By Linda Cicoira

The legacy of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is important to 72-year-old Gerald Boyd, who grew up in a time when black people had no access to the public library, were forced to sit at the back of the bus, could not look white people in the eye and would have to move off the curb to let white people pass on the sidewalk.

“I grew up in the segregated era,” he said. “I grew up when I knew my grandfather had to pay poll taxes in order to vote.”

Those are among the reasons Boyd is interested in preserving African-American history. On the Eastern Shore, part of that history is the Samuel D. Outlaw Blacksmith Shop in Onancock, which is in the first phase of a plan that will turn the historic building into a museum and provide pride for local residents while becoming a major tourist attraction.

Boyd is chairman of a board looking to preserve the site. He recruited about 20 volunteers Monday to clean up the grounds of the Boundary Avenue building. It was a job befitting of King’s birthday. Congress passed the King Holiday and Service Act in 1994 designating the third Monday in January as a national day of service.

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By Jo Ann Molera

Jo Ann Molera, Northampton County's new victim witness advocate, isn't an Eastern Shore native, but judging by the scope of her continued community involvement, one might think otherwise.

Molera has been in the full-time court position since the end of October and is also a four-year member of Northampton’s elected school board.

Her paid position facilitates the legal process for crime victims. While the commonwealth’s attorney prosecutes the criminal case, the victim witness advocate plays a supportive role, accompanying the victim to court, requesting restitution when necessary, and helping make arrangements to cover related medical expenses.

Another important responsibility of Molera’s is informing victims of their rights and directing them to resources that may further help them, such as the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Alcoholics Anonymous, or others, depending on the nature of the related trauma.

Molera says she provides a “clear head” for those who may not be able to think clearly for themselves while suffering from trauma. She attended a two-week course with other victim witness advocates, prosecutors, and law enforcement agents to learn about “victimology” — the study of behavior of trauma victims — which taught her to be kinder, gentler, and more understanding of her clients. Molera says although her job is “sad on occasion … I feel that it can be very rewarding.”

Molera followed an unconventional career path before becoming a victim witness advocate. The one-time aspiring marine biologist — who almost graduated with a biology degree, but decided to change her major to Spanish after meeting her future husband while studying in Spain — started out as a “career mom” in Michigan.

She and husband Dr. Federico Molera, an anesthesiologist, moved from Michigan to the Eastern Shore in 1984, when he began his own practice at the former Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox. They were drawn to the Shore partly by the temperate climate. Jo Ann Molera said Michigan is beautiful, but suggested winters there are like Winter Storm Grayson conditions for four months out of the year.

The job opportunity at the Nassawadox hospital also allowed Dr. Molera to leave a practice of five anesthesiologists and achieve professional autonomy.

Jo Ann Molera supports Montessori schools, mainly private institutions focusing on child-centered education, often accepting students from 0 to 15 years old. When she moved to the Shore and found no such place for her 2½-year-old daughter who suffered from asthma, Molera began the region’s first Montessori school in the basement of her Nassawadox home in 1985. She paid for the teacher she hired to travel to Washington, D.C. for training.

The school began with 10 students and grew to a membership of 14 by the end of its first year. The following year, it began operating in a building next to the former Shore Cancer Center.

Molera oversaw the Montessori school in Nassawadox for 18 years; it was then re-established in Franktown, where it has operated for the past decade. It was this experience, along with a two-year stint as a Spanish teacher in Northampton public schools, that prepared her for a seat on the county school board. Molera began with a two-year, elected term as an at-large representative on the board, then won a two-year term serving District 4. School board memberships are now four-year, staggered terms.

As an advocate for child-centered education, former teacher, and mother of five children - four of whom graduated from Northampton High School – Molera has a “vested interest in seeing schools do well… as should everybody in this county.” She remains a strong supporter of the Montessori school and hopes it may one day become part of the Northampton public education system as a magnet school - “I would give my right arm if it were,” she said.

Her community involvement extends beyond the work she does for the county. Molera is also a longtime practitioner of the performing arts. She performed dinner theatre at the former Trawler restaurant in Exmore, is a member of the Franktown Players — a company which has performed at venues including North Street Playhouse in Onancock — and belongs to the Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers.

As she has traveled along her personal life journey, Molera has worn a cloak of many colors, reflecting her varied experiences as a student, educator, wife, mother, citizen, and personal advocate. She said she is “enjoying having my later-in-life career” and plans to continue on the professional path set before her.
Accomack Chairman Cautions Northampton About Regionalism Comments

By Linda Cicoira

In the future, Northampton Chairman Spencer Murray should “be more careful” when making public comments, Chairman Robert Crockett of the Accomack supervisors said Wednesday.

“His statement about the regional jail was ill-advised and could have negative consequences for the residents of Northampton County should the state construe it as an effort to break the resolution and contract,” Crockett read from a prepared statement to his fellow board members. He contended state officials might think Murray was speaking for the entire Northampton Board of Supervisors and try to take back millions of dollars it provided for the facility.

Crockett was referring to a “Letter to the Editor” published in the Eastern Shore Post on Jan. 12, 2018, in which Murray writes, “When Accomack needs a new jail, it will be built in Accomack.”

“In that statement … Murray has, in so many words, stated he has unilaterally changed the conditions of the resolution that created the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and the contract that clearly states that Accomack County has the right to construct an addition to the regional jail when its jail is no longer usable,” said Crockett, who was the Accomack sheriff when the deal was made. The contract was executed in 2003 by both boards and saved Northampton residents millions, he added.

“Murray has no authority to change conditions of the resolution and contract, only both Boards of Supervisors jointly have the authority to amend the contract,” Crockett said. “More importantly, the changes he said he made, which would prevent Accomack County from constructing additions to the facility, are the conditions that allowed the Department of Corrections to approve the facility as a regional jail, thereby allowing Northampton County to receive a 50 percent reimbursement from the state for most of the construction cost of the jail as opposed to 25 percent reimbursement had it not been approved as a regional jail.”

Crockett said Northampton officials requested Accomack join them in the creation of a regional jail and agreed Accomack County “would not be responsible for funding the operation of the jail until such time (as) Accomack’s jail was no longer usable and we constructed an addition. Accomack County has complied with all conditions of the regional jail contract, including all conditions dealing with funding, and will continue to do so in the future,” Crockett.

Prior to Northampton constructing the new jail, it “had no ability to hold female inmates,” Crockett continued. “To help solve this problem, Accomack County agreed to hold their female inmates, which prevented their sheriff from traveling throughout the state.”

Crockett said Murray remarked on appointments to the Eastern Shore Broadband Authority, and again should have done his homework. Murray wanted to know at a November meeting of his board “What fools wrote these bylaws?” Crockett said his comment “was shocking to me after I conducted a little research since the contract setting up the Broadband Authority was passed unanimously by both Accomack and Northampton” supervisors in April 2008.

The language to which he was referring “is required by state law,” Crockett said. “Murray was a member of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors … and voted for the broadband contract.”

“As a further example of cooperation, during a forecast of extreme weather conditions our Vice-Chair Supervisor (Donald) Hart, our Director of Public Safety C. Ray Pruitt and others prepare emergency shelters for Accomack County residents at Nandua and Arcadia High Schools,” Crockett continued. “In recent years, they prepared Nandua Middle School as an emergency shelter for Northampton residents because that county “doesn’t have a facility that qualifies as a shelter. This is done without cost to their residents. Accomack County has always been available and willing to assist and cooperate with Northampton County in the past and look forward to our continued assistance and cooperation in the future,” he said.

Accomack supervisors also agreed to have staff write a letter to Northampton asking what the county intends to do to finance the regional library system in the future. County Administr-
tor Mike Mason said he would find the original agreement before proceeding. Murray’s letter talked about the two libraries in Northampton and implied the main library in Accomack was not its responsibility. He also mentioned other pressing expenses in Northampton.

“My hope for 2018 is that communication and cooperation will dominate both locally and regionally,” Murray wrote in his letter. “If the high ground is currently unoccupied, I ask that our two counties meet there for the benefit of all the citizens of the Eastern Shore.”

Accomack To See $400,000 Revenue Drop From 1.8% Drop in Assessments

By Linda Cicoira

A preliminary assessment for Accomack real estate shows values dropped on average by 1.8 percent and will cause a loss of more than $400,000 in tax revenue, Assessor Brent Hurdle told county supervisors Wednesday. The biggest changes were to Captain’s Cove and Saxis areas where value decreases went down 5 percent or more.

A breakdown by district showed drops of 1.36 percent in Atlantic, 2.04 percent in Metompkin, .90 percent in Lee and 1.80 in Pungoteague.

Town assessments included decreases of 1.80 percent in Chincoteague, 5.43 percent in Saxis, about 6 percent in Hallwood, 5.10 percent in Bloxom, 2.77 percent in Parsley, 2.76 percent on Tangier Island, 2.84 percent in Acomac, 1.40 percent in Onley, .11 percent in Onancock, 3.46 percent in Melfa, 2.09 percent in Wachapreague, 4.65 percent in Keller, 3.37 percent in Painter, 2.87 percent in Belle Haven and 5.08 percent in Captain’s Cove and Greenbackville.

Hurdle said considerations were given to two-story houses that were built between 1900 and 1920 and had no renovations and poorly built houses that were selling for less than they had been assessed last year.

How the revenue loss will be addressed is expected to be discussed by the supervisors during budget deliberations in the coming months.

Nursing Home Deal Could Leave Shore With Fewer Beds

By Linda Cicoira

The 32 residents of Arcadia Nursing Home will likely move to Shore Rehab in Parksley or Heritage Hall in Nassawadox before the facility closes on March 5, but the license for the beds they are leaving and almost 30 more could move off the Eastern Shore, County Administrator Mike Mason told the Accomack Board of Supervisors he had surmised.

The state has designated the area as having the number of allowances it needs without those beds. So, the license could take them elsewhere, perhaps to a place, which was not mentioned, that had a greater need. The buyer is Smith-Packett, the same company that bought Shore Rehab. The sale is progressing but not final, Mason said.

The bigger problem is for 34 residents in the assisted living center, Quail Run, which is adjacent to the nursing home. Mason said while the same restrictions on beds does not apply to that part of the business, the chance that it will be taken over is slim since the state pays such low rates.
Former PTA President Pleads Guilty To Embezzlement

Jennifer Brook Stapleton, of Temperanceville, an outspoken former president of Kegotank Elementary School PTA, pleaded guilty Wednesday in Accomack Circuit Court to embezzling $6,000 from the group’s coffers.

