MUSIC AND SOUL FOOD FESTIVAL TO HIGHLIGHT HERITAGE

By Stefanie Jackson

The 1st Annual Eastern Shore Music and Soul Food Festival will make its debut at Exmore Town Park next Friday and Saturday, Oct. 5 and 6, sponsored by Eastern Shore Training and Consulting, Inc. (ESTACI) in collaboration with the town of Exmore.

About 300 to 400 people are expected to attend the event featuring live music, cuisine prepared by a celebrity chef, and more.

ESTACI Executive Director Gerald Boyd said, “This festival concept enhances perceived food and heritage value and gives everyone an entirely authentic culinary experience. We want each person to take home a rare, indelible experience. This is the first time Northampton County has been host to a major multi-day contemporary culinary art and music festival in this unique historic location.”

The festivities will begin Friday night at 6 p.m. at the park with a free dance party hosted by local Sherail Kellam, a communications major and aspiring radio and TV personality, with music by DJ Black Ice, aka Alvin Wimber, also originally from the Shore.

Saturday will be packed full of activity, from sunrise until midnight. Starting at 7 a.m. there will be a 5K Run/Walk starting on 6th Street in Exmore and go-

‘Drag Me to Brunch’ Caps Shore’s First LGBT Pride Celebration

The Eastern Shore’s first LGBT Pride celebration was held last weekend at the Jackspot restaurant in Kiptopeke. The event included a Friday night dance, Saturday golf cart parade, and Sunday drag show and brunch. Drag queens Katrina Colby (left) and Chickie Parm were two of four entertainers who performed at Sunday’s event. More photos are on Page 33.
Tony Washington Remembered as Coach, Mentor, and Friend

By Bill Sterling

Second chances in sports usually come for those who prepare for the opportunity.

Tony Washington, who coached football for most of his 76 years, knew about second chances in life, a well-lived life that ended when he died Sept. 19.

Twelve years ago, Washington spent two months in the hospital when a respiratory ailment shut down his kidneys. Washington was completely unaware of his surroundings, but his wife Earline spent every day by his side and fought for his recovery.

Former players, coaches and faculty members called daily to see how Coach Washington was doing. When he emerged from his semi-coma state, doctors had to tell him the two months had elapsed since he entered the hospital. He then faced a long rehabilitation process.

Again, Earline drove him much like he had sought the extra effort from his football players. Washington was eventually able to return to the sidelines as an assistant football coach at Nandua.

But he knew where the credit should go for his new lease on life. “I tell everyone I can the only reason I am here to enjoy all this is because I’ve got a wife who wouldn’t let me die,” said Washington shortly after he returned to coaching.

Washington always felt he received a bonus of 10 years following that health setback. “Tony loved coaching and loved his players. He felt very blessed to be able to do it again after being so sick,” said Earline Wednesday.

He finally stepped away from coaching a few years after his illness but continued teaching driver education in Accomack County, primarily on Chincoteague when they needed a teacher there. Chris Holland, then the principal of Chincoteague High School and now the superintendent of Accomack County Schools, said Thursday morning, “I know they loved Tony at Nandua, but we loved him at Chincoteague too. He really cared for his kids and would come watch them play football, basketball or whatever sport they were playing.”

Washington was one of the first calls Holland made when he was named superintendent. “He was a coach, mentor and friend to me,” said Holland. “We were both from North Carolina, and we talked about sports and barbecue all the time. He had such a way with people, and I wanted his advice. I owe a lot to Tony and will always be indebted to both him and Earline. What a couple they were.”

In the early years of Washington’s return to coaching after his illness, his wife would drive him on the field because of his weakened condition. “I guess people thought I was crazy when I was driving Tony on the field to coach when he could barely walk, but that is where he wanted to be,” said Earline.

“Football was a reason for him to get better. He would have been happy to die on the field and be buried at the 50-yard line.”

Tonight at the Nandua home football game, Washington will be honored in an on-field ceremony. Although he coached football in Northampton County for 23 years, it was at Nandua that he had the most success, especially the years he coached his two sons, T.J. and Todd Washington, both of whom starred at Virginia Tech and had professional football careers. Todd is one of only 13 men ever to win a Super Bowl as a player (with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers) and again as an assistant offensive line coach (for the Baltimore Ravens). T.J. is in banking management with Bank of America in Charlotte, N.C.

Tony and Earline Washington, for the most part, admired their sons’ professional football careers from afar. But with both sons playing for Virginia Tech at the same time, college football was like family to them. Despite his coaching duties, Washington and Earline missed only two games when their sons played at Virginia Tech. They would often leave after a Friday night high school game and drive all night to be at the game the following day, whether it be a home game in Blacksburg or a road game in Syracuse, Pittsburgh or even Miami, twice. Earline did most of the driving while Washington usually slept, tired from the weeklong preparation for his game. Flying was not an option because Washington refused to board a plane.

The Washingtons became the adopted parents of most of the Washington boys’ teammates because at home games, Earline would cook huge vats of food for her sons and their friends.

Dennis Custis, a longtime friend of the family who taught with Washington at Nandua and retired as principal of the school, said Wednesday, “Tony Washington was the type of coach who would go the extra mile for his kids. He would drive them home from practice, bring them to his house to help with homework and would stay in touch long after they left school. He was a good coach who was genuinely liked by everyone. There might be some who would disagree with him, but there was never anybody who would say something bad about him.”

Custis will be among the speakers who will pay tribute to Washington at his funeral Saturday at Nandua High School, beginning at 1 p.m.

Tony and Earline Washington celebrate Cinco de Mayo as Tony was preparing to leave rehab.
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Tangier Seawall Clears Another Hurdle, Should Be Complete Next Year

By Linda Cicoira

Nearly 25 years after Congress authorized the study of a jetty aimed at protecting Tangier Island, the project appears to be closer to a reality.

This week, Gov. Ralph Northam announced an agreement made between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) to design and construct the $2,646,000 seawall.

With more than $2 million in federal money and about $529,200 in state funds, the jetty would protect the western portion of the island, channel, harbor, and associated seafood industry. The straight stone jetty would start at the southwestern tip of Uppards Island and extend south nearly 500 feet into the channel.

“I am pleased to finalize this critical state-federal partnership that will advance harbor protections long sought by the mayor and citizens of … Tangier,” said Northam. “A clear and open navigation channel is key for public safety and for the local economy, which counts the Chesapeake Bay and tourism among its central assets.”

“The jetty project will help protect the … channel and harbor from wave action and adverse weather conditions that can damage workboats, docks, and crab houses,” said VMRC Commissioner Steven G. Bowman.

“The signing of this document is an incredibly important milestone and another example of our great partnership with … Virginia,” said Col. Patrick Kinsman, commander of the Corps’ Norfolk District. “It will provide critical protection for the harbor to support its people and its economy—and now it’s time for us to move dirt and get this project built.”

Mayor James “Ooker” Eskridge thanked local, state, and federal officials “as they have all been instrumental in making this finally a reality. That it will be built gives our Island and residents young and old renewed hope that we can save our homes and our way of life. This is the way that good government should work.”

“Gov. Northam and I are committed to helping Tangier and other coastal communities plan and prepare for the increasing risks posed by climate change and the more severe natural hazards that come with it,” said Matthew J. Strickler, state secretary of natural resources. “This jetty will help the people of Tangier in the short term but it is not a long-term solution to the greater problems the island faces. It is clear that in many areas we will not be able to engineer our way out of trouble.”

The jetty is expected to be completed next year.

Onley Has New Mayor, Looks To Build New Town Hall

By Linda Cicoira

Onley has a new mayor and is making plans for a new town hall.

Dawn Dize, who has served on the town council for about 20 years, was unanimously elected by the rest of the panel on Sept. 19 to fill the unexpired term of Mayor Jack Pierson, who died recently. The term expires Dec. 31.

The town is looking for someone to fill Dize’s place on the council, also for the interim. All the officials are up for election in November. Councilman Matt Hart and former Councilman Billy Ferguson are vying for mayor.

There are 11 people running for the six council seats. Dize is not one of them.

Council members Susan M. Rillo, Melvin T. Bliss Jr., and Woody W. Zember are seeking re-election. Other candidates include Planning Commissioner Rose Mary Pierson, the late mayor’s wife; Vice Mayor Henry S. “Ned” Finney, who was not interested in being interim mayor; former Mayor Billy D. Custis; Custis’ husband, former Councilman John L. Dennis; Claudia Carpenter Harmon; Theodore F. Cathey Jr.; Jason E. Byelich; and Jerry D. Savage.

Onley Town Manager Jayme Salazar said one bid was received for construction of a new town hall. The bid of $1.07 million is on the agenda for discussion at the Oct. 1 session. That bid is for a 3,045-square-foot single-story structure to be put on a lot next to the current town hall. It would include a meeting room, four offices, a break room, and a storage room. The current office, which is shared with town police, would become the Onley Police Station, Salazar said.

Initially, town leaders discussed a $500,000 project. Later, a figure of $800,000 was discussed but never formally accepted.

“Thanks to all the employees and the vice mayor who have done such a fantastic job during Jack’s illness,” Dize said. “It’s really an honorary thing,” she added about her new post because she has been on the council for nine or 10 terms.

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Cape Charles To Apply for Trail Grant To Address Rt. 13 Crossing

By Stefanie Jackson

Cape Charles has the chance to receive up to $5 million in grant funds to build a multi-use trail that would improve safety for area pedestrians and bicyclists at minimal cost to the town.

Curtis Smith, director of planning for the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission (A-NPDC), presented the opportunity to the town council at its Sept. 20 meeting.

The money would come from the Virginia Department of Transportation’s Open Container Fund, built up with fines collected from drivers caught with open containers of alcohol in their vehicles.

Funds are used to construct stand-alone trails “with the intent to get people out of harm’s way,” particularly from drunk drivers, Smith said.

All phases of construction would be covered by the grant, including design, engineering, environmental considerations, and construction. There is no grant-matching requirement. The town would only have to cover costs for A-NPDC to prepare and submit the application.

The contract for the job would be fulfilled within a maximum period of three to four years.

The news of the grant opportunity arrived following completion of a feasibility study for what Smith said is now called “Phase 4” of the Southern Tip Bike and Hike Trail. The trail, originally planned in three phases, is being designed and constructed in accordance with the Eastern Shore Bicycle Plan.

The trail will eventually connect the towns of Cape Charles and Cheriton to restaurants, resorts, and parks, including the Eastern Shore of Virginia National Wildlife Refuge, Kiptopeke State Park, and Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve.

Considerable debate has centered on how the trail can safely and affordably cross Route 13.

The recently completed Phase 4 feasibility study only included extension of the trail from Parsons Circle to Stone Road in Cape Charles Harbor, but because there are ample funds available, Smith suggested applying for a grant to cover a wider range of safety improvements including the Route 13 crossing and a trail leading to the Food Lion shopping center.

“It sounds so good, we can’t pass it up, but … how much money do you want from us?” Councilman Chris Bannon asked.

Smith said Cape Charles would need to send a letter to A-NPDC requesting it prepare and submit the grant application.

Cape Charles Natural Area Preserve.

New App Connects Community to Sheriff’s Office for Alerts and Tips

By Linda Cicioira

A new app will alert residents of crimes and allow the public to give anonymous tips to the Northampton County Sheriff’s Office and the public school system, Sheriff David Doughty announced Tuesday.

“We are working every day to continue to strengthen our relationship with the community,” he continued. “It has been my mission, since day one, with the community,” he continued. “It has been my mission, since day one, to make Northampton County as safe as it can be. I see this as a great way for our citizens to become involved with helping us make Northampton County a safe place to live, work, play, and raise our families.”

The free app can be downloaded from Apple’s App Store and the Google Play Store by searching for Northampton Sheriff. It is not intended to be used in emergencies or to replace calling 911, Doughty said.

Residents can also send tips from any computer or tablet by going to www.tip411.com/agencies/northamptoncosheriff/groups/21736.

Doughty said through the program, “Specific neighborhood-ZIP code crime alert messages can be used to inform the public about road closures and weather events such as a hurricane.”

The app will give students a way to anonymously communicate with school officials and police on issues that pose a threat to the safety of their fellow stu-
Board Approves Poultry Consent Orders

By Linda Cicoira

The State Water Control Board approved consent orders late last week for 57 poultry operations on the Eastern Shore allowing each of them to withdraw more than 300,000 gallons of groundwater a month.

Cindy Berndt, director of regulatory affairs for the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), said this week that the orders allow groundwater withdrawal pending submission of a permit application, which is mandatory. The action requires the users to submit completed groundwater withdrawal permit applications by Oct. 1 and coordinate with the DEQ for any new well construction. It also establishes groundwater withdrawal limits and required metering and reporting.

The consent orders do not restrict the users to pumping from the upper aquifer, known as the Columbia, which replenishes faster, and was suggested by the Eastern Shore Groundwater Committee, several conservation groups, and others who are concerned the limited water source could be depleted by using the deeper aquifer or that the withdrawals could cause irreversible saltwater intrusion.

“DEQ’s experience working with the community of groundwater users has shown that some users remain unaware of the regulatory requirements for a groundwater withdrawal permit, or are unaware that their groundwater withdrawal meets the criteria requiring a permit,” Berndt said.

DEQ met with poultry industry representatives and farms operators twice in 2017 to discuss the regulatory requirements and the ongoing compliance assistance framework. A total of 32 new groundwater withdrawal permit applications associated with poultry operations were received on or before Dec. 15. Those that did not respond were sent violation notices.

On April 16, DEQ offered draft consent orders to the 57 without the assessment of a civil penalty. Withdrawal permits are offered for a maximum of 10 years.

According to the DEQ website, “Most applications for new or expanded groundwater withdrawal permits are required to include: a pre-application meeting with the DEQ Office of Water Supply staff before submittal of an application; demonstration of the need for the proposed amount of water withdrawal; well construction documentation, geophysical log data and location data for all system wells; hydrogeologic information; and a plan to mitigate impacts to pre-existing users within the area of impact of the project.

