The Eastern Shore Watermen’s Museum and Research Center in Onancock is about ready to reopen after being closed for almost a year.

The museum opened in 2013, and even then museum director Paul Ewell knew he had more exhibits than space. “Watermen are hoarders,” he said, adding he had 4-5 storage units plus houses in Justisville and Virginia Beach stuffed full of memorabilia.

When the Historic Onancock School offered the museum a much larger space for only slightly more cost, the museum jumped at the chance, even though the board members have had to carry out some renovations on the space.

He fears it’s not just the public that is losing touch with the Shore’s maritime heritage. “Watermen nowadays don’t know what some of this stuff is,” he said.

In addition to the exhibits, Ewell said the museum has almost 90,000 digital photos, and has digitized locations of old crab houses and railways (railroad ties that run to the water and onto which boats are pulled. They function like small dry docks.)

Ewell has documented more than 400 sailing vessels built on the Eastern Shore, including more than 100 schooners. “The Ida May skipjack, which continues to win races, was built in Deep Creek,” Ewell said.

The museum will eventually host a research area where people can look up locations and vessels.

Ewell traces his own love for boats back to his love for his grandmother who regaled him with stories about the Rew Brothers. To her, “It was just an old oyster boat,” but it was central to so many family stories, said Ewell.

He finally tracked down the skipjack with the help of local historian Miles Barnes. Connecting with that piece of family history was felt so profoundly, Ewell thought others might react similarly. That was his motivation behind founding the museum. The museum is open on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and other times by appointment. Appointments can be made by calling 757-665-5771.

The museum also has a Facebook page (Eastern Shore Watermen’s Museum and Research Center).

“Facebook is a great research tool,” said Ewell. “We’ll post a photo and people start to comment” about who owned it and when.
Northam Declines to Reappoint Shore Representative to Water Board

By Linda Cicoira

There is no longer a resident of the Eastern Shore on the State Water Control Board.

Gov. Ralph Northam appointed Paula Hill Jasinski, of Richmond, president of Chesapeake Environmental Communications and Green Fin Studio, and James Lofton, of Greene County, assistant chief counsel for airports and environmental law for the Federal Aviation Administration, to the water board Friday.

The governor, a native of the Onancock area, did not reappoint Roberta Kellam, of Franktown, who sought to retain and was eligible to continue serving. She said she was supported by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Kellam voted “no” on key permits related to the Dominion Coast’s Atlantic Coast Pipeline and supported revoking certifications for the pipelines earlier this year.

She was notified Thursday that Northam would not reappoint her. Kellam, whose appointment expired in May, said it was not typical for appointments to take this long. “My prior two appointments were timely.”

Two members of the Air Pollution Control Board were also not reappointed. Rebecca Rubin and Samuel Bleicher, whose terms also ended in June, were not put back on that board, which had postponed a vote until next month for the pipeline compressor station.

Kellam said on Facebook “no reason” was given for the change. “I’d rather not say,” she answered when asked about it Saturday. But farther down in her posts she said it was because she voted against Dominion.

“I would like to say how much of an honor it has been to serve the commonwealth for two terms, plus hold-over months, on (the) SWCB, and I thank former Governors (Tim) Kaine and (Terry) McAuliffe for giving me the opportunity to serve,” she posted on Facebook. “I would like to thank the DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) leadership, DEQ staff, and my fellow board members for their hard work and friendship. I would also like to thank all members of the public who write letters, attend public hearings, and otherwise let the decision-makers know how a government decision could impact the waters of the commonwealth. Let us never take the water for granted and always strive to protect it for future generations.”

“The governor is exercising his statutory authority to appoint members of his choosing to these board seats,” Northam’s representative said.

Scores of local “friends” voiced their displeasure on Kellam’s Facebook site.


“Disappointing news for the ESVA (Eastern Shore of Virginia),” wrote Clarice Bartel MacGalary, also of Franktown. “Thanks for all you do for the Shore.”

Barry Truitt of Machipongo, wrote to thank Kellam for her service. “We do need a Shore person on this board.”

Janet Sturgis, a member of the Northampton Planning Commission who attends all the Eastern Shore Groundwater Committee meetings, also voiced her disappointment with the governor’s decision. “The gloves are now off in the fight over protecting and conserving ESVA ground and surface waters.”

Maureen Dooley, a local Democrat, posted, “This is the first time a decision made by the governor is less than forthright. I am correct in writing that he shed the votes that would go against the pipeline. He had stated that he trusted the decision of the advisers. When the decision was not to his liking, he shed the advisers. Am I misreading this? I hope I am.”

Edward S. Brinkley, of Cape Charles, wrote, “They only want industry puppets and shills. Northam was once better than this.”

“It is still shocking to me that he threw me under the bus,” Kellam answered.

“That is a huge disappointment and a loss for the Shore and the SWCB,” wrote Martina Coker, of Cape Charles.

Richard Ayers, of Exmore, wrote, “We were glad to have (had) your voice on the board for those many years. It’s the state’s loss in not reappointing you.”

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4:00-4:30 James Rich, baritone

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Antares Launch Takes Supplies And Research to Space Station

By Linda Cicoira

Northrop Grumman’s Cygnus spacecraft arrived on schedule Monday at the International Space Station carrying about 7,400 pounds of cargo that was launched from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility late last week.

The rocket was loaded with science and research, crew supplies, and vehicle hardware. It was the company’s 10th cargo delivery flight.

Expedition 57 astronauts Serena Aunon-Chancellor of NASA and Alexander Gerst of the European Space Agency used the space station’s robotic arm to secure Cygnus at 5:28 a.m.

The cargo will support dozens of new and existing investigations as Expeditions 57 and 58 contribute to about 250 science and research studies. Highlights include a demonstration of 3D printing and recycling technology and simulating the creation of celestial bodies from stardust.

“The Refabricator is the first-ever 3D printer and recycler integrated into one user-friendly machine,” according to a NASA report. “Once it’s installed in the space station, it will demonstrate recycling of waste plastic and previously 3D printed parts already on-board into high-quality filament — 3D printer ink. This recycled filament will then be fed into the printer to make new tools and parts on-demand in space. This technology could enable closed-loop, sustainable fabrication, repair, and recycling on long-duration space missions, and greatly reduce the need to continually launch large supplies of new material and parts for repairs and maintenance.”

“The Experimental Chondrule Formation will explore how planets, moons and other objects in space formed by simulating the high-energy, low-gravity conditions that were present during formation of the early solar system,” the report continued. “Scientists plan to zap a specially formulated dust with an electrical current, and then study the shape and texture of the resulting pellets.”

Another project “grows large crystals of an important protein, leucine-rich repeat kinase 2 in microgravity for analysis back on Earth. This protein is implicated in the development of Parkinson’s disease. Knowledge of its structure may help scientists better understand the pathology of the disease and develop therapies to treat it. The ... crystals grown in gravity are too small and too compact to study, making microgravity an essential part of the research.”

The Cygnus spacecraft will remain at the space station until February before its destructive reentry into Earth’s atmosphere, disposing of several thousand pounds of trash. “This is the seventh flight of an enhanced Cygnus spacecraft, and the fourth using Northrop Grumman’s upgraded Antares 230 launch vehicle featuring new RD-181 engines that provide increased performance and flexibility.”

The spacecraft for this mission was named in memory of astronaut John Young, who was selected for NASA’s second astronaut class and flew during the Gemini, Apollo, and Space Shuttle programs. He walked on the Moon during Apollo 16 in 1972. And he commanded the first space shuttle mission in 1981.

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Truck Driver in Fatal Bridge-Tunnel Crash
Had Drugs and Alcohol in His System

By Stefanie Jackson

The truck driver who died after his tractor-trailer went over the side of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel nearly four months ago had alcohol and drugs in his system at the time of the crash, an autopsy report recently revealed.

Jervone Hall, 33, of Millsboro, Del., had a blood alcohol level of about .062 percent at the time of the crash. According to Virginia law, this is below the legal limit of .08 percent for regular drivers but above the legal limit of .04 percent for commercial truck drivers.

Blood tests revealed Hall also had multiple drugs in his system: cocaine, benzoylecgonine (an indicator of cocaine), methamphetamine, amphetamine, ephedrine/pseudoephedrine, and THC (an indicator of marijuana).

Hall had a history of drug abuse, according to the autopsy report.

Among his personal effects was a black pouch containing two syringes, two capsules, one of which contained white powder, a cigarette lighter, a straw, a napkin, three Q-tips, a nail, a piece of wire, and a foil wrapper.

Hall died by drowning. His body showed no signs of blunt force trauma and there was no competing cause of death, the autopsy stated.

The accident occurred on July 27 at approximately 6:30 p.m. during heavy rain while the speed limit on the bridge-tunnel was reduced to 35 mph. Hall was driving southbound when his vehicle struck the rear of a van traveling ahead of him.

The van was forced into the guardrail, bounced off the guardrail into the rear of the tractor-trailer, and spun to a stop across the right travel lane. The tractor-trailer crashed through the guardrail and into the water below.

Traffic was stopped at the bridge-tunnel’s north plaza for about two hours. The four passengers of the van were treated by EMS personnel from Cape Charles Rescue Service and released, and they made written statements to police.

The U.S. Coast Guard began its search for the tractor-trailer, and maintenance personnel prepared to begin repairing...
the damage to the bridge. By 9:30 p.m. traffic was flowing steadily again with the 35 mph reduced speed still in effect.

