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Speakers Ask Accomack Board To Preserve Primary School

By Carol Vaughn

Three speakers at the April 20 Accomack County Board of Supervisors meeting asked officials to consider renovating the former Accomack Primary School rather than tearing it down and constructing a new school administration office building on the property.

Linda Henderson Gordon, of Greenbackville, asked the board to do what they can to preserve the former school, saying, "She has aged very well."

She said the board of supervisors "holds the purse strings for the people's money and controls the release of that money to projects on the people's behalf."

Gordon urged supervisors to "respond to the numerous compelling arguments at school board meetings and in letters in the Post to save and preserve the former Accomack High School."

The school opened in 1932 as Accomack High School and was used as a

school for seven decades. The building was last occupied about 20 years ago and is now used as storage.

Her husband, Haydon Gordon, called saving the building "a doable thing."

Sarah Nock, of Accomack, said her father, L. Floyd Nock III, an architectural historian, was born the year the building was completed and graduated from the school.

"His philosophy and motto was that buildings don't become beautiful by virtue of getting old; they get to be old because they are beautiful in the first place — and that school is," Nock said, noting new construction there is projected to last only one third to one quarter the time the old school already has stood.

"That does not seem prudent. If there is a way to do any kind of reuse and adaptation with any amount of reasonableness, that would be the most proper

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As a crowd watches from the dock at the Shanty Restaurant, Ben Cavileer, left, and Tricia Reduble, both of Belle Haven, prepare to haul a memorial wreath into the Chesapeake Bay. Cavileer and Reduble are members of Painter Flotilla 12-02. More photos from the ceremony are on Page 35. Photo by Jim Ritch.

Accomack Schools Division Updates Tobacco Policy To Include Vaping

By Stefanie Jackson

Accomack County Public Schools has updated its policy on student possession and use of alcohol and tobacco products, which now includes e-cigarettes and vapes and imposes more severe consequences on students who violate the policy as of April 19.

The terms "e-cigarette" and "vape" are often used interchangeably, but there are a few differences between them. An e-cigarette resembles a traditional cigarette; a vape does not.

Both e-cigarettes and vapes heat a liquid and produce a vapor that is inhaled, which may or may not contain nicotine. An e-cigarette may be disposable or have a cartridge that can be replaced, but a vape has a small tank that can be refilled with liquid.

The new policy prohibits students from possessing or using alcohol, tobacco products, e-cigarettes, vapes, or marijuana on school grounds, including parking lots, during the instructional day.

Students are also prohibited from possessing or using these products at a school-related event, whether it is on or off school property.

Parts of the original policy applied to students in varying grade levels, but now the policy applies to all students in grades K to 12.

A first offense of possession or use of tobacco or vapes formerly resulted in confiscation of the prohibited materials, parent notification, and a warning, but now the consequence is three

days of out-of-school suspension.

A school administrator may recommend the student attend prevention counseling provided by the guidance department, which would eliminate one of the three days of suspension.

A second offense formerly resulted in three days of lost privileges, detention, or alternative suspension. But now the consequence is five days of out-of-school suspension.

For a third offense, the consequence

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way. It fits with the county seat and the feel of the town,” she said.

Supervisor Robert Crockett later in the meeting said he attended the school board meeting the previous evening and heard engineers’ presentation about constructing a new school board office building versus renovating the former school.

“However, there was nothing there as far as facts to make a good decision,” he said, adding, “We need to have more study of the possibilities there to either renovate or to build new, because the information that’s on the table so far is nothing that you can make a sound decision on.”

Crockett said even though the school board will make the decision, “It will come to us as far as funding, so we are both in this — the school board and the board of supervisors — and we need to show the public that we are working the issue.”

He said he hopes “in the end it comes that we can renovate the old school, but we need more information before

we can get to that point.”

He said the cost of conducting structural and hazardous materials testing on the building is around \$35,000 to \$50,000.

“I think it’s worth that amount of money to have that done, so maybe this board and the school board could split the cost,” he said, asking for consensus to have board and school board staff discuss additional study of the building.

Assessment Appeals

The supervisors approved an emergency ordinance extending the deadline for property owners to appeal their 2022 real estate assessments.

Appeals are to be filed in writing with the county assessor within 30 days of the date of the notice of assessment. The assessor is to make a determination within 30 days of receiving the appeal.

Any property owner unsatisfied with the action taken by the assessor may appeal to the Accomack County Board of Equalization, consisting of five members appointed by the Circuit Court judge, within 30 days of the date of the assessor’s written determination.

That board is to make its determina-

tion no later than 30 days after receiving the appeal.

Information about the process can be found at <https://www.co.accomack.va.us/departments/real-estate-assessment-appeals-process>

Northern Landfill Expansion

A \$5 million project to expand Accomack County’s northern landfill is nearing completion, according to Deputy County Administrator Stewart Hall.

The expansion is part of a 35-year master plan for the landfill.

No areas of concern were found during an April 11 inspection by the Department of Environmental Quality. A certificate to operate is expected in May.

With at least four months of capacity remaining in the current cell, the county does not expect to have to haul trash to an outside landfill before the new cell is operational.

The next project at the landfill will be to partly close the currently used cell, at a cost of \$1.3 million.

VDOT Six-Year Plan Approved

The board of supervisors approved VDOT’s six-year plan for secondary

roads in Accomack County.

Reconstruction of Cemetery Road/ Lee Street in Belle Haven is the top project and is expected to be completed in November 2023 at a cost of nearly \$4 million.

The board’s priority “shelf” projects remain Redwood Road and Locustville Road for inclusion in a future plan should state funding become available, according to the resolution adopted.

The board also continued to designate Matchotank Road as its top priority for unpaved road improvement and Lee Street as the top paved road improvement project. VDOT has acquired full funding for those projects.

Matchotank Road improvements are expected to be completed in 2025 at a cost of \$135,000.

Bridge maintenance projects on Route 658 over Muddy Creek and Route 701 over Holden Creek are expected to be completed this year, at a cost of \$202,405. A detour will be in place during construction, according to Chris Isdell, VDOT Accomack Residency Administrator.

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remains unchanged, which is 10 days of out-of-school suspension. Distribution of nicotine, tobacco products, or vapes also results in 10 days of out-of-school suspension.

For an additional offense, the school principal and central office administrators may recommend a long-term suspension.

For alcohol possession, use, sale, or distribution, a first offense formerly resulted in confiscation of the prohibited materials, parent notification, and a warning, but now the consequence is a 10-day out-of-school suspension. A student who completes prevention counseling will eliminate five of the 10 days of suspension.

A second alcohol-related offense merits a 10-day out-of-school suspension and a recommendation for a long-term suspension.

For marijuana possession, use, sale, or distribution, a first offense formerly resulted in three days of in-school suspension, but now the consequence is 10 days of out-of-school suspension. Completing prevention counseling will remove five of the 10 days of suspension.

A second offense of marijuana possession, use, sale, or distribution will result in 10 days of out-of-school suspension and a recommendation for a long-term suspension.

School board member Edward Taylor agreed that “we need to be real strict on ... these types of offenses” and appeared to indicate that every offense should be accompanied by a 10-day suspension “right out the gate.”

“I’m sure you all have experienced people, throughout your life, that got messed up with this kind of thing, and we need to be real serious about this, for our kids,” he said to the other school board members and administrators present.

“To me, vaping seems to be worse, from what I understand, than smoking,” he added.

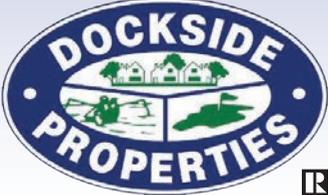
Coordinator of Student Services Dela Jordan explained that the new policy is stricter, not less strict, regarding tobacco, alcohol, and marijuana offenses.

Taylor said he misread the policy and agreed to its new terms.

The school board approved the new policy in a unanimous vote, and the policy took effect immediately.

		
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Chaney Enterprises Places on Hold Plans to Ship Grain From Onancock

By Carol Vaughn

The company that has a gravel transport operation at the Onancock waterfront has put on hold a plan to also ship grain from there.

“Chaney Enterprises has delayed the grain transport operation. We are looking forward to working with, and becoming part of the community, while growing our business,” said Jan Holt, chief customer officer for Chaney, in an April 6 email to the Post.

“The Perdue (grain transport) deal seems to have been halted permanently,” Onancock Town Manager Matt Spuck told the Town Council at the Monday, April 25, council meeting.

Still, he said in his written report that the company will be increasing use of its property in town, “so the town wants to help them appropriately grow their business but maintain the charm of our community.”

Chaney, a ready-mix concrete, aggregates, and custom blends provider based in Maryland, purchased T&W Block in Onley last year, including the Onancock barge terminal.

Onancock residents at the March council meeting said they were concerned about Chaney’s plans to expand its operations at the waterfront to include grain transport by barge.

Resident Kathy Boyd also urged the council to look at “loose B-W (business waterfront) zoning district” regulations.

Chaney had planned to ship grain, transported to the waterfront by truck, at an estimated rate of three to four barges in July and seven to eight barges in November and December, according to information received from Perdue AgriBusiness Grain during a meeting Spuck had with a representative of that company after the March council meeting.

Spuck said at Monday’s meeting he had “a few long conversations with VDOT (the Virginia Department of Transportation), and then started talks with Chaney about a couple of things.”

A traffic study would not require the company to make any changes in operation or traffic, according to VDOT, Spuck said.

Because VDOT measures traffic

counts by month, “and because the (Chaney) operation is so sporadic, the truck count would not require them to make any changes to the entrances.”

King Street, where the entrances are, is VDOT maintained and the trucks comply with transportation department regulations.

Still, the transportation department will be clearing the storm drain on the south side of King Street to address concerns about poor drainage and will patch pavement where the surface has peeled up in places, Spuck said.

He is discussing with Chaney the possibility of giving the town a right-of-way to put a sidewalk on the north side of King Street and giving VDOT a permanent utility easement under the company’s property to allow a storm drain to be maintained by VDOT.

“The sidewalk question is two-fold. One is Chaney would have to give ... the right of way for a sidewalk,” which would require moving a building on the property, Spuck said.

Additionally, the cost of the side-

walk, which is the town’s responsibility, could be partly covered through a VDOT revenue sharing program, but the next application period is not until next year, Spuck said.

The Onancock Planning Commission is also looking at updating the business waterfront zoning district regulations, according to Spuck and Mayor Fletcher Fosque.

“At this point, we want to get the B-W ordinance strengthened so that if the parcels down there do sell we are not having this conversation again, and then, what can we do to support Chaney’s improved use of the waterfront and at the same time improve our public safety,” Spuck said.

Dog Park Plan Advances

The Town Council gave consent for Spuck to move forward with planning for a dog park on around 6 acres the Onancock Volunteer Fire Department donated when it sold the former carnival grounds to a developer.

Councilman Ray Burger volunteered his time to make a preliminary design for the park, which like-

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ly will include a 1-acre fenced-in area for large dogs and a 1/2-acre fenced area for small dogs, along with parking and other features.

The park is one of 23 town projects to be funded by money the town is receiving as result of the federal American Rescue Plan Act.

Additionally, donations have been received for the project.

“OBCA (the Onancock Business and Civic Association) has ... endorsed the idea of a dog park. I think it caught on and ever since then we’ve been able to secure donations for the design and construction of the dog park both from OBCA and another private person,” Spuck said.

Around \$25,000 of ARPA funds was set aside for the project.

Chaney Enterprises is donating poured concrete for the dog park entry area, which would cost an estimated \$2,500, according to Spuck.

The estimated cost of fencing is \$15,000, he said.

“This is, I think, an attraction for people to stop in our town,” said Councilwoman Joy Marino. She noted people traveling with their pets use an app to

look for dog parks along their way.

“This is a great use of our ARPA funds,” she said.

Onancock Main Street Grant Match Approved

The Town Council approved a match of \$12,500 required for a Virginia Main Street grant of \$25,000. The match will be spent only if Onancock Main Street is awarded the grant, for which it is applying, according to OMS program director Jenny Gehman.

If OMS is awarded the grant, plans include spending \$20,000 for a mural project on multiple buildings (along with \$10,000 from a previous grant award); \$7,000 for promotional incentives to attract visitors to downtown Onancock; \$5,000 for a series of business workshops and “Main Street mixers” to which entrepreneurs from around the Eastern Shore will be invited; and \$2,500 for large, inspirational window banners to hang in windows of vacant downtown commercial buildings, according to Gehman.

The grant match if appropriated will come from a special revenue fund reserve, for which \$250,000 is budgeted, according to Spuck.

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Chincoteague Reduces Tax Rates to Offset Increases in Asset Values

By Carol Vaughn

The Chincoteague Town Council at its April 21 work session reviewed fiscal year 2023 tax rates.

"It is no secret by now that the county's biennial reassessment has come out and that the average tax rate on Chincoteague has increased on average by 19.2%," said Town Manager Mike Tolbert.

The increase requires council action because state law says a locality must hold its revenue from real estate taxes to less than a 1% increase over the previous year or make a formal process to increase tax rates after an increase in assessed property values.

The total real estate value for Chincoteague in 2021 was \$961,819,800. The 2022 county reassessment processed 5,570 parcels in town, with a total land value of \$493,677,700 and a building value of \$652,610,000, for a total post-assessment value of \$1,146,287,700, according to Tolbert.

The town needs to lower its tax rate from 7 cents to 5.9 cents per \$100 value

to adhere to state law. This would net the town slightly more revenue than last year, Tolbert said.

Tolbert also noted Accomack County officials said they will temporarily reduce the personal property tax rate on vehicles only due to an unprecedented increase in used vehicle values, but he said the town has no obligation to follow suit.

Council member William McComb Jr. spoke about fairness to mobile home residents in town, noting they are taxed based on personal property and would not benefit from a real estate tax reduction or if the town followed Accomack's lead in reducing the personal property tax rate on vehicles only.

"That's unfair because you're not doing anything for those folks," McComb said, noting the effects of inflation on residents.

He recommended "whatever we do for personal property we do across the board so it impacts all facets of the community and not just certain ones."

Council member Denise Bowden

agreed.

McComb made the motion to direct staff to lower the real estate tax rate as recommended and to reduce the personal property tax rate "across the board to compensate for the increase in value" to keep revenue within 1% of last year's.

Bowden seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Tennis and Pickleball Court Rehab Approved

The council approved spending around \$96,000 to resurface the tennis and basketball courts at Memorial Park and the pickleball courts and parking lot at the Amrien Gym.

Funding is to come from the beach/recreation/tourism reserve account, to be replaced with any excess fiscal year 2022 funds.

The town recreation committee recommended the projects be funded by federal American Rescue Plan Act money, but the town ARPA committee tabled that request, according to a memorandum from Tolbert.

The projects must be done in warm weather, according to Tolbert.

"It's definitely needed," said Bowden, adding, "... Everything here gets used. There's not a time you don't go by at Memorial Park that somebody's not playing basketball or on the tennis court and the pickleball thing has picked up."

She made the motion to pay for the project from the reserve account, to be repaid with excess fiscal year 2022 funds.

New Police Officers Approved

The council approved adding two officers to the police department.

The cost for the first year is \$145,981, with the annual cost thereafter \$126,759. The cost is higher the first year due to the need to purchase equipment and pay for training for the new officers.

Downtown Improvements Needed

Mayor J. Arthur Leonard introduced a council discussion about downtown improvements.

"The town spent all that money and heartache on getting the roads and the sidewalks and all that stuff right, and we've got buildings down there that need some definite attention," he said.

He proposed the council discuss giving downtown property owners incentives to fix up their buildings, "whether that's in lieu of taxes or something."

"We need to offer them some incentives in order to fix the buildings because I know it's not cheap to do renovations down there, and hopefully if we can get septic that will spur some new business down there," Leonard said.

He asked the council to think about the matter.

"We need to step up and make downtown worth visiting," Leonard said.

McComb asked Tolbert if information could be sought from other towns to find out what they do to incentivize downtown businesses.

"There is an entire organization in the state of Virginia called Main Street U.S.A. that is dedicated to this — we are actually members on the first tier; we have a historic district," Tolbert said.

He said the organization has grants for which the town could apply.



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“They do come with some stipulations,” including staff time dedicated to the project, he said. His research showed other Virginia towns that have taken that step, “have done what they ask, and have made some progress revitalizing their downtown. ... It’s a very well-organized effort.”

Councilman Chris Bott said the key is to create a nonprofit organization dedicated to downtown revitalization, as Onancock and Cape Charles have done, “because the funding can’t come to municipalities.”

He said those two towns’ organizations have received significant funding.

“That’s why you see them looking so nice now; they are starting to shape up. That’s the direction we need to go,” Bott said.

‘Miss Diane’ Mourned

Council members during their comment period talked about the positive effect Diane Brooke Reed Watson, known as “Miss Diane,” had on generations of the island’s youth.

She was a preschool and kindergarten teacher for 48 years at her home, according to her obituary.

Watson died April 13 at age 83. Councilman Jay Savage spoke about her demeanor and “her love for kids,” calling her a valuable asset to the community.

“The things I learned under her I still think about today,” Bowden said, calling for the council to honor her in some way.

“She touched more lives in this town than probably more so than anybody I’ve ever known,” she said.

“If she was here right now, Miss Di-

ane, I think she would say, ‘Continue to love children. Care for them. Give them time, and’ — I know you probably ain’t supposed to say this in a meeting but — ‘tell them about Jesus,’” said Councilman Gene Wayne Taylor.

“She made our kids grow like flowers,” Bowden said, saying creating a garden in Watson’s name might be a suitable memorial.

Leonard recalled Watson’s saying, “There are no bad children. There are just some that need more love.”



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Eastville Inn Lease Approved for Kitchen Sync Catering

By **Stefanie Jackson**

As far as Louise Oliver could tell over the last year, Northampton County and Eastville town officials wanted everything but the Kitchen Sync catering business to be run in the historic Eastville Inn.

But Oliver, Kitchen Sync's owner and operator, prevailed when Northampton supervisors approved a new lease agreement April 12, giving her two to four more years to run the business at the inn.

The new lease began this month and will expire March 31, 2024. However, the lease contains an option for Oliver and the county to agree to a one-year lease extension, and the option may be used twice.

The provision was a compromise between Oliver, who wanted a three-year lease, and county supervisors, who wanted a one- or two-year lease.

The new arrangement is an improvement for the business owner, who had been leasing the Eastville Inn on a month-to-month basis since

her previous lease expired in September 2021, while supervisors debated the issue and County Administrator Charlie Kolakowski negotiated the lease with Oliver.

Her troubles began nearly a year ago, when she read the minutes of the May 2021 Eastville Town Council meeting, which stated then-Police Chief David Eder announced that "Northampton County was considering a different direction for the Eastville Inn and possibly a new tenant."

Oliver was shocked and disappointed. Not only was it the first time she had received such news, she could not imagine a new tenant would fare better at the Eastville Inn, as most of the previous businesses run there were restaurants that did not experience long-term success like Kitchen Sync, which has been operating at the inn for approximately seven years.

