By Parks Nunnally

On Thursday, Aug. 2, the Wallops Flight Facility hosted a downlink that enabled a 20-minute Q&A session with the current commander of the International Space Station, Andrew Feustel. Virginia Space Coast Scholars, Virginia Space Flight Academy students, and NASA summer interns were invited to submit questions to the commander, and through a stringent process that involved approval from both the Wallops Flight Facility and the International Space Station, 26 questions were selected. The selected scholars and interns lined up to ask Feustel their questions.

Students asked Feustel questions related to the effects of microgravity on the human body, conserving resources on the space station, and how spending time in space has impacted his perspective of life on earth.

The goals of the NASA intern program, the Virginia Space Coast Scholars program, and the Virginia Space Flight Academy is to expose students to real projects, real science, and the variety of career paths they could pursue by working for NASA.

Joyce Winterton, assistant associate of education for NASA, hopes that the experience will give students “motivation to do well in STEM fields.” She believes that once school starts, if a student is struggling in a class or is up late studying one night, that looking back to this summer experience can inspire them to work hard and pursue their goals as this program gives students an in-depth look at what they could do with a career in NASA.

Winterton also hopes that these opportunities and experiences will inspire students to consider college majors related to what they learned this summer and go on to “consider careers in NASA research and joining this workforce.”

Ask an Astronaut

Here are some questions that were asked by students and answered by Andrew Feustel.

Q: What is the most overlooked attribute of a good astronaut?
A: “We talk a lot about commanding, but one of the things we learn as we prepare to fly in space is that it’s important to listen and follow and rely on the strengths of your team members for the betterment of the team. So I think followership is a wonderful trait and one that’s critical for astronauts”

Q: Are you currently using hydroponics, or any other methods, to grow food or plants on the ISS?
A: “We use sort of a modified version of hydroponics but we do grow...vegetation on the space station...so that as we become a space-faring species we’ll have the capability to generate our own food on orbit.”

Photo courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

Photos by Parks Nunnally
Andrew Feustel, current commander of the International Space Station, answers students’ questions over live video at the Wallops Flight Facility on Aug. 2.
PETA Calls for an End to Pony Penning

PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) recently called on the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company to end its annual Pony Penning, including the swim and auction, following the death of the mare, Butterfly Kisses, in an accident while in a pen on the carnival grounds. The public responded on the fire company’s Facebook page and with letters.

Below is PETA’s letter to the fire company, followed by a slightly condensed version of a response letter by Lois Ssymanski to PETA.

Letter from PETA to Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company

I’m writing again on behalf of PETA and our more than 6.5 million members and supporters worldwide, including thousands across Virginia, where our headquarters are, in response to the death of Butterfly Kisses. She died needlessly of a broken neck after being chased into a pen and left behind a now-motherless foal. Once again, we urge you to end the annual pony swim and auction and instead find humane ways to raise funds for the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department’s important work while managing the pony herd’s size.

Butterfly Kisses’ death is more evidence that penning up wild ponies and auctioning off foals are reckless. Had she not been penned at the carnival grounds after the auction, she would still be alive. This is not the first time that a pony has died at the fairgrounds or the first death that has been written off as an “accident.” Reports going back decades discuss how frightening and stressful the ordeal is for these animals and how ponies have been seen penned without access to shade or water and hit with sticks.

While in theory a few auctioned ponies may go to good homes with families who have the money to take care of them, their fate is never certain after they are sold and there is the strong possibility that they may end up at slaughterhouses or neglected and starved as new guardians lose interest in them.

It’s time to reconsider what you are doing. Since this event’s inception, much has changed in the way that people view animals—who were once seen merely as commodities—and in the development of humane population-control methods. This pony swim is sim...
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Submitted Article and Photo

The Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen’s Association recently presented $1,000 scholarships to two local graduating seniors, Hannah Dunton of Chincoteague High School and Anna Wallace of Nandua High School.

Scholarships are based on school, church and community activities, academic achievement, an essay on a Christian topic, and an interview with a three-member committee.

