Preparation Needed If Millions of Dollars Are To Roll In

By Linda Cicoira

Accomack began preparations Wednesday for the surge in commerce anticipated to come with Orbital Sciences Corporation and its quest to re-supply the International Space Station.

On the advice of County Administrator Steve Miner, the Board of Supervisors directed the Planning Commission to determine if current zoning can handle the industrial and business growth.

The supervisors also were given a draft resolution for establishing a Public Service Authority, a step toward providing water and sewer services that officials say will be needed by the businesses and influx of residents.

“We have lost business within my time here due to the lack of zoned land,” Miner told the board. “Many businesses may not have time to go through an extensive rezoning process. When the Comprehensive Plan was adopted, we weren’t thinking of Orbital Science.”

“When businesses are ready to invest, it is because the market conditions tell them they need to move quickly to take advantage,” he continued. “Orbital Science will invest the bulk … they must have their first test rocket in the air by this December.”

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Dozens of School Jobs Set To Be Axed

By Linda Cicoira

More than 50 Accomack Public School employees may have to look elsewhere for employment next term due to cuts in the nearly $44 million proposed fiscal 2009-10 budget.

In addition, 14 other positions that are vacant are proposed for elimination, for a total of 65.5 slots worth $2,052,302 in pay and fringe benefits. The School Board made the slashes in its budget proposal Tuesday night in an effort to meet state reductions of $2.2 million. The members also considered staff recommendations to cut another $233,965 in non-personnel items.

The number of recommended job reductions was decided by taking $380,649 for five administrative positions, three of which are vacant. A chart also showed $714,194 was cut for 16 teacher positions for which nine are vacant, and $957,459 for 44.5 support-positions, two of which are vacant.

A public hearing will be held regarding the school budget proposal at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 3 in the auditorium of Arcadia High School.

“My first line of reasoning was stay out of the classroom,” Superintendent W. Richard Bull said regarding the cutbacks. By eliminating positions in the budget proposal, the administrator said he is through an extensive rezoning process. When the Comprehensive Plan was adopted, we weren't thinking of Orbital Science.”

If they can’t work on that schedule, they may well go to Maryland, where water and sewer is available,” Miner warned. “Either we suffer the chance that sewer will not be needed or move promptly to authorize a

Wachapreague Man Dies in Icy Crash

By Linda Cicoira

Black ice, the unusually slick and difficult to see frozen water that often covers spots of roadways each winter, was the cause of the first fatal traffic accident on the Eastern Shore in 2009.

Sgt. Joe Bunting of the Virginia State Police said the victim, Clayton Wendell Kellam, 47, of Wachapreague, died at about 1:40 a.m. Monday. He was an Associated Farms worker.

Kellam was driving north on Redwood Road in Melfa at between 40 and 45 miles per hour when he encountered the black ice. He had just left his aunt’s house a few hundred yards away, Bunting said.

Kellam’s 2000 Chevy S10 pickup ran off the road to the right, striking a ditch embankment, according to the officer. The vehicle rolled over twice and slid sideways forcing Kellam out the passenger window.

Kellam died at the scene. He was not wearing a seatbelt. Bunting said alcohol and speed were not factors in the incident.
By Linda Cicoira

Bruce Jones, who serves as commonwealth's attorney and county attorney, is the highest paid employee in Northampton County, according to a list compiled by the county's Human Resources Department.

As commonwealth's attorney, which is a constitutional position, Jones brought in about $113,760 for 2008. He earned more than $30,000 as county attorney, for a total annual income of $144,195.

Jones made the same amount in 2007 and received an increase of about 4 percent since 2006. He was paid a total of $138,649.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly Leatherbury earns $71,469, also the same as in 2007 and received an increase of about 4 percent over 2006. Her salary was $67,600 in 2006.

The 61 care and confinement workers at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail are paid a total of nearly $1.25. The top pay there goes to Director Richard Sterrett at $78,572. He made the same amount last year. In 2006, he was paid about $75,550.

Voter Registrar Theresa Wiser makes $44,444, the same amount she earned in 2007 and about 4 percent more than in 2006.

Salaries for the Parks and Recreation Department totaled nearly $60,000 in 2007 for two full-time workers. There is only one full-time worker there now. Laura Jenrette, the acting director, is listed at a salary of close to $27,500.

Planning and Zoning Director Sandra Benson is paid $73,785. Her salary was $71,637 in 2007 and $67,524 in 2006. The zoning administrator, Melissa Kellam, is paid $60,164, compared to $56,158 in 2006.

Gwendolyn Cummings-Thompson, the codes and compliance officer, was paid $47,740 in 2007 and $44,818 in 2006. The title of litter control worker first showed up on the list of county employees in 2007, when Elisha Townsend made $23,175 in that post, which currently pays $23,522.

Each of the six members of the Northampton Board of Supervisors is listed as making $40,000.00 for a total of $240,000.00. They were paid the same amount in 2006 and 2007.

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A Painter woman’s home was destroyed Monday in a fire on Lankford Highway just south of Coal Klin Crossing.

According to Chief William Campbell of the Painter Volunteer Fire Department, the fire was reported at about 8 a.m. at a house owned by Jimmy Bundick of Quinby and rented by Linda DeVor.

Campbell said more than 20 firefighters from Painter, Melfa, Wachapreague, Exmore, Nassawadox and Onley responded to the call.

The blaze started in a small room in the center of the wood-frame bungalow that DeVor used for sewing. Campbell said that the room burned and the rest of the house was damaged by heat, smoke and water.

It took about a half hour to control the fire, Campbell said, noting that firefighters stayed on the scene for about two and a half hours.

No one was injured. Campbell said DeVor was outside the house when firefighters arrived. The chief said that Devor is staying with family in Belle Haven.
Excess Drainage Money Flows to General Fund

By Linda Cicoira

Accomack supervisors scrambled Wednesday to find money to increase their odds of obtaining credit. The members unanimously voted to take money from election district funds that had been set aside for drainage projects.

“We’ve got to have a safety net ... to deal with the financial crisis,” said Chairman Steve Mallette.

It was agreed that from the more than $289,000 in those funds, all but District 4 would retain $7,000 each for drainage projects through June 30. Since District 4 funds, which are overseen by Supervisor Sandra Hart Mears had $5,629 left in its coffer, all would remain in the fund.