The future of the catering business became more uncertain when local developer Eyre Baldwin attended

the March 9 supervisors meeting and spoke publicly about his interest in the Eastville Inn.

He had previously attempted to buy the property from Northampton County and said he wanted the current lease of the Eastville Inn to continue on a month-to-month basis to allow him the time and opportunity to explain his vision for the historic site to supervisors.

Baldwin did not reveal details but said his plan would incorporate the entire building. The first floor of the Eastville Inn, which contains a commercial kitchen and dining areas decorated in a federalist colonial style, currently is used to host catering events. The second floor is unused and requires heavy renovation.

Perhaps the main point of contention between Oliver and Northampton County regarding the Eastville Inn's lease was the county's requirement for the inn to be open for breakfast and lunch three days a week to serve customers including county employees who work in Eastville, the county seat.

Oliver was grappling with this in Oc-

tober 2020, the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic, when customers couldn't or wouldn't eat in restaurants and Kitchen Sync's catering business was growing.

She had hung a sign reading "Keep Calm, We Are Opening Soon" on the front of the Eastville Inn and planned to open in July 2021, but when Oliver read the comment about Northampton possibly planning a different course for the inn, she was reluctant to invest in the business expansion.

Oliver had asked for a three-year lease to allow time for her to recover the investment she would need to make to provide restaurant-style meal service.

The new lease agreement reflects this in the gradually increasing monthly rent: \$750 in the first year, \$1,000 in the second year, and \$1,250 thereafter if the lease is extended.

According to the approved lease agreement, the Eastville Inn will be open three days a week at least five hours a day, serving two meals a day, starting within 60 days from the beginning of the lease term.

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Cape Charles Explores Options To Expand Town Offices

By Stefanie Jackson

As the small bayside town of Cape Charles grew into one of Northampton County's biggest vacation destinations, it also outgrew some of its public buildings, but the Town Council took the first step toward a solution at its April 21 meeting.

A new plan was needed for housing town offices, the police department, the library, and council chambers. A total of five options for renovations and new construction were outlined, and by the April 21 Town Council meeting they had been narrowed down to two: Option 1 and Option 5.

Option 1 was the least expensive, roughly estimated at about \$3.1 million.

The current town hall on Plum Street, which houses administrative offices and the police department, would be renovated and used exclusively for town administration offices.

A new building would be constructed for the police department and council chambers in a new location.

The Cape Charles Civic Center, a church building on Plum Street, which currently hosts Town Council meetings, would be sold.

The Cape Charles Memorial Library would remain in its current location on Mason Avenue, and the third floor would be sold.

Option 5 was in the middle cost-wise, estimated around \$4.1 million.

A new building would be constructed for town offices, the police department, and council chambers in a new location.

The library would remain in its current location, and both the library's third floor and the civic center would be sold.

Town Manager John Hozey recommended Option 1 because it would save the town around \$1 million.

The Town Council previously had limited Cape Charles' annual debt service to no more than 8% of its core revenues. (Hozey noted debt associated with town utilities is not included.)

Cape Charles currently is spending around 6.5% or 6.75% of its core revenues on debt service, and if it plans to stay within the limit of 8%, it can bor-

row only about \$1 million more. The remaining cost of the building project would have to be covered by cash and grants, Hozey said.

Option 5 is simple: a new building is built and town employees move in, he said.

Option 1 is cheaper but complicated: a new building is built and the Town Council and police department move in, emptying the first floor of the current town hall. The first floor is renovated, the town offices on the second floor move to the first floor, and the second floor is renovated. Once the renovations are completed, town employees can spread out, Hozey explained.

Vice Chair Steve Bennett preferred moving everyone out of the town hall, which is "too old. You know, we're going to spend \$2.5 million, \$3.5 million renovating it. ... I think it's throwing good money after bad."

Furthermore, renovating the town hall will not solve its parking problems, Mayor Smitty Dize pointed out.

"Renovating an old building is difficult," Bennett said. Not only will construction disrupt employees working in the surrounding offices, no one knows what structural issues could be discovered as the building is opened up for renovation, adding time and cost to the project.

Councilwoman Tammy Holloway likened Option 1 to "putting lipstick on a pig."

Bennett made a motion to select Option 5, seconded by Holloway, which passed unanimously.

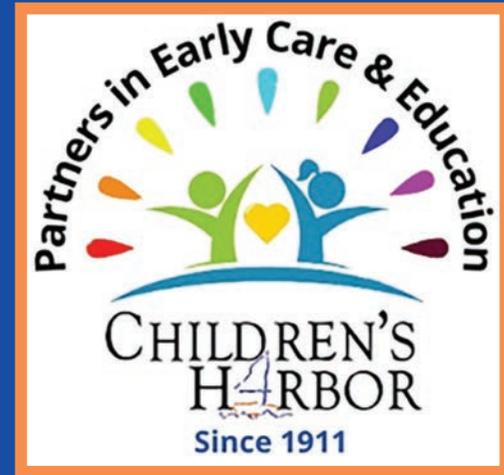
Cape Charles' design consultant will begin working on the project design, giving the town about a year to work out the project's financial details, Hozey said.

He said the new building will be south of the Cape Charles Rosenwald School, near Cassatt Parkway.

"What I like about that is ... people think of the historic district as being the only part of town, but actually that parcel we're talking about is the geographic center of town, and it's easy access to anyone from Bay Creek, it's easy access to anyone from the historic district," Hozey said.

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Cape Charles Survey Points to Friction in Changing Local Economy

By Stefanie Jackson

Cape Charles is more than a tourist attraction known for its public beach, shops, restaurants, and small-town charm. It was built around the railroad and still accommodates industry, such as its concrete plant, and has a working harbor.

The Cape Charles Town Council “believes that tourism and a small-town character can successfully coexist with a working harbor and manufacturing/light industrial activity as long as these activities are thoughtfully located and regulated to minimize conflicts,” according to the Town of Cape Charles Community Survey 2021.

Cape Charles citizens were asked if they agreed with the town’s plan to update its zoning to keep tourism and commercial activity generally on the north side of the harbor and manufacturing and light industrial activity on the south side of the harbor.

A majority, about 85% of the 441 anonymous respondents, said “yes,” and only about 15% said “no.”

However, the comments appeared to indicate that the existing industry on the north side of the harbor – specifically, a clamming business – is unwelcome.

“I’m fine with the concrete factory, I applaud it in fact. I am NOT ok with the commercial activity in the field across from the Northampton Hotel. For God’s sake, who allowed that???” one person wrote.

The writer took issue with the noise and exhaust from the trucks operating there and added, “That is prime waterfront property, ideal for anything but a truck parking lot!!!”

Another wrote, “I have been in Cape Charles since 1984 and there was a working harbor on the north side and it was fine, but multiple 18 wheelers idling all night, stench from the clams, noise from people clanging metal crates and people hollering at 1, 2 and 3 o’clock in the morning is unacceptable and not good for tourism.”

Some comments suggested constraining noise by limiting business hours of operation or implementing a noise ordinance.

One person wrote in support of the clamming business, “this is part of our culture on the shore and should be out there for others to observe and be educated in this area.” The writer noted that tourists have been observed taking interest in how the clamming business operates.

Many of the respondents who supported industrial activity on the south side of the harbor did so with conditions.

Industry “should also be closely monitored to make sure there are no ordinances broken or negative environmental impacts resulting from irresponsible operations. ... I am still waiting to find out how the town is going to handle the unauthorized clear cutting done by (Coastal Precast) last summer,” one person wrote.

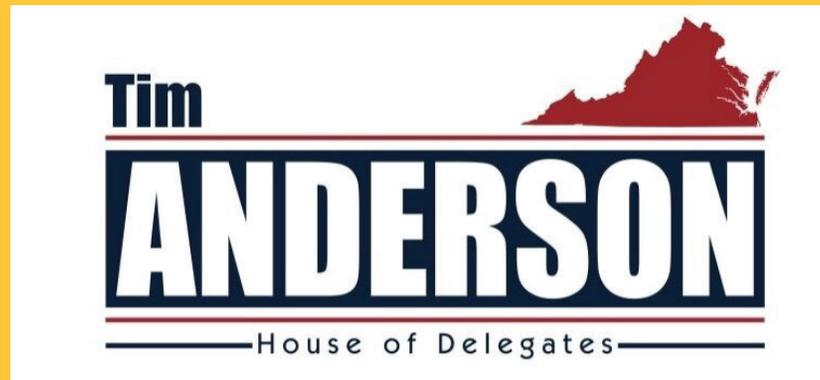
Another added that the concrete plant should not be allowed to expand. “The noise pollution alone is a degradation to the charm of (Cape Charles). ... We also must preserve our green areas and walkways near the industrial area and near the (Bay Creek) neighborhoods,” the writer stated.

One of the survey respondents who voted “no” for new zoning wrote, “Updating zoning? The damage has been done.”

Another wrote, “If you are truly a tourist beach town, no ... manufacturing/light industrial activity should be visible from the tourist sector of town.”

One person wrote that Cape Charles’ official definition of “light industry” should have never included a concrete plant, and the clamming business should be on the south side of the harbor.

The writer continued, “Although this town was founded on the transportation industry over one hundred years ago, it is now experiencing a Renaissance due to the tourism industry. The Council needs to appreciate this trend/opportunity. A study of the history of similar towns will show that this is not uncommon to experience a change of focus. Chincoteague, for example, has historically had a poultry industry, a menhaden processing industry, a fishing industry, however it now relies predominantly on tourism...and it is a THRIVING municipal economy.”



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Eastern Shore Post Wins 13 Virginia Press Association Awards

Staff Report

The Eastern Shore Post was recognized for excellence this week by the Virginia Press Association.

Joni Hamilton, of Shore Marketing Services, won a total of 10 awards for ads she created for the Eastern Shore Post. Hamilton is the Post's graphic designer and creates ads for the weekly publication.

Hamilton won three third-place awards, three second-place awards, and four first-place awards.

Post staff writer Stefanie Jackson was recognized twice, taking a second-place award for business and financial writing.

Jackson shared a first-place award with Jim Ritch for their joint coverage of the removal of the Confederate memorial statue in Eastville. The entry included a story and video by Jackson and photos by Ritch.

"The photo page was a pleasure to look at," the reviewer wrote.

Ritch took a second place award

Last Cars from Cape Charles Rail Yard Put Out to Pasture — Temporarily

By Jim Ritch and Stefanie Jackson
The last remains of the Cape Charles railroad yard — two former Pullman "heavyweight" passenger cars — will leave soon, and the other side of the chassis will be sold to a private party. The cars will be taken to the yard for demolition, but first they will be put out to pasture. The cars will be taken to the yard for demolition, but first they will be put out to pasture. The cars will be taken to the yard for demolition, but first they will be put out to pasture.



John Ritch, Stefanie Jackson, and Jim Ritch are shown in the background of the photo. The cars will be taken to the yard for demolition, but first they will be put out to pasture.

Jim Ritch's article and photos recording the removal of rail cars from Cape Charles' rail yard was a first-place winner in the Virginia Press Association's annual awards.

for his article and photos chronicling the removal of rail cars from the Cape Charles rail yard.

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ESPL Seeks Comment on 5-Year Plan

Submitted Article

The Eastern Shore Public Library board of trustees is looking for public comment on its comprehensive five-year strategic plan for the library system. The ESPL system is required by the Library of Virginia to submit a strategic plan every five years to qualify for receiving state aid.

For the past year, library staff and trustees have been working to develop a new mission and vision for the library system and the Heritage Center. They then developed goals to meet the vision.

The 2022-2027 plan is based on numerous outreach events, public meetings, staff training, library trends, and general community discussions. To view the 112-page plan, which is divided into sections, go to the library's website, www.espl.org, and click on the purple banner. A print copy is available for view at one of the four ESPL libraries.

To submit a public comment, address it to Cara Burton, Library System Director, ESPL, P.O. Box 25,

Parksley, VA 23421, or drop it off at any of the four libraries in a marked envelope. Comments must be received by May 27 to be considered by the library's planning committee.

Comments must include an address and phone number to be included as an official comment and to obtain further clarification, if needed. Valid submissions will be entered into a drawing for \$50 gift certificates.

This 2022-2027 plan has a new, important element: the Eastern Shore of Virginia (ESVA) Heritage Center. The new plan also includes operations within the new ESVA Regional Library and Heritage Center facility. While the plan encompasses the whole system of four libraries in Cape Charles, Chincoteague, Nassawadox, and Parksley, it does focus on the new Heritage Center and new headquarters facility.

To submit comment by email or request to have a PDF of the full document emailed, contact Cara Burton at cburton@espl.org.



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Eastville Man Convicted of Felony Sex Abuse of Daughter

By Nancy Drury Duncan

A jury of nine women and three men found Jonathan Cornelius McNeal, 37, of Eastville, guilty of five counts of felony sex offenses against his daughter. His crimes began in 2012 when she was 7 years old and continued until 2018 when she was 13.

In her opening statement, Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly Leatherbury told of the abuse suffered by the child over the years and told how the crimes finally came to light. She said the child was born when her mother was only 17. The mother and McNeal never married.

The little girl moved around to different family members living in several homes, including a period of time when she and three stepsiblings lived with both McNeal and her mother's then-husband. The victim's mother was working in Virginia Beach and was seldom at home, she said.

Her mother testified she and McNeal remained friendly over the years. "Any time I needed him, I could call him," she said. "He was the only person who was a constant in my life."

Testimony was that McNeal drank heavily and used marijuana and other drugs during that time and was abusive to the children. His crimes were revealed when the girl, then 15 years old, broke down in tears and told her best friend what her father had been doing to her for as long as she could remember.

Her friend told her to tell her mother, so they called the mother, but the victim was unable to speak. She instead handed the phone to her friend and asked the friend to tell her mother what she had just told her. After her mother heard the story, the girl told her aunt and her grandmother. She said her grandmother told her that her father would be sent away for a long time if she went to the police. The following day she did go to the police.

The girl, now 16, testified on closed circuit television. She answered questions and spoke carefully, deliberately, and in detail of the incidents she

could recall, beginning on a hot night the summer after first grade when she was seven.

The sexual abuse continued over the years, she said.

After contacting the police, the girl was taken to Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters. Jennifer Howe, lead forensic specialist, testified that delayed disclosure of abuse by a family member was "extremely common" due to embarrassment and fear.

Defense attorney Carl Bundick argued the dates of the incidents of sexual abuse were not specific. "We are unable to say the acts occurred at a particular time," he said. He put McNeal's family members who lived in the various homes with the girl over the years on the witness stand. Each said they saw nothing out of the ordinary and said McNeal had no opportunity to do the things the girl described.

McNeal took the witness stand in his own defense. He denied ever doing anything inappropriate with his daughter. "It never happened," he said. He said he had never once been alone with his daughter. When asked by Leatherbury why the girl might make this up, he said his daughter got mad at him in August 2020 because he wouldn't take her to Cape Charles to buy her a milkshake or help her move her things.

"Everything I remember was the truth," the girl said quietly when recalled to testify.

"She is a credible, careful witness, not overstating, saying what she remembers," Leatherbury said in her closing argument. "He said he has never been alone with his daughter, that she never sat on his lap. What daughter has not sat on her father's lap?" Leatherbury asked jurors.

After hearing two days of testimony, the jury concluded its deliberations in under an hour. They found McNeal guilty on all charges. Bundick asked that his client be allowed to remain on bond until sentencing. Substitute Judge Glen A. Tyler denied that request and remanded McNeal to jail. He is tentatively set for sentencing on June 13.

ESVA Historical Society Ushers in New Exhibit, New Name

Submitted Article

Big hair is making its way to the Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society, but big growth has already taken root there.

And when the nonprofit opens the massive traveling exhibition, “A Material World: Photographs of the 1980s,” next month, the images of Sandra Day O’Connor, Prince, and “Star Wars” hanging on its museum’s early 19th-century walls won’t be the only union of different eras that visitors will notice.

The institution, in its 65th year, has adopted a more contemporary identity: Shore History.

“As we navigated grant applications, donor appeals, and doing business differently during the pandemic, it became more and more obvious to us that the name ‘Historical Society’ alone didn’t capture everything we do now,” said Executive Director Hilary Hartnett-Wilson. “We’ve just grown so much since our inception.”

The organization now owns and actively maintains two nationally registered historic properties, Ker Place and Hopkins & Bro. Store, and cares for Wise Cemetery, nearly four centuries old. It houses and staffs a museum and archive encompassing both counties of the Shore. It offers year-round educational and social programming not only at its own sites but also in schools and other local cultural centers. It owns part of Onancock’s working wharf with tenant businesses and an exhibit that speaks to the Shore’s maritime history. It even operates a home furnishings consignment shop to help fund its nonprofit work.

While the group has chosen to retain its more formal name to honor the decades of devoted supporters and maintain continuity for legal purposes, it will operate in the public eye as Shore History.

“We hope the fresher name will connect with all ages and reinforce the work we’re doing to be relevant,” Hartnett-Wilson said. “We want to facilitate spaces of historical and cultural value where people feel welcomed and represented.”

If recent grant support and visibili-

ty at the state and national levels are any indication of success, Shore History is well on its way toward that goal.

As it embarks on a fundraising campaign for a second phase of renovations at Hopkins & Bro. Store — to repaint the exterior and rebuild the original windows — it has received two grants totaling \$25,000 just in the past month. After competing nationally, the organization secured \$10,000 for the project from the Daughters of the American Revolution, while the Robert E. & Marie Orr Smith Foundation, a Philadelphia-based family foundation established to support nonprofits working to preserve the history of their communities, has contributed \$15,000.

In addition, Shore History has been chosen as one of just 10 organizations across the state of Virginia to be part of the curating team of “Our Commonwealth,” the centerpiece of the Virginia Museum of History & Culture’s \$30 million renovation and expansion opening May 14. Artifacts from Shore History’s collection will be on display in Richmond, and documents from the organization’s archive, as well as conversations it has hosted with Eastern Shore historians, have informed the display.

The group’s newly forged relationship with VMHC is providing access to resources, such as the “Material World” exhibition that will open with a public reception Thursday, May 5, at 6 p.m.

The 1980s are often remembered as a time of excess and extremes. The decade saw renewed prosperity and optimism among the wealthy and middle class. Many Americans became status seekers and shopaholics; Madonna’s “Material Girl” was their anthem.

This materialism was not embraced by all. The gap between the wealthiest and poorest Americans widened, social services were curtailed, and the war on drugs filled American prisons. The Richmond Times-Dispatch photographs featured in this exhibition were important when they appeared in the 1980s as evidence of news being reported at the time.

The exhibition will remain on view at Ker Place, 69 Market St., Onancock, through Aug. 31.

ACCOMACK COUNTY ANNOUNCES



SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022

The Accomack County Department of Public Works is pleased to announce the countywide “*Spring Clean-Up*” to be held on **Saturday May 14, 2022**. In an effort to encourage citizens of Accomack to remove unsightly refuse from their yards, homes, and communities, **the Accomack County Board of Supervisors will waive tipping fees at the North Landfill and South Transfer Station for residential waste and recyclable materials brought in on this day.** The waiver will also be open to non-residents possessing an Accomack County Solid Waste Decal. Commercial for hire waste haulers will be required to pay standard tipping fees.

