By Linda Cicoira

Frederick Wayne Baker was sexually abused by his own mother as a young boy, possibly as early as 3 years old. He demonstrated his plight publicly at 8 when he tried to molest a fellow classmate.

At 14, the Plantation Drive youth tried to rape his stepmother. After months of inpatient treatment and several more months at home, he was reported to authorities by his father who knew he was on the wrong path. Baker was drinking alcohol, using drugs and had made friends, a first for him, but with a bad crowd.

Daniel Baker testified Monday in Northampton Circuit Court that he fought to get his son away from his abusive mother after the couple divorced, he got him treatment several times, then tried to help him after his son tried to harm his wife. The woman, who was never again left alone with the teenager, welcomed her stepson back after more treatment with high hopes he would do better.

“We were staying up on medications,” Daniel Baker said. After two sessions, a sex therapist told them he would be leaving for another program. A juvenile probation officer testified other sessions were set up for Frederick Baker. His father said later it wasn’t true and that the officer was trying to cover it up.

When Daniel Baker realized his son was about to get in serious trouble again, he notified juvenile probation of his fears. But he said nothing was done. “Isn’t this a good reason we can get him off the streets now?” he asked. “He came in past curfew, me and my dad re-reported it. I called the probation office. I wanted to know why no one ever did anything about his curfews. I was trying to prevent” what later occurred.

But the younger Baker got violent, stealing his grandfather’s gun and then raping and sodomizing a young woman after abducting her off a bicycle in Cape Charles. He was 16.

Ruled as a lost cause by experts, further treatment of Frederick Baker will be left to the state department of corrections. Judge W. Revell Lewis III sentenced him to a total of 74.5 years for the charges, related gun offenses and several violent crimes that occurred in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail (ESRJ) over the weeks and months that followed. He was ordered to serve 34.5 years of active time making his release date sometime around 2051, when he will be 52.

Authorities were at a loss as to what else to do with him. His diagnosis was attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), bipolar disorder and neglect, an expert testified. He was a victim of physical and sexual abuse. His previous treatment included learning to control his verbal and physical impulses.

The woman, who was terrorized in a public restroom after Frederick Baker...
By Stefanie Jackson

Amid the controversy swirling around Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority's announcement last month of its expansion to seven new residential service areas, and questions whether ESVBA has the authority to provide broadband internet service directly to homes, ESVBA Executive Director Robert Bridgham addressed concerns about how the authority is fulfilling its mission and goals.

Bridgham shared a copy of the broadband authority's original charter, approved by the federal government, which states that any "qualified service provider" may provide broadband internet access to residences. The charter does not specify that service providers must be within the private sector, and ESVBA maintains it is qualified to provide broadband internet service to any end user.

ESVBA has been criticized for moving forward with the expansion of its "fiber-to-the-home" service before its strategic business plan is completed by consulting firm, Columbia Telecommunications Corporation.

CTC's relationship with ESVBA began in 2016 when the firm conducted a rate study to determine whether the broadband authority's prices were too high or too low. CTC found ESVBA's rates were "on par" with other broadband providers servicing similar areas. ESVBA was pleased with CTC's work and tasked the firm with creating the broadband authority's strategic plan to expand its fiber optic network across the Shore in a sustainable manner.

The plan was due in July 2017. That month, CTC requested a 90-day extension. The document ESVBA received Oct. 20 was not a finished product, but a draft which Bridgham stated was "full of errors" and not ready for public release. The broadband authority was "hugely disappointed" that the document contained no summary of stakeholder and public comments, provided in meetings between CTC and Accomack and Northampton administrators, internet service providers (ISPs), NASA, and other stakeholders, and at two public "town hall" meetings. Neither were the three local ISPs considered equitably within the draft; one was mentioned throughout six pages of the document, while the other two were omitted completely.

CTC did not follow the "statement of work" in their contract with ESVBA when drafting the strategic plan, nor did they accept input from the broadband authority. ESVBA requested a new project manager and expects CTC to finish the plan, though the firm has not provided the broadband authority with a timeline for completion. ESVBA became "tired of waiting" to expand within the community which has expressed a great need for broadband accessibility; CTC and ESVBA are now moving forward "in parallel," Bridgham said.

Even after the strategic plan has been corrected and completed, ESVBA may choose not to adopt CTC’s recommendations.

Bridgham is poised to continue as ESVBA’s executive director and lead the initiative to extend the 300-mile long fiber network along the Shore’s remaining 1200 miles of roads. Bridgham has been the acting executive director since Nicholas Pascaretti left the position in May, and ESVBA recently began advertising publicly for Pascaretti’s permanent replacement. Bridgham has spoken with all five members of the ESVBA board of directors and is confident they are satisfied with his work and experience. He has been involved in ESVBA from the beginning, first as a consultant working out of Albany, N.Y., and then as the director of network engineering before stepping in as acting executive director.

The three private citizens on the ESVBA board, Chair Elaine Meil, Vice Chair John Reiter, and Peter Lalor, whose terms expired in June, will continue to serve until Accomack and Northampton supervisors agree on their replacements, in accordance with the Wireless Services Authorities Act of Virginia law.

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By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton Board of Supervisors Chairman Spencer Murray opened the Dec. 13 meeting with “mixed emotions” as he presented supervisors Granville Hogg and Larry Lemond, who are both retiring from the board at the end of the year, with plaques conveying a “heartfelt appreciation” for their “unselfish contributions to the health, safety and professional demeanor of Northampton County.”

Bob Woodward, chairman of the board of commissioners in Dare County, N.C., recounted a fateful trip he took with his 91-year-old mother several weeks ago to visit family up north. After a bad experience on Interstate 95, they decided to follow U.S. Route 13 and cross the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel on the return trip. Just before reaching the bridge-tunnel, a deer ran into the vehicle, causing $18,000 worth of damage, Woodward said. EMS personnel and other Northampton employees, including several deputies.

Woodward personally thanked Northampton supervisors and the county employees who assisted him and his mother during the “tragic” incident, and presented each with a framed letter of appreciation and Outer Banks saltwater taffy. Woodward said he and his family “look forward to visiting your area as often as possible” and asked supervisors to let him know if there is ever anything he could do to assist them.

Supervisors welcomed new Director of Finance John Chandler and shared their top budget priorities with him, including, but not limited to, increasing teacher and deputy salaries, providing farmers with tax relief for farm machinery, and building capital for a new middle and high school.

Cherrystone Campground in Cape Charles has suffered what Murray called a “tremendous amount of erosion” along its Chesapeake Bay beachfront. Owner Chad Ballard said his property is “highly regulated,” accessible only to paying customers, and the pond would not present any new risk.

Ballard elaborated on the “economic impact” Cherrystone Campground has on the county. The business was the fourth-largest taxpayer in 2016, he said, encompassing 200 full-time employees between both the campground and Cherrystone Aqua Farms, which Ballard also owns. The number of employees rises to 300 during the summer months, or 500 if all the aqua farm’s cooperative growers are counted.

Murray made a motion to change the definition of a campground within Northampton’s zoning ordinance to include “ponds” as an accessory use, and to add a category within the recreational use table that “ponds within existing campgrounds in existing business and commercial 1 districts be allowed by right.” The motion passed, with supervisors Hogg and Oliver Bennett abstaining due to personal associations with the campground.

Supervisors held a public hearing to consider amending a zoning ordinance to change the definition of a campground to include recreational ponds on the property, and to allow existing Business and Commercial 1 districts to have campgrounds and irrigation ponds by right.

Department of Planning and Zoning Director Susan McGhee communicated that while the planning commission generally supported Ballard’s goal, their recommendation to supervisors was to reject the proposal with its existing language.

Supervisors questioned the use of the term, “irrigation,” noting that irrigation and recreational ponds have distinctly different purposes, and the former are usually much deeper than the latter. Supervisors also had safety concerns.

Ballard said the pond would have a “15-foot safety shelf,” meaning the first 15 feet of the pond would be only one foot deep, serving as a precaution if anyone were to fall into the pond accidentally. There would be a guard shack adjacent to the pond with 24-hour surveillance and a live-in manager. Ballard said his property is “highly regulated,” accessible only to paying customers, and the pond would not present any new risk.

Public and agency comments on the Draft EA and Draft FONSI were accepted from July 7 to August 14, 2017. Comments received on the Draft EA and Draft FONSI were considered by the U.S. Air Force and participating agencies and are addressed in the Final EA and Final FONSI.

Based on the analyses presented in the Final EA, the U.S. Air Force has determined that the proposed construction and operation of the instrumentation tower would not result in significant impacts on the quality of the human or natural environment. Therefore, a FONSI is warranted and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required for this action, and will not be prepared.

The document is available for public review at the following locations:
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A limited number of printed copies of the Draft EA are available by contacting:
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**Northampton School Board Hears Achievement Plans From Kiptopeke Elementary**

By Stefanie Jackson

Kiptopeke Elementary School Principal Subrina Parker updated the Northampton School Board on how her staff is working to increase student achievement and regain full accreditation this year in the presentation, “Raising the Bar,” at KES Dec. 14.

Parker reviewed Kiptopeke’s Virginia Department of Education school quality report. Rates of student proficiency in the four main content areas are: reading, 67 percent; math, 62 percent; science, 75 percent, and history, 79 percent. The top two subjects took the biggest hits since the previous year, when 74 percent of students were proficient in reading and 72 percent were proficient in math.

One of the drawbacks of teaching a small student population is a school can miss accreditation when only a handful of students don’t pass the SOL. Kiptopeke, which had 485 students last year, lost its full accreditation by “basically zero to 17 days, from 85 percent to 87 percent. The figures at other Northampton schools range from 80.3 percent at Occohannock Elementary to 72 percent at Northampton High.

Superintendent Eddie Lawrence commended Parker for Kiptopeke being “the first school in the division to really tackle chronic absenteeism.” Only 15 students have missed 10 or more instructional days so far this year.

School board member Shannon Dunham added special events like pajama day or a pizza party motivate kids to attend school regularly, and “communication is key” between schools and parents.

About 150 people, or 37 families attended Kiptopeke’s Title I night in November on parent and family engagement and digital literacy, where students could show their parents the computer activities they do at school, and kids and families can learn how to use these programs at home.

Scott Wade, director of the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force, pitched an opioid awareness program to the school board, to be implemented at Northampton High School. The presentation centered around two short films, “Broken Dreams” and “No Second Chance,” both of which were viewed in October by the Accomack school board and attendees of an opioid forum at Eastern Shore Community College. The films document the journeys of high school students, Ryan Hall, of Alleghany County, and the late Katelynn Sterling, of Accomack County, who followed two very different and sometimes unexpected paths to opioid addiction.

Accomack approved the program for grades 8 to 12, but Dunham recommended it for grades 7 to 12 in Northampton, as those grades share the same building. Chairman William Oakley assured Wade the school board would have no problem supporting the program.
Supervisor Cautions Regionalism Has To Work For All Parties

By Linda Cicoira

The differences between the priorities of the governing bodies of the two Eastern Shore counties could create some issues in 2018.

“Regionalism sounds good,” Accomack Supervisor Grayson Chesser said at a meeting of that county’s panel Wednesday. “But just because something looks the same on maps … that doesn’t mean it’s the same. When you get married, it’s not going to work unless you want the same things,” Chesser continued. “I hope that we will think about that in the future.”

The comments followed an Eastern Shore Broadband Authority presentation that reported big success. The authority is one of two in the state, out of dozens, that runs in the black and has a loop redundancy or backup capability.

“We’ve had a lot of apples out of this bag,” said Chesser. “Look at the library … we’ve agreed to put up $2 million … they don’t choose to or are unable to … I’m not saying one is right or the other is wrong. I hope we will proceed with caution.”

Northampton Board Chairman Spencer Murray complained recently about members serving indefinitely on the authority, the authority getting into competition with the private sector and the loss of economic opportunities because access to broadband hasn’t come fast enough.

The authority’s executive director, Robert Bridgham, told about new areas getting service but stressed the goal is to get the fiber optics out there instead of wireless because it will serve the areas for decades instead of being a temporary fix.

“If we had a lot of money, I mean lots and lots of money,” he said that would be possible. “People don’t like that answer, they want it all there now,” Bridgham added.

Accomack Chairman Robert Crockett boasted of the authority’s work. “When we have something on the Eastern Shore of Virginia that other areas in the state are looking at as a model, it doesn’t get any better than that. … We appreciate that you’re going to expand.”

“We have something very, very, valuable here,” said Accomack Supervisor Donald Hart. “A lot of the rural counties, can’t understand how we have that.” He suggested that “some who are our dear friends and neighbors” might “steal or take it away from … we really need to protect that.”

Hart said he wasn’t going to mention any names.

Another difference between the two counties is chicken houses. Accomack allows them. Northampton doesn’t.

Two women voiced their complaints about the number of mass production houses at the Accomack session.

“Human consumption of water overrides” property rights, one said. The Pungoteague resident Carlene Zach said property values have gone down, advertisements for reduced prices of houses for sale are being seen, respiratory diseases are on the rise, and residents in several areas can’t leave their homes without smelling the odor. “Their right to clean air” is gone.

“The real question is what will the county do when the wells run dry? I’ve already taken a financial loss,” she said.

Ann Boylston-Violi agreed. “Many don’t understand what’s going on … those who have the background are very concerned … in China, they ignored their own laws … and now they’re in big trouble. Tyson is responsible for big dead zones … put on the brakes here,” she pleaded.

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Local Gym Makes Sure Kids Needs Are Met and Wishes Fulfilled

By Stefanie Jackson

Northampton schools and communities are working together to give children in need a merry Christmas.

For the second year in a row, members of Jacob Park’s gym in Cheriton transformed their annual Christmas party into a gift-wrapping party benefiting students at Occohannock Elementary School. Gym member participation in the gift-giving effort has nearly tripled since last Christmas.