A water conservation and management plan is also mandatory and requires: the use of water-saving plumbing and processes; a water loss reduction program that defines the leak detection and repair program; a water use education program; evaluation of potential water reuse options; mandatory use reduction during water shortage emergencies with ordinances and penalties in place for municipal systems; an evaluation of the lowest quality water needed for the intended beneficial use; an alternative water supply source evaluation for the proposed withdrawal; and the application fee, depending upon the type of use.
A Royal Correspondence
Hannah Furniss Tull Glisson was 9 years old at the time of Queen Elizabeth's coronation. Glisson's family didn't have a television, so her mother bought her a coloring book (left) so she could be a part of the festivities at a distance. “She thought it was important, and she was right,” said Glisson. Last week Glisson sent a letter to the Queen, enclosing the coloring book as a memento of a moment they shared across the water. Glisson is pictured below with her husband, Kenneth.
Charges Certified To Grand Jury

Probable cause was found recently in Accomack Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court to certify charges to a grand jury against three adults charged in connection with separate incidents.

The grand jury, which meets on Oct. 1, will be tasked with deciding if true bills or indictments should be made for Ronald Lee Hess Jr., 18, of County Road in Parksley; Latrell Rashawn Davis II, 38, of Tickle Lane near Accomac; and Alaina Wood, 22, with addresses on Cattail Road in Mears and Tasley Road in Tasley.

Hess is being held without bond in Accomac Jail on charges of abduction by force, strangulation, and assault and battery in connection with July 26 incidents.

A woman told authorities Hess assaulted and choked her multiple times. “He would not let her leave his residence although she asked to leave several times,” a warrant stated. She “had multiple marks across her face, head, chest, neck, and back that appear to be consistent with an assault,” according to court records.

On July 7, Davis was charged with assaulting a person who was protected by a court order. He is also being held in the Accomac facility.

Wood was charged with two counts of felony child neglect in connection with incidents that occurred June 19.

Woman Acquitted Of Embezzlement

A former Harris Propane worker was acquitted last week in Accomack Circuit Court of embezzling funds in October 2017.

The charge against Johanna Aigner Hamilton, 43, of Texaco Town Road in Melfa, was dismissed for lack of evidence in connection with an incident at the Painter area company that involved $370.

In another case, Brenda Lee Johnson, 54, of Deerfoot Road in Keller, was sentenced to a total of 12 months in prison for altering paychecks she got for taking care of an elderly woman in July and August of 2016. Johnson was put on supervised probation for three years and good behavior for 10 years.

Evidence showed a check for $890 was changed to $1,890. Another check for $720 was altered to $820. She also pleaded guilty to grand larceny, credit card larceny, fraud, and petty larceny.

Malissa Quintina Mason, 48, of Nelson Road, was given a suspended three-year sentence for obtaining drugs with a forged prescription in 2017. She was put on indefinite probation.

Caregiver Pleads Guilty to Embezzling

A Maryland woman pleaded guilty Wednesday in Accomack Circuit Court to four counts of embezzling money while she was a caregiver in the county in 2014 and 2015.

Donnice Williams, also known as Donniece Rene Williams, 32, of Fruitland, was allowed to remain free on an unspecified bond until sentencing, which was tentatively set for February.

High-Speed Driver Pleads Guilty

The New York City man who led police on a high-speed chase across both the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel (CBBT) and the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel (HRBT) last February pleaded guilty Monday in Northampton Circuit Court to felony eluding and several misdemeanor charges of reckless driving, aggressive driving, driving without a license, and having a fictitious registration.

The pursuit started around 2:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, on Lankford Highway, after former Chief Marc Marshall of the Cheriton Police Department clocked Patrick Nilo Gil, 46, of Union Turnpike, driving his silver Mercedes SUV in the town going 87 mph in a 55 mph zone.

“While driving across the CBBT, the suspect driver attempted to hit a CBBT police officer who was out of his vehicle on the bridge,” a Virginia Beach police report stated. “Near the end of the bridge in the 4400 block of Northampton Boulevard ... officers were attempting to deploy stop sticks to stop the vehicle. This attempt failed and the driver continued ... driving recklessly at a high rate of speed.” The pursuit finally ended with a crash involving seven other vehicles in the Hampton tunnel.

In another case, Adam Abdullah Hussain, 23, with addresses of E. 18th Street in Brooklyn, N.Y., and Dorothy Street, in Hamtramck, Mich., and Ali Abdo Ali Alsmet, 18, of Gleason Avenue in Bronx, N.Y., and Mechanicsville Turnpike in Richmond, Va., were each sentenced to 12 months in jail for possession with intent to distribute 5,000 tax-paid cigarettes, which is a misdemeanor. The incident happened last November. All but time served was suspended.

They were initially charged with possession with intent to distribute 40,000 tax-paid cigarettes or about 200 cartons, which is a felony.

6 Charged With Felonies

Six people were arrested recently and charged with felonies, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Wade Matthew Summerville, 58, of Parsons Road in Greenbush, was arrested Sept. 17 and charged with conspiracy to embezzle and embezzling property belonging to Tyson Food worth more than $200 in connection with an incident that occurred between Jan. 1, and April 17. Deputy G.V. Geminiani, of the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office (ACSO), investigated.

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Two young sisters, Allison and Arianna, were awarded annually to area high school seniors, the Empowering Girls group that encourages young women to pursue STEM careers (science, technology, engineering, and math), and the Fathering Circle, which helps noncustodial fathers of young children.

For more information, contact Gerald Boyd at 757-656-3460. For tickets, visit www.estaci.org.

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Obituaries

Dryden Barnes

Ms. Dryden Barnes passed away on Sept. 4, 2018, in Decatur, Ga. She was born in Onancock, on the Eastern Shore of the Chesapeake Bay, in 1935, as the oldest child of Marshall and Frances Barnes. She grew up in and lived in her beloved downtown Annapolis, Md., for much of her adult life. She cherished the area and its history, acting as a docent at the Hammond-Harwood House, working at the EPA’s Chesapeake Bay Program office until her retirement in 2015 at age 80, and was known for her winning flower arrangements and welcoming personality.

She loved her cat, Jewell, her birds, flowers of all types, as well as The Masters golf tournament. She was well-known for sending emails with the entire message in the subject line, for her car, “Geraldine” (with flowers on the antenna), and was characterized by one of her co-workers for “being spunky but sweet,” and by another as her “Annapolis Grandma.”

She is survived by her four children, Paul Larson (Georgia), Karen Tibbits (North Carolina), Matthew Larson (Maryland), and Clare Kennedy (North Carolina); her youngest child, Marsha Tucker, and aunt, Peggy Thompson (both of Annapolis); and her five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services with urn interment will be conducted at the Mount Holly Cemetery, Hill Street, Onancock, VA 23417, on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018, at 2 p.m.

A reception to celebrate Ms. Barnes’ life, will be held on Friday, Oct. 5, 2018, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., at 410 Severn Ave., Building C (small green building on the waterfront), Annapolis, MD 21403.

Anyone wishing to make a donation in her honor should consider one of the following organizations: Historic Annapolis, James Brice House, 42 East St., Annapolis, MD 21401 (www.annapolis.org), or the Spa Creek Conservancy, P.O. Box 2199, Annapolis, MD 21401 (www.spacreek.net).

Online condolences and memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Charles Louis Blaschke

Mr. Charles Blaschke, age 77, of Arlington, Va., passed away Aug. 5, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Kathy Hurley, and a sister, Eleanor Gracey, of Albuquerque, N.M. Born in Beeville, Texas, and raised in Skidmore, Texas, Mr. Blaschke was the son of the late Raymond George and Mamie Sugarek Blaschke. He attended Texas A&M University, where he received a degree in political science. After graduating, he attended the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University where he received his master’s degree. During his time at Texas A&M, he served in Company B Corps and later went onto serve in the U.S. Army and at the Pentagon.

Mr. Blaschke began his career in Washington, D.C., working in the Johnson administration and advising on education policy before the creation of the U.S. Department of Education by President Carter in 1979. During his time in the Johnson administration, he was assigned to work with the Office of Economic Opportunity to help draft the groundbreaking Title I legislation that changed the face of education for many students, schools, and educational publishers. He was a member of the first class of White House Fellows.

In 1967, after serving in the Johnson administration, Mr. Blaschke founded Education TURNKEY Systems, which provided market research, analysis, planning and funding information of educational technology to more than 1,200 local education agencies, every state education agency, and more than 800 state policymakers. He conducted research and evaluation projects for the U.S. Departments of Education and Labor, as well as for Congress.

For 50 years, Mr. Blaschke analyzed and reported on the ever-changing landscape of U.S. educational policy. His ability to carefully analyze and translate policy for both the public and private sector contributed to the overall growth of the educational technology industry.

His numerous long-term clients, many of whom he worked with for more than 30 years, attest to the value his services provided over the years. He was an icon of the education technology industry as he provided the industry with an invaluable and unique service, observing the inside workings of Washington, while analyzing the implications of federal and state-level legislation that affected the industry and the students and educators they served.

Mr. Blaschke’s involvement in education policy circles in Washington, D.C., and beyond was prodigious. In recognition of his industry-wide work, the Software & Information Industry Association awarded him their prestigious Ed Tech Impact Award in 2012.

Perhaps Mr. Blaschke’s most meaningful and sentimental project was working with his beloved Texas A&M University to organize his research at the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library to be studied and used in education policy classes.

While his work was based in Washington, D.C., he was an avid fisherman and hunter who loved spending time at his summer house in Machipongo on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

He will be deeply missed by friends, family, and colleagues.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at the Wilsonia Harbor Way Boat Landing in Machipongo, on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Charles Blaschke may be sent to: Texas A&M Foundation, 401 George Bush Dr., College Station, TX 77840 or St. Charles Catholic Church, 545 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles, VA 23310.

Online condolences may be sent to www.foxandjamesfh.com.

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

Nancy Crowell

Mrs. Nancy Crowell, 79, of Parks- ville, wife of the late Raleigh O. Crowell, passed away Sept. 26, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Born on Jan. 15, 1939, in Painter, she was the daughter of Emma Shrievs and the late Carson Shrievs. Mrs. Crowell was a homemaker and a member of the Chincoteague Church of God.

She is survived by a son, Gary Crowell, and a daughter, Teresa Fears, of Atlantic.

A graveside service will be conducted on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018, at 1 p.m., from the graveside of the Parks- sley Cemetery, with the Rev. John Thorn officiating.

Arrangements were made by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

Elizabeth Dalmira Hunt

Ms. Elizabeth Dalmira Hunt, 50, of Onancock, passed away at her residence, on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018.

Born Oct. 8, 1967, in Marietta, Ga., she was the daughter of Betty Ann Payne Hunt and the late William Richard “Bill” Hunt Jr., of Cave Spring, Ga. Ms. Hunt was an artist and self-employed as a studio potter. She was an inspiration to many for her kindness, creativity, and generosity.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her brother, John Robert Hunt and his wife, Michelle, of Cave Spring; and four nephews, John Jr., Joshua, William, and David. She was preceded by her father, and her brother, William Richard Hunt III.

Services will be held in Marietta.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Eastern Shore’s Own (ESO), P.O. Box 147, Belle Haven, VA 23306.

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

Arrangements by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home, Onancock.

Martin George Johnson

Mr. Martin George Johnson, 84, husband of the late Audrey Jeanne Johnson and a resident of Bloxom, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock.
Born Nov. 21, 1933, in Cleveland, Ohio, he was the son of the late Martin and Rachel Johnson. Mr. Johnson served his country in the U.S. Navy and later retired as a sergeant from the Shaker Heights Police Department in Shaker Heights, Ohio. Following retirement, the Johnsons moved to the Eastern Shore where Mr. Johnson enjoyed fishing, hunting, archery, and photography.

Rest in Peace, Marty. May your next journey bring the ability to walk swiftly and tell stories again. Godspeed.

Survivors include his five children: Martin; Diana and husband, Dave, and their daughter, Angela; Erica and husband, Wayne; Kurt and wife, Wendy, and their sons, James and Brandon; and Debbi and husband, Troy, and their children, Dillon, Jasmine, and Dereck.

Services will be conducted from the graveside at the Willoughby Cemetery, in Ohio, on Monday, Oct. 1, 2018.

The family requests memorial donations be made to the Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 132, Bloxom, VA 23308, in recognition of their gratitude for the unwavering support and care shown to their father.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Arthur Julian Kay

Mr. Arthur Julian Kay, 84, husband of the late Christine M. Kay, formerly of Guilford, Va., and Okeechobee, Fla., passed away on Monday, Sept. 24, 2018, at his daughter’s home in Pungoteague.

Born Sept. 13, 1934, in Bay Head, N.J., he was the son of the late Arthur F. Kay and Katherine Josephine Loveland Kay. He graduated from Point Pleasant Beach High School and attended Monmouth College. After serving his country in the U.S. Army, stationed in Germany in a spearhead armored tank division, Mr. Kay returned home and went to work with the New York and Long Branch Railroad as a ticket agent. In 1960, he began working for the Pennsylvania Railroad as a fireman, earned his way to locomotive engineer, retired in 1997, and remained a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

He was a die-hard New York Rangers hockey fan and never missed seeing a game. He celebrated his Scottish heritage in the Davidson Clan attending Highland Games and other Scottish festivals and genealogy events. Throughout his life, Scottish libations were greatly enjoyed, over which many interesting and colorful conversations were shared with those he loved. These times, and many others, will be forever missed but truly treasured.

Survivors include his daughter, Julia Ann Kay and wife, Julie Riley, of Pungoteague; son, Roy Cole and wife, Kimberly, of Carrollton, Texas; grandchildren, Matthew Johnson and Curtis Johnson, of Guilford, Rebecca E. Potts and husband, Damon, and Brian Casey Cole and wife, Angel, all of Plano, Texas; two great-grandchildren, Devon James Potts and Adyline E. Potts; his dear friend and “brother,” Arnold Kurnin, of New Jersey; and his cat, Izzie, around whom the world revolved. In addition to his wife and parents, he was predeceased by a daughter, Ellen Taylor DeMartino, his “Little Eillie.”