Landfills will be open on Saturday May 14, 2022 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm to accept residential garbage, yard waste, and construction/demolition debris. The landfill will also accept the following recyclable materials:

- Tires (car and small truck only “LIMIT” 12 per person/day)
- Used Motor Oil, Scrap Metal, and car and truck batteries.

Recycling materials, such as plastic bottles, milk jugs, detergent bottles, any #1 or #2 plastics, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, telephone books, cereal boxes, metal and aluminum cans, may be recycled at any of the County’s 7 Convenience/Recycling Centers “FREE” year round.

Landfills and Convenience Centers will not accept materials deemed to be hazardous, such as: Paint, Pesticides, Biological hazards, asbestos, and heavy metals. Please check with the attendants at these sites as to where and how to dispose of hazardous materials.

The Department of Solid Waste looks forward to working with the citizens of Accomack County on this program and encourages everyone to mark their calendars for the second Saturday of May every year! A “FALL CLEAN-UP” will also, be held on the second Saturday in October. This year’s event will be October 8, 2022. For additional information, please contact the Public Works Department in Accomac at (757) 787-1468.

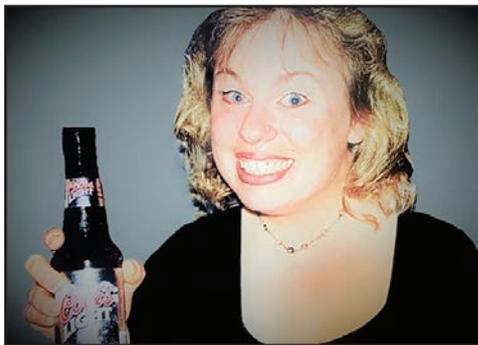
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OBITUARIES

Christina Lynn Ahern



Mrs. Ahern

Mrs. Christina Lynn Ahern, 53, wife of Christopher “Chris” Bonniwell, passed away at her home in Hacksneck on Saturday, April 23, 2022. Born Jan. 31, 1969, in Nassau County, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Frank Walczyk and the late Gail Arpino Walczyk.

Never one to let the grass grow under her feet, Christina believed in living life to the fullest and making the most of each day. Her personality was

perfectly matched for her position as a waitress at 3 Knots Taphouse, where coworkers and customers looked forward to her infectious charisma and joyful spirit. She adored her family, which included her four-legged babies, cherished her friends, loved an ice-cold beer, preferably one in each hand, and liked her music loud and on repeat. Christina would want everyone to take a page from her book and live this life in a way that people will smile or laugh at the sound of the songs you sang to the top of your lungs, when someone cracks a Natty Light, or simply when a shared memory comes to mind.

In addition to her husband, Christina is survived by her daughter, Angelica Brown (Joshua), of Melfa; stepchildren, Thomas Bonniwell and Danielle Bonniwell, both of Hacksneck; sisters and brothers, Rachel Walczyk (Suzanne), of Yapank, N.Y., Peter Walczyk, of Coram, N.Y., Meggan Heinrichs (Brian), of Medford, N.Y., and Adam Walczyk (Susan), of Bel Air, Md.; grandchildren, Kayden, Ethan, and Sophia; several nieces and nephews; as well as countless friends, and of course,

her precious cats.

The family invites friends to join them for a Celebration of Life service at the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 1 p.m.

Contributions in Christina’s memory may be made to the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418 (www.easternshorespca.com).

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Thomas E. Brown Jr.

Mr. Thomas Edward Brown Jr., 79, of Chincoteague, died Tuesday, April 26, 2022. He was born in Baltimore on April 6, 1943, a son to the late Emma Bielefeld and the late Thomas Edward Brown Sr. He was also preceded in death by his stepmother, Gisela Brown, and a daughter, Shannon Brown.

He graduated from Johns Hopkins University. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Tom retired from A & N Electric Cooperative as an electrical engineer. He enjoyed traveling, hunting, metal detecting, and was an avid ham radio operator.

He is survived by his wife, Faith; daughter and son-in-law, Leslie and Nathan Green; mother-in-law, Loretta Hornberger; and friend, Joseph Gray.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 186, Oak Hall, VA 23416.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg, VA.



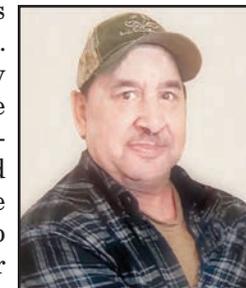
Mr. Brown

Ivan Earl Cummings

Mr. Ivan Earl Cummings, 64, husband of Annmarie Vaughn “Ann” Cummings and a resident of Onley, passed away Thursday, April 21, 2022, at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onancock. Born Oct. 25, 1957, in Charleston, S.C., he was the son of Janice Canady Oxendine, of Southport, N.C., and the late Bonferlon Cummings.

Ivan served his country in the U.S. Navy for nearly a decade, where his military assignments and training became instrumental to his future career as a heavy equipment operator for VDOT and the Accomack County Landfill. Though working and providing for his family was of most importance to Ivan, Sundays were reserved for family, football, and NASCAR. Ivan was a diehard Washington Redskins fan and didn’t miss a race when Jeff Gordon’s #24 was on the track, both of which he typically enjoyed with a Natty or Genny Light in hand. Each Sunday he would take one of his kids on an outing, riding the back roads until they hit water and stopping for soda and candy ... as long as they didn’t tell mom. Ivan’s affinity for riding continued even after the kids grew up. He looked forward to traveling to visit family in North Carolina, New York, and Connecticut, and there wasn’t an ESVA backroad he hadn’t explored, often stopping at the water to watch the birds.

In addition to his wife and mother, Ivan is survived by his children, Benjamin Joynes (Jackie), of New London, Conn., Ivan E. Cummings Jr., of Virginia Beach, Katherine Faye “Katie” Tatum, of Salisbury, Md., Ashley Nicole Padgett, of North Carolina, Courtney Marie Hart (Derek), of Keller, Jonathan Ralph Cummings (Erica), of Parksley, and Ivania Renee Cummings, of Onley; sister, Jerolyn “Mamie” Schaffer (Cliff); brother, Ferlon “Ray” Cummings; grandchildren, Antonio, Freddie, Indiana, Eli, William, Bryan, Tyler, Katelyn, Brayden, Aniyah,



Mr. Cummings

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MJ, Nevaeh, Ashton, Buddy, Ethan, Leah, Melody, and Joseph; as well as several nieces, nephews, and extended family members. He also leaves behind his dogs and cat, Bud, Scrappy, and Angel, who he adored even though he would often deny it. Other than his father, he was predeceased by his daughter, Monica Bagwell.

Services were conducted from the graveside at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery Monday, April 25, 2022, at 3 p.m., with his brother-in-law, the Rev. Cliff Schaffer, officiating.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Eastern Shore SPCA, P.O. Box 164, Onley, VA 23418.

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

Arrangements are by the Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

Mason Matthew Fisher

Mr. Mason Matthew Fisher was born Sept. 19, 2000, the only son of Bryan and Helen Fisher. Mason lived to be a little over 21. He was very proud of what he was doing in his life; he had moved off the Shore and was standing on his own. He was happy with his new life, new job, and excited to see where his future would go. His parents couldn't wait to see what he would accomplish. They were so proud of him.

Mason grew up on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. His love of fishing and hunting was in his blood. Each year it grew stronger. Mason was happiest when he was at one with nature. On a sunny day he could be found casting his fly rod off the dock for hours. Mason had an old soul from birth. He had a gentle heart and was a genuine person. He was easy to talk to and brought people together. His honesty was heartfelt. His smile was infectious and would brighten any day. Mason left a big mark on this world, in such a short lifetime. He will be forever loved and remembered. He was a blessing to all.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Bruce and



Mr. Fisher

Judy Fisher; maternal grandparents, Raymond and Rebecca Brilz; and his uncle, Ray Brilz.

He is survived by his parents, Bryan and Helen Fisher; best dog, Loki; aunts, Katherine Brilz and Laura Brilz; uncles, Tony Brilz and "Uncle John Fisher"; and many cousins.

Roberta Snow

Mrs. Roberta Snow, 65, of Atlantic, fell asleep in death Monday, April 11, 2022, at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin, Md.

Born in Philadelphia, Roberta was the beloved daughter of Robert and Catherine Moore. She was affectionately known as "Berta" by her family and friends. She married Carlton M. Snow III in August 1974. In that same year, she and her husband together dedicated their lives to Jehovah in baptism.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the chapel of Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac, with Brother Jethro Bernabe officiating.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories: the love of her life for 48 years, Carlton Snow III; two daughters, Angela Snow and Candace Davis; siblings, Deborah, Sheila, and Charles Moore; six grandchildren; two sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, aunts, uncles, two granddogs, Brandy and Bentley, other relatives, and friends.

Arrangements are by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

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Mrs. Snow

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OBITUARIES

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Brian Sutton

Mr. Brian Sutton, 50, of Accokeek, Md., formerly of the Shore, peacefully made his transition to his heavenly home on Thursday, April 14, 2022, at his residence.

Born in Makemie Park, Brian was the second youngest of six children to Freddie Sutton Jr. and Janice E. Sutton. He was affectionately known as "Joe" by his family and friends. He was educated in the Accomack County Public School system and graduated in 1989 from Arcadia High School in Oak Hall.



Mr. Sutton

Although Brian worked many jobs, in January 2015, he was proud to start his career at the Department of the Army Joint

Base Myer-Henderson Hall, director of emergency services as a Department of the Army Civilian Security Guard. He furthered his education at the Department of the Army Civilian Police Officer Academy, graduating in June 2016 and becoming a civilian police officer. In August 2019, he became a public safety dispatcher, and he served faithfully until his death.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 22, 2022, at Nandua High School in Onley, with the Rev. Carroll Mills officiating. Interment was in the Groton Community Cemetery in Temperanceville.

Brian leaves to cherish his memory, his parents, Freddie Sutton Jr. and Janice Elizabeth Sutton; one daughter, Janiece Tyler; four brothers, Rodney Sutton, Marty Sutton, Keith Sutton, and Steven Norman; two sisters, Tere-sha Sutton and Valerie Sutton; three nephews; three nieces; special friend and nurse, Latoya; lifelong friends and buddies, Katrina, Brenda, Kim, and Roy; his adopted brothers, sisters, and extended family from the Eastern Shore; and a host of cousins, great

nieces, aunts, uncles, and friends.

Arrangements are by the Cooper & Humbles Funeral Co., Accomac.

Norma Parks Wessells

Mrs. Norma Parks Wessells, of Accomac, wife of the late Preston Wessells, passed on to eternal life with the Lord at age 100.

Born Sept. 18, 1921, to Clifford and Merle Parks, Norma was one of nine Parks siblings who were members of Zion Baptist Church.

During her younger years, Norma was very athletic and was the captain of her school's basketball team and she played softball. One of her favorite stories was hitting a home run, defeating Tangier Island's team, and then being marooned on Tangier Island as the local transport ferry refused to take the team back to the mainland. Other stories involved her courtship by Preston Wessells, her future husband, and trips to Cedar Island with him and friends on Sunday afternoons.



Mrs. Wessells

From 1941 to 1999, Norma was married to Alfred Preston Wessells, who was an icon at his Texaco service station for almost 50 years. His success was in no small part related to Norma's support. She would always bring him lunch and have a warm meal waiting for him at the end of the day. Throughout the day she would pick up auto parts that he needed and encouraged him during his bookkeeping. Their relationship was mutually supportive and special in many ways.

One of the sustaining relationships in her life was with Zion Baptist Church and its membership. As was the tradition in 1921, Norma made her first trip to Zion as a one month old. At seven years old she was baptized. Norma's mother's active role in children's ministry no doubt contributed to Norma's participation in the Sunbeams and subsequently with the Girls' Auxiliary, where Norma was one of 12 girls enrolled. Norma's service in missions continued into adult life, during which she served as president of Zion Women's Missionary Union and then

as head of Group 3 WMU, an organization of 24 local churches in Accomack Association. Norma's interest in missions and leadership skills led her to serve as association superintendent of Women's Missionary Union for 10 years. For six years she was the state representative for the association. At age 17, Norma joined the Zion Baptist Church choir and was a faithful choir member until well into her 90s. Norma Parks Wessells has been a part of and a blessing to Zion Baptist Church since her birth. In her lifetime she has generously and graciously contributed her time, her talents, and her love of the Bible to the church's membership and those who visited as well as to her community. She said that the closeness of the people at Zion is the thing she has most treasured and enjoyed throughout her lifetime.

The Woman's Club of Accomack County was fortunate to have Norma as a member. Besides her contributions to the club's flower group, Norma served two terms as chaplain. She credits her religious upbringing at Zion as the impetus for giving her the knowledge and the willingness to lead her club in this capacity.

She is survived by three nephews: Keith Belote (Martha), of Leesburg, Va.; Larry Belote (Yim), of Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Karl Golovin, of Alexandria, Va. Additionally, she is survived by five great-nieces and nephews and nine great-great-nieces and nephews; and numerous cousins and loved ones.

Other than her parents and her husband, Norma is predeceased in death by Revel Penn Kelly, a cousin whom Norma greatly assisted in raising.

A funeral service will be held Sunday, May 1, 2022, at 2 p.m., at the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley, with the Rev. David Bryan officiating. Interment will follow in the Edgehill Cemetery in Accomac.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Zion Baptist Church Memorial Fund, c/o Ann Kellam, 26485 Lang Farm Road, Accomac, VA 23301.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.

Nancy Baker Dix contributed much of the above in a member profile that she authored for Zion Baptist Church in tribute to Norma's lifelong commitment to the church.

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U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12-02 Offers Safe Boating Tips

Submitted Article

As was mentioned in last week's column, problems with Aids to Navigation (ATON) that make an aid unusable or that impact the lifetime of the aid should be reported to the Coast Guard. There is a variety of such problems, but some are seen more frequently in our local waters.

First, day markers (or dayboards) should have at least two large boards, either red or green, with reflective numbers facing in opposite directions. Some will have three or even four boards. An ATON missing one or more of the boards, or one on which some or all of the reflective tape is missing or destroyed, needs to be reported. When a dayboard is leaning more than 15 degrees or has support poles rotted away, the lifetime of that aid is suspect and it should be reported.

Often large osprey nests will obscure the numbers and while the nest can't be disturbed until the birds leave, the Coast Guard should

be notified.

Buoys have other problems but a frequent one is still loss of the reflective numbers. Some buoys will spin in the current causing the chain to shorten and pulling the buoy under water, or the construction material becomes waterlogged so the buoy appears to be sinking — report these instances.

Sometimes in storms the buoys break away or move — this is called being off station and must be reported.

Finally, lights on buoys may become dim, or flash the wrong signals or just simply be out — all of these need to be repaired so report them. The Coast Guard is responsible for maintaining our ATON, but the boating public sees these every day and can save lives and property by being the eyes of the Coast Guard.

How To Report and ATON

When you find an ATON that needs repair by the Coast Guard, don't just call up and say ATON 23

needs to be fixed. There are numerous #23s around, so there is some important information you need to collect.

First, get a picture of the aid and if possible, illustrate the problem so the Coast Guard knows what they will need to do.

Next, be sure to fully describe the aid and where it is located. For example, "Chesapeake Channel Aid number 46." Also note the depth of the water near the aid along with the time of day and the date. This allows the Coast Guard to figure out the tidal position and get an idea what vessels are needed to reach the aid. Then check your chart or a GPS unit and write down the latitude and longitude allowing the team to actually identify the specific aid they need to check. As a backup, check to make sure you can fully describe the aid "Chesapeake Channel #46, a floating red buoy" or "Occohannock Creek Channel Green Dayboard number 7, a single wooden pole without a ladder."

Then call the local Coast Guard Station or on the Eastern Shore call the Aid to Navigation Team (ANT Team) at the Coast Guard Field Station Chincoteague.

Become a Coast Guard Auxiliary Member

Often when we speak with boaters, they remark about being thankful for all that the auxiliary does. While we are grateful, the auxiliary could do so much more if you would join. Think about volunteering. We really need your help.

ATON Notices

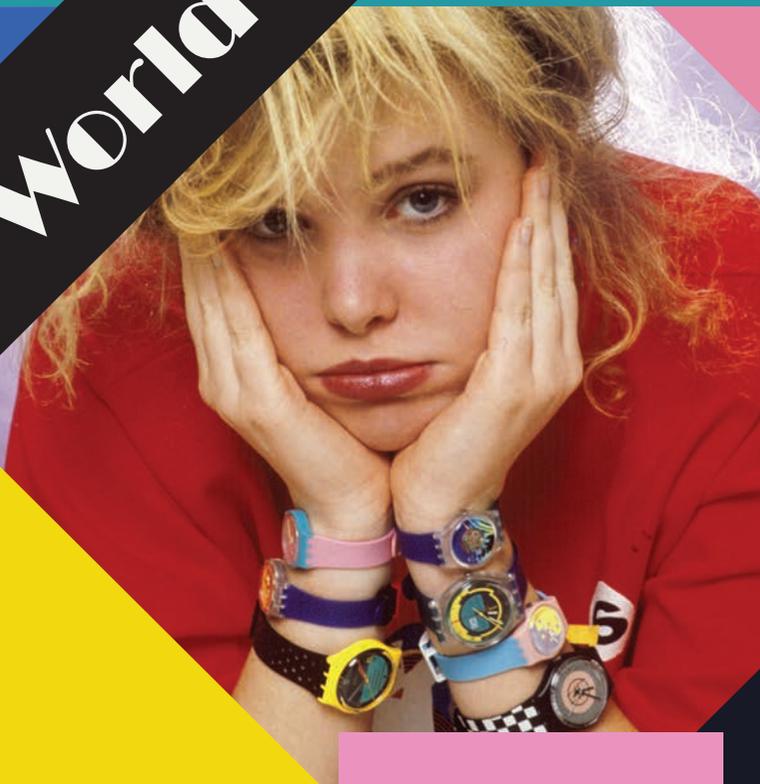
On the South Shore, Long Creek Light 6A dayboards are askew or leaning.

These boating safety minutes are a public service of Flotilla 12-02 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. If you have time to become a better boater and help your Coast Guard, call Russell at 757 442-7029.

Remember: Life jackets are your on-water safety belt. Wear them whenever you're afloat.