Mallette read aloud the breakdown of district money before the changes were made. There was $19,558 in District 1 on Chincoteague, overseen by Supervisor Wanda Thornton; $19,648 in District 2 funds, overseen by Supervisor Ron Wolff; $32,821 in District 3, overseen by Supervisor Grayson Chesser; $41,413 in District 5, overseen by Supervisor Jack Gray; $55,180 in District 6, overseen by Mallette; $49,187 overseen by Vice Chairwoman Laura Belle Gordy; $22,288 overseen by Supervisor Donald Hart; and $43,628 overseen by Supervisor Phil McCaleb.

Leaving only a portion of the money in each district fund put nearly $230,000 in the general fund. In a second vote, Chincoteague’s money was transferred to the town, which has its own Public Works Department that will manage drainage projects there.

“I’ve never been in favor of district funds,” said Chesser. “I don’t see much point in us having this money.”

Wolff said the change might have a better overall effect for drainage projects, since districts border and impact each other.

Thornton said that wouldn’t work for Chincoteague Island because it isn’t connected to the others. She wanted $3,000 more because it is needed for a project in her district. The town has a master plan that was approved by the Army Corps of Engineers, she said.

The supervisors asked Treasurer Dana Bundick to provide a list of the county’s top 50 delinquent real-estate taxpayers in time for its Feb. 4 work session. They also want a total pricetag on the bills that have not been paid.

Bundick suggested that a list of delinquent personal property bills be included in a list to be published. She said the top bill owed in that category is about $20,000.

McCaleb also wanted Bundick to come up with collections percentages for the last couple of years. He complained money is lost when the assessor does not adjust property values on land removed from agricultural and forestry districts in a timely fashion.

The supervisors set a public hearing for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Metompkin Elementary School on decreasing the amount of trash a resident can take to the landfill per day without a tipping fee from 400 to 200 pounds. The officials noted that there is no charge to take the debris to a convenience center.

Litter Fines Mandated

A 1971 public service announcement showed a Native American with one tear rolling down his face. He was upset about the pollution and litter in the United States.

“I think he would be bawling if he rode around Accomack County right now,” Greg Pemberton of Parksley told Accomack supervisors during a public hearing Wednesday.

Citing the appalling trash along roadways Pemberton added there were 32 beer bottles stacked up in the ice at Guard Shore last week.

The supervisors changed the county ordinance to include a fine of not less than $500 or more than $2,500 for convicted litterbugs. Previously, the judge would use his discretion when handing out penalties.
Head Over Heels for King

While marchers gathered in Macedonia AME Church in Accomac Monday in commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King’s birthday, this young man flipped handstands (within the speed limit) as he waited at the end of Church Street. Once the crowd emerged from the church services, they proceeded down Front Street to the courthouse green.

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Accomack County Circuit Court Criminal Cases
A 53-year-old Onley man was found guilty in Accomack County Circuit Court of manslaughter and driving under the influence in connection with last year’s Feb. 26 hit-and-run crash that killed a bicyclist. Willie Lee Bailey was sentenced on the manslaughter charge to 10 years, with all but three years and 10 months suspended. He also was sentenced to 30 days for DUI, to run concurrently.

At the time of the incident, State Police said Marvin A. Hines, 43, of Fisher’s Circle in Melfa was riding his bicycle in the southbound lane of Lankford Highway near the Tasley overpass when he was struck by a pick-up truck, was located by the State Police and Bailey, the driver, was arrested.

In other recent Accomack County Circuit Court criminal cases, Samad Mickens, 35, of New Jersey was sentenced for possessing ecstasy with the intent to distribute it. Mickens was sentenced to five years, with all but two years suspended.

Sentencing was deferred until a presentence report can be prepared for Cleve Hanna, 41, of Lee Mont, who was found guilty of burglary. Donald McCall, 49, of New Church was found guilty of forgery. Sentencing guidelines were ordered.

Nathan Riley, 18, of Temperanceville was sentenced on a previous conviction on two counts of burglary. He was sentenced to three years on each count, to run concurrently, all suspended on the condition he perform 100 hours of community service.

Joshua Bradshaw, 24, of Accomac was sentenced on a previous conviction for burglary to two years, with all but seven months suspended.

Probation was revoked for Bailey Heath, 22, of Tasley, who now must serve 4½ months for unlawful wounding and grand larceny. Probation also was revoked for Deidreion Kelley, 25, of Tasley, who now must serve six months for possessing cocaine with the intent to distribute it.

Correction
An item in last week’s Court section incorrectly reported the case of Rhonda Moore. In fact, the 35-year-old Horntown resident was given a 12-month suspended sentence for receiving stolen property.

Accomack County Sheriff’s Office Arrests
A juvenile was taken into custody Wednesday in connection with an alleged larceny in Gargatha.

According to Accomack Sheriff Larry Giddens deputies responded to the scene shortly before 3 p.m. and received information from a victim that a suspect had taken an undisclosed amount of money from this victim.

Further investigation resulted in the identification of the juvenile suspect, Giddens said. Juvenile Services was contacted and the suspect was released to his parents pending juvenile petitions being issued against him for the charge of larceny from the person.

Assisting in this investigation were the Virginia State Police and the Parkesly Police Department.

Feb. Freeze Slated
Plans are being made for the Eastern Shore of Virginia Habitat for Humanity’s 13th February Freeze to be held Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Cape Charles beachfront. For 10 years, the students and faculty of Northampton High School have won the coveted Golden Hammer Award by gathering the most sponsor dollars to support the ministry of eliminating substandard housing on the Eastern Shore.

In 2006 the team from Franktown U.M. Church took the award, but in 2007 and 2008, Northampton High School triumphed again. There will be a trophy for the first-place team, whose name will be engraved on the Golden Hammer Award. There also will be prizes for first, second and third place among those earning the most money.

Everyone is invited to take a dip or cheer on their favorite “dipper.” Registration will begin at 11 a.m. and the dip is at noon. Lunch will be served immediately following at Trinity United Methodist Church. For registration forms and sponsor sheets, call the Habitat office at 442-HOUS (4687) or go log on to www.easternshorehabitat.org

Northam Supports Bi-Partisanship
This week, freshman State Senators Ralph Northam, who represents the Eastern Shore, Richard H. Sturart of Westmoreland, Jill Vogel of Winchester and John Miller of Newport News announced the formation of the Commonwealth Caucus, a bipartisan effort to put Virginia above party affiliation on important issues facing the Commonwealth.