By about 6:30 a.m. on July 28, a diving crew had arrived. They located the truck and the body of Hall’s passenger, 29-year-old Christopher Fenner, in the cab.

At approximately 1:54 p.m. a crane lifted the cab out of the water and placed it on a barge. Virginia Beach police and fire personnel were unable to remove the body from the truck cab. The barge was transported to Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel property at Little Creek, where a vehicle extrication was performed, meaning the vehicle had to be taken apart to remove the body.

Hall’s body was recovered on July 29 about seven or eight miles away from the scene and was identified by his brother, Darnell Hall, in a photo shown to him by police.

Darnell Hall, also a truck driver, had been traveling a few minutes behind his brother at the time of the accident. Both men were drivers for the Rennie Hunt trucking company. Darnell Hall stopped at the bridge-tunnel’s south plaza when he was unable to reach his brother by cell phone and he suspected his brother was the one involved in the accident.

The driver of the van, Angel Luis Cruz Alicea, 53, of Allentown, Pa., was not at fault in the accident, nor was he under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Jervone Hall was following too close, the crash report stated.

Both the van and the tractor-trailer were totaled, and about $70,000 worth of damage was done to the bridge-tunnel roadway, curb, guardrail, and a light pole.

Police Seek Information in Pocomoke Shooting

By Linda Cicoira

Pocomoke City, Md., police officers were called Monday to the Walmart store parking lot on Old Snow Hill Road where they found the victim of a gunshot wound.

The victim, who was shot in the leg and not identified, was taken to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Md. for injuries that were reported to be non-life threatening.

The suspect goes by the street name “Wreck” and was seen fleeing in a black sedan in an unknown direction.

He was described as a white male, about 6 feet tall, and weighing about 250 pounds.

Anyone with information about the incident is urged to call the Pocomoke City Police Department at 410-957-1600 or the Worcester County Bureau of Investigation at 410-632-1111. Callers may remain anonymous by calling Crime Solvers and receive up to a $1,000.00 reward for information leading to the apprehension and prosecution of the suspect.
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Man Pleads Guilty to Violent Crimes

A Cheriton man pleaded guilty this week in Northampton Circuit Court to several violent crimes involving two victims.

George Walker III, 27, of Cheriton, admitted he committed malicious bodily injury, abduction by force, and two counts of strangulation June 16. He also pleaded guilty to a count of malicious wounding in connection with an April 29 incident. Sentencing was set for February. Walker is being held in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail.

In another case, Tykia Twan Berryhill, 25, of Exmore, pleaded guilty to giving a false statement on a medical assistance form on Sept. 1, 2016. Sentencing was deferred until Feb. 11. An unspecified bond Monday, according to records filed in Northampton General District Court.

Trooper L.W. Milyko wrote in the file that he was driving in his marked patrol car. “I was passing a pick-up truck and while alongside, I observed the driver take a drink of a Coors Light can. I stopped the vehicle and spoke to the driver who smelled strongly of an alcoholic beverage. His speech was slurred and eyes bloodshot. He told me he had six beers and he last took a sip when I saw him. There was an eight-year-old boy and a one-year-old girl” in the truck Galvez-Roblero was driving.

A Breathalyzer test showed him with .21 grams per 210 liters of breath. The legal limit is .08.

Galvez-Roblero is being held without bond.

In another case, Lawrence O. Matthews, 54, of Market St. in Pocomoke City, Md., was charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle in connection with a Sept. 12 incident.

Deputy M.R. McCready of the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office investigated. Matthews is being held without bond.

Bond Set for Eastville Man

An Eastville man, who was charged with strangulation, was granted an unspecified bond Monday, according to records filed in Northampton courts last week.

The charge was made against Howard Cornelius Thomas Jr. on Nov. 10. He was arrested Nov. 11. A preliminary hearing was set for Dec. 17.

Six Drug Charges Not Prosecuted

Six drug charges will not be prosecuted against a Northampton man due to insufficient evidence.

Court records show Rovonte L. Rogers, 23, with addresses at Madame CJ Walker Lane and Banneker Road in Exmore, was indicted on six drug offenses on May 11. An order not to prosecute the indictments was entered in court records Nov. 14. He had been accused of possession with intent to distribute cocaine, possession with intent to distribute dibutylone (an amphetamine) possession with intent to distribute more than a half-ounce and less than five pounds of marijuana and conspiracy to distribute the three drugs. Those offenses occurred in 2018.

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Obituaries

Faye Layne Annis

Mrs. Faye Layne Annis, 76, of Bloxom, wife of the late Earl Wilson Annis, passed away on Nov. 12, 2018, at her residence.

Born on April 26, 1942, in Loccusville, she was the daughter of the late Otho Alfred Layne and Hilda Missouri Colonna Layne. She owned Faye’s Beauty Salon and was a member of Guilford United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Annis graduated from Onancock High School. She later attended Delmarva Beauty Academy, in Salisbury, Md., obtaining her cosmetology license, which would prove to be her lifelong career. Everlasting friendships were made through her work.

After retirement, she volunteered at the local election polls in Bloxom for years. In her spare time, she loved to crochet, embroidery, cross-stitch, sew and make crafts. She made all kinds of beautiful gifts for family and friends throughout her lifetime. Her husband, Earl, once said that people did not realize just how many hours she put into making each item.

Mrs. Annis had a passion for cooking which was not deterred by Mr. Annis or her son, Mike, and she passed this passion on to her son. Her family was her world, and she supported her husband and son in every endeavor they pursued. Years ago, on Saturday nights, you would find her sitting on a bleacher on the fourth turn at the Delmar Speedway cringing as Earl raced around the track. Sundays, she attended Guilford United Methodist Church where she was a member and played the piano or organ when needed, followed by dinner with the family in Guilford. When Mr. Annis passed, she and Mike became a team. While Mike would be out of the area working for weeks at a time, she kept his home affairs in order. When Mrs. Annis became ill with cancer in 2016, Mike stayed with her, taking care of her unconditionally as she had done for him throughout his life, remaining by her side until her dying breath.

Mrs. Annis will be eternally missed by her family, friends and her feline companions. She was a gracious lady who will never be replaced.

Mrs. Annis is survived by her son, Michael Earl Annis, of Bloxom, and a niece, Lisa Annis.

Other than her parents and spouse, she was preceded in death by a brother, Eugene Layne.

A Celebration of Life service was held at the Guilford United Methodist Church Nov. 17, 2018.

Arrangements were by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

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

John Kenyon Berry Jr.

Mr. John Kenyon Berry Jr., 74, husband of Barbara Donna Berry, and a resident of Machipongo, passed away Sunday, Nov. 18, 2018, at Hermitage on the Eastern Shore in Onancock. A native of Washington, D.C., he was the son of the late John Kenyon Berry Sr. and the late Jane Poole Berry. Mr. Berry was a retired Ford truck fleet salesman.

Mr. Berry’s dream of living on the water finally came true when he retired. He and his beloved wife, Barbara Donna, moved from Chevy Chase, Md., to Machipongo in 2014. A true Washington Redskins fan, he also became an avid crabber, catching them right off his dock. Always a great host, he enjoyed steaming and eating crabs with his family and friends. Mr. Berry had a great love for his dogs throughout the years. His current dog, Rocket, a Jack Russell, was by his side whenever possible and incredibly protective of him.

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by two children, John Kenyon Berry III, of Maryland, and Kelly B. Lukela, of Hawaii; five grandchildren; one sister, Beth Manquen, of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; sister-in-law, P. Darlene Jewell and her husband, Don; niece, Alicia Wald and her husband, Ben; nephew, Cory Jewell; brother-in-law, W. Barry Wraga and his wife, Trish; and many other cousins, nieces, nephews, and neighbors who will also miss him but will cherish so many wonderful memories.

To honor his wishes, a private service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to SPCA Eastern Shore Inc., P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Stephane Eberly Clifford

Mrs. Stephane Eberly Clifford, of 294 West Carolina St., Blacksburg, Va., passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018.

Mrs. Clifford was the daughter of the late John Eberly and Florence Eberly.

Surviving Mrs. Clifford are one son, John Clifford (Jessica) of Blacksburg; one daughter, Susan Elizabeth Clifford of Virginia; one grandson, Blake Ryan Clifford; three granddaughters, Rebecca Lee Clifford, Taylor Marie Thornton, and Crystal Marie Clifford.

A book of memories is available at www.gordonmortuary.com

The Blacksburg location of Gordon Mortuary is serving the Clifford family.

Robert Davis Fitchett

Mr. Robert Davis Fitchett, 80, husband of the late Janie Marie Fitchett and a resident of Parksley, walked graciously into the arms of his beloved wife on Monday, Nov. 19, 2018. Born July 23, 1938, in Nassawadox, and reared in Birdsnest, he was a son of the late Milton Fitchett and Mary Isdell Fitchett.

Mr. Fitchett retired from Tyson Foods, where he worked as a maintenance mechanic for many years.

He looked forward to days spent riding motorcycles with his family and close friends, memories that will forever be cherished by his loved ones. Mr. Fitchett was a devoted husband and father who adored his family, and he happily dedicated his life to ensuring they always had what they needed.

