There’s a Chill in the Air
This ghastly Chincoteague pony was seen hauling an equally ghoulish mermaid this week on the island’s Main Street in preparation for Halloween.

Northampton Supervisors Approve $29 Million for High School Renovations

By Stefanie Jackson
It was a “dream come true” Tuesday night for Northampton school board chairman William “Skip” Oakley when county supervisors unanimously approved borrowing nearly $29 million dollars to renovate Northampton High School and build a new addition.

“Let’s have a state-of-the-art school,” said David Kabler, a District 4 candidate for the Northampton board of supervisors and a real estate agent who believes the school improvements will attract families with young children to the county.

Nearly $4 million of the 20-year loan is interest and fees, leaving exactly $25 million for engineering and construction.

“This is the best rate there’s been in a 20 years,” said Oakley.

The campers received word in April that they had to go, said Crystal Ciafarndo, who took all the time with her family she could there for 20 years. The closure was rumored in April, she said. “Got a letter in June. Looked like it was written by a 10-year-old. Honestly, we were all treated wrong. A lot of us never got notice but we kept each other informed.”

Then the services stopped. “A person from the town came in to cut the grass.”

She said he volunteered. “People who paid to be there were cleaning the bathroom.”

A lot of us never had a problem with Eddie Tull (the current owner) selling,”

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Cape Charles Town Council Approves New Leash Law

By Stefanie Jackson

The Cape Charles town council voted for a leash law that will affect all dogs belonging to town residents and visitors, starting Jan. 1, 2020.

“I think it’s important to note all of the various, meaningful public input” that contributed to the development of the new law, Councilwoman Cela Burge said after the leash law passed unanimously Oct. 3.

Cape Charles’ current town code prohibits dogs from roaming around town, off their owners’ property and out of their owners’ control.

However, the existing law does not specify that dogs must be walked on a leash. It implies that dogs may be controlled through voice commands.

The new law specifies that a dog must be on a leash or other physical restraint or wearing an electronic collar while on a sidewalk or in a street, alley, plaza, or any other public thoroughfare.

Neither unleashed nor leashed dogs are permitted in certain public places, including town offices, public works and utilities facilities, the civic center, the library, tennis courts, and the playground.

During tourist season, which the new law defines as the period between May 1 and Labor Day, dogs are not permitted on the public beach between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m., and they are not permitted on the fishing pier at any time.

Beyond tourist season, dogs are permitted on the public beach at any time, and they are permitted on the public beach after 7 p.m. and before 8 a.m.

Dogs may be off leash while on the beach during permitted hours.

Wastewater Extension

A developer has requested that Cape Charles extend its wastewater system to the town’s eastern edge.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Public Service Authority had planned to perform the extension as part of a larger project that was halted at 30% completion.

The Cape Charles town council voted unanimously for the town manager to request that the public service authority assign the contract to the town.

If the request is granted, Cape Charles can get workers back on the job and get sewer service extended to its eastern edge.

~High School~

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the last 20 years,” Supervisor John Coker said. “You’ve got to jump on it when you get it, because … you don’t know what’s going to happen tomorrow. Rates can go up just as fast as they can go down.”

Supervisor Oliver Bennett, a Northampton High School teacher, was invited to make the motion for the board to approve the resolution to borrow the money.

“I am very happy to be a part of this,” he said, but he also had some concerns.

Bennett advised Northampton “to take better care of our facility inside and out, because we’re ready to spend a lot of money.”

He wants to see positive change not only in the school building, but in the students, and he suggested the school board propose new policies regarding the dress code and use of electronic devices.

Coker congratulated his colleagues on a “great team effort” finding a way forward with the high school project.

“This proposal works for the county,” he said. “We have to borrow a lot of money, but … we’re spending it for a great reason, and I think that we’re going to end up with a great school.”

Coker also noted the improvements will be funded without a big tax increase.

The vote came on the heels of good financial news for both Northampton County and Northampton public schools.

Northampton County ended fiscal year 2019 with a budget surplus of more than $1 million that will be transferred to its rainy day fund.

Northampton schools ended FY 2019 with a budget surplus of more than $650,000 that will be added to its capital reserve fund.

Both the county and the school division are waiting for their FY 2019 financial records to be audited.
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said Ciafardo. “It was a problem with how we were treated. Bluewater (the new developer) treated us like we were absolutely nothing. They wouldn’t return phone calls. We were monitored on our trash. They wouldn’t do anything. The roads were roller coasters, at least Eddie would bring in fill dirt or whatever. They never cut the grass.

“I’ve always called it the ghetto. It was a little run down and stuff like that. The ones that took pride. We did blood sweat and tears in there. We spend our money. We were on the bayside on the waterfront.

“Now the ghetto looks like a war zone,” she continued. Ciafardo said she paid $2,000 annually in rent for a lot. Her five adult children had lots too. Ciafardo said she paid in advance and is owed a total of $10,000.

“The sunsets, the boats, the dolphins, the rockets going up,” Ciafardo said. “It was totally amazing. Now, because of all this, we won’t get to see them as much,” she added of her sons and grandchild.

The developer wanted to run a septic line along Main Street. The town was asked for its support. The request was a topic at a Chincoteague Town Council work session in September. But after the talking was done, Mayor Arthur Leonard and the council tabled the matter for a week or so. More discussions were expected Monday, but the request for support was withdrawn and the developer’s lawyer “asked to be removed from the agenda,” Town Manager Jim West reported.

A reason for the change, whether it be a strategy or a sign of defeat, was not given.

Meanwhile, the view through the chain-link fence from the harbor was grim. Pads were empty, a gas grill yearned for a hamburger, and the doors to cozy campers were left open to the elements. A bulldozer is imagined for the future. The metal to be scrapped at some point.

At the October monthly council session Monday, Leonard started the meeting by saying Inlet View would not be discussed. The first person to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting didn’t listen.

Jeanne Knight wanted to “express profound disappointment” in town leaders for not taking action. “For not coming up with the questions in an adequate amount of time so that a great opportunity” wouldn’t have gotten away.

“I hope in the future when something is explained ... by civil engineers” that it will be “trusted and taken into consideration instead of doubts that have blown this opportunity. In the process of the negotiations, the people who were living in Inlet View were insulted,” she complained. Knight said she met those who lived and visited there when her cat went missing in July. “People told me to go to Inlet View to look around. Everyone had yards that were mowed. Everyone was articulate and kind to me. Now we don’t have a project in its place,” Knight said.

Councilman Matthew Reed, the newest member of the panel, said the September meeting left him with a bad feeling. “Disappointed, to say the least. I don’t know that they have a ‘Plan C’ down there. Because of us tabling this, we missed an opportunity ... that’s pretty ridiculous ... DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) and the health department still had to sign off. They just needed us to say they could run the pipe down the road ... I hope they are still doing this.”

There was a suggestion that hazardous materials were at the site. “We are not aware of any specific hazards,” West said. “The potential developer stated that there was hazardous material that they promised to clean up. They presented pictures of what appears to be abandoned go-carts and old rusted LP gas containers.”

Septic violations were also alleged. West said, “The town is not aware of any current violations. We have been notified in the past, but the then-owner, or maybe still current owner, corrected them at the direction of the health department.”

“They collected money from 240 people for lot rent,” said Ciafardo. “That was this summer.” Her lease was with Tull. She’s hoping to get her money back. The others who stayed at the campground, “Most of them went to Bunker Hill,” which is also owned by Tull. “No water views there. Right across the street from the marsh. That’s the water view. When you have high tides then you have your water view.”

“It would be too astronomically high for some of the people to come back,” she said. The Ciafardos had “a lighted palm tree in the yard as our Christmas tree” the first year they were there for
the holiday. “We made a lot of memories there. People who were strangers became friends and now they became family. Everybody looked at us like we’re at Inlet View. It was a taboo. ... that eyesore brought a lot of people together. Some worked in town. I know we spent a massive amount of money there. We gave back to that community. It’s been hard. I had to say goodbye to friends I’ll probably never see again.”

The Ciafardos were lucky. They were able to buy a lot on the island so they will continue to enjoy Chincoteague for years to come. Her friends, the Swiders, weren’t so fortunate. They went back to New Jersey after spending 44 years of vacations on Chincoteague.

Dianna Kinsey was not as agreeable when it came to Tull. She posted on Facebook, “I pray when all is said and done at Inlet View that the town and council do something about the conditions” of property “Eddie Tull and family own. Because he violates rules and regulations on a daily basis. Not to mention the EPA needs to shut him down for good. That is just my opinion. if the raw sewage is going into the bay from Inlet View, what do you think is happening over in Bunker Hill since Eddie Tull owns it also? I gave up caring. Like I said come Sunday, I’m done and will be heading to Trails End.”

Rita Cohen said her family took their camper out of Inlet View in August. “There were not many that could actually be moved. Saltwater does terrible things to metal. Many of the movable ones were already taken out by the owners. We … even took our deck with us and sold our shed. Was not about to leave anything for them.”

Colie Bennett said he moved around the first of June. “I had to leave mine behind. I did get lucky to find a place in my price range still on the island.”

Attorney John Custis told the council in September that his client and Tull were in a contract for the campground. “His client ran into some major issues in the campground which is septic,” minutes from the meeting quoted him as saying. “There are hazardous materials on the property along with debris and the property was not closed as anticipated, which would have been February-March. The contractor felt it was too many issues to litigate. The contractor enlisted partners who are members of the Bluewater Development Team” with Jack and Todd Burbage.

“They want to make the property much nicer increasing the quality, create a lot of green space, promote the recreational and tourist aspect of the island,” according to the minutes. Custis showed “pictures advising there are approximately 230 campsites. This is a proposal to bring density down by about 40 trailers to under 200 campers.” He also showed “plans that include docks for fishing and crabbing along with walk space around the perimeter. He feels Inlet View is one of the prettiest properties on the island. They have a contract purchaser who is ready to move forward with cleaning up the property, removing the hazardous materials and redevelopment of the site.”

An engineer said a solution for sewer was needed “because an application was submitted for an outfall at Inlet View and was denied by DEQ. One solution was to do it on-site but would take up too much room giving no viable land nearby to include the 15 site improvements. Another solution would be to approve two existing outfalls for sewer discharge.” That was where the line down Main Street came in. “They are looking at a force main to be installed under Main Street that would run from the campground,” the engineer said. “The campground would have an on-site wastewater package treatment plant and a forced main that would discharge to the Sunset Bay site. This would only be from May through September.”

Tull’s cell phone was answered by a woman who identified herself as his wife. She said he wasn’t around. “I’m his wife and I don’t think he has any comment about it.” A call to Custis’ office was not returned.

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Chincoteague council members voted to buy the circa 1930s firehouse on Main Street Monday night for $600,000 with a plan to seek grants for its restoration and possibly put apartments on the second floor.

The building was vacated by the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company earlier this year when members moved their gear and vehicles to their new building on Deep Hole Road. Councilwoman Denise Bowden, a spokesperson for the fire company, later said how excited she was about the prospects for the old building and its historical significance. She abstained from voting on the issue due to her service with the company and its board of directors.

The old place has been listed for as high as $950,000 and was most recently advertised for $775,000. It was appraised for $1.2 million about three years ago.

Councilwoman Ellen Richardson remembers when it served as a refuge during the Ash Wednesday Storm of 1962 that flooded much of the island and lingered through five high tides over a three-day period. “It is the safest building on Chincoteague,” she said. “When flood came that’s where people went.”

A public hearing was conducted just before the issue was decided.

“I think there are wonderful ideas here,” Diane Fisher, of Main Street, said, referring to the agenda packet proposal that included a food court marketplace like at Norfolk’s Waterside. “Maybe something for children,” she said. “Make it a fun place. … Thank you for thinking of this and trying to work something out.”

Another Main Street resident was equally impressed. “I’m very proud of this town. I’m amazed at what a great job you’ve done and compliment the bold step of buying the fire station.” She also suggested the town buy Inlet View Campground and turn it into a golf course and marina.

Bill Chrisman moved to the island in 1965. He was happy that “every day I go out and something new is happening. Bicycle marks. The park. The harbor. … When we came here Chincoteague was nothing but a bunch of blown-down chicken houses. A toll bridge that was rickety … The town has made a lot of improvements. … This town is on the move. … How you could ever turn down for that price? Make it something that all the town can benefit from.”

Jeanne Knight, of Sea Shell Drive, was opposed. “I’ve heard it over and over again, ‘The town doesn’t have the money,’” She complained that they couldn’t get a boat lift, couldn’t add additional pickups for yard waste, have roads that need repair, and got rid of the town planner due to financial restraints. She said a wastewater system is needed more. “Dancing for children can be done in other places. If you want intern housing, I’m sure there are other places where extensive renovations are not needed.”

Former Councilman Jim Frese had several unanswered questions. “Has an inspection been performed to determine the condition of the firehouse? Is there a mortgage on the building? How much sewer capacity does the building currently have? Is the building connected to a service district? If so, who owns the service district? How is the town going to pay for the $600,000? Debt?”

Frese said the town shouldn’t vote until his questions are addressed and then the public should be given another opportunity to speak. He called for a referendum.

Councilman Matthew Reed, who is in the construction business, said the cost to renovate would probably be more than 51 percent of its value.

The possibility of getting grants for the work appeared to convince him it was worth it. “I don’t want the look of the building to change,” he said.
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Rob Bloxom and his wife Lou have been married for 32 years and have three children, Blaire, Madison, and Brant. His wife Lou is a second grade teacher.

Rob Bloxom was raised in a family of public service. His father, Bob, represented this area for 26 years in the House of Delegates and served as Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry under former Governors Mark Warner and Tim Kaine.

Rob Bloxom is an active member of the Onancock Rotary Club, Grace United Methodist Church, the coordinator of the Eastern Shore’s Habitat for Humanity Roofing Teams, and a Director of the Economic Development Authority.

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Indictments Made in Accomack Court

A 75-year-old Bloxom man was indicted Monday by an Accomack grand jury on eight counts of sex crimes including the rape and sodomy of a juvenile.

Samuel Nock, of Hinman Street, who is also an Accomac business owner, was indicted on three counts of aggravated sexual battery, two counts of object sexual penetration by force, two counts of forcible sodomy, and forcible rape. The incidents occurred on Sept. 30, 2018, between Nov. 30 and Dec. 9, 2018, and on March 24, 2019.

A juvenile and domestic relations court judge found probable cause to certify the charges to the jury earlier this month. The name of the victim is not being disclosed by the Eastern Shore Post because of the nature of the offenses. Investigator Meghan Patterson, of the Accomac County Sheriff’s Office (ACSO), investigated the case.

Abner Hernandez, 21, of Shoremain Drive in Bloxom, was indicted on a count of raping a 12-year-old child between May 1 and 19. He was arrested on May 20. A judge found probable cause to certify the charge in August. Patterson gave information about the case to the jury.

Doretha King, 50, of Fleming Road in Horntown, a farmworker from Florida, was indicted on a count of maliciously wounding Loreka Halloman on July 7. Halloman was stabbed six times with wounds to the back, chest, arms, and behind an ear. Deputy C. Hodgson, of ACSO, investigated.