Among the issues the Commonwealth Caucus will address are redistricting, electing judges, and protecting the Chesapeake Bay and our natural resources.

For his part, Northam noted that as a pediatric neurologist, he has cared for many needy children and their families, but “patients have never asked me whether I am a Democrat or a Republican, nor have I asked them.”

The four senators view the Commonwealth Caucus as the first step in stopping the partisan bickering and encouraging the parties to work together to improve the lives of all Virginians.
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PSA and develop service areas or ... our own capacity to provide sewer service principally in the Wattersville and central county areas."

"Delay is deadly," Miner said. "While debate is healthy, hostility, win-at-all costs politics and incivility are not," he said. "And I am not just talking about the board itself. If this county is to maximize its opportunities ... we must find ways to work civilly together ... your staff stands ready to do what you direct in order to succeed."

Miner said that combined, Walmart, Northrop Grumman, BaySys and Tucker Robbins' artsy furniture endeavor at the former Central Middle School "could well exceed multiple hundreds of millions of dollars as well as many hundreds of new jobs to the Maryland/Virginia peninsula." He added that Economic Development Director Larry Forbes would be filling in the officials on additional opportunities in closed session.

How the zoning would need to be adjusted has not been determined, Miner said during a break in the meeting. He added, the county could learn from Patuxent River, Md., because that area had a similar situation where fast changes were inevitable. An Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) program was used there, Miner said.

That zoning program was instituted by the Department of Defense to address the problem of land development surrounding military air installations. According to a related Web site, the purpose of such a zone program is to "protect the health, safety, and welfare from noise and hazards through compatible development in the airport environment."

Concerning the proposed PSA, Miner said planners had composed a map of the area near the Wallops Research Park that would help the supervisors decide where water and sewer services would be needed.

A draft PSA resolution whith the supervisors had instructed County Attorney Mark Taylor to draft was presented to them.

During discussions, Supervisor Wanda Thornton complained that a map was e-mailed to her from a constituent. She was distraught because she had not received the map from the county and because Chair man Steve Mallette had seen the map before the other supervisors.

"I think we all should have it at the same time," Thornton said later adding, "The chairman is not exclusive of everyone else on the board ... we've never operated like that." Thornton said the map is not the only thing that has been available to only a select group.

When Mallette asked her to be specific about her allegations, she did not comply.

In the end, it was concluded that there was a second map that had been drafted by Utility Cost Committee members and that map was the one she received in the e-mail.

Miner contended that the Planning Department map was the only one he asked for. Taylor said that only he, Miner, Planning Director Jim McGowan, Forbes and Shirley Faubel (Taylor's assistant) had seen that map.

Regarding the draft PSA resolution, Taylor warned that the supervisors should limit the amount of authority they give the group because the supervisors "will only get it back if they want to give it to you. Give a little and then maybe ... give some more in the future ... you have the authority to make limitations."

Thornton advised that care be taken in how the authority is set up, particularly with respect to the power the authority can obtain. She also stressed the need to dis close all information to the citizens. "The public doesn't trust us because we don't tell them everything," Thornton said.

In other business, the supervisors met in closed session to discuss renewing Taylor's contract. When they came out, he was retained in an 8-1 vote, with Thornton opposed.

"As far as I'm concerned, he's the greatest thing since sliced bread," Mallette said, adding that Taylor works about 60 hours a week.

The staff reports that Taylor is readily available to answer questions, Mallette said. The county is saving money because before there was a full-time county attorney, legal fees would total $250,000 in 15-minute increments, he added.

Mallette said Taylor's salary would remain the same. He is the highest paid county employee at $120,822. Mallette said there had been some question by the public regarding Taylor's residency. In the contract, Taylor satisfied that requirement by "leasing a furnished residence." Mallette said Taylor also votes here and has his vehicle registered in Accomack.

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The members of Atlantic Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, Inc. would like to thank all of their neighbors who generously contributed to the letter drive fundraiser for 2008.

The donations allow the fire company to continually support the community and provide volunteer fire-rescue services.

Cape Charles Town Council recently voted unanimously to approve a zoning text amendment regarding open space and public utilities.

In addition, they agreed to advertise for bids to construct the first phase of the town trail project, also referred to as the Central Park Trail Connection. Assistant Town Manager Heather Arcos discussed the funding of the $832,875 project, most of which will be covered by grants. When completed, the trail is projected to wind its way around the town and extend from the area of Bay Creek, along the harbor, past the beachfront and down to Bay Creek Marina. No timetable has been given for the completion of the multi-phase project.

The council voted 6-0 to approve a recommendation by the town Planning Commission to authorize a one-year extension of the permit for Harbor Development Group, which has proposed to construct a mixed-use project on the south side of the harbor. Town Planner Tom Bonadeo noted that the Harbor Development Group had acted upon the permit issued a year ago, thus indicating a good faith effort to continue with the project.

Comments Sought on Proposed Water Reg.

The State Water Control Board is seeking public comment through Feb. 20 on a proposed amendment to a regulation on water quality to protect Eastern Shore waters for clams and oysters.

Residents can submit comments to the state Department of Environmental Quality, which is facilitating public involvement. DEQ is hosting a public hearing to receive written and oral comments on Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. at Northampton High School. Residents also may submit written comments to DEQ by e-mail, fax and postal mail. All written comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and must be received by 5 p.m. Feb. 20.

The proposed amendment would ensure that a wastewater management disposal alternative has less of an environmental impact than other alternatives.

Localities affected include Accomack and Northampton counties.

The proposal and an analysis conducted by DEQ are available at www.deq.virginia.gov or by contacting Elleanore Daub, DEQ, East Main St., Richmond, VA 23219; phone: 804-698-4111; e-mail: em-daub@deq.virginia.gov; fax: 804-698-4116.
Two Join Onley Community Health

Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. has added Dr. Vincent Stravino and physician assistant Nelson Santana to the staff of Onley Community Health Center.

Dr. Vincent Stravino completed his undergraduate studies at Princeton University and received his medical degree from Hahnemann University School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pa. An internal medicine physician who most recently served at the Saipan Community Health Center in Saipan, M.P, he enjoys traveling, soccer, wrestling and marathon running. He began working at the Onley center on Jan. 12.

Nelson Santana, PA received his Master of Physician Assistant from Eastern Virginia Medical School after attending the State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo for undergraduate studies. He most recently worked in the Hampton, Va., area and is bilingual. Santana began working at the Onley center on Jan. 5.