Stapleton, 37, of Pond Road, has already paid back $1,000 in restitution. She did that before she got caught, according to Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan. At that point, she said it was a donation. “That action by her is further evidence of her guilty conscience,” the prosecutor said.

She waived formal arraignment and answered a few questions so Judge H. Thomas Patrick could feel confident that she understood the ramifications of pleading guilty to the two charges. Sentencing was deferred for six months to give Stapleton time to pay back the other $5,000. Guidelines and her otherwise clean record would mean she would be eligible for probation. The maximum sentence is 40 years in prison.

Prior to the trial, she denied committing the crimes. Her lawyer, Thomas Northam, offered no evidence and she did not testify. Stapleton is free on an unsecured bond of $5,000.

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“Think this is a good result,” said Morgan. “Would have had about a dozen witnesses, some of whom were nervous about testifying,” and would have to take off from work.

Morgan summarized the evidence saying while it was circumstantial, she was the only one who handled the money, guarded it from the other PTA officers, was “resistant to assistance” and was ultimately responsible for the funds.

Court records showed Stapleton’s PTA debit card had been used for things not related to the group’s needs and included gas charges, drug store items, food at McDonald’s on several occasions and a $150 payment at Beach Bounders in Fruitland, Md., for gymnastics training. Grocery store charges included dog food and breakfast cereal.

In August 2015, money from receipts collected at a bingo event should have been more than $2,000. But the bank deposit was for $1,561.

Krispy Kreme donuts were sold by the PTA in September of 2015, court records stated. More than $3,300 was collected from the event. PTA and bank records also indicated that the cost of the sale was $2,821.50. However, the summary of Kegotank PTA receipts through Feb. 16, 2016, indicated $4,624."

“The record should have reflected more than $5,000,” the court record said. “This is a projected figure that does not include the more than 70 dozens of glazed donuts sold the PTA by Krispy Kreme.”

Morgan also noted that unrelated to PTA business, a purchase at Walmart in Snow Hill was made on Sep. 3, 2015. “Those items included 409 carpet cleaner, rice and hairstyling products.”

The event “Fall Grams,” held in October 2015, shows $730 in receipts though actual bank deposits show only $595, according to the documents. Stapleton was also accused of embezzling $356 for a movie shown on two nights in November 2015. “Based on movie night rosters, the total amount collected should have been more than $500. Each child was charged $5 with a total of 104 students. There is no record of any deposits made for that event.”

Kegotank PTA records showed $455 was collected at a December 2015 Winter Day Event. Deposits made on three dates afterward only show $135. The December 2015 Holiday Shop event, the defendant reports receipts of over $1,795. “Actual deposits reflect only a single deposit of $409.05,” Morgan wrote.

In addition, the PTA had 115 members. But records show “the defendant only paid dues for just over 40 members for $157.50.” The dues owed should have been $435, the records stated.

Morgan said witnesses would also have testified Stapleton “had at times expressed financial pressure that she and her family were feeling” at that time.

Drug Plea Could Get Man $1 Million in Fines and 80-Year Sentence

A Bloxom man pleaded guilty last week in Accomack Circuit Court to selling heroin in 2014 and 2015. He could get up to 80 years in prison and be fined $1 million for the two offenses.

Three other counts of distributing the drug were not prosecuted against Samuel Keynhia Dennis, 31, in accordance with a bargaining agreement with Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan. A presentence report was ordered. Sentencing was deferred until April.

Andrew Raphael Rodriguez, 28, of Groton Town Road in Hallwood, was sentenced to five years in prison with all but a year and two months suspended for possession of a firearm by a felon, two years in prison for violating a protective order, and 13 months with eight months suspended for recklessly handling a firearm and assault and battery. He will be on indefinite supervised probation and 10 years of good behavior after release.

According to court records, Rodriguez started an argument with his child’s mother because he thought someone else was in the house. “She stated that he threatened to kill her and that he had pointed a gun at her and held her at knifepoint, Deput y M. Patterson of the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office (ACSO) wrote in the file. “During my interview, Rodriguez admitted that he threatened to kill her.”

James Ernest Logan Sr., 34, of Logan Road in Onley, pleaded guilty to burglary and grand larceny at the residence of James Lucas and possession of a firearm by a felon. The case was continued until April 2.

John Donald Peterson II, 40, of Kentucky, pleaded guilty to breaking into C. D. Marsh Jewelers on Jan. 28, 2013, and stealing property. Restitution of $2,500 was ordered. Peterson could get sentenced to up to 40 years in prison and fined $5,000 for the offenses. Sentencing was deferred until guidelines and a criminal history can be obtained.

Kyle Allen Wheeler, 55, of Main Street on Chincoteague, pleaded guilty to possession of cocaine on Nov. 1, 2016. An evaluation to determine if the offense could fall under the first offender status was ordered along with a criminal history.

Christopher Paul Linton, 39, of Dream Drive in New Church, was sentenced to five years in prison with all but time served suspended for threatening to burn a house and 12 months for violating a protective order. The offenses occurred March 27, 2017. Linton was ordered to be on probation for three years and good behavior for five.

A secured bond of $10,000 was granted for Corey Wayne Marshall, 39, of Quail Circle in Bloxom, who was indicted in December on 45 counts of forgery and uttering checks valued at nearly $15,600 that belonged to the farm where he sometimes worked. He is accused of altering some of the checks given to him by Steven Van Kesteren and then cashing them. The incidents occurred between October 2016 and July 2017.

Woman Charged With Altering Prescriptions

A Bloxom woman was charged last week with forgery involving prescriptions that were altered, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Malissa Quintina Mason, 48, of Nelsonia Road, was arrested Jan. 13. Secured bond was set at $2,000. Mason is accused of three counts of forgery, two counts of attempting to obtain a drug by forgery or alteration of a prescription and a count of obtaining a controlled substance by forgery or alteration of a prescription. The offenses occurred Sept. 25 and Oct. 24, 2017. Deputy M.R. McCready of the ACSO investigated.

In another case, Kaitlyn Savage, 24, of Fletcher Road in Norfolk, was charged with DUI, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a Schedule I or II drug, after allegedly backing into a house, on Withams Road in Oak Hall, on Jan. 14.

Trooper Z. Beaver wrote in the file, The “driver was observed in a Ford F-150 pickup backed into a house. She stated she had taken cocaine and Suboxone ... intravenously” Savage showed signs of impairment in field sobriety tests, the record also stated.

Skyler Devin Chase, 21, of Lankford Highway in Mappsville, was charged with hit and run in connection with a traffic accident that occurred on Dec. 30, 2017. Chase was arrested Jan. 11. Unsecured bail was set at $3,500. Trooper A.J. Rohneke investigated.

Victor Manuel Scott, 28, of Wayne Drive in Bloxom, was charged with hit and run after being in a traffic accident involving an injury, driving without a license and failure to yield the right of way. He is being held without bond. The incident occurred Jan. 10. Scott was arrested Jan. 12. Rohneke investigated.

Huberto Cropper Vasquez, 21, of Johnson Court in Bloxom, was charged with possession with intent to distribute more than a half-ounce and less than five pounds of marijuana on Jan. 10. Vasquez was stopped while driving

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Claude Milford Hickman II

Mr. Claude Milford Hickman II, better known as “Dicky,” 66, a resident of Hatteras, N.C., passed away Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2018, at Heritage Hall Health Care in Nassawadox. A native of Nelsonia, he was the son of the late Claude Milford Hickman and the late Ann Moore Hickman. He was employed by the North Carolina Ferry Systems.

He is survived by a daughter, Laura H. Harding, of Painter; a brother, Chris Hickman, and his wife, Lesley, of Hatteras; a sister, Glenna H. Parkes, and her husband, James, of Cashville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Makayla Harding, both of Paintsville; three grandchildren, Makenna and Macke

Nannie Virginia Hopkins

Ms. Nannie Virginia Hopkins, 81, of Greenbush, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.

Born Aug. 6, 1936, in Oyster, she was the daughter of the late Walter Colona Sr. and Rachel Webb Colona. Ms. Hopkins worked at the former R&G Shirt Factory, Holly Farms, and Accomack County Nursing Home. She was a Christian, believing the Lord always made a way for her and answered her prayers. She loved all animals and watching hummingbirds, and she was a very caring person.

Survivors include her two sons, Paul Daniel “Danny” Hopkins, and William Earl “Billy” Hopkins, both of Greenbush; a sister, Jeanie Bal, of Parksley; five brothers, Tommy Colona, of Crisfield, Md., Walter Colona Jr., of Daugherty, Roland Colona, of Clam, George Colona Sr., of Melfa, and Robert Colona Sr., of Parksley; four grandchildren, Amanda, Timmy, Ashley and Sally; several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and her “babies” (doggies and kitties). In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by two children, Glen T. Hopkins Jr., and万达 Sue “Wendy” Taylor; a brother, William “Bill” Colona; and her good friend, A.C. Tipton.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home, Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018, with Pastor Sam Welch officiating. A private burial was held in Parksley Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

Ms. Hopkins

Catherine Elizabeth McVey

Ms. Catherine Elizabeth McVey, 71, of Parksley, formerly of Allentown, Pa., passed away on Monday, Jan. 8, 2018, at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center in Parksley.

Born July 17, 1946, in Richmond, and reared in Richmond and Sarasota, Fla., she was the daughter of the late James F. May and Elizabeth Ellen Banola. Ms. McVey was a Catholic, a homemaker, and loving mother. She enjoyed crossword books, was an avid animal lover, and adored her grandchildren and children. Before living in a nursing facility, she had dogs whom she loved very much, and never found out what became of her beloved pets. She was homeless for many years, but always put others first, including her pets. She was offered a home to stay in one time or another, but refused because pets weren’t welcomed. She chose to remain homeless, putting her dogs first, in order to take care of them.

Survivors include four children, Richard Hanshaw (Cindy), Lorrie McVey (Angel Diaz), Lisa McVeyoland (Brian), and Lewis Clark; four grandchildren, Raven Hanshaw, Richard Hanshaw II, Ashley Diaz, and Danielle Croddin; four great-grandchildren, Riley Croddin, Joshua Miles, Jacob Miles and Abigail Hanshaw; and a brother, Charles May (Carol). In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a son, Michael McVey.

No public services will be held.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Polly Moore Parks

Mrs. Polly Moore Parks, affectionately known as “Shug,” 102, went to heaven on Jan. 16, 2018.

Mrs. Parks was born on the seaside near Taylor’s Creek on Sept. 11, 1915. She was the youngest child of Capt. Lloyd W. Moore and Peggy J. Moore. She worked on the farm next to her brothers and sisters, and she worked for the W.P.A. (Works Progress Administration) in the school lunch program during World War II. Mrs. Parks worked at Webster’s in Cheriton, and in her later years, she was a personal care assistant for many families in the county.