Jerry Antoine Satchell Jr., 21, of Fleming Road in Horntown, was indicted on counts of attempting to wound Monae Odom and destruction of property valued at $1,000 or more belonging to Doanne Gayle. The incidents occurred on June 12.

Satchell was also initially charged with the abduction of his girlfriend Vermelle Tontrese Moore, 18. Moore told a judge that Satchell did not force her into his vehicle and that he rescued her from friends who wanted to take her to Maryland for her birthday. A report stated after Satchell got Moore in his pickup, he intentionally backed into another vehicle and left the scene.

Moore’s disappearance was reported by state police as a Virginia Critically Missing Adult Alert at around noon on June 12. Moore learned of this and contacted police at around 4 p.m. Special Agent Scott Wade, of the state police, who is also the director of the Eastern Shore Drug Task Force (ESDTF), investigated the incidents.

Kiamestric L. Anderson, 38, of May Drive in Salisbury, Md., was indicted on a count of DUI. It is a felony because he has been convicted of the offense at least twice in the last decade. He was arrested July 5, by Deputy K.A. Reese, of ACSO, after the officer observed him “driving in the middle of Route 13 and swerving between the median and shoulder.” His blood-alcohol level was .32 grams per 210 liters of breath. The legal limit is .08. The court file stated that during a hearing, Anderson told an officer “he sold weed and crack.”

Jason Alan Keyes, 37, of Hopeland Road in Bloxom, was indicted on a count of possessing cocaine on Jan. 24. Trooper Zachary Beaver investigated.

Rayshawn Harmon, 21, of Airport Drive in Melfa, was indicted on a count of possessing cocaine on Jan. 27. Deputy B.K. Misener, of ACSO, investigated.

Deavon Dwight Davis, 26, of Boggs Road in Painter, was indicted on counts of possession with the intent to distribute cocaine and possession of a firearm while in possession of cocaine. The incidents occurred on April 27. Hodgson investigated.

Christine Laverne Johnson, 69, of Toms Lane in Eastville, was indicted on a felony count of shoplifting on June 16. Deputy N. Kugler, of ACSO, investigated.

Kimberly Ann Collins, 33, of Seaside Drive in Cheriton, was indicted on a count of stealing a phone charger belonging to Derion Reid on May 14. The charge is a felony because Collins has been convicted two or more times of a similar larceny. Officer K. McGregor, of the Onancock Police Department, investigated.

Brooks R. Mariner Sr., 42, of Savannah Road in Hallwood, was indicted on two counts of a third or subsequent offense of assault and battery of a family member, Kelly Mariner. The incidents occurred on June 8 and 10. It was unclear from the records how the two Mariners are related. The suspect was also indicted on a count of possession of cocaine on June 10. Reese investigated.

Ashley Alaniz, 31, of Boundary Avenue in Onancock, was indicted on a count of possession of cocaine on March 16. Josh Marsh, of the ESDTF, investigated.

Kelly Waneta Fowler, 39, of Chincoteague Road near Melfa, was indicted on two counts of distribution of cocaine on June 14, 2017. Marsh investigated.

Leeshawn Lamar Davis, 30, of Matthews Street in Bloxom, was indicted on a count of possessing cocaine on April 9. Deputy G. Lewis, of ACSO, investigated.

Karl Williamson, of Exton, Pa., was indicted on a count of possession with intent to distribute fentanyl on May 11. Beaver investigated.

Darren Phillip Walker, 30, of Haborton, was indicted on a count of a fourth offense of DUI on June 10. Records show his alcohol level was between .15 and .20. Officer K. McGregor, of the Onancock Police Department, investigated.

Michael Ryan Miller, 40, of Tasley, and Amber Dawn Putman, 31, of Movilla Drive in Berlin, Pa., were indicted on counts of possession of heroin and cocaine on July 7. Reese investigated.

Elwood Edward Miles, 42, of Church Street in Onancock, was indicted on a count of conspiring on March 16 to sell cocaine. Marsh gave information to the jury.

Robert Michael Selby Jr., 22, of Center Street in Onancock, was indicted on a count of possessing cocaine on March 8. Trooper B. Tripp investigated.

Walter Pierre Thomas, 20, of Roxburn Place in Willingboro, N.J., was indicted on a count of felony eluding on June 16. Sgt. George Bennett, of the Onley Police Department, investigated.

Jacqueline Juarez-Perez, no age or address available, was indicted on a count of distribution of between a half-ounce and 25.8 grams of meth in small baggies. Scales, glass pipes, and more empty baggies were confiscated.

It is the third drug offense for Martin, according to court records. The incidents occurred Sept. 17. Martin was arrested two days later. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Nov. 21. A secured bond was set at $5,000. Deputy S.R. Adams, of the Northampton County Sheriff’s Office, investigated.

Robert Simmons, 44, of Oyster House Road in Rehoboth Beach, Del., was arrested Sept. 16, by Officer R. M. Steele of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Police Department, after it became known that Simmons was wanted in his home state for failing to register as a sex offender. Simmons waived extradition on Sept. 17.

Mark Andrew Lassiter, 18, of Robin Road in Cape Charles, was charged with grand larceny of a vehicle that belonged to Jessica Lynn Charlton, eluding police, and theft of a firearm belonging to Michael Charlton. The incidents occurred Aug. 21. Lassiter was arrested Sept. 23. Officer T. Lynch, of the Cape Charles Police Department, investigated.

Brent Hayman, 22, of North Division Street in Fruitland, Md., is accused of forging public records and distribution of between a half-ounce and five pounds of marijuana on Jan. 30. He was arrested Sept. 25. Deputy Justin R. Smith, of NCSO, investigated the incidents. A preliminary hearing was set for Nov. 7. Hayman is being held without bond. He waived extradition from Maryland on Sept. 19.

Hakim Rahim Muhammad, 29, of Ridley Road in Newsoms, Va., was charged with possession of a gun by a (Continued on Page 9)
By Linda Cicoira

Angela Hinman “Angel” Taylor, the former Hallwood town clerk accused of embezzling from town coffers over several years, was indicted Monday by an Accomack grand jury on 65 felony counts.

In total, the indictments allege that Taylor, 46, of Hall Street in Hallwood, stole $23,801.05 between Aug. 31, 2011, and Sept. 12, 2017. The last incident is said to have occurred just weeks before she was ordered by Hallwood officials to provide town records so an Atlantic bookkeeper could perform an audit. Those records were in Taylor’s car along with all the other town files when the vehicle caught fire on a country road near Hallwood in October 2017.

The car was hauled to a local salvage yard, crushed, and taken away before the officials found out about it. Soon after that, Taylor resigned from her job by leaving a note in the town office for officials to find. She lives about 350 yards from the office and mostly did the town work at her home.

At one point, the mayor reported that more than $32,000 was either paid from town coffers to Taylor for more than her usual salary or was used to pay the electric bill for her home and her husband’s auto business. It is alleged she had the electric bills set up to be automatically paid by the town through the utility.

Bank records and the electric bills were what enabled officials and the police to acquire evidence against her, officials said. Hallwood Mayor Jackie Poulson and the present clerk, Danny Shrieves, obtained the 2017 town budget from an old edition of the Eastern Shore Post, where it had been advertised. The budget shows the clerk’s salary at $4,200. Checks show she was paid $8,585.42 in 2015, $10,367.69 in 2016, and $7,470 in 2017. Poulson noted that occasionally she was paid extra for being at the office to sell vehicle decals.

Special Agent A.W. Pittman of the state police, who investigated complaints from town officials; Amber Bowen, an ANEC worker; and Poulson were subpoenaed to appear at Taylor’s preliminary hearing. They never testified because Taylor waived her right to the hearing. The case had been continued three other times.

After Taylor quit, Shrieves was given the job of clerk for $350 a month, the same salary Taylor was supposed to be paid. Poulson believes a laptop computer that belongs to the town is still in Taylor’s possession.

The town wound up waiving taxes, trash collection fees, and car decal fees for some residents because it couldn’t prove the bills hadn’t been paid. Poulson said when cash was collected it was not deposited in the bank. Records that were obtainable from the bank showed the town paid $987 to get grass cut that should have totaled about $500.


A trial date has not been set. Taylor is free on bond.

Former Hallwood Clerk Indicted on 65 Felony Embezzlement Counts

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nonviolent felon on Sept. 21. A preliminary hearing was set for Nov. 7. Officer N. Richardson, of the CBBT Police Department, investigated. A secured bond was set at $3,500.

Erick Fergerson, 26, with addresses on Church Street in Nassawadox and Fishers Circle in Melfa, was charged with strangulation on Sept. 2. Bail was set at $3,500 on the condition that he have no contact with the victim or the victim’s family. He was also charged with felony assault and battery. Deputy J.W. Foisey, of NCSO, investigated.

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  - To Scott and Gwen Lester
  - 6288 Clark St., Chincoteague
  - For $95,000
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  - To Betty Carr
  - 3205 Chamberlain Rd., Painter
  - For $25,000
- **From Shirley Riddick**
  - To Jeffery and Marianne Hall
  - Lot 20, Red Bank Lane, Melfa
  - For $45,000
- **From James Kalil**
  - To High Tide Properties LLC
  - Lot 252, Pine Tree Way, Chincoteague
  - For $56,500
- **From Barbara Eisenhart**
  - To William and Lindsay Fink
  - Lot 190, Unit 1, Trails End
  - For $11,500
- **From Refuge Motor Inn Inc.**
  - To Sandra and William Stewart
  - 4210 School St., Chincoteague
  - For $31,127.10
- **From Kellam Realty Co. LLP**
  - To H. Allen Floyd
  - Bell’s Neck parcel
  - For $30,000
- **From Janice Webb**
  - To E. Phillip Hickman Jr. and David Hickman
  - 76.81 acres, Horntown Road, Horntown
  - For $90,000
- **From Captain’s Cove Land Co. LLC**
  - To Tidal Capital LLC
  - Lot 561, Section 1, Captain’s Cove
  - For $30,000
- **From Sarah Nock, Executrix of Ann B. Nock Estate**
  - To Jeffery and Marianne Hall
  - Lot 20, Red Bank Lane, Melfa
  - For $45,000
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  - To Henry and Sarah Chew
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  - To Eugene and Jolynn Lacoursiere
  - Lot 8, Section 1, Nandua Bay
  - For $121,500
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  - To Alessandro Campos
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William Louis Ferencik
Mr. William Louis Ferencik, 75, husband of Joanne Kiks Ferencik and a resident of Melfa, passed away Wednesday, July 17, 2019, at Shore Health and Rehab Center in Parksley. A native of Johnson City, N.Y., he was the son of the late Stephen John Ferencik and the late Lucille Artemik Ferencik. He served four years with the U.S. Air Force, was a Catholic, and retired early from American Airlines with 23 years of service to work at Wil- low Point Nursing Home to take care of his mother before her passing. He loved Corvettes and motorcycles.

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by brother-in-law, John Kiks and his wife, Tracey; loving mother-in-law, Ruth Kiks; cousin, Paul Ferencik; friend, Judge Totolis; and best friends, Gary Finder and Marilyn McNeal.

A graveside service with military honors was held Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2019, in Cape Charles Cemetery with Father J. Michael Breslin officiating.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Patricia Lee Hand
Ms. Patricia Lee Hand, 76, a resident of Exmore, passed away Friday, Oct. 4, 2019, at her residence. A native of Exmore, she was the daughter of the late Lawrence Clifton Hand and the late Frances Duncan Hand. She was a retired teacher for Northampton County Public Schools, a member of Powellton Presbyterian Church where she played the organ, a member of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Master Gardeners, a cheerful volunteer for many organizations including the Chincoteague Bay Field Station in Wallops Island, and a devoted cat lover.

She is survived by her sister, Mary Sue Annable and her husband, William, of Newark, Del.; niece, Carolyn Ucciferro and her husband, Joseph, of Forest Hill, Md.; nephew, Kevin Frazer, of Charleston, S.C.; and many adoring great nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be conducted Friday, Oct. 11, 2019, at 2 p.m., at Belle Haven Cemetery with the Rev. Bill Moore officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Eastern Shore of Virginia Master Gardeners, P.O. Box 60, Accomac, VA 23301 or Chincoteague Bay Field Station, 34001 Mill Dam Road, Wallops Island, VA 23337.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Steve Graham
Mr. Steve H. Graham, 74, of Sablellasville, Md., passed away Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019, at the Kline Hospice House, Mt. Airy, Md.

Born Feb. 25, 1945, in Waynesboro, Pa., he was the son of the late Donald A. and Virginia Steck Graham. He lived his early life in the Waynesboro area.

Mr. Graham graduated from Waynesboro Area Senior High School, Class of 1964. He later received his B.S. in psychology from Mount St. Mary’s College, Emmitsburg, Md., in 1971. He also had 13 educational trips to Africa.

Mr. Graham worked from 1972 until 1977 as the director of the Salisbury Zoo in Maryland. He later worked from 1977 until 1982 as the director of the Baltimore Zoo and from 1982 until 1992 as the director of the Detroit Zoological Parks Department.
including Detroit Zoo, Belle Isle Zoo, and Belle Isle Aquarium. He retired in 1992. Following his retirement, he was the interim executive director of the Wicomico County Humane Society from 1999 until 2000. In 2001, he was the interim executive director of the SPCA of the Eastern Shore.

He was a member of the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums, where he was a professional fellow member from 1971 until 1991; American Association of Museums, where he was a contributing trustee; American Ornithologists Union; Committee to Preserve Assateague Island Inc.; International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, Species Survival Commission, Asian Elephant Specialist Group; the National Chimpanzee Breeding and Research Program Advisory Committee; The Nature Conservancy; NAACP Gold Life Member; Chesapeake Bay Foundation; Jane Goodall Institute; The Institute at Renfrew Board of Directors; and Waynesboro Historical Society Board of Directors.

Mr. Graham was a former member of the Wicomico Humane Society, president; Wicomico Environmental Trust Board; Holy Land Conservation Fund Board of Directors; Baltimore Attractions Association, president; Foodbank of the Eastern Shore, past chairman; SFPCA of the Eastern Shore, past president; Johns Hopkins University, adjunct professor; Arizona Primate Foundation Advisory Board; Ward Wildlife Foundation Advisory Board; Wayne State University, Department of Biological Science, adjunct assistant professor; and the Virginia Foundation for Natural Resources Board of Trustees.

He was proud to have been a recovering alcoholic who was also a published author, having written “Amiable Little Beasts” in 1980 and “Sunset at the Zoo” in 2016. Steve also enjoyed antiques and attending auctions.

He is survived by one daughter, Hilary R. Jenner, of Hartly, Del.; two grandchildren, Brianna and Ralynn Jenner; one sister, Melissa Johns, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and two nieces, Amanda and Cassandra.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 12, 2019, at 11 a.m., in the Presbyterian Church of Waynesboro, 105 E. Main Street, with the Rev. Ruth Ward officiating. Burial will be private in Green Hill Cemetery, Waynesboro.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Institute at Renfrew, 1010 East Main St., Waynesboro, PA 17268.

