be found at the non-profit’s website www.acesva.org

The Virginia Opera’s Tesia Kwarteng performs a song as opera singer Marian Anderson, pictured at right, during a presentation of “Deep River: Marian Anderson’s Journey,” a short play with opera performed at Hermitage on the Eastern Shore for residents there and home school students on Monday.

The Virginia Opera’s Kyle Oliver sings during a presentation of “Deep River: Marian Anderson’s Journey” at Hermitage on the Eastern Shore.
Chocolate Tart Recipe
by Nancy Stephan of Onancock

Ingredients:
- 11/2 cups gingersnap crumbs
- 6 TBSP. butter, melted
- 3 TBSP. powdered sugar
- 1 3/4 cups heavy cream
- 15 oz. chopped bittersweet chocolate
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- Whipped Cream and Chocolate Shavings or Strawberries to Garnish (Optional)

Stir together:
1 1/2 cups gingersnap crumbs
6 TBSP. butter, melted
3 TBSP. powdered sugar

Firmly press crumb mixture onto sides and bottom of a 9-inch tart pan.
Bake 8 to 9 minutes at 350 degrees. Cool at least 30 minutes.
Bring to a boil 1 3/4 c. heavy cream.
In food processor, finely grind 15 oz. chopped bittersweet chocolate. Please note: you really want the highest quality chocolate. It makes a huge difference.
With food processor running, pour hot cream and 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract in a steady stream into the chocolate.
Process until smooth. Stop to scrape down sides as needed.
Pour chocolate mixture into cooled gingersnap crust.
Chill a minimum of 3 hours.

Choose your garnish. I do just a dollop of fresh whipped cream (barely sweetened with a touch of powdered sugar) with a sprinkle of chocolate shavings. Strawberry garnish is another possibility.
This will serve 8, possibly more. It is so rich that folks might want a nice smaller piece.

Triple-Layer Chocolate-Glazed Cheesecake Recipe:

Servings 12 to 16:

Ingredients
- 2 Oreo pie crusts
- 2 (8 oz.) packages cream cheese, softened and divided
- 3 large eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 oz. semi-sweet chocolate baking squares, melted and slightly cooled
- 1/3 C. sour cream, divided
- 1/3 C. packed dark brown sugar
- 1 tsp. all-purpose flour
- 1/4 C. chopped pecans (optional)
- 5 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 tsp. almond or vanilla extract

Chocolate Glaze
- 6 oz. semi-sweet chocolate baking squares
- 1/4 C. butter or 1/4 c margarine
- 3/4 C. sifted powdered sugar
- 2 tsp. water
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract

In a bowl, combine one 8-ounce package cream cheese, brown sugar and flour; beat until fluffy.
Add 1 egg and 1/4 teaspoon vanilla; beat well.
Stir in remaining egg; beat well.
Spoon mixture evenly into each of the chocolate crusts.

In another bowl, combine remaining 8-ounce package cream cheese, brown sugar and flour; beat until fluffy.
Add in 1 egg and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla; beat well.
Stir in pecans (if using); spoon mixture over chocolate layer.

In another bowl, combine 5 ounces cream cheese and remaining 1/4 cup sugar; beat until fluffy.
Add in remaining egg; beat well.
Stir in remaining 1 cup sour cream, 1/4 teaspoon vanilla and almond or vanilla extract.
Spoon over pecan layer.

Bake in a 325° oven for 35 min. Turn oven off and leave cheesecake in oven 15 minutes. Open oven door and leave cheesecake in oven for another 15 minutes.
Cool; then cover and chill at least 8 hours. Spread warm glaze on top.

To make chocolate glaze: Melt chocolate and butter gradually in microwave until chocolate is melted and smooth, stirring occasionally.
Stir in remaining ingredients until smooth.
Spread warm glaze over cheesecake.