Survivors include his three children, Robert Davis Fitchett Jr., of Burkeville, Va., Tammy Marie Gladding, and Lisa Anne Perry and fiancé, Timothy Bowen, all of Parksley; two brothers, Tommy Fitchett, of Sanford, and Sonny Fitchett, of Exmore; sister, Barbara Johnson, of Cedar View; granddaughter, Kaitlyn Nicole Perry, of Parksley; two great-grandsons, Carson and Dakota Rodriguez; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife and parents, he was predeceased by a brother, Milton Fitchett Jr., and a sister, Isabelle Smith.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parkley Funeral Home on Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018, with the Rev. G. Wayne Parrsley officiating. Interment was held in the Liberty Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riverside Hospice, P.O. Box 616, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parkley Funeral Home.

Stewart Christopher Guy

Mr. Stewart Christopher Guy, of Easton, died on Nov. 2, 2018, surrounded by his family. He was 65.

Born on Jan. 16, 1953, in Nassawadox, he was a son of Billye Farmer Guy and the late William Herbert Guy.

Upon graduating from high school, he joined the Army, traded Delmarva marshes for Bavarian barracks, and spent two years guarding the nuclear-armed Nike Hercules missiles in West Germany. His European tour concluded, he moved to Richmond to attend Virginia Commonwealth University.

Once there, he rekindled an old flame with a young woman he’d never quite forgotten. The two would marry on June 20, 1981.

Before long he discovered his true calling — as an honest-to-god newspaper man. In newsrooms across Virginia and Maryland, he won several awards for his writing, earned a reputation as a damn good journalist, and attached his name to over 1,000 bylines at the Baltimore Sun alone.

Humble to a fault, he was a great writer. “Powdery gray dust clouds rise around her ankles with each footstep, then hang and drift on the breeze as Trinidad Tovar bustles about the bare dirt yard outside the concrete and cinderblock house she shares with her...”
Mr. Gerald Ellis Lasher Jr., U.S. Navy Retired, 53, resident of Bloxom, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 15, 2018, at his home. Born June 22, 1965, in Albany, N.Y., he was a son of the late Gerald Ellis Lasher and Sharon Stanley Lasher.

Mr. Lasher, known as Buddy to his family and Gerry to friends, graduated from Coxsackie-Athens High School, in Coxsackie, N.Y., in 1984. Soon after graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and continued to serve his country for the next 20 years. His military training focused on information systems and communication systems maintenance, which ultimately led him to become an instructor in his field. In recognition of his dedication and sacrifice, Mr. Lasher received numerous medals, awards, ribbons, and commendations over the years. On Nov. 30, 2004, Mr. Lasher retired from his final post at the Naval Station in Norfolk, Va., with the rank of electronics technician first class. Following retirement, he accepted a position with Lockheed Martin, now BAE Systems, working as the senior maintenance technician for all communication equipment at the Surface Combat Systems Center on Wallops Island. Over the last 11 years, Mr. Lasher has been an asset to SCSC, sharing his extensive knowledge and expertise, and more importantly, his friendship. He was an avid golfer and bowler, enjoyed fishing in his spare time, and looked forward to dinners at his favorite restaurant, Sage Diner.

With a heart of gold and the most loving and caring soul you’ll ever know, Mr. Lasher was the kind of man who always put everyone else’s needs before his own. Though he accomplished so much throughout his life, he was most proud of the incredible young woman he raised. His daughter, Jordan, was the apple of his eye, and there was nothing he wouldn’t do for her.

Although we must say farewell for now, Mr. Lasher’s memory will live on in the many lives he touched and the memories shared. “Fair winds and following seas, Sir. We have the watch.”

Survivors include his daughter, Jordan LeeAnn Martin, of Virginia Beach, Va.; sister, Nancy Godbout and husband, David, of Florida; brother, George Lasher, of Alabama; several nieces and nephews; and countless friends.

Funeral services, with military honors provided by his friends at SCSC, were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2018, with the Rev. Robert Fletcher officiating. Interment, with military honors, will be held at Arlington Na-

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In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you honor Mr. Lasher’s life by making someone smile or laugh, by helping a friend in need, or simply, with a random act of kindness.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Sarah Patricia Mears

Ms. Sarah Patricia “Pat” Mears, 51, a resident of Nassawadox, passed away Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. A native of Nassawadox, she was the daughter of the late Lawrence H. Mears and the late Bertha Smullin Mears Dunton. She was a registered nurse and member of Exmore Baptist Church.

She is survived by her sisters, Paulette Kilmon, of Bloxom, Bridgette Spencer and her husband, Richard, of Belle Haven, Mary M. Doughty, of Willis Wharf, Rita M. Higbee and her husband, Ira, of Painter, and Annette Hall and her husband, Ronnie, of Capeville; 11 nieces and nephews, Jacklyn Bishop, Jay L. Farlow Jr., Mindy Taylor, Rebecca Cowling, Terry Higbee, Zachary Higbee, Donnie Kilmon, Angie Kilmon, Mary Hall, Pam Hall, and R.J. Hall; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018, at Doughty Funeral Home with the Rev. Jonathan Carpenter officiating. Interment will follow in the Belle Haven Cemetery. Flowers will be accepted.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Janet Colquhoun Whitehead

Ms. Janet Colquhoun Whitehead, who felt she looked best at the age of 4, died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2018. She was born Nov. 15, 1935, to the late Winton and Janet Peirce Whitehead. After growing up in Eastville, she lived away for most of her working life and then returned permanently to her beloved hometown in the 1980s. Wherever she ventured, she stood up for her Scottish family name, which no one could pronounce, and for her birthplace, which no one could find on the map.

She attended local schools and in 1957 was graduated from the College of William & Mary, where she contributed to campus publications and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She moved to New York, hoping to find work in publishing, but couldn’t resist the 30 Rockefeller Plaza address of an analyst job with Shell Oil Company. After enjoying the Plaza’s hustle and bustle for two years, she was happy to be hired as an editor at Medical Economics magazine. The “luck of a lifetime” came in 1961, when she was appointed to the human resources staff of Brookhaven National Laboratory, the scientific research center on eastern Long Island. Beginning as policy writer and editor of the in-house newspaper, she remained at the Laboratory for more than two decades, eventually breaking a so-called glass ceiling when named personnel manager for some 4,000 employees. Her work brought many opportunities for travel here and abroad, and she enjoyed her membership in a multi-national community of open and inquiring minds. For the remainder of her life, she held on to an inclusive world view and firm belief in the value of science.

On Long Island, her major community effort was to serve on the board of directors of Brookhaven Memorial Hospital and Suffolk County’s regional medical center. In later years she was an active member of the Garden Club of the Eastern Shore as well as several groups focused on local history. In the 1990’s she devoted many volunteer hours to seeking grant funds for renovation of the Eastville Inn and became the first construction project manager...
By Linda Cicoira

There was another fire at Perdue last weekend where the subcontractor, Valley Protein, was working to remove a chicken grease collection tank from a condemned building, according to Chief Willie Kirkpatrick of Parksley Volunteer Fire Company.

About 50 volunteers from seven fire companies responded to the blaze. Kirkpatrick said it took about 30 minutes to control the fire. In addition to Parksley, units from Tasley, Onancock, Melfa, Bloxom, Wachapreague, and Painter responded. No injuries occurred.

Last summer firefighters turned out for a similar incident. “We don’t get many fires at Perdue and when we do we get a good turnout,” said Kirkpatrick.

The call came in at 2:10 p.m., Saturday. Kirkpatrick said the welding was being done on the tank and caught fire to it.

The building that is being condemned is the same one where there was an explosion a few years ago that seriously injured a local man.
Members of the Accomack and Northampton county boards of supervisors, elected by the voters of their respective counties, serve on the Accomack-Northampton Transportation District Commission (A-NTDC).

The railroad, Canonie Atlantic Company, has a board of directors made up of members of the A-NTDC, but those members meet and work behind closed doors. They won’t divulge to local economic leaders what they are doing. They say the reason for the secrecy is so competitors cannot gain information and so the group isn’t subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Chairman Spencer Murray, of the Northampton Board of Supervisors, is a Canonie board member. He refused recently to tell the Accomack Economic Development Authority (EDA) and the Joint Industrial Development Authority of Northampton County and its Incorporated Towns (JIDA), in a joint meeting of the panels, how much money the railroad got for the barge, Nandua. This despite that hundreds of thousands of dollars in state and local money were spent to purchase and repair the car float. The repairs totaled $1 million with Accomack and Northampton counties each throwing in $100,000.

Murray also wouldn’t disclose details of a closing agreement with Cassatt Management LLC, a private for-profit company owned by Dickie Foster of Virginia Beach who developed Bay Creek near Cape Charles and which did business as Bay Coast Railroad. Foster initially had a 30-year lease on rail property. He paid $7,000 a year and had 18 years left.

After many questions about the deal, Murray said no money had changed hands — not yet anyway.

The Eastern Shore Post obtained a recording from the joint EDA/JIDA meeting.

Murray blamed Foster for the railroad’s demise because he said Foster didn’t put profits back into maintenance. The tracks are in need of an upgrade, said Murray. “The lease did not require him to show finances. It obligated him only to live car counts … In hindsight, the monies Foster was supposed to put back in the railroad wasn’t happening.”

Murray said the railroad business was like “landing on Mars … They don’t create huge amounts of cash — constant repair and reports. Just unbelievable” with union wages and vacations. “It’s not a world in which I’ve ever operated before. … Everything has to have a financial reason to exist. It was evaporating.”

There was “No cash flow to amount to anything,” he continued. “Most of the money was being made in Little Creek — roughly $300,000 a year.” That yard “had deteriorated and was being closed. There were fines … A history of mismanagement. Fines to DEQ.”