Arrangements were made by Grove-Bowersox Funeral Home, Waynesboro. Online condolences may be expressed at www.bowersoxfuneralhomes.com.

Brianna Jade Merritt
Miss Brianna Jade Merritt, 11, of Chincoteague, passed away Oct. 7, 2019, at her residence, after a courageous fight with cancer.

Born Dec. 9, 2007, in Salisbury, Md., she was the daughter of Brandy Jo Terrell (Mike Terrell) and Josh Merritt (Amber Novack), all of Chincoteague.

Brianna loved playing Fortnite with friends, doing many art projects, boogie boarding, skateboarding, gymnastics, and softball. Mostly, she enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Encouraging everyone to do acts of kindness, her generous and caring personality will be forever missed. She leaves behind a community that she touched with her fighting spirit and generous heart.

Other than her parents, Brianna is survived by brothers, Jayden Merritt, of Chincoteague, Troy Terrell, and Steven Terrell; sisters, Madison Hudgins, of Chincoteague, and Allie Passwaiter; grandparents, Philip Martin, of Bloxom, Angie Linton, of Sanford, Joshua and Anita Merritt, of Chincoteague, Aquilla Brink Scott and Judy Kaldahl; aunts and uncles, Alex Martin, Aaron Martin, Bethany Brooks, Hunter Merritt, Shawn Merritt, Wendy Kranjniak, and Rachel Chandler; her special “twin” cousin, Cameron Merritt; and several other cousins, nephews, a niece, and friends.

A funeral service will be held Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, at 3 p.m., from the (Continued on Page 14)
Thomas Bryan Robbins III

Mr. Thomas Bryan Robbins III, 62, a resident of Exmore, passed away Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019, at MCV Hospital in Richmond, Va. A native of Nassawadox, he was the son of Vivian A. Davis, of Pace, Fla., and the late Thomas Bryan Robbins Jr. He was employed as an iron worker.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by a daughter, Jennifer Zeliff, of Virginia Beach, Va.; a brother, Rusty Robbins, of Exmore; a sister, Pat Kircharr, of Pace; two grandchildren, Alexia Robbins and Rylee Zeliff, both of Virginia Beach; and numerous nieces and nephews here and in Florida.

A graveside service was conducted Monday, Oct. 7, 2019, at Belle Haven Cemetery. Pastor John Burr officiated. Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 430, Onancock, VA 23417.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.doughtyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Dougherty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Sarah Ann Taylor

Mrs. Sarah Ann “Sally” Taylor, 72, of Chincoteague Island, passed away suddenly Oct. 2, 2019, at PRMC in Salisbury, Md. She was born on Chincoteague Island, Jan. 13, 1947, to the late James and Mary (Doughty) Berry.

She was a member of Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church and the Parish Council. Mrs. Taylor was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, but her greatest joy was watching and supporting her grandkids in any activity. Family was everything to her. She enjoyed riding her bike and walking around town and chatting with everyone. She was a waitress for many years at the Village and Bill’s Restaurant and, most recently, a housekeeper for the Refuge Inn. Mrs. Taylor was well known for her laughter and quick wit. She made a profound impact on everyone she met. Mrs. Taylor was truly one of a kind, so caring and full of life.

Mrs. Taylor is survived by her two sons, Robert Tyrone Taylor Jr., of Capron, Va., and Thomas William Taylor, of Chincoteague; daughter, Cathy Jo Mason and her husband, Duffy, of Assawoman; two grandsons, Christopher Taylor and his wife, Ashley, of San Diego, Calif., and Evan Taylor Mason, of Assawoman; granddaughter, Olivia Brooke Mason, of Assawoman; great-grandson, Jameson Taylor, of San Diego, Calif.; great-granddaughter, Zoe Hohn, of San Diego; four brothers, James W. Berry Jr. and his wife, Annie, of Knoxville, Tenn., John Berry and his wife, Ann, of Assawoman, Michael Berry, of Chincoteague, and Danny Berry and his wife, Mary, of Horntown; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Robert Tyrone Taylor Sr.; and son, Timothy Wayne Taylor.

A Catholic Memorial Mass was held Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, at the Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, Chincoteague. Father Michael Imperial officiated. Interment followed at the Daisy Cemetery, Church Street, Chincoteague.

Flowers will be accepted or donations may be made to the Catholic Relief Services, 6319 Mumford St., Chincoteague, VA 23336. Services entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home Inc., Chincoteague.

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New ‘Welcome to Exmore’ Sign Shows Town’s Pride in New Ravenna

By Stefanie Jackson

Exmore will soon have its own billboard to welcome visitors to the home of New Ravenna – the luxury tile manufacturer doing business worldwide – but not every business owner in town welcomes the idea.

“That sign is an advertisement for New Ravenna, it’s not an advertisement for the downtown business district,” objected Ken Dufty, who owns a shop in Exmore’s downtown.

The billboard will read, “Welcome to Exmore – Home of New Ravenna,” and it will be visible heading south on Route 13, not far from the turn onto Main Street.

Town Manager Robert Duer said there will be room along the bottom of the sign to advertise upcoming town events.

Dufty’s comments followed the town council’s unanimous vote to rent the billboard at a cost of $400 per month for 12 months or $350 per month for 16 months.

“There needs to be room in that sign to let people know there is a downtown business district,” he said.

Duer pointed out that Exmore already has three signs, all on Route 13, which promote downtown businesses.

Two of the three blue signs say, “Town of Exmore – Visit Town Shops,” one on each end of town. The other sign, on Occohannock Neck Road, reads, “Visit Downtown for Food, Arts, Antiques & Shops – Visit Historic Downtown.”

“But your taxpayers (will) pay for an advertisement for New Ravenna,” a multimillion-dollar corporation, Dufty said.

Exmore’s marketing consultant, Clarice MacGarvey, clarified, “It isn’t about advertising New Ravenna. It’s about rebranding the town.”

The billboard will leverage “the fact that this town has an international company that does business all over the world … and our name will be out there,” she continued.

“People will actually … turn off (the highway) and go down Main Street,” MacGarvey said.

Duer noted that other towns occupied by worldwide corporations use brand recognition to promote themselves. For example, Smithfield, Va., is known as the home of Smithfield hams, he said.

Dufty suggested that New Ravenna, the “multimillion-dollar corporation,” can afford advertising and should pay the $350 or $400 monthly rent for the sign.

As of the Oct. 7 town council meeting, Duer had not yet asked New Ravenna how much it would be willing to contribute to the billboard’s cost, but he did say the manufacturer pays Exmore a “hefty” annual business license fee.

“New Ravenna’s world-famous. I think we should be proud they’re here.”

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And every other
volunteer that helped
so much!
Thank you!

And a very special thank you to all those that attended, called, left card and well wishes. Heaven has gained an angel. The island community grieves Brianna’s passing Monday night and continues to pray for her family. And a special thank you to the entire town of Chincoteague.

TOWN OF PAINTER NOTICE OF MEETINGS AND JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the regular monthly meeting of the Town of Painter Town Council will be postponed, for the month of October 2019 only, from October 14, 2019, to October 21, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. due to the federal and state holiday on October 14.

Pursuant to Va. Code §15.2-2204, notice is hereby given that the Town of Painter Town Council, during its October monthly meeting, and the Town of Painter Planning Commission, during a special meeting of such Commission, will hold a joint public hearing on the matters specified below on Monday, October 21, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. at the Painter Town Office, at 17118 Wayside Drive, Painter, VA 23420. The matters to be considered are the following Town Council initiated proposed amendments to the Painter Zoning Ordinance:

Proposal #1: To delete §§ III-2.2 C and III-2.3 C to conform the town zoning ordinance with federal law (42 U.S.C §§ 5401-5426) and the federal regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

Proposal #2: To amend §III-2.2 A to require a minimum floor area of one thousand one hundred (1100) square feet for single-family dwellings in the R-M district.

The public may inspect the proposals at the Town Office prior to the public hearing. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission may provide its recommendations to the Town Council, and the Town Council may act upon the proposals and recommendations without further notice.
Submitted Article and Photos

The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore’s October concerts will celebrate Anne Nock and the Rev. Harry Crandall, both of whom died during the summer, and who through their service to others left a lasting legacy.

Anne Nock will be honored during two performances Friday, Oct. 25, at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m. at Cokesbury Church in Onancock.

The Rev. Harry Crandall will be honored on Oct. 27 at 4 p.m. at Hungars Episcopal Church, Bridgetown.

The performances will feature Handel’s “Overture to Samson”; Bach’s “Sleepers, Wake”; Massenet’s “Meditation from Thais”; Hovhaness’s “Prayer of St. Gregory”; Mendelssohn’s “War March of the Priests from Athalie”; and Schubert’s “Mass in G.” Dr. Paul Kim will direct the orchestra.

Anne Nock was dubbed “Champion for Onancock” and “Onancock’s Honorary Grandmother.” She had a passion that was contagious. If you wanted to know how something got done in Onancock, it was often with a two-word answer: Anne Nock. From welcoming newcomers to town with a twinkle in her eye and genuine warmth to expecting excellence from herself and others, Nock was a driving force in community affairs.

For the last two decades of her life, she was at the forefront of the effort to preserve Historic Cokesbury Church as a ministry of Market Street United Methodist Church. When the late Rev. Kirk Mariner’s grand piano, which he left to Cokesbury, was moved into the church, it was Nock who stood in the middle of Market Street directing traffic. She was delighted to see the completion of the 15-year restoration project for the stained glass windows there, and to celebrate with a concert in April.

Nock lived by the admonition attributed to Methodism’s founder John Wesley: “Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, for as long as ever you can.”

As a devoted mother, master gardener, Boston terrier lover, teacher, church librarian, author, limericist, and friend, Nock left a path for us to follow. That path is marked by the signs of lifting others into the abundant life she lived and shared.

The Rev. Harry Crandall also shone as one of the lights by which many found their path and charted their course through life. He was a natural leader. His mark of excellence was evident in an accomplished military career, service as student and class president three years in a row while attending seminary, and as beloved rector of Hungars Episcopal Church for nearly 20 years.

People gravitated to him for knowledge and guidance. With warm and humor, Crandall had the uncanny ability to capture the essence of a problem with a few well-chosen words and put things in perspective.

Crandall was a lifetime supporter of the arts and music lover. As an 11-year-old boy he sang in the National Cathedral Choir. However, he would chuckle with dismay, the very day he was to audition for a scholarship, was the day his voice changed thus ending the chance for that scholarship!

Crandall also enjoyed telling of the time he met Carol Channing. He was a private first class standing in line at an upscale Washington, D.C., restaurant. The maître d’ had repeatedly overlooked him as he waited. Then along came Carol Channing who pointed at him and asked him to dine with her at her table with her entourage. He of ten said he was never quite the same after that evening.

Crandall’s path of serving others continued following his retirement from Hungars into voluntary leadership roles in Habitat for Humanity, YMCA, United Way, and Rotary, to name a few. In 2008 he received the Outstanding Citizen Award from the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce.

The concerts on Oct. 25-27 will honor or two lives that exemplified what is good and right in the world. All who attend these performances will feel their presence and inspiration.

All concerts are free to the public, but donations are welcome. A reception will follow each concert.
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Jackets Break Warrior Win Streak

Story and Photo by Brennan Waldorf

Revenge is a dish best served cold and that’s how Northampton delivered it last Thursday, Oct. 3. The Jackets took district rival Nandua to five games in Eastville and avenge a loss they received on the road one week prior.

The Warriors were in the midst of a three-game winning streak when they met their foe in front a large and vibrant crowd. The first set was close, all the way to the end. The Jackets led the set the entire time but the Warriors trailed closely. The Warriors were led by Abigail Killmon, who landed several spikes that kept her team in the set. The score was locked at 22 and both teams traded points before two critical hitting errors by Nandua allowed the Jackets to win the set 26-24.

The second set started similar to the end of the first, both teams exchanging points and scoring would not come easily. The Warriors built a 13-7 lead after Deanna Pryor got behind the line dispensing 8 unanswered points. The Jackets would not go down gently, and after some resilient play and a spike from Yeats James the score was 18-18. They would then gain possession and put in senior Ariana Wilson. The senior served the ball and was locked in on the next two sets. They established an early lead and ran with it, going on sprees of unanswered points. They were up 19-10 when Abigail Killmon got behind the line serving four aces in a row before a long volley ended with Lyric Sampson finishing the game on a spike that landed just inside the line. The Warriors won the third set 25-10.

The fourth set started with the Jackets leading after Ariana Wilson worked her magic and paved the way for her teammates with a serve that frequently came in fast and low. The score was 10-4 and Warriors appeared to be on the ropes but would fight from behind with exceptional efforts all around. The Jackets fell behind similarly to the way the Warriors did in set two. Shea Alana rallied her team from behind the line, building a 23-18 lead after five unanswered points. The Jackets got a break but a serve in the net followed by a hitting error saw the young squad fall 25-18.

With cowbells ringing and the Jackets crowd roaring, the Warriors started the final set on top but didn’t hold the advantage for long. The atmosphere was critical as both teams attempted to silence one another with chants of “Warriors” and “Jackets.” Northampton was up 5-2 after a long volley ended with Killmon’s spike going out of bounds. The Warriors were fully committed as they dove, dug, and jumped at the net. Their efforts were not enough to overcome the 7-point deficit they fell into. The Jackets won the set 15-9 after a spike from Yeat James rolled off the fingertips of Nanduas’ Necole Stravino.

Mariah Mathews led the Jackets in kills with six. Jada Giddens and Jacqueline Santos Maldonado led the Jackets behind the line, recording five aces apiece. Ariana Wilson led in digs recording 14. The Jackets and Warriors will face each other one more time this season, Oct. 14 at Nandua.

Home Court Advantage Key in Warrior Win

Story and Photo by Brennan Waldorf

The Chincoteague Ponies are the team to beat in the district, boasting a 10-2 record while going 5-1 in district play. They entered the Nandua gym with an earned confidence but were upset by an underdog Warrior squad who were without Abigail Killmon. The Ponies fell in four sets (15-25, 25-19, 22-25, 23-25) to the Warriors on their Breast Cancer Awareness Night. Nandua donates all proceeds to the American Cancer Society and host the event every year to bring awareness and remember those affected.

The first set of the series started slow with both teams trading points due to serves going into the net. Nandua’s Shea Alana got things rolling for the Warriors behind the line as the Ponies struggled with returning her serves. She recorded two aces and put her team up by five points before Chincoteague was able to respond. That was the trend for the first set. Nandua went on sprees of unanswered points as the Ponies struggled returning and serving the ball. The Warriors won the first set 25-15 after a Pony serve soared out of bounds on the game point.

The second set started off hot for Nandua. Karen Pichardo and the Warriors were able to go on a 5-0 run with an ace to start the set. Chincoteague closed the gap and locked in as Emma Jackson got behind the line and dealt damage to the Warrior squad. She recorded two aces and helped resurrect the faltering Ponies by taking the lead 9-7. The score was tight for the remainder of the set until Delilah Flores got behind the line, after Nanduas’ Pryor hit the ball out bounds. Flores shook off the previous struggles the Ponies were encountering and put the ball in play. After two kills by Emma Jackson and a ball deflected out of bounds by Nandua, the Ponies won the set on ace by Flores, stealing the set after being down 25-19.