She was predeceased by her husband, Louis Parks, in 1975. Mrs. Parks was the last of a generation of hearty Moors that will never be matched. Besides her parents and husband, she was predeceased by brothers, Gardner Moore, Curtis Moore, Lloyd Moore Jr. and Claude “Dick” Moore, and sisters, Viola Moore and Elizabeth “Sweet” Moore. Mrs. Parks was a very special great aunt to Harry and Patti Moore, of Maine, and Janice Williams, who was there for Mrs. Parks until she passed. Thank you for everything, Punk.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018, at Eastville Baptist Church with the Rev. Peter Surran officiating. Online condolences may be sent to the family at foxandjamesfh.com.

Arrangements were made by Fox & James Funeral Home, Eastville.

Ronald Scott Purvis


Born April 28, 1928, in Wakeman, Ohio, he was a son of the late Samuel Martin Purvis and Dorthea Scott Purvis. He was a Protestant and a Shriner.

A 1953 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Lt. Cmdr. Purvis had a lengthy and successful career serving his country in the U.S. Navy. In 1946, he enlisted in the Navy, and was in the Navy Reserve & Navy ROTC while attending Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. A longtime Navy aviator, his career included many decorated achievements and accomplishments. These include him being the namesake of an Antarctic mountain, Purvis Peak, due to his making the first parachute jump into an Antarctic continent by an official of the U.S. government. His many titles also include serving as an aide to President Kennedy from 1961 to 1963. Following his retirement from the Navy in 1972, Lt. Cmdr. Purvis continued his education at George Mason University and his working career in the real estate, insurance and finance industries.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his children, Ward Scott Purvis, Blair Purvis Sisson, Heather Purvis, and Edward Knight; grandchildren, Elizabeth Snyder, George Snyder, Scott Snyder, and Brady Purvis; and brother, Pete Purvis.

Funeral services, and interment with military honors, will be held at a later date, at Arlington National Cemetery.
Memorial donations may be made to the SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.
Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com
Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Letitia Belle Somers
Mrs. Letitia Belle Somers, 76, loving wife of the late John Elwood Somers Jr., to whom she was married for 58 years, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock, surrounded by her loving family.

Born Aug. 27, 1941, in Leemont, she was a daughter of the late Harry Fulton Spurley and Ada Morris Fisher. Mrs. Somers was a cafeteria worker for Accomack County Public Schools, serving many years at Bloxom Elementary School, and later at Metompkin Elementary School. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include her son, John Elwood Somers III, of Bloxom; a sister, Reta Powell, and her husband, Ben, of Fruitland, Md.; a brother, Terry Spurley, and his wife, Joan, of Horsey; Reta and Ben’s dog, Tucker, and Terri and Joan’s dog, Fudge, who Mrs. Somers greatly enjoyed; and several nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018, with George Fulk officiating. Private interment was held at Groton’s Cemetery in Hallwood.
Memorial donations may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418, or to Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 132, Bloxom, VA 23308.
Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com
Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Tasley Fire Company Hosts Fundraising Dinner

The Tasley Volunteer Fire Company will host a dinner and auction to help raise funds for its new fire station. The event will be held on Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018, at the Elk’s Lodge on Front Street in Accomac. Doors open at 5 p.m. with silent auction items on display and open for bids.
A “ham and clam” dinner will be served by the Elks at 6 p.m., and at 7 p.m., Chester Jackson will begin a live auction featuring many items donated by local artisans, individuals and businesses. With works by local artists and carvers, this auction promises something for everyone! Tickets are $25 each. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the fire station at 757-787-7870, message your request through the fire company’s Facebook page, or ask any member. Tickets are also available at Eventbrite.com

Extra Funding Headed to Shore

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission will receive $70,000 from the federal government to be used for economic development planning.
The announcement was made last week by Senators Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine. The Eastern Shore district was one of five communities that will share the $350,000 pot aimed at supporting private capital investment and job creation.
The funding was awarded through the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration’s Economic Development District Planning Awards. The Trump Administration’s fiscal year 2018 budget proposed to eliminate funding for the Economic Development Administration.
The senators were successful in obtaining the money after requesting the Senate Appropriations Committee overturn the proposal.

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Sound Off on Trump’s First Year

By Linda Cicoira

More than 70 percent of Acomack and Northampton residents who participated in a recent email survey conducted by the Eastern Shore Post are not pleased with President Donald Trump’s first year in office.

Those answering the questionnaire also voiced their opinions about healthcare in the state and nation.

Andrew Morey, of Melfa, paid about $1,500 per month for four of us last year. The same policy this year is $2,900. Pretty much everything will be paid by us in full for this plan, so it is really just for catastrophes anyway. I don’t like to make recommendations on things I know very little about but something must be done for those of us not covered by an employer,” he said.

“Trump is an embarrassment to our country,” Morey continued. “For years we as a society have glorified those who set a poor example and exhibited poor behavior. If someone does something in poor taste, just wrong or even evil, we should resist the urge to put his or her face on government lies to us as they have done in the past ... The man is the greatest threat to our democracy. He doesn’t understand the beliefs that founded our country nor does he wish to. It is outrageous that he made and lost fortunes in our country, but has no empathy with our citizens who have not been born with a silver spoon in their mouth.”

Linda Nicola, of Onancock, is also not a Trump fan. “It’s been a disaster,” she said. “Trump has cost American taxpayers millions of dollars with his vacations. He has taken vacations for a third of his presidency. He has belittled all Americans and our allies. He is unstable and undisciplined emotionally, and lazy intellectually. He claims credit for the economy, but we are still operating under Obama’s economy. Everything he claims he’s done — jobs, stock growth, etc — was all done by President Obama. The coming taxes will be a disaster for the middle class and the cuts in social aid programs will be a disaster for the poor. The only people benefitting are the wealthy,” Nicola added.

“I am not insured and cannot afford private insurance,” she continued. “For decades, I couldn’t buy insurance for any amount of money due to pre-existing conditions. I used to get migraines. I couldn’t convince any insurance company to insure me for everything except migraine-related problems. With Obama care, I could get insurance, but Virginia hasn’t accepted all parts of it, so I fall in the donut hole.”

“Terrible, terrible,” Dan Lytle, of Jamesville, agreed. Trump “is truly a billionaire blowhard would know how to solve their problems and/or lead this country. What in his past history made people believe that he knew anything at all? He certainly knew how to call people names and make fun of others. He also very good at telling lies. I don’t consider those a requirement for running our country. It would also be wonderful if the man knew anything about our constitution and our democracy. He derides the free press, but the press is the fourth leg of our democracy. It ensures that we have some chance of finding out the truth when our government lies to us as they have done in the past ... The man is the greatest threat to our democracy. He doesn’t understand the beliefs that founded our country nor does he wish to. It is outrageous that he made and lost fortunes in our country, but has no empathy with our citizens who have not been born with a silver spoon in their mouth.”

Bruce MacMaster Jr., of Onley, said health insurance could be solved “with the old Blue Cross and Blue Shield Programs and the controlling of the pharmaceuticals.” He favors Trump.
“He’s doing very well, thanks. He’s being criticized by the liberal press for things beyond his control — the Wall, etc. It was OK for Mr. Clinton to promise control of Immigration and Mr. Obama also. Mr. Trump is a maniac obsessed to the umpteenth power for doing the same thing. Go figure!”

Denise Bowden, who is vice mayor of Chincoteague, voted for Trump.

“I’m not sure I would vote for him again,” she said. “I’m mouthy. But, he has me beat by a mile! If he would put 1/10th of his energy into being a president as he does tweeting, he might do something good. I’m sick of the division in this country and both parties are to blame.”

“When I had the Obamacare I was paying more than my house payment at $753 a month,” Bowden continued. “Ridiculous!! Now I pay about half that … I am satisfied although I don’t think health insurance should be as high as it is. Common sense could go along way in providing healthcare if politicians would stick to the basics of it.”

“I think Trump is making good on his promises,” said Anthony LoFaso, of Onancock. “Market is setting records, employment and jobs are up, unemployment rate for blacks, tax reform passed, wisely got us out of the climate change debacle, recognized Jerusalem as the historical factual capitol of Israel and more. The progressives in politics and the media hate him and that’s ok. They continue singing the same-old song since he was elected President. He’s doing great things for America and I’m proud of him … Back our president’s agenda and move forward in unity. The lies and hate toward him need to stop.”

Locally, LoFaso thinks the area should provide “a better future for the youth so they can find a reason to stay here.”

Shirley Christian, of Melfa, thinks “there should be a national insurance plan for those who truly cannot afford a traditional insurance plan, that is, those who cannot TRULY get bona fide employment or are physically unable. I, myself, am of age for Social Security plus I have a secondary insurance plan at a cost of $150+ per month, but, with medical problems I am satisfied with the coverage.”

“As having been in a position where I had to review employees on a regular basis, I find it easy to review President Trump’s performance because the man campaigned with the ideal of making a better America, and to this end I feel he is truly striving, even in

and battery of Jennifer Rillo on Oct. 6, 2017. According to court records, McKinley committed prior assault and battery offenses involving a family or household member on May 13 and 18, 2016. A third offense makes the charge a felony. Bond was denied for McKinley last week in Accomack Circuit Court. Deputy S.E. Hening of the ACSO investigated.

Gordon also certified a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle against Aimee Beth Long, 41, of Wallops Mill Drive in Horntown. The vehicle belonged to J. Long and was taken on Sept. 25, 2017. Long is being held without bond.

Guilty Plea Assault of Officer

A Townsend man pleaded guilty Tuesday in Northampton Circuit Court to assault and battery of a police officer.

The case of Royston Clavier, 26, of Mobile Circle, involved his spitting in Deputy Barry Randall’s face during a probable cause hearing for charges of public intoxication and assault and battery on Oct. 2, 2017. A presentence report was ordered.
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By Krystle Bono

The Northampton Yellow Jackets wrestling team hosted its annual Fred Diem/Scott Miles Memorial Round Robin Tournament last Friday and Saturday in Eastville. The event consisted of 10 teams, including the Arcadia Firebirds, Nandua Warriors, Bayside, Cape Henry, Green Run Henrico, Lancaster, Peninsula Catholic and Huguenot.

The Yellow Jackets took first-place overall as a team, totaling 381 points. The Firebirds and the Warriors were unable to participate in Friday’s events due to inclement weather, so their team scores were not tabulated.

Individually, Northampton’s Myles Lewis was undefeated, earning a total of 42 points towards the Yellow Jackets team total, which would grab him the top spot in the 120-pound weight class with a 7-0 record.