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of the 1980s

A Material World



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Town of Painter Proposed Budget FY2023 July 2022 - June 2023

CONTEMPLATED REVENUES		CONTEMPLATED EXPENDITURES	
Real Estate Taxes	12,000	Solid Waste Collection	24,000
Motor Vehicle License Fees	3,240	ANEC	18,000
Personal Property Taxes	2,500	Town Clerk Salary	6,300
Solid Waste Collection	10,500	Town Clean Up	800
Communications Taxes	3,000	Holiday Decorating Prizes	250
Interest	250	Insurance	2,400
Sales Tax	18,000	Postage and Supplies	800
Fire Prevention Grant	15,000	PO Box Rent	80
Grass Cutting Fees	500	Mowing	2,000
Transfer from Reserves	10,020	Legal Advertising	1,200
Business License Fees	150	Cleaning Town Hall	480
Permits	100	Town Attorney	1,800
TOTAL	\$75,260	Payroll Taxes	2,000
		Painter Volunteer	
		Fire Company	15,000
		Town Elections	150
		TOTAL	\$75,260

Proposed tax rates per \$100 of valuation:

Real Estate 9.4 cents Personal Property 30 cents

Solid Waste Fees **\$100 per year per business or household** imposed upon owner of real estate where household units or businesses are located.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Virginia Code §15.2-2506, that the Town Council of the Town of Painter will, at the regular monthly meeting of the Town Council, hold a public hearing on **5/9/2022, at 7:30 p.m. at the Painter Town Office** located at 17118 Wayside Drice, Painter, VA 23420 on the proposed budget, a brief synopsis of which is presented above. Any citizen shall have the right to attend the public hearing and state the citizen's views on the proposed budget. A copy of the proposed budget is on file for review at the Painter Town Office during regular business hours. The reduced real estate tax rate of 9.4 cents per \$100 of valuation is expected to produce tax levies for 2022 which are less than 101% of total real estate tax levies for 2021, and the provisions of paragraph B of Virginia Code §58.1-3321 are not triggered.

Court Postings

By Nancy Drury Duncan

Accomack Circuit Court

Jamir Kuamel Giddens, 32, of Park-sley, convicted of selling drugs and ordered to spend one year and five months of active jail time, will be released a month early to complete the classes at Eastern Shore Community College that he began at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail's re-entry program.

"He came in determined to benefit from the program," testified Vincent Thomas, Northampton County coordinator of the jail's re-entry program. "He did a lot to improve his skill level," Thomas told the court. He said Giddens has taken a college-level HVAC course and has gone as far as he can without actually attending classes at the college. He said the ESCC summer semester begins in May and Giddens is not set to be released until June 3. He said Giddens hopes also to enroll in the CDL program, which also begins in mid-May. Thomas described Giddens as a leader who has "done exceedingly well in the program." He said he would be delayed an entire semester if not released early.

Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan said he appreciated Giddens' success and hard work, but added, "The re-entry program should not be an early out for defendants." He said the program should be tailored to the court-ordered sentence rather than the sentence tailored to fit the program.

Giddens has benefited from the program, said Judge W. Revell Lewis III. "I am going to give him the opportunity."

Bre'zaun A. Douglas, 37, of Accomac, will serve one year in jail for violating the terms of his probation by failing to report a charge of reckless driving and for testing positive for marijuana and cocaine.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Michael Baker said Douglas owes both back child support for his three children and \$22,000 in restitution for the larceny. Douglas was convicted of two counts of grand larceny in 2013. He took a stolen watch to a pawnshop and received \$500 for it. The watch was a Rolex worth \$22,000. He owes an insurance company that amount to cover the insurance claim on the watch. Douglas said he paid the child support rather than the restitution because he knew he could be

jailed for not paying child support.

Judge Lewis ordered him to spend six months in jail for each grand larceny conviction, to use no illegal drugs, and to set up a payment plan. "If you don't pay restitution, you can go to jail for that. There needs to be a payment plan, even if only \$20 a month," Lewis said. He ordered Douglas to be on supervised probation for five years and good behavior for five years.

Daniel James Miller, 36, of Blox-om, was sentenced to two years with all time suspended for possession of cocaine. "Since the date of this 2020 offense, you have gone above and beyond what was asked of you," said Judge Lewis. "You have quite a past but have finally changed your life," he said. Lewis was referring to the fact that since Miller's most recent drug arrest he has sought both in-patient and out-patient intensive drug treatment on his own and has been successful. He is continuing to go to Norfolk once a week and is attending AA meetings.

"He has numerous convictions since 2004," said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney William Fox. "He has been in constant treatment."

Defense attorney Tory Delpierre said, "This was a wake-up call for him. He has taken every action he can. He made it clear he wanted help." Delpierre told the court that Miller brought \$1,230 to fully pay his restitution. "You have done everything you could possibly do," said the judge. He ordered Miller to be on supervised probation for two years and on good behavior for five years.

Travis Shreaves, 29, of Chincoteague, convicted in 2015 of receiving stolen property, violated the terms of his probation by using illegal drugs and by not staying in touch with his probation officer.

Shreaves said he failed to stay in contact with the probation office because, "I did a lot of prison time for something wasn't all that serious." He told the court he was anxious and did not want to go to prison again.

"You have a drug problem," said Judge Lewis. "This is your second probation violation." He said Shreaves owed \$5,000 in restitution. "You need to take care of that." Lewis ordered Shreaves to spend three months in jail.

Property Transactions

Northampton County

- From Anne and Lawrence Savino
To James and Andrea Fisher
3.5 acres, near Church Neck, Eastville
For \$190,000
- From CS Investors Inc.
To Jeffrey and Judith Francis
Lot B-102, Bayside Village, Bay
Creek, Cape Charles
For \$714,900
- From Billie-Jean Bensen and Donald
Marette Jr.
To Griffin Marette and Andrea Mejac
Unit 6-132, Building 6, Fairways II Con-
do, 132 Old Course Loop, Cape Charles
For \$400,000
- From Zachary Hand
To Rodney Smith
Lot 45, Sugar Hill, Capeville
For \$559,000
- From Beacon At Bay Creek LLC
To Robert and Rosemary Nicoll
Lot 6B, Fairways III, Bay Creek, Cape
Charles
For \$537,029
- From Beacon At Bay Creek LLC
To Stephen Grimes and Mary Voss
Lot 5B, Fairways III, Bay Creek, Cape
Charles
For \$543,578
- From Charles Williams Sr. and Au-
drey Sarratt
To Danielle Joynes
Lot near Seaview
For \$129,000
- From Candace Halapin
To William and Jennifer Evans
Lot 80, Vaucluse Shores subdivision
For \$18,000
- From MLT Enterprises LLC
To Joan Cooper
Lot K, Cape Charles
For \$751,000
- From Rose Galati
To Anthony and Judith Ponton
Lot 20, Peaceful Ponds, Ocohanock Neck
For \$649,500
- From Edward and Diane Wells
To Quinton Callahan, Karen Rodri-
guez, and Donald and Anna Butch
Part of Lots 391 and 392, Cape Charles
For \$565,000
- From Long Point LLC
To Michael and Julie Cardinale
Parcel 7, near Silver Beach
For \$100,000
- From Robert Linton

- To Eastern Shore Holdings LLC
Lot 163, Cape Charles
For \$135,000
- From Margaret Christian
To Mary Groome
1.46 acres, near Cape Charles
For \$369,000
- From Beacon at Bay Creek LLC
To Kevin and Callie Albert, trustees
Lot 6A, Fairways III, Bay Creek, Cape
Charles
For \$527,914
- From Robert Kaptain, trustee
To Lighthouse Real Estate Manage-
ment II LLC
Lot 63, Parcel I, Bay Creek, 501 Ar-
nies Loop, Cape Charles
For \$800,000
- From Dennis and Dawn Pick
To Dustin and Natalyuha White
Lot 116, Vaucluse Shores, near
Church Neck
For \$21,900
- From Audrey, Eugene, and Frasier
Brickhouse
To Audrey Brickhouse
2 parcels, near Hare Valley,
Franktown
For \$26,000
- From Nottingham/Northampton LLC
To General Builders LLC
Lot 13, Nottingham Estates, near
Cheapside
For \$12,500

Accomack County

- From Thomas McCready
To Franci L. and Joseph C. Hric
23474 Saxis Road, Sanford
For \$8,000
- From Michelle Blake
To CMH Homes Inc.
Lot 1 Pungoteague Road, Pungoteague
For \$23,000
- From Lynda Bright
To Robert E. Forder
3 Riley St., Onancock
For \$210,000
- From Sydney N. Scarce, special
commissioner on behalf of Mahesh J.
Patel, Kiran Patel, Navnit Patel, and
Sanjay K. Patel
To Nancy L. Esteppe
27167 Colonial Drive, Onley
For \$185,000
- From Joan M. Robbins, trustee
To Stephanie Camil and Brent Eldon

- Bundick
2383 Main St., Chincoteague
For \$334,000
- From Janet Augustyniak
To Captains Cove Golf & Yacht Club Inc.
Captains Cove Section 10 Lot 130,
Greenbackville
For \$0
- From Suzanne Marie and Craig Alan
Fletcher
To Cody and Darren Lilly
Captains Cove Lot 225 Section 2,
Greenbackville
For \$6,000
- From Eric Talmadge Harris
To Pedro Sanchez Ordonez and Loida
Fedelina Tema Coronado
33282 Grant St., Painter
For \$195,000
- From Isobel M. Troutman
To Sterling Homes Custom Builders Inc.
Captains Cove Lot 2160 Section 4,
Greenbackville
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Random Facts About ... Babies So Weird They Don't Blink

By David Martin

We love babies but when we opened our internet tubes this week, some facts about babies came out that were kind of freaky. Have you ever looked at an infant who gives you that otherworldly stare that somehow seems knowing and deep and ... wait, that baby isn't blinking!

Actually, babies do blink — but a lot less often than adults, who blink about 10 to 15 times a minute while infants blink only once or twice a minute on

average. One explanation for this is that blinking lubricates the eye and the smaller eyes of babies don't need that much lubrication, especially considering how much time these little layabouts spend sleeping. But, upon further exploration, that theory isn't exactly watertight, no pun intended. When you spend more than a blink of an eye on blinking (sorry), you discover that keeping our eyes moisturized isn't the whole story behind blinking.

Researchers have found, for example, that blinking rates are not affected by an environment's humidity level. You blink the same number of times whether you're in a dry desert or a humid rainforest.

So what's up? Blinking is linked to your brain's level of dopamine, a neurotransmitter that aids in cell communication. The more dopamine, the faster you blink. One cause of schizophrenia is elevated levels of dopamine, and people with schizophrenia do blink more than people without the disease. One marker of Parkinson's disease is decreased numbers of neurons that make dopamine and, in patients with Parkinson's, blinking is reduced.

So, maybe the dopamine-producing system in humans isn't fully developed until after infancy: lower dopamine, less frequent blinking.

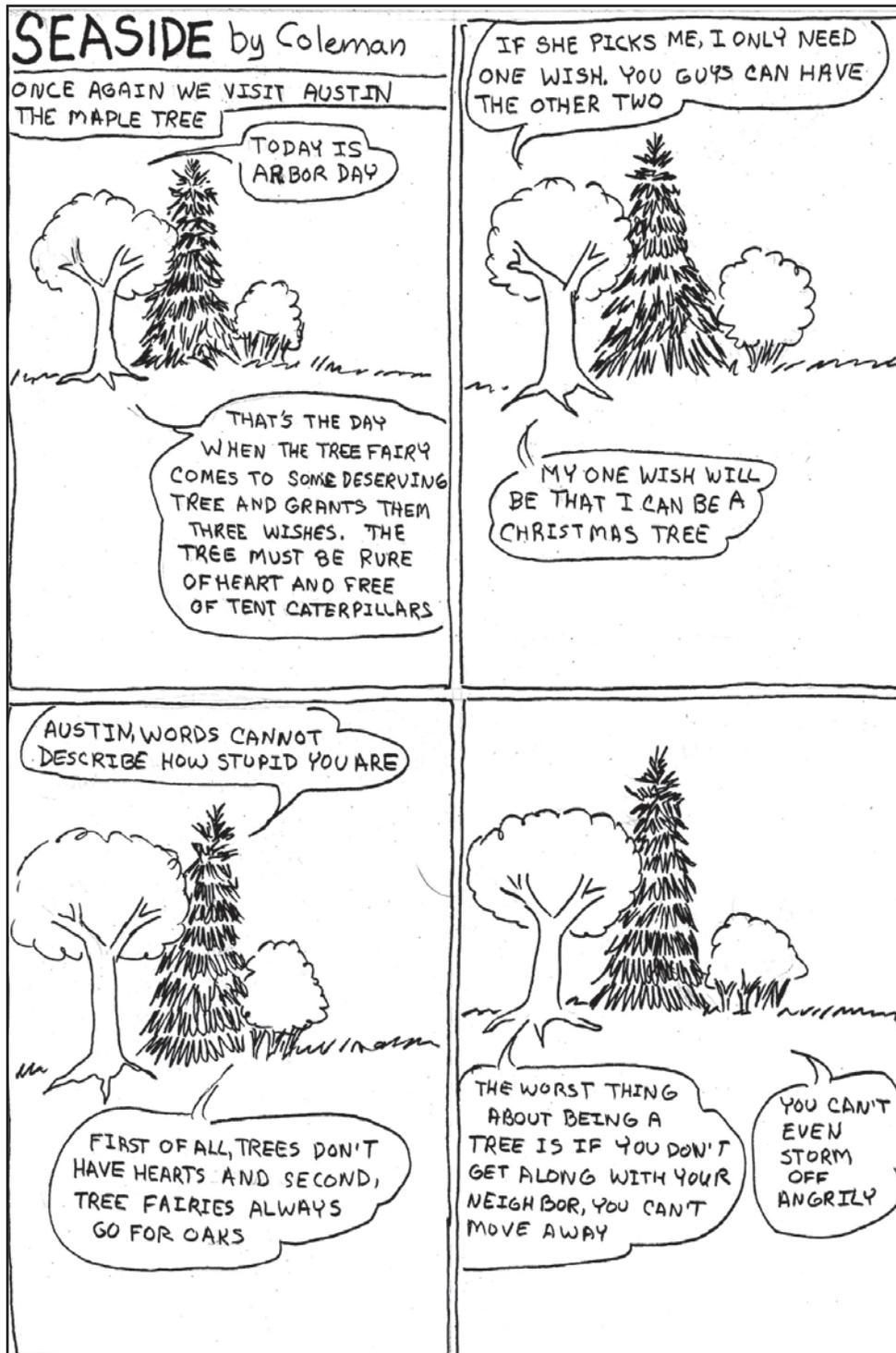
Blinking, according to an article in LiveScience, is related to tension. If

you're nervous, frightened, angry, or excited, you blink more. Court witnesses, for example, blink more when they're questioned by opposing council. Maybe blinking is a form of nervous fidgeting.

So babies don't blink because they have lower levels of dopamine and they aren't nervous? The jury is still out on that.

Another theory is that the brain takes a mini-rest each time the eyes blink, and an infant's brain, desperately trying to assimilate all the new information being presented to it each second, doesn't take the time to rest. As adults, we tend to blink less frequently when we're intensely focused on a task, so maybe babies go through their infancy intensely focused.

Whatever the cause for babies not blinking, their uninterrupted staring causes our EBR (Eye Blinking Rate) to soar.



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Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall



The recent stretch of nice weather, combined with two large flounder tournaments, produced a surge of activity on the water. Last weekend brought about a noticeable increase in boat traffic, with many local anglers putting their boats in the water for the first fishing trip of the season. Inshore seaside action was dominated by anglers trying their luck in one of the tournaments out of Wachapreague and Chincoteague.

The barrier island inlets and surf have been producing catches of black and red drum, along with large striped bass, often measuring in excess of 40 inches. One black drum catch tipped the scales at a hefty 85 pounds! A couple of summertime species have made their 2022 debut in the surf as the first catches of whitening (sea mullet) and blow toads have been reported. As predicted last week, the flounder fishing off the lower Shore has begun to materialize and now it is time for speckled trout to make their springtime presence known in the shallow waters of Pocomoke Sound.

Chincoteague – Jimmy Vasiliou, at Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle, said the fishing had been "really good" over the weekend, just in time for the start of the shop's flounder tournament. Flounder catches have been spread out around the island, as well as to the south. Live minnows produced limit catches for some anglers on Sunday. Vasiliou described the action in the Assateague surf as being "as good as we've seen." Some large striped bass have added to the species available to the surf fishermen, but Vasiliou reminds anglers that stripers remain off limits to keep until the season opens on May 16. He added that the run of black drum remains productive, with the shop weighing in fish up to 40 pounds. High-low rigs baited with clam, peeler, or sandflea baits tipped with Fishbites have all produced drum in the surf.

Wachapreague – Paul Elias took first place in the 31st Annual Captain Zed's Flounder Tournament with a 25.25-inch fish weighing 5 pounds, 9 ounces. Bob Ford finished in second place (5 pounds, 6 ounces), followed by James Joseph (5 pounds, 2 ounces), Mike Savage (5 pounds, 1 ounce), and John Barr (4 pounds, 15 ounces). Bonnie Crouse won the top lady angler award (4 pounds even) and Asher Hines took the top youth catch award with a 4-pound, 8-ounce fish.

Captain Lindsay Paul has been flounder fishing with Captain Nat Atkinson aboard the Foxy Lady and the dynamic duo has been finding up to 12 keepers for their clients. Berkley Gulp and live minnow combinations have been the most productive baits, with catches continuing to come from Bullshead and Green and Drawing channels. Paul said that there have been a few drum caught in the surf off Wachapreague.

Amanda Manzella, at the Wachapreague Inn, said that her clients had nice catches of flounder measuring in excess of 18 inches over the weekend. She added that, overall, it was a great weekend for the fishermen and the tournament.

Lower Shore – Dez Louie, at Oceans East—Eastern Shore, described the drum fishing over the last week as "great!" Anglers have been enjoying success with both red and black drum in the waters around Fisherman Island. He said that the top black drum bait has been a clam and crab combination, while most of the red drum catches have been on hard crab and peeler baits. Louie added that there have been some striped bass measuring over 40 inches mixed in with the drum. Flounder catches have started coming from inside the Ditch off Wise Point, as well as inside the Chesapeake Bay off Kiptopeke. Tog catches have been coming on crab and sandflea baits fished against the pilings of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel.

Jeb Brady, at Bailey's Tackle Shop in Cape Charles, confirmed that the recent run of nice weather enabled more anglers to take advantage of the lower Shore drum bite. Black drum



Michael Ward III earned a citation for landing this 85-pound black drum while fishing out of Oyster with his father, Michael Ward Jr. Photo courtesy of Bailey's Bait & Tackle.



Dez Louie, of Ocean East—Eastern Shore, got in on some of the lower Shore drum action with the release of this trophy red drum. Photo courtesy of Oceans East—Eastern Shore.



Jeff Fackett and Gary Loughry landed some large tautog over an offshore wreck. Photo courtesy of Bailey's Bait & Tackle.



Nathan Richardson got out of the shop long enough to catch and release this big striped bass on light tackle. Photo courtesy of Bailey's Bait & Tackle.

catches were reported out of Oyster and behind Fisherman Island. Anglers said that sharks were a major nuisance in-between drum bites. Red drum catches are still coming from the surfline for anglers soaking crab baits. Tautog fishing on the offshore wrecks was described as "solid" with fish up to 10 pounds, 8 ounces weighed in at the shop. Brady added that the flounder fishing was still on the slow side but expected to im-

prove with the weather. Puppy drum and striper catches have come from inside the creeks and along the local shorelines.