The third set started the same, Lyric Sampson took advantage of the open floor space in between the rows, as Nandua built a 7-0 lead partially due to Chincoteague committing several hitting errors. Chincoteague continued to struggle serving with the exception of Jackson who delivered a couple aces and kept the score within reach. This trend continued throughout the set with Nandua going on streaks and sending double blockers.

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Redemption by Firebirds, 47-7

Story and Photo by Matthew Yoder

Behind a total team effort, Arcadia players managed their emotions well and their game plan expertly to avenge a pattern of defeats to Colonel Richardson.

Last Friday’s 47-7 victory at home against the Colonels was redemption for the Firebirds 68-31 loss to them a year ago, and now sends the team into the second half of the season with a renewed focus for the playoffs.

Tiair Bibbins, who celebrated his birthday on the evening, provided an igniting spark for the Firebirds. He opened the scoring early with a 65-yard touchdown run.

Colonel Richardson players maintained their poise in front of a frenzied crowd and kept pace on their opening drive. They moved the ball effectively downfield amid strong tackling from Kamron and Jaliq Downing on Arcadia’s side. Forced into a third-and-5 situation, the Colonels huddled, and out of their timeout, Jackie Zebron feathered a touchdown into the hands of Elijah Palmer. The pass fell right through the hands of Zebron on the second play and missed the opportunity to cut the score.

“Keep your heads up,” exiting the field, senior Lethon Williams stretched on third down for the Firebirds, prolonging the drive, and Bibbins ran into the end zone a couple plays later to again put Arcadia in possession of the lead, this time for good.

Bibbins continued to dominate all facets of the game in the first half. He delivered a punishing blow to Mason Lambert on the subsequent kickoff and intercepted the pass of Zebron on the second play of the Colonels drive that followed.

In the throng of spectators, his father, Calvin Hagins, was all smiles watching his son perform so passionately. He seemed particularly excited for the force with which Bibbins laid hits on defenders. When asked if Bibbins put it another gear for his birthday, Hagins simply grinned and said, “it sure seems so.”

Arcadia didn’t fail to capitalize on the momentum of the turnover. The players seemed intent on pushing the game beyond reach as early as possible. A reverse to Jaden Hope resulted in a 37-yard touchdown and a 21-7 lead.

Arcadia continued to assert themselves against Colonel Richardson with each play. Often, deja vu set in. A great kickoff deep by Airey Finney was received by Lambert and he was met this time with punishing force from Kamron Downing. Two plays later a good push by the defensive line forced a Colonels’ fumble and Hope opportune scooped the ball up and sprinted 24 yards for a touchdown. The Firebirds were effectively punishing the Colonels into obscurity headed into halftime.

“This is a good one, not like last year, it’s a different Arcadia,” said tackle Ryan Rose.

Head coach Alan Hall pushed focus and game plan as the difference swelled. “Keep wearing them out,” Hall said.

Colonel Richardson started its next drive now down 29-7 and met with strong-willed resistance by Downing and Brandon Bibbins. They were forced into a punting situation, giving an electric Arcadia offense the ball with two minutes to go in the half. Freshman Delquan Pichtett got playing time at running back on the drive and missed the opportunity to cut the ball upfield for positive yards. On the sidelines, senior Lethon Williams positively instructed him to “always follow your first instinct.”

Two plays later, Williams followed his instincts 45 yards to the end zone. It was 35-7 at halftime, and for the fans that traveled last year to Federalsburg, Md., only to see the Firebirds get clipped, the word that permeated this evening was payback.

Behind Arcadia’s stands sat a comfortable charter bus eager to welcome a demoralized Colonels team for the long ride home. Nothing in the second half threatened to interrupt this scenario.

Colonel Richardson, eager to find any way back into the game, attempted an onside kick to start the second half but Robert Sterling held his ground for the referee following his second rushing touchdown of the game.

Arcadia on the recovery.

Arcadia punted out of its first drive, plugging the flow of points, and Colonel Richardson took over. They moved the ball with the aid of a couple Firebird penalties. Arcadia’s coaches and fans were quick to shout perspective from the sidelines. “Watch the ball,” echoed from several spots in the stands, and coach Hall spoke in a similar vein. “Quit acting like you won this game” (Continued on Page 26)
By Matthew Yoder

As losses mount, Chincoteague’s 2019 campaign must be viewed in the context of minor victories within the game itself. Last Friday’s 60-13 defeat on the road to Portsmouth Christian was the case of a team overmatched from the outset, allowing their own mistakes to put the game beyond their reach. Chincoteague coach Tony Nock knew going in to the game that his team was physically at a disadvantage.

“We were outclassed before we got there,” Nock said. That being the case, the Ponies needed to play flawless ball to stay competitive. They did not do so. Chincoteague turned the ball over four times in the first half, two of which were interceptions returned for touchdowns.

For a team that has failed to tally anything on the board for an extended period, handing the opponent points only deepens the struggle.

“Every time you turn the ball over the math says you give the other team three points,” said Nock.

With six turnovers total for the game, math begins to blend with psychology and the results are demoralizing.

Assistant coach Contrel Brown stated simply, “They got three scores on picks, that’s hard.”

Chincoteague actually began the game with a bit of momentum. Coming in as underdogs with nothing to lose per say, they attempted an onside kick to open the game and recovered. Their offense failed to drive the ball and they dropped back to punt out of their opening advantage.

“It was bad mojo when we get the onside kick to start the game and punt out of our first drive for negative yards,” said Nock.

What has been a constant for Chincoteague this season is the reliably strong foot of Giovanni Rosanova III in punt formations, so it’s easy to see why Nock felt his team was at a further disadvantage on the evening.

The Patriots were off and running out of the early mishap and never looked back. Portsmouth Christian was just the latest team to outpace Chincoteague with electrifying speed.

“As soon as they were in the open field you weren’t gonna catch them, they were eating us up on slants,” said Nock.

The game was not a complete loss for Nock, however. He was quick to point out several positives on both sides of the ball. His team managed to fight until the final whistle and put points on the board for the first time in many games. Wes Britton finished with 16 carries for 85 yards and a touchdown, and Camron Davis added 75 yards on the ground with a touchdown.

On the defensive side, the Ponies held Patriots’ accomplished running back, Brunye Thomas, in check. He finished the game with under 50 yards.

“We were worried about their running back and we did stop the running game,” said Nock.

Thomas was so impressed with Chincoteague’s presence on defense that he congratulated coach Brown postgame saying, “You got me, you held me.”

This week the Ponies face off with the FCA Bucks. Nock and his team are undeniably looking to turn this season around and put a win on the books. Nock remains positive and realistic going in.

“We match up well with them,” Nock said.

The game is Saturday at 2 p.m. in Georgetown, Del.

Central Accomack Little League Sundog Tournament Held Sept. 28

The team sponsored by Steamers won the tournament landing in first place (left). Second place went to the Onancock Building Supply (right) and in third place was the Nancock Nasties.
Eastern Shore Cross-Country

Story and Photos by Brennan Waldorf

With cross-country winding down, Eastern Shore teams met for the last time of the regular season.

The Northampton Invitational took place this Monday, Oct. 7, at the high school in Eastville. The Jackets hosted Nandua, Arcadia, Chincoteague, and Southampton. It'll be the last regular season meeting between the Eastern Shore teams before they run in the district meet Oct. 24.

This meet’s weather was much improved compared to the grueling heat teams endured earlier this season at Nandua. The afternoon brought some clouds and sunshine with temperatures floating around 77 degrees accompanied by 10 mph winds. These are the ideal conditions for runners as the Jackets hosted 60 boys and 29 girls.

Nandua won the boys team division with 24 points, Southampton finished second with 45, and Arcadia took third with 80. This meet saw several more female runners than the beginning of the year. Every team except Northampton, whose top runner sat out due to a back injury, was able to fill a full roster. Arcadia took first place with 41 points, Nandua came in second with 55 points, and Southampton claimed third with 79 points. Each team with the exception of Arcadia has one more regular season meet before the district tournament.

Boys Individual Results:

Girls Individual Results:

Above: Areli Enriquez was the top runner in the girls division finishing with a time of 23:09.

It was tight squeeze at the start line for the boys with 60 runners in the meet.
to keep Jackson at bay. Chincoteague was behind the entire set but managed to make enough plays to keep in the game. Down 20-13, they closed the gap as they found open space accompanied by Nandua hitting errors. With the score locked at 21, Nandua senior Necole Stravino delivered as she frequently did throughout the night, giving the advantage to the Warriors after delivering an ace to take the lead. Chincoteague once again served the ball in the net and a miscommunication among the Ponies set up the Warriors’ game point. Stravino delivered the final blow from the back row winning the set 25-22.

Down two sets to one, the Chincoteague squad needed to play their best to beat the Warriors in front of their loud and rambunctious home crowd. The atmosphere was intense with both Ponies and Warrior fans fully engaged in the game after Lyric Sampson delivered the final blow from the back row winning the set 25-22.

Chincoteague’s Emily Hunt broke the stalemate by delivering an ace. Necole Stravino continued her spectacular play with a diving dig that awed the crowd and eventually led up to a Halie Justice outside spike. The Warriors’ Jamie Wert, who recorded 15 kills on the night, then played the ball lightly and lofted it just out of the reach of the Pony blockers bringing the score 9-5. Chincoteague’s serving woes continued as Wert and company extended their lead to 19. The Ponies appeared to be out but mounted a resilient comeback behind the serving of Delilah Flores. They evened the score at 23, often scrambling the Warriors and getting them off balance. They found themselves behind after another unfortunate serve landed in the net. With the game on the line, both teams appeared nervous but senior Stravino stayed the course and when the Ponies delivered a hard hit she was ready. She dug the ball up from a very low angle and it soared just off the fingertips of Chincoteague blocker Caroline Shelley. The Warriors won the set 25-23 in dramatic fashion behind the support of a home crowd.

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Chincoteague coach Sarah Sharpley thought the previous night’s loss potentially had something to do with the slow start. “We weren’t playing to our potential tonight, coming off the loss it took a while to get it back,” Sharpley said. Without a doubt her team rebounded well as the match progressed. “They got it back by the third set,” said Sharpley. A lot of credit on the evening goes to the play of Hall, who was solid from start to finish. Her demeanor was positive, uninterrupted, and encouraging. She admitted the loss to Nandua was difficult, but seemed more intent to move forward. “We were coming off a tough loss, but we were more focused on the way we normally play and getting back to our potential,” said Hall. Chincoteague will need to capitalize on their potential, as a district title will be determined by games this coming week.
Senior Hockey League Competition Heating Up

By Michael Garbacz

Game 1: Blues 1, K&E Marine Capitals 7

A cloudy Sunday started off gloomy indeed for the Blues, who found themselves on the business end of a blowout at the hands of the Caps. Despite outshooting them 17-13, the Blues had a hard time creating quality chances, and the potent offense of the Capitals worked early and often. The Pat Trick figured in on all but one of his team’s goals, putting up four goals and two assists; Sharkey Parks produced a hat trick plus an assist; Brett Morgan had a trio of helpers. For the Blues, Cody Williams staved off a goose egg for his team in the third with a marker, assisted by James Haley and Matt Yetter.

Game 2: EZ Loan Bruins 4, Neubeam Harambe 3

In another uncharacteristically low-event game from a high-output team, the Killer B’s managed to put only seven total shots on the net, but it was enough to squeak out a win. These squads seem to match up against each other fairly well, but this time around Hambere’s young guns weren’t quite enough to find the answer to the boys in black. Bradley Colona led the way for the Bruins, registering almost every good scoring opportunity. Johnny Irvin found the back of the net on a power play, courtesy of an assist from Preston Shover. Wes Stapleton put one home for the Wings to even it up; the Huntsman had the helper.

Game 3: Thornton Services Renegades 4, 3 Knots Taphouse Whalers 3 (Shoot Out)

Tight games; you gotta love ‘em. Well, we got ‘em! It doesn’t get much tighter than a shootout affair, and that’s just what happened in this tilt as the greys-shirts battled the Whale to a standoff in regulation. The Renegades carried a precarious one-goal lead into the third period, but the Whalers found the equalizer there, and it stayed knotted at three at the final buzzer. In the shootout, it was Cliff Windsor who proved to be the hero, the only one of six shooters to find the back of the net; he earned his team an extra point in the standings and, presumably, a lot of bragging to come. In regulation, Dustin Aigner, and La Boca each earned a goal and an assist for the Renegades; Ray Johnson ate his Wheaties and scored an Old Man Breakaway goal; Trey Lodge added an assist. For the Whalers, Brandon Morgan put the biscuit in the basket twice; Ryan Parks scored the other goal; Scott Millkin and New York Metzger each tossed in an apple.

Game 4: Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 2, Neubeam Harambe 1 (Shoot Out)

In another contest that could not, would not, be decided in regular time, the Wings edged the gorilla squad by virtue of an heroic, sprawling shootout goal courtesy of Ethan Ayer. Harambe came hard at the Wings during regulation, outshooting their opponents 17-8, but the defense neutralized almost every good scoring opportunity. Johnny Irvin found the back of the net on a power play, courtesy of an assist from Preston Shover. Wes Stapleton put one home for the Wings to even it up; the Huntsman had the helper.

Game 5: K&E Marine Capitals 4, Thornton Services Renegades 2

The Caps doubled up the Renegades on shots, 24-12, and so it followed that the final score appreciably ended up likewise. The second period was really where these teams separated, as the Caps asserted themselves with force, registering 15 shots to the Renegades’ one. The Pat Trick negotiated himself a hattrick; Brett Morgan produced the other goal, plus an assist; Jack Smith added a helper. For the Renegades, CJ Jones had the magic touch, finding both goals; Ben Bundick, Cliff Windsor, and Ray Johnson put up an apple apiece.

Game 6: Blues 1, EZ Loan Bruins 5

Another tough draw for the Blues came this day, as the Killer B’s went to work, scoring all the goals they needed in the first, then adding some insurance in the third to seal the victory. The Smooth Criminal put up a goal and two assists; Bradley Colona and Gabe Nock each registered two markers; Pat Cornwell added an assist. TR Hoyt spoiled goalie Pat Christman’s shutout parade with a goal in the second off an assist from Kevin Cornwell.

Game 7: Delmarva Soil and Concrete Red Wings 6, 3 Knots Taphouse Whalers 5

In a wild, open-ended barnstormer, the Whales found themselves with a 4-2 lead heading into the third period. Things were looking bleak for the Wings, who at that point had managed to record only five shots on goal, compared to 19 for the folks in green. But the game of hockey is a fickle mistress, and in the final frame the Wings exploded for four goals, and held off the Whale in the final frantic moments to steal a win. Brandon Morgan crushed a quartet of goals and added an assist to figure in on every score; Scott Millkin put up a goal and two assists; New York Metzger chipped in a (big) apple. For the Red Wings, the Huntsman came on late when his team needed him most, tallying a hat trick plus an assist; Ethan Ayer recorded two goals and an assist; Wes Stapleton scored; Matt Sullivan and Mike McCreary each added a helper.