Dunton, the daughter of Jeff and Miranda Dunton, of Chincotague, was the salutatorian at Chincoteague High School and attends Union Baptist Church. She will be attending Christopher Newport University in the fall. She was a member of the Senior Beta Club, student director for the Drama Club, and a member of the yearbook staff.

At church, Dunton was a member of the Baptist Women and helped prepare meals for shut-ins, participated in the Backpack For Christ program, volunteered with Operation Christmas Child, and volunteered in the church nursery.

In the community, Dunton interned at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility, and volunteered at the Chincoteague Seafood Festival and the Chincoteague Island Outfitters. She also conducted a Tie-Dye T-Shirt Day for students at the Chincoteague Elementary School with the help of her family’s printing business.

Wallace, the daughter of Richard and Stefanie Wallace, of Accomac, was the 2018 valedictorian at Nandua High School and attends Union Baptist Church. She will be attending the University of Virginia this fall.

At Nandua, she played volleyball and was on both the swim and track and field team. She was a member of the Beta Club, Key Club, and the Health Occupation Students of America.

Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge
Annual Pass Photo Contest

Submitted Article

Calling all amateur photographers! Your picture may be the next winner of the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Annual Pass Photo Contest, a great opportunity to showcase local talent. Send in photos of the refuge, images that highlight the best of the scenic landscapes, precious wildlife, and small wonders which we all cherish.

Starting Aug. 15, you can submit a photo that you have taken on the refuge over the past two years. Entries will be accepted until the close of business on Oct. 1. Do not submit images of the lighthouse, ponies, bald eagles, monarch butterflies, or snapping turtles, because they were previously featured as winning images.

This year, voting will be done in two stages. Refuge staff will select the top five photos that capture the essence of our island. Local community leaders will pick a winner from these finalists. The winner will be announced on Oct. 22. The selected image will be featured on the front of the 2019 Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Annual Pass.

Grab your cameras, visit the refuge, and start capturing memories! Head to the website for contest rules and the entry form: www.fws.gov/refuge/Chincoteague

Entry will be accepted: Aug. 15 – Oct. 1. Winner will be announced Oct. 22.
PETA Letters

Ingrid E. Newkirk, President of PETA

Condensed Letter to PETA

I am director of the Feather Fund, a group that purchases one to three Chincoteague ponies each year during Pony Penning for deserving children in honor of Carolynn Suplee, who made it her practice to annually purchase a foal for a child until she died of cancer. In that capacity and as an author who has researched and written about the Chincoteague Ponies for over 30 years, I would like to respond to your radical posts and recent press release about the annual swim and auction. Your letter has prompted reactions from others without any knowledge. They are not digging deep to learn the truth.

First, you speak of how the ponies are forced to swim. Do you know that these ponies swim on their own all the time? They swim across the bay and get into the campgrounds or corn fields. I have witnessed more than once, a mare giving her young foal a swimming lesson. Search YouTube for videos of them swimming on their own. Some ponies have even shown us that they enjoy the swim. In 2009, a stallion named Miracle Man sensed that it was around swim time and brought his entire herd across the channel a week early. He trotted down the streets to the carnival grounds and waited to be let into the pens. This started a trend of him coming early five more years in a row.

That last year, more stallions followed him, bringing their mares across early. They knew that the carnival pens would offer huge round bales of good hay and buckets of cold water to drink, and they could not wait to get there.

The swim is not cruel, and no ponies have ever drowned or died as a result of the swim. The older ponies, the very pregnant ponies, mares with young foals, and ponies with injuries or health issues do not swim. They come to Chincoteague on a trailer.

Many of the things you addressed in your letter happened many decades ago. When you write about things that happened in years long past, you negate the fact that the fire company has evolved and has continuously made changes to better the lives of these ponies and specifically their care during Pony Penning week. Every trailer is inspected before a pony leaves the island. It must meet stringent standards. The fire company now has a list of people on hand who have been charged with animal abuse and who are not allowed to take a foal home, no matter how much they bid. That is why you occasionally see a foal that has been sold come through the sale again. The buyer went to pay and was not approved.