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.

The Osprey-Eyed Reader Contest



Last Week's Runners-Up



This happy gang on Chincoteague is from Melissa Potter, of Exmore; her niece, Sarah Taylor; her son, Christopher Potter; and her nephew, Matthew Taylor.

Last Week's Contest and Winner

With very few disqualifications this week, 79 players found the answers to last week's four questions. Here are the page numbers and answers: Page 42, Parcel 4; Page 4, Onley; Page 37, zoning permit technician; Page 35, prescription sunglasses. Of the 79 qualified contestants, Dawn Taylor, of Parksley, was randomly chosen to win the \$25 gift certificate to the Blue Crab Bay Company. Taylor sent us a picture of this cutie, her grandson, Wyatt. "He is 14 months old. He is my whole world!"



Sjockiea McCrary, of Belle Haven, sent in this "picture of my beautiful mommy, Jo-Ann, who is a three-time cancer survivor."



Rowan, Cayden, and Evan are great-nephews of Jimmy Nickerson, of Parksley, who said, "All three are amazing baseball players."



First-time player Lolita Hall, of Painter, sent this picture of her and her husband in Cape Charles ... "enjoying the day."



Sarah Ross, of Chincoteague, noted that her husband and son, shown here, both celebrated their birthdays last Friday, April 22.



Do kids like watermelons? Does the sun rise in the east? Ann Shu, of Saxis, said that grandsons Luc and Alex remind us that "it'll soon be watermelon season!"



The time for blooming Bradford pear trees might be passing but, as Jessica Thornes, of Bloxom, noted, "They were so beautiful this year."

This Week's Contest: Answer Questions, Win Chicken!

The answers to four questions can be found in this week's edition. To become a contestant, answer all the questions correctly and tell us the page number where you found each answer. One qualified contestant will be randomly selected to win the Super Tailgate dinner from Bojangles in Onley. See sponsor box on this page.

The Questions

1. Inch, Rough, Rabbit, and Castle are all names of what?
2. What did Diane Brooke Reed Watson say about bad children?
3. On April 25, who pitched the entire game for the Broadwater Vikings?
4. If you use keyword 02508, what will you find?

The Rules

1. Answer the four questions and tell us the page on which you found each answer.
2. Entries MUST have first and last names and your town.
3. Send this information to david@easternshorepost.com.
4. Deadline is noon Monday, May 2.
5. No multiple entries.
6. Anyone submitting a photograph must have taken the picture or have permission to use it.

Photos

We'd love to publish a photo of you, your children, your pets, your friends, your hobbies, and your life on the Shore. We have room for only a few photos each week, but please feel free to send a picture along with your osprey-eyed entry.



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	Chinco. Channel	H 7:51 a.m. L 2:02 p.m.	H 8:33 a.m. L 2:42 p.m.	H 9:13 a.m. L 3:20 p.m.	H 9:52 a.m. L 3:57 p.m.	H 10:32 a.m. L 4:38 p.m.	H 11:11 a.m. L 5:11 p.m.	H 11:54 a.m. L 5:52 p.m.
	Gargatha Neck	H 8:48 a.m. L 2:53 p.m.	H 9:28 a.m. L 3:29 p.m.	H 10:08 a.m. L 4:05 p.m.	H 10:48 a.m. L 4:41 p.m.	H 11:28 a.m. L 5:19 p.m.	H 12:09 p.m. L 5:59 p.m.	H 12:51 p.m. L 6:43 p.m.
	Folly Creek	H 8:41 a.m. L 2:38 p.m.	H 9:21 a.m. L 3:14 p.m.	H 10:01 a.m. L 3:50 p.m.	H 10:41 a.m. L 4:26 p.m.	H 11:21 a.m. L 5:04 p.m.	H 12:02 p.m. L 5:44 p.m.	H 12:44 p.m. L 6:28 p.m.
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Bayside	Tangier Sound Light	H 12:00 p.m. L 6:11 p.m.	H 12:39 p.m. L 6:48 p.m.	H 1:15 p.m. L 7:30 a.m.	H 1:49 p.m. L 8:11 a.m.	H 2:24 p.m. L 8:52 a.m.	H 3:02 p.m. L 9:35 a.m.	H 3:44 p.m. L 10:21 a.m.
	Muddy Creek	H 12:31 p.m. L 6:59 a.m.	H 1:10 p.m. L 7:42 a.m.	H 1:47 p.m. L 8:22 a.m.	H 2:22 p.m. L 9:00 a.m.	H 2:58 p.m. L 9:36 a.m.	H 3:35 p.m. L 10:13 a.m.	H 4:15 p.m. L 10:52 a.m.
	Guard Shore	H 12:23 p.m. L 6:55 a.m.	H 1:02 p.m. L 7:38 a.m.	H 1:39 p.m. L 8:18 a.m.	H 2:14 p.m. L 8:56 a.m.	H 2:50 p.m. L 9:32 a.m.	H 3:27 p.m. L 10:09 a.m.	H 4:07 p.m. L 10:48 a.m.
	Chescon. Creek	H 11:58 a.m. L 6:09 p.m.	H 12:37 p.m. L 6:45 p.m.	H 1:14 p.m. L 7:30 a.m.	H 1:49 p.m. L 8:08 a.m.	H 2:25 p.m. L 8:44 a.m.	H 3:02 p.m. L 9:21 a.m.	H 3:42 p.m. L 10:00 a.m.
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by Linda Thistle

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Super Crossword

WHO TO WHO?

ACROSS

- 1 Otis of elevator fame
7 One-named co-star of "Crime Without Passion"
12 "Striped" fish
16 Trick-or-treating mo.
19 Sine and cosine, say
20 Korean, e.g.
21 "I smell —!"
22 Golf standard
23 Road trip between apparitions?
26 LAX guess
27 Bobby on ice
28 Otis on "The Andy Griffith Show," e.g.
29 Darling
30 Above, in verse
31 Unrefined
32 Phone conversation between ministers?
37 Little Bighorn tribe
40 Summer mo.
41 Many millennia
42 "The Wire" channel
43 Organic compound

- 44 Choose as a member
47 — -Locka, Florida
49 Get back together, as alumni
51 String of vehicles between gas station patrons?
56 Pointer
57 Market segment
58 A fifth of XV
59 Old fed. led by Nasser
60 Nuts are high in it
61 In the least
63 Maine city near Bangor
65 New York stage awards
67 Conga line between Arab leaders?
73 Pistons great Thomas
74 "The Chronic" rapper
75 Love a lot
77 Sahara viper
80 Soothing treatment, for short
81 One in a pod
82 Cher and Adele, voicewise

- 85 License plate
86 Rugs between casino high rollers?
91 Eminent
92 Publicize
93 "The — falling!"
94 Went by taxi, e.g.
95 Eminent lead-in
96 French noble
98 Multipurpose truck, in brief
99 Perfected
100 Guy peddling between clodhoppers?
107 Hooter
108 Playwright Levin
109 Antagonist
110 Tara of "Sharknado"
111 Lick like a cat
114 Common co. name ender
115 Brief romances between Copenhagen residents?
120 School gp.
121 Ax part
122 Pop or bop
123 Fidgets
124 Cur's noise
125 Potting dirt
126 Exhausted

- 127 Attack like a cur
DOWN
1 Hence
2 Lion player Bert
3 "Believe — not!"
4 Gal in the family
5 Depilatory treatment
6 Moving about
7 Myopic cartoon "Mr."
8 Pale gray
9 With
72-Down, it flows to the Gulf of Mexico
10 Very fuel-inefficient wheels
11 In first place
12 Gin joint
13 Songlike
14 Buy for less
15 Draconian
16 Regular at the Met, maybe
17 Spanish region
18 Fish with a heavy net
24 Come- — (lures)
25 Genetic stuff
32 Orange juice stuff

- 33 Siesta takers
34 Ballet garb
35 Back part
36 Julia Child or James Beard
37 Nasal partitions
38 Some Alaska natives
39 Repeating polka sound
44 Dernier —
45 Non-Rx
46 "Pick me! I know this!"
47 Strong pain reliever
48 Architect I.M.
49 Little-seen instance
50 Outer: Prefix
52 In the military
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A.J. Custis, at far left, hosted five Boys & Girls Club members recently at an NBA game in Washington, D.C. Pictured from left are Custis, Kathy Custis, Morgan, Jacob, Cameron, Noah, Deshawn, and Brock Custis. Submitted photo.

Boys & Girls Club Members Attend NBA Game With Shore Native as Host

By *Bill Sterling*
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Five Eastern Shore Boys & Girls Club members recently enjoyed an NBA game thanks to tickets provided by A.J. Custis, who handles security for the personnel of the Washington Wizards.

Custis, the son of Kathy Custis, director of the Eastern Shore Boys & Girls Club, once worked as security for five-time NBA all-star guard John Wall, but now travels with the Wizards and oversees security for the players and other team personnel. He goes with Washington's players to interviews and photo shoots, community events, and autograph signings and travels with them to games, sitting directly behind the head coach.

Custis, 35, who is 6 feet, 4 inches, played football at both Virginia State and Morgan State, but might be best remembered on the Eastern Shore for a shot he made to send Nandua to the state championship basketball game in 2003, which Nandua won.

With only three seconds to play in the semi-final game and the Warriors down by a point to Altavista with possession of the ball, everyone in the building expected Nandua star B.A. Walker to take the last shot, but with Walker well defended, Custis found himself on the baseline with the ball. He took a 12-foot shot that rolled around the rim and fell in as the buzzer sounded, giving Nandua a 1-point win that was celebrated wildly on the court. Two days later the Warriors defeated Radford for the second of their two consecutive state

basketball championships under coach Buck Boggs.

"That will be a memory I will definitely have forever," said Custis.

The five Boys & Girls Club members, ranging from 8 to 15 years old, were attending their first professional game when they traveled north to Washington, D.C., to the Capital One Arena, home of the Wizards.

"I think they had a marvelous time, sitting close to the court and being able to interact with the team mascot and seeing the players close-up," Custis said of the Boys & Girls Club members attending the game. "It was a pleasure hosting them."

Now that the Wizards' season is over, Custis will spend a month in Miami providing personal security for Wizards' young star Rui Hachimura, a first-round draft pick out of Gonzaga. "He's like a brother to me," said Custis, who said it's good to stay in one place for a while after a season of 82 games that involved thousands of miles by plane for the 41 road games.

But one of the real treats for Custis in hosting the game was to see his actual brother, Brock, and his mother, Kathy, who accompanied the Boys & Girls Club members to the game. Brock runs the food program for the Boys & Girls Club and mentors teens in the club.

"I don't get the opportunity to come home much because of the demands of being at every game and providing security, so it was great seeing them," said Custis, who noted he missed seeing his father, Al, who wasn't able to attend due to health issues.

Town of Melfa Proposed Budget FY2023

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

CONTEMPLATED REVENUE		CONTEMPLATED EXPENDITURES	
Sales Taxes	\$31,700	Trash Collection/ Truck Expense	\$17,500
Motor Vehicle Decals	\$3,000	Town Hall Operations/Repair	\$6,000
Real Estate Taxes	\$19,000	Holiday Decorations	\$1,000
Litter Control Grants	\$1,250	Street Lights	\$7,845
Business Licenses	\$70	Tax Collection	\$400
Communications Taxes	\$2,950	Decal Expense	\$450
Zoning Fees	\$100	Fire and Rescue	\$15,000
Interest	\$150	Mayor/Council/ Clerk Expense	\$4,000
Fire Prevention Grant	\$15,000	Planning & Zoning Expense & Updates	\$4,050
Transfer from Reserves	\$4,600	Grass Cutting	\$325
TOTAL	\$77,820	Attorneys Fee	\$2,000
		Ball Park	\$2,200
		Litter Control	\$1,600
		Town Picnic	\$250
		Insurance	\$7,200
		<small>(Liability, Trash Truck, Bldg., Bond Risk)</small>	
		Miscellaneous	\$500
		Office Supplies	\$800
		Law Enforcement	\$5,700
		<small>Including Police Patrols</small>	
		Planning Commission	\$500
		Advertising	\$500
		TOTAL	\$77,820

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Virginia Code §15.2-2506, that the Town Council of the Town of Melfa will hold a public hearing at the regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday, 5/17/2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Melfa Town Hall located at 19539 Main Street, Melfa, VA 23410** on the proposed budget, a brief synopsis of which is presented above. Any citizen shall have the right to attend the public hearing and state the citizen's views on the proposed budget. A copy of the proposed budget is on file for review at the Melfa Town Hall during regular business hours. Real estate tax rate is proposed to be reduced to 8.2 cents per each \$100 of county valuation. Decal fee will remain \$27 for automobiles and trucks and \$25 for motorcycles. The proposed real estate tax rate is expected to produce total town tax levies for 2022 which are less than 101% of total real estate tax levies for 2021, and the provisions of paragraph B of Virginia Code §58.1-3321 are not triggered.

Eastern Shore Sports



Weichert Realtors Mason-Davis T-ball team applauds for other Little League players during the opening ceremony.



Onancock Rotary Club major baseball team walks across the field during team introductions.

Central Accomack Little League Hosts Opening Ceremony April 22



Massey Reedy prepares to catch the opening pitch.

Photos by Adolphus Ames.



2021 Junior League Softball District 8 Champions carry their championship banner across the field.



Kacey Ford sprints toward third base. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Lady Vikings Softball Team Defeats Atlantic Shores Christian

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings varsity softball team hosted Atlantic Shores Christian School Monday, April 25. The Vikings won 10-7.

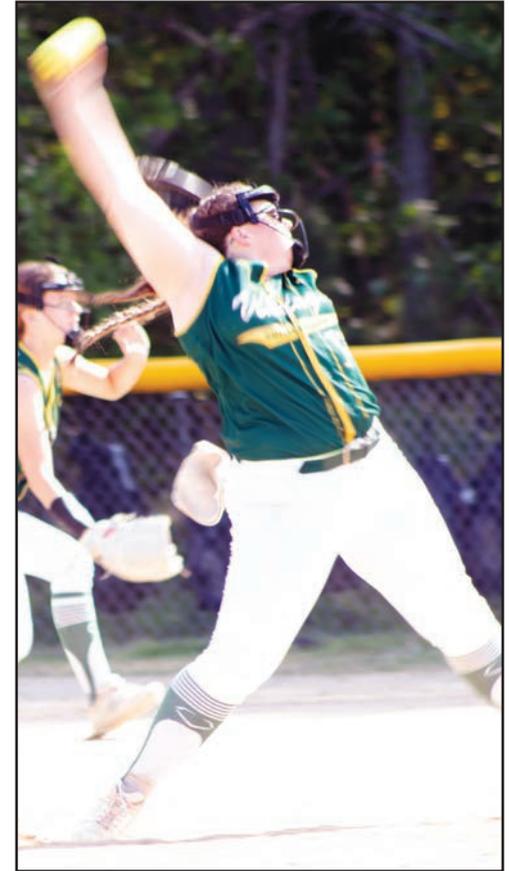
In the top of the first inning, Atlantic Shores took an early 1-0 lead. The Vikings responded in the bottom of the first inning when Taylor Leland scored a run off a ground ball by Kacey Ford to tie the score. A few plays later, Harlin Johnson hit a single, allowing Ford and Hayley Nalls to score two runs and give the Vikings command of the game. The Vi-

kings added another run in the second inning and six more in the third inning, to keep the game out of Atlantic Shore's reach.

Ramsey Revelle pitched the entire game for the Vikings, allowing seven hits, walking three batters, and striking out three. Revelle led the offense with four hits. Leland had three hits, two RBIs, and three runs. Ford earned two hits, three RBIs, and two runs. Johnson had two hits, two RBIs, and one run. Suzanna Long and Savannah Lunger each earned one hit.



Warriors pitcher Reghan Hintz throws a strike. Photo by Adolphus Ames.



Ramsey Revelle winds up a pitch early in the game. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Lady Warriors Softball Team Wins Close Game Against Vikings

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings varsity softball team hosted the Nandua Warriors Tuesday, April 26. The Warriors won 11-8.

The Warriors opened the game with a lot of offensive momentum. In the top of the first inning, the Warriors scored three runs, including a home run by Haylie Justice. The Vikings responded with a series of doubles by Chloe Hall, Kacey Ford, and Ramsey Revelle that produced three runs to tie the game. A single by Harlin Johnson allowed Hayley Nalls to score another run, giving the Vikings a 4-3 lead.

In the second inning, the Warriors and Vikings scored one run apiece. The third inning was scoreless. In the top of the fourth, the Warriors added four more runs and the Vikings answered with three runs to tie the game at 8. In the final inning, the Warriors outscored the Vikings 3-0 to capture the victory.

Hintz led on the pitcher's mound for

the Warriors, giving up 10 hits, walking two batters, and striking out nine. On offense, Hintz had two hits and scored two runs. Logan Woerner also had two hits and scored two runs. Reagan Justice earned two hits and two RBIs. Jordan Crockett had one hit, four RBIs, and two runs. Justice, Mia Lecates, and Kylie Killmon each earned one hit.

For the Vikings, Revelle led on the pitcher's mound, giving up nine hits and striking out two batters. Ford pitched in relief, giving up one hit, walking three batters, and striking out one. Taylor Leland led the offense with three hits, two RBIs, and three runs. Ford earned three hits, two RBIs, and one run. Hall, Revelle, Johnson, and Savannah Lunger each had one hit.

The Warriors played again on Thursday, April 28, against the Chincoteague Ponies. The Vikings' next home game is scheduled for Monday, May 2, against Hampton Christian High School.



Reco Kellam steps up to the plate for a hit. Photo by Adolphus Ames.



Rufus Abbott releases a pitch. Photo by Adolphus Ames.

Nandua Warriors Baseball Team Defeats Broadwater Vikings

By Adolphus Ames

The Broadwater Vikings varsity baseball team hosted the Nandua Warriors Tuesday, April 26. The Warriors won the matchup 14-0.

Brandon Adamos and Chayce Wayman pitched for the Warriors. Wayman walked two batters and struck out two. Adamos struck out seven batters. Isaac Stodghill led the Warriors' offense with three hits, three RBIs, and two runs. Ben Stodghill had two hits, two RBIs, and scored one run. Tyler Greene earned two hits and three runs. Ripken Robbins and Turner Saunders

each had one hit.

Several players stood on the pitcher's mound for the Vikings. Rufus Abbott allowed four hits and struck out four batters. Logan Hickman struck out three batters. Cohen Kellam and Kolby Evans each struck out one batter. Will Petka gave up one hit and walked three batters.

The Warriors hosted a home baseball game Thursday, April 28, against the Chincoteague Ponies. The Vikings' next home game is scheduled for Monday, May 2, against Hampton Christian High School.



Amiyyah Harmon opens girls 100-meter dash with a strong start. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Arcadia Hosts Outdoor Track Meet

By Whitney Metz

The Arcadia Firebirds hosted the Nandua Warriors and Chincoteague Ponies for a competitive boys and girls track meet on April 22. The following athletes from Arcadia, Nandua, and Chincoteague placed in the meet.