Jaquan Johnson also wrestled 7-0, pinning five of his opponents, placing him first in the 182-pound class for the Yellow Jackets, and also earning the team 42 points.

Masen Ingram also represented Northampton at the top of the podium in the 220-pound weight class with a 7-0 record and 32 points towards the team total.

Yellow Jacket Cody Goller went 6-1, earning second in the 145-pound weight class.

Northampton’s Gary Peart took second in the 160-pound weight class. Teammates Sean Patrick Marsh and Durell Robinson also nabbed second-place finishes in the 152- and 195-pound weight classes, respectively.

Northampton’s Kevin Perez nabbed third in the 113-pound weight class, going 5-2 over two days. Also earning third-place was Yellow Jacket Devon Johnson in the 132-pound weight class with a 5-2 record.

Fourth placings for Northampton went to Jose Terron at 106 and Brandon Odem at 126. Both went 4-3.

Trenton Johnson represented the Yellow Jackets with a sixth-place finish in the 138-pound weight class.

Northampton’s Joe Curry earned seventh at 152.

The Sportsmanship Award went to Green Run, and the Most Outstanding Wrestler Award was earned by Peter Cortapasso of Green Run.

The Yellow Jackets will travel to Rural Retreat High School Saturday for an invitational.

Nandua will hit the road to Indian River Jan. 24, and Arcadia will take the mat again Jan. 25, at Delmar.
January 27

Spaghetti Dinner!

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Melfa Volunteer Fire & Rescue Co. Inc. will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner in house. Dinner will include Spaghetti with or without meat sauce, garlic bread, a side salad and drink. All you can eat for dine-in customers. Cost per dinner is $8. Dine-in, take-out and delivery services to Melfa locals, elderly and surrounding businesses will be available. Bring friends, family or just yourself and enjoy a wonderful dinner made by your local fire and EMS personnel.

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By Krystle Bono

Northampton High School graduates Taylor and Kennedy Webb have another season under their belts as members of the Randolph Wildcats volleyball team. The Wildcats finished 2017 with an overall record of 8-19.

Taylor recorded 127 kills, 24 aces, 209 assists, 191 digs and 21 blocks over 27 matches in her sophomore season.

Kennedy tallied 381 digs, 48 assists, 19 aces and seven kills over 27 matches.

Randolph fell to N.C. Wesleyan (10-19) during their last game of the season Oct. 28, in the RAD Center in Lynchburg, 3-2. Kennedy and Taylor both helped lead the defense, digging 16 and 15, respectively.

Broadwater Academy graduate Michael Riopel, now in his fourth season with the Amherst College basketball team, has already logged 184 points across 398 minutes for the 2017-18 stretch in 15 games, for a career total of 741.

The Viking alum has also grabbed 80 rebounds and assisted a total of 24, with 15 steals and five blocks.

During the Mammoths last time on the court, Riopel led the team with 23 points in a tough 72-69 loss to the No. 11 ranked team, Williams College, Wednesday night in Williamstown, Mass. Sporting a 9-6 record, Amherst will try again Saturday afternoon at home against Hamilton College.

Major Morgan, another Broadwater Academy graduate, is now in his sophomore year as a wide-receiver for the Hampden-Sydney College football team.

Morgan earned third team All-ODAC (Old Dominion Athletic Conference) honors in November, and finished second in the conference with 10 touchdowns. He registered a total of 778 yards, ranking him fifth in the ODAC, and his 56 catches earned him sixth overall. His best performance of the year was a 209-yard, two-touchdown game against Emory & Henry, held Oct. 28, in which the Tigers (5-3) topped the Wasps (2-6) 38-30.

Taylor Major, a sophomore at Virginia Wesleyan, is in his second season with the hoops club after graduating from Broadwater Academy.

Taylor has totaled seven points over six games and 12 minutes so far this season, with three rebounds and one assist. The Marlins fell to Bridge water in an away tilt, 67-52, Jan. 17, and they will host Guilford in the Jane P. Batten Student Center Saturday, at 2 p.m.

Taylor’s brother, Tyler, is also continuing his athletic career at the collegiate level. After originally signing with the Division I Elon University football team, he transferred to Christopher Newport University for his sophomore season. During his time at Broadwater, he earned All-State honors after running for 1,591 yards and 22 touchdowns his senior year.
VARIES BASKETBALL ACTION

Story and Photos by Krystle Bono

After the winter break that seemed to never end, the varsity basketball teams were finally able to get back on the courts Tuesday night.

The Chincoteague Ponies girls basketball club topped the Nandua Warriors, 37-21, on the island.

Leading the Ponies in the win was Caroline Thornton, who scored 17 points. Ronny Malone netted eight, Caroline Shelley tossed six, Rebecca McJilton had four and Alanna Hall netted two points.

Warrior leaders were Brianna Rucker, netting six. Ikera Johnson and Treniqua Bailey hooped five points each.

The Lady Vikings also grabbed a win, edging out Isle of Wight, 22-18, in Exmore.

Viking leaders were Palmer Smith, who totaled 11 points and Anna Sexauer threw five. Virginia Ross, Carly Wardius and Courtney Floyd scored two apiece.

Sexauer grabbed the most rebounds with 18, followed by Smith with seven.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets girls team fell to the Franklin Broncos, 61-54, in Eastville.

Arcadia's girls lost a 59-36 away tilt to Stephen Decatur.

The Chincoteague Ponies boys came out on top over the Nandua Warriors in Onley, 70-66.

Chincoteague leaders were Voshawn Davis, who threw 28 points in the win. Keevin Collins netted 27 and Drevon Johnson hooped 11.

Johnson also grabbed the most rebounds with 13 and the team-high in steals with three.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets suffered a 71-44 deficit to Franklin in an away battle Tuesday.

Team scoring leaders were Vonte Coston with 17; Devin Hill tossed 13 and Sheldon Payne potted eight points.

Tamaze Brisco had the most rebounds for the Yellow Jackets with eight. Jerron Jenkins rebounded five. Coston led the team in steals with three.

The Broadwater boys grabbed a home win over Isle of Wight, 60-41.

Ahmad Scarborough led the pack with 16 points. Nathan Crumb hooped 15, Jashawn Wharton threw 11 and Mathew Behrens tossed six points.

Nandua's Tremere Summerville (00) goes for a shot against Chincoteague's Drevon Johnson (3) and James Perkins (55) in Onley.
NCPR Youth Basketball

Jayden McCaskill shoots for the Bulls during their game Saturday in Machipongo. Also pictured are Celtics players (L - R) Aarav Patel, Amir Pettit and Owen Terry. The Celtics defeated the Bulls, 13-11.

Indoor Soccer League

Kids from across the Shore participated in the first games of the indoor soccer season Sunday afternoon at Nandua High School.
**Eastern Shore Street Hockey League Game Summaries**

**Game 1: Charles E. Morgan Termite and Pest Control Penguins 2, Grounds Keepers Lawn Care Capitals 4**

The day’s slate of games kicked off on a bone-chilling winter day with a contest between the Pens and Caps. Looking to knock off the high flying Capitals, the Penguins quickly found themselves in a 3-1 hole after the first period. But they clawed their way back into the game in the second, bringing the game to within one. In the third, the Caps slowed down the pace of the game, shutting down the General, who was not allowed a single shot in the frame. They then added an insurance goal to seal the victory. The Pat Trick recorded two goals and an assist; Zach Webb and James Haley each found the back of the net; Logan Woermer, Keith Hagler and Robby Parker each picked up a helper.

For the Pens, T.R. Hoyt and Dylan Harrington were the goal scorers; Randall Stapleton registered two assists; Hoyt and the General each had one.

**Game 2: Blues 4, EZ Loan Bruins 0**

Missing five players, including the Smooth Criminal, the Bruins faced an uphill battle with no subs against a hungry Blues squad. Outshot 25-8, the Killer B’s were unable to generate any significant scoring opportunities and spoil the Parksley Original’s shutout bid. And so, the wizened netminder handed the young Bruins group a rare goose egg.

For the Blues, Paul Thornes and Michael Garbacz handled the goal scoring duties, picking up two apiece; Danny Miller chipped in two helpers; Trae Merritt, Ben Bundick, Michael Pryor and Wes Stapleton each added one.

**Game 3: Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 7, Charles E. Morgan Termite and Pest Control Penguins 2**

The Wings’ juggernaut picked up right where it left off, methodically rolling over everything in its path. The Pens, missing key scorer T.R. Hoyt for their second tilt of the day, were unable to maintain any steady possession, and found themselves chasing the ball in their defensive zone for stretches. The General and Randall Stapleton did manage to rain on Justin Wheeler’s shutout parade, however. Mills also added an assist.

For the Wings, La Boca, Jesse West, scored himself a “pace yourself” hat trick; The Huntsman picked up a hat trick’s worth of assists; Preston Shover scored two goals and an assist; El Presidente added a goal and an assist; Guy Shover scored; Matt Sullivan picked up a helper.

**Game 4: Grounds Keepers Lawn Care Capitals 4, Blues 3 (SO)**

The best, most playoff-like game of the day came courtesy of the Blues and Caps, who engaged in a tight cat-and-mouse affair. The Blues stunned the Caps a bit at the start, quickly going up 2-0 after the first period. But the Pat Trick’s squad came roaring back, dominating possession and evening the score at 2 after two periods.

The Capitals struck again in the third to take their first lead of the game, and slowed the pace down to run the clock out. But a miraculously deflected Jennifer Rice shot arced its way into the net within the last minute of play to send the contest to a shootout. All three Caps’ goals in regulation were scored by Robby Parker, so it was fitting that he had the decider in extra time, the only contestant to make a deposit. In addition to Rice, the Blues’ scorers were Paul Thornes and Michael Garbacz; Trae Merritt, Scott Millikin, Danny Miller and Wes Stapleton each picked up a helper. For the Caps, the Pat Trick earned two assists; James Haley and Keith Hagler each had an assist.

**Game 5: EZ Loan Bruins 1, Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 5**

The final contest of the day saw the short-benched Bruins meet the proverbial immovable object, the mighty Red Wings. The young squad in black and gold fought valiantly, but the Wings were just too much, and sailed to a win with ease. Brandon Morgan did manage to put a crimp in Justin Wheeler’s shutout plans, on assists from CJ Jones and Tayler Parks. For the Red Wings, The Huntsman and El Presidenté each produced a one-goal, two-assist outing; Preston Shover scored the hattie; Guy Shover and Michael Vargas each picked up a helper.