(Recipe adapted “Southern Living Annual Recipes,” 1990)
Belle Haven & Parksley

The Arc of the Eastern Shore will host Lucy Cantrell to discuss Medicaid waivers on Wednesday, March 8, at Eastern Shore Behavioral Health Care Center, 19056 Greenbush Rd., in Parksley, from 10 a.m. to noon, and at The Office of Prevention Services, 15150 Merry Cat Ln., in Belle Haven, from 4 to 6 p.m. RSVPs are appreciated. Call Pat at 757-442-3933.

Berlin, Md.

Worcester Prep upper school students will perform the musical, “The Addams Family,” at the school’s athletics and performing arts center, on Friday, Feb. 24, and Saturday, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. For ticket information, email info@orchestraes.org

Chincoteague

The Chincoteague American Legion Post 159 will host a steamed shrimp and clams dinner at 4023 Main St., on Friday, Feb. 17, from 5 to 7 p.m. Carry-out will be available after 6:30 p.m., supplies permitting. For more information visit www.chincoteaguelegion159.org/site/eventscalendar

Onley

The Book Bin and the Historic Onley Train Station are offering a contest for children and adults to create a diorama or 3D illustration of a favorite book. There are three entry levels: grades 5 through 8, high school and adults age 18 and older. First place is $100 for each level; second place is $50; third place is $25; gift certificates will also be rewarded.

Examples are on display at the Book Bin and the train station. Model train scales are used to help determine the size of the illustration.

Submissions must be dropped off at the Book Bin by March 25. For a full list of contest rules, stop by either business. For questions or concerns, call 757-787-7866 or 757-787-8002.

CERT Winter Training Offered

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training is available to Eastern Shore residents beginning Tuesday, March 7. The CERT training program prepares citizens to take a more active role in emergency preparedness. CERT training gives the basic skills needed immediately following a major disaster. Participants will learn about disaster preparedness and response, basic fire safety, first aid, search and rescue techniques and terrorism preparedness. Students will have a chance to win door prizes at the conclusion of the class. All students will receive a backpack filled with emergency supplies.

The 20.5 hour free program consists of both lecture and practical exercises. The class will be held on March 7, 14, 16 and 21, from 6 to 10 p.m., and March 23 from 5:30 to 10 p.m., at the Eastern Shore Regional Fire Training Center, 28598 Beacon Rd., Melfa. Participants must attend all sessions to receive credit. Class size is limited to 30, with a minimum of 10. For more information, call J.J. Justis at 757-302-4267.

HAD A FELONY? COMPLETED PROBATION/ PAROLE? WANT TO VOTE?

Governor McAuliffe’s April 22, 2016 Executive Order restored the right to vote for all individuals who as of April 22 had completed the terms of their incarceration and any periods of supervised release (probation or parole) for ANY and ALL felony convictions.

Since the April 22 Executive Order, the Governor issues monthly orders restoring rights to persons who have completed the terms of their incarceration and any periods of supervised release (probation or parole) since April 22, 2016.

If you or someone you know wants to register to vote, please call Gerald Boyd at 757-656-3460.

Painter

The Beekeepers Guild of the Eastern Shore is offering a beginning beekeeping class at the Virginia Tech Agricultural Research and Extension Center on 33446 Research Dr., on Saturday, March 4, and Saturday, March 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The $25 fee includes course registration, textbook, course materials, refreshments and open hive day experience, and a three-month membership in the guild. For more information, call Chris or Linda at 757-442-7767.

Sheriff’s Office Offers Scholarship

Accomack County Sheriff Todd E. Godwin announced that he is accepting applications for the Virginia Sheriff’s Institute (VSI) Scholarship Program. The VSI program provides an opportunity for young people in Virginia to pursue and educational curriculum in law enforcement or criminal justice. Applicants must be 18 and older must provide a copy of their voter registration card. Students under 18 are required to provide a copy of their picture ID with proof of residency.