Boys Results

100-Meter Dash: Cooper Brock 11.40 (Arcadia), Lavar Johnson 11.65 (Arcadia)

200-Meter Dash: Cooper Brock 24.17 (Arcadia), Kevin Cropper Jr. 2.23 (Arcadia)

400-Meter Dash: Jackson MaGuire 58.19 (Chincoteague), Jordan Harper 59.99 (Chincoteague)

800-Meter Run: Jordan Jones 2:16.80 (Nandua), Carlo Balmoria 2:18.23 (Nandua)

1600-Meter Run: Carlo Balmoria 5:05.63 (Nandua), Brayden Shotwell 5:07.42 (Nandua)

3200-Meter Run: Brayden Shotwell 11:04.00 (Nandua), Aaron O'Shea 13:17.71 (Chincoteague)

110-Meter Hurdles: Joseph Prendergast 21.25 (Nandua), Connor Lee 24.08 (Nandua)

300-Meter Hurdles: Emory Harned 48.59 (Nandua), Joseph Prendergast 21.25 (Nandua)

4x100-Meter Relay: Arcadia 47.06, Nandua 47.66

4x400-Meter Relay: Chincoteague 4:02.62, Nandua 4:06.60

4x800-Meter Relay: Nandua 12:34.50

High Jump: Kevin Cropper Jr 6-00.00 (Arcadia), Lavar Johnson 5-10.00 (Arcadia)

Long Jump: Diesel Frisch 18-08.00 (Nandua), Kevin Cropper Jr 18-03.00 (Arcadia)

Triple Jump: Lavar Johnson 40-04.00 (Arcadia), Kevin Cropper Jr 38-

08.50 (Arcadia)

Discus: Dahleal Harmon 115-05.00 (Nandua), Derrick Harmon 113-10.00 (Nandua)

Shot Put: Nicholas Hutchinson 42-00.00 (Nandua), Umari Bailey 38-04.50 (Nandua)

Girls Results

100-Meter Dash: Amiyyah Harmon 13.05 (Nandua), Kayla Wharton 13.56 (Arcadia)

200-Meter Dash: Amiyyah Harmon 29.70 (Nandua), Khamari Parker 31.85 (Arcadia)

400-Meter Dash: Lacy Gouldin 1:15.27 (Nandua), Kendyl Farrell 1:18.12 (Chincoteague)

800-Meter Run: Grace Bentley 2:54.07 (Nandua), Lacy Gouldin 3:29.97 (Nandua)

1600-Meter Run: Grace Bentley 6:23.02 (Nandua), Layla Jones 7:26.24 (Nandua)

3200-Meter Run: Layla Jones 16:18.24 (Nandua), Nora Bahn 18:25.69 (Nandua)

100-Meter Hurdles: Taylor Thornes 18.29 (Nandua), Khamari Parker 23.20 (Arcadia)

300-Meter Hurdles: Taylor Thornes 52.68 (Nandua), Angelia Joynes 1:07.56 (Nandua)

4x100-Meter Relay: Nandua 56.16, Arcadia 1:01.29

4x800-Meter Relay: Nandua 16:22.09

Long Jump: Anna Yunker 13-10.00 (Arcadia), Kayla Wharton 13-03.00 (Arcadia)

Triple Jump: Kayla Wharton 27-02.50 (Arcadia), Kallie Williams 27-01.00 (Nandua)

Discus: Madison Johnson 85-11.00 (Nandua), Angelia Joynes 68-09.00 (Nandua)

Shot Put: Madison Johnson 27-05.50 (Nandua), Brittany Dennis 25-11.50 (Nandua)



Kathleen McAuliffe crushes the ball for a single in Thursday's game. Photo by Whitney Metz.



Ripken Robbins frames a pitch from behind the plate. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Lady Warriors Pick Up A Win Against the Lady Firebirds

By Whitney Metz

Nandua hosted Arcadia's softball team on Thursday, April 21, for the teams' first meeting of the year. The Warriors won 5-3.

It was a pitching duel between Nandua's Reghan Hintz and Arcadia's Sydney Jester through the first three innings. The Lady Warriors managed to draw one run across the plate in the bottom of the fourth giving them the early lead. Arcadia quickly responded in the fifth inning, scoring three runs. The Lady Firebirds had the lead going into the bottom of the sixth, before Nandua recorded a clutch four-run inning. Arcadia was unable to respond as the Lady Warriors added another victory to its record.

Reghan Hintz earned the win for

Nandua in the circle after pitching a full seven-inning game. Hintz allowed only four hits and three runs while striking out nine and walking zero.

On offense, the Warriors recorded a total of eight hits in the game. Hintz and Kylie Kilmon each had two hits in three at-bats. Kathleen McAuliffe, Mia LeCates-Brown, Desi LeCates-Brown, and Logan Woermer also had clutch hits in the victory over Arcadia. For the Firebirds, Jester led the team in hits going 2-for-3.

Nandua Softball extended its record to 6-1 overall and 2-0 in the Eastern Shore district. Arcadia is now 6-2. Both teams are scheduled to play on Thursday, April 28, against Chincoteague and Northampton respectively.

Nandua Warriors Record a Big Victory Over Arcadia Firebirds

By Whitney Metz

The Warriors took down the Firebirds on Thursday, April 21, at Nandua with a final score of 15-3.

Nandua started things off strong in the first inning as Ripken Robbins recorded the Warriors first home-run of the season. Robbins drove in runs with a grand slam and a single, within the first inning of the game. RJ Guy, Isaac Stodghill, Brandon Smith, and Tyler Greene each had hits in the inning as well, bringing the score to 10-0.

Robbins was not only dominant at the plate, but also earned the win for the Warriors on the mound. The right-hander allowed one hit and zero runs through one inning of work, striking out one and walking zero. Aiden McIntyre and Chayce Wayman entered in relief for the Warriors. Wayman recorded one strikeout before McIntyre came in from the bullpen. McIntyre

had an impressive eight strikeouts in three and two-thirds innings of work, allowing no runs and no hits while walking one batter.

Offensively for the Warriors, the team recorded a total of 10 hits on the day. Tyler Green led Nandua, going 3-for-3 at the plate with an RBI and a double. Brandon Adamos and Isaac Stodhill each had a double in the game as well going 2-for-3 and 1-for-2 respectively.

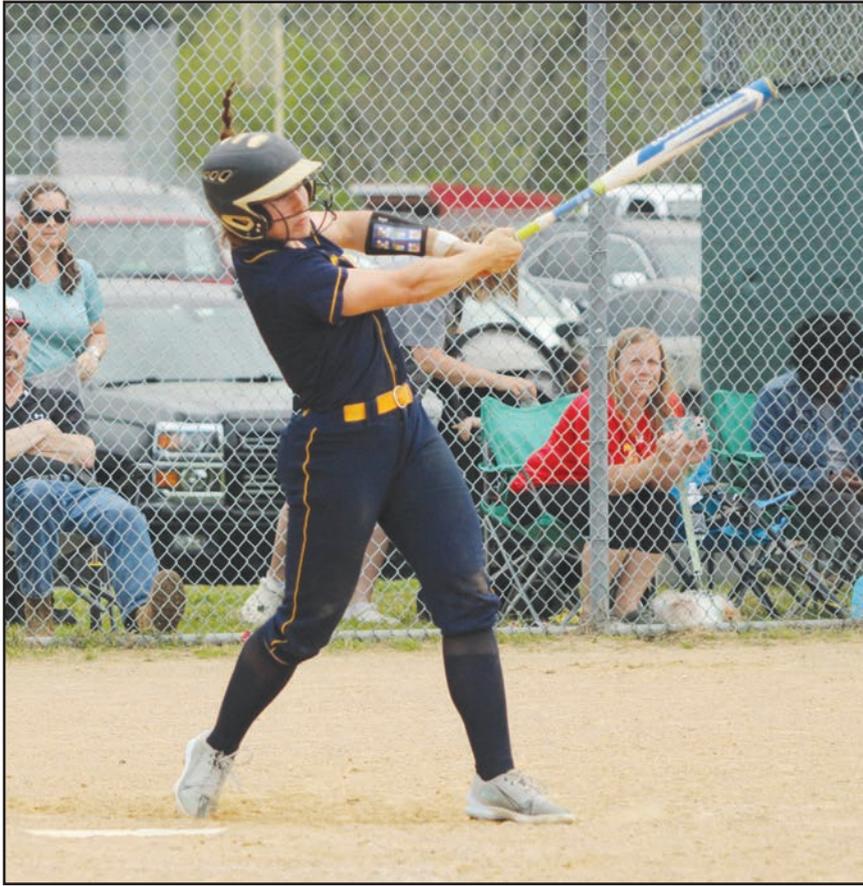
Arcadia scored its three runs in the second inning, with Jalik Downing, Carson Lucy, and Zach Giddens each recording RBIs. Lucy led the offense for the Firebirds going 1-for-2 at the plate.

Nandua extends its record to 8-1 with the victory and was set to compete again on Thursday against Chincoteague. The Firebirds took on Northampton at home the same day.

Warriors Girls Soccer Team Falls to Windsor

The Nandua Warriors girls varsity soccer team hosted Windsor High School Wednesday, April 27. The Warriors lost 4-2. The Warriors fell behind 1-0 in the first half. In the second half, the Warriors' offense picked up momentum, but Windsor outscored Nandua 3-2 to win the game. Kety Vazquez and Mackenzie Parks each scored a goal. Pictured left, Kayla Rueda dribbles the ball across the field while a Windsor defender pursues her during the first half. Photo by Adolphus Ames.





Emma Jackson drives the ball in the right-center gap. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Ponies Softball Team Continues Undefeated Season

By Whitney Metz

The Chincoteague Ponies varsity softball team traveled to Arcadia on Tuesday, April 26, to compete.

Chincoteague started the game on fire offensively, scoring four runs in the first at bat. The Ponies added four more in the second inning while Arcadia responded with one. The Firebirds could not stop the hot Chincoteague bats as they continued to score in the third and the sixth inning. Arcadia was able to string together a few hits throughout the game to score a total of four runs but it was not enough to take down the tough Chincoteague team. The Ponies recorded another victory with a final score of 14-4.

Emma Jackson led the Ponies on offense going 3-for-4 with a three-run home run in the first

inning and an in the park home run in the sixth. Alex McComb also had a successful day at the plate going 2-for-3.

Alex McComb earned the win in the circle, throwing a complete six-inning game. McComb allowed four runs on eight hits, striking out four and walking one.

Arcadia's offense was led by Savannah McDonald and Bella Williams, who each recorded multiple hits for the Firebirds. Sydney Jester took the loss allowing six hits and 10 runs, striking out four in four innings of work.

Chincoteague softball continues its undefeated season, extending its record to 8-0. The team competed again on Thursday afternoon against Nandua in Onley. Arcadia was scheduled to face the Northampton Yellow Jackets at home on Thursday.



Rocio Cruz strikes the ball for a goal early in the first half. Photo by Whitney Metz.

Yellow Jackets Girls Soccer Team Defeats Lady Firebirds

By Whitney Metz

The Lady Yellow Jackets varsity soccer team competed against Arcadia on Wednesday, April 27, in Oak Hall. Northampton came to play scoring six goals in the first half. The Lady Firebirds were unable to respond throughout the game. The Lady Yellow Jackets pulled away and took the 8-0 victory over the Firebirds.

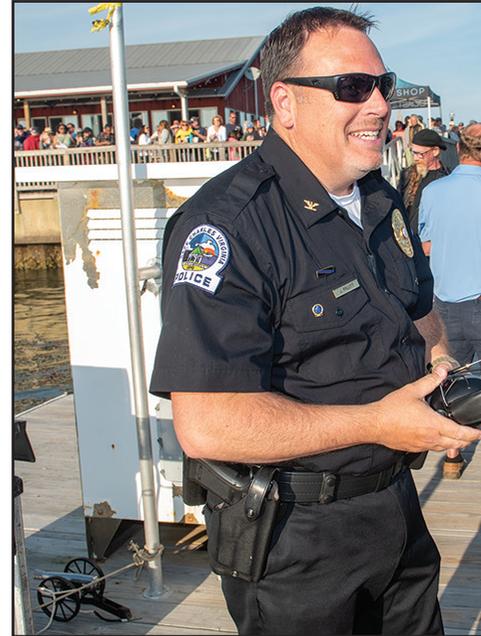
Senior Rocio Cruz had an impressive outing scoring six of Northampton's eight goals. Ryan Jones scored on a corner kick in the first half followed by another Yellow Jacket goal from Jacqueline Santos. Northampton's girls soccer team now holds a 6-2 record and will compete again on Friday against West Point. Arcadia will host its district rival, Nandua, on Monday, looking to earn its first district win.



Arcadia Firebirds Defeat Yellow Jackets

The Arcadia Firebirds boys varsity soccer team traveled to Eastville to face the Northampton Yellow Jackets Wednesday, April 27. The Firebirds won 2-1. Jason Fernandez scored the Yellow Jackets' single goal. Pictured above at left, an Arcadia player dribbles the ball across midfield. Adalberto Rodriguez, above right, dribbles the ball along the sideline. Photos by Adolphus Ames.

Annual Blessing of the Fleet Is Reminder of Watermen's Perilous Work



Top left: Cape Charles Mayor Smitty Dize, second from right, honors local watermen for their work. From left are Tim Wivell, of Cape Charles; Scott Wivell, of Cape Charles; Wayne Hudgins, of Matthews, Va.; Don Crockett, of Tangier Island; Mayor Dize; and Kenny Heath, of Cape Charles. Above left: Cape Charles Police Chief Jim Pruitt folds his hearing protectors after firing the small cannon in the bottom left corner of the photo. Above right: Ed Lewis, right, hugs his wife, Sandra, in front of the Virginia Waterman's Memorial. Lewis returned to his native Cape Charles from Chesapeake, Va., to solicit funds for the memorial.



Left middle: Members of Painter Flotilla 12-02 prepare for the Blessing of the Fleet in Cape Charles Friday. From left are Tricia Reduble and Ben Cavileer, both of Belle Haven; Seymour Bradley, of Cape Charles; and John Evans, of Cape Charles. Above: Members of Coast Guard Station Cape Charles present colors at the beginning of the Blessing of the Fleet ceremony. Far left: Celebrating after the ceremony are from left, Mark and Rosemary Riddle, Seyi Adegoroye, Deb Facciolli, and Pat and Joanne Bevins. All reside in Cape Charles. Left: Congresswoman Elaine Luria, chats with Jon Dempster, owner of the Shanty Restaurant and proponent of the Virginia Waterman's Memorial. Photos by Jim Ritch.



Church News

Cape Charles

Emmanuel Episcopal Church will have a potluck picnic Saturday, May 21, at 5 p.m., at the church. This will be a time to meet and greet in an inviting and inclusive environment. In the event of rain, the event will be rescheduled.

Bishop Susan Haynes will celebrate Holy Eucharist Sunday, June 26, at 9 a.m. She will also be doing confirmation of new members and reception of transferring members. If you want to be confirmed or received, talk with your parish priest.

Capeville

The Annual Bake & Bloom Fund-raiser will be Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Capeville United Methodist Church, 4410 Capeville Drive. A baked potato with toppings may be purchased in advance for \$5. Contact Patricia Scott at

757-331-1684 for more information. There will also be baked cookies, cakes, pies, flowers, shrubs, plants, local crafts and vendors, and a silent auction.

Onancock

The Orchestra of the Eastern Shore will perform its final concerts of this season Friday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m., at Historic Cokesbury Church. The second performance will be Sunday, May 15, at 4 p.m., at Hungars Episcopal Church in Bridgetown. The concert, entitled Classical Sensibility, will include: Boccherini's Symphony No. 1 in D major, Respighi's Balletto from Ancient Airs and Dances, Mendelssohn's String Sinfonia No. 2 in D Major, and Skoryk's Melody. The final piece will be Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23 in A major featuring Lee Jordan-Anders as soloist. Admission is free however donations are appreciated.

Onley

Onley United Methodist Church is holding a spring food sale Saturday, May 14, from 8 to 11 a.m. Sales will be by pre-order. Frozen casseroles, home-made salads and soups, and a wide variety of baked goods will be available. Call 757-787-3699, 757-710-8200, or email lynnsjim@verizon.net for a list of available items and to schedule a pick-up time. Orders will be accepted beginning on May 9.

Pungoteague

There will be a tent revival May 22 through June 5, at 7 p.m., at Pungoteague Community Church. The revival will include different speakers from the Delmarva Peninsula. Thursday evenings will be for the women, Friday nights for the youth.

The food pantry will be open Wednesday, May 11, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Adult Bible study will be Tuesdays,

at 6:30 p.m., in the Huether home.

Fellowship meals will follow after the 10:30 a.m. worship service every Sunday morning in the community fellowship hall.

Treherneville

New Mission United Methodist Church is hosting an overnight bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster, Pa., on May 20. Seats are still available. To reserve your seat, go to www.newmissionumc.org Contact Pastor Jay Cottman to reserve your seat today at Jaycottman@vaumc.org. A vaccination card is required. Those unvaccinated will be required to get a COVID-19 test that Monday prior to the trip and CDC guidelines will be followed.

Community Notes

Due to an increase in printing costs, the Eastern Shore Post will now offer one free community note for nonprofit organizations on the Shore. For more information, email angie@easternshorepost.com.

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Community Notes

SpringFest2022 in Onancock

SpringFest2022 will be Sunday, May 1, from 1 to 4 p.m., at Historic Onancock School on the lawn. This is an outdoor celebration to rekindle old friendships and meet new Onancock neighbors. There will be lots of family fun, bring your neighbors. Music is by DJ Johnny Mo. There will be three food trucks, a sno-cone vendor, bounce house, and disc golf. Bring your own beverages, chairs, and a blanket. This event is rain or shine.

Overeaters Anon.

The Overeaters Anonymous will meet every Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m., at Rock Church in Onley.

ALL Scholarship

The Academy for Lifetime Learning will award three \$1,500 scholarships to class of 2022 high school graduates. These scholarships were created to benefit Eastern Shore graduates who plan to continue their education at an accredited two-year college or university. The Betty Ross Nursing Scholarship is for a high school graduate who wishes to pursue either a two- or four-year RN nursing program. The other two are for students going into any field of study.

For requirements or to get the application, go to www.allesva.org.

For questions, call Mary Kay Mulligan at 757-787-4891.

Low Country Shrimp Boil

The Cape Charles Historical Society will host the Low Country Shrimp Boil Saturday, April 30, from 5 to 9 p.m., at the Cape Charles Museum. Dinner includes the shrimp boil, coleslaw, rolls, desserts, sweet tea, and soda. Local cold beer and wine will be available.

There will be live music, a silent auction, and a 50-50 raffle.

Tickets are \$50 and available in Cape Charles at Rayfield's Pharmacy or by credit card at the website www.CapeCharlesMuseum.org Sponsorships are welcome. Contact Dora at 757-695-0966 for more information.