It all started last year when Liz Jones, employee of the Northampton County Education Foundation and member of Jacob Parks Personal Training, was browsing on Facebook and came across a post by OES art teacher, Tatum Ford, asking for volunteers to sponsor the last nine children on the school’s “angel tree.”

Jones was inspired by Ford’s post and recruited other gym members to join in sponsoring the nine remaining “angel tree” kids last year. The response was so enthusiastic, the group decided to sponsor 25 this year. At first, Jones was worried they might have “bit off more than we could chew,” but all 25 students were chosen within two days, with several gym members disappointed they didn’t get to the angel tree in time to select a child to sponsor.

Gym members contacted Kiptopeke Elementary School in case they also needed donations for any of their students. KES was running a coat drive, and at least ten coats were donated by Parks’ clients.

To select the children who receive gifts from angel tree sponsors, OES collaborated with Therapeutic Interventions, an accredited mental health agency working in several Eastern Shore schools teaching behavioral skills to students whose actions disrupt their learning environment.

One third of the 75 gym members gathered together on Sunday to wrap gifts and enjoy refreshments and fellowship. Most of the participants have been attending the gym for the past four-and-a-half or five years. The gift-wrapping event offered the opportunity for them to meet new people in the community.

Almost all of the gifts were delivered to Occohannock on Monday, and were received by teachers organizing the event. “To see their faces light up … you could tell the gifts made a big difference,” Jones said.

The gym plans to contribute again next year, and expects participation to continue to increase.
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For $30,000
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To Shore Estates LLC
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For $180,000
Lot 93, Cape Charles
To Kevin and Judy Rech
• From Julie Arenstein and Margaret Keyes
To Lynn Lawrence
5416 Blue Heron Dr., Trails End
For $12,000
• From James Stevens
To Glenn Bass
Lot 10, Holly Lane, Wallops Island
For $30,000
• From James and Gertrude Schmalenberger
To Jessica Jester
37163 Clipper Ct., Greenbackville
For $128,500
• From Richard Regen and Eileen Laurence
To Racing Moon LLC
4437 Eastwinds Rd., Chincoteague
For $111,556.00
• From Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.
To Michelle Maccarone
18045 Robbins Ln., Onancock
For $126,500
• From Glenda and Stephen Lillar
To William Beckett
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• From Theodore and Kathryn Reed
To Sandra Lothridge
Lot 111, Unit 3, Horntown
For $5,000
• From Theodore and Kathryn Reed
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Lot 65, Bay Creek, Cape Charles
To Allen and Asenath Burns
Lot 2211, Section 4, Greenbackville
For $182,500
• From Edward and Louise Tall
To Barry Fisher
Bunting Pond Road, Chincoteague
For $300,000
• From Louvenia and Eric Hope
To Milton Savage Jr.
34091 Horntown Rd., Horntown
For $18,000
• From Margaret Frazer
To Michael and Beverly Perkins
35200 Creek Bluff Dr., Belle Haven
For $448,000
• From The Pierson Group Inc.

For $38,000
Lot near plantation
To Julio Martinez and Maria Serapio
• From David and Pamela Soforenko

For $65,000
Lot 38, Section 9, Captain’s Cove
To Jennie Thorne
24391 Maxwell St., Parksley
For $175,000
• From Teresa Zack
To J&A Builders
Lot 38, Section 9, Captain’s Cove
For $1
• From Susan Lehman, trustee
To Shawn and Tracey Giordano
7191 Bunting Rd., Chincoteague
For $145,900
• From Belinda Hollingsworth
To Nelia Bennett
Lot 1, Block G, Exmore
For $60,000
• From Thomas and Cynthia Hutson
To Melinda Blanchard
Lot 9, Old Town Neck, 5.27 acres
For $350,000
• From Ice Plant Construction Corp.
To MLT Enterprises Inc.
Lot 31, Cape Charles
For $40,000
• From Kiptopeke Properties LLC
To Christopher and Elizabeth Forker
Lot 10, Kiptopeke Landing, Phase 2
For $35,000
• From David and Diane Wilson
To Allen and Asenath Burns
Lot 65, Bay Creek, Cape Charles
For $285,000
• From Joel Calabrese
To Shore Thing LLC
Parcel 1, southern side of Exmore bypass
For $180,000
• From City National Bank of West Virginia and Community Bank
To Cardinal Property LLC
Parcel B-7 near Cedar Grove, Lucilles Lane
For $5000
• From Julie Arenstein and Margaret Keyes
To Kevin and Judy Rech
Lot 93, Cape Charles
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forced her inside, has moved away with her family.

“They were not able to emotionally stay,” said Commonwealth’s Attorney Bruce Jones. “They had a place overlooking the park,” where the incident occurred. There was no victim impact statement despite that the victim and her family were aware they could submit one, the prosecutor said. They wanted to forget.

A year after being incarcerated, Frederick Baker said he should have killed his Cape Charles victim so he wouldn’t have gotten caught, according to testimony.

Even though he committed the crimes when he was a juvenile, he was treated as an adult. Now 18, he stood in a baggy orange ESRJ jumpsuit while eight officers, also on their feet, were nearby to ensure he would not act out.

“I messed up,” the defendant told the court. “I really did. I wish I could take it back. I went through the same thing (sexual abuse) when I was younger. … I’m not going to make that an excuse for my actions … I was doing drugs and doing alcohol, got mixed in with the wrong crowd. I don’t want to push it off on somebody else. I just take responsibility for what I did … I’ve been doing this ever since what happened with my mom … I will tell you that being in jail changed me … I don’t ever want to go through it again. It scared me. It really did. And it still does,” he said.

Since Baker tried to escape from ESRJ he has been kept in solitary near the booking area at the facility, he said. “My cell, I measured out … is about 5 by 8 feet. Kinda small in there. Bed and toilet - no room to move … There’s really not much to do.” Baker said he doesn’t have anyone to talk to. “People told me I should have run away, but I believe when you do something you have to be accountable for your actions. I would be a hypocrite to my own words.”

A breakdown of his sentences shows 20 years with 14 suspended for abduction, 20 years with 13 suspended for rape, 20 years with 13 suspended for sodomy, three years for each of the counts of using a firearm in those offenses, six months for attempting to escape, six months for damaging public property, six months each for assault and battery of nine officers, a year each for two counts of threatening to kill an officer. He was ordered to be on supervised probation on release and good behavior for the rest of his life in addition to registering as a violent sex offender.

“Fred’s got a hateful spitefulness against women,” his father said. “He has no respect for women no more. We’ve tried to work with him … Since he’s been in jail, he seems to be a caged animal. He is doing anything for attention. Without medication, you’re not going to control him.”

The defendant said he can’t get his medicine in the jail since he no longer has insurance.

His mother abandoned him when he was seven and left him at his grandfather’s house. “My Dad went over to salvage clothes for him,” Daniel Baker said. He found “crack pipes laying around, no food, dirty dishes, using clothes as toilet paper.”

Regarding one of the charges of assaulting an officer, Frederick Baker said, “I didn’t mean to hit him with the egg. I wasn’t actually trying to hit him. I was trying to hit the window. He thought it was funny too. But, again, I got charged.”

“When you’re angry you say things,” Frederick Baker said. “Being locked up in that small cell. I don’t have TV. Three or four days without a shower … there are sometimes, I get angry and say things I don’t mean. Later on, I’ll be talking to them (the guards) like they’re friends when I get to prison, I’ll try to get some therapy … education … a trade … I’ll get a running start … I want to learn from this experience and get on with my life.”

The defendant said, “They told me I should go into the military. I really couldn’t kill someone. There’s a difference between what you say and what you do.”

Jones called him “a profound threat to society … this was the most horrible experience. She (the woman in Cape Charles) just wanted to get herself as far from the situation … no reason to think she is ever going to totally recover.” Jones said Baker is a future danger to society. “He’s had an appalling early start to life … his mother was apparently as bad a mother as you could have but other people have paid for that.” His behavior was too extreme for juvenile detention so he was sent back to ESRJ.

“There’s no reason to think he won’t commit violent sex offenses against women again,” Jones said. “He wasn’t psychotic when he was doing this stuff. This was Fred Baker.”

His lawyer, Tucker Watson, asked for leniency at 30 years. “Give him an incentive to learn from his mistakes” and go below the guidelines for sentencing, “He was a victim … there’s no way they can take that into account … consider his age … his mental illness.”

“I don’t know what the right number is,” Jones told Lewis. “Safety of our society depends on Fred Baker being incarcerated. He doesn’t have any self-control.”

Baker’s final statement was he was sorry for what he did to the young woman. “Could you convey that for me? Sorry to sheriff and to deputies for giving them such a hard time … sorry to family … to court … and everybody.”

“I don’t know if you’re manipulating the court today,” Lewis said just before handing down the terms. “I think it’s from the heart. You’re going to go away for a long time …”

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Sharon Patricia Adney

Mrs. Sharon Patricia Adney, 60, of Perth Amboy, N.J., passed away Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017, surrounded by her loving family. Born in Perth Amboy, she was the daughter of the late Paul and Marion Wilkowski Sr.

During her lifetime she worked multiple jobs and in her spare time loved to crochet and play Nintendo. She was a friend to everyone and always offered a smile to all who knew her. They will forever carry her memory in their hearts.

She was a devoted and cherished mother to Shannan M. Davenport-Connon and James A. Adney, both of Greenbush; and a dear sister to Stanley Wilkowski and wife, Tina, of East Brunswick, N.J.; Richard Wilkowski and wife, Kay, of Brick, N.J., and deceased brothers Paul Wilkowski Jr. and James Wilkowski. She is also survived by nephews Richard H. Wilkowski and fiancée, Alaina, of Brick, and Michael Wilkowski and wife, Tina, of East Brunswick, N.J.; and grandchildren, Dakota Wharf, and Mark and Lucas Connon, all of Melfa, and Austin, Kaylynn, Michael, and Sadie Adney, all of Greenbush.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Dec. 16, at the Crematory Chapel of Holy Cross Burial Park, 840 Cranbury South River Rd., Jamesburg, N.J. A burial service will be held Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2017, at 3 p.m. at the Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home with Rev. Linda Lowe officiating. Family will join friends at the funeral home from 1 to 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, c/o Trudy Ramer, P.O. Box 326, Cape Charles, VA 23310. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Vera Levchenko Allen

Mrs. Vera Levchenko (Aleiniakov) Allen, 98, wife of the late Victor S. Allen, M.D., a resident of Cape Charles, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2017, at her residence. A native of U.S.S.R. Ukraine, born on April 9, 1919, she attended and received her medical degree from the Medical University in Dnepropetrovsk, Ukraine. After the German occupation of her country, she was sent to Augsburg, Germany, where she worked for seven years and met her husband, also a doctor. Together, they immigrated to the U.S. in June of 1949 and worked to complete their indentureship in Santa Paula, Calif. From 1951-1952, she completed her internship at Christ Hospital in Jersey City, N.J., and worked in state hospitals until she retired in 1968. She moved to Bay Creek in Cape Charles in 2001 to reside near her daughter.

She is survived by a daughter, Irene A. Munz and her husband, Roger L. Munz, of Cape Charles; two grandsons, Capt. Alexander G. Munz with MSC, of Norfolk, and Russell L. Munz, a Realtor in Boulder, Colo.; a great-grandson, Remy L. Munz, 3, of Boulder, Colo.; and a great-granddaughter-in-law, Ruthie Lopp, founder of Nature Girl Designs in Colorado.

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Annabelle Belote Bailey

Mrs. Annabelle Belote Bailey, 89, wife of the late Louis L. Bailey, passed away Friday, Dec. 15, 2017, at Laurelwood Healthcare Center in Elkton, Md.

Born Dec. 18, 1927, in Dauphin, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Helen Brown Belote. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brothers, Hugh Belote and wife, Eleanor, and Vernon James “Jimmy” Belote. Survivors include her sister-in-law, Averil “Avy” Belote; and several loving nieces and nephews and their families.

Mrs. Bailey was a kind and loving woman who took great joy in bringing happiness to others, especially family and friends, and had a special love for cats. A vibrant and colorful lady, Mrs. Bailey enjoyed dressing up and had a welcoming smile that could light up a room.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on Dec. 19, 2017, with Rev. Robert Fletcher officiating. Interment followed in the Bradford Family Cemetery.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Linda Turner Bornman

Mrs. Linda Turner Bornman, 53, born in Salisbury, Md., passed away Dec. 14, 2017, after a short battle with lung cancer, surrounded by her loving family. She has donated her body to the anatomy gifts registry in Maryland to aid in finding a cure for cancer.

She was predeceased by her parents, Jean Sturgis Turner Farlow and Walter Alvin Turner Sr., two sisters, Rose Marie Turner and Donna Turner Ippoliti, and a brother, Walter Turner Jr.

Mrs. Bornman is survived by Jeffrey Bornman, her loving husband of 17 years; three children, Tony Mears and wife, Alexis, Candice Justis and Heather Snyder; nine grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She is also survived by a brother, Michael Turner and wife, Liz, of Onley, and a sister, Beth Turner Hasty and husband, Donnie, of Wattsville.

Her life was celebrated Thursday, Dec. 21, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. at the Little Creek Fire Hall, 311 Main St., Little Creek DE 19961.

We will always carry her memory in our hearts.

Reid H. Diggs

Mr. Reid H. Diggs Jr., 87, passed away peacefully at home in Machipongo. Born June 28, 1930, in Union City, N.J., his family moved to Staten Island, N.Y., when he was a year old.
He started working as a young boy cleaning out the neighbors’ coal furnaces and would come home and put the money on the table. After school he would deliver the newspaper; for every paper he delivered he would make a penny. On really cold winter days, Mrs. Schwartz would give him a pork fat sandwich on homemade bread wrapped in wax paper to eat to keep him warm, and of course he would save the wax paper. In his early teens, he and his buddies would take a paddle wheel steamboat, the Alexander Hamilton, up the Hudson River to go camping.