For a complete list of requirements, students interested for the 2017/18 school year should contact Karen Barrett at 757-787-1131. Applications may be obtained from the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office, in Accomac, from their guidance counselor, or from the website www.vasherriffsinstitute.org The deadline for all applications to be submitted to the sheriff’s office is April 7 by 5 p.m.

Send your news tips to
Linda Cicoira at shoredog@verizon.net
Eric and Joni White, of Parksley, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alison E. White, to Mickey A. Parks, son of Helen and the late Bache Parks, of Onancock.

White received a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health from Old Dominion University and is currently attending Gene W. Hirschfeld’s School of Dental Hygiene. Parks is the owner of Mickey Parks Custom Homes Construction and is a Class A contractor on the Eastern Shore.

A June wedding is planned.
### Seminar: Crazy for Cacao
- ESCC, Melfa
- 3:30 p.m.
- Pocomoke Library - ages 8 and up

### Dance & Entertainment Center, Onancock
- 7:30 p.m.
- Sunset Beach Resort Inn, Chincoteague - $10/ticket

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Church, Onancock
- 6 p.m.
- Elk’s Lodge, Tasley
- 6 p.m.
- Sage Diner, Onley

### Lecture
- 7:45 p.m.
- Kiwanis Club of Accomack County
- Seaside Rd., Exmore - 442-6391

### Drop-In Art - Ward Museum, Salisbury - 410-742-4988
- 10 a.m.
- Downtown Chincoteague - 336-3434

### Bingo
- 7 p.m.
- Downtown Chincoteague - 336-3434

### Food for the Hungry
- 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Epworth UMC, 4158 Free Meals for the Hungry
- 5:30-7 p.m.
- Grace UMC, Parksley

### Church Anniversary
- 3 p.m.
- St. Paul AME Church, 30118 Bobtown Rd., Pungoteague

### Gospel Jewels Featuring Resurrection in Concert
- 3 p.m.
- New Allen Memorial AME Church, 7026 Bayside Rd., Exmore

### Gerry & Entertainment Center, Onancock
- 7:30 p.m.
- Kiptopeke - $10/ticket

### Beatle Fest
- 7:30 p.m.
- Sunset Beach Resort Inn, Chincoteague - $10/ticket

### Meal
- 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Grace and Truth Ministries, carry-out quarts of chowder:
- $8/quart

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Elk’s Lodge, Tasley

### AA & Al-Anon. mtgs.
- RSMH, Nassawadox

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Belle Haven UMC - 442-3984

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Elk’s Lodge, Tasley

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Pocomoke Library, next to YMCA

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Sage Diner, Onley

### Bingo
- 6 p.m.
- Market St. UMC, Onancock

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Northampton County is accepting applications for Full-time and Part-time Emergency Medical Technicians in the Emergency Medical Services Department.

Applicant must possess the following: Commonwealth of Virginia - Department of Health Emergency Medical Technician certification, Advanced Life Support Certification preferred, valid VA Driver’s License with good driving record, Emergency Vehicle Operators Course, Hazardous Materials Awareness. Criminal Background checks are a requirement with this position.

Please refer to Northampton County’s website online at www.co.northampton.va.us/jobs.html or an application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office. Completed application form, cover letter, copies of current certifications, and copy of DMV driving record can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347, no later than February 20, 2017. Northampton County is an EOE.

The Sheriff’s Office of Northampton County is accepting employment applications for:

**Jail Medic**

This position will be working in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and the job will require shift work, days, nights, weekends, holidays, and required to be on call at times.

Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED. Applicant must possess at a minimum the following: LPN or higher certifications preferred with work experience or EMT B and higher preferred with work experience.

Applications may be obtained in person from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Homes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or ESRJ applications are also available online at www.co.northampton.va.us


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**POSITION VACANCY**

The County of Northampton is accepting applications for a County Administrator. A bachelor’s degree in public administration or a related field is required, a master’s degree highly desirable. A minimum of five years of public-management experience as chief administrative officer or in a responsible local-government position required. Past experience of the individual must demonstrate familiarity in areas that include planning, public administration, finance, human-resources management and public relations. Experience in successfully balancing commercial and residential growth in a rural area is an important consideration.

