Gov. Ralph Northam spoke Monday night of a company that wants to erect wind turbines at Cape Charles and a school that would employ 150 instructors to train 500 pilots that is interested in setting up shop near NASA Wallops Flight Facility's expansive runway.

The Onancock area native wanted his fellow Eastern Shore friends to open their minds to the possibilities.

“I’m proud to be from the Eastern Shore,” he said, adding he boasts that fact across the state whenever he can and knows there are a few more state maps that need the addition of Accomack and Northampton counties.

Nancy Stern, chief executive officer of Eastern Shore Rural Health, introduced the governor but not before singing his praises and offering him a contract as a pediatric neurologist in the local health system when his stint as governor is over in a few years.

Northam had already announced he and his wife would be moving back to the Shore after his four-year term is over.

Holding up a large manila envelope with the details of her offer, Northam told Stern he would probably be knocking on her door in the future. He thanked her for her compliments.

Northam was addressing Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce members and local dignitaries Monday at the $45 a plate event that fit snuggly into the banquet room at the Eastern Shore Community College. He also presented the group's awards to highly motivated business owners at the annual session. Northam appeared to enjoy himself as he laughed, talked, and hugged many of those in attendance. See the winners on page 24.

Gov. Ralph Northam (left) shares a moment of levity with Ed Tankard and Del. Rob Bloxom before the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce awards banquet Monday.

Story and Photo by Linda Cicoira
Retired Navy Dentist’s School Program Brings Smiles All Around

By Stefanie Jackson

Dr. Peter Schlepsky, who heads the Northampton schools dental program, is retired from a 20-year career as a Navy dentist but says his current job helping kids is the most rewarding thing he’s ever done.

Simply known as Dr. Pete by his youngest patients, he operates three dental clinics, one at each of three Northampton schools—Occohannock Elementary, Kiptopeke Elementary, and Northampton Middle.

Schlepsky has headed the school dental program on a contractual basis since 2005 and is looking forward to his 14th year providing dental health services to Northampton students.

These services cost nothing to Northampton schools except for the provision of utilities such as water and electricity to the clinics.

Last year, there were 1,000 Northampton students enrolled in the dental program. The clinic was open five days a week and received 3,000 visits, 2,000 for cleanings and 1,000 for fillings. At an average of three fillings per visit, that’s about 3,000 fillings Northampton kids got through Schlepsky’s services last year. The clinic also addressed an average of 10 dental emergencies per week, or about 400 for the year.

About 90 percent of the patients Schlepsky sees are on Medicaid, but the clinic also accepts private insurance. He said last year the clinics performed around $500,000 worth of dental work and collected about $240,000 in payments, enough to pay staff salaries, but not much for himself.

He said “it’s OK” if he doesn’t profit from the clinics, because he has a military retirement to fall back on. Though the clinics operate at a modest loss or break even, Schlepsky is happy to be able to keep his staff employed and provide dental health services for 1,000 Northampton children.

He had two minor concerns about the dental clinic program. He would like his contract with the school division to last more than a year at a time to give his employees more confidence in their job stability. He would also like to see more cooperation from teachers to allow students to leave class for appointments at the clinic.

Having a dental clinic on school grounds results in less lost instructional time for students. One dental visit results in about one lost hour of instruction for the student; when students visit a dentist off campus, their parents are likely to take them out of school for the entire day, Schlepsky said.

Schlepsky is proud of his staff and their ability to develop relationships with students who may start the school year afraid to see the dentist but finish it excited for their next visit. He credits his staff with the dental program’s success.

In a climate of rising health care costs, Superintendent Eddie Lawrence reported health insurance costs for Northampton school division rose only 1.5 percent this year, “partly because of the way we use it,” he said.

Only eight emergency room visits by Northampton school employees were deemed unnecessary by the health insurance company last year, Lawrence said.

Northampton school employees fared better than Northampton County employees, whose health insurance costs increased 24 percent, causing a major headache for supervisors when they balanced the budget for the new fiscal year that began July 1.

Northampton schools want to start an employee wellness program with Anthem insurance company to further control costs. Two options under consideration are called Get Strong and Get Control, focusing on maintaining healthy habits and managing chronic conditions, respectively.

A full-time school nurse supervisor will be needed to develop and coordinate the wellness program, among other duties such as overseeing school clinics, evaluating nurses, maintaining student health records, coordinating school services for homebound students, and acting as a substitute nurse. One regular, full-time school nurse position will be eliminated to help cover the cost of the supervisor position.
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Public Has Lots to Say About Improvements to Intersection at Cape Charles Food Lion

By Stefanie Jackson

Concerned Northampton citizens bombarded the Virginia Department of Transportation with comments on its proposed road improvement plan for the intersection at the Food Lion shopping center in Cape Charles during a July 24 public hearing.

Various comments on the dangerous crossing included, “It scares the stuffing out of me,” “My car was totaled there,” “You’ve got to spend money to save lives,” and “How many people have to die?” for VDOT to improve road safety at the location.

The location in question is the intersection of Route 13 and Country Place, aka Country Plaza, which crosses the highway from Union Bank & Trust on the west side to the Food Lion shopping center on the east side.

Many locals describe frequently encountering heavy traffic in both the northbound and southbound lanes and low visibility, combining to create difficulty crossing the highway safely. Several drivers reported they had either been in an accident or experienced close calls at the intersection.

Locals offered what they termed a “simple” solution: installing a traffic light at the intersection. But VDOT representatives insisted a traffic light would not solve the problem and could even make it worse.

Cost is also a factor. Transportation engineer Ryan McCreedy, contracting with VDOT as a design consultant for the Food Lion project, said a traffic light would cost about $250,000. That would drive up costs prohibitively high for VDOT Smart Scale project that is currently budgeted at about $1.4 million for construction.

When costs of engineering, right-of-way acquisition, and utility relocation are factored in, the total project cost is $1.7 million.

The project as originally proposed by VDOT includes safety measures such as widening and lengthening eight turn lanes, tapering roadway edges, installing lighting and road signs, but no modifications to the Route 13 and Country Place intersection.

Locals also suggested closing the intersection altogether, restricting access to businesses on either side of the highway to “right in, right out.”

That means northbound drivers traveling to Union Bank & Trust or southbound drivers traveling to Food Lion, both of which would appear on drivers’ left, would have to continue several hundred feet and make U-turns to reach their respective destinations. Likewise, northbound drivers exiting Union Bank & Trust and southbound drivers exiting Food Lion would need to make U-turns.

A third option that could serve as a compromise between closing the intersection and installing a traffic light is converting the crossing into a J-turn intersection. A barrier in the middle of the intersection would prevent vehicles from crossing the highway but would permit vehicles to turn either right or left off the highway. Only northbound drivers exiting Union Bank & Trust and southbound drivers exiting Food Lion would be required to make U-turns.

Scientifically speaking, proceeding farther along the road and making a U-turn is safer than driving straight across the highway, even with a traffic light, McCreedy said. The road design could be modified to allow tractor-trailers making deliveries to safely execute the U-turn, he added. Furthermore, constructing a J-turn intersection would not significantly increase total project costs, McCreedy said.

Citizens also want to improve safety along the .44-mile stretch of road by reducing the speed limit to 45 mph. Anecdotal evidence states motorists frequently travel 65 mph to 70 mph or more through the area, though past VDOT speed studies did not qualify it for a speed reduction.

Supervisor John Coker was present (Continued on Next Page)
Northampton County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski and Finance Director John Chandler will also participate in the joint committee.

Chandler conducted a review of the scenarios prepared by financial consulting firm Davenport & Company in which the county may be able to borrow $40.5 million to build a new school.

He used an analogy to explain the review of the financing options. “We basically are going to the bank and saying, ‘We want to buy a house, how much house can we afford?’ versus going and looking for houses … and then going to the bank … for a loan … after you decide what your dream home is going to be, and then the bank turns around and says, ‘You’re not approved.’”

Supervisors found the first three financing options too expensive. Northampton is currently paying $3.1 million annually on its debts. The first three scenarios would increase annual debt payments up to $5.6 million, $4.3 million, or $3.9 million, respectively.

Chairman Spencer Murray said, “We’d better find some gold mines somewhere.”

Supervisors worried that any of those three financing options had the potential to bankrupt the county.

The fourth and final scenario Davenport & Company generated would keep the county’s annual debt payment at $3.1 million. The problem with that scenario is the $40.5 million would not be issued all at once. New debt would be issued only as old debt is paid off.

About $1.6 million could be available as early as 2020. The largest amount of funds, about $24.5 million, wouldn’t become available until 2026. In 2030, another $10 million in debt could be issued, with the final amount of about $6 million available in 2034.

That’s where a tax rate increase would come into play. A modest increase to real estate taxes would give Northampton the spending power to get the bulk of the money needed to fix or rebuild the high school sooner.

Supervisors are proposing a real estate tax rate increase of 2 cents or possibly 4 cents per $100. A Northampton citizen who owns property valued at $100,000 currently pays real estate taxes of 83 cents per $100, or $830 annually. A 2-cent or 4-cent real estate tax increase would raise that annual tax payment to $850 or $870, respectively.

The next step for supervisors is to ask Davenport to redo the fourth scenario—the one that would allow the county to borrow money for a new school without raising its annual debt payment above $3.1 million—and account for the additional funds that would be available with a 2-cent tax increase.

Murray took the opportunity to clear up a misconception about the state of Northampton’s finances. He said a report that “we maxed out our credit card by building the jail … couldn’t have been more inaccurate.”

Doug Gebhardt, vice president of Davenport & Company, said on June 25 that if Northampton had a credit rating, it would be rated A or AA on a scale where AAA is the highest and D is the lowest.

“It’s not a question of whether you can borrow, it’s a question of, ‘Can you pay it back?’” Murray said.

“We’re going to borrow something. We’re going to do it,” he affirmed. “But it has to be within boundaries that we can live with.”
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Onancock voters elected a new mayor and council members in May, but before they could take their official seats, they had to be sworn in.

Above left: Fletcher Fosque is sworn in by Deputy Clerk of Court Donna Belote. Also pictured (from left) are Mayor Russell Jones and Council Member Ray Burger.

Above right: Council Member-Elect Maphis Oswald (in red) takes the oath of office from Belote. Also pictured (from left) are Office Manager Lisa Fiege, Council Member T. Lee Byrd, and Jones.

Bottom: Council Members-elect Joy Marino and Catherine Krause take the oath of office from Belote. Also pictured are Council Members Robert Bloxom and Byrd.