At Pony Penning, each foal leaving the island has a Coggins test (for equine infectious anemia) and the owner is offered shots before it leaves. Foals are handled with care in the sale ring and then returned to their mother if they are too young to leave. In those cases, they remain with their dam until the fall. At the sale, these are called fall pickups. A woman named Darcy Cole hikes all the way north three times a week and records data on every single pony, including the birth date of every foal (never off by more than 4 days) and she now provides all her data to the fire company in a book (that can also be purchased at Pony Penning). That book gives the fire company the age of the foal so that, unlike in the past, it is not up to the guess of a veterinarian – who is always on hand for the entire Pony Penning week.

Throughout the year, whenever the fire company gets a call from Darcy Cole, other hikers, or the tour boat captains who are always on the lookout that they have spotted a pony in trouble, there is an immediate response. The fire company, this year alone, pulled in horses with cuts from oyster beds, rescued an orphaned foal, and pulled several horses out when they were stuck in the mud (because they are wild ponies). Two of the older ones

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Annual Dock Day on the Bay Maritime Celebrations

On Saturday, Sept. 29, the waterfront docks in historic Crisfield, Md., will come alive with the sights, sounds, and smells of the fishing heritage and seafood bounty of the Chesapeake Bay. Dock Day on the Bay, a free maritime cultural heritage festival, will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., along the waterfront at Somers Cove Marina. This annual community event celebrates the history of local fishing traditions including commercial fishing, sport fishing, seafood cooking, and regional culture.

The event is hosted by Crisfield Heritage Foundation, Somerset County Arts Council, and Somers Cove Marina, and is supported by dozens of local businesses, organizations, and individuals. There will be locally caught seafood and other refreshments for sale, live music, and educational exhibits. Highlights of the waterfront program will include fish cleaning demonstrations, cooking demonstrations—including how to make the perfect crab cake, free children’s activities, and local arts and crafts vendors. Guests can see oyster shuckers, crab pickers, fish cutters, and crab pot makers in action. Working fishing vessels will be located along the marina dock and visitors will be able to interact with area watermen to learn firsthand about their livelihoods.

“This is a great opportunity for people to engage with local fishermen, see their boats and gear, and experience the maritime heritage that shapes our community,” said Crisfield Heritage Foundation Executive Director Claire Otterbein.

Dock Day is generously funded by a Maryland State Arts Council Maryland Traditions grant and a grant from American Legion Post #16.

There will also be several maritime organizations exhibiting information on their programs and activities. Admission to the J. Millard Tawes Museum will be free on Dock Day. This includes the Watermen’s Pavilion, an outdoor exhibit displaying crabbing and oystering tools, which opened this spring. The Watermen’s Pavilion was funded by a grant from Maryland Humanities. The working crab shanty exhibit will also be open, complete with updated signage funded by a grant from the Lower Eastern Shore Heritage Council. Closing the festival will be a traditional blessing of the fleet in the marina harbor.

The public is invited to join the celebration of the Eastern Shore’s unique maritime heritage and traditions. Dock Day is family friendly, free, and open to the public. More information can be found at www.crisfieldheritage.org.

CHF’s entities include the J. Millard Tawes Historical Museum, Oyster Reef Gift Shop, Ward Brothers Workshop, Cedar Island Marsh Sanctuary, and the Crisfield Customs House. Museum and Oyster Reef Gift Shop hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sundays, May 1 through Labor Day, with other hours as announced for special events and programs.
did not make it, but the third had almost two months of individual care until she was fully healed.

PETA stated some blatant untruths in their recent press release. The mare, Butterfly Kisses, was not “chased into” a pen at Pony Penning. I know because I was there. She was the lead mare for a pony band lead by the stallion Rip tide. She was trotting through the field and he was following because she was in heat. She happened to slip, and she hit the fence when she fell, breaking her neck. The vet was there within minutes and she did not suffer. When the fire company said it was a freak accident, this was a truthful statement.