Murray also said the company has donated some items and sold other items for scrap. He said Canonie wants to hold onto the railway until the former Bayshore Concrete site is sold in case the new owners desire to use rail.

But if this future company has the need, there won’t be a locomotive to pull any cars because one was sold for scrap and another engine and some cars were given to the Cape Charles Museum. The steel rails could be dismantled but Canonie would likely break even even due to the cost of disposing of the ties.

“I want to know what the options are,” Chairman Wesley Edwards of the EDA told Murray. “You can’t make good business decisions without knowing the numbers.”

Accomack has hoped Tyson Foods and Perdue Farms would use the rail.

Murray said Canonie wasn’t asking for assistance.

In the past, Bill Parr, chairman of the JIDA, was distraught with the behind-closed-doors way Canonie operates. But his outlook at the recent meeting appeared changed. “Mr. Murray has been deeply involved in the railroad over the last couple of months,” Parr said at the start of the session. “We
Parr was just happy knowing, “We know we have someone who can work with us.” Murray said Canonie also gave items, which he didn’t identify, to a sawmill in Nassawadox and some cars are being sold. “There is a lot of interest in the yard. Now (the) town and about a hundred others are interested,” he said. “We want to keep all our options open. … That’s why we’re kind of where we are — raising cash by selling things. Our objective is to clean up the yard. … What happens to that land should be up to Cape Charles.”

He said it was estimated to cost $6 million to bring the rail up to a better standard. “Even if you replaced every fourth tie … It would take a lot of cars to make it financially viable.”

“I’ve done all this research,” Murray said. “We’ll still get revenue from the easements. It’s going to be difficult. You have to be very careful about doing it. If we sell Little Creek, that would be a tremendous amount of cash flow. There’s value over there.”

He also commented that Foster owes $264,000 in back taxes in Little Creek and that broadband right of ways would be maintained.

Citizens Surveyed Satisfied With Chincoteague Police Department

By Linda Cicoira

Forty-three citizens or 100 percent of those participating in a survey conducted through the Chincoteague Police Department’s website said they were “satisfied with the overall performance” of the town agency.

The survey began Oct. 5, and continued for a month. It was promoted on Facebook.

Regarding the service provided for safety and security in the participants’ neighborhoods, 93 percent voiced satisfaction. Twenty-one percent of the citizens in the survey were “either a victim, witness, or suspect in an incident investigated by the department.”

Thirty-eight had “the opportunity to observe a Chincoteague police officer performing his/her official duties.” Of those, 37 thought the officer “seemed competent, had acceptable attitude and acceptable behavior.”

“We conduct these surveys because we want the citizens to have a chance to tell us how we are doing,” said Chief Randy Mills. Participants did not have to give their names. Fourteen percent left a contact name and phone number so a follow-up could be made. The rest remained anonymous.

“Some citizens left good comments and even some suggestions,” Mills said. “It’s always great when we can get the input of the citizens we serve.”

The officers are gearing up for their annual toy drive. Donations barrels for new, unwrapped toys will be placed at several businesses on the island to help less fortunate families. Those needing assistance should contact the police department at 6150 Community Drive. Details on the toy run set for Dec. 1, and the toy drive will be posted on the department’s Facebook page.
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Shore Soccer Concludes Another Successful Season

Story and Photos by Krystle Bono

The 34 teams that make up the Shore Soccer league played their final matchups Nov. 10, on a chilly Saturday in Nassawadox.

This season’s teams were made up of 394 players from across the Eastern Shore, with ages ranging from six to 18 years. A total of 140 games were played on the Nassawadox fields, located at the Randy Custis Memorial Park this fall. The league also sported over 25 volunteer coaches and referees from Northampton, Nandua, and Arcadia High Schools.

Shore Soccer’s in-season champions were the Gray Dolphins coached by Ben Willis, winning the U7 bracket. The Orange Crushers, coached by Susie Reed, won U9. Liz Gildo’s Pink Ladybugs took the U11 championship. For the U14 boys, the yellow team, coached by Omar Montalvo, finished at the top. Wayne Creed’s black team of U18 girls and green team of U18 boys each earned first in their respective groups.

The championship tournament held Nov. 10 for the U11 through U18 age groups concluded with the Pink Ladybugs as the U11 champions. Gray, coached by Thom Dix and Paul Watson, won the U14 boys tournament brackets. Creed’s black team won the U18 girls tournament, and the red team, coached by Andhy Ramirez, took home the championship for the U18 boys.

Shore Soccer extends a huge thank you to the many local businesses who sponsored shirts and fields this season, as well as the United Way and Cape Charles Rotary for their annual support of the league.

Goalie Chandler Hart kicks during his Nov. 10 game in Nassawadox.

Carter Fox dribbles the ball past his opponents.

The pink and black U18 boys compete in the semifinals.

The U18 girls battle in the final game of the tournament Nov. 10.
Delmarva Rage

Do you have the rage in you? The Delmarva Rage is an indoor/outdoor 8-on-8 contact football team for young men ages 18 and over, located on the Delmarva. The Rage will be having an interest meeting on Dec. 2, at the Green Turtle in Salisbury at 5 p.m.

The Rage will be competing in the MIFL for a championship run, and will be coached by Darnell Evans and R.J. Parker.

For more information, contact darnellevans41@yahoo.com or delmarvarage@yahoo.com

ACPR Youth Basketball Signups

Accomack Parks and Recreation is accepting registration forms for its youth basketball league. The age groups are 5-8, 9-12, and 13-15.

Registration fee is $35 if paid by Dec. 8; after that date the fee will be $40.

Contact the Parks and Recreation office at 757-787-3900, or 757-824-0314 for additional information.

7-on-7 Flag Football

Two 7-on-7 flag football tournaments are scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 8, and Jan. 5, at 12293 Walkers Ridge Rd., Exmore.

This year, with the passing of Tony Washington, the tournaments will raise money for a Tony Washington Scholarship that will be open up for any upcoming graduating senior who is a three-sport athlete. One student athlete from any of the local schools who is planning to attend college will be chosen to accept the scholarship.

All student athletes that are interested in applying for the scholarship will need to fill out an application at their designated school. A fundraising goal of least a $1,000 between the two tournaments has been set.

All teams must register with Coach Wayman by the Friday before the tournament and will be limited to the first eight teams of 14 players max that sign up, and the cost is $10 per player. The tournaments are ages 14 years and above.

Nandua Middle Girls Basketball

The Nandua Middle School girls basketball team earned the championship trophy Nov. 13, in Onley.

First Place Trout

Craig Sheaffer’s 6-pound speckled trout took first place in the recent Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle Surf Fishing tournament.
By Michael Garbacz

Game 1: Hoyt Insurance Ducks 4, Eastern Speed Shop Canucks 0

On the Sunday before turkey day, it was the Ducks who served up a whoopin’ in their first tilt. Dominating the game on every area of the court, the quackers essentially sealed the win the first period, taking a 1-0 lead. They really took off in the second, however, outshooting the ‘Nucks 11-2 and tacking on three insurance goals. Goalie Brad Ford wasn’t too busy in the net, seeing only nine shots en route to the shutout. In front of him, it was John-John Leach who led the offense, registering a goal and two assists; the General, Robbie Washington, and Devon Corbin each tickled the twine; George Smith and Zach Webb threw in a helper apiece.

Game 2: EZ Loan Bruins 2, Blues 1

In the best contest of the day, the stout defense of the Blues nearly enabled them to steal one away from the Smooth Criminal and his Killer Bs. Although they were out-shot 26-11, the Blues managed to contain the Bruins’ potent offense about as well as possible, positioning themselves in passing lanes and forcing shooters to the outside. However, the Bruins’ captain took over the game in the third, first knotting the affair at one and notching the decider late. T.R. Hoyt assisted on both goals. For the Blues, it was Wes Stapleton who spoiled Cabe Morgan’s shutout bid, on assists from Cody Williams and Brandon Morgan.

Game 3: K&E Marine Capitals 5, Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 2

The league-leading Caps came hard at the Wings with their fast-paced, relentless cycling game. The Red Wings overall did a decent job of holding them off, but the Capitals are just too patient and talented to give up much real estate. The Pat Trick led the way, figuring in on four of his team’s five goals, with two markers and two helpers; Bradley Colona scored two goals; Matt Yetter deposited one; Matt Sullivan, James Haley, Ben Bundick, and Dustin Aigner all contributed an assist apiece. For the Red Wings, the Huntsman and Michael Vargas traded set-ups, each registering a goal and an assist.

Game 4: Eastern Speed Shop Canucks 2, EZ Loan Bruins 6

In one of the more chess-like matches of the day, the Canucks hung on for the majority of the contest, but the Killer Bs got stronger as it wore on, eventually running away in the third. None other than the Smooth Criminal once again had the hot hand, dominating the game and figuring in on every single Bruins goal with a monstrous four-goal, two-assist effort. Hoyt and Chris Potter were the other two scorers for the Bs; Sharkey Parks chipped in as a helper. For the ‘Nucks, Keith Hagler and La Boca registered markers, while the Onancock Kid threw in an assist.

Game 5: Hoyt Insurance Ducks 5, Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 1

The Ducks stayed hot on the cool fall day, showing up strong in the final frame to sail to victory. The Red Wings had some good looks but could only get one by goalie Ford. The General cooked up a hat trick plus an assist; Webb and Corbin each tickled the twine; Webb picked up a pair of assists. For the Red Wings, young speedster Ethan Ayer staved off the goose egg, on an assist from the Huntsman.