Photos by Bill Kerbin

Onancock Officials Take Oath of Office
Hickman Sentenced for 2013 Murder

Nearly five years after he killed a man at a party in Tasley, Jamar Edjuan Hickman was sentenced last Friday in Accomack Circuit Court to 25 years in prison for first-degree murder in the shooting death of 32-year-old James Marquez Wyatt. The term was made in accordance with a jury recommendation.

Judge W. Revell Lewis III also sentenced Hickman, 27, formerly of Giddens Lane in Tasley, to three years for using a firearm in the murder, which was also the time suggested by the panel. Lewis set the terms to run consecutively for a total of 28 years.

The maximum term was life in prison and a fine of $100,000. Initially, Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan also asked for reimbursement of more than $5,000 for the victim’s compensation fund, which paid for Wyatt’s funeral. But that requirement was withdrawn after Hickman’s lawyer, Michael Fasanaro Jr., of Norfolk, said he would file an appeal and Morgan didn’t want anything to cause the conviction to be overturned.

Fasanaro asked for Lewis to dismiss the verdicts. He also complained about the “extremely excessive” length of time it took for Hickman to get sentenced. “It leaves the defendant in nowhere land,” he said.

Morgan argued there was no mention of that until May of 2018. “He requested a long-form presentence report,” he added.

With no previous public statements and nearly three years of waiting in the Accomack Jail to be sentenced following the jury’s verdict, Hickman took the witness stand to apologize to his family and the victim’s mother last week.

None of Wyatt’s family attended the sentencing. Hickman’s family gathered to ask for leniency.

“I’m not the monster they’re painting me to be,” Hickman testified. “Either way, I’m sorry for wasting everyone’s time and I ask for the court’s mercy.”

It was the second time Wyatt’s mother, Annie Mears, lost a son in a shooting. “I have to see two headstones,” she wrote in a victim impact letter to the court. “As for his (Wyatt’s) four children, his youngest wants to know where is his daddy,” Mears wrote. The others, she said, are also having difficulties handling the loss. The mother also sent a message to Hickman. “I want you to remember, you will still have a life after this is over … Every day I do okay until I come home and then I just cry because I miss them so much.”

“When my daughter told me we had to go to the hospital because he got shot, it was a nightmare all over again,” she said. “To wait for that one doctor to tell you he is gone is unbearable.”

Tamara Miller, a drug addiction counselor and Hickman’s mother, asked Lewis to consider Hickman’s mental health issues and that he had been drinking when the shooting occurred to compensate for his illnesses. “When you’re not right up here,” she said pointing to her head, “it makes you try to fix things.”

His mental evaluation stated he has schizophrenia. He was found competent to stand trial. His mother mentioned he also has bipolar disorder. “I’m asking for your leniency,” Miller said. Incarceration won’t help him, his mother added. “Being in prison, lifting weights to get big, you don’t learn anything about your mental health,” she concluded.

Hickman’s brother, Steven Johnson, cried on the witness stand. He held the story of finding the right path. “I went to prison for nine years. Been out for eight years, married for six. I have my own home, two cars and own a business. I know it doesn’t take 20 to 30 years for someone to rehabilitate. Don’t need a lifetime to change,” he said. “I’m an example of second chances or even third chances.”

Tamara Johnson, the defendant’s sister, described Hickman as a giving and loving person. “This has been bothering me because I have evidence that proves that he may not have done this. Jamar always put his best foot forward. He is very, very smart. It’s just that I see him as helping someone before he would hurt them. He’s kind to people. He’s kind to animals. I would ask that you just have mercy on him. The things I want to say, I can’t say. I really believe that God’s got him.”

Witnesses told the jurors they saw Hickman shoot Wyatt outside a Daugherty Road home in 2013. Wyatt died a short time later from a gunshot wound to the torso, according to the medical examiner’s report. He was hit by at least two bullets. One was found in a lung.

Dozens of photos of the victim and evidence found in the yard where the shooting occurred were shown to the jury, and several police officers told about the bullets and metal fragments found at the crime scene.

Leeshawn Davis, who lived at the mobile home where an argument got started, heard Hickman say he “was going to get his gun. … He came back to my house (by car); he had a gun” and shot Wyatt.

Another witness, Larry Strand, said he saw Hickman go to the back of a car. “That’s when he started shooting. The gun was big enough that he had to lean it over the back of the trunk.” Strand said he heard four shots. “I ducked down and ran towards the back of the house. I saw Wyatt clenching the side of his neck.”

Reputed Gang Member Sentenced

A reputed Bloods gang member, who grabbed an Accomack deputy by the front of his shirt and then threatened to come back and kill him, was sentenced to five years in prison last Thursday in Accomack Circuit Court for felony assault and battery.

Jaquan Cortez “Buck” Portier, 27, formerly of Dennis Drive in Parksley, was being detained in a holding cell in Accomack Jail for a probation violation while awaiting transfer to Chesterfield, Va., when the incident occurred Dec. 15, 2016. He pleaded not guilty to the assault and battery of Sgt. D.M. Williams of the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office in July 2017.

Portier was brought from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail last week for sentencing. He was returned there and will continue to be held at the Eastville facility until he is assigned to the state system.

“He was uncooperative and belligerent,” to the local officer, according to court records. Portier was “banging on the bed and throwing the phone.” He kept screaming, ‘Get me the f… out of here!’ After that, restraints were utilized to try and stop his behavior. The officers exited the cell and I was last to exit,” Williams said. “Portier made it to his feet and charged at me trying to grab me. We struggled for a few minutes in the corner. He then reached up to my chest and grabbed my shirt and ripped my tie off” and stated, “I’m going to murder your ass.”

Testimony at previous hearings showed Portier was associated with gang leader Tyvon “Teddy” Smith, who is serving 30 years in prison for directing other gang members to set fire to a house in 2013. The arson was an effort to keep witnesses from testifying against him.

At one point, Smith and Portier were accused of shooting at a house in Rolling Acres causing the inhabitants to duck for cover. A witness said she was riding in the car with Smith and Portier and testified against them at a preliminary hearing. But she could not be found when Smith went to trial. Two other witnesses got “amnesia” and couldn’t recall what happened. Those charges were dropped against both men.

In 2016, Portier was shot seven times and survived. Another man admitted to being the shooter but at a preliminary hearing, Portier said he didn’t know who shot him but it was not the suspect, who then went free.

In July 2015, 10 charges were made against Portier, including the shooting of four victims, one a teenager who was paralyzed. Those charges were dismissed when a witness didn’t show up and said he was moving to another state and others said they could not identify the shooter. Portier contended, through his lawyer, he had been at the party but was long gone before the shooting occurred.

“I just want to apologize for my actions,” said Portier. “I feel like it was a misunderstanding,” he said of the incident with the deputy. “I did not think before I acted,” Portier said. He took a class while in jail for that reason. “I learned a better way of thinking, to think before I act … Today, I just ask that you not judge me for my past. I’ve made bad decisions. Judge me on my present.”

“That day he became aggressive … was disrespectful to the officer,” said Commonwealth’s Attorney Spencer Morgan. “There were a number of other deputies present who stopped him from further action” against Williams.

Maiming Charge Placed

An unemployed Pennsylvania man was charged with malicious maiming, according to records filed in Accomack General District Court.

Allen Altemose, 39, of Donato Drive in Ashville, was accused of the July 21 crime on Chincoteague. He was arrested the same day and is being held in Accomack Jail without bond. The victim was Jimmy Lee Ramsey. Officer A.G. Miller of Chincoteague Police Department investigated.

Norman Hugh Thomas, 50, of Seaside Lane in Painter, was charged with stealing property valued at $500 or more from Royal Farms on July 18.

It was unclear from the court records (Continued on Page 16)
Carol Ann Wray Barrineau

Mrs. Carol Ann Wray Barrineau, 74, passed away from this life on Sunday, July 22, 2018.

Born Jan. 11, 1944, in Baltimore, Md., she was a daughter of the late Mary and Pete Wray. Ms. Barrineau attended Shenandoah University, in Winchester, Va., and Pan American Business School, in Richmond, Va., and later retired from NASA Wallops Flight Facility in February of 2012. She was a member of Market Street United Methodist Church.

Ms. Barrineau is survived by her son, David Barrineau and wife, Tiffany, of Satellite Beach, Fla., and their two children, Connor and Ariel; sister, Adelaide Hollandsworth, of Onley; nephews, Robert Hollandsworth Jr. and wife, Margaret, of Bellevue, Neb., Dr. Tom Hollandsworth and wife, Mary, of Onancock, and Michael Hollandsworth and wife, Linette, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and their children. Ms. Barrineau’s former husband is retired Army Col. Ron Barrineau, of Colom- bia, S.C. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brother, Frank Wray, and her faithful dog, Bear.

Funeral services will be conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Friday, July 27, 2018, at 1 p.m., with the Rev. J. Barton Weakley officiating. Interment will follow in the Fairview Lawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Shepherd’s Chapel, P.O. Box 416, Gravette, AR 72736, 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-Onancock Funeral Home.

David Raymond Chew Sr.

Mr. David Raymond Chew Sr., 61, beloved husband of Mary Lou Pruitt Chew and a resident of Bloxom, passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 12, 2018, with his family at his side.

Born Jan. 19, 1957, in Fort Chaffee, Ark., he was the son of the late Clifford R. Chew and Virginia M. Chew. Following high school, Mr. Chew served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps and later began working as a truck and equipment operator for the Virginia Department of Transportation. After 30 years with VDOT, he retired and was most recently employed with Pep-Up, Inc. as a fuel truck driver. Being present as a positive role model for his children, for all children, was very important to him. For many years, he devoted his time and efforts to participating in the PTA, was a scout leader for the Boy Scouts, and volunteered as a t-ball and Little League coach. He was a member of the God’s Missionary Church in Salisbury, Md., and was a longtime member of the Parksley Volunteer Fire Company. Mr. Chew’s love and commitment to his family and community was admirable, on many levels. His memory and legacy will live on in the many lives he touched throughout his life.

In addition to his wife of 41 years, he is survived by his daughter, Sarah, of Bloxom; granddaughter, Jazan Wild and husband, Robert, of Parksley; granddaughter, Betty P. Taylor, of Bloxom; granddaughter, Becky Midgett Chew, of Parksley; granddaughter, Tammie Pruitt Noyes and husband, Ray of Exmore; brother-in-law, David K. Pruitt and wife, Sherry, of Temperanceville; four grandchildren, Trae Hollandsworth and wife, Mary, of Onancock, and Michael Hollandsworth and wife, Linette, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and their children. Mr. Chew was predeceased by his son, David Raymond Chew Jr. and father-in-law, Henry L. Pruitt.