Del. Lewis Named to House Committee

Del. William J. Howell, speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates, has announced the appointment of Del. Lynwood Lewis to the House of Delegates’ Committee on Commerce and Labor to fill the vacancy created by the election of Del. Dwight Jones as mayor of Richmond.

This 22-member committee considers almost all business, banking and utility legislation. Some of the legislation before the committee this year involves payday lending, unemployment benefits for seasonal workers and issues of insurance mandates. Lewis will be serving on the two sub-committees, including the Energy Sub-committee.

“This is a tremendously important committee that considers issues that are important to my district and the entire commonwealth,” Lewis said. “I am looking forward to this new assignment.”

Correction

Another story last week incorrectly reported the vote for the chairman and vice chairman of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Jeff Walker was elected chairman unanimously. Supervisor Spencer Murray was elected vice chairman on a split vote over Supervisor Richard Tankard.

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Davis Oil Company
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Mr. Forrest Mallory Davis Jr., 86, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2009, at Rowan Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, N.C. He was a longtime resident and business leader in Onancock.

The son of Forrest Mallory and Edna Earle Wise Davis of Davis Wharf, Mr. Davis was educated in Acomack County schools. He was a graduate of Central High School and the Newport News Apprentice School. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he served in World War II and saw action in France, Germany and Austria.

On March 25, 1944, he married Rebecca Elaine Gladden of Painter. Together, they were devoted partners in life and in business. After completing his Army service, Mr. Davis returned to the Eastern Shore and worked with Standard Oil Company. In 1956, he established Davis Oil Company in Onancock. After 51 years of working together, Mr. and Mrs. Davis retired in 2007.

Devoted to Market Street U.M. Church and his community, Mr. Davis served on the church’s administrative board, the Hermitage Board of Directors, and in many civic organizations, including the Lions Club and Shriners.

Mr. Davis was predeceased by his sisters, Charlotte Davis and Annie Lou Davis Bundick; and one brother, Henry Jacob Davis, all from Davis Wharf. He is survived by his devoted family, including his wife; daughter, Trudy Davis Thompson (and husband, W.R. Jr.) of Salisbury, N.C.; son, Forrest Mallory Davis III (and wife, Lee Price Davis) of Baton Rouge, La.; grandchildren, Catherine Thompson Monroe (and husband, Fred) of Charlotte, N.C., Elizabeth Thompson Myers (and husband, Michael) of Winston-Salem, N.C., and Virginia Elaine Davis of North Bergen, N.J.; two great-grandchildren; brothers, William Copes Davis and Preston Wise Davis (and wife, Nancy Windsor), all of Davis Wharf; and many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Davis was buried at his family’s home in Davis Wharf.

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Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Dulany Foods
Retiree Dies

Mrs. Pauline Johnson Isdell, 81, of Pungoteague passed away away Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009, at her residence.

A native of Deep Creek, she was the 13th child of the late J. Thomas Johnson and Lillie Mae Bull Johnson. Mrs. Isdell retired from Dulany Foods and was a member of Hollies Baptist Church and the Ladies’ Auxiliary of VFW Post 4856.

Mrs. Isdell was predeceased by her husband, Samuel H. Isdell Jr.; and a daughter, Lillie “Kay” Goswellen. She is survived by her daughters, Karen I. Wilson (and husband, Jimmy) of Melfa, Paulette I. Kelley (and husband, Greg) of Pungoteague; grandchildren, Sammy, Melisa, Beverly, Jennifer, Janene, Gary, Courtney and Gregory; great-grandchildren, Lindsay, Jonathan, Jessica, Makalie, Mandy, Kaycye, Samantha, Hartley, Andrew, Austin, Noah, Logan, and Marina; and great-great-grandchildren, Juliette and Talan.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 17, from Hollies Baptist Church by Rev. Joe Mc

Pungoteague
Resident Dies

Mrs. Gladys Guy Jones Smith, 94, of Pungoteague passed away Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009, at Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox.

Born in Pungoteague, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Lottie Sturgis Guy. Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a member of Pungoteague Community Church.

Mrs. Smith was predeceased by two husbands, John Walter Jones and William D. Smith. Survivors include her daughter, Ellen Jones Custis (and husband, Milton Jr.) of Pungoteague; son, John W. Jones Jr. (and wife, Marilyn) of Onley; brother, William A. Guy of Salisbury, Md.; grandchildren, Milton Custis III, Glenn Custis, Linda Gaskill, Julie Halstead, Dr. John Jones Burton and Arinthia Bates; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Friday, Jan. 16, by Pastor Bobby Carroll Huether. Interment was in Pungoteague Community Church Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Pungoteague Community Church Cemetery, P.O. Box 3, Pungoteague, VA 23422. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Wachapreague
Resident Dies

Mrs. Christine Stevens (Chrisissie) Spence, 98, of Wachapreague passed away at Shore Memorial Hospital in Nassawadox Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009.

She was the daughter of the late

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Thomas and Beulah Miller Stevens. Although she was a homemaker, Mrs. Spence worked at many jobs. She did the linen for the old Wachapreague Hotel, VIMS and several townspeople and worked for over 30 years at the Tasley grader until she was “retired.” Mrs. Spence enjoyed ceramics, knitting and crocheting. For several years she regularly went to the Senior Citizens Center where she enjoyed bingo, trips and companionship. Mrs. Spence and her late husband, William (Bill) Spence, spent the last years of their lives at Heritage Nursing Home after Mr. Spence became ill and they could no longer live on their own.

Mrs. Spence is survived by her son, Larry (and wife, Julie); grandchildren, Sandra Little (and husband, Greg), Jim, Tom (and wife, Debbie), and Terry (and wife, Brenda); sister, Francis Parker (and husband, Ray); and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Thursday, Jan. 22. Interment was in Wachapreague Cemetery.

Memory tributes may be sent to www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Cheriton Centenarian Dies

Mrs. Katherine Williams Mister, 103, of Cheriton passed away Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009, at Heritage Hall Health Care in Nassawadox.