Game 6: Blues 0, K&E Marine Capitals 4

This one was one to forget for the struggling Blues, as the score does not begin to describe how thoroughly they were crushed. Even without the Pat Trick, the Caps completely dominated play all over the rink, outshooting the blueshirts 22-6. If I were a bettin’ man, I might’ve thrown some serious change on the wager that goalie Justin Wheeler literally did not break a sweat. Yetter put home two goals; Colona and James Haley each registered one; Dylan Harrington and Aigner each picked up assists.

Game 7: Hoyt Insurance Ducks 7, Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 2

In a make-up affair, the Ducks once again stayed dominant, cashing in on nearly half their shots. Although the Wings kept up with them in shots, with a total of 17-16 for the game in favor of the quackers, they just could not find the “puck luck” to keep it close. The General kept on racking up the points, pounding home four goals and assisting on another; Webb scored twice; Smith found the back of the net; Caleb Clark, Josh Thomas, Washington, and Ford (out of the net in favor of Corbin) each registered assists. For the Red Wings, Ayer and C.J. Jones tickled the twine; the Huntsman picked up a helper.

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Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall

As we are winding up the end of the Fishing From the Shore fishing column for the year, we are still awaiting the influx of the large-to-trophy-sized schools of striped bass into the seaside waters and the lower Chesapeake Bay. Looking back at my records from last year, it was not until the last week of November that we saw a stripers breaking the 37-pound mark, and by the end of the first week in December, we had our first reported 50-pounder. So, patience my friends, all is not lost; the earlier cooler air temperatures just make it seem like we are later in the season than usual. Hopefully we will be in the bigger fish sooner than later.

Upper Shore - Allan Ring, at Sea Hawk Sports Center, reported that the upper Chesapeake Bay side of the peninsula is saturated with lots of feeding rockfish being found under working birds. Most of the action has been occurring in depths of 10- to 20-feet. Jigging has been the method of choice when targeting the larger fish in the schools. Crippled Herring, Jig Fish, and the new Specialized Baits lil’ Bunker spoons in Bleed’n Gold and Bleed’n Silver have been the jigs of choice, with the Bleed’n Gold colored specialized spoon outcatching the silver model on most of the recent trips. On average, the recent catches have ranged up to 25 inches, with about one-in-five fish measuring above the minimum legal length. Most anglers have been fishing the waters of Tangier Sound and west of Smith Island. Top locations have included the Hollands, Bloodsworth Island, and the area between the Target Ship up to buoy 72A.

The Tangier Reef Site and the Puppy Hole off Crisfield have also been mentioned in several recent reports. A few stripers remain in the shallows for those anglers favoring light tackle, a paddletail soft plastic fished on a ¼ ounce jig head fished slowly near the bottom has been the most productive presentation. The Pocomoke River is producing catches of yellow perch, crappie, and chain pickerel.

Middle Shore - Johnny “Mo” Morrison reported that he and C.L. Marshall have been enjoying success on keeper-sized rockfish while jigging with Crippled Herring over the Sandspit area off Saxis Island and also casting in the shallows around Little Fox’s Island. Joe Stalgaitis, of Rail and Sail Seafood, reported that keeper sized rockfish were being taken from the mouth of Muddy Creek throughout Beasley Bay and out to the waters off Watts and Tangier Islands.

Chincoteague - Pete Vasilou, of Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle, reported that the shop’s surf fishing tournament was a success despite the shortage of legal sized fish and unfavorable weather conditions. Craig Sheaffer took top honors with a 26-inch, 6-pound citation speckled trout caught in the surf of Assateague Island. The tournament saw catches of rockfish to 26 and 27 inches, just shy of the 28-inch minimum requirement from the seaside waters. Most of the fish caught in the surf on Sunday and Monday measured 20-24 inches.

Inside the inlet, Vasilou described the striped bass as being “everywhere,” with most of the fish measuring between 20-24 inches, the largest reported striped stretched the tape to 32 inches. Best action has been occurring near Lewis Creek and along the many bridge pilings during the change in the tides. Soft plastics, especially twisters and Berkley Gulp, have been the most productive offerings while fished on light spinning tackle. Offshore, the water temperature is prime for productive tautog and black sea bass catching, but the unsettled weather has prevented vessels from attempting to wreckfish.

Lower Shore – The weather seems to have impacted the waters of the lower shore and Chesapeake Bay even more than other areas of the shore. Fishing action has been almost nonexistent due to the lack of protected fishing locations. Chris Snook, of Chris’ Bait and Tackle, reported that some small speckled trout have been caught along the Kiptopeke beaches. Jey Brady, of Bailey’s Bait & Tackle, reported that he has seen some nice sized schoolie stripers along the shorelines and jetties and most of the fish have been keeper-sized. The recent dip in water temperatures has everyone anticipating the arrival of trophy sized rockfish, which have been in a holing pattern in the waters off the New Jersey coast.

This will probably be the last Fishing From the Shore report of the season. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the report’s content, and we hope that everybody had a great Thanksgiving and we wish bent rods to all of our readers for the remainder of his year and into 2019!

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

Photo Courtesy of SeaHawk Sports Center

Tyler Bristol landed this keeper-sized striper using a Specialized Baits ‘lil Bunker spoon while jigging in Tangier Sound.
Two Important Surveys Set County Estimates for Agriculture Products

Submitted Articles

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services reminds farmers that two of the larger and most important surveys are the annual Row Crops County Agricultural Production Survey and the December Agricultural Survey, the results of which are combined to set county average yields.

The more responses received by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) the better, and more accurate the data will be. If NASS does not receive enough reports, they cannot publish county estimates.

The Row Crops CAPS surveys about 5,000 farmers in Virginia to find out their acres planted, acres harvested and production of corn, soybeans, hay (alfalfa and other), tobacco (flue-cured, burley and dark fire-cured), cotton and peanuts. This survey was mailed on Nov. 16 and the data collection period goes through early January 2019.

The December Agricultural Survey asks an additional 1,500 Virginia farmers how many acres of crops they planted, how many acres they harvested and their yield per acre. This survey was mailed on Nov. 16 and the data collected from Nov. 28 through Dec. 12.

When drought, excessive rain and flooding impact crop production, or even in a year with good yields, this data is crucial to the agriculture industry.

NASS’s county estimates are used with other USDA agencies’ estimate calculations to set standards for insurance and risk protection programs that many farmers rely on to protect their operations. Farm Service Agency relies on county-level estimates for Agricultural Risk Coverage, County Loan Rates, and its disaster program calculations. The Risk Management Agency uses the data for administering the Area Risk Protection Insurance Plan, and establishment of transitional yields.

Farmers may respond to surveys via mail-in, telephone, face-to-face interviews, or reply online. Follow-up phone calls will begin on Nov. 28, if no response is received.

Contact Herman Ellison in the Richmond office at 804-771-8560 or Herman.Ellison@usda.gov for questions or concerns.

Virginia to Offer Nutrient Management Training in December

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation will offer a two-part nutrient management training school in December. The school is for anyone interested in learning about the development of agricultural nutrient management plans or how to become a certified plan writer. Both sessions will be held in Sandston at the Homewood Suites Richmond Airport Hotel.

The first session, Dec. 6-7, is a lecture series by Virginia Tech professors on soil science, soil fertility and crop production. The second session, Dec. 11-13, will cover nutrient management plan writing using a case-study farm.

Both sessions run from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day. Registration is $130 for each session. After Nov. 27, the fee increases to $150 per session.

Nutrient management continues to be an important factor in a farmer’s decision-making process when considering application of materials to supply nutrients to crops. Nutrient management plans are guides for applying manure, fertilizers, biosolids and other soil amendments so that crop yields are maximized, and ground and surface waters are protected from nutrient pollution. Application rates are determined by a process using actual yield records or soil productivity when yield records aren’t available.

“Generally it would appear this type of training may be of interest mainly to consultants, sales people or agency people working with nutrient management and crop production,” said David Kindig, DCR’s nutrient management certification and training coordinator.

“However, farmers and farm operators do attend the schools for educational benefit, and some choose to become certified planners themselves. The training gives them a better understanding of how plans are developed.”

More information about nutrient management training and certification is available at www.dcr.virginia.gov/soil-and-water/nmtrain
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

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Meet Parksley Businesswoman Lizzie Chadbourne, Advocate for Shore’s First Library

By Curtis Badger

When the new Eastern Shore Public Library opens in Parksley it will be a homecoming of sorts. While it’s true that the Accomac library marked its 60th birthday last month, Accomac was not the home of the first library on the Eastern Shore. That distinction belongs to the town of Parksley, which celebrated the grand opening of the Parksley Free Library on March 26, 1892. In 2020, after the passage of some 128 years, Parksley will again celebrate the opening of a new library.

According to The Countryside Transformed, a digital archive of maps, photographs, and printed media maintained by the Eastern Shore Public Library, the Parksley Free Library was the brainchild of Elizabeth Chadbourne, an enterprising young woman from Boston who spent her summers in Parksley and began the library with a donation of 500 volumes.

The Parksley Free Library opened with a grand celebration, complete with speeches, music, and fireworks. As the Peninsula Enterprise reported, “The opening was a splendid success. There was not even standing room for one more. Miss Chadbourne made the presentation address, in her usual happy style, outlining the progress of the work of collecting the Library and making an eloquent plea for its liberal use and support. Miss Willie Wright, in well chosen words, gracefully accepted the gift on behalf of the trustees.”