They would get off in the town of Catskill where they found an old barn to camp beside. A few weeks later they went back to camp again and the farmer had put up a sign that said, “Commit no nonsense,” but he never ran them off. His best summer job was on a dredge boat in the harbor because “they fed you good.”

Mr. Diggs

Yvonne Hall Dix

Ms. Yvonne Hall Dix, 68, of Wachapreague, passed away on Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, at Sentara Princess Anne Hospital, in Virginia Beach, with her love and life companion, Peter “Pete” M. Peyton, at her side. She was the daughter of the late Yvonne “Vonnie” Hall Richardson, stepdaughter of the late Thomas “Tom” N. Richardson Sr., and granddaughter of the late O. Fuller Hall and Arinthia “Rennie” B. Hall (Pops & Mom). She is survived by her brother, Thomas “Tommy” N. Richardson Jr. and wife, Jenny Nicolls, of Bayford; nephews, Dale N. Richardson, of Richmond, and Preston D. Richardson, student at the College of William & Mary; and half-sister, Marguerite E. Dix of Millsboro, Del.

A graduate of Averett University, Ms. Dix also attended Southern Seminary College, UVA – Eastern Shore Campus, Wallops Island, and modeling school, in Florida, which offered her employment as both a model and instructor. In 2003, she retired as a teacher from Belle Haven Elementary and South Accomack Elementary schools, where she earned the respect and admiration of many students as an educator.

She was intensely private and generous without seeking recognition for contributions to her childhood hometown, family, and friends. Ms. Dix served as an elder for four decades and was a lifetime member of the Powelton Presbyterian Church. She was a supporter of the Wachapreague Volunteer Fire Co., town park improvements, longtime past volunteer in the fireman’s carnival bingo stand, and was an active member of the Northampton County Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Ms. Dix was the epitome of grace, elegance, and refinement, but could also be just as comfortable with “sand in her shoes.” She most especially enjoyed admiring the view of Finney Creek and barrier islands from her home with close friend Breigh, a Welsh Jack Russell, at her side.

Funeral services will be held at the Powelton Presbyterian Church in Wachapreague on Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017, at 12 p.m., with Rev. James William Moore and Mr. Vernon Bell officiating. Interment will follow in the Wachapreague Cemetery. There will be a visitation at the church one hour prior to the service.

Flowers will be accepted, or memorial contributions may be made to Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 430, Onancock, VA 23417.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Joan Agnes Gleason

Mrs. Joan Agnes Gleason, 82, wife of Robert Joseph Gleason and a resident of Cape Charles, passed away Monday, Oct. 30, 2017, in Jacksonville, Fla. A native of New York, N.Y., she was the daughter of Grace Buscny of Sanford, N.C., and the late Frank A. Buscny Sr. She was a retired administrative assistant for Doylestown Hospital in Doylestown, Pa., and a member of St. Charles Catholic Church in Cape Charles.

In addition to her mother and loving husband, she is survived by two sons, Robert John Gleason and his wife, Ann, of Charlotte, N.C., and James A. Gleason of Jacksonville; a brother, Frank A. Buczy, Jr. of Sanford; and four grandchildren, Robert P. Gleason, John A. Gleason, Patrick T. Gleason and Moira A. Gleason, all of Charlotte. She was predeceased by a son, Kevin M. Gleason.

Funeral services were held Dec. 20, 2017, at 11 a.m., at St. Charles Catholic Church with Father J. Michael Brellin officiating. Inurnment will follow in St. Charles Borromeo Memorial Columbarium. Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to St. Charles Catholic Church, 545 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home in Cape Charles.

Horace Webster Hall

Mr. Horace Webster Hall, 78, husband of Edna McCullen Hall and a resident of Lee Mont, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2017, surrounded by his loving ones.

Born Sept. 22, 1939, in Berea, Va., and reared in Hartwood, Va., Mr. Hall was one of 12 children born to the late William Weber Hall and Margaret Elizabeth Smith Hall.

Mr. Hall lived a life full of love, dedication, and accomplishment. He proudly served his country in the Virginia National Guard for eight years, married the love of his life and had a beautiful family, worked tirelessly to achieve his goals, and retired from the Town of Parksley, where he was maintenance supervisor for 15 years.

Mr. Hall spent much of his time outdoors, enjoying an afternoon of fishing, deer hunting, or gardening, but his greatest pleasure was time spent with family, and his beloved dogs, “Ernie” and “Annie.” A true patriarch, Mr. Hall led by example, and though he will be (Continued on Next Page)
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missed, his memory will be forever celebrated and cherished.

In addition to his loving wife of 60 years, he is survived by four children, Judy Davenport and husband, Steve, of Homassassa, Fla., Jeffery A. Hall and wife, Marianne, of Melfa, Horace W. “Sonny” Hall Jr. and wife, Monica, of Parksley, and Marie Miller and husband, Jimmy, of Bloxom; four brothers, Ben and wife, Shirley, of Troy, N.C., Robert, Donnie and wife, Cindy, and Charles; three sisters, Frances, Hilda, and Ruth, all of Stafford County, Va.; 11 grandchildren, Jonathan Kluis and wife, Amy, of Powhatan, Va., Erin Briggs and husband, Tommy, of Homassassa, Julie Hall, of Parksley, Jeffery A. Hall II, of Richmond, Timothy Hall, of Melfa, Alan Hall and wife, Cassie, of Hope ton, Charles Craig and wife, Kelly, of Clarksville, Tenn., Hor ace W. “Trey” Hall III, of Bloxom, Chelsea Sawyer and husband, Seth, of Savannah, Ga., Christopher Miller and wife, Betsy, of Onancock, and Elizabeth Miller, of Bloxom; nine great-grandchildren, Justin, Josiah, Conner, Corbin, Mackenzie, Dylan, Brad ley, Jacob, and Emelia; and many nieces and nephews. Other than his parents, he was predeceased by four brothers, Reuben, Adrian, William, and John.

A celebration of Mr. Hall’s life was held at the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company on Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, with his family by his side. A celebration of Mr. Hall’s life was held at the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company on Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, with his family by his side.

Mr. Hall served his country in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed at Kunsan Air Base, South Korea, with the 5th Air Force during the Korean War. He was later stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas. He earned the rank of Sergeant/Airman First Class and was up for another promotion when he received word from his commanding officer that Stewart Hall Sr. had suffered a heart attack. He was granted an immediate honorable discharge to return home to care for his father and the family farm.

He married Ann (Mears) Hall, who would be his wife for 62 years, just six weeks after being discharged. He latter went to work for Bloxom Auto Supply, where he retired after 42 years of service. He also operated a bicycle shop for many years and tended a vegetable and berry garden that often approached an acre in size. An avid outdoorsman for most of his life, he particularly enjoyed deer hunting, flounder fishing and clamming. He was a member of Berea United Methodist Church for 62 years. He was also a longtime member of the American Legion.

Mr. Hall is survived by his daughter, Debra S. Lewis and husband, Gary; a son, Stewart Michael Hall and wife, Kathleen; grandchildren, Garrett Lewis, Hunter Lewis, Morgan Hall, and Er in Hall; and many nieces and nephews. Other than his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his sister, Ruth Hall and brother, William B. Hall.

A funeral service will be conducted Friday, Dec. 22, at 2 p.m., from the Atlantic United Methodist Church with Rev. Ar um Kim officiating. Interment will follow in the Downings Cemetery in Oak Hall.

The family will receive friends Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. at the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

To sign the guest book online, visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net.

Constance Faye Hart

Mrs. Constance Faye “Connie” Hart, 75, beloved wife of Pastor Wayne Alan Hart and a resident of Parksley, passed away away Monday, Dec. 18, 2017, with her loving family at her side.

Born Sept. 30, 1942, in Crisfield, Md., she was a daughter of the late Hilton Dize and Mary Susan Peyton Dize. Mrs. Hart was a long time preschool teacher, having taught children in Somerset County Public Schools, and later, at St. Paul’s on the Shore and Parksl ey Preschool. She proudly served her Lord as a longtime member of Guilford United Methodist Church and attended Halls Chapel Church, and she greatly enjoyed traveling and spending time with family and friends on her front porch. Mrs. Hart adored her family, and especially cherished time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, Donald Monroe Windsor Jr. and wife, Diane, of Wattle ville; daughter, Terri Lynn Windsor, of Smithfield; granddaughter, Kim Cannon; great-grandchildren, Jonathon Dize, David and wife, Sarah, of Virginia Beach, and Hunter Dize; five great-grandchildren, Hunter Dize, Allie Canon, of Virginia Beach, and Jordan Dize, of Virginia Beach; five great-grandchildren, Hunter Dize, Allie Canon, of Virginia Beach, and Jordan Dize, of Virginia Beach; two step-grandchildren, Ethan and Lauren Sipes, of Virginia Beach; and many nieces and nephews. Other than her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her mother, Dorothy Dize; and her stepfather, Hilton Dize.

She was a member of Evergreen United Methodist Church and past worthy patron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

A funeral service will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on Friday, Dec. 22, 2017, at 11 a.m., with Pastors Freddie Ward and Dan Tarr officiating. Interment will follow in the Parksley Cemetery. There will be a visitation at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the S.P.C.A., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418, or to the Alzheimer’s Association, 6350 Center Drive, Suite 102, Norfolk, VA 23502.

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Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Jane Killmon


A native of Craddockville, she was the daughter of the late Davis Lee Webb and the late Edna Melson Webb. She was retired from Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. She was a member of Evergreen United Methodist Church and past worthy patron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by three children, Robert M. Killmon Jr. and wife, Laurie Lester Killmon, of Weeers Cave, Christopher T. Killmon, of Smithfield, N.C., and Nathan D. Killmon and his wife, Kimberly D. Lowery Killmon, of Belle Haven; four grandchildren, Davian E. Gale and husband, Mike, Erin M. Miller and husband, Todd, Jonathan M. Killmon, and Joshua A. Killmon and fiancée, Kaitlin Bennett; five great-grandchildren, Tyler B. Miller, Alexis M. Miller, Maddux E. Gale, Hudson M. Gale, and Kolden M. Killmon; five sisters-in-law, Helen K. Smith, of Pungoteague, Carolyn K. Ward and husband, Burliegh, of Nassawadox, Catherine K. Farlow and husband, David, of Quinby, Charlotte K. Watkinson and husband, Kenneth, of Onancock, and Betty S. Killmon; and numerous nieces and nephews. Other than her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Mabel Gray Killmon and Josie Doughty Lovell.

Funeral services were conducted Dec.
Mrs. Carolyn Hope Lewis, 66, wife of the late Cecil T. Lewis Jr. and a resident of Nassawadox, passed away Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. A native of Townsend, she was the daughter of the late Lee Hope and the late Catherine Kellam Hope. She was a retired waitress.

She is survived by three children, Marshall Cox Jr. and his fiancée, Christina Marshall, of Eastville, Laura Hemphill and her husband, William, of Machipongo, and Robin Mears and her husband, Wayne, of Birdsnest; two sisters, Dianne Snyder and her husband, Sam, of Maryland, and Kay Clark and her husband, Gus, of Cheriton; a brother, H.L. Hope, of Cape Charles; and four grandchildren, Chelsea Defrees, Addison Mears, Luke Mears and Jason Hemphill.

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted Friday, Dec. 22, 2017, at 4 p.m., at Doughty Funeral Home with Rev. Russell Goodrich officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 430, Onancock, VA 23417.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Carolyn Hope Lewis

Mrs. Virginia Doughty Nottingham, 100, wife of the late Clifford Arrington Nottingham Jr., a resident and native of Exmore, passed away Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, at her residence. She was the daughter of the late Severn Benjamin Doughty and the late Ruth Walker Doughty.

Mrs. Nottingham was a retired elementary school teacher for Accomack and Northampton county public schools, as well as Broadwater Academy. She was a member of Epworth United Methodist Church, a charter member of Ye Accawmacke Garden Club and the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club, and a graduate of Farmville State Teachers College (Longwood University).

She is survived by a son, Clifford Arrington Nottingham III, M.D. and his wife, Mary, of Roanoke; two grandchildren, Charles Upshur Nottingham, M.D., and his wife, Amy Armstrong, M.D., and Louis Bove Nottingham, Ph.D., and his fiancée, Molly Darr, Ph.D.; and a great-granddaughter, Charlotte Olivia Nottingham, as well as several nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers, Severn Benjamin Doughty Jr., and Charles Carmine Doughty.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, Dec. 24, 2017, at 2 p.m., at Epworth United Methodist Church with Rev. Mikang Kim officiating. Family will join friends after the service. A private interment will follow in Franktown Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Epworth United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 488, Exmore, VA 23350.

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

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Jane Sturgis

Mrs. Margaret Jane Sturgis, 87, wife of the late Stewart E. “Jack” Sturgis III and a resident of Exmore, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2017, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital. A native of Vienna, Va., she was the daughter of the late Robert J. Etter and the late Catherine Darnall Etter. Mrs. Sturgis was a Catholic. She is survived by three sons, Ronald G. Dimsey, of Exmore, Rick Dimsey and his wife, Judy, of Sterling, and Calvin J. Dimsey III, of Exmore; a daughter, Jeanie Dimsey Shadoan and her husband, Michael, of Centerville.; a brother, James Etter and his wife, Nancy, of Fairfax; a sister, Shirley E. Gorham and her husband, Kenny, of Winchester; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a daughter, Cindi Pelli and her first husband, Calvin J. Dimsey.