A graveside funeral service will be conducted at the Parksley Cemetery on Friday, Sept. 28, 2018, at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Riverside Shore Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418, or 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-Parksley Funeral Home.

Wayne Russell Mason

Mr. Wayne Russell Mason, 71, resident of Onancock, passed away Friday, Sept. 21, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

Born March 11, 1947, in Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Alvin Henry Mason and Kathleen Jane Russell Mason. Mr. Mason grew up on the family farm, which instilled in him a passion for agriculture that would later lead him to become a dedicated farmer and businessman.

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Mr. Mason knew him. He was quick to make a friend and loved the ladies. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Mr. Mason is survived by two sisters, Barbara Williams and Kay Ellicott, both of Onancock; three nieces; and eight nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded by two nieces.

A memorial service will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018, at 1 p.m. with Pastor Andy Cobb officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to Williams Funeral Home, P.O. Box 214, Onancock, VA 23417, to assist with funeral expenses. Memory tributes may be shared with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Richard Floyd Mitchell

Born April 20, 1938, in San Angelo, Texas, he was the son of Milton and Frances Holmes. Capt. Mitchell attained a master’s degree in computer science from the University of Mississippi and proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy, where he later retired with the rank of Captain. He was an avid golfer and loved dogs.

In addition to his loving wife, Mr. Parks is survived by three children, John Leslie Parks Jr. and his wife, Cherie, of Charlottesville, Va., Patricia Parks Kellam and her husband, Eddie O., of Chesterfield, Va., and Anne Marie Silverman and her husband, Jon, of Upper Saddle River, N.J.; one brother, Dan R. Parks and his wife, Ann, of Charlottesville; eight grandchildren, Scott Kellam and his wife, Nikki, of Powhatan, Va., Gregory Kellam and fiancé, Mallory McKenzie, of Powhatan, Todd Kellam and his wife, Chloe, of Richmond, Justin Parks, of Pungoteague Ru-ritan Club, and former vice president of Mid-Atlantic Farm Credit Association.

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Murder Trial Outcome Unresolved

By Linda Cicoira

It’s a complicated criminal case, but defense lawyer Curtis Brown and Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan both think the solution is simple.

Brown wants Judge W. Revell Lewis III of Accomack Circuit Court to order a new trial for the 11 charges against Roquan Lee’teq “Cake” Rogers in connection with an October 2017 murder-for-hire scheme.

Commonwealth Attorney Spencer Morgan requested that the court deny Brown’s motion and set the matter for sentencing for the three convictions including conspiracy to commit murder of police informant Nathanial “Nate” Johnson.

Rogers, 19, of Benjamin Banneker Street in Exmore, is being held in the Accomack Jail without bond. He’s also awaiting trial in Northampton Circuit Court for felony drug charges.

Last month, a jury was deadlocked on nine counts including the attempted capital murder of Johnson and his girlfriend in the Boston area of Painter. The jury convicted Rogers of three conspiracy charges but when polled did not unanimously agree on recommended sentences for the crimes.

“After nearly six hours of deliberation, the trial judge without any warning to the defense counsel stated that the jury was struggling and he was going to give them the Allen Charge,” Brown wrote in his brief.

The term, Allen Charge, is used when the judge asks the jury to go back and continue to deliberate and render a decision to avoid a mistrial.

“The defense counsel never heard that the jury had a question or was never told the jury was struggling until the trial judge appeared on the bench … and had trouble understanding how the trial judge knew the jury was struggling,” Brown wrote.

“Nevertheless, the jury finally said they were hung on nine charges and had a verdict on three charges,” Brown continued. “After the jury announced their sentence on the three conspiracy charges, one of the jurors said he did not agree with the terms. “Immediately thereafter, without requesting the jurors to return to their jury room to see if they come up with an unanimous verdict, the trial judge excused the jurors,” Brown wrote.

Brown also complained, a witness made “prejudicial remarks” about the defendant when he mentioned the Northampton charges in front of the jury.

Morgan asked the court to deny the mistrial request saying there is no evidence that Morgan “sought to elicit the testimony regarding the pending charges against the defendant” and because Judge Lewis promptly told the jurors to disregard that portion of the testimony.

Johnson was given money from the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force to buy cocaine from the defendant’s brother, Akeem Rogers, in Northampton County and from Ervon Terrell Strand in Accomack County, according to evidence. Johnson testified against Akeem Rogers and was set to attest to selling cocaine to Strand, who was charged with being the mastermind of the attempted murder plot.

Akeem Rogers’ trial was in October 2017. About two weeks later, Johnson and his 19-year-old friend were walking in Linhaven Circle when they were shot.

Both testified that Roquan Rogers was the shooter. Both said they knew him.

The jury foreperson recommended a total of 17 years in prison for Rogers for the conspiracy charges. A breakdown showed 10 years for conspiracy to commit capital murder for hire, five years for conspiracy to commit capital murder involving a prisoner and two years for conspiracy to commit obstruction of justice.

Another suspect in the murder-for-hire scheme, Keenan Jihrel Berry, 26, of Jermaine Lane in Parksley, was also alleged to have been asked to kill Johnson. Berry wrote to the court in a letter dated Aug. 31 and received Sept 10. He claimed his right to a speedy trial was denied and complained about defense lawyer Patrick Robbins.

“My attorney waited almost five months to even ask me if I wanted a bench trial or jury trial,” Berry wrote. “My speedy trial law was supposed to be over on Sept. 13 … I was also not informed of my postponement until the day before trial, Aug. 29 … you have the right to a speedy trial which say all trials must be conducted in five months and two days (for) incarcerated (prisoners and) nine months, two days if free. My constitutional rights state my charges should be dismissed. Also, I was denied the right to appeal for bond. I clearly stated to my lawyer that I wanted an appeal and never heard back. I am innocent and have a right to a bond and a reasonable bond. Please bring this to the judge’s attention …”

Berry’s trial was later set to be contested and heard before a judge on Nov. 1.
By Linda Cicoira

Chief Justice Donald W. Lemons of the Virginia Supreme Court captured the audience with his sense of humor Wednesday night and spoke seriously about lawyers providing “equal justice under the law” by doing pro bono work.

“We have enormous services to provide to those who cannot afford it,” he told the Eastern Shore Bar Association, other dignitaries who work in the local legal system, and guests who gathered at the Eastville Inn. “We all need to come forward to deal with this,” Lemons said. “We have to join together to do what we can.”

“My audience is my oath,” Lemons said when asked who he writes his opinions for. He favors the General Assembly choosing judges rather than voters to keep the process fair.

Briefly, he mentioned the change that will take effect July 1 regarding voters to keep the process fair. Assembly choosing judges rather than voters to keep the process fair.

In his own life, Heath said, his wife realized he was suffering from Seasonal Affective Disorder, a type of depression related to the change in seasons. She ordered him a treadmill and a lightbox, which gives off bright light that mimics the outdoors.

Soon after the packages arrived, Heath was diagnosed by a physician. He learned he needed to take Vitamin D supplements because he didn’t get enough sun and plans to take the vitamins daily for the rest of his life and to exercise.

Alcohol abuse is more prevalent for lawyers than it is in many other professions and starts in about the second year of law school, Heath continued. “Now, if we see the heart of the problem is a wellness problem we can fix that or mitigate that.”

The bar association president is traveling across Virginia to speak to students and new attorneys to make them aware of the issue.

Lemons agreed. Wellness is a “very important thing.” He recently appointed a special committee to address the issue in the legal community. “Am I my brother’s keeper?” He asked and then answered, “Yes.” He said it was the duty of the lawyers to assist their colleagues with these problems. “We’re a regulated profession, we have an obligation.”

The chief justice said he doesn’t let his job rule his life. “I’m a husband and father first. Everything else is subservient to that … All of that is a lifetime of habits. It sure does come in handy now.”

Chief Justice Donald W. Lemons of the Virginia Supreme Court addresses the Eastern Shore of Virginia Bar Association Wednesday at the Eastville Inn.

Lemons spoke in a panel with local bar association president, Jack Thornton, treasurer Celia Burge (who is also Accomack’s County Attorney), and Judge Gordon Vincent, who presides over general district courts in both Accomack and Northampton counties.

Thornton wanted Lemons to share the secret of rising to the top. “How do you get to be chief justice?” he asked.

“It’s a miracle,” Lemons said. “Right on up there with Moses parting the Red Sea.” But he suggested starting by being a good lawyer — being the one others would go to. “Empathy is a major aspect in the character of a person who makes a good judge,” he said at the start of the session.

Lemons said he became a lawyer because his mother sent him subliminal messages while he slept. His father was in law enforcement so the legal system was in his blood.

After his first four years in college, he worked as a probation officer and saw “law at its best and absolute worst.” He witnessed lawyers meeting clients for the first time a few minutes before trial. “Didn’t take long to realize there was something wrong with that,” he said.
A Sticky Situation

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By Stefanie Jackson

The Northampton school division’s annual pre-K camp helps prepare students to start school and teaches families how to support their children’s education at home.

Pre-K camp sessions were held once a week for four weeks this August at each student’s home school, either Occohannock or Kiptopeke Elementary.

At Occohannock, the last night of pre-K camp, Aug. 28, teachers, staff, students and families celebrated all they had learned with dinner provided by the school.

Volunteers at the event included Principal Shirley Auguste and Assistant Principal Michelle Buell.

There were free backpacks for children who attended pre-K camp for at least three of four nights, but Buell said the participation was so overwhelming that every child would receive a backpack.

After dinner, children and parents were separated into groups. The rising pre-K students went to their classrooms to practice the skills they had learned and listen to their teachers read a story, while their parents met in the library to learn and discuss parenting tips to use at home.

Northampton Pre-K Camp Prepares Students for Success

Photos by Stefanie Jackson

Above right: Lisa Arnold reads to pre-K students during Northampton school division’s pre-K camp.
Above: Lisa Arnold and a parent help a student choose a backpack during Northampton pre-K camp. Every participating child received a backpack.

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**Firebirds Soar to Three-Game Streak, Yellow Jackets Fall to West Point**

By Krystle Bono

The Arcadia Firebirds enter tonight’s (Friday) game at Colonel Richardson having not allowed a point against them in their last eight quarters out.

Monday, Sept. 17, marked a makeup game against Snow Hill, previously scheduled during the impending, but thankfully missed, Hurricane Florence. The Firebirds brought the thunder with them when they took the field against the Eagles, dominating the field to a 51-0 shutout finish.

Back on their home turf four days later, the Firebirds hosted the Broadwater Vikings in Oak Hall last Friday night. Right away, the Firebirds brought the heat, scoring early in the first quarter and after two additional touchdowns by Kam Downing and the extra point, the Firebirds were up to a 21-0 lead by the end of the first quarter.

By the third, the Firebirds had made it a 42-0 game. William Scarborough sealed the deal, picking up the ball late in the fourth to score Arcadia’s final touchdown of the night, earning the varsity club their third straight win.

The Firebirds are now 3-2 for the season, and have been scoring 74 percent of the time when in the red zone.

“The kids’ hard work and attention to discipline on the field has really started to pay off. The kids are really working hard to continue to play as well as they can. They know, as a family, we take one game at a time and when we step on the field we are fighting for every yard, tackle, block, reception, every inch towards a win. Throughout all of this they say, ‘This is who we are.’ Our hard work has put us in this position, and the goal is to get stronger every week,” reflects assistant coach Dan Macca.

Over the team’s last two scoreless outings, the offense has a total of 789 yards with 15 touchdowns, and have only allowed a total of 143 offensive yards.

**Kings Take Over No. 1 Spot in XEFL**

Submitted Article and Photo

The Kings have taken over the No. 1 spot in the XEFL. The five-hour drive to Harrisburg could not hold them back. A lights out performance by the defensive squad once again catapulted the Kings to victory. Broadwater alumni Tyler Major held the Kings down in the first half, with back-to-back interceptions. The Kings ended the game with four total, which brings them to 10 interceptions in three games.

Other defensive standouts were Salisbury native Taven Parker and Arcadia alumni Miquel France. Offensive leader Dalonte Waters finished the game with over 100 yards rushing and a touchdown, while Tyreim Blake and Christopher Cornish hooked it up once again.

The Kings are on the road again this weekend playing in Princeton, N.J., with a 2 p.m. kickoff.

“Coach Hall’s plan to spread the ball around has been successful, with 10 of our players with one or more touchdowns,” states Macca.

The offense has moved to sixth place overall in the VHSL 2A ranking out of 51 teams. On the other side of the ball, the Firebirds’ defense has really picked up and is earning a reputation as a hard hitting team. The defense has moved up to 33rd overall, and as a result, the team as a whole has moved up to be ranked 23rd across all VHSL 2A.

Broadwater is set to host the Chincoteague Ponies Saturday afternoon on Bynum Field at 2 p.m. in Exmore.

The Nandua Warriors fought to a close 36-34 finish last Friday on the road over the Lancaster Red Devils.

Damani Baines scored four rushing touchdowns and Joseph Teasley rushed one to aid in the Warriors win.

Nandua will be back at home in Onley tonight to host Cambridge-South Dorchester for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets suffered their first loss of the season last week, falling to West Point, 51-8, to move their overall season record to a 3-1 count.

**Yellow Jackets Cross-Country Earn Multiple Placings in Chincoteague**

By Krystle Bono

The Northampton Yellow Jackets boys and girls cross country teams competed in the Chincoteague Invitational Sept. 19 on Chincoteague.

Northampton girls had six of the top eight places and ran extremely well to win the meet, according to head coach Richard Wilfong.

Wynne Neville finished first for the Yellow Jackets. Daniela Gonzalez placed second, Jessica Killebrew was fourth, Olivia Peart placed sixth, Leslie Estrada earned a seventh-place finish, and Catherine Justice was eighth.