Parksley was a child of the railroad, which opened on the Shore in 1884 and profoundly changed the landscape in which people lived, worked, and traveled. Parksley was the product of a land rush, a planned community that in a very brief interval morphed from farmland to a commercial center. It is generally assumed that wealthy businessmen were the catalyst that drove the railroad and the growth it spawned, but in Parksley, Lizzie Chadbourne was a mover and shaker of the first order. Opening the Parksley Free Library was just one of her accomplishments.

Lizzie was the daughter of William and Elizabeth Chadbourne of Boston and was well-known as a public speaker. The Norfolk Landmark described her as “a silver-tongued elocutionist” in its Feb. 26, 1889, edition. William Chadbourne was a Boston police officer, and when he retired from the force around 1890, he built a home in Parksley where the family spent their winters. Lizzie was described in the news media of the day as “a shrewd and accomplished young woman from Boston” who quickly became involved in land sales. Lizzie was a principal owner of the Parksley Land Improvement Co., which bought much of the land surrounding Parksley.

The Chadbourne family built a three-storied home on Wilson Avenue, and Lizzie bought a 50-acre parcel near the neighborhood in Boston where her family lived and began selling lots. The holdings of the Parksley Land Improvement Co. grew quickly and soon included Half Moon Island and much nearby farmland. While many of the lots were sold to northerners looking for a temperate winter home, local folks also bought land in Parksley. Businesses in neighboring communities such as Leemont moved to Parksley to take advantage of the growing population and the amenities provided by the town.

And among those amenities was the Parksley Free Library, which opened with a fireworks display by the National Fireworks Company of Boston that the Peninsula Enterprise called “the most elaborate ever seen in this section.” Perhaps there will be fireworks again in 2020.

A campaign is underway to fund the new ESVA Heritage Center, which will require specialized architectural design, environmental controls and equipment. Those wishing to donate or to be recognized with other Founders of the Heritage Center should send donations to ESPL Foundation, P.O. Box 554, Accomac, VA 23301, call 757-787-2500, or visit www.shorelibrary.com

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No better way for Freedom Hunters to celebrate the Marine Corps birthday and Veterans Day weekend than with a great group of veterans, American Legion Post 56 in Cherriton, and Mr. Rollins Scott of Cape Charles. Eight warriors from four states had a great day of muzzleloader hunting on private land, and almost all were able to harvest a deer or had the opportunity.

Thanks to Traditions Arms, many warriors were using their recent purchases, while some used loaned Traditions Arms muzzleloaders. Rollins Scott made this event an annual favorite for the last five years. Rollins and his crew do everything they can to ensure the warriors leave with full coolers of venison by placing hunters in opportunistic stands and processing the deer, leaving only the shooting up to the warriors.

Wilson Leggett procured nearby lodging for the warriors, and provided lunch and dinners with the help of Dianne Leggett and Cindy Deoudes. After dinner Friday night, the warriors had their pick of custom buck knives provided by Conservation Officer Steve Garvis of the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. They received more gifts after Saturday night’s dinner. These were generously donated by Chris’ Bait & Tackle and conservation officer Travis Murray of the Virginia Department Game and Inland Fisheries.

Freedom Hunters is proud to partner with the great patriots of Eastern Shore of Virginia and its fellow veterans to help thank and honor all our service men and women for their sacrifice and service. Semper fidelis.
The Nature Conservancy’s Holiday Open House at Brownsville

Thursday, Dec. 6, 4:00-8:00 pm
The staff of The Nature Conservancy’s Virginia Coast Reserve invites you to...

• Tour the historic home
• Visit with our staff and volunteers
• Enjoy warm apple cider and homemade treats
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This event is **FREE** and **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**.

We hope you’ll join us December 6th!

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For questions, please call 442-3049.
Sheriff Todd E. Godwin wishes to announce the 4th Annual Donnie Wayne Tyndall Memorial “Stuff the Car Event”

The Accomack County Sheriff’s Office will be in front of Walmart in Onley, Virginia on Friday, November 23, 2018 from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM. We’ll be kicking off our fourth annual toy drive and ask for toy donations to stuff a police car. Please join our effort to bring smiles to less fortunate youngsters. Daren, the D.A.R.E. Lion, will be there to help us kick off this event along with sheriff’s office staff.

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Talking Turkey
At left, Bruce Matthews of Matthews Market, in Mappsville, finds the perfect fresh turkey for Jamard Williams, of Nassawadox, and his mom.

ESY&CC Groundbreaking Dec. 1
The Eastern Shore Yacht & Country Club, of Melfa, will hold a groundbreaking Saturday, Dec. 1, at 2 p.m., to mark the beginning of construction to replace the clubhouse destroyed by fire in December 2017. The public is invited.

For the past year, golf, tennis, swimming, and youth summer activities were enjoyed by members and guests despite the absence of a clubhouse with food served at the Boathouse Grill, sometimes accompanied by music.

Meanwhile, the club used the Inn and Garden Restaurant and the adjacent Carriage House in Onancock for meals, banquets, and entertainment for members and guests.

Details on the plans for the new clubhouse will be released following the groundbreaking.
Terri believes hospice care is about making the most of the time that’s left

And that meant Linda’s father lived out his last days with dignity

Some years back, when Terri Shook was doing oncology nursing, she witnessed firsthand the importance of end-of-life care for patients and families. Because of that experience, Terri became a part of Riverside’s hospice team – the team that helped Linda’s father live out his final days in a setting of comfort and compassion.

“Terri was one of those people who made me believe there are angels on the Eastern Shore.”

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Yellow Jacket Excellence Referral Recipients
Two outstanding students, junior Yeats James and sophomore Olivia Peart, received a Yellow Jacket Excellence Referral for their actions during the last home football game. James and Peart found a man’s wallet that had money in it. The students turned the wallet in to the press box. Announcer Rueben Quanbeck made a quick announcement and the wallet was quickly returned to its owner.
Pictured above from left are Assistant Principal Heather Marsh, Yeats James, Olivia Peart, and Assistant Principal and CTE Coordinator Dr. Charles King.

Seventh Grade Students Organize Chess Tournament
Submitted Article and Photo
Twenty students in the Nandua Middle School FACS class took a unique approach to practicing Virginia Workplace Readiness Skills by learning the game of chess. An in-class tournament was held Nov. 1 and 2. The tournament was the brainchild of seventh grader Austin Shrieves, who recruited the assistance of Athletic Director Mike Bono to help with brackets and Alan Silverman, the Nandua Chess Club coach, to be the lead observer and officiator. FACS instructor, Jennifer Kidwell, was an observer as well. The tournament had five rounds of play with winners in each bracket advancing towards a two-person finish.

Martin Savage was the winner in a nail-biter in the final round against Akeely Stern. Savage’s win is a testament to the unpredictability of chess. Martin was knocked out of the tournament the first day but, due to the absence of a player, won a random selection to get back into the tournament for the second day. He went on to win three rounds and claim the top prize.

All Virginia career and technical education classes are required to teach 21 workplace readiness skills. Many are soft skills ranging from decision-making, critical thinking, and conflict resolution to sportsmanship. Chess is a natural outlet for all of these. At the end of the tournament, Silverman said, “Kids learn life success through skills of chess, as was evidenced in this classroom.”

Students started the second day by presenting Kidwell with a rose to thank her for her efforts and ended with a group photo and handshakes all around.

Nandua Middle and High students, as well as local home-schooled students, interested in learning and playing chess are invited to join the Nandua Chess Club. The club meets every Thursday in the Nandua Middle School library from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. For more information, contact Jennifer Kidwell at 787-7037 or Alan Silverman at alan_silverman@verizon.net.
Chincoteague Elementary Red Ribbon and Terrific Kids Recipients

Chincoteague Elementary announced its Red Ribbon award winners and Terrific Kids recipients. During the last week in October, students participated in theme activities devoted to creating a healthy, drug free future for America, “Life is a Journey, Travel Drug Free.” The activities were led by teachers Kim Laxton and Jackie Gilfoyle. The following students were winners of the bookmark or poster contest held at CES and pictured above left with Principal Dr. Marge Rosati: Bookmark Winners grades K-2 (front row, from left) 1st place Laila Custer, 2nd place Michael Day, and 3rd place Kylie Johnson (absent: honorable mention Pippa Kinard); Poster Contest Winners grades 3-5 (back row) 1st place Rylee Giddings, 2nd place Jody Wright, 3rd place Meredith Wright, and honorable mention Connor Moran.

The Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague presented Terrific Kids awards for the first grading period. These awards honor students who demonstrate a positive attitude, good character, responsible citizenship, and/or academic improvement. The Terrific Kids are pictured above right: (front row, from left) Jaxon Young, Cooper Atkins, Tate Clark, Kylie Johnson, Gracie Royall, and Faith Stadler; (back row) Deana Bradley, Juliette Bowden, Meredith Wright, Paige Adams, and Riley Goodwine; (absent from photo) Ava Toth.

Henry Speaks to CBA
Michael Henry, camp director at Camp Occohannock On the Bay, was the guest speaker at the Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association recently. Henry spoke of the various activities conducted at the camp and the impact the camp has had on his life in the past 20 years. Pictured above from left are OOTB Property Committee Chairman Wayne Johnson, Henry, and OOTB Administrative Chair and ESCBA President Garnett Kellam. Michelle Surran, OOTB board chairman, attended the luncheon but was absent from the photo.