Funeral services were conducted from the chapel of the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home on July 15, 2018, with Mr. George Fulk officiating. Interment was held in the Parksley Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the chapel of theWilliams-Parksley Funeral Home, P.O. Box 14, Parksley, VA 23421.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Irene Hebsgaard Christensen Hall

Mrs. Irene Hebsgaard Christensen Hall, of Parksley, who departed this life among devoted family on Thursday, July 19, 2018, was born to Danish immigrants, August and Emma Christensen, in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Oct. 4, 1927. She met the love of her life, John Bloxom Hall, who was stationed in the U.S. Navy in Brooklyn. They later moved to the Eastern Shore after his obligation to the U.S. military was fulfilled, living most of their married years in Bloxom.

Mrs. Hall considered her husband her first priority but cherished her eight children. She loved being a Mom, and Big Mom, to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and in addition, always provided shelter and nourishment to others she considered “her children.” Her door was always open to many and never knew a stranger. She said daily that she was “blessed” by her children.

She was predeceased by her husband of 39 years, John Bloxom Hall, who died in 1983; brother, Albert Christensen and his wife, Jean; sister, Norma Christensen; sisters-in-law, Janet Christensen and Virginia Onley; brothers-in-law, Wilson Wessells, Fred Wilt, and Frank Drummond; parents, August and Emma Christensen; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and her godmother, Emma Gomez.

She is survived by her eight children, Janet Hall and Danny Parks, of Parksley, Sandra L. Johnson and husband, Mitchel, of Parksley, Norma H. Hurst and husband, Frank, of Acomac, Darlene H. Drummond and husband, Frankie, of Parksley, John F. Hall and wife, Kathy, of Summerfield, Fla., David A. Hall, of Bloxom, Albert M. Hall and wife, B.J., of Chesapeake, Va., and Roseanna M. Kort, of Bloxom; sister, Eleanor Wilt, of Anderson, Ind.; brother, Donald Christensen, of Long Island, N.Y.; sister-in-law, Ruth Lee Drummond, of Parksley; 15 grandchildren, Jazan Wild and wife, Sharon, Jonathan Barnes, Jonathans Parks and wife, Charisse, Amanda Marshall and husband, Steven, Michele Holmes and husband, Larry, Dr. Frank Hurst and wife, Jennifer; Emily Grant and husband, Jeff, Justin Phillips, Kirsten Elebash, Stephanie Laird and husband, Carl, Kyle Hall, Cesile Hall, Chelsea Hall, Ryan Kort and wife, Sarah, and Dylan Kort; and ten great-grandchildren.

An admired attribute of Mrs. Hall’s was that she always saw the good in everyone and never focused on someone’s choices in life. She leaves a legacy of love, caring, devotion and family values.

Respecting her wishes, a public service
William Andrews Mapp

Mr. William Andrews Mapp, 58, a resident of Exmore, passed away Friday, June 29, 2018, at Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital in Virginia Beach. He was the son of the late John Woodson Mapp and the late Setsuko Ogawa “Ann” Mapp. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran and owner of 4M Karaoke.

He is survived by his son, Christopher Mapp, of Exmore; two sisters, Lillian A. Vaughn, of Exmore, and Naomi “Mimi” Kiser and her husband, Carl, of Goldsboro, N.C.; three nieces, Naomi Ramsaroop, Ena Torres, and Elaine Torres; and one nephew, Kyle Mapp.

A Celebration of Life service was held July 24, 2018, at Doughty Funeral Home with Pastor Kenneth “Bo” Helms officiating. Interment was private in Belle Haven Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Bill Mapp Memorial at www.gofundme.com/bill-mapp-memorial

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Philip Walter May

Mr. Philip Walter May, 79, died peacefully on July 22, 2018, after a lengthy battle with cancer. Mr. May was born on Oct. 1, 1938, in Hackensack, N.J., but spent his formative years in Park Ridge, N.J. He graduated from San Jose State with a degree in advertising and began his career as a junior copywriter at J. Walter Thompson in Los Angeles. During this time, Mr. May reveled in the music of California’s 1960s folk revival and carried a passion for that music all his life.

After marrying in 1962 and starting a family, he and his late wife, Betsy Paterson May, moved back east when Mr. May transferred to J. Walter Thompson in New York. They ultimately settled in Pearl River, N.Y.

Mr. May worked for several of the top advertising agencies in New York, including J. Walter Thompson and Dancer Fitzgerald Sample.

A gifted wordsmith and storyteller, Mr. May quickly ascended the ranks of the agency world. It is believed that he was the youngest person ever made a vice president at JWT at the time. When he retired, after more than 20 years in the business, he was a senior vice president and creative director at DFS with a commanding view from his office in the Chrysler Building. Mr. May won numerous advertising awards, including a Bronze Lion at the Venice Film Festival for a Kodak commercial that first aired during the Academy Awards.

After retiring in 1986 to pursue his dream of becoming a fiction writer, Mr. May moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where he completed several novels. Among his published works are “Twenty Silver Ghosts,” an exquisitely illustrated volume that chronicles the history of Rolls Royce cars, and “The Rifle Musket,” a young adult fiction book set in the Civil War era.

Mr. May owned or restored 68 cars and three motorcycles. He had a passion for British sports cars, particularly the MG TC, of which he owned five. Other favorites included five wooden station wagons, seven Model A Fords, a 1913 Model T Ford, two Morgans, an AC Ace, and an Austin Healey 100-4.

He was a history buff and collector. At age 10, he began collecting Civil War weapons. A 1964 issue of Gun Report featured his cover story about the weapons and diary accounts of his great-grandfather, a Union Army cavalry officer during the Civil War.

Following the untimely death of his wife, Betsy, in 1990, Mr. May was blessed to earn the love of Lucinda “Cindy” Wharton Kelly, and they married in 1996. With each passing year the couple’s blended family of seven children grew, ultimately producing 16 grandchildren. To Mr. May’s three daughters, Cindy seemed an absolute miracle—restoring joy to his life and becoming a much-needed and adored grandmother to their six kids, Betsy and Virginia Edinger, Stuart, Josie and Garnett Martin, and Eliza Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. May spent many years on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where they took pleasure in the company of good friends, including their book club. Together they enjoyed international travel as well as regular trips to family and friends.

In 2001, they moved to Williamsburg, Va. They found meaningful volunteer work, and Mr. May served as a tour guide at Endview Plantation. The couple also joined the Williamsburg MG Club and had great fun on group tours of Virginia’s scenic byways in their MG TC, the wind blowing through their white locks.

Mr. May is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 21 years, Cindy May; brother, John Timothy “Tim” May (Deborah May-Buffum), of Petaluma, Calif.; three daughters, Darcy Paterson May (Greg Edinger), of Greenwich, N.Y., Jamie Eliza May (Will Moore), of Williamsburg, Va., and Wendy Westerfield Martin (Todd), of Richmond; Va.; and four much-loved stepchildren, Lucinda Kelly Jones (Chris), of Winston-Salem, N.C., Luke Kellam (Patty), of Frankfort, Va., Whit Kellam (Susu), of Baton Rouge, La., and Anna Kellam Murray (Mike), of White Bear Lake, Minn.; and 16 adored grandchildren, who revered in love and holidays at his home. He also is survived by many cherished family members, nieces and nephews, in-laws, friends, and, of course, Grady, his loyal Parson Russell Terrier, who was the last of many beloved canine companions.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Philip Westerfield May and Virginia Webb May, and his beloved wife of 28 years, Betsy Paterson May.

A celebration of Mr. May’s life will be held on Monday, July 30, 2018, at 1 p.m. in Hungars Episcopal Church in Bridgetown, Va. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Heritage Humane Society, 430 Walter Mill Road, Williamsburg, Va. 23185 or James Town Rediscovery Foundation, 1368 Colonial Parkway, Jamestown, VA 23081.

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

Arrangements were made by the Williams Funeral Homes.

Melody Ann Aulita Oneal

Ms. Melody Ann Aulita Oneal, formerly of Quinby, passed away on Sat., July 21, 2018, at her home in Connerville, Idaho, surrounded by her family and friends.

Mrs. Oneal was predeceased by her husband, Gary Oneal, of Salisbury, Md. She was the daughter of the late Chris and Clarabelle Aulita, of Quinby. Mrs. Oneal is survived by her son, Jason, and four grandchildren: David, James, Jay J., Skyler, and Harle.

She is also survived by a step-sister, Judy Townsend, of Connerville; brothers, Chris Aulita Jr., of Dover, Del., and Walter Keith Aulita, of Laurel, Del.; her aunt, Evelyn Wallace, of Quinby; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Burial will be private.

Frank Benjamin Havens III

Mr. Frank Benjamin Havens III, 93, husband of the late Kay Easling Havens and a resident of Harborton, passed away Sunday, July 22, 2018, at his residence. A native of Arlington, Va., he was the son of the late William D. Havens and the late Ruby M. Nothey Havens. He was a U.S. Army veteran and retired insurance adjuster. Mr. Havens competed in the canoe and kayak events in the 1948 Olympics in London, 1952 Olympics in Helsinki, 1956 Olympics in Melbourne, and 1960 Olympics in Rome. He finished as a silver medalist in 1948, as a gold medalist in 1952, and remains the only American Olympic gold medal winner in a singles canoeing event. He is an honorary life member of the Washington Canoe Club, member of the U.S. Olympic Team, U.S. Olympic Alumni Association, American Canoe Association, Virginia Sports Hall of Fame, Arlington Sports Hall of Fame, and Washington and Lee High School Sports Hall of Fame.

He is survived by three sons, Dan Havens and his wife, Bonnie, of Vienna, Va., Frank Havens IV and his wife, Debbie, of Parker, Colo., and Scott Havens, of Belle Haven, Va.; and three grandchildren, Sean, Jennifer, and Aimee Havens.

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted Sunday, July 29, 2018, at 2 p.m. at Harborton United Methodist Church with Pastor Deborah Killough officiating. Internment will be held in Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Friends of Washington Canoe Club, P. O. Box 25449, Washington, DC 20027.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Mr. Havens

Mr. May

Mr. Mapp

Mr. Aulita
The beach walk on Assateague takes place every year when the Saltwater Cowboys (members of the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company) walk the wild ponies from the southern corral to the northern corral, where they wait for the Pony Swim and the Pony Penning auctions.

An estimated 3,000 people attended the event. The ponies and Saltwater Cowboys came into view just after 7 a.m., but a large crowd had gathered by 6 a.m. Fortunately, the rain held off for the event and just before the ponies came into view, a rainbow appeared.