This could have happened anywhere in the wild. Even wild ponies are fenced away from the roads and the people to protect the ponies. Unlike the Maryland side, which has had 48 ponies hit by cars since 1982 with 31 of them dying, zero Chincoteague Ponies have been hit on the Virginia side.

An entire community of people does its best to track every Chincoteague Pony foal sold. We have over 5,000 members on the I Love Chincoteague Ponies Facebook site, reporting all bad situations. A recent letter-writing campaign about an abuse case in Frederick County resulted in charges being filed against a woman whose Chincoteague ponies were seized and rescued. In another case, we banded together to rescue a Chincoteague pony found in a sale barn and about to go to a kill buyer. This pony was a solid chestnut – hard to identify – but detective work and help from the Chincoteague Fire Company records helped us identify her. To make this easier in the future, we asked the fire company to microchip all foals sold at auction to make rescues easier. They not only said “yes,” they absorbed the cost, announcing this year at auction that all foals will be microchipped going forward.

A few years ago, the fire company built new, larger, double-fenced pens on Assateague and then purchased and erected shade tents, so the horses had more room, better protection from the viewing crowds, and adequate shade. This was no cheap undertaking, but it was for the good of the ponies. They always have large troughs of fresh water and more hay in the pens than they can eat, a fact that is underscored by the uneaten round bales still in the now-empty pens.

Over the long and sometimes harsh winters, the fire company drops hay off at various points on the island, providing extra feed to them. The fire company also spends tens of thousands of dollars per roundup at two more roundups per year, in the spring and in the fall. Ponies get complete vet checks at these roundups, are dewormed, vaccinated for Eastern and Western West Nile disease, have their hooves and teeth checked and have any cuts or injuries tended to.

Without the care of the fire company and the sale of the foals, the island would be overpopulated and there would not be enough grass to eat. They would starve and die a horrible death. Please reconsider your attack on the fire company, in the name of all that is good.
Fishing from the Shore

By Bill Hall

The eyes of the offshore fishing world have been focused on Ocean City, Md., this week and the 45th edition of the White Marlin Open. Around 382 registered boats, including some of the world’s top tournament captains aboard some of the sport’s most well-equipped and experienced vessels from up and down the East Coast, are vying for a portion of the estimated $5.45 million tournament purse. The fishing started on the morning of Aug. 6 and concludes on the afternoon of Aug. 10. Offshore action has been on the slow side recently, but if anybody can find the fish and get them to bite, it will be some of these tournament captains.

The vessel Auspicious, out of Palm Beach Fla., took the opening day blue marlin lead with an 881-pound fish. The huge fish was landed by New Jersey angler Joe Rahman and is the sixth largest blue marlin in the history of the tournament. If the catch holds on to the lead, it could earn approximately $700,000.

For those of us who do not have an extra $10,000 or more to fish a tournament, Captain Steve’s Bait & Tackle on Chincoteague Island has a youth croaker tournament that runs through Aug. 15, and the Onancock Volunteer Fire Department will host its Second Annual Croaker Classic on Saturday, Aug. 11. Offshore action has been smaller. Some tuna have moved inshore and catches were made over the Parking Lot and Lumpy Bottom by anglers both trolling and chunking. In the surf, catches of spot, kingfish, and croaker were being made late in the evenings and early in the mornings.

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

**Four-year-old Lliam Behe landed this 4-pound, 2-ounce Spanish mackerel out of Kiptopeke.**
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### 2018 Trolley Schedule

#### GREEN ROUTE

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**GREEN ROUTE** is Designated “Free Rides” courtesy of the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce.