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Community Notes

Accomac
Santa Claus will visit Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Accomac Library. Santa will have a book in either English or Spanish for each child up to age 12. He will have candy canes for everyone. For more information, call 787-3400.

Cape Charles
The Children's Christmas Candlelight Story Reading will be Friday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m., at the Cape Charles Memorial Library. This is the first event celebrating the 100th anniversary of the library.

This is also the first Friday of Festive Fridays. The movie, “Elf,” will play at the library.

A Christmas Festival will be Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., across from Uniques & Antiques. There is free space available for vendors, crafters, yard salers, and local organizations. Registration is required by calling 710-3056. The rain date is Saturday, Dec. 8.

Exmore
The Annual Christmas Parade, hosted by the Exmore Fire Dept., will be Saturday, Dec. 8, beginning at 6 p.m., down the streets of Exmore. To participate in the parade, contact Kimber Brittingham at 414-3414.

Planning a Parade?
Parade organizers please call 911-3400 or email parade@exmorefire.com to reserve your spot in the Exmore Christmas Parade.

Melfa
A Christmas Festival will be Saturday, Dec. 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., across from Uniques & Antiques. There is free space available for vendors, crafters, yard salers, and local organizations. Registration is required by calling 710-3056. The rain date is Saturday, Dec. 8.

Chincoteague
The Annual Chincoteague Old Fashioned Christmas Parade will be Saturday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m., on Main St. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with the invocation in front of the Chincoteague Island Library. The sidewalks will fill on Main St. from Maddox Blvd. to the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire House.

 Afterwards the festivities continue at a new location – the Island Theatre at 4074 Main St. Visit with Santa while enjoying refreshments served by the Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague. Trophies will be awarded by the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce.

Onancock
The Christmas classic, “Miracle on 34th Street,” will play Thursday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m., at the Roseland Theatre. This movie is free and includes candy canes and a popcorn and soda combo.

A symposium, “Christ and the Cosmos,” will be Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:15 to 3:15 p.m., at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. To reserve a seat, call and leave a message at 787-4430 by Nov. 28.

The presentation, slide show, and discussion will be led by Steven Hecksher, who holds a doctorate in mathematics from Harvard University and has studied and carried out research in mathematics at Leiden and Cambridge universities. A past professor in mathematics at Swarthmore college, he has completed research papers in science and theology.

Onley
The Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society will present author Doris Kearns Goodwin as part of the Joan Marshall Lecture Series Saturday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m., at Nandua High School. Goodwin is a presidential historian who worked with Lyndon Johnson. Tickets are $10 for historical society members and $15 for nonmembers.

Santa Claus and the elves will visit Saturday, Dec. 1, at 1 p.m., at the Onley Train Station. A police escort will bring a bag of toys. The station will be open for popcorn, cookies, and hot chocolate. There will also be operating model trains.

Dinner Specials
Week of Nov. 24 - Nov. 30, 2018

Saturday
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Tuesday
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$10.25

Wednesday
BBQ Chicken
$9.25

Thursday
Chicken Alfredo
$9.25

Friday
Shrimp Combo: 1 Stuffed & 4 Battered Fried
$15.25
**FRIDAY NOV. 23**

- **8 a.m.** - Breakfast at the VFW - VFW Post 2206, Tasley - donations accepted
- **9 a.m.-5 p.m.** - Accomack County Sheriff’s Office Stuff the Car Event - Walmart, Onley
- **10 a.m.-5 p.m.** - Artisans Guild Holiday Tour (Nov. 23 and 24) - self-driving tour - Go to esvaartisansguild.org for more information.
- **6 p.m.** - Celebrate Recovery mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church
- **6-8 p.m.** - Push Comedy Show - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles
- **7 p.m.** - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486
- **7 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Christ Episcopal Church, 16304 Courthouse Rd., Eastville
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven
- **8 p.m.** - Free Movies at the Palace: “Elf” - Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles

**SATURDAY NOV. 24**

- **noon and 7:30 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock
- **2-4 p.m.** - Empowering Girls Group - ESTACI, Exmore - 757-656-3460
- **5 p.m.** - Chincoteague Holiday Tree Lighting - Robert Reed Downtown Park
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.

**MONDAY NOV. 26**

- **1-3 p.m.** - Community Bingo - Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague
- **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
- **6-9 p.m.** - GED Class - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
- **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.** - Accomack Cty. NAACP mtg. - Abba’s House, Mary N. Smith Cultural Ctr., Accomac - 757-709-3753
- **7 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Rock Church, Onley

**WEDNESDAY NOV. 28**

- **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
- **11 a.m.-1 p.m.** - Soup Kitchen - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, Exmore
- **12:30-1:30 p.m.** - Town Hall mtg. On Bettering ESCC - ESCC, Workforce Development Center, Melfa
- **3-5 p.m.** - REVIVE! Lay Rescuer Training to Respond to Opioid Overdoses - E.S. Community Services Board Prevention Services, Belle Haven - learn how to administer Narcan - 442-5388 x505
- **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
- **6-7 p.m.** - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
- **6-9 p.m.** - GED Class - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
- **6:30-8:30 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 - Painter VFC

**TUESDAY NOV. 27**

- **9 a.m.** - Al-Anon mtg. - Refuge Inn, Chincoteague
- **10 a.m.** - Zumba Class - Franktown UMC
- **10 a.m.** - Bingo - Accomack Senior Village, Onancock - 787-3900
- **10:30 a.m.** - Duplicate Bridge - Island House, Wachapreague - 787-2432
- **1-4 p.m.** - Veterans’ Employment Representative Avail. - Cape Charles Civic Center (old library) - no appt. needed
- **1:30-3 p.m.** - Riverside Shore Hospice Grief Support Group mtg. - Downing’s UMC, 7291 Lankford Hwy., Oak Hall - 789-5000
- **4:30-6 p.m.** - The Fatherting Circle - ESTACI, Exmore - 757-656-3460
- **6 p.m.** - Rachel Leah Ministries - 787-2486 (call for location)
- **6 p.m.** - Bingo - Pocomoke Elks, next to YMCA
- **6-8:30 p.m.** - ESL Class - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
- **6-8:30 p.m.** - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
- **7 p.m.** - E.S. Cruisers’ Car Club mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
- **7:30 p.m.** - Order of the Eastern Star (Acc. Chap. #62) mtg. - Masonic Lodge, Chincoteague
- **7:30 p.m.** - Bingo - Cheriton VFC - smoke free
- **7:30 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Atlantic UMC

**THURSDAY NOV. 29**

- **10 a.m.** - Tales 4 Tots Prgm. - Chincoteague Island Library
- **10:30 a.m.** - Story Time - Cape Charles Memorial 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.** - ESL Class - Arcadia High School, Rm. 121, Oak Hall
- **6-8:30 p.m.** - GED Class - ESCC, Class A-51, Melfa
- **6:30 p.m.** - Kiwanis Club mtg. - St. Andrew’s Catholic, Chincoteague
- **6:30 p.m.** - Al-Anon. mtg. - Trinity UMC, Cape Charles
- **7 p.m.** - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God
- **7 p.m.** - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC
- **8 p.m.** - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague
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For more information, contact Carmie Savage, District Manager, at (757) 787-0918, ext 4431, or by email at carmie.savage@esswcd.org

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**NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION**

Elyce Koppenhofer and Linnie Barr, Nancy Barr, (2018142) have applied for approximately 4 acres of oyster planting ground in Nassawadox Creek situated in Northampton City/County as described as follows: **North By:** MLW; **East By:** Imler App #2017072, Imler App #2018020; **South By:** Northampton PG 3; **West By:** Vacant, James App #2017184, Lat/Long: N37-28-9587 W75-56-2004

Send written comments or concerns to: Marine Resources Commission, Engineering/Surveying Department, 2600 Washington Ave., 3rd Floor, Newport News, VA 23607

For more specific application location information call (757)247-2230.

**NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION**

Matthew A. Freeze, (2018143) has applied for approximately 1.5 acres of oyster planting ground in Nassawadox Creek situated in Northampton City/County and described as follows: **North By:** Cooley App #2017055; **East By:** Vacant, South By: Nordstrom App #2018041, James App #2017183, West By: MLW, Lat/Long: N37-28.8689 W75-56.3877

Send written comments or concerns to: Marine Resources Commission, Engineering/Surveying Department, 2600 Washington Ave., 3rd Floor, Newport News, VA 23607

For more specific application location information call (757)247-2230.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Cheriton Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 28th, 2018, at 7 p.m. The Public Hearing will be held in Council Chambers at 21314 South Bayside Road at Town Hall.

**Topic of Discussion:** Budget Amendment to 2018-2019 Budget

Any person interested should be present at the meeting. Handicap assistance available please call 757-331-8200 in advance.

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE OF 18382 Runway Lane, Melfa, Virginia 23410 (Accomack County)**

In execution of a deed of trust, from MILDRED BEatrice MILLS, ask/a Mildred B. Mills, ask/a Mildred Mills, dated July 19, 2016, in the principal amount of $82,757.28, recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the County of Accomack, Virginia, as Instrument Number 160002924, Seth E. Twery, P.C. having been appointed Sole Acting Trustee, pursuant to the terms of the deed of trust. Due to default in payment of the debt secured, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in front of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia on the 5th day of December, 2018, at noon that certain tract of real estate known as 18382 Runway Lane, Melfa, Virginia 23410 situated in the County of Accomack, Virginia, being more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot or parcel of land designated as Lot 25, containing 42,498 S.F., as shown on a certain plat of surveyed title, “SUBDIVISION OF AIRPORT ESTATES, NEAR MELFA, PUNGOTEAGUE DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VA.,” dated December 1988, made by Bruce B. Gallup, C.L.S., and recorded in the Clerk’s Office for the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia in plat Book 89, at Page 155, et seq.