Family joined friends Thursday, Dec. 21, 2017, at Doughty Funeral Home to celebrate Mrs. Sturgis’ life.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Kiptopeke Accepting Christmas Trees

Kiptopeke State Park wants your Christmas tree to help protect the coastlines and boardwalk. Starting Tuesday, Dec. 26 through Tuesday, Jan. 2, you can drop off your natural Christmas tree from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the beach bathhouse. The purpose of this project is for dune stabilization around one of the existing boardwalks and to help restore the sand that was washed away by coastal storms. This project is also aiming to reduce further erosion along the beach. The trees will be strategically placed to catch sand blown by the wind allowing dunes to grow around the trees. Over the years, the pine trees that are underneath the sand decompose and sand dunes remain. Dunes play a vital role in protecting coastlines, property and act as a protective barrier.

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**Kids’ Puzzle Page**

**Kids’ Maze**

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PRIMES
Twist
GLEAN
Edge
FINGER
Avoid
REGION

TODAY’S WORD:

Snowflakes
by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

Puzzle Card
Place five small pieces of paper close together on the back of someone’s hand. Now bet them that they can’t blow them away, one by one. They will almost always blow two or more away at a time.

Junior Whirl
by Charles Barry Townsend
A PACK OF “CURS”!

Don’t “bark” up the wrong tree looking for these words. The grid to the left has room for nine words, and they all contain the word “cur.” We also give you plenty of hints to help you fill in the missing letters.

1. Rudely, brief in speech.
2. To swear at.
3. Specific time to be home by.
4. A museum director.
5. To cut short; abbreviate.
8. A fancy flourish made with a pen.
9. Part of a paved road.

**Puzzles4Kids** by Helene Hovanec

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Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

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Happy Holidays!
By Krystle Bono

The Nandua Warriors wrestling club hosted the Northampton Yellow Jackets and Woodbridge in Onley, Dec. 13. Woodbridge topped both the Warriors (66-18) and the Yellow Jackets (46-30).

Nandua's Kyle Sosnowski pinned Woodbridge's Duane Cooke Jr. in 31 seconds.

Johnathon Webb, of Woodbridge, claimed the 113 win over Warrior Dylan Ross by a fall time of 1:26.

The 120 match went to Woodbridge's Gavin Manning over Nandua's Julio Vasquez by a fall of 31 seconds.

Jerome Cannon earned a forfeit for Woodbridge in the 126 weight class.

Robert Boyer, of Woodbridge, won by pin of 1:07 over Warrior Devon Nieves in the 132 matchup.

Woodbridge grabbed another W in the 145 weight class when A'Shon Jackson defeated Nandua’s Cameron Mears by fall of 2:46.

Enrique Ramos, of Woodbridge, came out on top over Nandua’s Drake Greer by fall of 1:10.

Woodbridge's Michael Plummer, pinned Nandua’s Jalik Davis in 26 seconds to claim the 152 match.

Matthew Teasley earned six points for the Warriors after defeating Woodbridge’s Jacob Webb by pin in 1:04.

Michael Hutchinson (170), Derrick Atwood (182) and Leon Mann (195) each claimed forfeits for Woodbridge in their respective weight classes.

Joseph Castiglia grabbed another six for the Warriors with a pin in one minute and 40 seconds over Woodbridge’s Joshua Benedict in the 220 weight class.

The 285 matchup went to Hunter Young, of Woodbridge, over Nandua’s Juan Flores by a fall time of 1:04.

Northampton’s Durell Robinson defeated Woodbridge’s Mann by a 3-2 decision in the 195 match.

Benedict, of Woodbridge, topped Yellow Jacket Masen Ingram by fall of 3:39.

Woodbridge's Young won the 285 matchup over Yellow Jacket Arthur Stevens by a fall time of 1:10.

Northampton’s Jose Terron pinned Woodbridge’s Cooke Jr. with a time of 5:49 in the 106 weight class.

Johnathon Webb took a forfeit for Woodbridge at 113.

Myles Lewis took a win for Northampton over Woodbridge’s Michael Atwood by pin of 3:56.

Boyer, of Woodbridge, pinned Northampton’s Brandon Odom in one minute and 23 seconds to claim the 126 win.

Another six went to Woodbridge in the 132 match when Cannon topped Yellow Jacket Devon Johnson by a major decision of 10-0.

Woodbridge’s Jackson defeated Northampton’s Trenton Johnson by fall of 3:44 in the 138 weight class.

The 145 victory went to Ramos, of Woodbridge, over Yellow Jacket Cody Goller by pin in 48 seconds.

Sean Marsh added six for Northampton over Woodbridge’s Michael Plummer by a fall of 55 seconds in the 152 weight class.

Yellow Jacket Gary Peart III pinned Woodbridge’s Jacob Webb by a time of 4:17 in the 160 battle.

Hutchinson added six for Woodbridge in the 170 weight class over Edwardo Mateo-Hernandez by a fall of 42 seconds.

Jaquan Johnson claimed the 182 match for the Yellow Jackets over Atwood, of Woodbridge, by a 4-2 decision.

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The evening ended in a district grapple-off between Northampton and Nansemond River, with the Yellow Jackets earning a win by a 46-26 count.

Nansemond River’s Castiglia defeated Northampton’s Ingram by a 3-1 decision in the 106 weight class.

Warrior Sosnowski won by a 14-7 decision in the 106 weight class over Yellow Jacket Mateo-Hernandez.

Individual results in the bracket tournament for the Firebirds and the Yellow Jackets are as follows:

Arcadia’s Angel Vasquez topped Nansemond River’s Aaron Williams in the first round of the 106 bracket. In the semifinals, Vasquez fell to Salem’s Joey Vasquez. Vasquez would come out on top by a fall time of 1:59 to finish third and Terron placed fourth.

Arcadia’s Ronaldo Lopez received a bye in the first round, and fell to Kenneth Hansin of Nansemond River in the quarterfinals.

Brandon Gibbs, of Nansemond River, defeated Firebird Marvin Gomez by a 16-2 major decision in the 120 first round match. Gomez fell to Salem’s Dylan Toth to face elimination.

Northampton’s Lewis took a bye in the first round of his 120 bracket. He went on to defeat Salem’s Toth by pin in 49 seconds, but fell in the championship match to Salem’s Dominic Abbondate by a 10-6 decision to finish second.

Emmanuel Zuniga, of Arcadia, fell to Grafton’s Alex Sorenson in the 126 first-round bracket, and then was eliminated after he was edged out by Nansemond River’s Gabryel Schimmel by a 13-6 decision.

Northampton’s Odom fell to Nansemond River’s Schimmel by a 12-10 decision in the 126 bracket, and then received a bye in the consolation quarterfinals. He then defeated Green Run’s Kwantay Ewell by fall of 5:16. Odom would end up fourth, overall, after falling to Schimmel again by a 9-7 decision.

Yellow Jacket Devon Johnson had a bye in his 132 first-round, and defeated Nansemond River’s Kishawn Creque by major decision of 14-4 in the semis. He ended the day second overall when he fell to Salem’s Troy Wong in the championship match by fall of 58 seconds.

Arcadia’s Trevor Barnes won his first round 138 match over Green Run’s Arrick Wilson. He was topped by Grafton’s Jacob Carrasquillo in the quarterfinals by fall, but went on to top Nansemond River’s Cameron Cuffeby by pin. Barnes was defeated by Salem’s Colby Toth in the fifth place match to finish sixth overall.

Northampton’s Terron defeated Green Run’s Jordan Blanding by fall of 5:57 in the 106 quarterfinals. Terron went on to face Evan Rawls of Nansemond River in the semifinals, and fell by pin in 30 seconds. In his consolation semifinal round, Terron pinned Nansemond River’s Williams by fall of 2:50, to move him to the third-place match against Arcadia’s Vasquez. Vasquez would come out on top by a fall time of 1:59 to finish third and Terron placed fourth.

Arcadia’s Ronnie Lopez received a bye in the first round, and fell to Kenneth Hansin of Nansemond River in the semifinals, Vasquez fell to Salem’s Joey Vasquez. Vasquez would come out on top by a fall time of 1:59 to finish third and Terron placed fourth.

Arcadia’s Jonathan Miller topped Green Run’s Samuel Webb, but fell to Zechariah Gray, of Nansemond River, and Lee Curtis, of Franklin, in the 182 bracket.

Northampton’s Jaquan Johnson went three-for-four, defeating Franklin’s Curtis, Green Run’s Webb, and Curtis again, to earn a third-place finish at 182.

Yellow Jacket Robinson topped his teammate Josh Splawn and Nansemond River’s Khalil Brooks, but fell to Tyree Gibson to finish second in the 195 bracket. Splawn defeated all three of his Nansemond River opponents to finish third.

Firebird Julian Dedicatoria won his first 220 match over Nansemond River’s Ryan Phelps and then moved on to defeat Northampton’s Ingram in the quarterfinals by fall of 2:30. Dedicatoria won his semifinals match over A.J. Kemp of Grafton by a 11-5 decision, moving him to the championship round, where he would dominate Franklin’s Joshua Johnson to earn the top spot on the podium in the 220 weight class. Ingram ended the day 1-3.

Arcadia’s Austin Studebaker pinned Northampton’s Mehki Spady in 24 seconds in the first round of the 285 bracket. Studebaker then topped Salem’s Jason Bowles, but fell to Green Run’s Peter Cortapasco to finish second.

Northampton’s Spady topped teammate Arthur Stevens. Stevens went on to fall to Bowles, before having to face Spady again. Spady came out on top, but fell in the semis to Nansemond River’s Tavion Ruffin by a fall time of 42 seconds.
Varsity Basketball Action

By Krystle Bono

The Northampton Yellow Jackets found themselves at the winning end of their district battle in Chincoteague Dec. 14, with the Jackets overpowering the Ponies to a 80-73 win.

Leading Northampton in their winning efforts were Vonte Coston with 27 points, Sheldon Payne with 22, Devin Hill tossed 14 and Tamaze Brisco hooped nine.

Brisco led the rebound count with 11 and steals, grabbing four.

Chincoteague leaders were Voshawn Davis, who netted 30 points, Keevin Collins with 14 and Drevon Johnson scored 10.

Davis also nabbed the most rebounds with seven and Johnson had the team high with two steals.

The Yellow Jackets fell to Surry County Saturday afternoon, 84-57, and then to Lancaster Monday night, 81-45.

Payne led the score count against Surry with 27 and Coston trailed behind, tossing 14.

Jerron Jenkins had the team high rebounds with six.

Coston led the points race during the Lancaster tilt, posting 21 and Payne followed with 12. Jenkins grabbed seven rebounds.

The Ponies defeated Charles City Monday night in Chincoteague, 80-71.

Northampton will be back in action again Dec. 26, when they head to the Surry Invitational. The Warriors will also head out of town the same day to play Carver Vo-Tech at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center.

The Firebirds travel to Salisbury Christian for a 7 p.m. court battle Jan. 2. Chincoteague will face Salisbury for their next time out Jan. 3, in Salisbury at 6:30 p.m.


Christian Scarborough led the Vikings on the scoreboard with 20 and Jashawn Wharton followed his lead with 17.

Scarborough and Nathan Crumb rebounded the team high, each nabbing six. Wharton had the most steals, with three.

Broadwater boys will host Atlantic Shores in Exmore at 7 p.m., Jan. 5.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets girls varsity team dropped an away contest to the Arcadia Firebirds Dec. 12, 50-47. The girls hosted the Chincoteague Ponies Dec. 14, with the Ponies edging out the Lady Jackets on their home court, 56-46.

Monday afternoon, Northampton played their last court battle of the year and fell to Lancaster, 57-42.

The Lady Firebirds will face Crisfield at 6 p.m. for an away tournament Dec. 29.

Chincoteague hits the court again for their first game of the new year, Jan. 3, against the Salisbury School.

Northampton will host Franklin Jan. 8, in Eastville for their next time out.

Broadwater’s girls varsity club topped the Portsmouth Christian Patriots Dec. 12, 40-6.

Anna Sexauer led with 26 points. Palmer Smith tossed 10 and Greta Bunce each posted two, apiece.

Sexauer also led the rebound count at nine, tied with teammate Carly Wardius. Wardius had the team-high steals with six.

Broadwater will host Atlantic Shores in Exmore at 5:30 p.m., Jan. 5.

The Lady Warriors will be back in action after the holidays to host the Firebirds in Onley, Jan. 4, at 5:30 p.m.

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Northampton’s Gary Peart III wrestles his Franklin opponent during the Jacket Invitational held in Eastville Dec. 9.
By Michael Garbacz

Game 1: Grounds Keepers Lawn Care Capitals 6, EZ Loan Bruins 3

Missing their captain, the Smooth Criminal, and just about everyone else for that matter, the Bruins came into their set of games facing a mighty hill to climb. Brandon Morgan, C.J. Jones and Tayler Parks squared off against a full regiment of Caps with backup-backup goalie Dustin Aigner in net. Although the Capitals wore down the Bs with fresh troops as the minutes ticked by, the guys in black fought hard, and kept the game much closer that it probably should have been, only narrowly being outshot. Still, the Pat Trick and co. made sure the Bruins didn’t get too close for comfort.

Robby Parker led the scoring drive for the Caps, bagging himself a “pace yourself” hat trick; the Pat Trick chipped in an assist; Zach Webb and Robbie Washington each tickled the twine; James Haley and local hero Dean Dedicato each had an assist. For the Bruins, Morgan lit the lamp twice, while Harrington each netted one marker and an assist; Randall Stapleton scored; the General chipped in three helpers; Kim Mills garnered an assist. Tayler Parks put the kibosh on Ray Johnson’s shutout bid for the Bruins, off an assist from Brandon Morgan.

Game 2: Blues 1, Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 6

The depleted Bruins came in to their second contest looking to shake off their fatigue and give General Mills and his Pens a run for their money, but alas, it was not to be. While the Bs did manage to post 17 shots, playing two contests three-on-three proved too much for the young squad, and the Penguins cruised to victory. T.R. Hoyt produced a “pace yourself” hattrick; Willie Crockett scored twice; Dylan Harrington each netted one marker and an assist; Randall Stapleton scored; the General chipped in three helpers; Kim Mills garnered an assist. Tayler Parks put the kibosh on Ray Johnson’s shutout bid for the Bruins, off an assist from Brandon Morgan.