Eddie Mateo placed third for the Northampton boys.

The Nandua Warriors cross country team will head to Norfolk Academy tonight (Friday) and will be back Monday afternoon to host Northampton, Chincoteague, and Arcadia in the Eastern Shore Invitational on Onley.
Submitted Article and Photos

Broadwater Academy’s cross-country team traveled to Williamsburg last weekend and posted impressive early season performances.

The girls team, led by grade 10 runner Mahika Patel, raced to a fifth-place team finish out of 20 schools. Running on a course that featured three steep uphill sections, seniors Kate Gomer, Carly Wardius, and freshmen Carrie Watson ran fast times for so early in the season. Ronnie Guinan was Broadwater’s fifth runner to cement the team’s strong fifth-place finish.

Grade 9 runner Ture Gustafson was the first Viking to cross the finish line in the 5-kilometer race, posting consistent split times for all three miles. Grade 10 Miles McIntyre ran a strong second for the team. Seniors Aiden Blair, Adam Buell, and Joseph Moretto, and Junior D.J. McCaleb handled the hills well and rounded out the team’s scorers. Broadwater boys placed 16th out of 20 teams.

Grade 6 runner Meredith Hill placed an impressive 15th in the Girl’s JV race. Grade 6 John Watson placed 62nd in the JV boy’s race. At Broadwater Academy, students as young as sixth grade have an opportunity to participate in interscholastic sports.

“Our first two meets of the year have been on hilly courses, including Mt. Trashmore in Virginia Beach,” said Broadwater’s Cross-Country Coach Rob Gustafson. “Despite the hills, the students ran fast times, so I am looking forward to getting a clearer gauge of where they are when they run on the flat, fast course at Norfolk Academy.”

Broadwater’s cross-country teams will compete next at Norfolk Academy on Friday, Sept. 28.
The Nandua Warriors shut down the Broadwater Vikings varsity volleyball team Monday night in Onley in three straight sets (25-14, 25-11, 25-13).

Leading the Warriors was Baylee Justis, who totaled 17 assists and seven digs. Leah Truitt notched six kills and three blocks. Parker Murphy contributed five kills and two assists. Maggie Bono tallied four kills and three blocks in the wins, and Emily Hunt had eight aces and two digs.

Nandua also defeated Arcadia Sept. 20 in Oak Hall in three straight sets (26-24, 25-7, 25-12). Bono led the Warriors with nine kills and four aces. Murphy had eight kills and three aces. Truitt sniped four kills and blocked two. Gena Pryor posted six digs and Necole Stravino notched five digs.

The Warriors will take on Middlesex for an away contest tonight (Friday) at 6:30 p.m.

The Vikings dropped two last week to Stonebridge on the road, 3-0, Sept. 17, and to Portsmouth Christian during a home match Sept. 18, 3-0. They are back on the court to host the Arcadia Firebirds tonight (Friday) in Exmore, beginning at 6:15 p.m.

Chincoteague picked up wins in all four of their last court battles, topping Arcadia Sept. 18, 3-2, on the island, and then Northampton in Eastville Sept. 20 in three straight sets. The girls hosted Worchester Prep Sept. 24 to earn another straight three, and finished out their streak against Windsor on the road Sept. 26 with another Ponies victory this week. Chincoteague is set to host Seaford Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m.

The Northampton Yellow Jackets succumbed to Northumberland Sept. 21, 3-0. The girls grabbed a road win over Surry Sept. 24, 3-2, before coming home to Eastville Sept. 25 to host the Firebirds. The Yellow Jackets managed to muscle a 3-1 victory over their district rivals, with match scores of 25-16 (N), 25-9 (N), 25-22 (A), 25-19 (N).

Leading the Yellow Jackets in the win was Tajiana Trower, who had seven kills, seven digs, six assists, and

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FALL CLEAN UP

The Accomack County Department of Public Works is pleased to announce the county-wide “Fall Clean-Up” to be held Saturday, October 6. In an effort to encourage citizens to remove unsightly refuse from their yards, homes, and communities, the Accomack County Board of Supervisors will waive tipping fees at the North Landfill and South Transfer Station for residential waste and recyclable materials brought in on this day. The waiver will also be open to non-residents possessing an Accomack County Solid Waste Decal. Commercial for-hire waste haulers will be required to pay standard tipping fees. The North Landfill and South Transfer Station will be open on Saturday, October 6, 2018 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, for residential garbage, yard waste, and demolition debris. The landfills will also accept the following recyclable materials: residential tires, with a limit of 12 per person/day, used motor oil, scrap metal, and car batteries.

A “Spring Clean-Up” will also be held on the first Saturday in May. Next year’s will be May 4, 2019. For additional information, please contact the Public Works Office in Tasley at (757) 787-1468.

SHORE SOCCER SEASON OPENERS

Photos by Krystle Bono

Shore Soccer league kicked off its 2018 season in Nassawadox Saturday morning. Fall games are scheduled to run for ages U7-U18 on Saturdays beginning at 9 a.m.
Rock the Rim Basketball Tournament

The Accomack County Parks & Recreation Department is accepting teams for a 35 and over Rock the Rim Basketball Tournament to be held on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Cost of teams for the tournament is $200. Deadline to put a team in the tournament is Friday, Oct. 19.

For further information, contact the Parks & Recreation office at 787-3900 or 757-824-0314.

ACPR Flag Football

The Accomack County Parks & Recreation Department will be having youth flag football practice and sign-ups on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Sawmill Park in Accomac.

ACPR is looking to organize teams for league play within the next two weeks to play teams from Northampton and Salisbury.

Contact the Parks & Recreation office at 757-787-3900 or 757-824-0314.

~ Volleyball ~

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five aces. Yeats James notched five kills, six digs, one ace, and one assist. Mallory Hook totaled 11 assists, two digs, one ace, and one kill. Demetria Harris Brown had nine aces. Jada Giddens tallied four digs, two assists, two aces, and one block. Ariana Wilson racked up seven digs and one assist.

Yudimar Diaz earned four kills and one dig for the Yellow Jackets.

Northampton is scheduled to travel to Franklin Oct. 1 for their next match beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Left: Arcadia's Haley McDaniel (1) snipes one over the net during Tuesday's match in Eastville. Right: Northampton's Yeats James (24) keeps the ball in play as Arcadia's Katlyn Holloway (8) leaps to block.

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Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall

Unstable weather conditions continue to be the primary deterrent to the local fishing action. Despite miserable conditions, those anglers braving the rain and wind have been rewarded with improving catches of speckled trout in the shallows and large red drum in the southern portion of the Chesapeake Bay.

The offshore fishery has been virtually nonexistent out of the ESVA ports, but vessels sailing from Virginia Beach have recorded some double digit white marlin release trips over the last week.

Ninety-four adults and 16 children registered for the Bay Challenge Fishing Tournament, which was held on Saturday, Sept. 22, after being rescheduled due to the predicted effects of Hurricane Florence. Last-minute entrant Lucas Crockett won the award for the heaviest catch by a member of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club, earning him a $600 cash prize for his 3.44-pound bluefish!

**Chincoteague** – Donna Rae, of Captain Bob’s Marina, reported that despite the weather, the fish are starting to show back up in the inland waters, including croakers, kingfish (whiting), sharks, and flounder. Fishing near the Assateague Channel bridge, one angler landed 15 flounder over a two-day period, finding four keepers. The best flounder fishing has been on the flood (incoming) tide, using large bull minnows and squid strip combinations for bait. Most of the catches on the west side of the island have consisted of undersized flounder and sea bass. Sharks still dominate the action in the inlet. Rough ocean conditions have prevented most anglers from being able to fish over the subway cars on Blackfish Banks. The shop’s new hours are 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

**Lower Shore** – Jeb Brady, of Bailey’s Bait & Tackle, reported that there are a few Spanish mackerel being caught in the area from buoy 36 to Plantation Light. The shop registered six citation releases for big red drum. The drum were caught near the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel and around buoy 36. Brady said that the speckled trout fishing is improving but there are still a lot of undersized fish. He expects to see a bigger class of fish appear as the water temperatures fall. The shop did register a five-pound citation speckled trout for Landen Sayers. A mixed bag of spot, croakers, and gray trout catches has been reported from the Kiptopeke State Park pier.

Mark Snook, of Chris’ Bait & Tackle, reported that speckled trout and puppy drum were being caught in Hungars Creek as well as “south of Kiptopeke.” Mark said that there is still a “bunch” of red drum being released by anglers fishing the Inner Middle Grounds and 9-Foot Shoal areas. Snook added that there has been plenty of croakers, spot, and toads (puffers) landed by anglers fishing from the pier.

**Upper Shore** – Captain Matt Abell, of the Sea Hawk Sports Center, reported that Jamie Aswell landed red drum, rockfish, and speckled trout on a recent trip in the northern Pocomoke Sound shallows. Allan and Dean, two of the shop’s employees, landed 44 flounder, keeping four of the fish while fishing out of Folly Creek on Saturday during the Bay Challenge Tournament. Abell said that pompano are still being landed on both bay and seaside. Kyle Krabel and party from the Coastal Killers returned from a trip to the Washington Canyon on Sunday with a catch of 43 dolphin (mahi). All the fish were caught on light tackle.

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

Photo Courtesy of Sea Hawk Sports Center

Jamie Aswell landed this red drum, as well as rockfish and speckled trout in the shallows of Pocomoke Sound.

Photo Courtesy of Bailey’s Bait and Tackle

Landen Sayers boated this 5-pound citation speckled trout.
Groton Wins Local and State Driving Competitions

By Bill Sterling

Guy Groton has been driving vehicles since he could barely see over the steering wheel as a young boy on his father’s farm. By the time he was 17, he was driving tractor trailers, hauling sea clams to Atlantic City, N.J. You could say the 58-year-old Cedar View resident is at home behind the wheel of almost any vehicle.

Now employed by the Virginia Department of Transportation for the last seven years, Groton displayed his driving prowess over the past few months by first winning the Hampton Roads District Roadaeo in the Tractor-Trailer Lowboy competition at Suffolk in May, then finishing first again at the VDOT Tractor Truck with Lowboy Trailer Competition at the statewide Roadaeo in August at Doswell, Va., before taking third in the Southeastern Regional Equipment Operators Roadaeo in early September at Rogers, Ark.

What made his run even more improbable is that at the regional competition, many of the 19 drivers Groton was going up against drive tractor-trailers every day in their work. As a member of VDOT’s road maintenance crew, Groton doesn’t drive anything bigger than a dump truck.

“It’s like driving a bike,” said Groton recently. “I have to brush up on a few things with a bit of practice, but it comes back to me in a hurry.”

Groton was required to demonstrate a number of skills with the tractor-trailer, including parallel parking, backing in tight corners and zigzagging the 78-foot-long truck between cones that were 45 feet apart. Several of the exercises required precise maneuvering of the truck to within inches of an object or curb.

The regional competition was in Rogers, Ark., where the first Walmart store was opened and also in close proximity to the headquarters of JB Hunt, one of the nation’s largest trucking and transport companies.

Groton had a companion on his airplane flight to Arkansas, Tyler Marsh, also employed at the VDOT office on the Eastern Shore, qualified for the regional competition by finishing second in a different driving category at the state level.

Groton, the son of the late Lionel and Veta Groton of Craddockville, worked long hours on the family farm as a young boy. And when he was 17, he recalled, “Billy Moore gave a kid a chance to show what he could do and let me drive a tractor-trailer. I’ve always been grateful to him for that.”

When he wasn’t driving the truck, he was on the farm helping his father and brother Bobby, older by 18 years. Things haven’t changed much today. His day at VDOT starts at 7 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m., but often he makes a quick change and heads for the farm to help Sonny and Lee Sturgis, his nephew.

“When you grow up on a farm, you get used to long days. I have never been afraid of hard work,” said Groton.

When Groton and his wife, Mary, take a vacation, he’s usually hauling the family’s 40-foot RV through traffic or pulling his 24-foot Carolina Skiff.

Following his father’s death in 1989, there was a time Groton was a full-time farmer with his older brother. But in 2002, they sold the farm. “Rent was going up to the point it was tough making a decent profit. We weren’t in debt and decided it wasn’t worth it to keep going,” said Groton.

After leaving the farm, he and his wife purchased a tractor-trailer and hauled sea clams for six years. They sold the rig when fuel prices started escalating and stricter regulations made it more difficult to keep the truck on the road.

He then rejoined Billy Moore and drove trucks for him for several years before joining VDOT. Working alongside him is his stepson, Daniel Shriever, 42. “He’s a really good driver and a hard worker,” said Groton, looking to Shriever’s house about 100 yards from his. “He’s like me, he’s always busy doing something.”

Guy Groton, employed at the local VDOT office, won a driving competition against competitors in Hampton Roads and at the state level before finishing third at the regional competition against drivers from 10 states.
AGRICULTURAL NEWS

VDOF Seeks Acorns/Nuts from Virginia Landowners

Submitted Articles

The Virginia Department of Forestry is seeking 12 species of acorns and nuts that can be planted at its Augusta Forestry Center to grow into tree seedlings that will become the forests of tomorrow. Virginia landowners interested in sharing their acorns or nuts are asked to follow the following guidelines:

During September and early October, it is easy to pick up nuts in many yards and parking lots. Try to stay away from trees in the forest because there may be different species of trees nearby and the nuts need to be sorted by species for proper planting. Place the nuts in a breathable sack or bag (no plastic, please). Try to keep as much trash (sticks, leaves, gravel) out as possible. It doesn’t matter if acorns still have the caps on them or not. On the bag, please label the species and date of collection. Once the nuts are collected, place in a cool area until you are ready to drop them off at a VDOF office. Nuts must be delivered to a VDOF office by Oct. 17.

The species the tree nursery needs this year are: black oak, black walnut, Chinese chestnut, chestnut oak, Northern red oak, pin oak, sawtooth oak, Southern red oak, swamp chestnut oak, swamp white oak, white oak and willow oak.