Sonny Moore Car Show

The Tasley Vol. Fire Co., in conjunction with The Eastern Shore Cruisers car club, will host the Charles "Sonny" Moore Memorial Car, Truck, and Tractor Show. The event will be Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Four Corner Plaza in Onley. Food will be on sale, with entertainment provided. Registration is \$15 per car (\$10 for Eastern Shore Cruisers members), and registration will open at 9 a.m. the day of the event. For more information, call 757-787-7870.

Congressional Art Competition

Rep. Elaine Luria announced that her office will host its fourth annual Congressional Art Competition in Virginia's Second Congressional District. The competition is an annual nonpartisan competition for high school students.

Students from Virginia's Second Congressional District can submit artwork for the competition until Friday, April 29. A panel of three judges representing the Eastern Shore, the Peninsula, and the Southside will choose the winners. The winning submission will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol for a year, and regional winners' artwork will be displayed in Rep. Luria's district offices.

For more information, including rules, deadlines, and eligibility requirements, go to <https://luria.house.gov/services/congressional-art-competition>

Mother's Day Craft Show

The first ever Mother's Day Craft Vendor Event will be Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (with a special 9 to 10 a.m. opening for fathers and children to shop for mom), at Parksley Volunteer Fire Company, 18431 Dunne Ave. Admission is a donation to the fire company or a canned good for the foodbank. Concessions and baked goods will be available.

Young Leaders Scholarship

Eastern Shore Training And Consulting Inc. (ESTACI) invites graduating seniors from Northampton and Accomack counties who are planning vocational or college career paths, who may not fit the requirements of traditional scholarship programs, and who would otherwise not be financially able to pursue their career dreams due to the impacts of racism, sexism, or poverty to apply for ESTACI's \$2,500 Young Leaders Scholarships, available through guidance counselors or ESTACI. Completed applications must be mailed by Saturday, May 14, to ESTACI, 3100 Main St., Exmore, VA 23350. For further information, contact Gerald or Polly Boyd at 757-656-3460.

Pocomoke Library

Story Time: Manners will be Tuesday, May 3, at 10:30 a.m., at the Pocomoke Library, Pocomoke City, Md., (ages 2 to 5).

Pocomoke Book of the Month club will meet to discuss "Good Omens" by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett Thursday, May 5, at 2 p.m., at the library.

Science and Philosophy Seminar

The Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore of Virginia will hold a seminar, "Human Sexuality 101," Friday, April 29, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., in Room 113 of the Academic Building of Eastern Shore Community College,

29300 Lankford Highway, Melfa.

Art Fournier will discuss everything you wanted to know about human sexuality, but were afraid to ask.

Prior to returning to the Shore, Fournier taught family medicine and internal medicine at the University of Miami.

Drug Take-Back

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency encourages the proper and safe disposal of unused and expired prescription medications as one method of combating medication misuse, overdoses, and overdose deaths.

Riverside on the Eastern Shore is partnering with Walgreens and local law enforcement to host a collection site Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Riverside Onancock campus, on the DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

Community members can hand over prescription medications in a secure drive-through event at Riverside and be assured of safe disposal. Riverside cannot accept liquids, needles, or sharps, only pills or patches. Signage on the campus will direct participants where to go. In case of inclement weather, the event will be moved indoors. Weather-related updates will be posted on the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/riversideshorememorial

Al-Anon Meeting

The Al-Anon meeting will take place every Wednesday, at 7 p.m., at Franktown United Methodist Church, 7551 Bayside Road.

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Students Represent the Shore at Model General Assembly

Students from Nandua High School, Broadwater Academy, and Arcadia High School attended Model General Assembly in Richmond April 7 through April 9. Lindsey Smith, from Broadwater Academy, served as Youth Governor at this year's conference. The Eastern Shore was well-represented, as students from all three schools presented bills, served as appointed officers, and elected officials.

MILE POSTS

Marriages
Births
Awards



Marriage Licenses Issued

- Veronica Tenika Matthews-Rich, 45, and Thomas Randolph Edwards, 53, both of Coram, N.Y.
- Pamala Marie Hodge, 33, and Michael Allen Ledford Jr., 35, both of Johnson City, Tenn.
- Kierston Noel Burkins, 28, and Evan Christopher Sikalis, 22, both of Middle River, Md.
- Sylvia Lynn Pruitt, 53, and Marvin Carroll Bundick, 48, both of Onancock
- Bonny Lee Duckworth, 38, of Rocky Hill, N.J., and Brian Sherwood Thompson, 64, of Pen Argyl, Pa.
- Katherine Davis Quinn, 22, of Salem, Va., and Joseph Travis Thornton Jr., 23, of Chincoteague
- Faith Justice Milliner, 48, and Bernard Ray Hastings Jr., 55, both of Parksley
- Danielle Lucinda Harmon, 47, of Painter, and Tracey Lee Crosby, 52, of New Church
- Roshonda Denise Nock, 45, and Alvin Lee Reid, 47, both of Painter
- Maria Morales Jorge, 32, and Diego Ajanel Pol, 36, both of Nelsonia
- Shana Leeann Simpkins, 32, and Quintin Alan Mems, 30, both of Katy, Texas
- Patricia Josefina Bamaca Gamboa, 41, and Pedro Juan Hernandez Saquic, 24, both of Bloxom
- Dy'Zhana Marie Johnson, 22, and Breonte Markese Stewart, 28, both of Onancock
- Miah Jhna'e Thomas, 19, of Withams, and Derion Lamont Reid, 26, of Melfa
- Vanessa Sudendorf, 29, of New Church, and Spencer Hamilton Fritts, 25, of Hebron, Md.
- Alexa Sabrina Everett, 25, and Jesse Daniel Boyer, 26, both of Palmerton, Pa.

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Announcements



Linda Mae (Taylor) Rivera

May 2, 1948 ~ April 30, 2021

Wishing you a Happy Birthday in Heaven, Grandma! You will always be in our hearts. You are missed & loved more than words can say.

Love always,
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Happy 100th Birthday Granny Lois Webb

We love you.

Love,

Lisa, Cal, David, and April



THANK YOU

The family of Robert "Bob" Barnes Sr. would like to thank family, friends, and neighbors for their outpouring of love during the time of his passing.

Everyone has been so kind with their cards, food, visits, flowers, and phone calls.

The family will forever be grateful and couldn't have gotten through this without everyone's help and support.

A special thanks goes out to the Saxis Vol. Fire Company and the special people involved in preparing all of the food. We would also like to thank the staff at the Riverside Memorial Hospital and the Riverside Hospice.

We are forever grateful.

Sincerely,
Peggy Barnes & Family

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Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

Job will require shift work, nights, weekends and some holidays.

Qualifications: over the age of 21 and have high school diploma or GED.

Benefits include: VRS Retirement, Annual Leave, Sick leave, Paid Holidays, and Health Insurance

Applications may be obtained from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or online at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings
Open until filled.

Apply in person at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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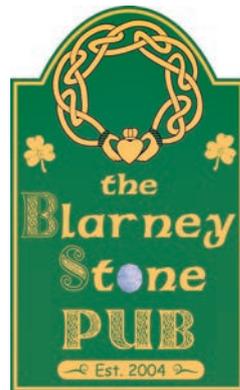
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DEPUTY CLERK - Accomack Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court. For details, visit www.vacourts.gov and click "Employment Opportunities" on the right hand side.

CARPENTER - RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

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ACCOMACK COUNTY Virginia

Victim Witness Advocate Assistant P/T position Open Until Filled Rate: \$ 15.00 hourly

The County of Accomack is seeking applications for the part-time position of Victim Witness Advocate.

Description: The position, under the supervision of the Victim Witness Assistance Program Director, is responsible for providing comprehensive information and direct services to crime victims and witnesses in accordance with the Crime Victim and Witness Rights Act and any other applicable victims' rights related laws. This is a grant funded position, and therefore, is contingent upon the availability and continuance of funding from year to year. *Applicants must be able to work different scheduled hours and days that may vary weekly.*

Required Qualifications: A high school diploma or GED is required; a valid Driver's License, satisfactory completion of a background check and drug screening prior to employment. **Preferred Qualifications:** College level course work in criminal justice or human services field and experience in dealing with sensitive and confidential information. Knowledge of the criminal justice process is beneficial.

A job description and application instructions can be obtained from the County's website: <http://www.co.accomack.va.us/residents/job-opportunities>. **First consideration will be given to applications received prior to 4:30 p.m. on May 12, 2022.**

The County of Accomack is committed to an inclusive and diverse workforce.

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

\$1000 Sign-on bonus – Developmental Disabilities Aide (\$13.00/hour- \$2.50/hour-night & weekend differential)

\$1000 Sign-on bonus – Part-time Driver
\$1000 Sign-on bonus – Certified Medical Assistant

Developmental Services Case Manager
Peer Recovery Specialist
Coordinator of Substance Abuse Outpatient Services

Coordinator of Mental Health/Substance Abuse Outpatient Services
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Eastern Shore Rural Health System, Inc. is seeking an Executive Administrative Assistant

The Executive Administrative Assistant is responsible for managing the schedules and communications of the Chief Executive Officer and provides administrative support to the CEO and Board of Directors.

Qualifications/Job Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree
- 5 years proven experience as an Executive Administrative Assistant, Senior Executive Assistant, or in other administrative/secretarial position
- Computer proficiency, including excellent knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Exemplary planning and time management skills
- Up-to-date with advancements in office gadgets and applications
- Ability to multitask and prioritize daily workload
- High level verbal and written communication skills
- Discretion and confidentiality
- Individual must be mature, professional, self-motivated and demonstrate strong attention to detail, communication, teamwork, and customer service
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For more information and to apply, visit Careers at: www.esrh.org
Deadline to apply for this position: May 6, 2022

Eastern Shore Rural Health offers a competitive benefits package and our campuses are Tobacco-Free Workplaces. EOE/M/F/Disability/Vet

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Accomack County Social Services- Local (765-01) Office Associate II (Accomack)

Position # 1096233

Hiring Range - \$23,343 (May be higher depending on qualifications and budgetary considerations.)

For detailed job information and to apply, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov>. Accepts only online applications; Open Until Filled.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Part- and Full-time Communications Officer

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for a part- and full-time Communications Officer. Job does require shift work, nights, weekends, and some holidays.

Qualifications: over the age of 18 and have obtained high school diploma or GED

Applications may be obtained from Northampton County Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or County's website at https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings Open until filled. EOE

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Northampton County is accepting applications for a qualified, full-time Zoning Administrator position. Salary range is \$49,295-\$79,709, salary is negotiable depending on qualifications and/or experience, plus excellent benefits. The essential function of the position is to enforce zoning/subdivision ordinances and is responsible for knowledge and enforcement of County zoning ordinances, related inspections, and preparing reports. The position works under general supervision.

Other duties include:

- Conducts inspections for compliance with County zoning ordinances; resolves non-compliance issues.
- Serves as Subdivision Agent.
- Accepts and reviews application for zoning permits.
- Issues plan approval and permits specific to the codes and programs the Zoning Administrator administers.
- Provides suggested input to Director for updating applications for the programs and codes that the Zoning Administrator administers.

Candidates must have excellent communication and organizational skills, be self-motivated, have ability to work with a team environment. This position requires a Bachelor's degree in public administration or a closely related field. It also requires valid Virginia Driver's License and a Virginia Association of Zoning Officials' certification.

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources. Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, P.O. BOX 66, Eastville, VA 23347. Position is until filled. Northampton County is an EOE.

To review the full job description please see website https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings.

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- School Psychologist
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- Speech Pathologist
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- Tutor

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Inquiries may be directed to:
Melinda Phillips - Director of Administrative Services
(757) 678-5151 ext. 2101 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.

Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting employment applications for:

Certified Law Enforcement 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.

Applications may be obtained from the Northampton County Sheriff's Office located at 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or the county's website https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings

Open until filled.

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Code Compliance and Building Inspector

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Building and Code Compliance Inspector. The essential function of this position is to perform building inspections and enforce ordinances for abandoned cars, grass complaints, dangerous structures, and solid waste. Provides customer service and clerical duties.

Requires high school diploma or GED, supplemented by one year of experience in building construction. Experience as a building inspector or property maintenance inspector is desired.

Requires valid Virginia Driver's License.

Excellent communication skills are essential. The minimum salary for this position is \$33,157 plus benefits.

Please submit completed County application form with cover letter to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347. Position is open until filled. Northampton County is an EOE. To review the full job description please see website.

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Home Health Aide

Responsibilities: Provide health care services in patient's residence; perform household tasks; transport and accompany patients to doctors office or to hospital; assist with personal care activities. Must have working experience as home health aide; familiarity with personal hygiene standards; proficiency in English; caring and compassionate personality; valid driver's license. Background check required. Full-time or part-time. Contract pay: \$11.81 per hour. Schedule: Day shifts – holidays, Monday to Friday, 8am to 3pm // Night shifts – 3 to 4 hours // Weekend shifts – Saturday and Sunday, 8am to 12pm.

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Scan the QR code and enter the 5-digit code listed above or Apply online at FoodLion.com or send email to Frank.Mandaro@foodlion.com

Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Director of Center Operations

The Town of Chincoteague is accepting applications for a highly motivated, experienced full-time Civic Center Director. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and/or experience, with excellent benefits. The essential function of the position is to plan, direct, and coordinate the activities of the Chincoteague Civic Center. The position works under the direct supervision of the Town Manager. Other duties include; Prepare and manage Center budgets; Schedule and coordinate center events; Promote the Center at local and regional events; Provide marketing expertise to promote the Center as a venue; Meet with potential clients; Provide technical and administrative support as required; Manage assigned personnel; Attend committee and council meetings as required. Candidates must have excellent communication and organizational skills, have an outgoing personality, be self-motivated, and have ability to work in a team environment. This position requires a bachelor's degree in Marketing, Business Administration, Public Relations, Hospitality, or a closely related field, or comparable work experience. It also requires a valid Virginia driver's license. Completed application form and cover letter must be submitted to the Town Manager, Town of Chincoteague, 6150 Community Dr., Chincoteague, Va. 23336. Applications must be received by June 1, 2022. The Town of Chincoteague is an EOE. To review the full job description please see the website www.chincoteague-va.gov.

Public Works Director

The Town of Chincoteague is accepting applications for a qualified, experienced full-time Public Works Director. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and/or experience, with excellent benefits. The essential function of the position is to plan, direct, and coordinate all public works activities including road maintenance, storm drainage, equipment maintenance, solid waste collection and disposal, water supply, and distribution systems. The position works under the direct supervision of the Town Manager. Other duties include: Prepare and manage departmental budgets; Prepare and implement the Town's capital improvement plan; Prepare bid packages for construction and support service contracts; Provide technical and administrative support as required; Manage assigned personnel; Attend committee and council meetings as required. Candidates must have excellent communication and organizational skills, be self-motivated, and have ability to work in a team environment. This position requires a bachelor's degree in engineering, construction management, public administration, or a closely related field, or comparable work experience. It also requires a valid Virginia Driver's License. Completed application form and cover letter must be submitted to The Town Manager, Town of Chincoteague, 6150 Community Dr., Chincoteague, Va. 23336. Applications must be received by June 1, 2022. The Town of Chincoteague is an EOE. To review the full job description please see the website www.chincoteague-va.gov.



Children's Harbor Eastern Shore is Hiring!

Since 1911, Children's Harbor has been a leader in the early care and education industry. We are excited

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To apply, email a resume and a brief description of your experience as it relates to the openings directly: humanresources@childrensharbor.cc

NCPR Summer Camp Counselors

Northampton County Parks and Recreation is seeking 2022 summer camp counselors. Under the supervision and guidance of the Northampton County Parks and Recreation Department Director, the Summer Camp Counselor is responsible for creating a high quality experience for every camper. Ensure the safety, well-being and personal growth of campers. Be an active and supportive member of the Summer Camp team and a positive member of the entire staff. Summer Camp counselors must demonstrate positive, professional role modeling at all times, acting in a manner that is consistent with the staff code of conduct and the philosophy, goals, and objectives of the Northampton County Parks and Recreation Department.

Northampton County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. ADA requires the County to provide adequate accommodations to qualified persons with disabilities. Prospective and current employees are encouraged to discuss ADA accommodations with management. An application can be obtained thru the Human Resources office or by clicking the link (https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings).

Completed application form and cover letter can be submitted to Human Resources, P.O. BOX 66, Eastville, Va 23347 no later than Friday, May 20, 2022.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
Tax Map Nos. 0106A-04-00-00000A2
and 0106A-04-00-00000A4,
Northampton County, Virginia

WHEREAS, to secure certain indebtedness in the original principal amount of \$100,000.00 ("Indebtedness"), See Holdings, LLC ("Grantor"), by a deed of trust dated May 8, 2006, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Northampton County, Virginia ("Clerk's Office"), as Instrument No. 060001454 ("Deed of Trust"), conveyed unto Robert J. Bloxom and Dottie L. Williams ("Original Trustees"), in trust, certain real property described therein, briefly identified as follows (the "Property"): (1) Tax Map No. 0106A-04-00-00000A2, consisting of approximately 37 acres between Seaside Road and Hortense Lane, sometimes referred to as "Tract A2"; and (2) Tax Map No. 0106A-04-00-00000A4, consisting of approximately 1.5 acre, bounded in part by Tract A2 on the south and by Seaside Road on the west. Interested parties should refer to the Deed of Trust for a more particular description of the Property and of the Indebtedness;

WHEREAS, by a Substitution of Trustees dated April 14, 2022, recorded in the Clerk's Office as Instrument No. 220001087, the holder of the Indebtedness ("Holder") appointed Trevor B. Reid and Stephen E. Scarce, either of whom may act alone, as Substitute Trustees ("Substitute Trustees"), in the place and stead of the Original Trustees and all previously appointed substitute trustees;

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the Indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, the Holder has instructed the Substitute Trustees to sell the Property;

NOW, THEREFORE, in execution of the Deed of Trust, the Substitute Trustees, in accordance with the provisions of the Deed of Trust and after having given all required notices, including fourteen (14) days' notice to the owner of the Property of the date, time, place, and terms of the sale, will offer the Property for sale to the highest bidder, at public auction, at the front entrance of the Northampton County Circuit Court, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, Virginia 23347, on May 12, 2022, at 12:30 p.m. local time. TERMS OF SALE: CASH. A deposit of ten percent (10%) of the bid, cash or certified check may be required at the time of sale with settlement within fifteen (15) days from the date of sale. The sale will be expressly subject to all easements, restrictions, and liens, including mechanics' liens whether filed or unfilled, which may lawfully affect the Property or be superior to the lien of the Deed of Trust. Conveyance shall be with special warranty. Purchaser shall assume any unpaid real estate taxes for the current year from the date of sale. The Property will be sold in bulk, in "AS IS" condition. Neither the Substitute Trustees nor the Holder will deliver possession of the Property to the successful bidder. The Substitute Trustees reserve the right to withdraw the Property from sale at any time prior to the termination of bidding, and to keep the bidding open for any length of time. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Pursuant to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, we advise you that this firm is a debt collector, that this is an attempt to collect a debt, and that any information obtained will be used for that purpose. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Trevor B. Reid and/or Stephen E. Scarce, Substitute Trustees, 6802 Paragon Place, Suite 205, Richmond, Virginia, 23230, (804) 262-3600. Publication dates: 4/29/2022; 5/6/2022.