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The Executive Director serves and assists the leadership of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce, including the Chairman of the Board, Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Chamber committees in the development and implementation of policies, budgets, programs, events and activities to serve, promote and connect businesses and communities on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. In addition, the Executive Director will work with business owners, employers, residents and community visitors to promote area businesses and support economic sustainability.

The Chamber is looking for an experienced candidate with both visionary and management skills that immediately instills confidence in the members, community and staff. The successful candidate will be enthusiastic and outgoing and have experience in administration, supervision of staff, facilities management, finance, development & fundraising, strategic planning, building partnerships and community outreach. The ability to delegate responsibilities and create a climate of teamwork and accountability is also needed.

Must have at least a bachelor’s degree, prefer advanced degree. Strong computer skills are required, with experience in Microsoft Office products (Word, Excel and PowerPoint at minimum) and social media platforms.

This is a full-time position with benefits. To apply, please send resume & letter of interest to Steve Mallette, Search Committee Chairman, PO Box 119, Locustville, VA 23404 or email 2conserve@verizon.net by noon on Tuesday, February 21, 2017.
Help Wanted (Cont’d)

INSTALL & SERVICE TECH HELPER
Harris Gas Service is looking for an Install & Service Tech Helper. No experience needed. Must be willing to learn, able to pass a drug test and have a clean driving record. Apply within at Harris Gas Service, 34446 Lancaster Hwy., Painter, VA.

BROADWATER ACADEMY
Broadwater Academy is seeking applications for the Director of Academic Affairs. The position will be responsible for the totality of the instructional program Pre-K through Grade 12. These responsibilities will entail leadership, implementation, and evaluation of instructional personnel and programs in conjunction with the Head of School. Qualifications must include: A Master’s degree in education specializing in curriculum, supervision, or management is required. A doctoral degree with specialization in curriculum develop and management of educational programs is preferred. At least five of teaching experience is required. A minimum of three years of experience in school administration and supervision of instructional programs is preferred. Demonstrated interest in combining training and experience providing the requisite skills, knowledge, and abilities will be considered. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter and resume with three references to jsapagno@broadwateracademy.org. Deadline to apply for this position is March 13, 2017.

911 Communications Officer
The Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Commission is now accepting applications for 9-1-1 Communications Officers for immediate part-time openings and potentially for future full-time openings. The qualified applicant will work rotating shifts, including weeknights, weekends, and holidays, as well as fill in as needed. Communications Officers are responsible for answering 9-11 calls, verifying the callback number and address of the emergency, determining the nature of the emergency and transferring the call or dispatching the appropriate emergency response unit as required, as well as other associated duties.

Minimum qualifications are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in keyboarding or typing. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions, act quickly and efficiently during emergencies, and operate complex telecommunications equipment. Desirable qualifications include two years experience in law enforcement, fire, or emergency medical services, and/or public safety dispatching. Applicants selected for employment will be subject to a criminal history background investigation and drug screening.

Applications may be obtained at the Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Communications Center, 23201 Front St., P.O. Box 337, Accomac, Va. 23301 or by visiting www.esva911.org. Completed applications are due by 3 p.m., February 22nd, 2017. The ESVA 9-1-1 Commission is an equal opportunity employer.

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PUBLIC AUCTION
Nandua Mini Storage
Sat., February 18, 2017
Tasley, Va. 11 a.m.
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#22 Ronessa Macker
#42 Millicent Battle
#80 Valerie Brown
#104 Doris Specker
#135 Fursha Dixon
#137 Barbara Davis

PALACIOS CORPORATION, Trading as EL RANCHITO MEXICAN STORE, 21359 S. Bayside Rd., Cape Charles, Northampton County, Virginia 23310-3502
The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine and Beer Off Premises-7 day license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.
Adela S. Montalvo, 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.