Nursery Forester Joshua McLaughlin said, “Donating acorns and nuts to the VDOF nursery is fast and easy, but the tremendous appreciation we have for those who do is long lasting.”

If you have questions or if there is a tree that needs to be identified before you collect the nuts, please call Joshua at the Augusta Forestry Center: 540-363-7000.

The Virginia Department of Forestry protects and develops healthy, sustainable forest resources for Virginians. With nearly 16 million acres of forestland and more than 108,000 Virginians employed in forestry, forest products and related industries, Virginia forests provide an overall economic output of more than $21 billion annually.

Headquartered in Charlottesville, the agency has forestry staff members assigned to every county to provide citizen service and public safety protection across the commonwealth, which it’s been doing now for more than 100 years.

Make Conservation Work for You in 2019 with the Environmental Quality Incentives Program

The changing season brings a new opportunity for Virginia farmers and forest landowners to reap a rich harvest of productivity through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Sign up now for customized assistance from USDA’s Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) that can enhance the health and function of large and small acreages.

Technical and financial assistance is available to plan and install conservation practices on cropland, pastureland, and non-industrial private forestland. NRCS accepts applications year-round but makes funding selections at specific times. Virginia has established two application-batching periods for national programmatic and landscape conservation initiatives. Application batching period one: application deadline Oct. 19 and batching deadline Nov. 2. Application batching period two: Application deadline Nov. 2 and batching deadline Nov. 16.

While NRCS will continue to accept general EQIP applications, first quarter activities will be limited to subaccounts not affected by potential changes in the new Farm Bill. Special EQIP fund pools for the following initiatives will be available to producers/landowners on Virginia’s Eastern Shore:

• High Tunnel System – Steel-framed, polyethylene-covered structures to extend the growing season in an environmentally safe manner;
• Longleaf Pine – Stand establishment and management within the historical range in Southeastern Virginia;
• American Black Duck Initiative – Focused conservation practices to restore wintering habitat in the Delaware Bay and Chesapeake Bay watersheds;
• On-Farm Energy – Agricultural Energy Management Plans (AgEMP) or farm energy audits to assess energy use and recommend ways to reduce it;
• Organic – Practices to help certified organic growers, those working to achieve organic certification, and specialty crop producers address resource concerns on their operations;
• StrikeForce – Priority ranking for cropland, high tunnel, and livestock practices to support program participation among underserved producers in rural communities;
• Conservation Activity Plans – Development of site-specific plans to recommend conservation practices that will address an identified natural resource need.

To be considered for a given application batching period, an applicant MUST submit a signed and dated conservation program application to the local NRCS service center by close of business on the application deadline. NRCS will not accept applications from individuals/entities without farm records established through USDA’s Farm Service Agency. The name, tax identification number, and address provided must also match IRS income tax records.

Applicants approved for financial assistance will receive a payment based on an NRCS determination of incurred costs and income sacrificed for practice implementation. If you previously applied for EQIP and were not funded, contact your local NRCS Service Center for more information.

Call or visit the Accomac NRCS office to learn more about USDA program eligibility requirements and how EQIP and other Farm Bill programs can help you better protect and manage natural resources on your land. General program information is available on the NRCS Virginia website at www.va.nrcs.usda.gov.

Market Facilitation Program

The Market Facilitation Program (MFP) will be held Oct. 4, at 8:30 a.m., at the 33446 Research Dr. Painter, and provides direct payments to help corn, cotton, sorghum, soybean, wheat, dairy, and hog producers who have been directly impacted by illegal retaliatory tariffs. The MFP is established under that statutory authority of the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) Charter Act and is under the administration of the USDA FSA.

Join H.L. Kellam from the USDA FSA office for updates on how growers can apply for the MFP.

For more questions, call your agricultural extension agent 757-787-1361 ext. 14.

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Do Drop Inn Celebrates 50 Years of Lifting Spirits

By Stefanie Jackson

In honor of the recent 50th anniversary of the Do Drop Inn restaurant and lounge in Weirwood – one of the oldest black-owned businesses on the Eastern Shore still in operation – local radio station WHRO held a live broadcast of “Another View” with host Barbara Hamm Lee at the Barrier Island Center on Sept 21.

WHRO-TV followed on Sept. 22, tapping a musical celebration at the nightspot which featured Black Elvis and Snowflake, Billy Mercury, McKay Shockley, The Snow Hill Allstars, and The Chris English Band.

Jane Cabarrus, owner of the Do Drop Inn and daughter of founder Lloyd Giddens, along with Joan Wilson, daughter of Herman Edmonds, who supplied the jukebox, and Clearance Giddens, aka Black Elvis, who was a regular performer there, all shared fond memories of the old neighborhood gathering place for the radio hour.

Cabarrus, the youngest of Lloyd Giddens' seven children and the “outgoing girl that wanted to be under daddy's wing,” was a natural fit for taking over the family business that first opened in 1967.

She described how, as a youth, she would sit behind the bar and learn everything related to the business, from shooting pool to treating people right.

Cabarrus recalled her father telling her, “I don’t care who come in this door,” whether that person has “greasy hands, dirty clothes,” or is “dressed up in a suit – you treat them all the same.”

Giddens was a carpenter by trade with a sixth-grade education and also a factory worker who built the business with own two hands.

His first attempt failed when he was unable to borrow $2,000 from the bank, but success came after a white friend gave Giddens an old house that he carefully took apart, nail by nail, and built the Do Drop Inn as it stands today.

During the Do Drop Inn’s heyday, Cabarrus worked three jobs. On weekends, she worked at the lounge until closing at 2 a.m., went to bed by 3 a.m., then got up at 6 a.m. to work at the former Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital in Nassauidox. She also worked in private care.

Wilson said, “The black people on the Shore, they worked hard, they labored in the fields, they didn’t have a lot to look up to.” Her father wanted them to have “somewhere to go and something to do, and good music to listen to.”

R&B, blues, and gospel were the most popular types of music on the jukebox. People danced to the gospel music, too. “The black people were praising the Lord and they didn’t even know,” Wilson said.

There was also live music. Clearance Giddens first became interested in playing at the Do Drop Inn – where he eventually had his own corner – because of its association with Arthur Crudup, the writer and original performer of “That’s All Right (Mama),” Elvis Presley's first single. (Crudup received few royalties for his songs and lived in Northampton for a while working in the fields.)

Giddens wasn’t always an Elvis impersonator. He began his music career in a gospel group that later broke up. His girlfriend at the time, an Elvis fan who liked hearing Giddens sing “Love Me Tender,” encouraged him to imitate Elvis.
"I took a second look at her, I said, 'Hmmm ... A black man doing Elvis Presley? Nobody's gonna buy that.'"

But after much thought, Giddens asked himself, "What have I got to lose? The rest of it is history," he said.

Wilson remembered the Do Drop Inn as a place for the whole neighborhood, especially after church on Sundays. Children got ice cream, the local baseball team played, and even the preacher showed up.

It was a safe haven for kids of all ages, from children trick-or-treating on Halloween to teenagers dating. "You belonged to the family there," Wilson said. "You were looked after. ... You get to the door and you think you're going to sneak outside - that's not going to happen. ... They're going to ask you why, and, 'I know who your mama is.'"

But "the Do Drop Inn wasn't always black," Cabarrus said, "because Daddy has this thing about him about people. Daddy had white people to come in, and our beer man, Billy Sturgis' daddy, would come and sit on the stool and they would have a great conversation."

When asked about the civil rights movement, Wilson said she was a "child of integration" and spoke of her experience with the Freedom of Choice initiatives for school integration. She said of her family, "They were proud that you decided to go" to an integrated school. "They would always tell you that your books were your best friend and how important that education was."

"Yes, they had made it, but they wanted you to do even better," Wilson said.

Cabarrus describes the Do Drop Inn today as a "community center" and a "political arena." Speakers there have included Gov. Ralph Northam before he became governor and Dr. L.D. Britt, of Eastern Virginia Medical School, the first black American surgeon to receive an endowed chair in surgery.

She said, "Instead of being mad, around 18, about what was going on at the ending of the Jim Crow laws ... I decided that I was going to do something about it." She was inspired by her dad, "who put his pants on the same way other men do."

In her dedication to "make the world a better place," Cabarrus became president of the Northampton County NAACP, in which she is still active.

"Diversity is our best key, because we've all got to live in this world together.""I'm not angry about slavery ... because we all, at some point, no matter what color you are, have been in enslavement, because enslavement of the mind is the worst kind of enslavement. It's not all the shackles all the time, but it's ... the way you think."
Viking Ship Invades Cape Charles

**Story and Photos by Stefanie Jackson**

Last weekend, Cape Charles Harbor was unexpectedly taken over by a Viking ship.

It was not originally scheduled to stop at Cape Charles, but Hurricane Florence caused the ship to alter its course, resulting in a rare nautical treat for the Eastern Shore.

The 115-foot-long ship, called the Draken Harald Harfagre, is the world's largest modern-day Viking ship.

It's about 25 feet wide and 80 feet high, with an oak hull and spruce spars.

The name translates to “Dragon Harald Fairhair.” The ship features a dragon as its figurehead (see below). According to Norwegian tradition, Harald Fairhair was the name of Norway's first king.

Creating a modern-day version of a Viking ship was the brainchild of Norwegian businessman Sigurd Aase.

His goal was to build a Viking ship that could cross the ocean like Leif Eriksson did about 900 years ago when he led an expedition across the Atlantic to what would later become known as the New World.

The ship was built by hand over the course of two years, completed in 2012. It underwent many test trials before making its monumental journey in 2016 from its birthplace in Haugesund, Norway, to Manhattan, captained by Bjorn Ahlander.

Traditionally, Vikings rowed their ships, but it would take 100 people to row the Draken. Instead, the crew of 35 sails the ship from harbor to harbor. In accordance with modern regulations, the ship also has an engine and engineer onboard.

Some crew members stay onboard for two weeks, while others stay for months at a time. They work in four-hour, rotating shifts and sleep on the floor under a tent.

Islana Andersen, a doctor originally from Ukraine who now calls Sweden home, said she joined the crew of the Draken because she loves expedition medicine.

“There’s no money in it, it’s just fun. ... I have my own company, so I can do what I want with my time,” Andersen said.

In the off-season, the Draken makes its home in Mystic, Conn.

According to Norse mythology, the god Odin kept two ravens that flew around the world and brought him information. It is also thought Vikings used ravens to help them with navigation.

Above, Viking ship Draken Harald Harfagre in Cape Charles Harbor.

Below is one of two ravens that adorn the ship's deck.

A crew member of the Draken Harald Harfagre gives its figurehead some TLC.

Children test the rudder on the Viking ship Draken.
Shore’s First Pride Weekend Culminates With Drag Show at Jackspot in Kiptopeke

Photos by Connie Morrison

The Eastern Shore’s first LGBT Pride celebration was held last weekend at the Jackspot restaurant in Kiptopeke. The event included a Friday night dance, Saturday golf cart parade, and Sunday “Drag Me to Brunch” drag show and brunch.

Top left: Bellatrix Foxx, of Richmond, performs during the drag brunch.

Top right: Chickie Parm, of Richmond, reacts to a tip. It is customary to tip during drag shows. Chickie Parm also hosted the show.

Bottom left: Katrina Colby, of Norfolk, performs during Sunday’s drag show at the Jackspot in Kiptopeke.

Bottom right: Raquelle Shereé Colby, of Virginia Beach, was one of four drag queens who performed at “Drag Me to Brunch,” part of the Eastern Shore’s first LGBT Pride Weekend.
EXMORE’S 2ND ANNUAL SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK:
AS YOU LIKE IT

Photos courtesy of Town of Exmore

Above: Rosalind (Margaret Clarke) and her cousin Celia, (Austyn Davis), during their banishment from court.

Left: Celia (Austyn Davis) and Rosalind (Margaret Clarke) look on as Duke Frederick (Patrick Vincent Curran) confronts Orlando (Drew Cleveland).

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Town of Exmore maintenance worker, Joe Somers (center), poses with the cast of As You Like It.
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Swap Theme is Nature

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The Chincoteague Storytelling Guild is hosting its monthly Story Swap on Friday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m., at the Chincoteague Cultural Alliance (CCA) building, 6309 Church St. The theme for the evening is “Nature.”

At every Story Swap, members of the audience are invited to share a short story to the crowd. This gathering provides a welcoming environment and safe space to try out the craft of storytelling. Each Story Swap this year has been bigger and more fun than the last, with a record turnout in August. So get the creative juices flowing and come join in the fun.

In September, experienced members of the guild will be sharing stories about camping trips gone awry, learning how to dig for clams, surprise spider visits, and more. The host for the evening, Sarah Mason, will be telling a story about climbing trees.

The success of each Story Swap relies on enthusiastic audience participation. These monthly events are offered free of charge, including free refreshments, and occur on the last Friday of the month, March through October. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the storytelling begins promptly at 7 p.m.

To celebrate Halloween, the final Storytelling Guild Event in 2018 is on Oct. 26. The third annual Spooky Stories event will be held outside around a fire and feature creepy crawly ghost tales. And there will be treats. For more information, visit https://www.chincoteagueca.org

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*Operation Gratitude*

Citizens are collecting items for veterans, first responders, active military and families on Friday, Oct. 5, between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., at Robert Reed Downtown Park. For more information, go to www.operationgratitude.com

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A large crowd gathers at a previous Story Swap on Chincoteague Island.
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The museum is off and running with plans for Heritage Days 2019 exhibits and programs. The museum partners with many of the Chincoteague Island groups and nonprofits to bring a fun and educational opening weekend in March. The theme this year, chosen by local resident Nancy Lane, will be Historic Downtown Chincoteague. The museum is requesting old photographs of buildings, businesses, and events downtown. The museum will use the memorabilia for research and exhibits. Home movies of downtown are also accepted. On October 9, at 10 a.m., anyone with stories, memories, photographs, or home movies can join others at the museum for a roundtable discussion of downtown Chincoteague.