ESSHL Senior League action resumes Sunday, October 20, at 1:30 p.m. at Stapleton Rink in Parklsey. Don’t forget to check out the website, www.esshl.org for news, stats, standings and more, and find ESSHL on Facebook.
and play football,” Hall said.

Again Arcadia responded. On a fourth down play Kamron Downing zoned in on Zebron and administered a blow that chased him from the game. The pass was completed to Lambert who was similarly knocked out by Finney. Two Colonels laid on the field, a loss of downs, a signal that the Firebirds meant business this night.

Arcadia took over and began attempting passes with Collin Marshall starting his second game at quarterback. He made some incomplete passes but on this night he was effective in just managing the game well and keeping the ball in his possession. Even when he fumbled on this drive, he secured the ball and ran it 25 yards for another Firebird touchdown. His father, Travis Marshall, seems pleased with his progression at the position.

“He’s getting there, he just needs to slow down and take his time,” Marshall said.

Managing turnovers plagued Colonel Richardson all the way to the end of the game. Hope concluded the scoring with another fumble recovery for a touchdown. He has been Johnny on the spot many times this season for the Firebirds. He credits the play of his defense, but when he picks up the ball his speed is blinding.

“It’s all about my team, I just sit back and read,” said Hope. Colonel Richardson’s coach, Dan Mangum, both spoke highly of Arcadia’s effort, but also lamented his team’s inability to hold on to the ball. “They (Arcadia) executed well, but the turnovers killed us,” Mangum said. “They definitely earned it, we gotta learn how to play football on the road.”

Arcadia’s coaches were ecstatic with their team’s play coming out the bye week. “They worked, they hit, they ran, they knew it was the game,” said assistant coach Dan Macca.

Atonement was a palpable theme for this game. “We knew what they do, they beat us the last four years,” said Hall. Now his team enters a matchup with Bruton this Friday in Williamsburg, renewed with two consecutive wins and a desire for more.

“They’re all buying in,” Hall said. “Everything’s clicking, they’re hyped, they’re pumped.”
The 2019 Chesapeake Bay fall striped bass season began with a deafening thud! What is normally one of the most anticipated fisheries of the year seems to have lost a lot of its attractiveness, thanks to new restrictive regulations that currently limit anglers to one just fish, which must measure in the slot limit of 20 to 36 inches. The one theme that I heard over and over while talking to local tackle shop owners and operators is that “the new regulations have put a damper on a lot of the anglers’ attitudes toward the fishery. They just aren’t willing to put in the normal effort to be able to keep just one fish. Our sales of rockfish gear is way behind what we normally would have sold most years by this time.” The one silver lining is that there seems to be plenty of smaller fish currently in the bay; most, however, are under the 20-inch minimum size limit. The average size of the rockfish should increase as the water temperatures fall.

Speckled trout fishing, on the other hand, is more popular than it has been in several seasons. This is due to both the abundance of keeper-sized specks this year as well as the increased effort due to anglers targeting trout, which have a five-fish bag limit, instead of rockfish and its one-fish bag limit. Specks are currently being caught from the southern Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay all the way to the tip of the Lower Eastern Shore of Virginia.

Chincoteague – Donna Rae Roeske, of Captain Bob’s Marina, reported that the recent winds and cool early morning autumn temperatures kept a lot of boaters in last weekend into the early part of this week. The anglers that did get out reported “hit-or-miss” action, with a few flounder, red drum, and a variety of small fish. Small striped bass and speckled trout have been hitting on artificial casts around bridge pilings and around the marsh edges. The big news, according to Roeske, was the appearance of large red drum in the surf, as well as bluefish spot and kingfish/whiting.

A spokesman at Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle said the whole island is surrounded by speckled trout! “Fish any ditch/creek and you can find specks ranging from 13 inches up to 19 inches,” he said. Light tackle (6- to 8-lb class) is the key to success with the skinny water fish. Small stripers are in these same waters but the rockfish bite does not turn on until sunset and beyond. Flounder action has been good in the vicinity of Curtis Merritt Harbor with a few flatfish also being found inside the creeks. The town piers on Chincoteague Channel have also been producing a few flounder. The surf on Assateague has produced a half dozen or so large red drum releases, including a nice 50-inch fish released on Monday.

Upper Shore – Captain Matt Abell, of the Sea Hawk Sports Center, told me that “speckled trout action has come alive in the last week, even during the windy conditions.” Abell and his parties enjoyed great action, with reports of good trout catches occurring from Nandua Creek all the way up beyond the north side of Smith Island, Md. Abell said that anglers are catching “a lot” of rock in the Maryland bay waters, but not much to report form action in Virginia, as most anglers were just not targeting the stripers. A few red drum, ranging from puppy-sized all the way to trophy-sized, and striped bass were bycatches of the speckled trout fishery. Best action on speckled trout was occurring in 5- to 7-feet depths around structures such as submerged tree stumps.

Lower Shore – Chris Snook, of Chris’ Bait & Tackle, told me that flounder fishing along the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel has been good with some nice-sized fish when clear water is available. Red drum are still being caught in the evenings on Lattimore and the Inner Middle Ground Shoals. Snook said that anglers along the lower shore are experiencing some of the best speckled trout action “in a long time.” The fish traps, south of Kiptopeke, as well as any of the bayside creeks and seaside inlets, have been productive speckled trout areas. Snook said that she had heard of a spot bite off Kiptopeke as well as some flounder catches off the State Park Pier.

Jeb Brady, of Bailey’s Bait & Tackle, reported that the speckled trout fishing was still very good through the week on both sides of the peninsula. Anglers were enjoying success on both artificial and live baits. A few, mainly undersized, puppy drum have been encountered by the trout fishermen. Brady said that big red drum are still being caught on the shoals along the bridge-tunnel. The Cape Charles and Kiptopeke Piers are seeing some catches of spot and the occasional flounder, according to Brady.

Bill Hall was the first Eastern Shore resident to achieve Virginia Salt Water Master Angler Status. he has been named Virginia Saltwater Angler of the Year and Virginia Saltwater Release Angler of the Year and is a Virginia Press Association award-winning sports columnist.

Ron Capone caught and released this 44-inch red drum on a spot head earlier this week on Assateague Island.
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

**Weekly Sudoku**

by Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**Difficulty This Week:** ★★★★★

- Moderate
- Challenging
- HOO BOY!
By Linda Cicoira

An Eastern Shore native has been nominated for AHCI Magazine’s Community Leader of the Year and Woman on the Rise awards.

Frances Bailey, fraud investigator at the Accomack County Department of Social Services, and other nominees will be acknowledged at an awards ceremony held later this month for their hard work, commitment to excellence, and the inspiration evoked among their peers. The awards put a spotlight on the accomplishments of successful women across the country. The magazine is owned by a nonprofit woman’s association.

Bailey is working on her master’s degree in Criminal Justice and is specializing in CJ Management & Administration. She is an active member of the Pi Epsilon Omega graduate chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., of the Eastern Shore.

“To be nominated for a worldwide magazine award really shocked me,” said Bailey. “I was like, what? Little ol’ me? You never know who is watching you. I am forever grateful and humbled for everything that’s has happened in my life and for all the support from everyone … Just to be nominated and have the opportunity to be around successful, fearless, inspirational women is such a blessing. That alone makes you feel like you already won regardless of getting an award.”

Bailey is a firm believer in God. “I gave my life to Jesus Christ over four years ago and allowed him to be the head of my life and to any successful event in my life.”

She loves to attend church and is a missionary and member of Anointed Word of Deliverance COGIC in Keller.

Bailey is also the founder of Red Door Empowerment, which provides spiritual guidance, services, workshops, and support groups to those with addictions, depression/anxiety, or financial barriers. She has a mental health first-aid training certificate and wants to save lives.

As a survivor of a drunk driving crash, Bailey walks with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) each year in Richmond, Va., in hopes of preventing accidents and alcohol abuse.

She has spoken to high school students about the dangers of drinking and driving and having a safe prom night.

Bailey also offers notary services and uses her four years of experience as a credit manager to help others restore their credit, build wealth, and become income protected.

Bailey was recently appointed to the board of directors of the Eastern Shore Center of Independent Living Inc. She serves as assistant secretary.
Northampton Ag Fair Delights Young and Old

Photos by Stefanie Jackson

September 28, 2019

There was something for everyone, young and old alike, at the fourth annual Northampton County Agricultural Fair, Saturday, Sept. 28 – from antique tractors to hay rides, live animals to live music, pie and sweet potato biscuit baking contests to concession stands.

Kids tried out the tractor pull (right), played in a bouncy house, and participated in a pumpkin painting contest.

Adults challenged each other in keg rolling and skillet throwing contests.

A few elements of the fantastical tried to blend in with the farm-friendly environment. Disney princesses Ariel and Jasmine greeted little ones and a unicorn (left) was spotted next to a pony.

Music was provided by the band Double Booked.
Participants in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail’s new re-entry program are growing into productive citizens, but that’s not all they’re growing.

The participants attend classes every day, but they also get to go outside, breathe fresh air, and get their hands dirty working in the jail’s new garden, growing fresh, organic vegetables that everyone at the facility can eat.

The garden was the idea of Dep. Clark Lovelady, the re-entry program facilitator.

The program’s director is the Rev. Kelvin Jones, the chaplain at ESRJ. Capt. Roger Kennedy and Lt. Francis Williams are also involved.

ESRJ staff realized “three hots and a cot” wasn’t working for the inmates, Jones said.

They decided it was time to change the culture at the jail, focusing less on punishment and more on rehabilitation.

The staff wanted to establish a re-entry program modeled after those used throughout the commonwealth. Virginia’s current rate of recidivism (re-offending) is 23.4%, the lowest in the nation for three years.

Gov. Ralph Northam appointed Jones to work in the Virginia Department of Corrections, where Jones served as a re-entry specialist for about 10 months.

Not every county jail has a re-entry program, but because of an agreement between Accomack and Northampton counties, inmates at Accomack County Jail may also apply for the voluntary program.

Graduates get a GED, DMV ID card, a $5,000 federal bond to guard against theft for a future employer, a certificate of incarceration, and certificates of completion for all classes taken.

There is also a ready-to-work class for any student who already has a GED or diploma.

Other classes include T4C (Thinking for a Change), classes on anger management and substance abuse, and InsideOut Dad. (And since the re-entry program includes two cohorts — eight women in addition to eight men — a class for moms will be added soon, too.)

Then there’s the garden. The inspiration for the garden originated with Lovelady’s former employer in Richmond, who donated gardens to local elementary schools. The company employees wrote lesson plans incorporating the Standards of Learning (SOLs) and taught gardening to the students for an hour every week.

Going outside to work in the garden was like “recess, but with learning” for the kids, Lovelady said. He noticed how much calmer the students became after gardening. Their behavior and grades began to improve.
**Jail Takes Inmates from Jail Pods to Pea Pods**

Re-entry program participant Carla Nicole Koester, of Baltimore, Md., agreed that “putting your hands in the dirt” is a form of “therapy.”

The re-entry program has been “the biggest blessing” for Koester, who has five months left on her 17-month sentence for breaking and entering and grand larceny.

Jones “fine tuned” the program for the women’s cohort, placing emphasis on trauma-informed care, since female inmates typically experience more trauma than males do prior to incarceration. It’s an aspect of the re-entry program Koester appreciates.

“I deserve a better life,” she said – something she realized only through her participation in the program.

The 47-year-old mother of two grown sons will seek that better life back in Baltimore when she’s released.

Koester’s garden favorites are spinach and butter beans, and she looks forward to the bok choy.

Re-entry program participant George Walker, of Exmore, remembers the tomato as the first garden vegetable he ever tried. He’s also learned to like turnips.

He likes the re-entry program and the garden because “they gave us a chance, instead of sitting in a block all day,” to actually do something to try to change.

Walker, who has two years left of a three-year sentence for malicious wounding, finds the social aspect of cooperating with others in the garden especially helpful.

“If you’re not willing to help each other, you can’t help yourself,” he said.

Walker, who is only 28 years old, also wants to learn how to be a better father to his 10 kids – nine children and one stepchild.

The average participant enters the program when he has about six months left on his sentence, but because Walker still has two years to go, he’ll be able to repeat the program later as an “elder” and help out new participants.

The groundbreaking for the garden was April 11, about six months ago. The first participants of the re-entry program will graduate Dec. 11.

Lovelady said for every graduating class, a bush or fruit-bearing tree will be planted.

The cost of the re-entry program is not included in ESRJ’s budget; it is funded through outside sources. Many of the items used in the garden are donated by local businesses or are constructed from reclaimed materials. A portion of the crops are allowed to go to seed so new plants don’t have to be bought every season. The garden is 100% organic. No herbicides or pesticides are used and participants often remove pests by hand.

The program appears to be successfully preparing its participants to re-enter society.

Walker said when he and his classmates began the program, they were “strangers,” but now they are “brothers.”
Second Annual Golden Spike Railway Festival in Parksley

Councilman Frank Russell (above) presents Councilwoman Julie Nash with a plaque of recognition for her work on the annual festival.

At right top, Shirley Johnson and Kay Lewis sell T-shirts to raise money for the Parksley War Museum that will be in the building behind them.

At right, Seth Bridges, winner of the golden spike contest and the strongest man on the Eastern Shore, was awarded the golden spike and $100, by Mallory Drummond, aka Ms. Golden Spike.

Photos by Linda Cicoira
Fun Times at the Festival

Photos by Linda Cicoira

At top left, Avery West and Ma’Lajah Harmonson, of Belle Haven, show off their painted faces.

At top right, an Onancock woman sells her handcrafted dolls.

At center, a child flies through the air on a zip line.

At left, Conner Drake, of Chesapeake, drives a train.

Above, a 1957 Thunderbird is among the vehicles displayed at the car show.

At right, Taylor Lewis, of Melfa, enjoys a free snow cone.
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State of Schools Forum: ‘Stronger School System’

Story and Photo by Stefanie Jackson

The Northampton County Education Foundation (NCEF) raised around $22,000 this year to fund Northampton public school projects that otherwise wouldn’t have been possible, Superintendent Eddie Lawrence said at the organization’s third annual State of the Schools forum Oct. 8 in the Northampton High School gym.

“It’s not just the $22,000,” he said, “it’s all of the community support and partnerships and interactions … that’s making us a better school system and a stronger school system.”

Lawrence thanked all the stakeholders in the audience for their support.

The community can help support Northampton public schools through three NCEF programs that grew from ideas shared at the first State of the Schools forum in 2017.

Adopt-A-Classroom allows individuals and organizations to donate money to a classroom of their choice. In 2019, 39 classrooms were adopted: 19 at Kiptopeke Elementary School, four at Occohannock Elementary School, nine at Northampton Middle School, and four at Northampton High School.

Adopt-A-Classroom donations funded items including a tank for hermit crabs in a Kiptopeke classroom, sketchbooks for advanced art students at Occohannock, and additional equipment for Northampton High School’s weight room.