- **September**
  - 29th - Chili Chowder Cook Off - 10am - 10:30pm
- **October**
  - 6th - Oyster Fest - 10am - 10:30pm (Ride free 10am - 5pm)
  - Last Call for Trolley during Carnival is 11:00pm

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**FRIDAY**
**AUG. 10**
★8 a.m.-5 p.m. - Captain Steve's Annual Youth Croaker Tournament (Aug. 10-15) - Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle, 6527 Maddox Blvd.
★1-3 p.m. - Captain Timothy Hill House - 5122 Main St., Chincoteague - 973-831-5961 - free admission - www.captaintimothyhillhouse.com
★2-3 p.m. - NASA Rocketry - NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitors Ctr. - free admission - 757-824-2298 - www.nasa.gov/centers/wallops/visitorcenter

**SATURDAY**
**AUG. 11**
★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Farmers and Artisans Market - Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St. - free admission and parking - www.chincoteagueca.org
★10 a.m.-noon - Kitchen Gallery Opening - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St.
★9 a.m.-2 p.m. - Second Saturday Artful Flea - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St.
★2 p.m. - NASA Tour of the Solar System - NASA/Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Ctr. - free admission - 824-2298 - www.nasa.gov/centers/wallops/visitorcenter
★7:30 p.m. - Astronomy & Night Sky Summer Series/Perseid Meteor Shower - Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge - https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Chincoteague/Events.html

**SUNDAY**
**AUG. 12**
★8 a.m. - Episcopal Church Service - Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Chapel of Fox Holston Funeral Home, 5049 Chicken City Rd. - 757-894-7078 - www.emmanuelchurchip.org
★1:30-4:30 p.m. - Beginners Guitar Part 1 - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St. - pre-registration is required

**MONDAY**
**AUG. 13**
★11 a.m. - Movie: Misty of Chincoteague - 4074 Main St. - $10/adults, $8/seniors 62 & under, $8/children 12 & under - http://www.islandtheatres.com/
★11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Manna Cafe - Christ United Methodist Church Social Hall, 6253 Church St. - free hot lunch every Monday - @MannaCafeCl on Facebook
★1-4 p.m. - Board Games - Island Theatre Annex, 4076 Main St. - free admission - www.ciarts.org

**FRIDAY**
**AUG. 10**
★4-6 p.m. - Second Friday Wine Tasting - 5 North St., Onancock
★5-10 p.m. - Family Fun Carnival (Aug. 10-11) - Across from 501 Mason Ave., Cape Charles
★6-8 p.m. - Flatfooting - Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles - free
★7-9 p.m. - Annual Relay for Life Womanless Pageant - Onancock Elks Lodge - You must be 18 to attend - for more information contact Shaun O'Shea at 757-710-8609
★7:30 p.m. - Texas Hold 'Em Poker - Parksley Fire Hall

**SATURDAY**
**AUG. 11**
★9 a.m.-5 p.m. - Assateague National Seashore, Tom's Cove Visitor Center - 757-336-6577 - www.nps.gov/asis/index.htm/
★10 a.m.-4 p.m. - NASA Visitor Center - free admission - 757-824-2298 - www.nasa.gov/centers/wallops/visitorcenter

**SUNDAY**
**AUG. 12**
★11 a.m. - Conversation Cafe with Jack van Ommen - Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.
★6 p.m. - 2018 Concert on the Lawn featuring The Geckos - Calvin B. Taylor House Museum, 208 North Main St., Berlin, Md. - www.taylorhousemuseum.org

**MONDAY**
**AUG. 13**
★noon-1 p.m. - Lunch at the Library - Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox - for all youth 18 and under
★1 p.m. - Kids Program: Rocketing to Space! - Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox - for all youth 18 and under
★7 p.m. - Bingo - Onancock Elks Lodge - doors open at 5:30 - food will be served

All listings are provided for information only; call or check websites for updates and confirmation.