For those with questions about the event or to lend photographs or movies, contact the Museum of Chincoteague Island's Executive Director Maria Grenchik, at 336-6117. Grenchik can also be reached via email at museumofci@gmail.com.

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**An undated photo of H&H Pharmacy in downtown Chincoteague.**

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- 1-3 p.m. - Captain Timothy Hill House Open - 5122 Main St. - 973-831-9561 - free admission - www.captaintimothyhillhouse.com
- 7 p.m. - September Story Swap: Nature - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St. - doors open at 6:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 30**
- 8 a.m. - Episcopal Church Service - Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Chapel of Fox Holston Funeral Home, 5049 Chicken City Rd. - 894-7078 - www.emmanuelchurchib.com
- 2-4 p.m. - Blue Grass Gospel Concert - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St. - $5/person - bring a chair

**MONDAY, OCT. 1**
- 7 p.m. - Bingo - Onancock Elks Lodge, Accomac - doors open at 5:30 p.m. - food served

**TUESDAY, OCT. 2**
- 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Cheriton Vol. Fire Co. - doors open at 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 4**
- 5:30 p.m. - Introductory Workshop on Business Taxes - E.S. Chamber of Commerce, Melfa - to register call: 787-7697 or email center@chincoteagueca.org before Sept. 29

**MONDAY, OCT. 1**
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Manna Cafe - Christ United Methodist Church Social Hall, 6253 Church St. - free hot lunch every Monday - @MannaCafeCI on Facebook
- 1-4 p.m. - Board Games - Island Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St. - free admission
- www.ciarts.org

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 3**
- 1-4 p.m. - Acrylic Painting: Seagull - Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St. - $35/person including all supplies - www.chincoteagueca.org

**ONGOING**
- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. - Assateague National Seashore, Toms Cove Visitor Center - 336-6577 - www.nps.gov/asis/index.htm/
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- 4:30-6:30 p.m. - Pulled Pork Dinner - Oak Grove UMC, 30053 Seaside Rd., Melfa - $8/dinner; eat in or carry out - call 710-4920 or 787-1508
- 5-6 p.m. - Northampton High School Homecoming Parade - the parade will begin in the school bus garage
- 6-8 p.m. - Lee Walker in Concert - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles - complimentary refreshments
- 7 p.m. - Texas Hold ‘Em Poker - Bloxom Vol. Fire Co. - doors open at 6 p.m.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 30**
- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Spirit Movement Ecstatic Dance - Onancock Town Hall (upstairs) - 710-6532
- 3 p.m. - Auditions for “The Butleress” (Sept. 30 - Oct. 1) - Historic Palace Theatre, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles
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**Hitching Post Sept. 28-Oct. 4**

What to do this week on and around Chincoteague Island

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Church Invites Public for Brews and Views

By Connie Morrison

A brew pub might sound like an unusual spot for a theological discussion, but Mary Charlotte Elia, associate to the pastor at Holmes Presbyterian Church, tapped into the right formula for bringing people together when she organized a session to discuss Martin Luther King Jr.’s “Letter from a Birmingham Jail.”

“The Presbyterian Church U.S.A, or PCUSA, has begun the process of discerning whether (the letter) should be included in the ‘Book of Confession,’” said Elia. “The Book of Confession’ is what we believe.” It would have equal weight in the church as other historic documents such as the Nicene Creed.

“We wanted to discuss it in a more informal setting and to hear from the broader community,” she said, expecting a handful of people rather than the 40 or so who attended.

Additional sessions are planned, with the next one scheduled for Oct. 22. A new location, better suited to the group size and discussions, will be announced at www.Holmespresby.org
Cape Charles

The Annual Blessing of the Pets will be Saturday, Oct. 6, at 11 a.m., at Saint Charles Catholic Church. A monetary donation or nonperishable food donation will be taken for the SPCA.

Craddockville

The Real Men Sing Loudly event will be Sunday, Sept. 30, at 4 p.m., at Craddockville UMC. A barbecue dinner will be served afterwards. Bring a side dish or dessert.

A church trip to The Nature Conservancy will be Wednesday, Oct. 10, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Daugherty

A fish and chicken dinner sale will be held Saturday, Oct. 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at St. Luke AME Church. Fish dinners are $10 and chicken is $8. For more information, call 710-5663.

Eastville

An Evening of Remembrances will be held Saturday, Sept. 29, at 3 p.m., at Bethel AME Church. There will be a candlelight ceremony and memorial service.

Melfa

A pulled pork dinner will be held Friday, Sept. 28, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at Oak Grove UMC. The cost is $8. Pints will also be for sale for $8. For more information, call 710-4920 or 787-1508.

New Church

An ecumenical Bible study will be held every Monday at 1 p.m., at New Beginnings UMC, 32347 Chincoteague Rd.

Oak Hall

A gospel concert will be held Sunday, Oct. 14, at 3 p.m., at Downings UMC. Light snacks will be provided.

Onancock

The Fall Food Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 20, from 8 a.m. to noon, at Market Street UMC. There will be frozen casseroles, baked goods, jams, jellies, pickles, chicken salad, and more.

Saxis

The youth group will host a chili and chowder dinner Friday, Oct. 5, from 5 to 7 p.m., at Saxis UMC. Dinners are $10/adult and $5/children 10 and under. For more information, call 854-1545.

Temperanceville

The pastoral installation service of Pastor-elect Richard A. Holland will be Sunday, Sept. 30, at 9 a.m., at Jerusalem Baptist Church.

Wachapreague

The Smith and Wise Family Service will be Sunday, Sept. 30, at 5 p.m., at Grace Independent Methodist Church.

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Music for the Hungry will be held Saturday, Oct. 6, from 2 to 6 p.m., at the Elks Lodge. Admission is $25 and kids five and under get in free. This includes all-you-can-eat-and-drink. Children’s activities will be from 2 to 5 p.m.

Nassawadox
The Nature Conservancy’s Virginia Coast Reserve will host two public birding expeditions Friday, Oct. 5, at the Brownsville conservancy. Coastal science specialist Zak Poulton will lead a three-hour birding walk at 8 a.m., and coastal scientist Alex Wilke will lead a three-hour birding boat trip at 9 a.m. Space is extremely limited, so while both outings are free, registration is required.

Contact Margaret Van Clief at mvanclief@tnc.org or 414-9227, for more information or to register.

Onancock
Onancock International Films will present “Keep the Change,” Thursday, Oct. 11, at 8 p.m., at the Roseland Theatre.

Parksley
The Golden Spike Railroad Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in downtown Parksley.

Wachapreague
The Eastern Shore Clamboree will be held Saturday, Sept. 29, from 5 to 10 p.m., at the Island House Restaurant. All proceeds will benefit the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Oysters on the half shell, all-you-can-eat clams, and a crab cake dinner are included for $65 per person. Tickets are available online at www.cbf.org/clamboree

Free Flu Shots
The Eastern Shore Health District announces two free seasonal flu vaccination clinics. The free flu shot clinics will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 2, from 4 until 7 p.m., at Accomack County Health Department, 23191 Front St., Accomac, and Northampton County Health Department, 7114 Lankford Hwy., Nassawadox. These free seasonal flu clinics are highly recommended for those who do not have insurance or who have insurance that will not cover the flu vaccine. The number of flu shots available under this free program is limited and available for those 18 years and older only; therefore, flu shots will be given on a first come, first served basis.

Contact the Accomack County Health Department at 787-5880 or 824-5616 or the Northampton County Health Department at 7114 Lankford Hwy., Nassawadox. For more information about the flu, visit https://www.cdc.gov/flu/ Check out next week’s edition of the Eastern Shore Post for more flu vaccination clinics.

REPAIR EFFORTS CONTINUE FOLLOWING FLOOD DAMAGE ON THE EASTERN SHORE
Submitted by VDOT
Two local routes remain closed
The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is working to repair two roads on the Eastern Shore following flood damage earlier this week. Hillsborough Drive (Route 810) near Shields Bridge Road (Route 178) in Accomack County remains closed, and VDOT is working to provide temporary access to affected residents.

Wardtown Road (Route 606) near Occohannock Neck Road (Route 183) in Northampton County remains closed. The damage is not impacting any homes, and a detour is in place.

VDOT crews have repaired and reopened the following roads in Northampton County: Happy Union Drive (Route 692), Cemetery Drive (Route 602), and Saltworks Road (Route 615).
FRIDAY SEPT. 28
★ 8 a.m. - Breakfast at the VFW - VFW Post 2296, Tasley - donations accepted
★ 10 a.m.-noon - Bridge Class - Chincoteague Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St.
★ 6 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church
★ 6-8 p.m. - Live Music with Lee Walker - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
★ 7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
★ 8 p.m. - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
★ 6-7 p.m. - Scripture Study - Cape Charles Library
★ 6 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages Class - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
★ 7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon mtgs. - Franktown UMC
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

SATURDAY SEPT. 29
★ 9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Farmers and Artisans Market - Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St.
★ 10 a.m.-1 p.m. - Soup Kitchen - Faith Christian Tabernacle Ministries, Rt. 13, Accomac - 787-1811
★ 10 a.m.-3 p.m. - Chili Chowder Cook-Off - Chincoteague Carnival Grounds
★ noon & 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
★ 6 p.m. - Grand Gala - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.
★ 10 a.m. - Escape - Chincoteague Library
★ 10 p.m. - Traverse IN - Island House, Wachapreague - 787-4718
★ 8 p.m. - Broadway Boys - Refuse Inn, Chincoteague
★ 7:30 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God
★ 7 p.m. - Painter Garrison UMC NA mtg.
★ 5:30 p.m. - Shore Losers mtg. - Little Italy, Nassawadox

MONDAY OCT. 1
★ 11 a.m. - Northampton Chap. AARP mtg. - Cheriton Rescue Squad
★ 1-4 p.m. - CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday: Card, Word, and Board Games - Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague
★ 5-6 p.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
★ 6 p.m. - Bingo - Elks Lodge, Tasley
★ 6:15 p.m. - Central Shore Lions Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg. - Grace UMC, Parksley
★ 6:30-8:30 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages Class - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
★ 7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Rock Church, Onley
★ 7:30 p.m. - Zumba Class - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Elks Lodge, Tasley
★ 7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★ 10 a.m. - TOPS mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718
★ 10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Veterans’ Employment Representative Avail. - ESCC, Melfa - no appt. needed
★ 10:30-11:30 a.m. - Overeaters Anonymous mtg. - Rock Church, Onley - 757-655-4834
★ 10:30 a.m.-noon - Riverside Shore Hospice Caregivers’ Support Group mtg. - Onley UMC, 25642 E. Main St. - 787-5000
★ 11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Soup Kitchen - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, Exmore
★ 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Debedeavon Toastmasters’ mtg. - NASA/Wallops Base - Call Owen Hooks at 824-1941 for base access.
★ 2:30-6 p.m. - Wellness Fair - Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Onancock
★ 4 p.m. - Virtual Reality at the Library - Pocomoke Library
★ 5-7 p.m. - Soup Kitchen & Clothes Closet - Grace and Truth Ministries, 19 Boundary Ave., Onancock - Donations: 789-5369
★ 5:30-6:30 p.m. - Free Meals for the Hungry - Epworth UMC, 4158 Seaside Rd., Exmore - 442-6391
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★ 7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon mtgs. - Franktown UMC
★ 7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC

THURSDAY OCT. 4
★ 10:30 a.m. - Story Time - Cape Charles Memorial Library
★ 2 p.m. - Book-of-the-Month Club mtg. - Pocomoke Library
★ 5:30 p.m. - Shore Losers mtg. - Drummondtown Baptist Church, Accomac - $1/wk.
★ 5:30 p.m. - TOPS VA-550 mtg. - Zion Baptist Church, Parksley - 787-7099
★ 6-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
★ 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Post 101 mtg. - Chapter Bldg., Onancock - 787-7099
★ 7 p.m. - Republican Party mtg. - Little Italy, Nassawadox
★ 7 p.m. - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC
★ 7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God
★ 7-8 p.m. - Debedeavon Toastmasters’ mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock
★ 7:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
★ 8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague
Happy Birthday Baby Sister!
“Glynis Bailey Savage”
We are celebrating the GIFT of YOU!
Yes, it’s your birthday
You’re loving, kind, thoughtful & just a Fantastic Sister!
Thank GOD for a precious gift like YOU!
You’re Amazing!

Love

Yvonne Bailey Nead & The Boys

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• ESL (English as a Second Language) Teacher
• Tutor (All subject areas)
• BSA-Behavioral Support Aides
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• Bus Monitors
• Cafeteria Workers
• Car Drivers
• Health Assistant
• Substitutes

For job descriptions, qualifications, salaries, and to apply go to www.ncpsk12.com

Inquiries may be directed to:
Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services
(757) 678-5151 ext. 2013 or mphillips@ncpsk12.com

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Immediate Openings!! Public Transit CDL Drivers
$10.40/hr. w/P End, Steady Hrs., paid holidays & paid time off. Good DMV record required.
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Going out of business sale
Everything Must Go: Stock & Equipment
Consult owner concerning prices. If you see it, it must go.
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Tri-High School 40-Year Reunion
Celebrating the 1978 Graduates of
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CHINCOTEAGUE HIGH SCHOOL
PARKSLEY HIGH SCHOOL
ATLANTIC “Cardinals” CHINCOTEAGUE “Ponies” PARKSLEY “Eagles”

Friday, 11/02/2018 through Sunday, 11/04/2018
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Alma Warner @ (757) 920-9505
Beverley Shrieves @ (443) 760-5176
Genniee Cropper @ (443) 523-6567
Vicky Bradley Ennis @ (410) 422-8065
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Equipment Operators
Operators needed for a center articulating Green Bean Harvester. Will train. Must have a valid driver’s license. Must be willing to travel to DelMarVa area. Paid lodging and food allowance. Salary - $450 per week plus $75 per week bonus at end of season. Call 757-678-5395.