ESSHL senior action resumes Sunday, Jan. 21, at Stapleton Rink in Parksley, at 1 p.m. Check out our website at www.esshl.org for the full the schedule, stats, news and more. You can also find us on Facebook.

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**Bust the Rust Nandua Softball Camp**

The Nandua softball team will hold its annual camp at Nandua High School on Saturday, Feb. 24, for players aged 8-12. All ability and skill levels are welcome.

Registration will take place from 8 to 8:30 a.m. and is $35 per player. Camp hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All proceeds will benefit the Nandua softball program. This will be a great way to shake off those rusty skills and get ready for spring. Contact Lynn Williams at 757-710-4242 or find us on Facebook.

**ACPR Youth Basketball Practice**

Accomack County Parks and Recreation Youth Basketball practice will be held Saturday, Jan. 20, at Nandua High School. Schedule is as follows:

- 9 – 10:15 a.m. – ACPR Heat (Ages 9-10)
- 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. – ACPR Wizards and ACPR Heat (Ages 5-8)
- 11:30 AM – 12:45 p.m. - ACPR Lakers and Hornets (Ages 5-8)
- 12:45 – 2 p.m. – Celtics and Cavaliers (Ages 9-12)
- 2 – 3:15 p.m. – Knights and Lakers (Ages 9-12)
- 3:15 – 4:30 p.m. – Knights (Ages 5-8)
- 3:15 – 4:30 p.m. – Braves (Ages 13-15)

Contact the Parks and Rec office for more information at 787-3900, Wayne at 710-1947, or Barbara at 678-2137.

**Tumbling at the Y**

Tumbling at the YMCA will start Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 5:30 p.m. Classes are designed to teach the basics of tumbling to children who have never tumbled before, and to those who are looking to improve their skills. The focus will be on technique, flexibility, building confidence, coordination and good sportsmanship.

For more information or to register, call the Y at 757-787-5601.

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**PENINSULA TRACTOR ORGANIZATION PLOWED THROUGH 2017**

Submitted Article

The Peninsula Tractor Organization (PTO) had a busy and productive year in 2017. The following are only a few of the highlights that make up this year in review.

Early in the year, the organization laid the groundwork for becoming an Internal Revenue Service-recognized non-profit organization by becoming a corporation in the state of Virginia. PTO applied for and received non-profit status, putting the organization in a much better position to move forward with their plans.

The Annual Plow Day held every spring looked to be a complete washout due to rain the day before, but it opened the door to new activities, i.e. Tractor Games. The Slow Race and Barrel Roll tested both tractors and operators while onlookers enjoyed the competition.

The past year was full of demonstrations and parades as well, starting with the Heritage Celebration held at the Eastern Shore Community College and ending with the Community Fire Company Christmas Parade in Exmore. In all, PTO members participated in 12 events.

PTO members also took time to work on the organization’s project tractor. The Farmall that was donated to the club is up and running again. When the restoration is completed, proceeds from either a sale or raffle will help fund the club’s future activities.

Demonstration plots in the Birdnest area were again planted and harvested. Rain at the right time helped give record yields and record income to the club. Thank you to all who donated seed, time and equipment to make this a success.

The organization also awarded four lifetime memberships. Congratulations to O.W. Mears, Fred A. Camden, Edward Kellam and Carroll Burt Cherrix. The club’s membership has grown to nearly 70 with members from Milford, Del., to Kiptopeke.

A family dinner, oyster roast and spring tractor ride rounded out the year. These events give members an opportunity to get together and share their interest in the heritage of the area, and also a chance to include family members in the organization.

Finally, the PTO would like to wish everyone a safe, healthy and prosperous new year. Looking ahead, 2018 holds the promise of progress for the club’s agenda.

Every spring, members of the Peninsula Tractor Organization test their tractor-driving skills in the Tractor Games on Annual Plow Day.

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**Shore Woman’s Travel to Vietnam Is A Journey of Peace**

Submitted Article

Onancock’s Kathy Boyd will travel to Vietnam in March to participate in a retreat organized by the Loving Work Foundation. The retreat provides an opportunity to experience the culture, spiritual practices, and everyday lives of the people of Vietnam, and includes volunteer work in humanitarian programs.

Boyd is a member of the Eastern Shore’s Salt Marsh Sangha, which follows the teachings of Thich Nhat Hanh. The sangha, or community, meets Thursday evenings in Exmore, practicing mindfulness through silent meditation, readings from Hanh’s teachings, and discussion of how those teachings apply in daily life.

Known by his students as “Thay” (teacher), Hanh is a Buddhist monk. Born in Vietnam, in the late 1950s he founded the Van Hanh Buddhist University in Saigon and the School of Youth for Social Service, a neutral corps of Buddhist peace workers who established schools, built healthcare clinics, and helped rebuild villages in rural areas. He calls this work “engaged Buddhism.”

He came to the United States in 1961, teaching comparative religion at Princeton and lecturing at Columbia University. By then he was fluent in French, Chinese, Sanskrit, Pali, Japanese and English, in addition to his native Vietnamese. In 1963, he returned to Vietnam to aid his fellow monks in their non-violent peace efforts.

His efforts for peace were not appreciated by any of the governments involved in the Vietnam conflict. As a result, he’s spent much of his life exiled from his native country. He met Dr. Martin Luther King in 1966 and urged him to publicly denounce the Vietnam war. The next year, King publicly voiced his doubts about our involvement there, and nominated Hanh for the Nobel Peace Prize, stating, “I do not personally know of anyone more worthy of [this prize] than this gentle monk from Vietnam. His ideas for peace, if applied, would build a monument to ecumenism, to world brotherhood, to humanity.”

Hanh has published dozens of books, many in English, many with a clearly ecumenical theme (for example, “Living Buddha, Living Christ”).

During her visit to Vietnam, Boyd will be doing volunteer work with humanitarian programs. Among them:

• Kianh Foundation, a school for children with severe physical and developmental disabilities, many due to the lingering effects of Agent Orange.

• PeaceTrees, which works to clear unexploded ordnance from the Central Provinces and educate the population on its dangers. Over 40,000 Vietnamese have died, and many more have been maimed by unexploded ordnance (including “cluster bombs”) since the end of the war.

• Peaceful Bamboo Family, a residential center for young adults with disabilities. The center integrates mindfulness into its programming, which includes teaching weaving, sewing, lacquer art, baking, and organic gardening.

Although Boyd is paying all of her expenses for this retreat, the program requires that she raise money for the humanitarian programs supported by the retreat sponsor. Information on how to help can be found below.

If you’d like to join a Thursday gathering of the Salt Marsh Sangha, contact them via Facebook, email (saltmarshsanghava@gmail.com), or phone 757-350-5202.

If you wish to help support the humanitarian program Boyd will visit, she may be contacted at kathyboydrhm@gmail.com or 757-787-2480.
By Sen. Lynwood Lewis

The 2018 Virginia Senate was gavelled into session on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at noon, by Lt. Gov. (and now Gov.) Ralph Northam. We are entering into a “long” session — eight weeks of legislating that ends on Saturday, March 10 — and we are already full-speed ahead. A lengthy organizational session, due to the election of a new speaker on the House side and 17 new delegates, was followed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe’s final State of the Commonwealth address. As always, Gov. McAuliffe addressed the bicameral body and guests with spirit and vigor.

As of Friday, Jan. 12, at noon, nearly 2,000 bills had been filed in both the House and the Senate with the likelihood of more legislation to be filed before the deadline – Friday, Jan. 19. As previous assemblies, the most important task before us is the Virginia budget. This is an even-numbered year and a long session, which means we are in a budget-writing year. Gov. McAuliffe has already proposed his budget, and both the House and the Senate will produce their own versions. As these will all differ from one another, they will have to be reconciled by a Committee of Conference later in the process.

I have submitted several amendments for consideration in the Senate budget, including funding for important programs at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, increased funding for oyster restoration, and state matching funds for an Army Corps of Engineers project to study the solutions for the widening of the Chincoteague Inlet between Wachapreague Island and Assateague Island. Additionally, I will be seeking funding for necessary dredging projects on the Eastern Shore and on the Middle Peninsula.

As in the past, I will be working with the Farm Bureau and Chesapeake Bay Foundation to get appropriate funding for our cost-share best management agricultural practices program. This program has been a model for success and resulted in Virginia meeting its mid-term Bay cleanup goals. In order to meet our final goals by 2025, we need continued investment from the state and from our partners at the federal and local levels. These state funds have proved to be vital and will continue to be so moving forward.

In addition to a handful of budget amendments, I have a very full legislative docket this year. I’m carrying over 20 bills and am hopeful that we can take critical steps forward on issues such as coastal resiliency, the opioid epidemic, waterway maintenance, nonpartisan redistribution and transportation funding. I’ve reintroduced my bill from last session to establish a cabinet-level Secretariat position for coastal flooding. I am hopeful that we can get this passed this year and truly begin to make inroads on coastal flooding and resiliency in our region and for the state. I’ll be working with Del. Robert Bloxom and with Del. Keith Hodges from the Middle Peninsula to address our pressing need to fund commercial dredging projects for our waterways.

I’ve also submitted legislation to help us address our growing opioid epidemic. Modeled after a successful program implemented by Maryland, it would create a level of confusion to the tax revenues and will complicate our deliberations as a vote in committee or on the Senate floor.

Additionally, please come up and visit us! I always love to have visitors from back home. We’ll be in our new digs at the Pocahontas building. The public entrance is at 900 E. Main St., and our office is E609. In lieu of or in between visits, you can reach me at my legislative email, district060senate.virginia.gov, and, while in Richmond, by telephone at 804-698-7506. You can also monitor the activities of the legislature on the General Assembly website virginiageneralassembly.gov.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions about legislation or on issues of concern.

By Del. Rob Bloxom

Happy New Year! I hope 2018 finds you warm and healthy. With the snowy and cold start of the new year I arrived in Richmond humbled and honored to represent the 100th district. This year is a 60-day session, known as the long session, in which we craft a two-year budget. The governor has presented his budget. We will take this budget under advisement but the budget always originates in the House of Delegates. The federal tax changes add a level of confusion to the tax revenues and will complicate our deliberations as a huge increase of year-end tax was deposited in December but will probably not occur in the first quarter. We will plan accordingly and achieve a balanced budget trying to fund the core responsibilities of state government, education, transportation, and public safety.