Game 3: EZ Loan Bruins 1, Charles E. Morgan Termite and Pest Control Penguins 7

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Game 4: Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 4, Grounds Keepers Lawn Care Capitals 2

In a contest that just may be a harbinger of the Parksley Cup, the Red Wings emerged victorious over the Pat Trick and his Caps. In this high speed, high skill affair these teams matched up very well against one another, with the Capitals edging out the Wings in shots, 21-20. However, it was the Wings who were able to best their opponents on the one line of the score sheet that matters most this time around.

The Caps took a tenuous one-goal lead heading into the third period when the Red Wings took over, piling on four goals to seal the win. Preston Shover made two deposits; the Huntsman scored once and added an assist; Michael Vargas picked up a pair of helpers; T.R. Hoyt and Kim Mills each had one assist.

For the Blues, Trae Merritt led the offensive charge with a two-goal, two-assist effort; Paul Thornes went out and scored himself a hat trick; Jennie Rice scored a goal and an assist; Danny Miller picked up a pair of helpers; Danny Tweedy and Michael Garbacz each had an assist.

ESSHL regular season action resumes Jan. 7, at 1 p.m. at Stapleton Rink, in Parksley.
The inshore and offshore wrecks have been producing limit catches of tautog and black sea bass respectfully. Outstanding tautog catches have been reported from Ocean City, Md., down to Virginia Beach. Knothead black sea bass to 4.5 pounds have been coming from the deep water wrecks from Chincoteague to Virginia Beach. Fishermen have encountered schools of bluefish to 35 inches, rockfish as well as giant bluefin tuna on their way to and from the offshore wrecks.

In the lower Chesapeake Bay, large cow striped bass continue to be boated. Most of these fish have been caught by anglers slow-trolling live eels. The Chesapeake Bay striped bass season ends on Dec. 31.

Chincoteague – Kyle Krabill, of Coastal Killers, reported that he was in a party of three boats that fished offshore on Monday. Each boat found easy limits of tautog. He had heard reports of big flounder on the wreck located in the area know as the “Parking Lot.” The boats saw pods of bait and feeding whales between 8 and 12 miles offshore.

Lower Shore – Mark Snook, of Chris’ Bait & Tackle, reported that everybody down there was “rockfish hungry!” Catches of large fish were made off Cape Charles, Plantation, and by boats running up to buoys 38, 40 and 42. The shop weighed in 18 big rockfish in Monday alone, the largest tipping the scales at 56 pounds! Mark reported that at least one boat was making the run out of Kiptopeke to the Triangle Wrecks where they were finding good numbers of keeper black sea bass. One vessel on its way back encountered an estimated 300-yard-long school of oceanic rockfish just inside the three mile limit.

Kevin and Beth Synowiec ventured offshore out of Virginia Beach on Sunday. They fished over a wreck some 55 miles out and boated a limit of black sea bass to 4-12 by 11 a.m. While on the wreck, a school of large bluefish surfaced and the pair boated nine of the choppers measuring up to 35 inches in length. Beth reported that both the seabass and the bluefish would hit anything that was put in front of them!

Upper Shore – Captain Matt Abell, of the Sea Hawk Sports Center, reported that some keeper rockfish had been caught while fishing under working birds midway to the Cut Channel. Keeper fish were also coming from the area around buoy 65 off Smith Point, most of these fish were caught by anglers jigging with Jig Fish and Crippled Herring jigs.

Matt described togfishing on the ocean wrecks in less than 100-foot depth as being “on fire.” Customer Mike Geesaman and his father stopped by the shop to show off some nice-sized flounder that were caught while fishing for black sea bass over an unnamed wreck.

The Pocomoke River was producing catches of yellow perch, crappie, and chain pickerel.

This will probably be the last “Fishing From the Shore” report of the season. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the report’s content and we hope that everybody has a great Christmas and a prosperous New Year and we wish bent rods to all of our readers in 2018!

Bill Hall was the first Eastern Shore resident to achieve Virginia Salt Water Master Angler Status. He has been named Virginia Saltwater Angler of the Year and Virginia Saltwater Release Angler of the Year. Bill is an I.G.F.A. International Committee Representative and a longtime member of the Virginia Saltwater Fishing Tournament Committee. He is the Virginia Recreation Fishing representative on the ASMFC Striped Bass Management Panel and is a past recipient of the CCA-VA Virginia Outdoor Writer Conservation Leadership Award.

Photo by Kevin Synowiec
Beth Synowiec with a 35-inch bluefish caught 55 miles offshore.

Photo Courtesy of SeaHawk Sports Center
Mike Geesaman and his father Mike Geesaman show off some doormat flounder that were caught over an offshore wreck.
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| **Seaside**      |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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  - Super Cab, XLT, One Owner, 14,600 Miles
  - $26,299

- **2006 GMC Sierra 1500**
  - Super Cab, XLT, One Owner, Long Bed, 142,000 Miles
  - $7,495

- **2006 Ford F150 Lariat**
  - Crew Cab, Leather, Clean, 80,000 Local Miles
  - $14,995

- **2007 Ford F150**
  - 4x4, Lariat, Black, 102,000 Miles
  - $12,995

- **2012 Ford F150**
  - Lariat & Crew, 4x4, 78,000 Miles
  - $25,995

- **2016 F150**
  - Reg. Cab, Long Bed, Local Owner
  - $17,995

- **2015 Ford F150**
  - XL, White, PL, PW, Only 30,100 Miles
  - $22,995

**SUV’s**

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Part III of Tonya Bundick Interview: Legal Representation

By Linda Cicoira

Tonya Bundick, the notorious convict-ed arsonist of Accomack County, offered on numerous occasions to take a lie detector test to prove her innocence, the 44-year-old Fluvanna, Va., inmate said in a recent interview with the Eastern Shore Post, but said she was always denied the opportunity.

Bundick went on a hunger strike during her first 21 days of incarceration in 2013. She was arrested just a mile from where police saw her then-fiance, Charles Robert Smith III, (also known as Charlie Applegate, 42, and now an inmate at Greensville Correctional Center in Jarrett, Va.), setting fire to an unoccupied house on Airport Drive in Melfa where Bundick had dropped him off and later went back to pick him up. They were arrested about a mile from the site.

She was appointed three sets of lawyers to represent her. The first was arrested, the second was fired and the third, Bundick said, had a dubious past.

“I refused to eat (and) lost 15 pounds” in three weeks at Accomack Jail, Bundick said. They “tried to get me to drink Ensure (a protein/nutrition beverage), which got poured out. I was kept in confinement by myself for the first 40 days, was given no medical care other than a jail medic. If you reflect back to this time, it always took four officers to escort me to court hearings, to hold me up, as I wasn’t physically strong enough to walk.”

“There is not enough time to cover it all,” she continued. “This is just the tip of the iceberg.”

“They spend nine months from the date of my arrest” in April 2013 “trying to gain any factual evidence of my involvement, then spend two years thwarting the proof of my innocence … they had tunnel vision. They aren’t concerned for the truth. They just wanted a conviction.”

Bundick became known for being a diva, with her keen sense of style, carefully applied makeup and hairdos.

“It’s funny how I’ve been accused of graffiti, was accused and convicted of arson. But all everyone wants to say, write about, was my attire,” she said. “My girly-girl appearance … all this would involve running around in the dark, some locations were in woods, off beaten paths. This being said, I was constantly posting photos on Facebook out at Shuckers (a local nightspot, now Fairgrounds) with friends and at work since everyone wanted to talk about my tan, my attire. I always wore 4-inch heels. Don’t you think for a minute, I would be scratched up from this? It would have been noticed. I always had long nails. I was at (the) nail shop every two weeks. There would have been signs. You can’t be a ‘Diva’ traipsing through the night. Plus, I had my hair done in box braids and twists twice, which involves using synthetic hair. I would love to see you running through the night in the dark with that.”

“My hairdresser, who did that style for me, even knew I was sitting at her house getting it done when one fire started. But my lawyers refused to look for her.”

For Bundick’s preliminary hearing, her hair was plaited. “I wasn’t aware I had a court appearance that day and then wasn’t allowed to undo it. I requested to take it out and jail staff refused to allow it.”

“I can honestly say, it sure wasn’t me” my lawyers were working for, Bundick continued.

When Bundick and Smith were arrested, lawyer Carl Bundick was appointed to defend Smith. Bundick was given Shannon Dunham, then a lawyer in a firm with her husband, Garrett Dunham, in Eastville. When he became her co-counsel in the case, the couple were removed from representing her due to a conflict of interest.

“To this day I’ve never been told” what the conflict was, Bundick said. “She (Shannon Dunham) showed up out of the blue one afternoon while I was out on bail and informed me we have a hearing the next day. She would only say a conflict of interest but considering all she ever seemed to talk about was that in the future her husband was running for some office or another, it didn’t surprise me.”

“Myself and others believe it is due to political aspirations. I believe she was afraid the case would hurt those chances,” said Bundick. Garrett Dunham ran unsuccessfully against Commonwealth’s Attorney Bruce Jones of Northampton County.

“But in light of her own legal issues, it was probably just as well” that she was

TOWN OF PAINTER NOTICE OF MEETINGS AND JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Va. Code §15.2-2204, notice is hereby given that the Town of Painter Town Council, during its regular January monthly meeting, and the Town of Painter Planning Commission, during a special meeting of such Commission, will hold a joint public hearing on the matters specified below on Monday, January 8, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. at the Painter Town Office, at 17118 Wayside Drive, Painter, VA 23420.

The matters to be considered are the following Town Council initiated proposed amendments to the Painter Zoning Ordinance:

Proposal #1: To delete §III-2.11, III-3.9, and III-4.11 in their entireties to provide consistency and to eliminate redundancy after the amendments to the sign regulations that were made in January 2017.

Proposal #2: To delete §III-4.3 C to comply with the requirements of Va. Code §3.2-301.

Proposal #3: To provide for requirements for the issuance of permits for specialized animal raising facilities (poultry, swine, livestock, and/or fowl) in the A-1 district pursuant to Va. Code §3.2-301, with such requirements to include: (a) a minimum contiguous parcel size of 60 acres, wholly contained within the corporate limits of the town; (b) a maximum density of such facilities of 1 per 60 acre parcel; and (c) all outer boundaries of the facility site plan are separated by at least 600 linear feet from the boundary lines of the parcel, from any residence, from any non-agricultural business, from any church, school, museum, or similar structure operated with or without profit, from any public road, from any railroad right-of-way, from the corporate limits of the town, and from any other poultry, swine, livestock, or fowl raising facility, whether within or without the town, from any body of water, and from any Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act Resource Protection Area.

The public may inspect the proposals at the Town Office prior to the public hearing.

Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission may provide its recommendations to the Town Council, and the Town Council may act upon the proposals and recommendations without further notice.
taken off the arson case, Bundick said. “She couldn’t manage her own life, how could she have helped mine. She didn’t even have the guts to tell myself or my family member present that day, why.”

In October 2016, Shannon Dunham lost her license to practice law for five years and was ordered to pay $100,000 based on her admissions that she violated rules of diligence, fees, conflict of interest, safekeeping property, specific duties, required trust accounting procedures and misconduct, in handling her great-uncle George Doughty’s estate.

The Virginia State Bar state Dunham began accessing her then 90-year-old uncle’s accounts in 2014 and for about 15 months while “acting under the auspices of attorney-in-fact … took in excess of $100,000 … for her personal use … via cash withdrawals, transfers, checks and debit card purchases.”

There was a lot of note passing between Bundick and Charles Smith while the two were in Accomack County Jail between April and October of 2013, Bundick said. “For all the evidence the commonwealth had, you would wonder why they never collected the ‘kites’ that their own officers sometimes helped pass. Or why the ones I gave Shannon Dunham never saw the inside of a courtroom.”

Once the Dunhams asked to be replaced, Tyler decided Allen Zaleski of Virginia Beach would be a good fit for Bundick. He and his son represented her at her first trial. She was charged with more than 60 offenses.

“Zaleski got all those cases to be tried separately. That was a motion he made without my consent or knowledge of what that meant to me. By him doing that single event, it ruled out a lot of my proof … I don’t think that was an accident. Zaleski would never respond to my families’ inquiries or questions as to why he did things his way. He was more concerned with his media image and getting paid than he was with me as a client, thus why he wanted so many trials. Everything I pointed out to him as our evidence, he dismissed it, would not put in the work to get it, and just plain ignored. He is the reason, at my first trial, I accepted the Alford plea. At the end, he pulled me outside of (the) courtroom and said he could read the jury and they were gonna, his words exactly, ‘fray you’. I can read their demeanor. Take the Alford pleas. You’ll end up with less time.’ He was very adamant about this. The only reason I took the plea was because of his insistence. I had never been through anything like this. I trusted the guidance I was given. Put yourself in my shoes … I thought he was offering good advice.”

At the time, you are going through it, the worst thing of your life, you aren’t thinking clearly. You trust your lawyer, then in hindsight, you realize what a mistake that is when a lawyer won’t answer his client’s questions, that should raise red flags. That is why I finally wrote the court to have him dismissed from my case.”

She said there were other reasons as well, but did not disclose those.

“Seventy-five percent of the evidence we have had been ruled useless by my final attorney Janee Joslin, (also of Virginia Beach), because of shoddy representation by my previous lawyers, Allen Zaleski, and his son,” Bundick continued.

“Charlie told others there was someone helping him. We could have used evidence of this, had my attorneys, at the time, pulled the third party calls Smith made at Accomack County Jail.”