Fund-A-Project allows donors to fund a project of their choice. As the name suggests, Fund-A-Project allows donors to fund a project of their choice.

For six years, Northampton High School had no marching band, until teacher Brad Ford restarted it. The band received $925 from Fund-A-Project to buy new instruments, repair old ones, and mend band uniforms.

NCEF contributed nearly half of $2,000 in donations received for fetal pig dissection kits for Northampton High School advanced placement biology students, plus $250 for students to conduct a lab activity in which they extracted their own DNA.

Kiptopeke received $441 for a fifth-grade field trip to Old Dominion University and $550 for second graders to publish a hardcover version of the book they wrote and illustrated, “How to Make the World a Better Place.”

NCEF’s Bulletin Board provides opportunities for donating goods and services instead of money.

On the Bulletin Board, the community can make offers and teachers can make requests for specific items. For example, schools have requested arts and crafts supplies, and New Ravena has offered tiles, glass, and mosaic materials.

Part two of this story, including information on new educational, social, and behavioral programs in Northampton schools, will appear in next week’s Eastern Shore Post.

This year’s recipients of the NCEF Community School Partnership Award were Willie Randall, accepting the award for himself and Edward Jones, Sheriff David Doughty, Lorraine Broward, Jordon Kellam, on behalf of Therapeutic Interventions, and Gerry Carranante (not pictured).
Housing Summit Addresses Affordable Housing

By Stefanie Jackson

The lack of affordable housing on the Eastern Shore has long been acknowledged by Accomack and Northampton’s elected officials, yet a regional housing needs assessment has not been conducted in nearly 20 years, attendees learned during a housing summit Sept. 27 at the Historic Onancock School.

The housing summit was organized by Ava Wise and sponsored by Sen. Lynwood Lewis. It was attended by more than 60 people, including representatives of the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA), the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (VDHCD), the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and Locus Impact Investing, a community investment firm.

Others present included Accomack and Northampton officials and representatives from social services, the NAACP, and the Bayview, Bayside, and New Road communities.

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission would likely be the organization to carry out the housing assessment, said Executive Director Elaine Meil.

The last time a comprehensive, scholarly study of the Shore’s housing needs was completed was in 2000.

Another revelation that came out of the housing summit was the Eastern Shore’s lack of “opportunity zones.”

Opportunity zones were created through the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. Their purpose is to identify economically distressed communities and create opportunities for new investments in those areas to qualify for tax benefits.

Governors were tasked with selecting which census tracts in their states should be designated as opportunity zones.

County administrators received notices from VDHCD to select which areas they believed should become opportunity zones.

On the Eastern Shore, each county could pick just one area, and they were given three days to do it. Accomack chose Chincoteague and Northampton chose Cape Charles.

VDHCD Director Erik Johnson said the organization fought for the entire Shore to be an opportunity zone, though it didn’t happen.

According to Virginia Economic Development Partnership maps showing the opportunity zones, Accomack’s opportunity zone appears to contain areas besides Chincoteague, including Atlantic and New Church.

Likewise, Northampton’s opportunity zone appears to contain areas besides Cape Charles, including Cheriton and Capeville.

Yet a majority of the Shore is left out.

Northampton County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski said the summit highlighted both a “critical need” for affordable housing on the Shore and sources of available funding for affordable housing projects.

A follow-up session will be held Dec. 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Exmore town hall.

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By Linda Cicoira

Candidates seeking Virginia’s 100th District in the House of Delegates and 6th District in the Senate participated in a forum Wednesday night hosted by Citizens For a Better Eastern Shore (CBES).

Sen. Lynwood Lewis, a Democrat who practices law in Accomac, represents Accomack, Northampton, and Mathews counties and parts of the cities of Norfolk and Virginia Beach. He is being opposed in the November general election by Republican Elizabeth Lankford, who owns Blue Crab Bay Co. in Melfa.

After describing a lewd package and message she received, Lankford said she would not be intimidated.

Del. Rob Bloxom, a Republican and the owner of Bloxom Auto Supply in Mappsville, Shore Tire and Auto in Onley, and an oyster growing business, represents the counties of Accomack and Northampton and parts of the cities of Norfolk and Virginia Beach.

His challenger is Democrat Phil Hernandez, a civil rights attorney from Norfolk, who quit his job so he would have more time to go door to door and talk to voters.

The candidates were allowed opening and closing statements and were given three questions in advance so they could ready their answers. More questions were submitted by the audience and selected by CBES just before the event began.

Lewis stood on his love for his native Eastern Shore, his ability to work “across the aisle,” and his seniority, as he serves on several important committees. “I am of this place. It is a part of me. I’ve been pleased to work to make life better for us,” he added, noting his efforts to help the aeronautics industry at Wallops, to bring broadband to the area, and his support of the community college. “I think the Shore has been well represented. … The greatest honor of my life is representing some of the greatest people in Virginia,” he said. Before becoming a senator, he was a delegate.

Lankford wants to bring in more jobs. It is “most important to have someone to work for the business person,” she said. Lankford attacked Lewis for favoring late-term abortions and tax increases. “I want to fight for middle-class jobs,” help people with caring for ailing parents, and solve problems with public schools.

“Any day you can help somebody is a good day, and in this job you can help a lot of people,” Bloxom said, repeating the wise words of his father who was a delegate before him. “The sense of gratitude is indescribable,” the son said. Like Lewis, he also holds seats on important committees.

Bloxom criticized Hernandez for contributions that were made to his campaign from out of state and for his quitting his job. “I wish I could stop working in February and knock on doors. I don’t think Bank of America would appreciate me taking off for a part-time job for $17,000. … If you look at the donors, do they really care about the Eastern Shore?” he asked rhetorically. “What they care about is power and control. … For the Eastern Shore, I am the only choice. Born and raised (here) and work in the community. I’ve raised my family here.”

Hernandez emphasized his support of a good public education, teacher’s salaries, and schools that are not falling down. He was the first in his family to go to college.

“I didn’t have to quit my job,” said Hernandez. “I didn’t make that decision lightly. I did this because I care. I want this area to have the best schools. One in three kids grows up in poverty. I want (the Shore) to be a center of excellence for sea rise resiliency. Not just the best for business but for working families.”

Hernandez also said he will vote to make Virginia the 38th state to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. “We can do that next year. That’s part of what this race is about.

What is your position about the fairness of the composite index, which determines a school division’s ability to pay education costs to meet the state’s Standards of Quality? It is comprised of 50% real estate value, 40% adjusted gross income, and 10% taxable retail sales.

Hernandez said, “In general Virginia gets an ‘F’ in terms of its fairness in education. We don’t get our fair share.” He said it is time to talk about revamping.

“If you open that index up,” Bloxom said, “Northern Virginia has more delegates than we do. More votes. We will lose.” He said teachers’ pay was raised 5% last year. “We froze college tuition this year. The other thing that we understand, the lottery funds have now been returned at 40% unrestricted funds. We are trying to resolve the SOL burden.”

Lewis agreed about Northern Virginia. But “there are some things we can do” like adjusting the real estate and income portions. It costs more money to educate students with extreme poverty, he said. “We need to figure out a way to take a look at it.”

“Obviously a bureaucrat from Richmond wrote it,” said Lankford. “The best way to go after school funding is to increase business so we have more money to put towards our schools.”

Should the Virginia Marine Resources Commission manage the menhaden fishery?

Bloxom said there were a lot of misconceptions in the long question CBES asked about the issue. He said Omega Protein, a processing plant in Reedville, Va., has a quota that was “never been agreed upon” and “there is no overfishing occurring.” He is against the VMRC managing it because its members are appointed by the governor. “This is a direct assault on the commercial waterman.”

“The VMRC has nonpartisan professional staff” and Lewis wants them
to have the job. They are going to need a whole lot more money. ... We let the professionals tell us.”

Lankford and Hernandez also favored the VMRC.

What can be done to build a technical workforce?

“Workforce is an issue everywhere in Virginia,” said Lewis. A boost in certified workers in trades is needed. “Government doesn’t create jobs, it provides the atmosphere where jobs can be created.” He said the broadband infrastructure is a help.

Lankford said, “The most important thing is to have a strong educational system. Not just K-12 and college. We need trade schools … mechanics. Making sure they can have the proper training to work on the rockets. ESCC is a great resource.”

“Public education is where it begins,” said Hernandez. “These kids have such bright futures in their imaginations, we just have to set them up.”

Bloxom said it is happening. He talked about opportunities at the Accomack Airport for handling the backlog from the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle facility at NASA. The county airport needs one of the fastest-growing jobs are in wind and solar. We need to take a hard look at statutes that keep the private sector from doing it.

Bloxom said if Virginia were to go this route and North Carolina and Georgia didn’t, “the jobs are going to run downhill. … This is something that cannot be forced. We need to encourage it.”

“Worldwide it needs to be done,” said Lewis. For “sea level rise the ramifications are incredible. We’re going to have to figure out how to be resilient. The governor has set a goal. It’s a challenge. It’s something we need to pursue.”

What is your plan for addressing gun safety and gun violence?

“I believe in the Second Amendment and I am a Democrat,” said Hernandez. “And I’ve read it.” Hernandez supports universal background checks and red flag laws. He wants to temporarily suspend weapons for someone who is a threat to themselves or others. He complained about the General Assembly gun session called by the governor that came to a quick end earlier this year.

Bloxom argued that Gov. Ralph Northam is known for acting too quickly. Bloxom said it was right to send the gun proposals to committees instead of having discussions “in the heat of the moment” after the Virginia Beach shootings. Bloxom said person-to-person sales are the only place there aren’t background checks. “If you are going to make a law, it has to be able to put in effect. Must be careful unless due process is followed regarding red flag.”

Lewis said he was a co-patron of the red flag. “We’ve got a list of folks that we’ve all agreed should not have access to firearms. Why not make sure they don’t have access? There is a huge mental health component with this. … You can see it is a situation where people have been failed.”

Lankford said farming, aquaculture, and tech jobs are what should be capitalized on in the next decade. There is a high quality of life. We should increase our broadband system (her CEO can only work from home at night at low tide).

Hernandez said public education, coastal resiliency, and working families. You hear about teachers going into Maryland for higher wages. “Wouldn’t it be great if Maryland teachers were coming here?”

Bloxom said, “You need to expand on the things we have and our sewage problem.

New regulations “are actually putting poor people out of their homes. I’m going to ask for a study to see if the new engineering system (for septic) is actually better.”

Lewis also said septic is a top challenge. “As far as the quality of life … it’s going to be a struggle. We need to preserve it.”

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Candidates Given The Floor at Tuesday Night’s CBES Forum

Story and Photos by Connie Morrison

Candidates in contested Accomack County races fielded questions for almost two hours Tuesday night at a forum sponsored by Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore (CBES).

Three groups of candidates participated: those running for the treasurer’s seat (Brandy Custis Childress and James Lilliston); candidates in contested school board races (Connie Burford and Gary Reese, District 4, and T.J. Johnson and Janet Martin-Turner, both vying for the seat held by Naudya App, who is not running for re-election); and candidates in competitive races for the Accomack Board of Supervisors (incumbent District 5 candidate Harrison Phillips, and candidates for District 7 Supervisor, a seat held by Laura Belle Gordy, who is not running for re-election: Jackie Phillips and Miriam ‘Tina’ Riggs). Harrison Phillips’ challenger, James Rich, did not attend due to a “schedule issue,” he told an Eastern Shore Post reporter.

“For over two decades, CBES has conducted Candidate Forums for all local (state and county) elections, to afford citizens on the Shore the opportunity to hear from all candidates for contested elections on key issues, in order to make well-informed decisions when they vote,” wrote Susan Mastyl, in response to a reporter’s question. Mastyl facilitated the forum and CBES members collected questions from the audience. “We feel this serves an important function in the community.”

Candidates for the treasurer’s seat were first up with opening statements, and then responding to questions, and wrapping up with a closing statement, a format that was followed in all three candidate groups.

Candidates for Treasurer

Both treasurer candidates touted their experience. Childress has 25 years of banking experience, 15 of those as a branch manager. Lilliston has 14 years of experience in the treasurer’s office.

Childress said people she heard from during the campaign are unhappy with the amount of time it takes for their tax checks to clear the bank. “I will commit to a daily deposit,” she said and work to improve the tax collection rate. A 2% improvement would have yielded an additional $600,000 “that we could have used for public safety, schools, and other county functions,” she said.

Lilliston said his career in the treasurer’s office has given him insight. “I know what’s working in that office; I know what needs to be improved. I can do those improvements on day one,” he said.

Both candidates agreed there should be some form of flexibility for taxpayers when there are mitigating circumstances.

Noting there is already a six-month payment plan option, Lilliston said, “Everyone should pay their taxes or make some attempt to. If I see that you are attempting to pay, I’ll be glad to help.”

“The level of flexibility we have to depend on the cooperation of the citizen,” said Childress, adding that every citizen should be treated fairly.

Candidates for School Board

Attention then shifted to school board candidates who addressed restorative justice, how to fully fund classrooms, and how to curtail absenteeism, among other topics.

Burford said she hopes to continue advocating for families of special-needs students. Her special-needs son was not given the support he needed to succeed and was expelled from kindergarten. “The system failed to provide the supports … and then when the issues arose, the child was blamed and not the system.” Her son graduated in June 2019 as the first student in the special-education program to go through the Badger program and he spent four years on the swim team.

Burford admitted she didn’t know much about restorative justice but thought it should be implemented “to plug that prison pipeline.”

She also thought teachers should be given control over their $250 classroom funds because timing of allocating the funds and the controls on those funds mean teachers can’t get the best deals. “Teachers are the best bargain shoppers that I know,” she said.

As for addressing absenteeism, “I believe we have a new employee who took Mr. (Chester) Hall’s place and should be taking care of that,” Burford said.

Reese, an Accomack County School District retiree, wants to continue the work he started when appointed in 2018 to fill Margaret Miles’ seat. “I have enjoyed my first year on the school board. It comes with much excitement and some challenges,” he said.

He “would be open to” the tenants of restorative justice “if we could bring in a person to show the board how this idea could help,” he said. “There may be more things that could be done to help these children,” like early childhood education and more classroom aides in the early years to keep students from falling behind.

Reese would like to see more funds for supplies, but also allocations for music, art, and physical education.

“Aacomack County does a pretty good job with absenteeism,” said Reese, but there is room for improvement.

T.J. Johnson “would represent our district with knowledge and professionalism,” he said. The question, “What is best for our students?” would guide his decisions.

Before adopting a restorative justice approach, schools should try “training staff inACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences),” said Johnson. Traumatic experiences children incur from birth to 18 years can influence the mental and physical health of children as they grow into adulthood, and positive influences can counteract some of the potential negative outcomes.

Johnson would like to increase teacher pay in Accomack County. “That is crucial to retaining our teachers,” he said. Teachers have always paid for classroom materials. “When they leave your house they become our kids. And we want to do for them just as we would want somebody to do for our kids.”