A native of Cape Charles, she was the daughter of the late Cyrus and Martha Robinson Williams. She was the oldest member of Capeville United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Mister was predeceased by her husband, E. Wayne Mister. She is survived by her daughter, Martha M. Fitzgerald (and husband, Wade) of Cheriton; grandchildren Wade H. Fitzgerald Jr. (and wife, Gail) of Cheriton and Cindy K. Hopkins (and husband, Scott) of Chesterfield County, Va.; and two great-grandchildren, Lyle and Adrienne Hopkins of Chesterfield County.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Jan. 18, at Capeville United Methodist Church by Rev. DeWayne Duncan and Rev. Jack D. Pruitt. Interment was in Capeville Masonic Cemetery

Memorials may be made to Capeville United Methodist Church, c/o H.H. Scott Jr., 4301 Townsend Dr., Cape Charles, VA 23310. Online condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Wilkins-Doughty Funeral Home, Cape Charles.

Retired Owner of Center Chevy Dies

Mr. Joseph Henry Volz, 82, of Exmore passed away Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009, at his residence.

A native of Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Charles J. Volz and Lydia M. Boerner. Mr. Volz owned Center Chevrolet in Exmore until his retirement. He was a member of Belle Haven United Methodist Church, a U.S. Navy World War II veteran, and graduate of the University of Maryland at College Park with a degree in electrical engineering.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Adams Volz; daughters, Elizabeth S. Volz of Painter, and Carolyn V. Spalding (and husband, Greg) of Lebanon, Ky.; grandchildren, Melissa H. Elliott, R. Todd Hastings, Sara E. Cherrix, and Courtney M. Spalding; great-grandchildren, Emma and Mary Elliott; brothers, Charles Volz (and wife, Jeanne) of Piney River, Va., J. Fred Volz (and wife, Katherine) of Brevard, N.C., and George Volz (and wife, Mary) of Baldwin, Md.; sister, Alma Smith of Cockeysville, Md.; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 24, at 3 p.m. from Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore, with Rev. Douglas Tanner and Mr. Burleigh Killmon officiating. Interment will be private. A reception will be held after the service at Belle Haven U.M. Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

Exmore Resident Dies at SMH

Mrs. Mary Richardson Kel- lam, 78, of Exmore passed away Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009, at Shore Memorial Hospital.

A native of Wachapreague, she was the daughter of the late William and Mamie Crosley Richardson.

Mrs. Kellam is survived by her husband, Donald E. Kellam; sons, Donald E. Kellam Jr. (and wife, Susan) of Exmore, Jerry L. Kellam (and wife, Brandi) of Birdsnest, and Terry L. Kellam of Belle Haven; brother, William Richardson and (wife, Ellen) of Chinoteague; and grandchildren, Ryan, Ashley, Jason, Jordon, Cooper and Clay Kellam.

A memorial service was conducted Saturday, Jan. 17, from Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore by Rev. Jack Pruitt and Rev. Jonathan Carpenter.

Memorial donations may be made to Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 17, Nassawadox, VA 23413. Online condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com

R&G Shirt Factory Retiree Dies

Mrs. Hettie Sue Joynes Thornton, 79, of Onancock passed away Friday, Jan. 16, 2009, at her residence.

Born in Savageville, Mrs. Thornton was the daughter of the late Henry and Ida Doughty Joynes. She retired from R&G Shirt Factory with 31 years of service and was a member of Market Street United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Albert Lee “Monk” Thornton; daughter, Pat Smith (and husband, G.L.) of Accomac; brother, Henry T. Joynes; and great-granddaughter, Patty Smith.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of Williams-Onancock Funeral Home Monday, Jan. 19, by Rev. Doug Tanner. Interment was in Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Onancock.

Memorial donations may be made to Market Street United Methodist Church, 75 Market St., Onancock, VA 23417; or Foodbank of the Eastern Shore, P.O. Box 518, Onley, VA 23418. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Onley Resident Passes Away

Mrs. Anna Drummond Lewis, 96, of Onley passed away Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009, at Arcadia Nursing Center in Nelsonia.

Born in Pungoteague, Mrs. Lewis was the daughter of the late Herman F. and Elsie Onley Drummond. She was a homemaker; a member of Drummondtown Baptist Church where she had been active in the WMU, the OES and the Woman’s Club of Accomack County.

Mrs. Lewis was predeceased by her husband, Henry Clay Lewis; a son, Arnold Lewis and a brother, Herman F. Drummond Jr. Survivors include her sister, Betty Hall of Cape Charles; daughter-in-law, Pat Lewis of Accomac; grandchildren, Lynn Lewis Sherwood (and husband, Kevin) and Gregory A. Lewis, all of Accomac; great-grandchildren, Michael and Allison Sherwood; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted from Drummondtown Baptist Church Tuesday, Jan. 20, by Rev. Jack D. Pruitt. Interment was private.

Memorial donations may be made to Drummondtown Baptist Church Memorial Fund, c/o Mrs. Pat Lewis, 24385 Dix Farm Dr., Accomac, VA 23301. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Former Capeville Resident Dies

Mr. Edmund Ernest Hamilton, 75, of Richmond died there Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009.

Born in Wilmington, Del., and reared in Capeville, he was the son of the late Edmund and Margaret Smith Hamilton. He held an associate’s degree from Bluefield Col-
Retired Bldg. Supply Co. Owner Dies

Mr. Henry Tounson Joynes Jr., 82, of Bloxom passed away at his residence Sunday, Jan. 18, 2009. Though his body had become physically weakened, his spirit and sense of humor remained as strong as his loving heart.

Born in Savageville, he was the son of the late Henry T. and Ida Mae Doughty Joynes and a master sergeant in the U.S. Army, having served during World War II in the European Theatre in E Company, 319 E Infantry Regiment. Mr. Joynes was retired as the owner/operator of Joynes Building Supply Company, Inc. He displayed his quality and expert craftsmanship in many homes and businesses. Mr. Joynes was a member of St. Thomas U.M. Church, the former Parksley Lodge 325 AF&AM, Seaboy-Metompkin Ruritan Club, and the VFW.

Mr. Joynes is survived by his wife of 59 years, Lorraine Wessells Joynes; daughters, Donna J. Michael (and husband, David) of Wilmington, N.C., Lisa J. Bass (and husband, Ray) of Wallops and Anne Henry Dize (and husband, Wayne) of Onancock; granddaughters, Lyndsey and Haley Michael; step-grandson, Joseph Bass; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by two sisters, Hettie Sue Thornton (who died two days before) and Kitty Milliner; and two brothers, William Joynes and Robert Joynes.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of Williams-Parksley Funeral Home Wednesday, Jan. 21, by Rev. John Burr. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Memory tributes may be sent to the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Oak Hall Resident Dies at Home

Mr. Earnest L. Bowden, 67, of Oak Hall passed away Monday, Jan. 19, 2009, at his residence.