“Charlie made three ways calls under another inmate’s account to a female, giving/telling her info that she says she related to the FBI,” according to Bundick. “These calls were recorded in the Accomack County Jail, but my lawyer, Shannon Dunham, and the Zaleskis, would not pull these records. I repeatedly asked for these conversations to be admitted as evidence.”

Later the woman “contacted my lawyer and agreed to testify on my behalf. The inmate, who was allowing Smith to use his phone account was her ex-husband. She had stated that Smith had tried to get her to marry us. She stated that there were another man and woman who had done the arsons with Smith and that I wasn’t involved at all.”

“She contacted the Zaleskis, she was supposed to testify, but at the last minute, she backed out.”

There was another person “who all of a sudden went ghost.” He “publicly stated that Smith had made questionable statements regarding the arsons. These two very valuable witnesses for the defense … backed out after Janee Joslin admitted Gary Agar was listening to all my phone calls and supposedly monitoring my visit conversations.”

Bundick said, “I discussed my concerns regarding her being chosen to represent me. Gary Agar told her what I said … Agar went to the extremes and did everything possible to turn the wheels in his favor. She told Frank Dickerson (Bundick’s current boyfriend) this in a phone call.”

“Why did I finally accept a deal? My final court hearing, I was in Virginia Beach Jail, Janee Joslin had come out, we had a TV visit, and pretty much told me all our case had fallen apart.”

“She stated Agar was offering me seven years on remaining charges,” Bundick said. “She called my family, Frank, etc., to have them convince me to take the deal.” Joslin told her she “could get the previous 10½-year term, from the first trials, overturned due to negligent representation.” She said she “would do this free of charge. Janee Joslin failed to follow through on her promises. She has avoided emails, phone calls … Accomack County told her she was done with this case. She had agreed to a deal under false pretenses. She never had any plan to do as she stated.”

Bundick said more would be disclosed “in a packet, I am putting together for further legal review.”
From Auction House to Christmas Town

Those who attend auctions at Jackson’s auction house north of Parksley would hardly recognize its transformation into a Christmas wonderland.

Chester Jackson said the youngest family members needed room to play after opening packages. “One year I thought to myself, ‘Let’s do it in the barn.’” He undertook the project himself and when his wife, Linda, saw it, “She was just as surprised as the kids were.”

Jackson said they start the decorating the day after Thanksgiving. About 20-25 family members will stop in to eat and open packages on Christmas Day.
Shore Leads in Wheat Production
By Linda Cicoira

The two Eastern Shore counties led the state in producing wheat in 2017. Northampton had the most with 660,000 bushels harvested from 9,700 acres, according to figures gathered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It was followed by Accomack with 658,000 bushels.

Other top producing counties were Caroline, Essex, Westmoreland and Shenandoah, the latter of which had the highest yields of 82.5 bushels per acre.

“The wheat crop got a good start in the fall of 2016, and the season ended with farmers reporting improved crop yields over last year,” said Herman Ellison, the state’s statistician.

“A mid-March freeze, followed by cooler than normal temperatures and moist conditions limited yield potential for some farmers,” he continued. “This year’s crop experienced more acreage than normal that was not harvested for grain as a result of frost damage, but yields for that which was harvested were near, or above normal.”

Virginia farmers harvested 9.57 million bushels of winter wheat in 2017, up three percent from the previous year. The average yield was 66 bushels per acre, up 13 bushels from 2016. Farmers seeded 210,000 acres last fall, the same number acres as 2016. Acres harvested for grain totaled 145,000 acres. Acres for other uses totaled 65,000 acres.

Over the next several months, county estimates for corn, soybeans, hay, tobacco, cotton and peanuts will be available.

Christmas Cowgirl Cutie
Santa visited the Chincoteague Police Department Dec. 16 and lots of boys and girls had a chance to tell their Christmas wishes directly to the Big Guy and have their photos made.

Winners of Delegate Bloxom’s Christmas Art Contest

Katie Arnold, Grade 5, Broadwater Academy

Keira Wheatley, Grade 5, Accawmacke Elementary School

Madelyn Anas, Grade 4, Kegotank Elementary School

Maddison Taylor, Grade 3, Occohannock Elementary School

Honorable Mention
Allison LeCato, Grade 5, Broadwater Academy
Makayla Laird, Kindergarten, Shore Christian Academy

Merry Christmas from Rob, Lou, Blaire, Madison, and Brant Bloxom
Paid for by Elect Bloxom for Delegate
Lots of Smiles at Accomack Parks and Rec/Saxis and Parksley Fire Companies at Annual Bike Giveaway

Shawn Turner, Nicholas Jones and Wayne Marshall of the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company (above left, from left), and Aubrey Justice and Bryan Shreaves (same photo, second from right and right), of the Saxis Volunteer Fire Company, at the Dec. 16 bike giveaway. The two companies set aside a portion of funds they raised throughout the year to fund the giveaway. “It’s nice being able to help families that don’t have as much,” said Marshall. “It’s definitely not easy out here any more.”

Above right, Barbara Boggs, of Accomack Parks and Recreation, registers families and County Administrator Mike Mason holds the bag from which families draw numbers to determine their place in line to select a bike.

Below left, some of the 37 bikes given away. Below right, Dalwin Ramirez Gonzalez, of Accomac, with his new bike.

Photos by Connie Morrison
Leadership Academy Accepting Applications

Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC) and Eastern Shore Healthy Communities are now accepting nominations and applications for the 2018 Youth Leadership Academy for teens in grades 9 – 12. Nominations/application forms can be found in most school guidance offices and at www.eshealthycommunities.org and are due Jan. 15. Students may nominate themselves by completing the nomination form, writing a personal essay, and providing two letters of reference. Thanks to a Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth grant and support from ESCC, the academy is offered at no cost. Lunch and materials are provided.

The 2018 Youth Leadership Academy will be held on Saturdays at ESCC from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., beginning Jan. 27, and continuing Feb. 3, 10, 17, March 3, with a final presentation and graduation exercises on Saturday March 10. To be accepted and to receive a certificate of completion, leadership scholars and their families must commit that scholars will attend all sessions.

The Youth Leadership Academy provides Eastern Shore teens with knowledge, skills and experiences to start them on their leadership journey. Scholars learn the five practices, ten commitments and 30 behaviors of exemplary leadership. They meet current Eastern Shore leaders who share their leadership stories. Scholars gain skills in research, dialogue, and creating shared values and vision. Together members of the Youth Leadership Academy Class of 2018 will develop and communicate their vision for a leadership project as part of their final presentation at graduation ceremonies.

~ Rudolph ~

“Rudolph, because he has a red nose,” said Tommy Dix, of Schooner Bay.


“Rudolph is my favorite because he was the underdog,” said Ellen Spence, of Chincoteague.

“He’s cool,” said Doug Hollingsworth, of Painter.

“Because he’s different and unique,” said Lana Anzualda, of Belle Haven.

Stefanie Jackson, of Pungoteague, a writer at the Post, agreed. “I know what it’s like to be the underdog; it’s the story of my life. I love to root for the little guy.”

But others at the newspaper had different ideas. Writer Linda Cicioira picked Clarice, Rudolph’s girlfriend, as her favorite reindeer. “She has a great singing voice,” Cicioira said.

Advertising Manager Troy Justis chose Blitzen, Rudolph’s dad. “He was a nice reindeer and he was the brother of Dasher, Comet and Cupid, too.”

Editor Connie Morrison prefers “Mitzi, because she’s Rudolph’s Mom and he was a precocious child.”

“Because he has such a shiny nose,” said Caretta Duncan, of Gargatha.

“I’ve got all kinds of reindeer in my neighborhood.”

“I have no eye-deer why I am so fawnd of Rudolph,” wrote Angie H. Crutchley, the classifieds manager. “For real doe, he and Hermey always had the cheapest dental care, they were under-a-buck.”

“This might sound cliche, but my favorite reindeer is Rudolph,” said Coleby Burford, of Bloxom. “I just love how he has this unique quality that no one else has and because of this he is mocked but in the end, he shows everyone how that unique quality makes him useful.”

Donna Belote, of Onancock, said Donner was her favorite reindeer because his first name was so much like hers, while Paul Ewell, of Justisville, said he picked Donner because he “just likes the name. Sounds manly.”

Most of the survey participants picked sugar as their favorite Christmas cookies and the ones they will leave out for Santa on Christmas Eve. But as you can see from the recipes on Page 33, Mr. Claus will have lots more to enjoy. Sherry Mayes, of Modest Town, is planning to leave her famous Grinch Cookies and a Pepsi for the jolly man.

Morrison said she’ll have Mint in the Middle Cookies and a shot of Irish whiskey at her house. Justis said he’ll sit down and have gingerbread and milk with Santa when he arrives in Painter. Belote and her granddaughter will also put that on the table before they go to sleep on Christmas Eve.

Connie Burford, of Bloxom, leaves treats for Santa in the form of chocolate chip, sugar and peanut butter cookies “and carrots for the reindeer. Cannot forget Rudolph,” she said. And her favorite, Dasher. “He’s the real leader of the pack except when it’s foggy. Then, of course, Rudolph has to come out of the barn.”

Northampton School Board Members Recognized

Dec. 14 was the final school board meeting for members Shannon Dunham (left) and Regina Taylor (right), shown with board chairman William Oakley. Dunham and Taylor each received a certificate of recognition for their four years of service on the board. They had the distinction of belonging to Northampton’s first elected school board.

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Hats off to Shelter Manager, Sheila Crockett, and her staff at the SPCA in Onley, VA. for taking in the dogs from Puerto Rico. I went to visit the dogs at the shelter and they were looking good. I pray they will be adopted by good people. If I was young I would adopt one or two. Keep up the good work, Sheila. You are a blessing.

Sandra Wharton Williams
Accomac, Virginia

Ringing in the Season of Giving

Members of Exmore Rotary Club rang bells for the Salvation Army in front of the Exmore Food Lion last week. Herman Walker, Phillip Tankaard, and Rhet and Cathy Tignor are pictured. Kettle Fund proceeds are used to assist local residents in the coming year.

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Christmas Crescent Cookies
*From Shirley Christian*

1/2 lb. butter
2 cups flour
2 cups chopped pecans
3 tablespoons sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla
1 tablespoons water
1/2 teaspoons salt

Cream butter and add sugar, vanilla and water. Sift flour and salt together and stir into butter mixture. Add pecans and mix thoroughly.

Using portions about the size of a small walnut, roll into crescent-shaped cookies. Bake in slow oven (325 degrees) about 20 minutes. While warm, roll in powdered sugar.

Sure to melt in your mouth!

Tutu’s Hawaiian Cookies
*From Shirley Christian*

3/4 cup shortening
1 1/4 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoons almond extract
1 egg
2 cup flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoons salt
3/4 cup crushed pineapple, well drained
1/2 cup shredded coconut, finely chopped

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl, with an electric mixer, combine first four ingredients. Mix well. Add egg and continue mixing until fluffy. Set aside.

In a large bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt. Add flour mixture to shortening mixture. Mix well. Stir in pineapple.

Drop by teaspoonfuls, 2 inches apart, onto an ungreased baking sheet. Sprinkle evenly with coconut.

Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until lightly browned. Can be sprinkled with sifted confectioners sugar after being cooled for an added touch.

Mint in the Middle Cookies
*From Connie Morrison*

2 1/2 cups flour
3/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup light brown sugar
1 cup sugar
1 cup butter, room temperature
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
1 small bag peppermint patties

Chocolate topping:
6 ounces semi-sweet chocolate baking squares

1/4 cup butter
3/4 cup sifted powdered sugar
2 tablespoons water
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Line several cookie sheets with parchment paper. Set aside.

In a small bowl, stir together flour, cocoa, baking soda and salt.

In a large bowl, cream the sugars and butter with an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add vanilla and eggs, beating well. Gradually add flour mixture and chill dough for at least 3 hours.

Unwrap peppermint patties and cut each into 4 pieces. Roll 1 tablespoon of dough to form a ball, and flatten it slightly. Place a piece of peppermint patty in the center and shape the dough around it, enclosing it completely. Re-roll into a ball. Place the cookies 2 inches apart on cookie sheets. Bake for 7 minutes. Cool cookies completely on a wire rack.

For glaze, in a medium bowl, combine butter, chocolate, vanilla and water. Microwave on medium power for 1 minute, until melted. Stir mixture, then add powdered sugar.

Spoon 1 teaspoon glaze on each cookie, then spread with back of spoon to make a circle approximately 1 inch in diameter. Sprinkle immediately with crushed candies. Store in an airtight container.

Double Crunchers
*From Kathleen Crockett*

1 cup flour
1/2 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup margarine
1 unbeaten egg
1 cup crushed cornflakes
1 cup oatmeal
1/2 cup coconut
1 can chocolate frosting


Shape into balls, put on greased cookie sheet, flatten with the bottom of a glass dipped in flour. Bake at 350 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes. Let cool. Put together with frosting sandwich style.
Tastes of the Shore

GHOCOCO DELIGHT
Submitted by Beth Nunnally

Ingredients:
• 10-16 ounces of cookies, depending on the size dish you use
• 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
• 1 cup powdered sugar
• 1 pint of whipping cream, whipped and divided
• 2 (3 1/2 ounce) packages instant chocolate pudding mix
• 3 cups milk

Directions:
• Crumble your favorite cookies (shortbread, Pecan Sandies, or oreos—all work well) and press them into the bottom of a 9x11 pan or the bottom and sides of a large trifle bowl. If they are too dry, melt a little butter to help hold together.
• Whip the cream (a 12-ounce tub of Cool Whip can be substituted for whipped cream, but for those who love whipped cream, there is no substitute) and set aside. Beat cream cheese mixed with sugar, and gently fold in half of the whipped cream. Pour this mixture over the crust. Put the rest of the whipped cream back in the refrigerator until needed.
• Mix the pudding with the milk, beating until the mixture starts to thicken. Pour over the whipped cream/cream cheese layer. Place in refrigerator for 20–30 minutes until pudding is set.
• Remove from the refrigerator and top with remaining whipped cream. Garnish with chopped nuts or cherries or more crumbled cookies. Keep refrigerated until ready to serve.