Many folks saw a foal riding in the back of a small utility vehicle behind the herd and many people were worried that the foal was injured. As it turns out, the foal decided to run away from its mother just before the beach walk began. The cowboys decided to give the foal a lift and let it reunite with its mother in the corrals.
Pony Penning 2018

A smaller-than-usual crowd waited in the off-and-on rain for the red flare that would signal slack tide and the start of the 2018 Pony Swim. For some, it is the highlight of Pony Penning week.

At the signal, the Saltwater Cowboys began encouraging the world-renowned Chincoteague ponies — about 120 in all — to step into the Assateague Channel at 8:32 a.m Wednesday. The swim lasted about three and a half minutes. The first foal to reach the Chincoteague side was crowned King Neptune.

Actor Martin Clunes, who portrays Dr. Martin Ellingham on the British series, “Doc Martin,” was spotted in the crowd of onlookers. “He was there for work making a series called ‘The Islands of America,’” according to his agent Samira Davies.

After a short rest, the ponies were paraded through town to the carnival grounds.
Chincoteague Police Release Lip Sync Video

By Linda Cicoira

Chincoteague Police Department’s lip sync video that was released Tuesday was an instant hit and may have beat out the equines in entertaining the masses during Pony Penning this week. Check it out at www.facebook.com/chincoteaguepolice

The officers and dispatchers obviously had a good time and definitely achieved their goal of developing rapport and showing law enforcement’s human side. The group also did a great job of highlighting Chincoteague as a vacation destination by including the Assateague Lighthouse, love chairs at the park, and the beach in their production.

“All we can do is try, and you know, give our followers on the Facebook what they asked for,” Major Bryan Lewis, the department’s assistant chief, says in the beginning of the tape.

Cpl. Cody Butler starts off by ripping open a package of sugar and pouring it on himself while swaying to “Pour Some Sugar On Me,” by Def Leppard. Cpl. Thomas Adams tried to up him with “Don’t Stop Believ’in’,” by Journey. Officer Jeffrey Stevens danced to “Moves Like Jagger,” by Maroon 5. Officer Andy Miller wore a cowboy hat and unsuccessfully attempted to convince Lewis that “Save a Horse,” by Big & Rich, was the song to feature. Miller later was shown fulfilling everyone’s dream of riding the statue of Misty, the famous pony.

The film went on to also star Chief Randy Mills, Sgt. Tyler Greenley, Cpl. Thomas Adams, Officers Chuck McPherson and Sean Lenhoff; Dispatchers Amy Lewis, Benjy Holloway, Erika Snyder, Rachael Northam; and Park Attendant Alice Reed.

Now it’s up to other local police departments to step up and take the challenge. Specifically, the challenge went out to the Emporia Virginia Police Department, Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Police Department, and the Accomack County Sheriff’s Office.

“Thank you all for supporting us, we had a lot of fun making this for you,” was the message on the CPD’s Facebook page. “We also anticipated the video going viral, so we decided to promote our little slice of heaven called Chincoteague Island at the end!”

As of Thursday morning, the video had almost 40,000 views. See it at https://youtu.be/1pa0EVo2_64
Cheriton Logo Design Contest Open Through October 1

Submitted Article
The Town of Cheriton is holding a design contest for a new town logo, Cheriton Mayor Larry LeMond announced jointly with the town’s Visionary Committee.

“Cheriton’s appeal has always been known to its residents,” said committee chair and town clerk Stacey Sparrow, “and we’re excited to present that visually to a broader audience.” The committee has been regularly meeting at the town offices to craft plans to enhance and market what has been termed the “small town with a big heart.” LeMond said creating a brand, is “our first step in moving forward with reintroducing Cheriton to the Shore.”

Realizing that the region boasts an enormous amount of artistic talent, the committee chose to open the design process to the public, hoping that the real essence of the town could be better imagined by an individual instead of a corporation.

Designs will be accepted by the town through October 1, 2018, at which time the committee will meet to review the logos and choose five finalists to present to the public for a vote.

Guidelines for submissions:
• No photographs.
• Use of the phrase “Small Town With A Big Heart.”
• Black and white or up to three color designs.
• Any print medium is acceptable as long as the submission can be clearly scanned for reproduction.
• Electronic submissions may be in either .jpg, .png or .pdf format.
• Artists are encouraged to use elements that incorporate the history and sense of community in Cheriton
• Submissions may be dropped off in person at the town offices during regular business hours or electronically to Sparrow at townofcheriton@aol.com
• All designs become the property of the Town of Cheriton.

LeMond added that though a winner from the finalists will be made by the public, the town would reserve the right to approve an official published design that may incorporate elements from multiple submissions.

Eastville Crash Kills Henrico Driver

By Stefanie Jackson
A fatal traffic accident occurred in Eastville on June 19, at approximately 11:20 a.m., Sgt. Rob Stubbs, of the Eastville Police Department, reported.

Hector Escalera, 41, of Henrico, Va., was driving a Penske rental truck, southbound on Route 13, when he approached the traffic signal at the Willow Oak Road intersection. Another motorist, Thomas Amenta, 49, of Jacksonville, Fla., driving a tractor-trailer truck also southbound, was stopped at the intersection. The traffic light had just turned green when he was rear-ended by Escalera.

Escalera died at the scene. Amenta was transported by helicopter to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital with injuries that were not life-threatening, including injuries to the neck and collarbone.

Eastville Police Department investigated and were assisted by Virginia State Police. The Northampton County Sheriff’s Office also responded to the scene.

Both the northbound and southbound lanes of Route 13 in Eastville were shut down until 6 p.m. Virginia Marine Police assisted with traffic control.

Northampton County EMS responded to the scene, as well as fire and rescue services from Northampton County, Eastville, Cheriton, and Cape Charles.

Photo by Stefanie Jackson

Qualified and Certified
Northampton schools Chief Financial Officer Brook Thomas was congratulated by School Board Chairman William Oakley for attaining the title Certified Administrator of School Finance and Operations from the Association of School Business Officials International. It is “the only internationally recognized certification for school business officials,” ASBO International Executive Director John Musso said.
Submitted Article

Will and Elizabeth Russell have been named co-chairs of the 2018 United Way of Virginia’s Eastern Shore fundraising campaign.

The United Way of Virginia’s Eastern Shore is a local volunteer organization dedicated to helping the people of Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

The United Way Chapter has raised over $6.7 million for more than 150 organizations. Costs for the campaign are kept low with about 90 percent of all donations going to improve the quality of life on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

This year’s campaign theme is, “What we do today can change the future.”

“All president of the United Way, I am excited to have the husband and wife combo of Will Russell and Elizabeth Dodd Russell, who both have agreed to serve as the 2018-19 campaign co-chairs. I have the utmost trust that they will do an outstanding job and help us meet our campaign goal which will be determined in the near future,” said Wayne Bell, president of the United Way of Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

The Russells, married in 2017, have been extremely active in business and civic events since returning to their native Eastern Shore after graduation from college.

Will is a 2005 graduate of Broadwater Academy with a business and economics degree from Randolph-Macon College and is the program manager of WESR 103.3 F.M. and 105.7 F.M. Coastal Country and participates in many local civic groups.

Elizabeth is a 2008 graduate of Broadwater Academy with a business and economics degree from Hollins University and is the executive director of the Northampton County Chamber of Commerce. She coaches middle school girls volleyball and basketball at Broadwater Academy and is a member of the Christ Church Vestry and Hungars Cure Vestry, and is also active in several civic organizations.

Will and Elizabeth reside in Eastville with their black lab Maisey.

Right: Elizabeth and Will Russell are co-chairing the 2018 United Way fundraising campaign for Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

Dajon Wise, “struck her, pulled her hair, and damaged her” car. An Aug. 27 hearing was set. Wise was also charged with defacing property and assault and battery, which are misdemeanors.

Keshawn Abbott, 26, of Fox Grove Road in Parksley, was charged with burglarying the home of Christopher Kuhn on July 23. He was arrested the same day. Unsecured bond was set at $3,500. Duty Chris Hargis of ACSO investigated.

Kyle Raffery, 25, of Richmond Avenue in Onley, was charged on July 6 with a third offense of DWI in five years, which is a felony. Raffery was arrested after stopping in the parking lot of the New Church scales. A test showed him with .15 grams per 210 liters of breath. The legal limit is .08 grams. Trooper J.M. Wittusen investigated. Secured bond was set at $5,000.
Central Accomack Little League Red Thunder’s Post Season Memories

Submitted Article and Photos

The Red Thunder of Central Accomack Little League traveled to see the Delmarva Shorebirds play in Salisbury July 7.

Baltimore Orioles icon Cal Ripkin Jr.’s son, Ryan Ripkin, hit the game winning three-run homerun to beat the Hickory Crawdads, 6-4. Ripkin signed baseballs for the kids after the game, before everyone enjoyed the fireworks.

Members of the Red Thunder stand with Ryan Ripkin (far right) and three other Shorbirds players during the National Anthem on July 7 in Salisbury.

Ryan Ripkin signs baseballs after the game for the kids.

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A golf tournament to benefit the Onancock Volunteer Fire Department was held recently with 28 teams playing at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club in Melfa. The awards reception was held at the club’s temporary clubhouse in Onancock, the former Inn and Garden Cafe.

The foursome of Jim Chapman, Steve Leahy, Parker Ward, and Terry Higbee won the tournament with the team of Doug Cook, Lee Chisholm, Brian Terry, and Steve Katsetos winning the second flight. Finishing second overall was John McGoldrick, Chris Fuller, and Toby Tapman.

The Onancock Volunteer Fire Department proudly displays the American flag on a ladder at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club.
Nine-year-old Hunter Durham made this outstanding 10-pound, 12-ounce sheepshead catch while fishing with his father, Drew, from the pier at the Robert Reed Town Park on Chincoteague.

Unstable weather moved in over the weekend bringing winds, intermittent rain, and limiting the fishing opportunities for most anglers. Let’s hope the weather conditions improve for this weekend’s Eastern Shore Marlin Club Annual Billfish Release Tournament out of Wachapreague.

This week is also Pony Penning week on Chincoteague, so most of the charter vessels have been booked for the pony swim. This coupled with the closing of the boat ramp on Queen Sound and the nearly impossible task of trying to tow a boat through the throng of tourist vehicles that have descended to tow a boat through the throng and the nearly impossible task of trying of the boat ramp on Queen Sound.

**Chincoteague** — Jimmy Vasilou, at Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle, reports that the surf of Assateague is still producing catches of spot and kingfish/whitefish on bloodworm and Fish Bites baits. There have also been plenty of sharks in the suds as well as in the back bay. One angler, fishing from a kayak, “boated” a five-footer long enough to have a picture snapped by a fellow kayaker. Hunter Durham boated a 10-pound, 12-ounce citation sheepshead off the pier at the Robert Reed Town Park. A limit of flounder was made off Inlet View by an angler fishing along the rocks. The inshore wrecks have been productive when the weather has been cooperative, according to Vasilou. The shop is planning a youth croaker tournament at the beginning of August.