ORDERED that any unknown statutory beneficiaries of Decedent, pursuant to the provisions of Section 8.01-53 A (i) of the Code of Virginia, if any, are hereby made defendants in this matter under the general description of “parties unknown” pursuant to §8.01-316(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and it is
ORDERED that the parties unknown, against whom this Order of Publication is entered shall appear and protect their interests in the Circuit Court for Northampton County, Virginia, on or before March 20, 2017 at 9:15 a.m., said date being no sooner than fifty (50) days after the entry of this Order of Publication.

ORDERED that any unknown statutory beneficiaries of the Decedent, if any, have a potential interest in the Estate of Elton Lynwood Trower, deceased, it is
WHEREFORE, it appearing to the Court that Margaret C. Trower, Colonial Trower, Elletia T. Fisher, Elton Trower Jr., Roxanne Trower Fisher, Lynwood Trower, Alpheus Trower, Joseph Trower, Jason Trower, Felicia Trower, the known statutory beneficiaries of the Decedent and the aforesaid unknown statutory beneficiaries of the Decedent, if any, have a potential interest in the Estate of Elton Lynwood Trower, deceased, it is

IN RE: ESTATE OF ELTON LYNNWOOD TROWER, DECEASED
CASE NO.: CL17000012-00
ORDER OF PUBLICATION-CASE NO.: CL17000012-00
ON THIS DAY CAME Government Employees Insurance Company (“GEICO”), by counsel, on its Petition Seeking Court Approval of a Compromise Settlement of Elton Lynwood Trower, Deceased, (“Decedent”), pursuant to the provisions of Section 8.01-53 A (i) of the Code of Virginia, as designated and described in that certain “DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OF SUNSET BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM,” Tax Map No.: 030-A5-35-00-0115-00

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE
6321 CAPTAIN’S LANE, UNIT 115
CHINCOTEAGUE, VIRGINIA 23336
Parcel ID No.: 030A53500011500
By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Verified Lien from Sunset Bay South Condominium Association, dated, May 12, 2016 and recorded as Instrument No. 160002904 in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, with an original principal balance of $2,335.45 the holder of the indebtedness secured by said Lien having appointed as Trustee DOUGLAS E. KAHLE, ESQ., by instrument duly executed, acknowledged and delivered, default having occurred under the terms thereof, and at the written request of the party secured thereby, the Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Circuit Court of ACCOMACK COUNTY, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Acomac, Virginia 23301-0126 on
MARCH 3, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM, made by Sunset Bay LLC, dated March 9, 2007 and recorded March 12, 2007, in the Clerk’s Office for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, as Instrument Number 2007041300, as amended by a certain AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 to DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OF SUNSET BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM (PHASE 1), dated November 13, 2007, and recorded on November 15, 2007 in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 2007041301, as further amended by a certain AMENDMENT NUMBER 2 TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OF SUNSET BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM (PHASE 2), dated March 9, 2007, and recorded on March 12, 2007, in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 2007041302, as further amended by a certain AMENDMENT NUMBER 3 TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OF SUNSET BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM (PHASE 3), dated September 13, 2007, and recorded on February 15, 2008 in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 200800789, as further amended by a certain AMENDMENT NUMBER 4 TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OF SUNSET BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM (PHASE 4) dated August 29, 2008, and recorded on September 15, 2008, in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 200800790, as further amended by a certain AMENDMENT NUMBER 5 TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OF SUNSET BAY SOUTH CONDOMINIUM dated November 12, 2008, and recorded on November 13, 2008, in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 200800791, and recorded on November 13, 2008, in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 200800792, and recorded on November 13, 2008, in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 200800793, and recorded on November 13, 2008, in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 200800794, as recorded by the Zoning Administrator to grant a zoning clearance for the property describe below in order to conduct a site visit.
The Board will assemble at 9:00 a.m. in the Planning, Permitting and Enforcement Department located at 16404 Courthouse Road #140 in Eastville, VA and proceed to the property describe below in order to conduct a site visit. The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet for the purpose of conducting regular business and public hearings on the following matters:
A. Appeal 2017-01: Thornton Taylor has appealed the decision of the Zoning Administrator to grant a zoning clearance for a watch house for shellfish grounds, less than 500 square feet on property owned by Salt Grove L. C. The property, located on Cherrystone Inlet at 19489 Robin Road, is zoned Agricultural / Rural Business (ARB) and further described as tax map 75-3-B2.