I have been given my committee assignments and am pleased that I am still on the Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources committees as well as the Finance Committee. Additionally, I have been appointed to the Transportation Committee. I have put in my legislative requests and most have been drafted and await the committees to be formed and organized. On my list of bills are subjects ranging from crab scraping bycatch to safety inspection fees, neighborhood tax credit reduction, transient occupancy tax, drivers permit cards and more. Many of my bills will not make it into law but I am putting them in to start a discussion. These bills will require much time with experts in the particular areas once the session ends. When I see a problem or a constituent brings an issue to my attention I contact the government agency about the issue and we discuss how to solve the problem. Most of the issues can be handled without changes in the code of Virginia, but other times a change is necessary.

As always, I welcome your feedback, comments and concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact my Richmond office at 804-698-1000, or email me at delbloxom@house.virginia.gov. You can also call my district office in Mappsville at 757-824-3456. Habitat for Humanity

Accepting applications
For new homeowners

Do you dream of owning your own home? Are you willing to put forth the effort to change your family’s future? Habitat for Humanity is looking for new homeowners to partner with us!

ESVA Habitat for Humanity seeks to build lives as well as houses. Through the houses we build, hope is restored and lives are changed as the cycle of need is broken. How we build is just as important as what we build. Habitat houses are built with the contribution of hundreds of hours of “sweat equity” labor on the part of the Partner Families. By investing themselves in the building process, Partner Families gain self-reliance, self-esteem, and new skills.

Interested persons should contact the Habitat for Humanity office at (757) 442-4687 by Wednesday, January 31, 2018 to receive information.

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry financed through donations and utilizing volunteer labor. Our purpose is to build simple, decent, affordable housing with partner families and to sell the houses at no profit and zero interest to families who could not otherwise afford a home. We do not eliminate applicants or discriminate because of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, handicap, family status, ethnicity, national origin, or public assistance as a source of income.
Northampton Community Unity Day: A Tradition of Togetherness

By Stefanie Jackson

A full house of about 340 people packed into the Northampton High School cafeteria at 8:30 Monday morning to commemorate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It was the annual Community Unity Day celebration organized by the Northampton County branch of the NAACP, Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore, and Northampton County Public Schools.

Participants shared breakfast and heard tributes to King. Several teachers and support staff in attendance received Trailblazer Award certificates at the end of the program.

Publisher Ted Shockley emceed the event, and his daughter McKay Shockley, a Broadwater Academy junior, sang the national anthem. The U.S. Coast Guard, Cape Charles Station, executed the color guard presentation. The celebration opened with all joining in on the hymn, “Lift Every Voice and Sing.”

Minister Norman Pitt of Grace Independent Church offered the invocation, and Paris Brown, a student at Kiptopeke Elementary School, blessed the food.

Donna Bozza, of CBES, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary, announced the organization would be giving away copies of Vashti Harrison’s book, “Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History.”

The audience was addressed by NCPS Superintendent Eddie Lawrence, Northampton County Board of Supervisors Chairman Spencer Murray, NHS senior Ariana Smith, and Broadwater student council president, Robby Parker.

A group of Kiptopeke Elementary School boys, “Ties With the Guys,” literally put their best foot forward for the event, formally dressed in suits and ties, with Principal Subrina Parker encouraging them from the sidelines as each student recited a unique quote in tribute to King, including:

“If you can’t fly, run. If you can’t run, walk. If you can’t walk, crawl. But whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward.”

The students received a standing ovation.

Music was shared by Rev. Roland Major and the New Mt. Calvary Male Chorus, who performed two songs. During “He Keeps On Blessing Me,” some would say the men “took everyone to church” as they sang, shouted, danced, and clapped their hands.

At the special request of Northampton County NAACP President Jane Cabarrus, McKay Shockley returned to lead the singing of “Stand By Me,” accompanied by Broadwater music teacher, Ally Tarwater, on the ukelele.

Rev. Cornell Ruffin, of Mount Sinai Holy Tabernacle, introduced keynote speaker, Apostle Irvin O. Jackson, of Living Word Church of Deliverance. Jackson spoke to honor “King and his service to humanity.” He defined service as “the act of helping and assisting someone,” and said serving others removes feelings of powerlessness and replaces it with the assurance, “I can do it.”

Certificates were awarded to five people in attendance at the event, but many more were recognized, emphasizing those who have worked in education. Honorees were: Cooper Hurley Injury Lawyers, who received a special community service award, and Zelma Braggs, Joe Mysko, John Nottingham, and Robert Toner, who each accepted a Trailblazer Award.

Rev. Charles Kellam Sr., of New Mount Zion Baptist Church, closed the ceremonies with an authentic delivery of King’s “I Have A Dream” speech.

The famous lines, “I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character,” and “I have a dream that one day … little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as brothers and sisters,” served as a reminder why the event was held in a school and why so many educators and education supporters were honored that morning.
“repairable.” But the foundation will need to be lifted and put on supports so it is not sitting on the ground, termite damage to the lower front and carpenter bee problems in the ceiling will have to be dealt with and money will have to be raised for the endeavors.

Boyd envisions a wall for a mural of Outlaw and his craft “so we can bring the inside to the outside. A beautiful garden where people can find rest and relaxation populated with native plants and some sculptures ... I’ve been approached by people on the Eastern Shore and Maryland who are blacksmiths who seem to be very interested.”

Dale Morse, who owns a blacksmithing school in Hampton Roads, has talked about helping the group start classes locally, possibly through the community college. A program in both public school districts is being put together for grades 4 and 11. Onancock Councilman Ray Berger, a landscaping architect, agreed to assist with plans for the grounds.

Onancock gave $1,000. PNC Bank of Onley has put up $3,000 for a website. Boyd said the cost of repairs will be about $20,000 and that he is looking for donations. The board will apply for $10,000 from the town business association. Perhaps, he said, PNC Bank, which is very interested in supporting the project, will give more help.

The plan is to open the facility in 2019. “This is a labor of love for me,” said Boyd. “I love the Shore.”

~ Blacksmith Shop

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MLK Day in Accomac

Observance of MLK Day in Accomac began with a service at Macedonia A.M.E. Church, followed by a march to the courthouse where Clerk of the Court Samuel H. Cooper Jr. gave an address from the courthouse stairs.
**Banana Bread**

Submitted by Kimberly Perry

Serves at least 12

**Ingredients:**
- 2 1/2 cups of flour
- 1 teaspoon of baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon of salt
- 1/2 teaspoon of ground cinnamon
- 1 cup of brown sugar (light)
- 1/2 cup of granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon of lemon juice
- 1/2 cup of room temperature butter
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup of milk
- 3 bananas
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract

**Directions:**
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Mix together flour, salt, ground cinnamon and baking soda.
- In a separate bowl, mix the brown sugar, granulated sugar, vanilla extract and butter in a mixer on low. Let the mix blend until creamy.
- Break apart three bananas in a bowl and add the lemon juice. Mash until the bananas are in small lumps.
- Pour flour into the creamy mixture, as well as the milk, taking turns (Add a little of the flour mix, then a little milk). Repeat the process until the flour and milk are poured in, making the flour the last ingredient in the mixer.
- Pour mashed bananas into the blender. As everything blends, grease and flour Bundt pan.
- Pour mixture into pan and bake for 50-55 minutes.
- Allow 50 minutes for cooling before removing bread from pan.
Chincoteague
The Chincoteague Cultural Alliance will kick off its 2018 Island Coffeehouse with The Lowlanders in concert, at 6309 Church St., on Saturday, Jan. 20, at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The duo Kelly & Sarah will open the show. Admission is $5 for adults and $3 for students 22 and under.

The Chincoteague Island Theatre Company will perform “Enchanted April,” a comedic play, on Feb. 9, 10, 17 and 18. Tickets are $15 and can be purchased online at ChincoteagueCulturalAlliance.org, or at Sundial Books or H&H Pharmacy on Chincoteague.

Nassawadox
The Alzheimer’s Association will host a program, “Orientation: The Basics of Alzheimer’s Disease,” at Northampton Free Library, on Thursday, Jan. 25, from 2 to 4 p.m. The class will cover detection, risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment and more. The program is free, however, registration is required. Call 1-800-272-3900.

CERT Winter Training Offered
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training is available to Eastern Shore residents beginning Tuesday, Feb. 1. The CERT training program prepares citizens and communities to take a more active role in emergency preparedness. CERT training gives the basic skills needed immediately following a major disaster. Participants will learn about disaster preparedness and response, basic fire safety, first aid, search and rescue techniques and terrorism preparedness. Students will have a chance to win door prizes at the conclusion of the class. All students will receive a backpack filled with emergency supplies.

The 20.5-hour free program consists of both lecture and practical exercises. The classes will be held on Feb. 1, 8, 15, and 27, from 6 to 10 p.m., and March 1 from 5:30 to 10 p.m., at the Eastern Shore Regional Fire Training Center, 28598 Beacon Rd. in Melfa. Participants must attend all sessions to receive credit. Class size is limited to 30, with a minimum of 10. For more information, call J.J. Justis at 757-302-4267.

Career Mentor Program
Calling all working and retired professionals, tradesmen, artists, and craftsmen of Northampton County. Northampton Middle and High School invites you to sign up with the Career Mentor Program for the 2018 school year. Volunteer as a guest lecturer at the Eastville campus. Your help is needed to develop an awareness of business and career opportunities.

Go to www.ncpsk12.com and read our program outline. Follow the prompts to sign up and help develop a talented, home-grown work force.

Chicken House Events
There will be a SciPhi Seminar at Eastern Shore Community College in Melfa, on Friday, Jan. 19, at 12:30 p.m.

Francofun Club Looking for New Members
The Francofun Club of the Eastern Shore will meet at 506 Monroe Ave., Cape Charles, on Friday, Feb. 16, at 6 p.m. The club is seeking anyone who speaks French or would like to improve his language skills. Anyone interested in speaking French and sharing in the culture should contact Karen Gay at 240-393-5625 or karengreergay@gmail.com.

Northampton County Changes School Calendar
In response to recent school closings due to inclement weather, Northampton County Schools have made changes to the school calendar. Presidents’ Day, on Feb. 19, and the teacher workday scheduled for Jan. 30 are now instructional days. The two inclement weather days built into the calendar will be used to compensate for missed time. The end of the first semester will now be Feb. 2. There will be a 12 p.m. dismissal on Feb. 2 for teachers to work on report cards.

ACPS 2017-2018 Calendar Adjustment
- Move Exam Days forward two days—from Jan. 26 and 29 to Jan. 30 and 31
- These days will operate on a normal schedule with no early out
- Block 1 & 3 exams on Jan. 30 during the normally scheduled block
- Block 2 & 4 exams on Jan. 31 during the normally scheduled block
- Move the Teacher Work Day and Professional Development Day forward two days—from Jan. 30 and 31 to Feb. 1 and 2
- New semester would begin on Monday, Feb. 5

**Note: The Gifted Advisory Committee meeting will still be held on Wednesday, Jan. 24, from 6 to 7 p.m., at Metomkin Elementary School Media Center.**

Additional adjustments may be made if more inclement weather days are incurred.