The school district must go beyond policies and “dive a little deeper into practices” of each school to reduce the rate of absenteeism, said Johnson, such including keeping parents informed of absences. He also suggested positive incentives for attending school.

Licensed clinical social worker Martin-Turner has many years of experience volunteering in the schools.

She said restorative justice is a more effective approach to correcting students but is most effective when used with traditional discipline techniques. “Other school divisions have found success in Virginia using restorative practices,” she said, but the method would require staff training.

“Teachers should not be expected to pay for their classroom supplies,” said Martin-Turner. When she was involved with PTA, that organization also gave teachers supply stipends, and she would advocate for an adequate stipend for classrooms.

“I believe absences should be addressed early-on and the parents should be notified right away,” she said. She would also rely on her problem-solving skills. Martin-Turner
works in the medical field “If we see a trend, your job is to identify the trend and intervene.”

**Candidates for Board of Supervisors**

The board of supervisors candidates were the last to speak. Among the topics they addressed were holding town hall meetings, population changes, sea level rise, and climate change.

“Jobs in Accomack County is one of my top priorities,” said Harrison Phillips, who is on the county’s economic development authority. He boasted of getting a new traffic light at the county’s industrial park in Melfa and his role in attracting a new owner to the nursing home and rehab center in Parksley when Riverside pulled out in 2017.

“I hold town meetings every single day” in his role as manager of Jaxon’s Hardware, he quipped, hearing from people all over the county. He would not hesitate to hold a meeting in special circumstances.

He questioned the forecasts that anticipate a population decline. “If you exclude the 2000 census numbers,” which over-estimated by about 6,000 people, including an extra 4,000 in Trails End, “our population has increased every single census since 1970.” Keeping taxes low helps everyone, including seniors, he said.

Harrison Phillips, Jackie Phillips, and Miriam Riggs.

The county’s planning commission is already working on the issue of sea level rise. “There’s not much we can do to stop it,” he said, but the county would continue discouraging development in vulnerable areas. He looks to state and federal governments for support. “I can’t see them leaving localities to fend for themselves,” he said.

Jackie Phillips, a retired A&N employee, said public safety is his priority, along with keeping waterways, woodlands, and farmlands healthy for future generations.

He called keeping in touch with constituents “the most important task of a concerned supervisor.” He said would always be available “at any time” and would use multiple means to stay in touch with constituents.

“We need to keep the younger generation on the Shore by becoming more competitive” in jobs by building an entrepreneurship culture. Instead of bringing in businesses, “We need to build from the inside.” Operational efficiencies will help make the most of scarce county resources.

“We … must be proactive in protecting our most vulnerable areas that are subject to frequent flooding,” he said, and work with other agencies “to do whatever can be done to reverse this process.”

“I’ve always been passionate about issues facing our county,” said Riggs. “Over the years I’ve been outspoken on a number of issues facing the county,” such as the rapid subdivision of land in agricultural zones, expansion of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act to the seaside, and protecting groundwater.

“There are times when I’ve gone to speak to the board of supervisors in public meetings and it seems my input is inconvenient,” so she would be willing to meet quarterly with constituents to be sure she is representing them well.

“People are skipping retirement,” she said, and it’s possible seniors will extend their working years and continue in the workforce. She would like to see “more mixed housing” in the areas of Onley and Onancock to have services closer to seniors and continue to invest in STAR Transit.

Regarding climate issues, “The county’s priority should be to listen to the scientific data that’s being produced and to act upon that data.” Some of that data is being “produced right here on the Shore” by the University of Virginia, VIMS, and The Nature Conservancy.

Read about the Wednesday CBES forum for the Virginia House of Delegates and Senate on pages 38-39.

**Candidates at the CBES forum wait for the event to start. From left: School board candidate Janet Martin-Turner, and board of supervisors candidates Harrison Phillips, Jackie Phillips, and Miriam Riggs.**
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**Little League Team Honored With Keys to the Town**

The recognition continues for the boys Little League team that became eighth in the world as Councilman Frank Russell, of Parksley, presents them with a key to the town during the Parksley Golden Spike Festival Oct. 5.
Nandua Students Receive Awards

Madison Johnson, a 10th grader at Nandua High School, received the Congress of Future Medical Leaders Award of Excellence while participating in the Congress of Future Medical Leaders. The congress allowed her to watch a surgery and ask the surgeons questions in real time.

Joseph Teasley, a 12th grader, received the 2019 Virginia Boys State award. He was awarded this honor because of his outstanding grades and being involved in many school programs.

Pictured above (photo on left) from left are T.J. Johnson, Becky Johnson, Madison Johnson, and George Parker, principal; (photo on right) Parker, Joseph Teasley, and Don Carroll, of the American Legion Park-sley Post 100.

Marriage Licenses Issued

- Thomas Lynch and Yuridia Montalvo, both 35, both of Cape Charles
- Ray Edward Larish and Tracy Kay Smith, both 52, both of Crisfield, Md.
- Willie Bernard Bush Jr., 45, and Frances Mae Bostic, 38, both of Exmore
- Gregory Leon Lewis, 54, of Temperanceville, and Elnora Giddens, 53, of Hallwood
- Jack Philip Davis, 48, and Christa Ann Bates, 49, both of Chincoteague
- Joshua Charles Ford, 40, and Caitlin Michelle Lewis, 33, both of Onley
- Leemont Antonio Whittington, 49, of Federalsburg, Md., and Camika Shavone Tingle, 42, of Seaford, Del.
- Robert Brian McLendon, 46, and Annie Fletcher Close, 39, both of Birdsboro, Pa.
- Kevin Michael Spillane, 60, and Penelope Laurie Shershen, 56, both of Bradley Beach, N.J.
- Victor Manuel Garcia-Deleon, 55, and Amarilis Aracely Cabrera Alvarado, 36, both of Greenbush
- Marcos Velasquez Velasquez, 36, and Ame Benita Juarez Chiel, 31, both of Mappsville
- Edmund Charles Smith, 55, of Hanover, Pa., and Lindsay Renee Kastner, 34, of Ocean City, Md.
- Lisamarie Morin, 42, and Robert Michael Wagner, 52, both of Greenbackville

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Perdue Farms Donates to Foodbank

The foodbank received a $20,000 grant from Perdue Farms. Pictured above from left are Bel Holden, human resources manager at Perdue’s operations in Accomac, and Charmin Horton of the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore. Perdue also donated 44,000 pounds of protein to support the foodbank programs.

New Soroptimist Members

Two new members were welcomed into the Soroptimist Club of Accomack County. Pictured above from left are new member Phyllis Smith, Soroptimist Director Lois Evans, and new member Mary Flynn.
Story by Alexander Hightower

Veteran Spotlight

Eastern Shore, meet Marine Veteran Alma Read. Read is a Vietnam Veteran and served on active duty for four years. His duty stations included New River and USS Guam LPH 9/4. Alma spent 27 years at Delmarva Power and another 20 years at Onancock Building Supply. He is originally from Newport News and has called Melfa home for many years but now resides in Onancock. Read enjoys watching his grandchildren play softball and baseball. If you see him in passing, say hello and thank him for his service.

Veterans’ News

DMV 2 Go: DMV 2 Go mobile is the Virginia DMV’s outreach to Virginia residents, military service members, veterans, and their families. In addition to the DMV 2 Go, Virginia also has DMV service outlets called DMV Connect. DMV Connect is a portable outreach program that allows DMV to operate and set up anywhere. DMV Connect offers underlying DMV transactions to include driver’s licenses, identification cards for children and adults, vehicle titles and registrations, compliance summaries, disabled parking placards, and E-Z Pass transponders. Eastern Shore veterans can also add a veteran indicator to their driver’s license or identification card. REAL ID-compliant driver’s licenses and identification cards are available through DMV’s mobile services. DMV Connect will be on the Eastern Shore on Tuesday, Nov. 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 21314 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.

Census Positions: The U.S. Census Bureau is launching the nationwide 2020 Census recruitment campaign to hire about 500,000 census takers across the country in 2020. To meet this goal, the Census Bureau is starting peak recruiting efforts now. Applying early to work as a census taker is a great way for seasonal holiday workers, students, retirees, and workers in the gig economy to line up spring and summer employment opportunities. Veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. armed forces and were separated under honorable conditions may be eligible for veterans’ preference. Documentation supporting the claim for preference must accompany the application.

Those interested should apply online either at the Census 2020 website or visit the Virginia Employment Commission in Onley. Each Friday in October, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., U.S. Census Recruiting Assistant Theresa Gross will be available to answer questions about employment opportunities. For more information, contact Gross at 845-551-2576.

Local Veteran News

Veterans’ News

Veterans Workshop: Workshops are held every third Tuesday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Virginia Employment Commission in Onley. All service members, veterans, dependents, and survivors are welcome to attend. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 15.
Community Notes

Accomac
The Swine & Wine dinner and dance benefiting the Boys & Girls Club will be Saturday, Oct. 19, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center.

For information on sponsorships or to purchase tickets, call Shannon Gordon at 787-7577 or go to www.swineandwineforthekids.com

Bloxom
The Hall Street Haunted House will run Oct. 18, 19, 25, 26, and 31, from 7 to 11 p.m., at the Bloxom Town Square.

Eastville
Trunk or Treat will be Friday, Oct. 18, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Northampton High School in the parking lot. Volunteers are needed to open up their cars and give out tasty treats. For more information, email iturner@ncpsk12.com

Exmore
The Exmore Town Park Auto Show will be Saturday, Oct. 19, with sign in beginning at 9 a.m., at the Exmore Town Park. The show will run 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

For more information, call Roy Ballard at 757-442-4843 or email him at rb55ford55@yahoo.com

Greenbackville
Supervisor Ron Wolff will hold his constituents’ meeting Monday, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m., at the Captains Cove Clubhouse next to the golf course. The speaker will be Brandy Childress.

Onancock
The Eastern Shore Art League Member Show opens Friday, Oct. 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Historic Onancock School. The gala will feature wine, hors d’oeuvres, and music from Dade Walker.

A panel of state and local officials will discuss the inner workings of large-scale fire investigations Friday, Oct. 11, from 8 to 9 a.m., at Onancock Baptist Church.

The Fire Safety Fun Day will be Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Ker Place.

LGBTQ+ Mix and Mingle Awareness Event
Submitted Article
The Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ESCADV) is sponsoring an LGBTQ+ Mix and Mingle awareness event Friday, Oct. 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., in the Great Hall at Eastern Shore Community College, in Onley. ESCADV staff has been participating in a statewide Underserved Populations Learning Collaborative for the past 12 months and the need for additional inclusion of the LGBTQ+ community was recognized.

Members of the LGBTQ+ community and their supporters are invited to join ESCADV to learn more about ESCADV’s services and domestic violence and sexual assault within the community. Food (pizza, veggie tray, and cheese/cracker tray), beer, wine, and nonalcoholic beverages will be included. There will also be raffles every half hour. Contact Jon-Christopher Bulin at jbulin@escadv.org or 757-787-1959 for more information or to RSVP.

Onley
The Woman’s Club of Accomack County Indoor Fall Yard Sale will be Saturday, Oct. 12, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the clubhouse on Richmond Ave.

Parksley
The Fun Run will be Saturday, Oct. 12, with registration at 9 a.m., at Metompkin Elementary School. The one-mile course goes through the town of Parksley. The cost is $5 in advance or $10 the day of the event. Money raised with go to the kids’ roller skating event.

Pungoteague
There will be a yard sale fundraiser Saturday, Oct. 12, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Pungoteague Community Church. The money raised will go toward the new self-help center building. There will be lots of items for everyone. Homemade chicken salad will be sold by the quart.

VFW Essay Contest
The VFW is holding an essay contest. The subject is “What Makes America Great.” Grades 6 through 8 subtopic is “Patriots Pen.” Grades 9 through 12 subtopic is “Voice of Democracy.” Essays are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31.

For more information, call Richard Savage at 787-3848 or go to vfwva.org

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★1-4 p.m. - CIAO Presents Gameplay Monday: Card, Word, and Board Games - Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St., Chincoteague
★2-7 p.m. - Blood Drive - Craddockville UMC - 757-710-7360
★4-5 p.m. - Alzheimer’s Caregivers’ Support Group - Heritage Hall, Nassawadox - 1-800-272-3900
★5:15 p.m. - Friends of Northampton Memorial Library mtg. - library, Cape Charles
★5:30 p.m. - AA mtg. - Onancock UMC, 75 Market St.
★5:30 p.m. - Talk on Monarch Butterflies - Kiptopeke State Park
★5:30-6:30 p.m. - Al-Anon mtg. - Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock
★6 p.m. - Bingo - Elks Lodge, Tasley
★6-8:30 p.m. - GED Class - Cape Charles Rescue Station, 22215 S. Bayside Rd.
★6-9 p.m. - GED Class - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall
★6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 300 mtg. - Grace UMC, Parksley
★7 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery mtg. - Onancock Baptist Church - food served at 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY OCT. 16
★7:45 a.m. - Kiwanis Club of Accomack mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★10 a.m. - TOPS mtg. - Market St. UMC, Onancock - 787-4718
★10-11 a.m. - Alzheimer’s Caregiving Group - Commonwealth Senior Living, 23610 North St., Onancock - 1-800-272-3900
★10 a.m.-noon - Accومack AARP mtg. - Sage Diner, Onley
★10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Veterans’ Employment Representative Avail. - ESCC, Melfa
★10:30-11:30 a.m. - Overeaters Anonymous mtg. - Rock Church, Onley - 757-655-4834
★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Soup Kitchen - Corner Stone Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3431 Main St., Exmore
★11 a.m.-3 p.m. - Blood Drive - RSMH, conference room, Onancock
★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 and 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, Exmore - 442-6391
★6-7 p.m. - Prayer Line Open - St. Matthew’s Church, Onley - Call 665-7403, 387-7021 or 894-1521 w/prayer requests
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★6-9 p.m. - GED Class - Arcadia High School, Oak Hall
★6:30 p.m. - E.S. Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #62 mtg. - Market St. Grill, Onancock - 709-5212
★6:45 p.m. - Bingo - St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Onley - doors open at 5:30 p.m.
★7 p.m. - AA and Al-Anon mtgs. - Franktown UMC
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Painter VFC

SATURDAY OCT. 12
★9 a.m.-noon - Onancock Farmers and Artisans Market - corner of Market St. and Ames St.
★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Farmers and Artisans Market - Community Center for the Arts, Chincoteague - flea market: 9 a.m.-2 p.m
★9:30 a.m.-noon - Mary N. Smith RISE Mentor Prgm. - Mary N. Smith CulturalCtr., Accomac - boys ages 9 to 15 - lunch provided - wear sports & sneakers - 709-3267
★10 a.m.-4 p.m. - 47th Annual Chincoteague Oyster Festival - Tom’s Cove Park Campground, 8128 Beebe Rd. - $45/adults, free/children under 5 - 757-336-6161
★10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. - Fried Fish Dinner - Saint Luke AME Church, Dougherty - dinners are $12/$15 - 710-5663
★11 a.m.-4 p.m. - Fall Festival - Downtown Pocomoke, Md.
★2-4 p.m. - Empowering Girls’ Group - ESTACI, Exmore - 757-656-3460
★3 p.m. - Family and Friends Day - Refuge Temple Outreach Ministry, 30540 Depot St., New Church
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Eastville Vol. Fire Co.
**Northampton Angel Tree / Salvation Army**

This year the Salvation Army, Northampton Department of Social Services, and Parks and Recreation will be coordinating a Holiday/Toy Assistance Program. The Holiday/Toy Assistance Program is open to youth living in Northampton County who are between the ages of 0 - 11. New and used toys will be distributed to families receiving SNAP (Food Stamps) or TANF on December 18 and 19th. Toys will be distributed at the former Northampton Middle School on Young Street in Machipongo. The Toy program is open to ONLY children who are a member of a family that receives TANF or SNAP (Food Stamps). The Angel Tree Program is supported through community giving.