**Day Trips and Side Trips Around the Eastern Shore**
-**TUESDAY**
**AUG. 14**

**WEDNESDAY**
**AUG. 15**
★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Farmers and Artisans Market - Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St. - free admission and parking - www.chincoteagueca.org
★2 p.m. - NASA STEAM Lab: Parachute Egg Drop Challenge - NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center - 757-824-2298 - free admission - www.nasa.gov/centers/wallops/visitorcenter

**THURSDAY**
**AUG. 16**
★10 a.m. - Tales 4 Tots: Music! - Chincoteague Island Library

**ONGOING**
★9 a.m.-12 p.m. - Yoga on the Beach - 3540 Kiptopeke Dr., Kiptopeke - $8, $3 mat rental
★10 a.m.-noon - Kitchen Gallery Opening - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St. - free admission and parking - www.chincoteagueca.org
★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Tales 4 Tots: Music! - Community Center for the Arts, 6309 Church St.
★7:30 p.m. - Bingo - Across from 501 Mason Ave., Cape Charles
★2018 Concert on the Lawn featuring The Geckos - 6 p.m. - Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.
★9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Farm Tour of the Solar System - NASA/Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Ctr. - free admission and parking - www.chincoteagueca.org
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Kids’ Puzzle Page

Kids' Maze

SCRAMBLERS
Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag.

BID
GLUEB
Notable
TELAINS
Bloom
LOFTER
Shy
TOMEDS

Today’s Word

Snowflakes
by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

MIX AND MATCH! Can you spot the two keys that are exactly alike?

Answer: Keys 2 and 6

Odd Word Out!
To the right is a list of five words. Can you figure out which word doesn’t belong on the list?

Cornmeal (1 col, 3 acrs, 4 yrs, 5 wheel)

Answer: Framing, the other words all contain the name of a

Find the Seven Words Puzzle!
In the word square at the right, we’ve removed six of the letters to spell out the word “STIFLE.” See if you can replace these letters in the squares so that you will have four three-letter words across and three four-letter words down. The time limit is 60 seconds.

Answer: (across) six, or, for (down) east, old, other

Junior Whirl

Junior Whirl

Illustrated by David Coulson

The Great Puzzle Pyramid
Here’s a problem that should keep you busy for hours. On our puzzle board, place 14 coins on all of the circles except No. 6. Now, jumping one coin over another along the lines, as you would in checkers, and removing the jumped-over coin, try to remove every coin from the board except one. As an extra challenge, try to leave the last coin in circle No. 6.
Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★★

Moderate  Challenging  HOO BOY!

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Captains Cove - Charming 3BR/2.5BA home w/ sunroom, fireplace, and 2 car garage. MLS# 47655 $199,000
Chincoteague - Gorgeous beach front lot with recently replaced vinyl bulk heading. MLS# 48162 $79,000
Chincoteague - Affordable 1BR/1.5BA townhouse w/ real wood floors and deck. MLS# 48239 $139,000
Assawoman - Over 3.5 acres of waterfront land with 5BR septic approval. Dock & pier. MLS# 47970 $106,500
Chincoteague - Well maintained 2BR/2.5BA townhouse. MLS# 48116 $175,000

Chincoteague - Spacious pond front 2BR/2.5BA townhouse. New roof and no flood insurance required! MLS# 47994 $189,000
Chincoteague - TWO HOMES! Renovated 3BR/2.5BA main house w/ garage & a charming 2BR/1BA home. MLS# 48104 $360,000
Temperanceville - Over 25 acres of commercial land w/ 106' of highway footage. About 2-3 acres of cleared land. MLS# 48029 $75,000
Cape Charles - Fully renovated 4BR/3.5BA home w/ new roof, septic. Small portion dates back to 1754. MLS# 48075 $320,000
Chincoteague - Completely renovated 2BR/2.5BA townhouse. No flood insurance required, sold turn key! MLS# 48027 $179,000

Chincoteague - Well maintained 3BR/1BA home w/ oversized rooms, enclosed porch, and a detached 3 car garage! MLS# 48160 $285,000
Willis Wharf - Waterfront 4BR/2.5BA home w/ all new kitchen, new deck, sunroom w/ water views, privacy fence & so much more! MLS# 48273 $349,000

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