Congratulations to Rachel Sengenberger, Riverside Champion of Caring
Returning to the highest possible level of function and quality of life after an illness or injury can be challenging. That’s why Rachel brings a special blend of skills and compassion to her work as a physical therapist. It’s a combination that led one of her patients to say, “Rachel helped me tremendously with getting back to my life. There’s no question that she helped me heal.”
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Elks Lodge - (757) 787-7750

Proceeds will benefit the chapter scholarship fund.
If you have questions or would like to be added to the chapter email list, please contact Worth Saunders at (757) 710-0049, or send your email address to aes5ptoem@yahoo.com

Wilson Makes Dean’s List

Makayla Wilson, daughter of Timothy and Carrie Wilson of Exmore, has been notified by Radford University that she achieved Dean’s List for the Fall of 2017. Makayla is a 2017 graduate of Northampton High School pursuing her Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

RSMH Hospital Auxiliary Raises $96K for Vascular Ultrasound Equipment

The Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital Auxiliary successfully raised $96,000 for the purchase of vascular ultrasound equipment.

Funds raised came from a number of sources and the hard work of many. In addition to sales from the Carousel Gift Shop located in the hospital, the auxiliary’s annual events—the Hospital Ball, Antique Show and Festival of Lights—made up the bulk of the donation.

“We have a very involved membership with a strong desire to help provide the best care for our community. We regularly seek input from the hospital’s administration about what their needs are and how the auxiliary can spend its fundraising dollars to have the greatest impact,” said Ann Williams, RSMH Auxiliary President.

“This advanced machine allows for high resolution images of lesions in the neck, aorta and limbs,” said Dr. Robert Paschall, DO, neurologist with Riverside Eastern Shore Physicians & Surgeons. “I’m so thankful to the members of the auxiliary for their generosity.”

Ever-advancing technology means hospitals must routinely upgrade their equipment. The generous support of the Shore community through the efforts of the hospital Auxiliary is critical to Riverside’s ability to replace equipment, provide scholarships and so much more.

The auxiliary has been essential in the purchase of many pieces of hospital equipment and patient comforts, the creation of a scholarship fund for nursing education, and most recently, raising funds for the new hospital located in Onancock.

To join the efforts of the RSMH auxiliary, email rsmhauxiliary@gmail.com.

2018 Low Cost Rabies Vaccination Clinics

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22454 Front Street, Accomac, VA 23301
757-787-7750
4pm - Social
5pm - Oysters will be served

$30 per person ($35 at the door) • $10 for students

There will be 200 tickets sold. To purchase tickets in advance, please contact any of the following volunteers:

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<td>noon - AA mtg. - St. Peter’s Catholic Church, Onley</td>
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<td>11 a.m. - Duplicate Bridge - Fairgrounds, Onancock - 787-2432</td>
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<td>6 p.m. - Rachel Leah Ministries - 787-2486 (call for location)</td>
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<td>6-7 p.m. - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, (Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests</td>
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<td>9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Veterans’ Employment Representative Available - Chincoteague Town Office</td>
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<td>10 a.m. - Tales for Tots - Chincoteague Island Library</td>
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<td>2 p.m. - Rollin’ with Essential Oils - Pocomoke Library - 410-957-0878</td>
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<td>2-4 p.m. - Orientation: The Basic of Alzheimer’s Disease - Northampton Free Library - Registration required: 1-800-272-3900</td>
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<td>3:45 p.m. - Good News Club mtg. - Hollies Baptist Church, 17691 Hollies Church Rd., Keller - Children must be picked up by 5:15 p.m.</td>
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"CLEAN IT UP, TYSON" KICKOFF MEETING

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Wishing you a wonderful New Year filled with joy and peace. Looking forward to another great year with each and every one of you.

Mozella Francis
Director of Northampton DSS

Ain’t it nifty, Look who’s 50!!
Happy Birthday
Keith!!

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR A MANAGEMENT POSITION in an automotive repair shop. Must have mechanical & computer knowledge. Salary and benefits based on experience and ability. Call 757-787-4837 for an appointment. If no answer, leave message.

Registered Dental Hygienist
Eastern Shore of VA: Dentist seeking a full-time Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH). Candidates should fax their resumes to the attention of HR Director at 757-716-4731.

Experienced Cook Needed
An experienced cook is needed at YukYuk and Joe’s, in Eastville. Please apply in person.

Community caretaker wanted for a gated community on Folly Creek in Accomac. Position requires a mature, trustworthy individual with good customer service and communications skills. Ability to perform maintenance and repair chores on community facilities is required. Ability to solicit proposals, make recommendations and monitor performance of community contractors and vendors is a must. Position requires ability to operate community water taxi as required. Comfortable living accommodations are provided on site. Salary negotiable. Please email resumes or statements of qualifications to SEAVIEWPOA@gmail.com. Resumes will be accepted through noon on January 31, 2018.

PART-TIME SERVICE COORDINATOR
Looking for a part-time Early Intervention Service Coordinator for the Parent Infant Program of the Eastern Shore. Must hold a Bachelor’s Degree and enjoy working with children, infants, and their families in a home setting. Please fax resumes to (757)442-5438 or send via email to helen@lhlpeds.com
Little Hands Little Feet Pediatric Therapy, P.L.L.C.
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Investigations may be directed to:
Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services
(757) 678-5151 ext. 2013 or mphillips@ncpsk12.com
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Northampton County Sheriff’s Office is accepting employment applications for:
Certified Law Enforcement Officer
Job will require shift work, nights, weekends and some holidays.
Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED.
Applications may be obtained from the Northampton County Sheriff’s Office or online at northamptonsheriff.org. Applications must be returned to this office by Friday, February 2, 2018, by 5:00 p.m. Northampton County Sheriff’s Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
HVAC SHEET-METAL MECHANIC WANTED – Hand tools necessary. Min. 2 years experience. Call Pat at 757-442-4428.

HELP WANTED Individuals who have roofing experience and general laborers needed on renovation site. Please call for interview. 877-503-2728.

Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. is currently recruiting Part-Time IS Support Tech for the Corporate Office

Prefer a minimum of 2 years’ experience with computer and information systems. Prefer technical certifications (CompTIA, Cisco) and system and network administration experience. Must be able to research, develop, implement and maintain and monitor information systems. Must be able to provide hands-on service for technical equipment and be able to work alone or in a group setting. Bilingual skills are a plus.

If you are a mission-driven person looking to make a difference, email an application to dhr@esrh.org before noon on January 26, 2018. Applications can be obtained from www.esrh.org. Resumes may accompany the application but will not be considered if sent alone.

Eastern Shore Rural Health offers a competitive benefits package and our campuses are Tobacco-Free Workplaces. EOE/M/F/Disability/Vet.
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**90 MAXUM 2800 SCR twin 4.3L V6 engines. Exc. cond. w/ recent (2014) maintenance record. Many extras. $16K OBO. Call 540-287-5047.

**92 24-ft. BOSTON WHALER - Orig. owner, w/ 150 hp. 4-stroke Honda w/ 2-year warranty (less than 50 hrs). Alum. trailer, T-top, 2-GPS/sonar units, $22,000 firm. Will take older to 17 ft. BW on trade. 434-821-9027 or 434-855-9267.

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

**DELTA 3 HP 220V heavy duty spindel shaper. Cast iron top. Good cond. $900. 757-710-0438.

**EV RIDER TRANSPORT SCOOTER - 14-mo. old, only used twice. Pd. $1,599. Asking ONLY $950! Call 757-757-7245.

**HISSENSE PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONER - With remote. Only 1 week old! 12,000 BTU, $300. Call 757-710-0608.

**LARK - ENCLOSED TRAILER 5’x8’ - Like new, built-in shelf, used 1 time. 665-4424. $1,700.


**PETS FOR SALE:**

**HAPPY JACK VITATABS:** restore nutrients lost after waking dogs and cats. Eastern Shore Pets (757-1462) (kennelvax.com)

**HOLLYWOOD RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY 2927 Tyler Drive New Church, VA 23415 2 & 3-BDRM mobile homes rent starts at $550 per month. Refrigerator/freezer/ washer/dryer hook-up. Weekly trash pick-up/ water/sewer are included in rent. Transit Bus Service.

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Contact site manager at (757) 757-7213 Mon-Fri 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

TDD 1-800-828-1140 onancock@namarigroup.com Onancock Square Apts. 160 Jacob Street Onancock, VA 23417

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**ACCOMAC - 2BR, 1BA, fridge, stove, dishwasher, W/D hook-up. No pets. $600/mo. + $600/sec. dep. & ref. 757-710-4630.

**BIRDWICK - Double-wide for rent. $750/mo. Call 757-678-5547 and leave msg.

**1999 23-FT. SEA ERA $12,500 -**

Upgrades; great condition; Johnson motor; live well; new wiring; Garnim; new canvas top; Price negotiable. (757) 665-1904.

**1994 GRADY WHITE GULFSTREAM -** Two 175-Johnson Outboards, hard-top, full elec., trailer, w/elec. winch, $7,500 OBO. 757-894-8989.


**34 DELTAVILLE DEADRISE -** $28,500 OBO Charter Fishing Boat, 2012 Re-Power Cat. 320 HP (757) 678-3718. dat556@verizon.net www.tblaycharters.com

**‘03 AQUASPORT OSPREY -** 19- 4-in. CC, 115 hp. Johnson (low hrs.), EZ Loader trailer, new upholstery, must see! $7,200. OBO. Call 757-678-6098.

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1999 CHEVY VENTURE 9-passenger van, maintained, mechanically safe, $1,800 OBO. Can be seen on Wachapreague Rd. 518-568-0292.

1998 DODGE 1500 CREW-CAB off-road 4x4 SLT 4.7 eng, new tires, brakes, upper/lower ball joints, rbt short block 1 yr ago, very good shape $10,000 OBO. 757-694-5332.

1996 PT CRUISER LESS THAN 10,000 miles, dark grey, all power including sun roof, $7,750. 757-710-7979.


1994 F250 EXC. BODY - 12-ft. bed, 2 1/2 ton pk, 5-sp. manual trans., A/C, tool box, garage kept, runs good, $3,000. 757-442-7511.