Donna Rae, at Captain Bob’s Marina, reported that the flounder bite improved with the appearance of clear water before the recent spell of nasty weather. Popular flatfish locations were in the Chincoteague Channel in front of Beebe Road north to Daisey’s Dockside and Water-side Inn and along the causeway near the Marsh Island exit in the old Black Narrows. Action inside Queen Sound was described as slow. Kingfish/whitefish and a “scattering” of croaker were coming from the canal out toward the mouth of the inlet. Assateague Channel has produced “mostly crabs” over the last week. The structures off Blackfish Banks have been inconsistent on the few days that boats could fish them.

**Upper Shore** — Captain Matt Abell, of Sea Hawk Sports Center, reports that the rail cars have been “hit or miss” with anglers limiting out one day on flounder and almost getting skunked the next. One customer limited out on flounder on a recent trip to Quinby Inlet, while another customer boated three cobia off Cape Charles. Offshore runs, when conditions allow, have produced nice catches of black sea bass. Yellowfin tuna have been available to the north for anglers chunking at the Hot Dog. Spot have moved into the waters off Crisfield and are being targeted hard by both recreational and commercial fishermen.

**Wachapreague** — Captain Lindsay Paul, at Trident Tackle, reported that a few dolphin (mahi) have been caught along the 20-fathom line and a “handful” have been caught in the canyon. Paul reported that the presence of “lots of pretty” water, just not much life, and he is hoping things improve for this weekend’s billfish release tournament. There was one marlin release that he had heard of on Friday. Wreck fishing on the Monroe has produced catches of triggerfish, sea bass, and flounder. One angler found a nice school of triggerfish around a large piece of float-sam. The inshore wrecks have been productive when anglers could get out to them. Most recent offshore trips have been cancelled due to the weather. Inside the inlet, flounder fishing was described as “way off” from what it should be.

**Lower Shore** — Chis Snook, of Chris’ Bait & Tackle, reported, despite the weather, the cobia bite is still “good.” Spadefish have still been available at the fourth island of the bridge-tunnel. Larger croakers, in the 12- to 14-inch range, have appeared outside of the concrete ships. Red drum have been hitting in the evenings off buoys 16 and 13. Flounder fishing has improved for anglers jigging along the pilings of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel and around the span’s fourth island. There have been catches of spot off the pier at the Kiptopeke State Park and along the nearby concrete ships. Snapper bluefish catches have also been made off Kiptopeke.

Jeb Brady, of Bailey’s Bait & Tackle, said that the weather has played a big role in the fishing recently. Cobia fishermen have seen an abundance of sharks with a few keeper cobia mixed in. Big red drum are being caught off buoy 13. Spadefish are plentiful around Plantation Light and the fourth island. The inside waters out of Oyster are producing a few croaker, according to Brady.

**Photo by Jean Sellard**

Sam Sellard, Kevin Shelly, and Jean Sellard (not pictured) fished the ocean last week. They had a nice catch of flounder weighing up to 5 pounds and triggerfish, including a release citation.
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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:**

- Moderate
- Challenging
- HOO BOY!
Small Business is the Backbone of the Economy

Meredith Lusk of Moonrise Jewelry in Cape Charles (above) took the first Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce Award for Young Entrepreneur of the Year Monday. At top right, Gov. Ralph Northam presents oncologist Dr. Drury Stith with the Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award for his long service to the Shore. At right, David and Penney Fluhart are honored for their dedication to local residents through their work in the Wachapreague Fire Department and by supporting a rescue squad in Painter. Below, Crystal and Sean Hart of the Exmore Diner are named for the Small Business of the Year Award. Crystal Hart is shown recognizing diner owner Evelyn Pruitt, who was in the crowd. At bottom right, Northam poses with Wanda Cafferty, who was given the Distinguished Service Award.

Photos by Linda Cicoira
Atlantic

The 2018 Homecoming Weekend will be held Aug. 11 and 12 at St. John’s UMC.
The Throwback Choir Concert will be held Saturday, Aug. 11, at 6 p.m.
The Faith, Family, and Friends Worship Service will be held Sunday, Aug. 12, at 9 a.m.

Cape Charles

Trinity UMC will sponsor communion on the beach that will be held Wednesday, Aug. 8, 15, and 22, at 8 p.m., at the Jefferson Avenue beach access. If inclement weather communion will be held at the Randolph Avenue gazebo.

Cheriton

The Sixth Annual Sunday of Hope will be Sunday, Aug. 26, at 6 p.m., at Cheriton UMC, 21309 S. Bayside Rd.

Donated luminaria will illuminate the church in honor or memory of someone who has or has had cancer. Luminaria bags can be purchased for $10 by calling Cheli West at 757-646-8451 by Aug. 5.

Craddockville

The Relay for Life Sunday of Hope will be Sunday, July 29, at 9:30 a.m., at Craddockville UMC. The guest speakers will be June Lee Custis, Zach Annon, and Bobby Groton. Luminaria bags can be purchased for $10 and lanterns are $25. For more information, contact Brittany Savage at savbritt@aol.com

Vacation Bible School will be held Aug. 13 through 17. For more information or to volunteer call Joy Phillips at 442-0992.

There will be a church yard sale to benefit Relay for Life Saturday, Aug. 18, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Purchase a spot for $10.

Daugherty

A Night of Elegance, A Black and White Affair, will be Saturday, July 28, from 6:30 to 11 p.m., at St. Luke AME Church. The cost is $15 per person. For more information, call 709-4669.

Eastville

Intercessory Prayer Warriors will present “The Ten Commandments” Saturday, July 28, at 3 p.m., at Bethel AME Church.

Mappsville

An appreciation service for Rev. James I. Boyd will be held Sunday, July 29, at 3 p.m., at First Baptist Church.
The Senior Choir Anniversary will be Sunday, Aug. 19, at 3 p.m. In concert will be Min. Fred Crawley, Min. James Rich, and Brother Andrew Dorn.

Melfa

A chicken salad platter dinner will be held Friday, July 27, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at Oak Grove UMC. The cost is $8 and platters include chicken salad, cole slaw, potato salad, dessert, and tea or coffee. Pints will also be for sale for $8. For more information, call 710-4920.

Onancock

Vacation Bible School will be held July 30 through Aug. 3, from 5:30 to 8 p.m., at Metropolitan UMC. Pre-register by emailing the child’s name and grade to billgreer@vaumc.org or register at the door. There will be a special class for those entering 9th through 12th grades.

Parksley

The 100 Men in Black service will be held Saturday, Aug. 4, at 4 p.m., at Adams UMC. Pastor Rob Kelly will be the guest speaker.

Vacation Bible School service will be Sunday, July 29, at 11 a.m., at Parksley Baptist Church. A cookout will follow.

Pungoteague

The youth group will meet Friday, Aug. 10 and 24, at 6 p.m., at Pungoteague Community Church. Women’s support group will be Aug. 6, 13, and 27, at 6 p.m. The food pantry will be open Wednesday, Aug. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 11, from 8 to 10 a.m.

Withams

The annual all-day camp meeting will be Sunday, July 29, at Mt. Zion IMC. New Beginning UMC. New Beginning UMC, in Wattsbridge, will be the guest at 3 p.m.
Car Show Provides Riverside Donation

The Axing Out Cancer Car Show on June 9 drew more than 100 entrants, with 70 trophies awarded and door prizes every 30 minutes. Proceeds were donated to Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital’s Cancer Center. It was the first of what organizer Chester Jackson says will be an annual event. Jackson said the event was a success because of the support of the many sponsors who donated time, money, and goods to a good cause.

Pictured from left are Chester Jackson, Beverly Bowden, director of the Riverside Shore Cancer Center, John Peterman, vice president and administrator at RSMH, and David Wright, president of the Eastern Shore Cruisers.

Academic Achievements

Accomack County area students were named to the dean’s or president’s lists.

Ashley Liddle, of Wallops Island, was named to the president’s list of Shenandoah University for spring 2018.

Leah Boothe, of Onancock, was named to the dean’s list at Anderson University for the spring semester.

Kimberly Wert, of Melfa, was named to the dean’s list at Hofstra University for the spring semester.

Medicaid Expansion Potluck

Sen. Lynwood Lewis joined members of Virginia Organizing for a celebration of Medicaid expansion in Virginia. Sen. Lewis told the group that about 400,000 additional people would be covered and the expansion would be especially advantageous for hospitals in rural and economically disadvantaged areas like the Eastern Shore.

Pictured are members of Virginia Organizing with Sen. Lewis (center, in suit) at the celebration.
Cape Charles

The Harbor for the Arts Summer Festival will feature a performance by classic rock and country band Little Country, Saturday, July 28, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Cape Charles Central Park. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved to the Historic Palace Theatre.

Greenbackville

The Captain’s Cove Health and Safety Fair will be held Saturday, Aug. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, at 3323 Dock Ct. The fair is sponsored by the Captain’s Cove Community Emergency Response Team. Free health screenings will be held throughout the day.

Onancock

The Eastern Shore Master Naturalists will host a basic training class beginning Thursday, Sept. 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Historic Onancock School. Classes will be on Thursdays through Nov. 8. Registration is $100 and due by Aug. 20. For more information, call Susan Russell at 804-774-1080.

Snow Hill, Md.

The River Rally, devoted to all things Pocomoke River, will be held Friday, Aug. 10, from 9 a.m. to noon, at Sturgis Park. The event is hosted by Lower Shore Land Trust. There will be morning meditation, yoga on the river, kayak tours, and pontoon boat tours around Goat Island. Learn about the Pocomoke River watershed. For more information, call 443-234-5587 or email info@lowershorelandtrust.org.

Beehive Distribution Program

Virginia’s recently established Beehive Distribution Program provides beehives to both new and established beekeepers in an effort to increase the number of actively managed bee colonies across the Commonwealth. The program is administered by the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS).

The Beehive Distribution Program provides beehive equipment directly to eligible beekeepers. Residents of Virginia who are 18 or older are eligible to receive up to three beehive units per year. Individuals who receive a beehive unit will be registered as beekeepers with VDACS, allowing for periodic inspection of beehives by the agency.

Staff will review applications for the Beehive Distribution Program in the order in which they are received. If all available beehive units are distributed before the fiscal year ends on June 30, 2019, VDACS will stop accepting applications and notify applicants that the program has ceased processing applications for the fiscal year. Applications will not carry forward to the next fiscal year.