Camilla “June” Sutton’s Corn Bread for a Crowd
Submitted by Kyle Hall
Serves at least eight

Ingredients:
• 2 (16-ounce) boxes Jiffy Corn Bread Mix
• 1 (16-ounce) container sour cream
• 6 eggs
• 2 cups of sugar
• 2 (17-ounce) cans creamed corn
• 2 sticks butter or margarine

Directions:
• Mix first five ingredients together in large bowl.
• Melt two sticks butter or margarine and pour in lasagna-size pan.
• Pour corn mixture on top and blend with butter or margarine.
• Bake at 350 degrees until brown, about 45 minutes. (Originally printed in The Virginian-Pilot in 2007)
AKAs and KAPPAs Kick-off Joint Mentoring Program

Pi Epsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority’s ASCEND program and the Salisbury Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity have announced the kick-off of their national signature programs. They will target leadership development, community service and high scholastic achievement. The joint mentoring program started in November.

Pictured above are the students enrolled in the mentoring program. Leaders of the program are Trina Cooper, Veronica Byrd, Cedrick Cooper and Wayne Bell.

Sisters Raise Money for Heart Association

Kaitlyn and Alyssa Phillips attend Accawmacke Elementary School. Their gym teacher, Damon Garrison, has led them to raise money for the American Heart Association through Jump Rope for Heart. Kaitlyn and Alyssa will both be jumping for their grandfather, Tom Woloski.

After raising $600 last year, they knew they had to do something to give more. The girls spoke with Mandi Mears, the owner of Munchkins Boutique in Exmore, to begin selling their outgrown clothes and toys. Since January, the girls have found items each month to send to Munchkins.

Kaitlyn and Alyssa were able to raise more than $230 through the consignment store. Along with other donations, the girls donated a total of $620 to the American Heart Association this year.

Marriage Licenses Issued

- Tibossuet Saint Jean, 28, and Manoucheca Bellevue, 27, both of Accomac
- Casey Austin Cook, 36, and Janet Lorainne Smith, 18, both of Oak Hall
- Richard Gray Spearman, 76 and Yoland Katherina Valverde, 51, both of Philadelphia
- Novian Finney and Keyona Kelley, both 24, of Onley
- Jose Gallegos-Ibarra, 36, and Carina Ramirez, 32, both of Cape Charles
- Watson Forlevil, 28, of Nassawadox, and Tanya Thomas, 36, of Cheriton

Food for Fines

The Eastern Shore Public Library is collecting canned goods and canned pet food (no out-of-date cans) to benefit the Food Bank and the SPCA. For each can donated through Dec. 31, they will waive $1 of library fines ($10 maximum).
**Holiday Events Calendar**

- **Dec. 22:** 5–8 p.m.–Festive Fridays: Trunk Shows, Live Local Music, Open Houses, Kids’ Activities, Santa and Mrs. Claus at Strawberry Plaza, Snow Queen And Duke Of Bearland Come Bearing Gifts at Lemon Tree Gallery (7 p.m.) And Performance By Ally Tarwater (8 p.m.), Carriage Rides & more–Cape Charles
- **Dec. 22:** 8 p.m.–Movie Night: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation–Historic Palace Theatre, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles–Free Admission
- **Dec. 24:** 10 a.m.–Christmas Eve Service–Saxis UMC
- **Dec. 24:** 10:30 a.m.–Children’s Christmas Program–Pungoteague Community Church
- **Dec. 24:** 1 p.m.–Santa On The Saxis Vol. Fire Truck–Saxis Island
- **Dec. 24:** 6 p.m.–Christmas Eve Candlelight Service–Hollies Baptist Church, 17691 Hollies Church Rd., Keller
- **Dec. 24:** 8 p.m.–Christmas Eve Service–St. George’s Episcopal Church, Pungoteague–Hymn Sing (8 p.m.), Choral Holy Communion (8:30 p.m.)
- **Dec. 24:** 9 p.m.–Christmas Eve Service–Craddockville UMC
- **Dec. 24:** 9 p.m.–Christmas Eve Service–Downing’s UMC, Oak Hall
- **Dec. 25:** 3 p.m.–Christmas Day Service–St. James Episcopal Church, Accomac–Holy Communion And Music
- **Dec. 30:** 11 a.m.–Noon Year’s Party–Pocomoke Library–Early New Year’s Party With Crafts, Food, Music And Countdown To 12:00...Noon!!
- **Dec. 31:** 8 p.m.–Chincoteague Island Arts Organization Live Music For New Year’s Eve–4074 Main St., Chincoteague–$30
- **Dec. 31:** 10 p.m.–Fifth Annual Dropping Of The Crab Pot–Central Park, Cape Charles
- **Dec. 31:** 10:45 p.m.–Pony Island Horseshoe Drop & Costume Promenade–4083 Main St., Chincoteague
- **Jan. 13:** 6:30 p.m.–Epiphany Party & Auction–Cape Charles Vol. Fire Station, 501 Mason Ave.–Bring Least Favorite (But Highly Desirable) Christmas Gift To Be Auctioned, And An Appetizer, Beverage Or Dessert To Share–RSVP To Chris Bannon By Jan. 7 At 757-331-2206

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**Cape Charles**

The Friends of the Cape Charles Memorial Library will host an afternoon tea in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., on Monday, Jan. 8, at 3 p.m. Tara King will describe hand-dying alpaca fleece. The cost is $20. For more information, call 757-695-4192.

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**Cheriton**

The Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company will host a flapjack dinner, on Wednesday, Jan. 10, from 5 to 7 p.m. The menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, baked apples, and a drink. Tickets are $9 for adults and $5 for kids under 12.

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**Melfa**

The 2018 Leadership Academy will be held on Saturdays, beginning Jan. 27, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Eastern Shore Community College. The academy is for youth ages 13 to 17. Nomination forms are due by Jan. 15.

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**Wachapreague**

The E.S. Public Library fundraiser, Raising the Green for The New Regional Library, will be held at the Island House Restaurant, on St. Patrick’s Day, March 17, at 5:30 p.m. There will be a dinner, door prizes, a 50/50 drawing, and silent and live auctions. Tickets are $75 each and available for advance purchase only. The deadline to order is Jan. 15. For reservations and questions, call Lynn Badger at 757-787-2500.

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**Food Safety Tips from The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services**

- Wash your hands but not your turkey: washing your hands before cooking stops the spread of bacteria, while washing your turkey is the easiest way to spread bacteria all over your kitchen
- Stuff your face but not your turkey: even if the turkey temperature is correct, the stuffing may not reach the optimal temperature...cook it separately
- Take the temperature of the bird: the correct internal temperature of a turkey should be 165 degrees, measured by a meat thermometer
- Consider the food safety advantages of a slow cooker: the direct heat from the pot and the lengthy cooking time combine to destroy bacteria
- Follow the two-hour rule: don’t leave perishable foods at room temperature for longer than two hours
- Don’t forget the basics: clean surfaces and utensils, separate raw meat, poultry, eggs and seafood from ready-to-eat foods, cook to proper temperature, and chill leftovers within two hours
**FRIDAY DEC. 22**

★ 8 a.m. - Breakfast at the VFW - VFW Post 2296, Tasley - donations accepted
★ 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Alzheimer’s Caregivers’ Support Group - Riverside Shore Rehab Center, 26181 Parksley Rd., Parksley - 757-665-5133 (Lori Wilson)
★ noon & 5:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - United Methodist Church, 75 Market St., Onancock
★ 6 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church
★ 7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 757-787-2486
★ 7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
★ 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Downing’s UMC, Oak Hall

**SATURDAY DEC. 23**

★ 9:30 a.m. - Sunrise Yoga On The Beach - Kiptopeke State Park - $8/class
★ noon & 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock
★ 1-4 p.m. - Corddry Company Crossing Operating Train Garden - Pocomoke River Canoe Co., 2 River St., Snow Hill, Md.
★ 2-4 p.m. - Empowering Girls’ Group - ESTACI, Exmore - 757-656-3460
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

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**SUNDAY DEC. 24**

★ 9:30 a.m. - AA mtg. - Historic Cokesbury Church, 13 Market St., Onancock
★ noon - Social Luncheon - Calvary Bible Church, Acmeac
★ 12:30 p.m. - Bingo - Vietnam Veterans’ Bldg., Main St., Onley
★ 1-4 p.m. - Corddry Company Crossing Operating Train Garden - Pocomoke River Canoe Co., 2 River St., Snow Hill, Md.
★ 7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
★ 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague

**MONDAY DEC. 25**

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**WEDNESDAY DEC. 27**

★ 7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack County mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 10 a.m. - TOPS mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 757-787-4718
★ 10:30-11:30 a.m. - Overeaters Anon. mtg. - Rock Church, Onley - 757-655-4834
★ 11 a.m. - Stitch-N-Sip Fiber Arts Group mtg. - Pocomoke Library - for those who knit, crochet, cross stitch and other textile arts
★ 11 a.m. - Prayer Time - Downing’s UMC, Oak Hall
★ 11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Soup Kitchen - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore
★ noon - AA mtg. - United Methodist Church, 75 Market St., Onancock
★ 5-7 p.m. - Soup Kitchen & Clothes Closet - Grace and Truth Ministries, 19 Boundary Ave., Onancock – Donations: 757-789-5369
★ 5:30-6:30 p.m. - Free Meals for the Hungry - Epworth UMC, Exmore - 757-442-6391
★ 6 p.m. - AA mtg. - Downing’s UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall
★ 6-7 p.m. - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
★ 6:30-8:30 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages - Metomkin Elementary School, Parksley - 757-789-1761
★ 7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon. mtgs. - Franktown UMC
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC

**TUESDAY DEC. 26**

★ 9 a.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
★ 10 a.m. - Bingo - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock - 787-3900
★ 10 a.m. - Zumba - Franktown UMC
★ 11 a.m. - Duplicate Bridge - Fairgrounds, Onancock - 757-787-2432
★ 5:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - St. James’ Episcopal Church, Accomac
★ 6 p.m. - Onancock Lions Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley - 787-2059
★ 6 p.m. - Rachel Leah Ministries - 787-2436 (call for location)
★ 6 p.m. - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA
★ 6-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
★ 6:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Trinity UMC, 109 Plum St., Cape Charles
★ 7 p.m. - E.S. Cruisers’ Car Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Cheriton VFC - smoke free
★ 7:30 p.m. - Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg. - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague
★ 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Atlantic Methodist Church

**THURSDAY DEC. 28**

★ 9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Veterans’ Employment Representative Avail. - Chincoteague Town Office
★ 10:30 a.m. - Story Time: Wonders of Winter - Cape Charles Memorial Library (babies & toddlers downstairs/ preschoolers upstairs)
★ 10:30 a.m. - Children’s Story Hour - library, Accomac
★ 5:30 p.m. - Shore Losers mtg. - Drummondtown Baptist Church, Accomac - $1/wk.
★ 5:30 p.m. - TOPS VA-550 mtg. - Zion Baptist Church, Parksley - 757-787-7099
★ 6-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
★ 6:30 p.m. - Kiwanis Club mtg. - St. Andrew’s Catholic, Chincoteague
★ 6:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Trinity UMC, 109 Plum St., Cape Charles
★ 7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God
★ 7 p.m. - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC
★ 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock
★ 8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague
My Son, James Bowen

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Love you always,

Mom and Dad

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From,
Your Children

The Eastern Shore Post will be closed on 12/22, 12/25, 12/26 and 12/29, 1/1 and 1/2. We will be checking voicemails and emails so that we can still bring you the Post on Dec. 29 and Jan. 5.

Happy Holidays from all of us to all of you.

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Merry Christmas to all of our babies (clockwise from top left): Taylor, William, Julian, Mallery, Abigail and Deven
Love, Aunt Angie (Step-Mama) and Uncle Doug (Dad)

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y on January 24, 2018, at 11:30 am, the property described in said deed of trust,
located at the above address, with improvements thereon
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TRUST, PLAN DRAWN JAN 26, 1978, FROM SUR-
VEY COMPLETED AUG. 4, 1978," RECORDED IN
THE CLERK’S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF AC-
COMACK COUNTY, IN PLAT BOOK 26, AT PAGE 19.

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ee’s sale. Terms: A bidder’s deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent price (10%) of the original
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In execution of a deed of trust, from PAUL POUL-
SON, dated September 5, 2001, in the principal amount of $43,331.65, recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the County

(Albert E. Twery, P.C., having been appointed Substitute
Trustee, by Appointment of Substitute Trustee dated Oc-
tober 5, 2017 of record in said Clerk’s Office as Instru-
ment Number 170004387), due to default in payment of
the debt secured, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will
offer for sale at public auction in front of the Courthouse
for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia on the
11th day of January, 2018, at 12:00 noon that certain tract
of real estate known as 20639 Bayside Rd., Onancock,
Virginia 23417 situated in the County of Accomack,
Virginia, being more particularly described as follows:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in White
Rabbit, near Onancock, Lee Magisterial District, Ac-
comack County, Virginia, containing one half acre (1/2A.),
more or less, and bounded as following on the
North, by land of the heirs of Major Poulson, Sr., on the
East, by land of the Chesapeake Corporation, on the
south by land of Rosetta Poulson, and on the West
by Virginia State Highway No. 638; together with all
the buildings, rights, privileges and appurtenances
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Included with said tract is a 2000 Clayton Manufac-
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### TRUSTEE’S SALE OF
34395 Big Pine Road
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In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal
amount of $68,255.00, dated July 22, 2009, recorded among
the land records of the Circuit Court for Accomack Coun-
y on July 30, 2009, as Instrument Number 20090311.

The undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer
for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the
courthouse for the Circuit Court for Accomack Coun-
y, 23316 Courthouse Ave, Accomac, VA on January
19, 2018 at 11:30 AM, the property described in said deed
deed of trust, located at the above address and briefly described
as: ALL THAT certain lot or parcel of land with the build-
ings and improvements thereon, situate near Belle Haven,
Accomack County, Virginia, on the Bayside Road between
Belle Haven and Middlesex having a frontage on said road of
Sixty Feet (60 Ft.) and extending back between parallel
lines a distance of One Fifty Feet (150 Ft.) and being
bounded on the North, by lands now or formerly owned
by Anie Mears; on the East, by lands now or formerly
owned by Purnell Hack; on the South, by a twenty foot right
of way; and on the West, by the said Bayside Road. Tax ID:
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website: http://www.orlans.com
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### NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION

Barry Frishman, (2017145) has applied for approxi-
mately 10 -- acres of oyster planting ground in Chin-
coteague Channel situated in Accomack City/County
and described as follows:

**North By:** Thornton PF #639, Fish PF #16845, Vacant, East By: Vacant

South By: Vacant, West By: Holston/Holston PF #21399, Parks/Hausamann PF #18230, Burns/Penn PF #14729,

Lat/Long: N37-55.2492 W76-23.7981

Send written comments or concerns to:
Marine Resources Commission, Engineering/Surveying
Department, 2600 Washington Ave., 3rd Floor,
Newport News, VA 23607
For more specific application location information call
(757)247-2230.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Chincoteague
will hold a public hearing on January 11, 2018, at 7:00
p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community
Drive to receive public comments and views on the follow-
ing zoning matter:

**Appeal 18-1-01**
A request from Brad & Jennifer Kelly, 5329 Cedar Drive for a variance from Article 3, section 3.3.2 of the zoning ordinance of the Town of Chincote-
ague. The applicant has placed a new open porch 42’ from the front lot line. Current zoning requires the front porch be setback 50’ from the front lot line and 48’ from the loca-
tion of the previous deck that was grandfathered. This property is zoned Residential R-1.

Kenny L. Lewis
Zoning Administrator

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NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION
Harry L. Bowen Jr., (2017150) has applied for approximately 51 acres of oyster planting ground in Smith Island Bay situated in Northampton City/County and described as follows: North By: Bell PF #12704, Vacant. East By: Ocean Cove PF #537, Ocean Cove PF #17720. South By: Bell PF #21343, West By: Ocean Cove PF #19179, Lat/Long: N37-08-4036 W75-54-4199

Send written comments or concerns to: Marine Resources Commission, Engineering/Surveying Department, 2600 Washington Ave., 3rd Floor, Newport News, VA 23607
For more specific application location information call (757)247-2230.

NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION
CLEMENT A. SMITH, deceased, et als vs. The heirs, devisees and successors in title of Clement A. Smith, deceased, et als

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

PARCEL I: All that certain parcel of land in Treherneville, Northampton County, Virginia, designated as tax map number 00408-0A-BLK-00 0000023.

PARCEL II: All that certain parcel of land in Treherneville, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 0.50 acre, designated as tax map number 00408-0A-BLK-00 00000072.

standing in the name of Clement A. Smith, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Clement A. Smith; that due diligence has been used to determine whether Dennis Smith is living; or if deceased, to ascertain the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Dennis Smith; that there or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Clement A. Smith and Dennis Smith.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before January 16, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 7th day of December, 2017
Lauren M. Brown, Dep. Clerk

I ask for this: JAMES W. ELLIOTT, p.q.
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
7100 U.S. Route 17
Yorktown, VA 23692
(757)898-7000

NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION
PAUL JACOB STRATTON, deceased, et als vs. The heirs, devisees and successors in title of Paul Jacob Stratton, deceased, et als

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

All that certain lot or parcel of land situated in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel “B” and Parcel “C-2” on the survey recorded in Deed Book 246, at page 460 and designated as tax map number 021A1-08-BLK-00 000000C2.

LESS AND EXCEPT a conveyance recorded in Northampton County Deed Book 261, at page 45.

standing in the names of Paul Jacob Stratton and Dorothy A. Stratton, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Paul Jacob Stratton and Dorothy A. Stratton; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Paul Jacob Stratton and Dorothy A. Stratton.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before January 16, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 8th day of December, 2017
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Northampton Child Poverty Warrants Higher School Funding from State

By Bill O'Hare

Two data sets were recently released that I find puzzling. The U.S. Census Bureau released the most recent data on child poverty for cities and counties across the nation and the Virginia Department of Education released their updated Composite Index for local ability-to-pay for school districts in the state. When you put these two data sets together, they don’t add up.

Let me go over the new child poverty figures first. Nationwide, the poverty rate for children (age 0 to 17) was 19.5 percent, and for Virginia it was 14.3 percent. The income threshold for determining poverty is roughly $24,000 for a family of four.

In 2016, the child poverty rate for Northampton County was 29.4 percent and for Accomack it was 31.8 percent. I will focus on Northampton because that is where the mismatch between needs and assistance are most acute. There are only 19 counties or large cities in Virginia that have a higher child poverty rate than Northampton.

High child poverty rates in Northampton are not a new problem. The figure above shows the child poverty rates for Northampton and Accomack counties, along with the Virginia rates since 2000. In general, child poverty rates on the Eastern Shore have been more than twice as high as those seen in the rest of Virginia. And the gap between child poverty on the Eastern Shore and the rest of the state has grown since 2000.

There is probably no institution on the Eastern Shore that is impacted by the high child poverty rates more than public schools. Lots of studies that show children growing up on poverty bring needs and issues to school that are not as prevalent among children growing up in middle-income and high-income families. This brings me to the second data set that was released last week.

The State Department of Education Composite Index was also released last week. This is a complicated index based on property values, the adjusted gross income, and the taxable retail sales, and it shows how much money the local jurisdiction is expected to put into the public education system relative to what the state puts in. The figure for Northampton County is 0.4746.

The figure for Northampton means the county is expected to put in a little more than 47 cents of every dollar needed for basic public education. This is a relatively high level of local contribution compared to other jurisdictions in the state. There are only 27 jurisdictions across the state that are expected to contribute a higher percentage of costs for their local school system than Northampton County. This puts us in the company of some very wealthy jurisdictions. For example, Virginia Beach, which is a relatively affluent city is expected to contribute about 40 cents per dollar. (The child poverty rate in Virginia Beach is 11.5 percent.)

In other words, Northampton has the 20th highest child poverty rate, but ranks 109th (out of 135 counties and independent cities) in terms of support from the state for public education. The child poverty figure says we have a high level of need in the county, but the Composite Index score says we can expect relatively little help from the State.

This doesn’t make sense to me. If we have a high level of need evidenced by the high child poverty rate, why don’t we get a relatively high level of support from the state? The bottom line is that the Composite Index score does not work very well for Northampton County.

If the state can’t or won’t change the way the Composite Index score is calculated, at least they should find some other way to provide extra help to counties like Northampton where the child poverty rate is very high but state support is low.

Dr. William P. O’Hare is president of O’Hare Data and Demographic Services LLC in Cape Charles.

The Best Protection Against Consumer Fraud Is Your Own Vigilance!

By Richard L. Saunders

We live in an age where we are bombarded by news of scams and incompetence, both in the media and by simply hearing about it from friends and neighbors. It ranges from large-scale events such as Bernie Madoff and the Equifax breach to the unreported smaller-scale scams that also leave financially devastated victims in their wake. It can be hard for consumers to protect themselves because, while consumer activity underpins our economy (70 percent of the gross domestic product), the average consumer is treated the way mushrooms are grown — kept in the dark and fed manure.

What is a consumer to do? The first step must be to focus on avoidance and early detection. It can be emotionally satisfying if someone who scammed you is caught and prosecuted, with the court entering a restitution order. But you probably will not get much, if any, of your money back. The money has probably gone up the scammer’s nose, gone to a casino or even to the Cayman Islands. The average court system or prosecutor’s office is not set up to be a collection agency pursuing unpaid restitution orders.

The consumer needs to realize that he or she is the first line of defense, and sometimes the only line of defense when it comes to safeguarding one’s money. There are various government-mental agencies and law-enforcement agencies that will come into play, but their involvement usually begins after someone has been victimized. The trick is to avoid getting to that point.

So I retreat back to the question raised above: What’s a consumer to do in terms of safeguarding his/her money? The most important thing is to carefully review every piece of numerical data that comes into your household, whether it comes by regular mail or by email. Review every bank statement, credit card bill, utility bill, brokerage statement, retirement account statement, etc. These documents reflect your financial life, and you should feel comfortable that they are accurate. If there is something questionable, turn yourself into a pit bull and don’t let go of it until you are satisfied with the explanation. It may be difficult to do that, but it is your money and nobody will do it for you.

Scammers will often insert small charges into your credit card account and if the small ones go unchallenged, larger ones will follow. Most of us deal with banks, and these dealings can be problematic. A step that I practice in my personal life is to review my checking account online every day except Sunday. I do this to be sure that all transactions have been properly handled and that nothing improper has been inserted. This is a process that should take one less than 90 seconds and can be a real money saver. Below are two personal examples.

I deal with a major regional bank that has a footprint in Delmarva as well as in Pennsylvania, where I come from. One day, when going through this process, I found a check had been doubly deducted from my balance. I called up the branch, and, after a little bank bureaucracy, it was fixed. Several weeks later, when doing this daily exercise, I found that a deposit made with a teller was not in my account. Fortunately, I had kept the receipt so I was able to physically go to the branch and get it rectified. It would have been a problem had I not kept the receipt, so always keep deposit receipts until you verify that the money is in your account.

Again, it’s your money so protect it aggressively.

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Don’t Be Too Proud To Ask For Help

Dear Editor:

Recently more than 500 animals were found living on a property of an elderly woman in Louisa County. Many kinds of animals were found and they were all suffering from malnourishment and various ailments that required veterinary treatment; some animals had to be euthanized.

This is a tragedy for the animals, the owners, and no doubt the county and their animal control officers faced with solving a problem of this magnitude with limited resources. It doesn’t have to come to this, but it is easy to be overwhelmed and then too embarrassed to ask for help, especially for a family member or neighbor.

On the Eastern Shore of Virginia we have a number of resources that everyone might not know about. In addition to cat and dog resources, local private horse owners are also committed to helping the horses in our community in need with free or low cost blankets for senior horses during winter weather or temporary hay resources. You just need to ask. This time of year is very tough for everyone. As a community we want to look out for each other, both people and their animals.

Kim Wright, Accomac

Salvation Army Appreciates Help

Dear Editor:

The Northampton County Salvation Army Chapter have been ringing bells in Northampton County. We really appreciate our volunteers’ time and the generosity of our community. It is these donations to the kettles that are used by the local Salvation Army Chapter.

Nationally, the Salvation Army offers help and hope to thousands of people from the victims of disaster, addiction and homelessness to youth, families and senior citizens. The local chapters work with local churches, Northampton Social Ministries, and community organizations and agencies in identifying residents that need short term assistance to provide them help and hope. During the Christmas season the Northampton Unit coordinated with Social Services, the community Toy Closet and the Angel Tree Program. More than 350 youth, ages birth to 12, received angel tree gifts and age-appropriate toys. Donations to the Kettle Fund are used to assist people from the two counties during times of need with utility, rent, bus tickets, prescriptions and food.

If you would like to donate to the 2017 Kettle Fund make your check payable to Northampton SA Kettle Fund and send it to Edward Steret, Treasurer, P.O. Box 1274, Exmore, VA 23350. For Accomack County, send to Accomack SA Kettle Fund, Dee Fitch, Treasurer, P.O. Box 0457, Belle Haven, VA 23350-0457. Or place it in one of our kettles. God Bless you and thank you for your help.

Richard Sterrett, Chairman, Northampton Chapter

In Ukraine, they have a “Spidey Christmas.” This does not involve the famous Spiderman, who we all love to watch in the movies. Nope. The holiday trees there are covered with artificial spiders and cobwebs and date back to local folklore. There was once a poor mother who could not afford to decorate the Christmas tree. Her kids woke up to see the tree covered with webs. When the first light of Christmas morning touched the tree, the webs turned to gold and silver and the family never wanted for anything again.

So, a spider web on Christmas morning brings luck. Does that mean no cleaning? Sounds like a plan.

In Norway, people hide their brooms on Christmas Eve so that witches and evil spirits will not steal them. Yep. No cleaning. Just eating.

In Venezuela, young children will tie one end of a string to their big toe and put the other end out their bedroom window. Streets are closed off until 8 a.m. so people can roller-skate to church and “tug on any of the strings they see.” OUCH!

In the Philippines, where 80 percent of the residents are Christians, celebrations continue into January until The Feast of the Three Kings. Children there leave brightly polished shoes and freshly washed socks on the window sills for those visitors to leave gifts inside.

But, let’s get back to the food. In Britain, pudding is served on Christmas Day. Every family member helps by stirring the pudding clockwise while making a wish. They sometimes add a coin to bring wealth to whoever finds it or a ring for luck in marriage or a thimble for good luck in life. Food and good luck. How can one go wrong with that?

Icelandic people are big fans of myths and hard work. They have a scary Yule Cat who eats children who haven’t worked hard enough. The cat only looks for the lazy ones in old clothes. Those who do a good job, get new clothes and are safe. Uh, it might be time to go shopping.

Oh and if you didn’t know Santa’s postal code, I’m glad you kept reading. It’s HOH0HO. Those are zeroes, not capital letters. Make sure your requests go to the right place in Canada and have yourself a merry one. Yippee!

And happy 39th birthday to Angie H. Crutchley! Remember, your 39th birthday marks the start of your 40th year!