2004 HARLEY FAT BOY APEHANGERS. Trike Exhaust. 6,773 mi. $9,500. Call 757-709-1112 or 709-4993.

2003 HONDA SILVERWING SCOOTER 800cc - Tour pack, adj. back rest, garage kept, tall windshield, like new, current maint., 45K mi., $3,000. 757-710-4835.


TOWN OF BELLE HAVEN, VIRGINIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING POLLING PLACE RELOCATION ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 24.2-306 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, that on February 6, 2018, at 7 p.m., in the Town Council Chambers, located at 15293 King Street, Belle Haven, VA 23306, the Council for the Town of Belle Haven, Virginia, will hold a public hearing on a proposed Ordinance to relocate the Town's polling place from the Eastern Shore's Own Art Center Building, at 15293 King Street, Belle Haven, VA 23306 to the Exmore Moose Lodge, at 15315 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven, VA 23306. Any person interested in the polling place may appear and be heard. Following the public hearing, the Council will consider for adoption a proposed Ordinance. A copy of the proposed Ordinance may be requested via email at Townofbellehaven@gmail.com or viewed at the Belle Haven, Virginia Post Office.

For handicapped assistance, call 757-442-5031.

By Authority of the Council of the Town of Belle Haven, Virginia

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 26196 Savageville Road
Onancock, VA 23417

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of $48,720.79, dated September 24, 1997, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for Accomack County on September 25, 1997, as Instrument Number 970004147, in Deed Book 0750, at Page 00573, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction, at the main entrance of the courthouse for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave, Accomac, VA on February 19, 2018 at 10:30 AM, the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address and briefly described as: ALL THAT certain tract or parcel of land situate at Savageville, Lee Magisterial District, Accomacy County, Virginia, containing 0.382 acres, more or less, as shown on a certain plat of survey captioned “Location Survey for Sarah Godwin,” dated September 24, 1997, and made by John H. Plummer & Assoc. Inc., which plat is attached to and recorded with a certain Deed, dated the 17th day of September, 1997, from Robert Papetti, et ux, to Sarah E. Godwin, said lot or parcel being bounded generally as follows, to-wit: On the North, by the land now or formerly owned by Stella Nock Bagwell; on the East, by Virginia State Route 718; on the South and West, by other land of Robert Papetti and Ellen S. Papetti, his wife. Tax ID: 092A0000051A0.

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NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION

Bob Boardman and Tim Rapine, (2017163) have applied for approximately 50 acres of oyster planting ground in Toms Cove situated in Accomack City/County and described as follows: North By: P.C.G. Area 1, East Vacant. South By: P.C.G. Area 1, West By: P.C.G. Area 1, North Vacant. PF #18943 & 18637. Rapine PF #18659 & 19629.

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The Board of Supervisors shall also conduct a public hearing on the above matters on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers. The applications will be on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and in the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA.

Anyone wishing to comment on the above item is invited to attend the meetings and make their comments known. Written comments can be submitted to the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement/P.O. Box 538/Eastville, VA 23347.

Handicapped assistance available: Please telephone (757) 678-0440 at least 48 hours in advance.

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

January 19, 2018
Commonwealth of Virginia,
Department of Housing and Community Development
600 East Main Street, Suite 300
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Kevin Hobbs (804) 371-7120
kevin.hobbs@dhcd.virginia.gov

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or before close of business February 5, 2018, DHCD will submit a request to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Richard Field Office (HUD), for the release of HOME funds under Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, Title II, 1990, as amended, to undertake a project known as Pine Street Apartments. The project purpose is to provide $500,000 in HOME funds to construct 30 units of affordable housing, a project to be located at 6 Carter Street, in Onancock, Virginia (23417). The total development cost for the project is estimated to be $3,556,534.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

DHCD has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at DHCD 600 E. Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond Virginia 23219 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Kevin Hobbs at DHCD. All comments received by close of business February 5, 2018 will be considered by DHCD prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

DHCD certifies to HUD that Erik Johnston in his capacity as Director consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and the related laws and authorities, which allows DHCD to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

H UD will accept objections to its release of funds and DHCD's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Commonwealth of Virginia; (b) DHCD has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD, 600 E. Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-1800, Attention: Ronnie J. Legette, Sr., Director, Community Planning and Development Division. Potential objectors should contact HUD at (804) 371-7120 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Erik Johnston, Director
The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, February 6, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Va., for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the following matter.

A.) Joint Hearing with the Town Council of Eastville—Zoning Text Amendment 2017-09: The Town of Eastville has applied to amend section 15-2 of their zoning Ordinance as follows: Section 15-2 “CN,” “CG” and “ITFD” Districts: The following signs shall be permitted and regulations shall apply in the CN and CG districts: (See also Section 15-10)

All applications will be on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and in the Office of Planning, Permitting and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA. The file for Item A will also be available for public inspection in the Eastville Town Office, 5250 Willow Oak Road, Eastville, VA. Anyone wishing to comment on the above items is invited to attend the meetings and make their comments known.

Handicapped assistance available: Please telephone (757)678-0440, extension 516 at least 48 hours in advance.

NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION

Dan M. Bacot Jr., (2017165) has applied for approximately 10+ acres of oyster planting ground in Parting Creek situated in Accomack City/County and described as follows: North By: Vacant, East By: MLW, Northampton PG #10a, South By: Vacant, West By: Northampton PG #10a & PG #3. Lat/Long: N37-31.1700 W75-47.7404

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By Linda Cicoira

If I had to hate something in this world it would be acronyms.

The word itself is hard enough to spell, but the abbreviations that come with it are so impossible to keep track of and just not what I consider necessary.

If this world truly wants transparency and equality, the first step would be to eliminate all acronyms. They have got to go.

I'll bet that the ones that are familiar to you are not necessarily the ones that are familiar to me. I looked at a list of 100 acronyms that were considered to be the most popular and I was able to say I knew a few. DOA, SOB, ASAP, FORD, PDA, PMS and GPS. I also know what a USB cord is, but I don't know what those letters stand for. I know what FOB is, but again, I have no idea why it is called that.

So let's say I got eight out of 100. That is the reason I hate acronyms. They make me feel stupid. It's another way to make life harder. UGH! You try it. Go to https://www.allacronyms.com/aa-popular.

Here are the acronyms most adults, who have to make their way on the Eastern Shore, know: DMV, ANEC, VDOT and ESVA. Respectively, those are the division of motor vehicles, the electric company, the state transportation department and the Eastern Shore of Virginia. You might know ACPS and NCPS. Those are the two public school systems on the Shore. I think everyone is aware of what a DUI is.

Some other widely known acronyms are the Environmental Protection Agency or EPA, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People or the NAACP, the National Rifle Association or the NRA and the Federal Emergency Management Agency or FEMA.

If you've learned something so far, you're likely to have a hard time with these, too. Other state agencies that have some say around here are the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality or DEQ, the Virginia Marine Resources Commission or VMRC, the Virginia Department of Education or VDOE.

Do you know what A-NPDC is? That's the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission. ACSO is Accomack County Sheriff's Office. NCSO is Northampton County Sheriff's Office.

Beyond these, I am sometimes lost. I wish people would talk like I have to write. Please use the whole name the first time and then you can abbreviate or give me a chance to look it up.

I moved on to the top 500 acronyms hoping I would do better there. Here's what happened. I knew AKA, AWOL, ATM, BS, BF, BFF, BM, (which I thought meant bowel movement but it meant bite me), BTW, BYOB, FYI, IDK, LOL, LMAO, OMG, PS, SPAM, SWAK, TGIF and THX. That's only 19 out of 500 and nothing to brag about.

I'm daring you to try it and see how you do: http://muller-godschalk.com/acronyms.html.

Here are a few from a police blotter I learned that I might not forget. ABN is a big nutcase and AD is almost dead. Great. SCHOOL means seven crappy hours of our life. LOL.

Oh yippee! The internet hasn't failed me. I've been able to come up with some that I knew and that I'm sure you will know. Here goes. MIA, POW, FBI, CIA, NASA, USSR, USA, ADHD, OTC, ESP, SSN, SUV, UFO, DOB, HR, NFL, NBA, AARP, MAD, SPCA, CBS, NBC, PBS, WWF, MTV and TNT.

I'm told if you are a parent, these are important. CD9 and Code 9 are short for parent nearby. P911 means parents watching. PAW or PRW means parents are watching. PIR stands for parents in room. POS is parents over shoulder.

Just to let you know I'm serious, I'm about to join SAUNA or Society Against Unnecessary Acronyms. YIPPEE!

A&N Electric: The Best!

Dear Editor:

Hats off to the best co-op in Virginia! Power went down at 10:45 a.m. and was restored at 4 p.m.

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Gary MacPhee
Onancock

Hospital Says ‘Thanks’ for Help During Storm

Dear Editor:

Almost a year ago at the opening of our new hospital, I noted that a community hospital exists to serve the community and is successful when the community supports their local hospital. Evidence of that community support was demonstrated most recently during the winter snow storm and blizzard. When all other health care options on the Shore were unavailable, the hospital remained open due to the support of local agencies and good Samaritans.

While we are prepared for the normal once-a-year snowstorm, the blizzard conditions we experienced are a rare occurrence on the Eastern Shore. The Accomack County Sheriff’s department, the National Guard and even private citizens provided tremendous support in helping us transport team members to work so that essential services could be provided. Without their support many team members would not have been able to get to the hospital.

I must also note and thank the dozens of committed hospital team members and physicians who came to work before the storm hit. They were ready and prepared to stay the course. Many worked an extra shift, rested and then worked another unscheduled shift to ensure that we continued to provide the safe and excellent care that our patients and their families deserve.

And finally, I want to thank our local EMS agencies and fire companies who continued to provide service to our fellow citizens throughout the storm. They really are our first responders and their vital service to our community cannot be overlooked.

We are indeed fortunate to be served by so many community-minded individuals.

John Peterman, Vice President, Administrator
Accomac Library Open Again

Dear Editor:

Cold weather arrived unexpectedly at the Eastern Shore Public Library the week before Christmas. Because the old boiler at the Accomac Library decided to die even before the frigid weather and snow arrived, we had to close the library. Many children and their parents lost a place they could depend on for vacation activities. Our other libraries, Chincoteague, Nassawadox and Cape Charles were open during the holidays. The warmth of the Accomac library was not to be had.

A new boiler has been installed and the library is open once again. There will be no fines for any materials that are overdue. Our library patrons are very important to us. They are special. The Library Board of Trustees would like to thank the people of Accomack and Northampton for their patience with the inconvenience the library closure caused. Please visit us at the library, at our website www.espl.org or on Facebook to catch up with library news and coming events. Thank you.

Kitty Hall, Chairman
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