Included with the sale is a 2016 Clayton Manufactured Home – VIN No. OHC025758NC.

Sale subject to all conditions, restrictions, reservations and easements, if any of record and now applicable thereto.

Terms: At least 10% cash on day of sale; balance due within 30 days.

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Chincoteague Town Council will hold a Public Hearing commencing at 7:00 PM on December 3rd, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the Town of Chincoteague, 6150 Community Drive, Chincoteague, Virginia, to afford interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments concerning the following proposed Ordinance to vacate and relocate a recorded plat of subdivision in the Town of Chincoteague, Accomack County, Virginia.

**AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AND RELOCATE A PART OF A RECORDED PLAT OF SUBDIVISION IN THE TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA.**

**WHEREAS,** the governing body of a municipality may vacate part of a recorded plat after the sale of a lot shown on said plat pursuant to Section 15.2-2272 (2) of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended; and,

**WHEREAS,** an application has been filed by Osborne F. Abbey, Jr. and Jane F. Abbey to vacate and relocate a part of a recorded plat of a subdivision in the Town of Chincoteague entitled “Property Line Abandonment Plat of Lots 46 & 47 ‘Pine Ridge Development’ for Osborne F. & Jane F. Abbey” dated August 11, 2018 and made by Shoreline Surveyors, which plat is recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, at Plat Book 8, page 85.

**WHEREAS,** the basis of said vacation is that:

1. The property line between Lots 46 and 47, is a property line between two lots both owned by the Applicant.

2. That the said Osborne F. Abbey, Jr. and Jane F. Abbey desire to remove the boundary line between the two lots to result in one parcel of land.

**THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE:***

1. That the division or property line between Lot 46 and 47 as shown on the plat entitled “Property Line Abandonment Plat of Lots 46 & 47 ‘Pine Ridge Development’ for Osborne F. & Jane F. Abbey” dated August 11, 2018 and made by Shoreline Surveyors, which plat is recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, at Plat Book 8, page 85 be and is hereby vacated.

2. That as the result of said vacation former Lot 46 and Lot 47 shall result in one (1) parcel of land known as Lot 46A as indicated on said Plat.

3. That the Town Manager after the time for an appeal of the adoption of this Ordinance has expired, or if appealed the action of counsel is upheld, shall cause a copy of this Ordinance to be recorded in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Accomack County.

4. That the effective date of the Ordinance shall be upon adoption by the Town Council for the Town of Chincoteague.

Handicapped assistance available by calling 757-336-6519.
Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Tuesday, December 4, 2018, at 12:00 p.m., in the Board Chambers located at the Northampton County Administration Building at 16404 Courthouse Road Eastville, VA 23347. The Board will assemble at 9:00 a.m. in the PP & E Dept. to conduct site visits on the below properties. The BZA will meet to conduct regular business and public hearings on the following matters:

APPEAL 2018-06: Johnnie and Pat Eubank have filed an appeal to a notice of violation issued by the Northampton County Zoning Administrator. The violation was issued for occupying a camper and placement of an access structure. The property is located on Picketts Harbor Drive and is zoned Agriculture/Rural Business (A/RB). The property is further described as Tax Map 104, double circle A, parcel 14.

EXCEPTION 2018-03: William Allen has petitioned for a variance and buffer exception. An exception of 5,680 square feet and 98 linear feet of encroachment into the required 100 foot CBPA Buffer to construct a house. Mr. Allen is also requesting a 35 foot variance for the front yard setback. The property is located at the end of Downings Beach Drive and is zoned Agriculture/Rural Business (A/RB). The property is further described as Tax Map 12A, double circle A, parcel 1.

EXCEPTION 2018-04: William Allen has petitioned for a variance and buffer exception. An exception of 4,893 square feet and 80 linear feet of encroachment into the required 100 foot CBPA Buffer to construct a house. Mr. Allen is also requesting a 16 foot variance for the front yard setback. The property is located at the end of Downings Beach Drive and is zoned Agriculture/Rural Business (A/RB). The property is further described as Tax Map 12A, double circle 1, parcel 1.

EXCEPTION 2018-05: Sandra Esposito has petitioned for a variance and buffer exception. An exception of 900 square feet and 60 linear feet of encroachment into the required 100 foot CBPA Buffer to expand her home. Ms. Esposito is also requesting a 40 foot variance for the front yard setback. The property is located on Mackaluces Point Road and is zoned Agriculture/Rural Business (A/RB). The property is further described as Tax Map 19, double circle A, parcel 9. Anyone interested in the above matters can attend the public hearings in order to make their views known. The files may be viewed in the Northampton County Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Department in Eastville, VA, located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA.

Handicapped assistance is available: Please call 757-678-0443, extension 516, at least 48 hours in advance.

NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION
Adam J. Sterling, (2018144) has applied for approximately 7 acres of oyster planting ground in Burton’s Bay situated in Accomack City/County and described as follows: North By: Boulter PF #17692, East By: Vacant (channel), South By: MLW, West By: Vacant, Accomac PG. 48, Lat/Long: N37-36.0242 W76-38.1045. Notes: Sell plants in the area.

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

NOTICE OF OYSTER GROUND APPLICATION
Adam J. Sterling, (2018145) has applied for approximately 3 acres of oyster planting ground in Swash Bay situated in Accomack City/County and described as follows: North By: MLW, Vacant (channel), East By: Vacant (federal channel), South By: Vacant, West By: MLW, Lat/Long: N37-34.2295 W75-40.0492.

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

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All that parcel of land in Temperanceville, Accomack County, Virginia, being Parcel A, containing 0.528 acres, more or less, plat recorded in Deed Book 696, page 682.

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, on the Locustmount – Wachapreague Road.

All that parcel of land near Pennsville, Accomack County, Virginia, being part of Lot 8, containing 0.70 acre, more or less, recorded in Plat Book 11, page 6.

The terms of sale require a deposit of 25% of the bid price with the balance due in ten days. Additional terms will be announced at the sale.

Each sale shall be subject to confirmation by the Court.

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Property: 1 – Tax Map Portion of 101-5-C (6 Acres +/-)
Property: 2 – Tax Map Portion of 101-5-C (11 Acres +/-)
Property: 3 – Tax Map Portion of 101-5-C (12 Acres +/-)
Property: 4 – Tax Map Portion of 101-5-B (13 Acres +/-)
Property: 5 – Tax Map Portion of 101-5-D (30 Acres +/-)

The complete IFB may be viewed on the Accomack County website at www.co.accomack.va.us by clicking on the “IFBs and RFPs” tab. Contract documents may also be examined at the County Administrator’s Office and at the Accomack County Airport.

Bids may be delivered to the Accomack County Administrator’s Office, 23296 Courthouse Ave., Suite 203, Accomac, VA 23301 or may be mailed to the Accomack County Finance Office, c/o Lucy Huffman, P.O. Box 620, Accomac, VA 23301. On December 10, 2018, at 3:00pm all bids received by the due date and time will be publicly opened and read aloud in the County Administrator’s Office Suite (203) Conference Room.

Withdrawal of Bids shall be according to procedure § 2.2-4330 of the Code of Virginia, as amended. BIDDERS must be licensed as a Contractor in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the Bidder’s attention is directed to the requirements of Title 54.1, Chapter 11, of the Code of Virginia.

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to contact any Bidder prior to award for explanations or clarifications. The OWNER does not discriminate against any Bidder on any basis.

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Revitalizations Should Be Expanded

Dear Editor:

It is gratifying to witness the revitalization of some of the larger towns of the Eastern Shore—Chincoteague, Cape Charles, Parksley, and Exmore. It is also time to pay more attention to the small incorporated towns of the Shore, particularly those which grew up along the railroad.

These towns are overlooked by people choosing a place to live for several reasons. They are not on the water; they are near Route 13, and they are no longer as clean and attractive as they once were.

Their potential for revitalization is hardly ever discussed. Despite their present lack of appeal to many people, they do have advantages which are not noticed. They are more protected from major storms because they are on the highest ground of the Shore and away from the water and the strongest winds. They are less likely to suffer from extended loss of electricity. It may be easier to get high speed internet service in these towns. Also, they sit on top of the aquifer and offer the best drinking water on the peninsula.

These towns are convenient places to live. One does not have to drive long distances down a neck to reach a store, a restaurant, or a physician or hospital. They are also close to woods and fields, and residents can enjoy being in nature by simply walking or riding bicycles short distances from their homes.

Many of the houses in these towns were built during the Victorian era or in the early twentieth century. They have the “character” that a lot of people appreciate. One can have a fine place to live that is very affordable because the houses are so inexpensive that many buyers are able to renovate them.

But these towns do need much more attention than they are receiving from the public, the county governments, and the town councils. Laws and ordinances need to be enforced to require property owners to maintain their properties. Unsightly and dangerous structures need to be condemned and torn down. Ditches need to be cleared. A new spirit of civic responsibility is needed to inspire businesses and residents to remove litter and improve the appearance of their properties. And, a greater sense of community could be encouraged.

These towns have been a proud part of the history of the Eastern Shore for around 125 years. If they were revitalized, the entire Eastern Shore would be a healthier and more beautiful place to live.

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