Born on Chincoteague, he was the son of the late Norman and Della (Parks) Bowden. Mr. Bowden was a member of Christ United Methodist Church on Chincoteague. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather and touched the lives of those he met.

Mr. Bowden is survived by his wife, Ann D. Hamilton; children, Mike, David and Tom, all of Richmond; sisters, Janice Hartman of California and Sonya Henderson of North Carolina; six grandchildren; three nieces; and three nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 19, at Fox and James Funeral Home in Eastville by Rev. Mike Hamilton and Rev. Bob Wynee. Interment was in Capeville Masonic Cemetery.

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SMH Retiree Passes Away

Mr. Elwood Thomas “Woody” Justis Jr., 73, of Exmore passed away Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009 at his residence.

A native of Bloxom, he was the son of the late Elwood Thomas Justis Sr. and Flossie Marie Hart Justis. Mr. Justis retired as a maintenance mechanic for Shore Memorial Hospital. He was a member, past governor, and earned the Fellowship Degree of Exmore Moose Lodge #683.

Mr. Justis is survived by his wife, Suzanne T. Justis; children, Elvis Thomas Justis of Exmore, Susan Lynn Elliott (and husband, Ralph) of Berlin, Md., Rita Marie Simpson (and husband, Marvin) of Painter, Teresa Ann Moncrief (and husband, James) of Machipongo, and Wendy Lee Everett (and husband, William) of Accomac; sister, Norma Lee Pitchett (and husband, Milton) of Willis Wharf; two half-brothers; grandchildren, Candice Altman, Dana and Mason Elliott, Shawn and Stephanie Simpson, Stacey Stringfield, Erica Moncrief, Brittany Fisher, Krista, Jeremy, and Jada Everett; and great-grandchildren, Tyler Noell, Taylor Hunt, Jada Justis, and Neave Altman. Mr. Justis was predeceased by his son, Elwood Thomas Justis III.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, Jan. 25, at 2 p.m. from Doughty Funeral Home by Rev. Jonathan Carpenter and Rev. Sean McKenzie. Interment will follow in Belle Haven Cemetery. Family will join friends at Doughty Funeral Home Saturday evening from 6 to 8.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice & Palliative Care of the Eastern Shore, 165 Market St., Suite 3, Onancock, VA 23417. Online condolences may be sent to www.doughtyfuneralhome.com.

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Certainly the greatest issue which we have to confront in this Assembly will be how and where to make sufficient cuts in the state’s budget to cover a projected three billion dollar shortfall in revenues. The word in the Legislature last week was that we can almost certainly expect revenue projections to be revised downward so that in the end we may be looking at a three and a half to four billion dollar revenue shortfall there by requiring deeper and more extensive cuts. The one variable in the whole process is the scope and direction of the stimulus package expected from Washington. The final version may help lessen the severity of our revenue shortfall here in Virginia. There will likely be other contentious issues outside of the budget, some of which we may not even know about yet.

I was very pleased to have been appointed by Speaker Howell to the Commerce and Labor Committee of the House of Delegates. A vacancy was created by the election of Delegate Dwight Jones as Mayor of Richmond. This is a very important Committee. It considers virtually all business, banking and labor issues, as the name implies. I continue to serve on the Finance Committee and the Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee as well as the Militia and Police Committee.

Legislation continues to be filed in both the House of Delegates and the State Senate. Delegates have limited themselves by a rule change last year to only fifteen pieces of legislation per Delegate in the odd numbered Sessions. I was wholeheartedly supportive of this legislation. I think it will improve the quality of our legislation and will also result in more in depth consideration of individual pieces of legislation.

On Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM Governor Kaine delivered his State of the Commonwealth address and in it he mentioned the Orbital Project at Wallops Island. To be singled out by the Governor in such an important speech is, I think, an indication of how important this project is not just for the Eastern Shore but for the entire Commonwealth of Virginia.

We will be in Richmond until February 28th. As always, I can be reached here in Richmond until the Session adjourns. You can call the constituent “hot line” toll free at 1-800-889-0229 or my office phone, 804-698-1000. My e-mail address is Delllewis@house.Virginia.gov. I would be happy to help with arrangements for any groups, which plan to visit during the General Assembly. Please contact my office for assistance.

I depend on hearing from the folks back home, so please contact me with issues of concern.

By Sen. Ralph Northam

As most of you know, the Virginia General Assembly Session began last Wednesday in Richmond. As you also know, the Commonwealth is staring down a projected revenue shortfall of nearly $3 billion, and we are tasked with the difficult, but Constitutionally mandated assignment of balancing the state budget. Governor Tim Kaine has made some proposals, which will serve as a starting point, but will be far from the last words on the matter. One critically important piece of the puzzle will be figuring out what we can cut without further harming those who have been hurt by the recession. Another will be ensuring that any cuts to education, public safety, and local government are temporary, rather than permanent. While the challenges we face are great, I am confident that we will weather this storm, and soon be able to restore and strengthen any core services that may be suspended.

I have introduced a number of bills this session, several of which I would like to highlight. Most significantly, I am working with Governor Kaine and a large coalition of healthcare and public interest groups to pass the Virginia Indoor Clean Air Act, known also as the restaurant smoking ban. This bill is important not only to preventing a smoke-free work environment for service employees, but also to ensuring that people in rural areas have the option to dine out without adversely affecting their health. I am also the patron of a bill that would help Virginia contribute to

stopping global warming, by requiring large electric utilities to become more energy efficient. This is especially important given the recent report from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that showed the Eastern Shore and other coastal areas of Virginia are particularly vulnerable to sea level rise. I am also sponsoring bills to protect first responders from blood-borne disease, promote oyster gardening, and increase opportunities at the MARS spaceport on Wallops Island.

In addition to the budget and these bills, there are a number of other issues that the General Assembly will be addressing this session. Three of these issues are judges, redistricting, and cleaning up our environment, including Virginia’s foremost treasure, the Chesapeake Bay. In the past, these have been polarizing issues, and commonsense solutions have often taken a back seat to political posturing. For this reason, I, along with thee other freshman Senators, have formed the Commonwealth Caucus, a bipartisan, results-oriented group that will put aside party differences for the good of Virginia and Virginians. Senators John Miller (D-Newport News), Richard Stuart (R-Westmoreland), Jill Vogel (R-Winchester), and I hope that others will join our cause and help us appoint qualified judges, create legislative districts that make sense, and preserve Virginia’s natural heritage for our children.