EMPLEYMENT OPPORTUNITY
POSITION: Maintenance Worker
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #2018-4-3031
The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District will be accepting applications for Maintenance Worker in the Maintenance Division starting September 26, 2018 and ending October 15, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Applicant must be knowledgeable in building, grounds, roadway, and bridge maintenance. Experience in safe operation of medium and heavy-duty maintenance equipment is a plus. Applicant must have a valid Virginia Class A Commercial Driver’s License (CDL).

This is a full-time position with a salary range of $29,238.00 to $46,878.00 and includes a complete benefits package.

Applications may be obtained from the District’s personnel office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, by telephone (757) 331-2960, or online at www.cbbt.com/employment.html.

APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH THE CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE AND TUNNEL DISTRICT SHALL BE AFFORDED EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN ALL ASPECTS OF EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, HANDICAP, SEX OR AGE.

ASSISTANT WANTED
Busy dental practice is looking for an assistant to work three or four days per week - at the front desk and in the operatory.
The ideal candidate must be dependable, possess excellent interpersonal skills, be able to work with computers, and have the ability to multitask. Some knowledge of dental assisting and dental insurance is helpful, but is not necessary.
Duties will include answering the telephone, scheduling appointments, checking patients in and out, entering information into computer, and assisting the dentist with patient care.
Please email resumes to esvadentaloffice@yahoo.com

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Help Wanted

**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 October 5, 2018. Applications can be obtained from www.esrh.org. Resumes may accompany the application but will not be considered if sent alone.

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

- Senior Clinician/Clinician
- Developmental Disabilities Aide (PCAs & CNAs welcome)
- Substance Abuse Outpatient Clinician (CSAC required)
- Emergency Services Clinician
- Transitional Instructor (Greenhouse)
- Director of Finance and Administration

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

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**HELP WANTED:**

**CASHIER/SALESPERSON**

Peace Token Store, Rt. 13, New Church, Va.

**APPLY IN PERSON.**

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**MANAGER WANTED FOR SUNRISE PIZZA**

in Exmore. Apply in person.

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**ORDER PROCESSING / GRAPHIC PREP / CUSTOMER SERVICE**

Duties include order processing, preparing client submitted graphics for print, as well as customer service responsibilities. This position requires the ability to work well under pressure in a fast paced environment where meeting timely deadlines are a major priority.

Applicants must possess excellent work ethic, exceptional customer service skills and the ability to multi-task. Working knowledge of Adobe Photoshop is required!

40 Hours per Week
(Mon-Fri 9:00-5:30)

Benefits: Medical, Dental, Life, Paid Holidays & Vacation

Email Resume to: humanresources@intunegp.com

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**2 Positions: LINE COOK & PREP COOK NEEDED**

Apply in person Sting-Ray’s.

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**RETAIL STORE MANAGER WANTED**

Cherrystone Family Camping Resort

is looking for a friendly and communicative leader to oversee our General Store.

- High School diploma or equivalent
- Ability to build, lead, and manage team members
- Proficient in Microsoft office products
- and retail POS software.
- Management experience preferred
- Travel may be required from time to time

**STALLER – AG-RETAIL – NO BENEFITS**

(required)

- Ability to work outside with livestock
- Preferred, must be willing to work outside with large animals
- Good people skills and photography.

**SUNRISE PIZZA**

**MANAGER**

14 FT. BOAT TRAILER FOR SALE - $750. Call 757-442-4007.

1997 EAGLE CENTER CONSOLE – Fiberglass, ‘94 Loadrite trailer, ’92 90 hp Yamaha w/150 hrs., VHF, depth finder, all fishing gear, 3 elec. winches, internal bilge pump & gas tank, $4,000. 757-331-4203.


'99 23-ft. SEA ERA $10,500 - Upgrades; great condition; 150 hp Oceanrunner Johnson; live well; new wiring; Garmin; new canvas top; Price negotiable. (757) 665-1904.


'84 21-FT. KEN CRAFT - Pilot house, fresh water cooled, V8 inboard, pocket drive w/galvanized trailer. $10,500. 757-665-6564.

'01 Shamrock Center Console - complete new engine with less than 100 hours, 5.7 liter multi-port injected, fresh water cooled, outboard trailer. Call 787-1209 or 434-665-9260. Contact: karica2@verizon.net for more information.

'03 AQUASPORT OS-PREY - 19- ft. 4-in. CC, 115 h.p. Johnson (low hrs.), EZ Loader, new upholstery, must see! $7,200. OBO. Call 757-678-6098.

'87 26-FT. SHARMOCK - With anchor puller, never been used, lots of extra equipment. Call 757-891-2426.

TRIUMPH '07 CC 17’ w/60hp Yamaha 4S. Trailer & all req’d equipment. Ready to GO! $11,000 firm. Call 757-444-3415.

CHARTER BOAT $15,000 OBO - 34’ Delta-\vta Dead-Rise $15,000 obo - Charter Fishing Boat. 2012 Re-Power Cat 320T (757) 678-3718. Dustin@verizon.net

'94 GRADY WHITE GULFSTREAM - Two 175-\ohnson Outboards, hard-top, full elec., trailer, w/elec. winch, $7,500 OBO. 757-894-8858.

'87 18-FT. WINNER 27.2-FT. O’DAY - 23’9”, 200 h.p. Mercury, 2 stroke, 1 owner, Johnson (low hrs.), EZ Loader trailer, new upholstery, must see! $7,200. OBO. Call 757-678-6098.

SAILBOAT – FREE 26-FT. RANGER with anchor & rode, swim platform win\dder, T-top, custom covers, tandem trailers, garage kept. (757) 678-7529 or 757-415-3556.

HOBIE 16’ WITH TRAILER – Blue sails & white trampoline. Good condition, ready to sail. $1,200. Call (757) 710-2086.

'91 CAROLINA SKIFF 258 DLV 175, Suzuki 4-stroke, Garmin GPS, radio, Bimini top, custom covers, tandem trailers, garage kept. 757-678-7529 or 757-415-3556.

'00 MAXUM 2800 SCR twin 4.3L V6 engines. Exc. cond. w/recent (2014) maintenance record. Many extras. $16K OBO. Call 540-287-5047.


CLASS A FISHING LICENSE – $3,000 CALL 757-709-8854.

'01 18’ TROPHY - Very good cond. + extras. Can be seen at K & E Marine, across from Perdue plant. $11K. 757-678-3622.

'00 22-FT. BOSTON WHALER - Orig. owner; w/150 h.p. 4-stroke Honda still under warranty (less than 50 hrs.) Alum. trailer, T-top, 2-GPS/sonar units, $22,000 firm. Will take older 15 to 17 ft. BW on trade. 434-821-9027 or 434-665-9260.

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**Pets & Products**

**PATENTED FLEA BEACH®** Control fleas in the home with toxic chemicals or costly exterminators. Results overnight! Call **Eastern Shore Pets** (787-1462) www.fleabeach.com

**Real Estate**

**ONYLE TOWN LIMITS**

$30,000 4 wooded timber acres located in Onley town limits (757) 286-5988

**WATERFRONT HUNTING ESTATE** – 70+ acres on Young’s Creek, w/ access to Chesapeake Bay, Lg. duck pond, deer stands, utility shed. Financing available. $275,000. 443-3575

**WHY RENT WHEN YOU CAN OWN?** Call us to learn how. Join others in constructing their dream homes in Waterside Village. Paved roads, underground electric, pond front recreational areas and fenced/locked boat storage are just a few of the reasons to choose this beautiful, conveniently located community. Lots range ¼ acre to 4 acres and start at just $18,000! 757-678-7631

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**Rentals - Comm.**

**Contractor Yard and Office For Rent - Cheriton**

One-acre parcel with 475 sq ft office space and fenced/gated yard. Ideal for contractors needing space for equipment & materials. Office recently renovated. $575/month plus utilities. Must see.

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**CHINCOTEAGUE** 2BR, 1BA, newly renovated, new carpet, fresh paint throughout. No smoking/pets. $800/mo. Avail. 1st, 757-442-2465.


**Be Sure To Get Settled In Before the Holiday Stress Begins! Call For Our Specials**

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Fantastic view and lots of privacy. Option to rent fully furnished. $2,800/month, 1 yr. lease, Ref. required. 757-678-7500 or 757-678-7631.

**NUEVA Casa–3 Recamaras, 2 Banos**


**Rentals - Apts.**

**In Before the Holiday**

**Accomack Manor**

**Wanted**

**BUYING OLD WORK CLOTHES & MILITARY** $10 want to buy 1970 & older farm clothes, overalls, denim, work shirts, hats, boots, Military uniforms & gear. Call (840) 399-4838 or email Crankbandit77@gmail.com

**WANTED**

**RARE 2005 SSR CHEVROLET ROADSTER**

- Hard-top convertible, LT-1 Corvette engine, black, exc. cond., special stripes. Reduced: $28,000. 757-884-1645 Call **BOOTHBE RARE 2-DOOR SEDAN** – Ready for restoration. $5,000. Call 787-9314 (before 8 p.m.)

**4’ F150 4X4 FORD XLT LARIET**

- All options, 200K mi., super duty, new tires and brakes. $7,500. 757-678-9399

**14 Travel Trailer For Sale**

- 26 Premier Bullet Ultra Lite, 2 pull outs with awning, sleeps 6, complete camping package, bike rack, hitch, loaded with extras. Like new, see in Va. Beach, can deliver! $26,000 Call 757-286-6463.

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**TYLER’S TIMBER SERVICE, INC.**

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- Timber Sales or Purchases

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**OLIVER TILING ARBOR**

Table Saw 12-16”, Bisemire fence system w/accessories. Inc. 16” blade, no motor. $500 Firm. 757-787-2539; serious only.

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Do it right the first time.
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**Accomack Manor Apartments**

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This institution is an equal opportunity employer.

**NASSAWADDAX - 2BR, Liv/Din. area, 1BA, CA/C, all appliances incl. W/D, $750/mo. No smoking. No pets. 1 yr. lease, 1 mo. sec. dep., credit ck. req’d. View this apt. at shoreproperty-rentals.com 757-7640.**

**CENTRALLY LOCATED – 4 BR, 1½ BA, LR, din. rm., rec. rm., hardwood & tile flrs., dry basement and attic.**

Newly renovated. Separate detached building with brick floors and French door entry. Perfect location for any business. Great location for new teachers, $1,200/mo. or $466.67/mo. for each of 3 roommates. 757-678-7500.

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**Roommate Wanted**

ONANCOCK – Responsible, reliable person to rent room in trailer. 787-2587.

**Tools**

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$1,500 immaculate, garage kept. Leather seats. Bells & whistles. Call (757) 854-1407 fl5162@verizon.net

**1985 MERCEDES – Good cond., $4,000, 2,900. Call 757-765-4924.**

**1988 BRANDYWINE CAMPER**

35-ft., exc. cond., located in Pine Grove Campground. Shed included. $4,000 OBO. Call 757-336-0624

**‘00 MUSTANG – 150K mi.**


**2005 FLEETWOOD JAMBOREE $7,000 31k miles, sleep 6, no smells, $7000. Contact: clariburcin1@gmail.com**
NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE
15494 Sisco Town Road, Painter, VA 23420

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated March 19, 2009, and recorded at Instrument Number 200901566 in the Clerk’s Office for the Circuit Court for Accomack County, VA, securing a loan which was originally $270,000.00. The appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC will offer for sale at public auction at main entrance of the Accomack County Circuit Court, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue on:

October 17, 2018 at 11:30 AM

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of all that certain lot, piece or parcel of real estate, situated near Painter, Accomack County, Virginia, containing One Acre (1 A.), more or less, and bounded in general on the north, by a public road, and on the south and east, by the lands now or formerly owned by Annie Mae Sisco and William C. Sisco; and on the west, by the state highway leading from the Town of Belle Haven to the Village of Pungoteague.

Subject to restrictions, reservations, easements, covenants, oil, gas or mineral rights of record, if any, and as more fully described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: The property will be sold “AS IS,” WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements, rights of way, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust to be announced at the time of sale. A deposit of $20,000.00, or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, in cash or cashier’s check payable to the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be required at the time of sale. The balance of the purchase price, with interest at the rate contained in the Deed of Trust Note from the date of sale to the date said funds are received in the office of the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale. In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses and sale of Substitute Trustee’s fee. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges, which incurred prior to or after the sale, and all other incidents to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes, any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of sale at the time of settlement. Purchaser agrees to pay the seller’s attorneys at settlement, a fee of $445.00 for review of the settlement documents.

Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustees a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Rosenberg & Associates, LLC
(Attorney for the Secured Party)
4340 East West Highway, Suite 600
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-907-8000
www.rosenberg-assoc.com

L. RICHARD PADGETT, JR., P.C., SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
L. Richard Padgett, Jr., P.C.
521 Boulevard
P.O. Box 1098
Salem, Virginia 24153
(540) 389-0102
Call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Public Notice
The Planning Commission of the Town of Chincoteague will hold a public hearing on October 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers located at 6150 Community Drive to receive public comments and views on the following zoning matters:

Delete
Sec. 2.179. Wayside stand/market, roadside stand. Any structure open on at least one side or land used for the sale or resale of products used by individual purchasers.

Add
Sec. 2.179 Wayside Vendors (see Section F-1 Wayside Vendors)

Add
SECTION F-1: Wayside Vendors.
Mobile Food Units: Cargo type trailers that are fully self-contained “kitchens on wheels” that are pulled to various locations.
Pushcarts: A device that is designed to be pushed or pulled to various locations. Usually a hot dog or snow ball unit and similar type sales.
Vending Trucks/Vans: An enclosed commercial truck /van used to sell commercial items.
Produce or seafood units: Utility trailers, pickup truck beds or open trailers that are open on all 4 sides pulled by a motor vehicle or driven to the site used to sell seafood, produce or similar products.