Public Notice
The Mayor & Town Council of the Town of Chincoteague will hold a public hearing on March 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague Island, Virginia 23336. The purpose of the hearing is to hear public comment on a Conditional Use Permit application for a waterfront park at the Maddox Campground. For additional information contact Mr. Ronald Marney, Director of Planning, phone 757-336-6519 or visit the Town Offices at 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague Island, Virginia, 23336.
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This week’s report is about a category of bills I didn’t talk about last week. It involves bills that we have to act upon due to the federal government. The first bill that both the House and the Senate send through as fast as possible, is the bill that conforms the Virginia tax code to the federal tax code. This is a necessity for CPAs and those that prepare taxes. The changes in the federal tax code forces us to conform ours to theirs. This bill is not controversial but it is a required step. Other bills are not so easy to say yes to, but when weighing the options, the pain inflicted, usually in the funding of programs, forces us to agree with the federal government’s position. This is one reason why I am so hesitant to agree to do much joint funding with the federal government. One could soon lose control of the program and expenditures and have no control of the budget.

HB 1568 is one such bill. This bill expands the national fingerprint background check requirements to include all licensed, registered, regulated and subsidy child day programs in order to comply with the federal interpretation of the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014. Delegate Orock is a master bill writer and this bill conforms our daycare providers’ background checks with the federal government regulations. When the regulations relax, ours will follow suit. This bill catches daycare centers, including some religious centers, and is projected to increase the number of fingerprint background checks to more than 20,000 people a year. At risk, though, is a $52 million block grant from the federal government. If we don’t comply, we risk a stiff penalty.

SB 1195 is another bill that the choice appears to be either the devil or the witch. The farm inspection bill has been portrayed as illegal search and seizure of our family farms. The fact is not that the produce farms will be inspected, because federal law says they will, but by whom. This bill simply puts Virginia in control of the inspection and not the federal government. This puts me in an easy position.

There are approximately 400 farms in Virginia that will fall under the Federal Produce Safety Act and 20 or more are on the Eastern Shore. All would rather have Virginia do the inspections. This bill also will follow the federal regulations. Thus, when they are either released or repealed, ours do the same.

The last federally induced bill I will discuss is where we, the legislators, make a statement about federal policy for which we have no control, such as sanctuary cities. It makes people on both sides of the issue angry, yet solves nothing. The federal government has complete authority. I do not like that fact, but a war was fought in the 1860s that settled the issue of states’ rights. That being said, we will continue to adjust our laws to conform to the federal government as well as control our state to the best of our ability.

I welcome your feedback. Please do not hesitate to contact my Richmond office at 804-698-1000 or email me at delrbloxom@house.virginia.gov, or call my district office in Mappsville at (757) 824-3456.

Insurance Needed for New Hospital

Dear Editor:

On Saturday, Feb. 4, Virginia Organizing coordinated a rally to support the Affordable Care Act. Fifty people participated near the entrance to the new River-side Hospital which was also holding an open house for the general public to tour the new facility.

The Eastern Shore is blessed to have this state-of-the-art healthcare facility for its residents. As the topic of healthcare reform continues to evolve, I hope residents will also consider the impact that repealing the Affordable Care Act will have not only on individuals, but collectively as health insurance as a revenue stream will contribute to the financial viability of this remarkable facility.

Making our voices heard is a right. We each have to communicate what we value and how we support translating those values into action. If you are interested in becoming involved with Virginia Organizing contact Meghan McNamara at meghan@virginia-organizing.org.

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