I thank you all for your support, and welcome your input during session. Please do not hesitate to call or email, and if you are in Richmond, please feel free to stop by and say hello.

Corrections

Last week’s story on Northampton County’s proposed zoning ordinance mistakenly reported that William Baines had mentioned Tankard Nursery as a heavy water user in the county. Actually, Baines had cited David’s Nursery.

In that same item, the Post mistakenly connected Supervisor Richard Tankard with Tankard Nursery when, in fact, Tankard sold his interest in the business to his brother last summer.
WHRO Describes Offerings; ESCC Still Searching for Pres.

Ron West
WHRO President Bert Schmidt and Chief Education Officer Brian Callahan paid a visit to the Northampton County School Board this week and discussed the educational opportunities offered by WHRO.

Schmidt also discussed the station's radio transmissions, which include the option for visually impaired listeners to receive newspapers and magazines read over the airways. Individuals who are interested in this service may contact WHRO directly.

School Board member Dr. Richard Drury noted that Eastern Shore Community College is still in the process of searching for a president. To date, Drury said, more than 100 applications for the position have been received. The application process was expected to continue for some time and eventually be narrowed to the top three to five candidates who will eventually be interviewed before a final choice is made.

Drury discussed the soon-to-open work force training center at the campus and noted that plans call for the facility to be used for a variety of training, including, but not limited to, nursing, marine engines and the construction.

Superintendent Dr. Richard Bowmaster updated the board on the status of the repairs to the back wall of the high school. He noted that poor weather had resulted in delays, which might push the completion date to later in the spring. No decision has been made as to when the repaired classrooms will be available for use.

ATTENTION TTV VIEWERS

Translator TV viewers are given notice that the Digital TV transition scheduled to take place February 17, 2009 WILL NOT AFFECT your ability to receive translator channels. TTV will continue to transmit an analog signal so NO CHANGE and NO NEW EQUIPMENT is required to receive these channels.

The Mappsville TTV channel assignments are 25 (PBS), 30 (NBC), 34 (ABC) and 39 (CBS).

For additional information, please visit the County of Accomack web site at www.co.accomack.va.us
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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1:30-7:30 p.m. - Blood Drive - American Legion, Cheriton 442-7401
5-7 p.m. - “Spaghetti Supper” for Railway Museum - Parksley Firehouse Social Hall - $7/adults or $4/children under 12 (Carry-out available) - 665-5060 or 665-5905
6 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery group mtg. - Family Life Center of Onancock Baptist Church, Market St. - includes a simple meal - $6/person or $10/family.
7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville
7 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous mtg. - Adventist Comm. Center, Exmore
7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Downing UMC, Oak Hall

**SAT., JAN. 24**
9 a.m. - noon - Farmer’s Market - Main St., Chincoteague
7:30 p.m. - Bingo (6 p.m.)
Early Bird Games - Palace Theatre, Mason Ave., Cape Charles, call 331-2787 for ticket info. - $22, adults; $8, students; $35, reserved tickets

**SUN. JAN. 25**
2:30 p.m. - Bingo - Vietnam Veterans’ Bldg., Main St., Onley
2:30 p.m. - Special Service with Guest Speaker with Rev. Ronald Freeman - Snead Memorial Church, Daugherty 442-5851
3 p.m. - “100 Ladies in Red & 100 Men in Dark Suits” program - New Allen AME Church
7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville

**TUE., JAN. 27**
10 a.m. - Bingo - Accomack Sr. Village, Onancock - 789-3900
1:30-3 p.m. - Hospice Grief Support - Chincoteague, Hospice Resource Center, 6309 Church St.
5:15-6 p.m. - TOPS weigh-in (*FREE, no obligation mtg. @ 6- for more info. call 442-7780) - Belle Haven Presbyterian Church - 442-9776
5:30-7 p.m. - Hospice Grief Support - Onancock, Hospice Bldg., 165 Market St., Suite #3 - 787-3310
6 p.m. - Onancock Lions Club mtg. - Sunrise Restaurant, Onley - 787-4278
6 p.m. - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks, Rt. 11
6 p.m. - Rachel Leah Ministries - Call 787-2486 for information
6:30-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - Classroom A-51, ESCC
7 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous mtg. - Jerusalem Baptist Church, Templemanville
7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Smoke Free - Cheriton Vol. Fire Co.
7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Atlantic UMC

**WED., JAN. 28**
7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Sunrise Rest., Onley
9 a.m.-noon - Farmers’ Market - Downtown Park, Main St., Chincoteague
9 a.m.-3 p.m. - American Red Cross Blood Drive - Wallops Island, NASA - 442-7401
9:30-11:30 a.m. - GED Class - Head Start Center, Accomac - 787-1760
2 p.m. - ESVA Tourism Commission mtg. - Accomac County Airport - 787-8268
2 p.m. - E.S. Brain Injury Survivors Support Group mtg. - Belle Haven - 442-9334
7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon mtgs. - Shore Memorial Hospital
7:30-8:30 p.m. - Moms in Touch International Prayer Group mtg. - Cape Charles Baptist Church
8 p.m. - AA beginners mtg. - Downing UMC, Oak Hall

**THURS., JAN. 29**
5 p.m. - TOPS mtg. - Baptist Bible Church, Accomac
6 p.m. - TOPS mtg. - Cape Charles Rescue Squad bldg., Cheriton
6:30 p.m. - Kiwanis of Chincoteague mtg. - St. Andrew’s Catholic Church
6:30 p.m. - GED Class - Classroom A-51, ESCC
6:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
7 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous mtg. - Painter Garrisons UMC
7 p.m. - Compassionate Friends of the Eastern Shore - Onancock Baptist Family Life Center - for more info. call Geri at 787-7245 or Judy at 442-3301
8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Fellowship House, 6263 Church St., Chincoteague

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**Here’s Something Else Happening On The Shore**

**Homelessness Survey on Thursday, Jan. 29**
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In execution of a Deed of Trust, dated April 6, 2006, and recorded on April 10, 2006 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia, as Instrument 060001040, as modified by Modification of Deed of Trust dated April 30, 2007, and recorded on June 12, 2007 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia, as Instrument 070001490 (increasing the loan amount to $850,000.00 (together referred to as the Deed of Trust)), and default having occurred in the payment of the principal and interest secured thereby, the undersigned having been duly appointed as Substitute Trustee and having been directed by the noteholder to foreclose under said Deed of Trust, will offer the below described property for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at 1:00 P.M. on Friday, February 13, 2009, on the front steps of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, Virginia. The said property being described as follows:

PARCEL ONE:
All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Northampton County, Virginia and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 4, as shown on that certain plat entitled “Boundary Line Adjustment of Lot 3 and Lot 4, Kiptopeke Landing, Phase One (Plat Book 33, Page 40) Part of Tax Parcel 112-A-38, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia’ dated March 27, 2005, made by MSA, P.C., recorded in Northampton County Circuit Court Clerk's Office in Plat Book 34 at Page 18 as Instrument No. 040001542.