“Last winter Virginia lost 59.5 percent of its hives,” said Keith Tignor, State Apiarist. “The Beehive Distribution Program will help counteract those dramatic losses by assisting beekeepers in establishing new hives.”

To learn more about the distribution program and submit an application, go to http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/plant-industry-services-beehive-distribution-program.shtml

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**Morning Slack Tide - Chincoteague Pony**
**Return Swim - Assateague Channel**
**8 a.m. - Breakfast at the VFW - VFW**

Post 2296, Tasley - donations accepted
**noon - AA mtg. - UMC, 75 Market St., Onancock**
**5 p.m. - 4th Friday Street Festival - Downtown**
**6-8 p.m. - Mike Laneke in Concert - Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles**
**6 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church**
**7 p.m. - Stars on Stage Theatre Camp - Historic Place Theatre, Cape Charles - $5/person - 331-4327**
**7 p.m. - Life Teach Series - Rachel/Leah Covenant Ministries Center - 787-2486**
**7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Exmore Moose Lodge, Belle Haven**

SATURDAY, JULY 28

**8 a.m.-2 p.m. - 20th Annual Bayside Poker Run**
Call 442-2931 for meeting place
**9:30-10:30 a.m. - Yoga on the Beach - Kiptopeke State Park - $8/class**
**2 p.m. - Stars on Stage Theatre Camp - Historic Place Theatre, Cape Charles - $5/person**
**2-4 p.m. - Empowering Girls’ Group - ESTACI, Exmore - 757-656-3460**
**7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.**

MONDAY, JULY 30

**1-4 p.m. - CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday - 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**
**6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg. - Grace UMC, Parksley**
**6:30-8:30 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761**
**7 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ Episcopal Church, Eastville**

HELLO AUGUST

**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. - Onancock UMC, 25642 E. Main St. - 789-5000**
**11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Soup Kitchen - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore**
**11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Debedeavon Toastmasters’ mtg. - NASA/Wallops Base - Call Owen Hooks at 824-1941 for base access**
**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 p.m. - Accomack County Democratic mtg. - E.S. Chamber of Commerce, 19056 Parkway Rd., Melfa**
**6-7 p.m. - Prayer Line Open (St. Matthew’s Church, Onley) - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests**
**6:30-8:30 p.m. - Free English for Speakers of Other Languages - Metompkin Elementary School, Parksley - 789-1761**
**7 p.m. - AA & Al-Anon mtgs. - Franktown UMC**
**7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

**10:30 a.m. - Story Time - Cape Charles Memorial Library**
**5 p.m. - Great Pocomoke Fair (Aug. 2-4) - Fairgrounds, Pocomoke, Md.**
**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. - Alpha Sigma Theta Sorority - Dawn of the Rising Sun - Veterans Bldg., Main St., Onley**
**6-8:30 p.m. - American Legion Post 101 mtg. - Chapter Bldg., 25534 Main St., Onley**
**7 p.m. - Republican Party mtg. - Little Italy, Nassawadox**
**7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Group mtg. - Chincoteague Church of God, 5252 Woodland Dr., Chincoteague**
**7 p.m. - NA mtg. - Painter Garrison UMC**
**7-8 p.m. - Debedeavon Toastmasters’ mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock**
**8 p.m. - AA mtg. - Christ UMC, 6253 Church St., Chincoteague**
The family of Georgie Stevens would like to thank everyone for the calls, cards, food, and prayers after her passing. We are eternally grateful for the love shown to our family.

~David, Jane, and Michael

Announcements

Help Wanted

ESAAA/CAA
Project Head Start

Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency – Project Head Start is accepting applications for the following positions:

1. Preschool Teacher
2. Family Service Workers
3. 2 Teacher’s Assistants/Bus Monitor
4. 1 Part-time Disability Specialist

For job descriptions, qualifications, salaries, and to apply you may obtain an application from 5432 Bayside Road, Exmore, Virginia.

Inquiries may be directed to:
Tange Francis – Head Start Director
(757) 442-9652 ext. 18 or tfrancis@esvaheadstart.org

All applications including resume should be received by 4:30 pm, July 31, 2018.

ESAAA/CAA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. ESAAA/CAA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Data Processing Job

Full-Time Position open immediately

Education/Experience:
High School Diploma
Working knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel
Good Math Skills

Requirements:
Must have experience working with computers
Ability to multi-task and complete assigned duties efficiently
Professional appearance and manner

Duties & Responsibilities:
Process driver’s invoices and load sheets for next day sales
Create signs for promotional sales using Corel Draw software
Prepare letters and spreadsheets as needed
Answer phones
Perform other duties as assigned

Benefits:
Health insurance
Simple IRA retirement plan with company match
Vacation pay
Sick leave
Competitive pay rates

Please call to set up an appointment for interview:
757-331-2472

Help Wanted

Class A or B CDL Mixer/Dump Truck Driver

Must have 3 years Commercial driving experience
Benefits:
- Competitive pay rates
- 401(k) Plan with company match
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- Vacation Pay
- Holiday Pay
- Life Insurance
- Short Term Disability

Please apply in person at our office located at 21226 Fairgrounds Road, Tasley, VA, 23441
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Carpenters Wanted

Wanted: experienced carpenters who have the ability to perform all phases of residential construction. Qualified applicants must have at least 3 years of experience. Applicant must have a strong work ethic and be willing to work well with others. A valid driver’s license and vehicle is necessary. Pay based upon previous experience. If you feel that you qualify for this position please call 757-787-8037 for an interview.

Farm Helper (Greenbush, Va.)

Farm helper position available on a broiler farm in Greenbush, Virginia. Must be able to work at least 40 hours per week. Must be able to start at 6:30 a.m. Must be able to physically perform all tasks needed in assisting the farm tenant to run a successful poultry operation. Daily collection and proper composting of mortality. Setting up for arrival of new chicks, moving them through the different stages of growth and shutting down the houses during catch time. Must be available to respond to alarms if needed. Grass cutting and grounds maintenance required.

The successful candidate must have a valid driver’s license and reliable transportation. Must be able to speak some English.

Contact 757-894-4410 or email bradypoultryfarms@gmail.com

WANTED: CDL Drivers

Team or Solo
Up to .50 per mile OTR
Fisher & Sons Trucking
270-925-3943

Locally Owned, Locally Operated
Help Wanted (Cont’d)

Registered Dental Hygienist
Eastern Shore of VA: Dentist seeking full- and part-time RDH. Health Benefits, Paid Holidays, Continuing Education. Candidates should email their resume to resumes@morrisonodontalgroup.com.

PROJECTS DIRECTOR
Eastern Shore Resource Conservation and Development (BC&D) Council seeks a part-time (20 hours/week) Projects Director to assist with the application, coordination and administration of agricultural, environmental and community based grants. Strong technical writing skills and working knowledge of agriculture, natural resource conservation/restoration and grants administration is desired.
Send resume to RC&DC Chair Edwin Long, P.O. Box 309, Belle Haven, VA 23306. PH: (757) 442-9126. Leave message on answering machine. Resume must be received by 8/3/2018 (not postmarked). EOE.

EASTERN SHORE RURAL HEALTH SYSTEM, INC. is currently recruiting

Dental Assistants
Help keep our community smiling brightly!
Must be a high school graduate or equivalent with dental assistant training or experience. Requires the ability to perform four-handed dental assistance and the ability to work well with children.
Individual must be energetic, flexible and self-motivated with strong attention to detail, communication, teamwork, customer service and computer skills. This position also requires a person with the ability to use clinical assessment skills and perception to determine the needs of the patient while working with the dental provider. Ability to provide bilingual patient care is a plus.
These are full-time positions with benefits. If you are a mission-driven person looking to make a difference, email an application to dhr@esrh.org before noon on August 7, 2018. Applications can be obtained from www.esrh.org. Resumes may accompany the application but will not be considered if sent alone.
Eastern Shore Rural Health offers a competitive benefits package and our campuses are Tobacco-Free Workplaces. EOE/AM/F/Disability/Vet

Help Wanted

INTERNET RADIO BOARD OPERATOR - Call Mr. Wolfe at 757-274-6983.
LOOKING for experienced roofers and helpers in Cape Charles and surrounding areas. Excellent pay and plenty of work. Call 757-331-2746.
MILLWRIGHTS - PIPE FITTERS/WELDERS MAINTENANCE MECHANIC MIG - TIG - STICK - FT - PT - Weekends - Exp’d only. Valid Driver’s license and Transpor- tion. DOUGLAS REPAIRS, INC., SNOW HILL, MD. Call 410-632-1346 or 443-783-4125.
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HOBIE 16’ WITH TRAILER - Blue sails & white trampoline. Good condition, ready to sail. $1,200. Call (757) 710-2086.
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16-FT. CAROLINA SKIFF $6,500 - 30 HP 4-stroke. Tops, 2-GPS/fishfinder, rod holders, live well, cover, more. 757-824-2507.

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1999 23-FT. SEA ERIE $12,500 – Upgrades; great condition; Johnson motor; live well; new wiring; Garmin; new canvas top; Price negotiable. (757) 665-1904.

FREE 26-FT. RANGER SAILBOAT in cradle w/sails, rigging, cushions. Needs to be moved & repaired. 757-331-0315.

’18 CENTER CONSOLE CAROLINA SKIFF w/trailer, great boat, no motor, new rub rail. $5,500. 710-4876 or 442-2131.

’83 Pro-Line Center Console Sport - 23’9”, 200 h.p. Mercury, 2 stroke, 1 owner, T-top, trailer, includes 30-ft. Boatmaster trailer. Call 787-1209 and ask for John or Ross.


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FOR RENT - Cheriton Bldg.

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MOAB FARM ENTERPRISES - All types of mowing, landscaping, and tree work. No job too small. Call 434-531-2027.