To sign your children up for the Toy and Angel Tree programs, please complete and sign an application and return it to Northampton Social Services. If you need an application, please call Northampton Social Services at (757) 678-5153 or stop by the office. Forms must be returned by **October 25, 2019** to receive angel tree gifts. Toy Closet deadline is December 16, 2019.

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The Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency is looking for a Youth Outreach Coordinator under our AmeriCorps/VISTA program. For more information about this outstanding opportunity, please contact Will Weeks at (757) 442-9652 ext 24 or via email at wweeks@esaacaa.org

**Request for Proposals: Seeking Bookkeeping/Accounting Services**

Local, well-established business looking for part-time bookkeeping services, estimated at 15-20 hours per week. If interested, please submit: Hourly rates for bookkeeping and accounting services. Principal staff bios and qualifications, as well as qualifications of staff members who would work on the account, Accounting software capabilities, Business references. Qualified individuals (not part of a company) are welcome to submit. Email resume and qualifications to: A.B.C., P.O. Box 517, Onley, VA 23418

**Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc.** is currently recruiting

**Human Resources Generalist for the Corporate Office**

Prefer a minimum of 2 years’ experience with computer skills and customer service and computer skills. Bilingual skills are a plus.

**Outreach Specialist, Migrant Seasonal Farmworker**

Help connect Eastern Shore Rural Health patients with services in the community and serve as a liaison between the patient and staff.

Requires a graduate from an accredited high school or possession of an equivalency. Previous experience in related community work is a necessity for the Outreach Worker. Bachelor’s degree in social work/human services field is preferred.

This position requires a person of mature judgement, good communication skills and a knowledge of the formal and informal providers in the community. Must demonstrate cultural sensitivity. Must be able to work independently and without close supervision.

Must have reliable transportation, valid driver’s license and car insurance and be willing to work occasional nights and weekends for outreach events. Must be fluent in English and Spanish.

These are full-time positions with benefits. If you are a mission driven person looking to make a difference, email an application to dh@dhr@esrh.org before Noon on October 15, 2019. Resumes may accompany the application but will not be considered if sent alone. Applications can be obtained from www.esrh.org.

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Help Wanted (Cont’d)

Northampton County Sheriff’s Office is accepting full time employment applications for:

Correctional Officer
Job will require shift work, nights, weekends and some holidays. Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED. Certifications must be obtained within one year of employment. Applications may be obtained from the Sheriff’s Office, 5211 The Homes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or the Eastern Shore Regional Jail Office located at 5245 The Homes, Eastville, Va. 23347, or the county’s website www.co.northampton.va.us

Deadline for applications: October 25, 2019
Northampton County is an EOE.

ACCOUNTING POSITION
Qualifications: Bachelors degree in Accounting/Business Administration supplemented by 4 years of accounting experience. Responsibilities: Preparing financial statements, accounts receivable. Familiar with GAAP. Familiar with statements of cash flow. Basic accounting experience is preferred but not required. This position is full-time. The pay and benefits will commensurate with education and experience. Please send resume to: richard@associatedgrain.us

The Northampton County Sheriff’s Office is accepting employment applications for the position of:

Jail Medic
This position will be working in the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and the job will require shift work, days, evenings, some weekends and some holidays.

Qualifications: You must be over the age of 21 and have obtained high school diploma or GED and current Driver’s License. Applicant must possess at a minimum the following: A current LPN or higher certification with work experience preferred. Will be required to be on call at times. The Jail Medic is responsible for performing medical services for the inmates of the Eastern Shore Regional Jail. Work is performed under the general supervision of the Jail Physician (Mediko Correctional Healthcare).

Sheriff’s Office applications may be obtained from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Homes, Eastville, Virginia 23347, or online at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings. Completed applications should be returned in person to the Jail.

Deadline for applications: October 25, 2019.
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RECREATION BOOKKEEPER
Northampton Co. Parks and Recreation department is currently accepting applications for a part-time Recreation Scorekeeper. The position will be responsible for regular attendance and punctuality of all Parks and Rec programs, including keeping accurate time, score and statistics for various sport programs.

Minimum qualifications for this position are a high school diploma or equivalent, including some experience in athletics. Applicants must be able to speak clearly and distinctly, understand and follow detailed directions. Applicants must be able to clear a criminal background investigation before employment is offered.

An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link above. Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, PO BOX 66, Eastville, Va. 23347 no later than October 18, 2019 by 5 p.m. Northampton County is an EOE.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

Northampton County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities.

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Heritage Hall – Nassawadox has an immediate career opportunity for a Director of Nursing. This individual will be responsible for maintaining standards of resident care through the administration and evaluation of the nursing programs for the facility as well as developing and maintaining positive working relationships with the residents, nursing home staff, families, and visitors.

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• Must have current RN license in the state of Virginia
• Previous administrative and management skills in LTC
• Ability to effectively manage nursing staff, maintain positive employee relations, and act as a liaison between the administrator and the nursing staff

For immediate consideration, please apply in person or forward your resumes to:

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Public Notice

The Northampton County Local Advisory Agricultural Forestal District (AFD) Committee will meet on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers, located on the second floor, at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, Virginia. The purpose is to review a withdrawal request and to forward recommendations to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors.

The following application will be considered:

Withdrawal from Hare Valley AFD: GPSP LLC has petitioned to remove three parcels of land from the Hare Valley AFD totaling 97.93 acres. The removal of the 97.93 acres will cause the Hare Valley AFD to fall below the minimum acreage required to qualify as a fire district.

The application will be heard at the public hearing on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers. Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the scheduled public hearing. A copy of the application is available for public inspection at the offices of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Northampton County, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347-0036, and online at www.northamptonva.com.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. A deposit of $30,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever is lower, in cash or certified check payable to the Substitute Trustee. The Substitute Trustee shall be required of the successful bidder at the time of sale before the bidding will be closed. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of the sale at the public auction.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE: 4049 Bluff Lane, Cape Charles, VA 23310 Parcel ID No.: 117A-07-00-005A

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust from Kenneth L. Hallman, dated January 13, 2017, and recorded as Instrument No. 170000075 in the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court for Northampton County, Virginia with an original principal balance of $553,000.00, the holder of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust having appointed the Substitute Trustee KYLDE KORTE, by instrument duly executed, acknowledged and delivered, default having occurred under the terms thereof, and at the written request of the party secured thereby, the Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Circuit Court for Northampton County, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347-0036, on

October 24, 2019 at 2:00 PM

Improved real property known as 4049 Bluff Lane, Cape Charles, VA 23310, and more fully described as: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land near Kiptopeake, Capeville Magisterial District, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 1.08 Acres by survey, designated and shown as Lot 6, Plat of Survey, dated June 18, 2000, entitled “SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 1 & 2 OF THE SUBDIVISION OF LATIMERS BLUFF LOTS NO. E & F OF ‘LATIMERS BLUFF’ (PB 17, PG. 23) TAX PARCEL 117A-4-F, CAPEVILLE DISTRICT, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA,” made by Miller-Stephenson & Associates, P.C., said survey being recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Northampton County, Virginia, in Plat Book 29, page 18, to which reference is made for a more accurate and particular description of the property hereby conveyed.

TOGETHER with the privileges and appurtenances unto the said lots or parcels of land belonging or in anywise appertaining and expressly including all rights, entitlements and privileges in common with others in and to all “Common Use Areas”, “Pedestrian Easement” and “Bluff Lane”, as shown on the aforesaid plat of survey or on the prior surveys in the chain of title to the real estate conveyed hereby and as referred to in the Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements referred to hereinbelow, specifically including but not limited to a right of way for ingress and egress to and from Virginia State Route F681 over Bluff Lane and including the right of use in common with others in and to the “Community Beach”, as shown on that certain plat of survey entitled “SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY OF LATIMERS BLUFF KIPTOPEAKE BEACH, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA,” which plat is recorded in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office in Plat Book 14, page 31.

Written notice of this Substitute Trustee’s sale, as required by Section 55.1-321 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, has been sent to the property owners as the addresses appear in the records of the noteholder, as required by Section 55.1-321 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, has been sent to the property owners as the addresses appear in the records of the noteholder, and to all parties prescribed therein.

Additional terms of sale will be announced at the sale.

For information contact: Kyle D. Korte

on behalf of Kyle D. Korte and Alexander E. Castellano, Substitute Trustee(s)

Wolcott Rivers Gates

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Virginia Beach, VA 23452

(757) 497-6633

File No.: 2125873.0353
Public Hearing Notice:
The Cheriton Town Council in conjunction with the Cheriton Planning Commission will hold a joint public hearing at 7 p.m., on October 23rd, 2019, at the Cheriton Town Hall. The purpose of the public hearing is to Adopt an ordinance entitled: Chapter 24 of the Cheriton Municipal Code, Erosion and Sediment Control. Any persons interested should attend. Handicap Assistance available.

Notice of Public Hearings:
The Cape Charles Town Council will hold public hearings on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Cape Charles Civic Center at 500 Tazewell Avenue to receive comment on the following proposed text amendments to the Cape Charles Zoning Ordinance: Article VIII, Section 8.20 Design Guidelines; Standards for Review; Article II, Section 2.9 Definitions; Article III, Section 3.9 Harbor District and Section 3.12 Planned Unit Developments; Appendix A Subdivision Ordinance; and Zoning Map amendment clearly defining the Harbor District Overlay.
The proposed text amendments are available for public review on the Town's website, www.capecharles.org, under Agendas and Minutes/Town Council, or in the Planner's Office, located at 2 Plum Street, during regular business hours. Please contact Town Planner Zach Ponds at 757-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information.

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND
APPLICATION
Kelley Lewis Parks and Jerry Dean Lewis II, (2019072) have applied for approximately 19 acres of oyster planting ground in Hungars Creek situated in Northampton City/County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-25-2415 / W75-57-7219
To view a map of the application, use this web link to search the application by number (2019072): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or contact the VMRC Engineering/Surveying Department at 757-247-2230.
Send written comments or concerns to:
Marine Resources Commission, Engineering/Surveying Department, 380 Fenwick Road, Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1064

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019 AT 5:00 PM IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS’ CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 22296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMAC, VIRGINIA, TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

(1) Proposed lease or sale of certain County property to be used for agricultural purposes near the Hermitage on Onancock. Parcel Number 85-2-1A1.

Materials relating to this property may be reviewed at the Office of the County Administrator, 23296 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA 23301 by 4:00 PM on Monday, October 21, 2019. All bids must be in a sealed envelope marked “Used Buses/Bid #19-2004” on the outside. Successful bidders must remove awarded items within seven calendar days of bid award.

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This precious animal is available for adoption at the SPCA in Onley. Stop by today to give a pet a forever home!
Childress Has Work Ethic
Dear Editor:

It is with much confidence that I pledge my support for Brandy Custis Childress for Treasurer of Accomack County. I have known Brandy since she was a child. She worked for me when she was 16 for several years. Always focused with an outstanding work ethic. Even as a teen she kept our salon finances in order. With an eye for numbers and meticulous bookkeeping, she was a great asset.

In closing, I feel that Brandy would be the most effective candidate for the position. She has great ideas for a well run, well organized, and efficient treasurer's office. Isn't that what we all want? Join me in exercising your right to vote on Nov. 5.

Kathryn Byrd, Mears

Vote for Democrats
Dear Editor:

Please consider two things when you vote. The first is gun violence. The GOP is blocking meaningful background checks and “red flag” laws. Subservience to the NRA “trumps” safety. Nobody wants to remove background checks and “red flag” laws. Subservience first is gun violence. The GOP is blocking meaningful outcomes. Or maybe outcomes of this year’s November election will have great outcomes. It’s so hard to gauge what the public will do. I can’t imagine that is any different today or will be next year, than it ever was before.

The second is climate change. The sea level is rising 1 to 2 inches a year. Do the math: visualize a 4-foot rise over 50 years. Much of Delmarva will be uninhabitable, the waterman culture painstakingly preserved will be history, as will aquaculture.

The GOP denies climate change but an ostrich made before I was born and seem just as unlikely now as they did back then.

In 1949, science writer Waldemar Kaempffert wrote his 50-year predictions and many have come true. Weather forecasting supercomputers, medical imaging devices, and interstate highways are among those. He also wrote that hurried rich people “would fly in 1,000-mile-per-hour rocket planes while ordinary folks” like me would operate a “family helicopter.” He said houses would be built of metal and plastic. There would be disposable dishes, sheets, and clothing. And “food would be synthesized from sawdust and wood chips and delivered to the home in frozen blocks.” I can happily say my diet doesn’t include wood. Yippee!

Since the upcoming years will likely be referred to as the 20s, can we expect the roar of 100 years ago when there was economic prosperity and when more people lived in the cities than in the country? The nation’s total wealth did more than double between 1920 and 1929.

If we wanted to give the era a name by rhyming, we could call it the boring or snoring 20s, the scoring 20s, the soaring 20s (I’ll get the helicopter yet), the adoring 20s, the exploring 20s (we were supposed to have a substation on Mars by now), or the ignoring 20s. Would that last one mean we would all go around wearing blinders? You know, those contraptions attached to a horse’s bridle to prevent it from seeing sideways or in viewing the whole prospective? Hmm. I think that must already be in fashion.

It was 1920 when women first were able to vote. Perhaps the election in 2020, 100 years later, will be particularly significant. Or maybe outcomes of this year’s November election will have great outcomes. It’s so hard to gauge what the public will do. I can’t imagine that is any different today or will be next year, than it ever was before.

In the 1920s the most important consumer product was the auto. Yippee! Is that another sign that I will get a helicopter? It could be. That and a lottery win might secure it.

There was also Prohibition back then, which meant it was illegal to sell beverages with more than .5% alcohol. Moonshiners would attach wood blocks to the bottom of their shoes that would totally not! Thank a veteran for that right, and leave their flag alone.

Darlene Patrick, Virginia Beach

POLITICAL ENDORSEMENTS
The last candidate endorsement letters to the editor will be printed Oct. 25. The last edition before the Nov. 5 election is Nov. 1. Only letters from the candidates will be printed Nov. 1.

Political endorsements must be fewer than 250 words. We will print as many as we can. As always, choice of which letters to print is at the full discretion of the Eastern Shore Post.
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