PARCEL TWO:
All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Northampton County, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 7, as shown on that certain plat entitled “Subdivision of Kiptopeke Landing, Phase One, Being Tax Parcel 112-A-38, Near Kiptopeke, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia”, dated June 27, 2005, made by MSA, P.C., recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Plat Book 33, at Page 40, as Instrument No. 040003382.

PARCEL THREE:
All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in Northampton County, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lots 8, 9, 10, and 11, as shown on that certain plat entitled “Kiptopeke Landing, Phase Two, Subdivision of Parcel A (Plat Book 33, Page 40) Tax Parcel 112-A-38, Capeville District, Northampton County Virginia”, dated June 27, 2005, made by MSA, P.C., recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Plat Book 34 at Page 69 and 70 as Instrument Number 050002619.

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Dear Editor:

At a Tuesday night hearing in a packed auditorium, a cross-section of Northampton County citizens voiced a resounding rejection of the proposed amendments to the county’s zoning ordinance. It was apparent from the public’s comments that this ordinance is seen as something drafted by the few for the benefit of the many. We tend to agree.

With apologies to no one, the ordinance proposes to down-zone commercial properties along Lankford Highway to agricultural, reducing values to a fraction of their present worth. There will be no compensation to the owners, despite the fact that they invested on a good-faith belief in the integrity of the county’s ordinance and its governing body. Actions such as this have effects far beyond the harm to the individual. It is a matter of trust in the system of government itself and the parties responsible for the origination of such an insidious proposal.

Faced with a history of this type of arrogance on the part of county government, what informed businessman would give a second thought to bringing his business to Northampton County?

The history of this ordinance is so poisoned by an appearance of elitism that it is beyond resurrection. The ordinance should be voted down by our new Board of Supervisors and a new start made with the help of a new Planning Commission staffed with people who come on board with open minds and a willingness to listen to the people whose rights will be most affected.

Walkley E. Johnson Jr., Exmore

Advice for Supervisors

Dear Editor:

Accomack supervisors are obsessed with maintaining the status quo and are not interested in enlarging the small middle class or providing a business environment which affords opportunity for upward mobility.

They are part of The Jack and the Beanstalk Story — “Cut the rope, Jack; I’m up!”

Accomack County government should take the initiative for improvement in changing times — project an image of a progressive process. Recessions offer a chance for opportunities not found in normal times. Don’t just govern or rule. Try to serve the needs of the people. Jobs and substantial housing would be a worthwhile start.

Maurice Sheehan, Parksley

Plenty Favor Ordinance

Dear Editor:

Please provide your readers some perspective on the Northampton Comprehensive Plan and Re-Zoning. According to reports, 50 people have complained about the draft re-zoning proposal; that leaves about 14,000 of us not complaining.

We, the people of Northampton County, voted overwhelmingly against the current uncontrolled development on the Shore and for smart growth and conservation of the natural beauty of our area. We are especially insulted by the foreign developers raiding our homeland.

There have been several positive suggestions for changes to the draft measure and they should certainly be considered. But remember this: The current Board of Supervisors was elected to protect us from the people who would destroy the Shore for profit and move on. We expect the board to do just that.

Joseph Corcoran, Machipongo

Angel Tree Help Appreciated

Dear Editor:

The Child Care Staff of Accomack County Department of Social Services would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported the Children’s Angel Tree at Peebles Department Store. This project provided 100 children on Virginia’s Eastern Shore with many wonderful gifts this year. The community’s overwhelming generosity is deeply appreciated by us as well as by the families who were served.

We would like to give a special “thank you” to Mr. Scott Pierce and the employees of Peebles for all of their help in making our Children’s Angel Tree a success. We look forward to serving the community in 2009.

Selina L. Coulbourne & Nadine R. Greenley
Accomack County Dept. of Social Services

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By Linda Cicoira

There are two kinds of pride. The first is among the seven deadly sins, a class of objectionable vices used in early Christian teachings to steer followers against the tendency to sin. An online encyclopedia lists pride along with gluttony, lust, greed, sloth, envy and wrath. In almost every list compiled about these evils, pride or vanity is considered the most serious. It is identified as a desire to be more important or attractive than others.

So what could the other type of pride be? I believe it is a thing that we have deep inside that somehow compels us to rise above our animal instincts and be appreciative. In turn, it causes us to take care of the things we have, to act in a way that would make one “Proud.”

And when we have done that, we and others can admire the glory of it all.

So where is Accomack County’s pride?

From the look of garbage on the sides of our roads, I’d say it is non-existent.

The way we take care of our countryside is the most pathetic, ungrateful insult that could ever be bestowed on such a beautiful place. It is a sin. How do we dare to treat ourselves so poorly?

I used to enjoy a good car ride. Driving along, soaking in the scenery would be the perfect time for me to think and take in the wonders of the world. I have to sigh just thinking about it.

But now when I ride down the road, I pass so many bags of garbage, litter and even mattress covers and boxes that I feel disgusted.

Would someone out there please give me one good reason why people litter? Is it possible that so many full trash bags have simply fallen out of the beds of pick-up trucks? I don’t think so.

Three cheers for the Accomack Board of Supervisors who just changed the county’s litter ordinance to include a fine of not less than $500 or more than $2,500. The judge also may order the defendant to perform community service in litter abatement. YIPPEE!!!!!

I urge everyone who owns property in Accomack (and Northampton, too) to visit their land or simply walk out their front door and CLEAN UP.

Carry a trash bag in your car and use it instead of throwing the debris out the window. Thanks.
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