TYLER'S TIMBER SERVICE, INC.
- Pulpwood Thinnings
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**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

IT APPEARING that service of process has not been affected personally upon Defendant, VIRGINIA M. WILKINS (hereinafter, “Wilkins Estate”), and all heirs, known and unknown (hereinafter, “Parties Unknown”); and

IT APPEARING that due diligence has been used to locate Wilkins and/or Wilkins Estate and Parties Unknown, and that the Plaintiff has not been able to locate Wilkins and/or Wilkins Estate, nor has Plaintiff located any evidence that an estate been established or a List of Heirs filed; and,

IT APPEARING that Wilkins last known address is 18206 Second Street, Keller, VA 23401, and

IT APPEARING that it is timely and appropriate that this Court enter an Order allowing for service upon the Defendants be completed pursuant to Virginia Code §8.01-316 by Order of Publication in a newspaper with general circulation in and published in and approved by the Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia, and namely, in 18206 Second Street, Keller, VA 23401, and it is therefore,

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that all Defendants be placed on notice that a complaint is pending in the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia, Case number CL2016000174, to quiet title in the Wilkins Estate, and further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that all Defendants be placed on notice that a complaint is pending in the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia, Case number CL2016000174, to quiet title in the real property known as 18206 Second Street, Keller, VA 23401, as more accurately reflected in the Complaint, and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that the Defendants must appear in this Court no later than 50 days after entry of this ORDER and make known to this Court any objection they may have to the complaint and to state their interests in and to the subject real property and to claim any defenses to the pending action; otherwise an order will be entered in favor of Plaintiff, and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that the Clerk of this Court send notice of this service to all Defendants at the last known address of 18206 Second Street, Keller, VA 23401, and

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that EASTERN SHORE POST shall file an affidavit of publication with the Clerk of this Court attesting to the dates of publication, attesting that the notice was published at least once a week for four successive weeks.

Dated this 25th day of July, 2018.

W. Revel Lewis, Judge of the Accomack County Circuit Court

I ask for this: Sara Tussey, VSB # 79826; Nanita Cornish, VSB # 46769; Rosenberg & Associates, LLC, Nationstar Mortgage LLC, 4340 East West Highway, Suite 600, Bethesda, MD 20814. Tel: 301-907-8000/ sara.tussey@rosenberg-assoc.com nanita.cornish@rosenberg-assoc.com Counsel for Plaintiff
For Sale

The Town of Onley, Virginia is seeking proposals from interested persons/firms for the design, construction and maintenance of the Town website. Sealed RFPs should be addressed to Town of Onley, P.O. Box 622, Onley, VA 23418, Attn: Jamye Salazar, and received on or before 5:00 PM on August 10, 2018. Sealed RFPs will be opened on August 13, 2018. Contract will be awarded based on information received and based on the propos- al expected to be the most beneficial to the project. The Town of Onley reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

RFP – Website Administration

The Town of Onley, Virginia is accepting sealed bids on a Ferris Zero Turn Lawn Mower and two weed eaters (undetermined brand) until Friday, August 10, 2018. The minimum bid accepted will be $1,000.00. Items can be seen at the Onley Town Office located at 25559 E. Main Street, Onley, VA. Please come by or call with questions 787-3985. THESE ITEMS ARE BEING SOLD AS IS.

**The Town of Onley reserves the right to reject any and all bids.**

Public Notice

The Northampton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, at 10:00 a.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 Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Department to conduct a site visit on the below property. The board will then meet to conduct regular business and a public hearing on the following matter:

District Boundary Interpretation 2018-01: Shooting Point Seafood LLC has filed an application for a district boundary interpretation. The Shooting Point LLC parcel is currently split zoned as Working Waterfront “WW” and Waterfront Hamlet/Residential “WH/R.” This split zoning was the result of a newly recorded survey, shown in the included pictures, which changed the shape of the lot. Before the new survey was completed and recorded, the entire parcel was zoned WH/R. Zoning designations typically follow parcel boundaries. We believe this split zoning is an error and interpretation of the boundary is necessary. Shooting Point Seafood LLC is requesting to have their entire parcel zoned interpreted as the WW zoning district. Separate from this application, Shooting Point Seafood LLC plans to construct a 24’ by 60’ platform to support upwelling tanks for the growth and production of seed oysters, a second level supporting a 16’ by 20’ office and equipment storage, and a loading and offloading pier approximately .75’ long, 575 square feet. This project is for the expansion of a preexisting aquaculture company. This parcel is located on Bayford Road off of Nassawadox Creek. This parcel is further described as Tax Map 19, double circle A, parcel 26A.

Anyone interested in the above matter should 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.

Monique Graves
Office Coordinator
Public Notice

The Northampton County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., at the former Northampton County Middle School located in the Auditorium at 7207 Young St., Machipongo, VA. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct regular business and public hearings on the following matters:

A. SUP 2018-05: Addie Sue Smith has applied for a minor special use permit to construct a single wide mobile home on her lot. The property is located on Johnson Town Road near Birdnest. The property is further described as Tax Map 90, double circle A, parcel 53 and is zoned H/R (Hamlet/Residential).

B. SUP 2018-06: Dorcas Richmond-David has applied for a minor special use permit to change the use of an unoccupied vacation unit into an accessory dwelling for permanent residency for her mother. The property is located at 3307 Rd in Cape Charles, VA and is zoned TE-1 (Town Edge-1). The property involved is further described as Tax Map 84, double circle A, parcel 90.

C. CPA 2018-02: The Northampton County Planning Commission proposes to amend the Comprehensive Plan. This draft Comprehensive Plan utilizes the format of the current plan, with Part One containing recommendations, strategies, responsible parties for those actions, and suggested timelines. Part Two includes data from research, surveys, public input, and other sources. Some data may be repeated in Part One when necessary for explanations.

Part One, Section One includes an introduction, an explanation of the plan update process, an analysis of public input, a vision statement.

Part One, Section Two considers land use, community design, road corridors, livable communities, and includes the Future Land Use Map (FLUM). The FLUM is proposed to include the following land use areas: Agricultural, Conservation, Commercial, Cottage Community, Industrial, Planned Unit Developments, Residential, Town Edge, Town, and Village. The FLUM is proposed to remove the following current land use areas: Existing subdivision, Existing Cottage Community, Highway Corridor Land Use District, Industrial Activity Corridor, Hamlet, Waterfront Hamlet, and Waterfront Village.

Part One, Section Three deals with the economic plan noting current issues, considering existing industries, looks at business and workforce development, and makes recommendations.

Part One, Section Four looks at housing, noting assets, issues, inventory and demographics, livable communities, and organizations to help with obtaining housing, and makes recommendations.

Part One, Section Five covers environment, natural resources, and open spaces. It considers our assets, examines environmental issues, and suggests planning, goals, and strategies for their conservation.

Part One, Section Six examines community facilities and services, both public and private. It inventories these assets, looks at existing and potential issues, and gives goals and implementation strategies.

Part One, Section Seven deals with transportation, including assets, current issues, planning, and goals and implementation strategies to meet those goals.

Part Two, Section One covers the history and geography of our County.

Part Two, Section Two examines population and demographics of the County, trends, projections, household data, family data, and poverty data.

Part Two, Section Three includes economic data about the workforce, jobs, types of employers, major industries, economic development, and taxes and revenues.

Part Two, Section Four is the housing analysis section. It looks at housing inventory, its distribution, rentals, building permits issued, housing conditions, affordable housing, and influences on future trends.

Part Two, Section Five includes environmental data on topics including climate, topography, soils, Carolina bays, forest land, ecological communities, water resources, and our shoreline, wetlands, and barrier islands.

Part Two, Section Six contains data about our community facilities and services, including art and culture resources, churches, communication systems, utilities, water and wastewater facilities, solid waste management, emergency services and law enforcement, government services, libraries, parks and recreation, and schools and education.

Part Two, Section Seven is the transportation data section, and includes information on land use planning and its interaction with transportation existing traffic volumes, future traffic estimates, the existing highway system, air transportation, rail transportation, motor freight and parcel services, public transportation, marine-transportation and harbors, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, scenic byways, rest areas, the Adopt-A-Highway program, and Historical markers.

The complete draft is available for viewing online on the Northampton County Planning page and at any adjacent localities planning office, all Northampton County Town Halls, and the Northampton County Planning Office beginning July 12. Please note that previous draft versions on the site may have been changed or updated since they were posted.

D. TABLED ZTA 2018-04: The Northampton County Board of Supervisors propose to add a definition for “watch house” which will be incorporated in the Northampton County Zoning Ordinance dated 04/12/2016: §154.2.003 Definitions. A new section, numbered 154.2.121 “WATCH HOUSE” will be added to describe how the use and/or structures will be permitted, constructed, or expanded, i.e., the criteria and/or permits needed.

E. TABLED ZTA 2018-05: The Northampton County Board of Supervisors propose to add a new use “short term rental”, with minimum standards and a definition to the Northampton County Zoning Ordinance dated 04/12/2016: §154.2.003 Definitions and accompanying use charts. With this ZTA, the Board also proposes 2 options for the allowance of short term rental units. Option #1 would allow short term rentals throughout the County by-right with certain minimal performance standards. Option #2 would permit them to be allowed by-right in certain areas, allowed with a Minor Special Use Permit in some other areas, and not allowed at all in the rest, (similarly to the B&B use). Also, a part of the ZTA is eliminating the use and definition of “tourist cottages” and “flexible term rental units”. A new section, numbered 154.2.120 “SHORT TERM RENTAL” with minimum standards is proposed to be added.

The Board of Supervisors shall also conduct public hearings on above items A, B, D, and E on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Chambers. The applications will be on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and in the Office of Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement located at 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA. 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 Wetlands Board
TRUSTEE’S SALE OF
32255 WALLOPS ISLAND ROAD,
TEMPERANCEVILLE, VIRGINIA
(28.003 acres+/-)

In execution of a deed of trust from ATLANTIC FARM, LLC (the “Owner”) dated as of September 1, 2016, recorded in the Accomack County Circuit Court Clerk’s Office as Instrument No. 160003587 (the “Deed of Trust”), one or both of the undersigned substitute trustees (collectively, the “Trustee”), at the request of the holder of the note secured by the Deed of Trust (the “Beneficiary”), will offer for sale at public auction, in front of the Accomack County Circuit Court Building, located at 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomac, Virginia, at 12:00 noon, on Wednesday, August 8, 2018, the Owner’s encumbered real and personal property (the “Property”), which is briefly identified as, and located at:

Adjusted Parcel 56-2-4A
Mount Piah Farm
Village of Assawoman
Atlantic Magisterial District

The Property street address is misidentified in the text of the Deed of Trust as “23255” Wallops Island Road. Wallops Island Road is also sometimes referred to as “Causeway Road.”

Included with the Property to be conveyed at the auction sale are the Owner’s real property interests granted under the Deed of Trust and, under an accompanying security agreement, which are perfected by (i) a financing statement, filed for record with the Virginia State Corporation as Instrument No. 160909-3827-4, and (ii) a certificate of title covering a 2016 Eagle River manufactured house unit, filed with the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles as Title No. 1505904282, in accordance with Va. Code §8.9A-604(a)(2).

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. The Property will be offered for sale “AS IS, WHERE IS” and will be conveyed by special warranty deed and by bill of sale (transfer statement) subject to all encumbrances, rights, reservations, covenants, conditions, easements, restrictions and statutory liens, if any, having priority over the Deed of Trust or the associated personal property lien interests. The Trustee and Beneficiary make no representation or warranty whatsoever as to the existence, validity, survival or terms of any Property lease, and no credit shall be given against the purchase price for any security deposit associated with any such lease.