Notice of Taking Proof of Debts and Demands of the Estate of Frederick Donald Matthews

At the request of Barbara L. Matthews, Frederick Thomas Matthews, David L. Matthews and Ronnie Wayne Matthews, Executors of the estate of Frederick Donald Matthews, I have fixed Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. as the time, and the office of Custis, Dix, Lewis & Custis, L.L.P., 23345 Counsel Drive, Accomack, VA 23301, as the place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the said decedent or his estate.
Given under my hand this 22nd day of April, 2022.

Henry P. Custis, Jr.
Commissioner of Accounts
of the Circuit Court of
Accomack County, Virginia

Notice of Taking Proof of Debts and Demands of the Estate of Ralph L. Godwin

At the request of Rodney L. Godwin, Executor of the estate of Ralph L. Godwin, also known as Ralph Leon Godwin, I have fixed Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. as the time, and the office of Custis, Dix, Lewis & Custis, L.L.P., 23345 Counsel Drive, Accomack, VA 23301, as the place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the said decedent or his estate.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Northampton County Wetlands Board will meet on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 9:10 a.m., in the Board Chambers located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA, for the purpose of considering the following wetlands/coastal primary sand dunes matter under public hearing and to conduct regular business. A site visit to the property was previously conducted.

VMRC 2022-0680: Thomas Waller, Jr. is applying for an after-the-fact permit for work done to repair an existing bulkhead and groin structure, and extension of the south groin by approximately 40 feet to prevent the existing structure from failing and blocking the drainage ditch currently preventing flooding in the Battle Point area. Additionally, approximately 10 TN of Armor Stone will be placed at the existing South revetment/bulkhead connection to prevent overtopping in storm events. The Armor Stone will be Class III Armor Stone placed on the existing revetment stone. The property is located at 4124 Battle Point Road, Jamesville, VA, and is further described as Tax Map 7-A-24A, along the shoreline of the Chesapeake Bay.

Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the scheduled public hearing. The applications may be viewed in the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office located at 16404 Courthouse Road in Eastville, VA. Written comments can be submitted to the Planning, Permitting, and Enforcement Office, P.O. Box 538, Eastville, VA 23347.

Handicapped Assistance Available: Please call (757) 678-0440 extension 516 at least 48 hours in advance.

*Marshall Cox, Chairman
Wetlands Board*

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 10, 2022, in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, to receive public comment on the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, 'NORTHAMPTON COUNTY CIGARETTE TAX ORDINANCE'"

The purpose of this ordinance is to exclude the Town of Eastville from imposition of the tax as the Town already levies a cigarette tax within its jurisdiction.

The proposed ordinance is available for review at the County Administrator's office, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, during normal business hours. Anyone interested in the above matter should attend the public hearing to express their views.

HANDICAPPED ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE: Call 757/678-0440

Charles Kolakowski, County Administrator

PUBLIC NOTICE

Eastern Shore Public Library's 2022-2027 Strategic Plan is available to view at www.espl.org or within the library. Public comment can be submitted until May 27, 2022.

**Invitation to Bid
County of Northampton, Virginia**

**Asphalt Pavement Enhancements
at Various County Facilities**

The County of Northampton, Virginia is accepting sealed bids for asphalt paving work at various facilities, including the paving of an existing stone parking lot at the EMS facility located at 13294 Lankford Highway, Machipongo, VA and the paving of an auxiliary parking lot at the County Courthouse located at 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA. Bids may be mailed or hand delivered and will be received at the office of the County Administrator, 16404 Courthouse Road, PO Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 until 3:00 PM, Thursday May 5, 2022. All bids will be time stamped upon arrival. **Faxed or emailed proposals are not acceptable.** Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. Bids received after the assigned time will not be accepted and returned to the bidder unopened.

Contractors can obtain copies of the complete bid documents from:

Chris Thomas, Director of Public Works
Northampton County
16404 Courthouse Road
PO Box 66
Eastville, VA. 23347
Phone: (757) 678 - 3377
Email: cthomas@co.northampton.va.us

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bidding.

All bidders are subject to and must comply with the provisions of Northampton County's Equal Employment Opportunity Policy and applicable State and Federal anti-discrimination laws.

Notice of Taking Proof of Debts and Demands of the Estate of Albert W. Parker

At the request of Linda Pruitt, a/k/a Linda Hundley Pruitt, Mary Beth Phillips, and Diane King a/k/a Diane Hundley King, Executors of the estate of Albert W. Parker a/k/a Albert Wayne Parker, I have fixed Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. as the time, and the office of Custis, Dix, Lewis & Custis, L.L.P., 23345 Counsel Drive, Accomack, VA 23301, as the place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the said decedent or his estate. Given under my hand this 22nd day of April, 2022.

Henry P. Custis, Jr.
Commissioner of Accounts
of the Circuit Court of
Accomack County, Virginia

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022, AT 6:30 p.m., AT METOMPkin ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETORIUM, 24501 PARKSLEY ROAD, PARKSLEY, VIRGINIA, TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

A. REZ-000218-2021: CCG Note LLC - Tax Map # 5-A-1

A public hearing on a request from CCG Note LLC to conditionally rezone 24.41 acres of land from Residential to Village Development. The property is parcel number 5-A-1 located at 37332 State Line Road, Greenbackville, VA, and is currently zoned Residential. The conditional rezoning application is being sought to construct a 140 townhome mixed use development with future commercial development.

B. CUSE-000219-2021: CCG Note LLC - Tax Map # 5-A-1

A public hearing on a request from CCG Note LLC for a Conditional Use Permit pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-534(12) for construction of a 140 Townhome and Commercial Mixed Use Development on parcel number 5-A-1 located at 37332 State Line Road, Greenbackville, VA.

C. Amendment to the Enterprise Zone Boundaries

A proposed boundary amendment to the Accomack County Enterprise Zone to add the following Tax Parcels: 56-2-4A & 41-A-144. The Enterprise Zone designation does not change the zoning of the property; the designation may allow business capital improvements or job creation to qualify for Enterprise Zone benefits.

Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Accomack County Planning Department, 23296 Courthouse Avenue - Room 105 - Accomack, Virginia and on the County's website at <http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public> on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

Handicapped Assistance available, call: (757) 787-5726 or 824-5223

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**

Case No. 22CL000275-00
Accomack County Circuit Court, P.O. Box 126,
23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301

MACI ALEXIS SMITH
v. CHRISTOPHER LANE FARLOW, SR.
The object of this suit is:
NAME CHANGE FOR
CHRISTOPHER LANE FARLOW, JR.

It is ORDERED that CHRISTOPHER LANE FARLOW, SR. appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before JUNE 22, 2022.

April 25, 2022
Caretta S. Duncan, Dep. Clerk

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Northampton, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at the Northampton County Circuit Courthouse, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347, at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

PARCEL 1: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
MAP NO. 010A1-12-BLK-00 000000A

All that parcel of land in Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 34 on a plat recorded as Instrument Number 060002205.

LESS AND EXCEPT a conveyance recorded as Instrument Number 060002538.

PARCEL 2: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs PHILLIP BOOKER
MAP NO. 00091B-04-BLK-00 000008C

All that parcel of land at Fairview, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, being 96 ft by 105 ft, bounded North by an outlet road; East by Harold Dixon et als; South by Arthur Lee Perry; West by Elijah Dixon.

PARCEL 3: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CHRYSTAL ENTERPRISES, LLC
MAP NO. 00058-0A-BLK-00 0000031

All that parcel of land at Kendall Grove, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 0.51 acre, more or less, shown on a plat of survey recorded in Deed Book 145, page 113.

PARCEL 4: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs JOANNE ECKERT
MAP NO. 0058D-02-BLK-00 00000E2

All that parcel of land near Eastville Station, Eastville District, Northampton County, Virginia and being Parcel E-2 on a plat recorded in Plat Book 34, at page 59.

PARCEL 5: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs ROBERT FORTT
MAP NO. 010A3-05-BLK-00 0000008
4067 STONE LANE

All that parcel of land near Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, known

as Lot Numbers 8, 9, and 10, on a plat recorded with a deed in Deed Book 105, page 280.

PARCEL 6: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs RUTH E. GARCIA
MAP NO. 00009-0A-BLK-00-0000092

All that parcel of land near Hadlock, Northampton County, Virginia, being 0.25 acre, more or less, fronting 17.5 yards on the T. B. Crossroad and runs back between parallel lines 70 yards, bounded North by the T. B. Crossroad; East by David Johnson; South by Geo. L. Francis, deceased; West by Lou Clifford.

PARCEL 7: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs VARGHA HADDADZADEH
MAP NO. 0009B-05-BLK-00 0000001

All that parcel of land near Wardtown, Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 1, Pine Meadows, as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 19, at pages 20 and 21.

PARCEL 8: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs VARGHA HADDADZADEH
MAP NO. 012D2-02-BLK-00 0000K21

All that parcel of land near Jamesville, Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot K-21, Peaceful Meadows, Section Two, shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 27, at page 12.

PARCEL 9: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs AARON HALLETT
MAP NO. 00112-0A-BLK-00-0000006

All that parcel of land near Townsend, Northampton County, Virginia, being 7.25 acres, more or less, bounded North by the heirs of Samuel Abbott; East by Claude Whitehead; South and West by Mrs. Ella Whitehead.

PARCEL 10: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs MARK W. HANCOCK
MAP NO. 00009-0A-BLK-00 0000078
10338 TB ROAD

All that parcel of land near Hadlock, Northampton County, Virginia, bounded North by VA Route 607; East by Mary Baines; South and West by Armecia Frances, deceased, said lot fronts 70 ft. on VA Route 607 and runs back between parallel lines 188 ft.

PARCEL 11: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000A1

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel A1 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 12: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000A2

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel A2 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 13: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000B1

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel B1 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 14: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CARL R. HARRIS
MAP NO. 0018D-01-BLK-00 00000B2

All that parcel of land in Franktown District, Northampton County, Virginia, shown as Parcel B2 on a plat of survey recorded in Plat Book 16, at page 24.

PARCEL 15: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs ZACK JOHNSON
MAP NO. 00008-0A-BLK-00 0000025

All that parcel of land in Occohannock Neck, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, bounded North by the County road from Wardtown to Jamesville; East by J. C. Ashby; South by J. C. Ashby; West by Ollie B. Savage.

PARCEL 16: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs SHELIA MCCAIN
MAP NO. 0040B-09-BLK-00 0000108
11329 PARALLEL ROAD

All that parcel of land near Machipongo, Northampton County, Virginia, containing 1.00 acre, more or less, bounded Northeast and East by Margaret B. Dunton; Southwest by Mrs. Margaret C. Wilkins; Northwest by a roadway separating said land from the right of way of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; fronting

90 ft. on said roadway, and extending back between parallel lines 480 ft.; being a part of Lot 42 on a recorded in Deed Book 63, page 422.

PARCEL 17: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs NOBLES INVESTMENT, LLC
MAP NO. 00841-02-BLK-00 0000108

All that parcel of land near Cape Charles, Capeville District, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 108, King's Creek Landing, Phase III, shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 33, pages 9-19.

PARCEL 18: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CATHERINE PRESHIA
MAP NO. 0015D-05-BLK-00 0000014

All that parcel of land near Hadlock, Northampton County, Virginia, situate on U. S. Route 13, between Exmore and Nassawadox, being Lot No. 14, "Woodville", on a plat recorded in Plat Book 10, at page 38.

PARCEL 19: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs SHORE RESORT PROPERTIES, LLC
MAP NO. 00090-04-BLK-00 0000075

All that parcel of land in the Town of Cape Charles, Northampton County, Virginia, being Lot 75, BAY CREEK AT CAPE CHARLES, PHASE I, recorded in Map Book 28, pages 49-63.

PARCEL 20: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CLEMENT A. SMITH
MAP NO. 010A1-0A-BLK-00 0000059

All that parcel of land in the Town of Exmore, Northampton County, Virginia, being 52' x 210', more or less, Willis Wharf, Virginia.

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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
 COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
 CIVIL CASE NO. 21-771

vs.

RANIA M. BLAKE, et al.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that tract of land in the County of
 Accomack, Virginia, being 1,560 square yards, more
 or less, and designated as tax map number
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standing in the names of Rania M. Blake and Aldora M.
 Moore, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code
 of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that Rania M.
 Blake is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose
 last known post office address is 251 South 27th Street,
 Camden, NJ 08105; that Aldora M. Moore is a nonresi-
 dent of the state of Virginia, whose last known post
 office address is 1160 Landsdale Avenue, Camden, NJ
 08104; that due diligence has been used to ascertain
 the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and
 successors in title of Lacy B. Downing; that there are
 or may be other persons having an interest in the real
 estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose
 names and last post office addresses are unknown,
 namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in
 title of Lacy B. Downing; that Greg O'Bier is a nonresi-
 dent of the state of Virginia, whose last known post
 office address is P.O. Box 11, Frankfort, DE 19945.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a
 week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post
 and that the parties named herein appear on or before
 May 13, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., in the Clerk's Office of the
 Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and
 do what may be necessary to protect their interests in
 this suit.

ENTER: This 13th day of April, 2022
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I ask for this:
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1. Town Hall Meeting - ARPA Funds

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors invites its
 citizens to attend a Town Hall meeting at 6:00 p.m. on
 Wednesday, May 5, 2022, to afford interest persons the
 opportunity to provide input on possible uses of the sec-
 ond round of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of
 2021 Funds.

2. Public Hearing: Proposed Cigarette Tax Ordinances

Public Hearing to solicit input and afford interested per-
 sons the opportunity to provide input on an ordinance
 amending Chapter 82 of the Accomack County Code,
 adding Article IX thereto, imposing a "Cigarette Tax" in
 Accomack County, except within the corporate limits of
 those towns within the County that adopt a cigarette tax.

3. Public Hearing: Consider Joining the Chesapeake Bay Region Cigarette Tax Board (CBRCTB)

Public Hearing to solicit input and afford interested
 persons the opportunity to provide input on the County
 joining the Chesapeake Bay Region Cigarette Tax Board
 (CBRCTB) to administer and enforce the Proposed Ciga-
 rette Tax Ordinance, Chapter 82, Article IX, if adopted by
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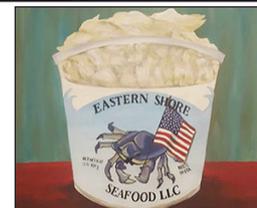
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Post Office Mail

Council Member Responds to Hoop Removal Letter

Dear Editor:

Last edition of the Post had a letter to the editor from a Rich Puchalski concerning the basketball hoops at the tennis courts in Wachapreague. This is a response to that letter.

It took three years of discussions for the Town Council to vote to take the hoops down. It was a very, very difficult decision. It was not made frivolously.

Let us acknowledge that the best of intentions was the driving force when, in April 2019, a town resident donated the posts and basketball hoops to the town for placement on an existing tennis court. It seemed like a nice idea for the general community. We appreciate this concept of goodwill.

It is important for people to understand how this began.

One Town Council person, on April 9, 2019, suggested the modification of the tennis court into a basketball court. There was no discussion of the impact for the residents in the immediate vicinity. Town Council did not have a public hearing prior to the modification. There was no vote. Town Council just said "OK."

The legal, proper procedure would have been to forward the potential modification of town property to the planning commission for review and suggestions.

Unfortunately, the creation of an ad hoc basketball court in a residential neighborhood, next door to homes of tax-paying residents, has led to unexpected negative consequences for the

residents who live in the immediate vicinity.

The basketball hoops have attracted the attention of 8 to 15 adult players per game. Trash is left all over the court area and on the grass outside the court. There is excessive speeding in and out of town, playing loud music, prolific use of foul language, and open use of illegal substances. During the summer and fall months, this behavior can occur four to five afternoons a week from 4 p.m. until dusk. These violations have been ongoing for over three years, without a fair resolution for everybody involved.

Finally, and regretfully, a motion was made to remove the hoops and it passed 4 to 2.

The Town Council needs to forward this matter to the planning commission for its assessment of appropriate placement of a basketball court in Wachapreague. A public hearing can be held for all residents.

If town residents wish to have a full basketball court, a plan needs to be developed by those interested and submit it to the planning commission which can hold a public hearing for all residents to have a voice in the process.

**Margo Digan, Wachapreague
Town Council Member**

Accomac School Worthy of Saving

Dear Editor:

First of all, it was reported that the cost to renovate Accomac School would be only slightly more than destroying it and building a metal and brick structure. Thus, the beginning of our effort to save this building.

Second, who was responsible for preventing the deterioration of such a well-built structure? Evidently nobody since it is reported to be in such bad shape. Gee, no one to assume guilt. How convenient.

Third, according to a Post article, "building would be stripped down and filled with 21st century infrastructure." That's expected. Just save the facade. It's still beautiful.

Fourth, as I write this, we are still having fundraisers for the grocery store, so historic that it will eventually be our regional library. I do support that effort. It will be wonderful. But can't we salvage a part of history that educated our future leaders and didn't sell even one can of peas or a box of cornflakes?

Please, I beg the Accomack County School Board and the Board of Supervisors to at least try very hard to protect our school. After all, that's where I learned to read the Post and write this letter.

**Barbara Haynes, Nassawadox
Former Accomac School student**

Dialogue Needed About Future of Accomac School

Dear Editor:

The April 19 school board meeting failed to address several questions that those of us who support preservation and restoration came to ask.

The only "conversation" was between school board member Paul Bull, demolition proponent, and Donald Booth, of DJG engineering and planning firm, of Williamsburg. The two men mentioned or suggested every negative and cost-

ly aspect of saving what I consider a historic and beautiful building. Many of those who came to the meeting had questions to ask. We were allowed 3 minutes each to express our opinions, but there was no back-and-forth conversation.

In the last 20-25 years, I have visited and been in the school and the adjacent Bayly Memorial Hall, circa 1870, four times. During each visit, I observed damage and disregard for the interiors of both building by enormous amounts of "traveling" storage, in some cases piled high to the ceilings. It also appeared that Bayly Memorial Hall was being used for various maintenance issues elsewhere. If the school board/maintenance department does indeed own these buildings and property, then isn't it fair to say that they also own the damage done to the interiors of these buildings — and also the surrounding 7-acre property?

Inflation is at a 40-year high with recession expected to soon follow. Some economists have said the recession is already upon us. There is also the possibility that the United States could be dragged into another lengthy war. How can Accomack County afford spending \$5-\$7 million on another building?

The Accomac library, which soon will be empty, is certainly a viable and friendly option to the needs of the Accomack County School Board and Administration. Of course, it is not new and shiny, but it does have a traditional presence and sits on an attractively landscaped lot.

Save our school and preserve and respect our history.

**Christopher Newman, vice mayor,
Accomac**

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