(1) No flags, signs, or any attachment to the units are permitted unless imprinted on the unit. (permanent decals or painted art work)

(2) Only one wayside vendor is permitted on a parcel. Special Events are exempt from this requirement. For the purpose of this section a “Special Event” shall be defined as any event where a large number of the public are brought together to watch or participate. A Special Event is conducted for a limited number of days not exceeding 14 days.

(3) Wayside vendor units shall comply with C-3 Corridor Commercial setbacks.

(4) Each Wayside vendor shall have a minimum of 4 parking spaces. (see parking requirements in Sec. 6.6 Parking) Pushcarts are exempt from this requirement if such complies with Section 18-94 “Peddlers” of the Town Code.

(5) No additions shall be permitted to be attached to the units. If accessory structures are requested, no such accessory structure shall be closer than 3’ from the unit.

(6) Units must be removed from property from November 1 through March 1.

(7) The above regulations shall apply to all Wayside Vendors whether the unit is licensed through DVM or not.

C-1 Neighborhood Commercial
Delete
4.1.11 Wayside stands, tailgate sales.
C-2 Old Town Commercial District
Delete
4.4.29 Wayside stands, tailgate sales.
C-3 Corridor Commercial District
Delete
4.7.12 Wayside stands, tailgate sales.
Add
4.7.12 Wayside Vendors (see Section F-1 Wayside Vendors)

C-4 Resort Commercial District.
Delete
4.10.11 Wayside stands, tailgate sales.
Kenny L. Lewis
Zoning Administrator
NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES' SALE
Parcel F-1
“Subdivision of Parcel “F” Bay Creek at Cape Charles, Phase Two (Plat Book 27, Page 26) For Bay Creek, L.L.C., Town of Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton, Virginia”

In execution of that certain deed of trust and security agreement and financing statement, as supplemented (“Deed of Trust”) from Barnyard Lots, LLC, a Virginia corporation (“Grantor”), to TRSTE, Inc., a Virginia corporation, as trustor, for whom Peter G. Zemanian and Paul A. Driscoll, either of whom may act, were substituted as substitute trustees (collectively, the “Substitute Trustees”), which Deed of Trust was made on November 25, 2003, and is recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia (“Clerk’s Office”), as Instrument No. 030004142, supplemented by a supplemental credit line deed of trust, assignment of rents, security agreement and financing statement made as of October 10, 2007 and recorded in the Clerk’s Office as Instrument Number 0700002544 and assigned by Instrument No. 080000745, default having occurred in the payment of the debt secured by the Deed of Trust and at the request of the current owner and holder of the note evidencing the debt (the “Noteholder”), the Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the highest bidder at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 (“Sale Date”) on the front steps of the courthouse building of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23447 the following:

ALL THAT certain lot, piece and parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being in the Town of Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as “PARCEL F-1” as shown on that certain plat entitled “SUBDIVISION OF PARCEL “F” BAY CREEK AT CAPE CHARLES, PHASE TWO (PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 26) FOR BAY CREEK, L.L.C., TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES, CAPEVILLE DISTRICT, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA”, duly recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia, in Plat Book 31, at Pages 96 and 97 (“Property”).

The sale of the Property shall be made subject to: (a) the covenants, conditions, easements, restrictions, reservations, rights of way, if any, superior to the lien of the Deed of Trust duly of record and constituting constructive notice; (b) any and all rights, defects, liens, encumbrances or adverse claims of whatever nature, recorded and unrecorded, including any and all statutory lien(s) for labor or materials that may lawfully apply to all or a portion of the Property and are superior to the lien of the Deed of Trust; and (c) the rights, if any, of persons in possession of the Property. Title to the Property shall be conveyed by substitute trustees’ special warranty deed.

The Property is being sold “AS IS” without representation or warranty of any sort or nature concerning its condition. Neither the Substitute Trustees nor the Noteholder or their respective agents, attorneys, successors, and assigns, make any representations or warranties with respect to the Property, including, without limitation, representations or warranties as to the structural integrity, physical condition, construction, workmanship, materials, habitability, fitness for a particular purpose or merchantability of all or any part of the Property. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Property will be sold without representation or warranty as to the environmental condition of the Property or the compliance of the Property with federal, state, or local laws and regulations concerning the purchase or disposal of hazardous substances. Acceptance of the Substitute Trustees’ special warranty deed to the Property shall constitute a waiver of any claims against the Substitute Trustees, the Noteholder, and their respective agents, attorneys, successors, assigns and loan servicers, concerning the environmental condition of the Property including, without limitation, claims arising under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, and/or state or local law, ordinances or regulations. The successful bidder or a fiduciary who has appointed a statutory agent, and petitioners do not have any information as to Brandon Micheal Drake.”

The Substitute Trustees reserve the right to postpone acceptance or rejection of the individual bids until the bulk bid is received and then to accept the highest bid.

The successful bidder will be required to deposit an amount equal to 10% of the successful bid (“Bidder’s Deposit”) at the time the Property is sold and shall execute a memorandum of sale. The form of the memorandum of sale is available from the Substitute Trustees upon request and will be available at the time of sale. The Noteholder or its assignee, subsidiary or affiliate does not have to make the Bidder’s Deposit if it is the successful bidder at the sale. The Bidder’s Deposit shall be paid in cash or by a certified or cashier’s check. The Noteholder expressly reserves the right to bid at the sale. The Substitute Trustees expressly reserves the right to reject any bid(s).

The successful bidder shall pay for: (a) all closing costs, including the preparation of the Substitute Trustees’ special warranty deed and all deed taxes (including the grantor tax); (b) all recording charges, examination of title, settlement fees, delinquent and pro-rated current real estate taxes, storm water fees and other public charges; and (c) all costs of conveying, which shall be by special warranty deed.

Settlement shall be by cash, certified or cashier’s check or wire transfer of immediately available federal funds, and shall occur within fifteen (15) calendar days after the Sale Date (“Closing Date”). The Substitute Trustees, in their sole discretion, reserve the right to extend the date of Closing as may be necessary to complete arrangements for settlement. Settlement shall occur in the offices of the Substitute Trustees or such other place as mutually agreed upon by Substitute Trustees and the successful bidder. The Bidder’s Deposit, without interest, shall be applied to the credit of the successful bidder at settlement. If the successful bidder fails to complete settlement the Bidder’s Deposit shall be forfeited and the Substitute Trustees may resell the Property at the risk and cost of the defaulting successful bidder. The Substitute Trustees will not deliver possession of the Property to the successful bidder, who shall be solely responsible for obtaining possession of the Property.

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

Parcel I: All that parcel if land in Accomack County, Virginia, designated as tax map no. 1100A0000023H0.

Parcel II: All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, consisting of 1.50 acres, more or less, designated as tax map no. 1100A0000023J0.

Each parcel standing in the names of Robin Mason Mariner and Patty Lankford Mariner (also known as Patricia Lankford Ballard and Patricia Louise Lankford Mariner) pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Patty Lankford Mariner; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Patty Lankford Mariner; that Erica L. Mariner is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 915 Rosemont Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45205; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Jorgie Cheleton Mariner whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 282, Wachapreague, VA 23480; and that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Sharon C. Gray whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 327, Pungoteague, VA 23422; and that the last post office address of Florine Watson is unknown.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before October 18, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

ENTER: This 18th day of September, 2018
Samuel H. Cooper Jr., Clerk
PUBLIC NOTICE
The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, for the purpose of considering the following wetlands/coastal primary sand dunes matter under public hearing and to conduct regular business. The Board will assemble at 9:00 a.m. to conduct site visits.

A.) VMRC 2018-1407: Lee and Isabella Karash have an existing 100’ vinyl sheet pile bulkhead that is failing due to tidal/wave action. They are applying for a permit to stabilize this bulkhead with 8’ x 14’ 2.5 CCA timber pilings (13 total). The applicants also wish to install a 6’ high stone revetment in front of the bulkhead at a 1.5:1 slope using Class III Rip Rap. Once stabilized, the undermined and eroded area will be filled with 4-6 loads of clean sand. The primary purpose of this project is to protect the property from erosion and the secondary purpose is to prevent erosion and continued failure of the existing bulkhead. The property is located at 4494 Beach Lane in Exmore. It is further described as Tax Map 12B, double circle 1, parcel 6.

Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the scheduled public hearing. The application may be viewed in the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. Written comments can be submitted to the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office P.O. Box 538, Eastville, VA 23347. Handicapped Assistance Available: Please call (757) 678-0440 extension 516 at least 48 hours in advance.

Marshall Cox Sr., Chairman
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Separate, Together

By Carla Savage-Wells
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Why, Yes! It’s been a while since my last column. Some Post readers may know that our daughter is off for her first year in college, our empty nest is for sale, and my full-time job now involves a weekly commute “across the bay.” What you may not know is that everyone in my little nuclear family seems to be quite content to be together, separately. Is it true that absence makes the heart grow fonder?

My husband and I decided that when our daughter went to “the mainland” for college, we should downsize and follow. Coming out of retirement to work part time in a vocation that allows him to directly impact the lives of those in need of medical transportation and assistance fulfills his God-given warrior/protector instincts. He enjoys his work.

Our daughter has been away at university for a month and has shown little interest in coming home for the weekend. She’s always relished traveling to try new things and meet new people. Interestingly, she looked, sounded, and behaved more poised for this the instant she turned 18, last May. The sunshine in her voice is not diminished by miles or matriculation.

My Facebook friends and followers know that I am delighted by the divine mix of a new career path, curriculum, computer tech, colleagues, and compensation. Comfortable rooms to rent and multiple malls in proximity are a beautiful bonus.

To address the original question of absence, I have to reference an Instagram post by actor Will Smith. He and wife, actress Jada Pinkett Smith, often comment on the status of their 20-year marriage. They agree that the biggest revelation about love has been that the pursuit of happiness isn’t found in what your partner can do for you, but what you can do for yourself to better your relationship. “We realized that we were two completely separate people on two completely separate, individual journeys and that we were choosing to walk those separate journeys, together.”

My husband, daughter, and I are by no means completely separate. We’ve raised our child to be an independent thinker with the goal of pursuing her own happiness and path toward becoming a passionate and productive citizen. Meanwhile, it’s our desire to be in Tidewater together very soon.

Victorian writer Roger de Rabutain put it this way: “Absence is to love, what wind is to fire; it extinguishes the small and enkindles the great.”

I missed being here. I’ll be back again, soon.

Carla Savage-Wells, founder of Why,Yes! consulting, is a teacher and professional communicator who specializes in effective and impactful messaging.

Post Op-Ed Page

A Coastal Disturbance

Dear Editor:

The following is an essay response to the Assateague Refuge Management Plan/Public Beach Relocation.

A Come-Here to this little island, a “mane” runs through it. Sea grasses sway and tides are persevering. Early evening quiet and winds a-gust. A line of lights narrow and vessels tied up for the evening.

The public drives, walks and bikes to their morning destination. Through the wood, to the other side, the journey’s trek is captured. Chargers and marsh offer an image. Salt air swirls and waves break onto the face while crabs and chairs speckle the shore.

The dunes piled up again and again, without enough time to take root. A little girl runs barefoot up and over toward the water closet. Four wheel drives and rods squeak by. Sand like sugar offers a challenge. Abandoned structures and relaxed minds with an old storm breach beneath your feet.

Let us move this journey to another end. Let the dunes again be trodden and the sea-grass circled. Push the shell and smooth the ripples. Another vine wraps through alternative wood. Turtles duck and deer look up. To what toll will we be assembled?

Claude S. Vandever
Chincoteague

The Way I See It

By Dan Hillman

IF I WIN, TOURISM WILL PROSPER!

IF I WIN THE ENTIRE ECONOMY WILL PROSPER!

LADY TOURISM

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How about a DRAW?
Barack Obama  
Obama “look alike” Trevor

At www.paper-toilet.com, a roll of toilet tissue can be unwound and then rolled back up with the flick of your cursor. That is it. Nothing else will happen. Another mind-numbing site is www.fidgetspin.xyz. It allows one to spin a tension-braking digital device. Yawn!

www.cat-bounce.com is a website where cats can be seen jumping on an invisible trampoline. Click “Make It Rain” and the screen becomes flooded with falling cats. Push it a few more times and a mass of psychedelic-colored felines fall. In financial circles, “A dead cat bounce is a small, brief recovery in the price of a declining stock, derived from the idea that even a dead cat will bounce if it falls from a great height.” The phrase originated on Wall Street, according to an on-line encyclopedia.

I found the site www.willrobot-stakemyjob.com and was pleased to find there is only a slight or a 2 to 11 percent chance of a mechanical creature booting me out of work. Yippee! Teachers have only a 1 percent chance. Sales representatives have a 25 percent risk. Cashiers have a huge chance or 97 percent. Stop going through self-service checkout lines to help those folks.

www.theuncomfortable.com is an architect’s “collection of deliberately inconvenient everyday objects.” It includes pictures of eyeglasses sure to stick you in the nose, open-toe rubber boots, and a set of hourglass salt and pepper shakers.

Better yet, go to a local site and get hypnotized by a frog at www.hypnotoad.esva.net.

Field Notes

I am amazed we all face a screen to communicate in a way that would have been deemed Jetson-style just a few decades ago. I visited a few websites and was truly enlightened even though there are many that would make a bored person become comatose.

I went to college. Barack was a senator. I have never been in favor of moving the beach. It is my understanding that all the required environmental permits have not been approved for this plan, which means there is still time to present the case for the people of Chincoteague. The health, safety, and welfare of our community should be the most important issue. Time is of the essence.

I urge the town council to denounce this proposed relocation plan and develop a strategy to defeat the USFWS plan. With a lot of hard work and lobbying you would be surprised what you could accomplish. Although the town has a Washington, D.C., lobbyist he has many clients to represent. Agencies want to meet and talk to elected representatives. You do not need a lobbyist to set up meetings with federal, state, and local agencies.

Our economy depends on tourism, and that depends on a wonderful beach experience, which will not exist if this proposed plan is implemented. It will also have a negative economic impact on the tax base of Chincoteague and Accomack County.

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