Except for the special warranty contained in the deed, the Trustee and Beneficiary disclaim all warranties of any kind for the Property, including without limitation any warranty relating to the zoning, physical or environmental condition, fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability. The risk of loss or damage to the Property shall be borne by the successful bidder from and after the date and time of sale, and the purchaser shall assume all obligations for continuation of utility services to the Property. Securing possession and control of the Property, including locating the personal property assets, shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder.

A bidder’s deposit in cash or by certified or cashier’s check of at least ten percent (10%) of the amount bid must be shown to the Trustee for such bid to be accepted, subject to bidder prequalification. Immediately after the sale, the successful bidder shall execute a contract of sale with the Trustee, a form of which is available for review upon request, and shall deliver to the Trustee the required deposit. Settlement in full shall be made in cash at 223 E. City Hall Avenue, Suite 201, Norfolk, Virginia, within 30 days of sale, time being of the essence. Additional procedures, terms and conditions may be announced at the sale, and shall control.

PETER G. ZEMANIAN
Paul A. Driscoll
Substitute Trustees

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Peter G. Zemanian
223 East City Hall Avenue, Suite 201
Norfolk, Virginia 23510
(757) 622-0090
pete@zemanianlaw.com

Notice of Public Hearing

The Cape Charles Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 6, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., in the Cape Charles Civic Center, located at 500 Tazewell Avenue, to receive public comment on a request for an exception from strict application of the certificate of continued use to zoning ordinance Article IV, Section 4.3.1. The applicant is requesting continuing use of an unapproved building material on a residential dwelling building at 638 Tazewell Avenue (tax map #83A3-1-432). The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a meeting immediately following the public hearing to consider the request. The application is available for public review in the Town Planner’s Office, located at 2 Plum Street, during regular business hours. Please contact Town Planner Larry DiRe at 757-331-2036, or by email planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information. Anyone interested in attending and needing special assistance please contact the Town at least forty-eight hours before the hearing.

Notice of Public Hearings

The Cape Charles Town Council and the Town Planning Commission will hold joint public hearings on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., in the Town Civic Center at 500 Tazewell Avenue, Cape Charles to receive comment on the following: proposed text amendment to zoning ordinance Article IV, Section 4.3.1; and title language with zoning ordinance Article II, Section 2.6.2.C establishing the Board of Zoning Appeals as the appellate body for decisions of the zoning administrator; proposed text amendment to zoning ordinance Article VIII, regulations for the historic district overlay. The Planning Commission alone will also hold a public hearing, same time and place, on proposed zoning ordinance text amendments making accessory dwelling units a conditional use in the Residential Estate, Commercial – Residential, Residential – 1, and Residential – 2 zoning districts. Immediately following close of the public hearings, the Planning Commission will meet in their regular monthly meeting to consider these items.

Information on these public hearing items can be viewed in the Town Planner’s Office at 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles Town Hall, or obtained by phone at 757-331-3259 x15, or email at larry.dire@capecharles.org

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that certain lot or parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, designated as tax map number 06700A000013500, standing in the name of Shirley P. Evans (also known as Shirley Parks and Shirley Logan) and Elaine T. Kimble, 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 this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Elaine T. Kimble; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Shirley P. Evans and Shirley Logan, whose last known post office address is 18081 Justisville Road, Parksley, VA 23421; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Dale L. Parks, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 1766, Parksley, VA 23421; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Carolyn Parks, whose last known post office address is P.O. Box 499, Fruitland, MD 21826.

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 September 13, 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 16th day of July, 2018
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Family Matters in Finances

By Richard L. Saunders
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

In a departure from my earlier writings, this column will not directly deal with fraud but rather with avoidable situations that can otherwise cause intrafamily pain and stress at a time of already existing pain and stress.

The typical “business model” for older couples still often remains one where the male half is in charge of the family finances and the female half has no idea where accounts are located, how much they contain, and how to access them. Then, when the male dies or becomes seriously incapacitated, the woman, at a time of grief and stress, is left with the task of finding out what her situation actually is so that her life can continue with no added unnecessary stress. This can be avoided.

Tutor your spouse (or significant other) so that the mundane but necessary financial aspects of life can continue. Be wary of outsiders who might want to help “clear up the confusion” or come to the aid of a vulnerable surviving spouse. In my personal life there exists a simple spreadsheet showing all necessary data including passwords, websites, and phone numbers so that the financial ship of state can keep moving forward.

This tutoring might also include the nature of the funeral itself. Decide in advance what is wanted and stick to it.

Co-signing of financial documents can be another intrafamily stress point. Know that if you co-sign a financial obligation (such as a car loan) for your adult child and the child fails to keep up the payments, the creditor can come after you for the money and your credit profile can be damaged. The decision to co-sign a document is obviously a personal one that varies with the particular circumstances, but know the risks when you consider your decision.

We live in a mobile and changeable society. As a result, situations can occur with regard to life insurance, bank accounts, etc., where the person once listed at the outset as the beneficiary may not be the one you want now to be a beneficiary. Review your documents and make sure your beneficiaries reflect your current status and wishes.

A story out of New York some years ago graphically illustrates what can go wrong. Man marries a teacher. It is his first marriage, her second marriage. Her first marriage ended in divorce. Woman has sizable savings in a TIAA account (the equivalent of a 401K for teachers). Woman dies, bereft widow is somewhat comforted by belief he will have this comfortable inheritance. Lo and behold, the teacher had never updated the beneficiary designation on her TIAA account. The designation was still her long-divorced first husband. The second husband, now a widower, got nothing and when he tried to discuss it with the first husband, it went nowhere.

Even in familial matters, finances need to be especially defended because after today’s trauma, life continues tomorrow.

Richard L. Saunders is a resident of Chincoteague. While living in Pennsylvania, he served on the AARP Statewide Consumer Taskforce. He can be reached at 484-689-9502 or rlsaunders115@aol.com
Attention: Now Hear — No, Listen — to This!

By Carla Savage-Wells
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Hearing and listening may seem to relate to the same activity but hearing is a passive occurrence that requires no effort. Listening, however, is a voluntary act used to make sense out of the noise we hear. It demands concentration and effort. The difference between the sense of hearing and the skill of listening is attention.

The communicative arts of speaking, writing, reading and, Why, Yes! listening, are all connected. We acknowledge the inner voice we hear when reading silently. Our writing often “reads” similarly to the way we speak. We learn to talk as children based upon the word choice, volume, rhythm, and tone of the voices we hear around us. We cannot improve our physical capability to perceive sound, but we can learn to be attentive and active listeners.

From birth, we are constantly exposed to a world of sounds. To paraphrase neuropsychiatrist and New York Times contributor Seth S. Horowitz, a sudden, loud noise that makes an infant jump is the first and most obvious evidence of the child’s ability to hear. Neurons from the ears to the spine convert that sudden, loud noise directly into a defensive response that elevates the heart rate, hunches the shoulders and compels us to check to see if whatever we heard is hazardous to our health. This simplest form of attention—the startle—requires almost no brains at all and has been observed in every studied vertebrate.

Unlike with adults, nearly all sounds are new to infants and toddlers. The noises that surround us constantly, carry information about the world. A higher form of attention is in use when we listen in an effort to make sense of or understand our surroundings. Imagine a child’s first time hearing thunder, a siren, a violin, a bell, or the buzz of a nearby bumblebee. Toddlers rely on the comfort of their caregivers and the explanations and answers to thousands of questions to help them make sense of a world full of sounds.

Sadly, most of us don’t listen with the intent to understand. We are easily distracted after a sentence or two by our surroundings, our electronics, or even the looks of the speaker. It’s happened to all of us. “You never listen!” is not just a complaint of a problematic relationship. Our society seems to listen with the intent to reply, rather than to understand.

Let’s work to become civil, empathetic and “active listeners.” In addition to listening to spoken words,

1. Observe the speaker’s nonverbal messages like tone of voice, nervousness or eye contact.
2. Give full attention to the speaker; don’t do anything else while listening.
3. Respect the speaker by allowing him or her to finish.
4. Acknowledge and confirm the message, even if you don’t agree.

In other words, pay attention. I like the anonymous quote that says, “Speak in such a way that others love to listen to you. Listen in such a way that others want to speak to you.”

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

Call For Public Hearing
On Poultry Water Permits

Dear Editor:

I read with deepening concern the letter written by Miriam Riggs of Onancock in last week’s edition, June 20. It seems to me that this complex problem needs to be headlined in your next edition for this is important news to every reader of the Eastern Shore Post and beyond.

Indeed, folks have been concerned by the sudden sprouting of so many chicken houses around Accomack County, and to learn that these industrial farms are using precious water from our limited aquifer before legally required monitoring or metering is in place is deeply disturbing.

Ms. Riggs seems to have carefully researched the problem. The illegality of these actions and even the possibility of overdraining the recharge ability of the aquifer when legal is a frightening prospect to those of us who live on the Shore.

I implore you to call your readers’ attention to this growing problem. The DEQ is seeking public comments and without your newspaper’s efforts the public will remain unaware. It may be best to call in your report for a public hearing.

Anne Herdt, Accomac

No More Excuses on School

Dear Editor:

Here is the prevailing attitude toward education in this county: “...mean old supervisors who must not care about education” — out of the mouth of the Chairman of the Northampton Board of Supervisors, Spencer Murray, and, “...can you fund it on your own?” from another supervisor, Dave Fauber.

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Deborah Barban, Cape Charles

Northampton Doesn’t Want Business

(This letter is in response to last week’s letter from Allen Hamilton.)

Dear Editor:

Sorry, Allen. Northampton County doesn’t want new industry. It sounds great to say you want to preserve the beauty of the area, but you hit a point where you just can’t sustain credits to sit on land. Farming, unfortunately, costs a lot of money that the local farmer soon won’t be able to afford. Yet, there are many properties for sale in the 6 and 7 digits. Any businesses that come in know that the tax rate for them will quickly go up. Blame this or that, when it’s spending you can’t control. It makes one wonder who has been running the county for ages. Voting returns tell the story. Ever heard of Oakland and Stockton, Calif.?

So you end up with three classes of people in Northampton County. Those with deep accounts that don’t care about costs and can just sit on a lot of land, those that take from the coffers, and you! The little guy in the middle that will soon be paying 8 percent.

There was a old bumper sticker I haven’t seen in a while, but it still holds true today. “Welcome to Northampton County VA, the state’s poorest county. On purpose. Please turn off the light when you leave.”

David Suiter, Harborton
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