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Consuelo Gonzalez, left, was elected Northampton County Commissioner of the Revenue in the Nov. 7 election. She replaces Charlene Gray, who is retiring as commissioner.

From humble beginnings to a top elected office

BY STEFANIE JACKSON
Eastern Shore Post

As a child, Northampton County's next Commissioner of the Revenue took toys to the farm fields to keep her entertained while her widowed mother worked.

Today, Consuelo Gonzalez has been elected as one of Northampton County's top leaders. Gonzalez, a 32-year-old real estate technician who was elected to be Northampton's next revenue official, also will be the county's first Hispanic constitutional officer.

"I feel like the community has trusted me and I am certainly humbled at the opportunity" to serve, Gonzalez said. She will take over for Commissioner of the Revenue Charlene Gray on Jan. 1, 2024. Gray announced her

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ACCOMACK

County workers to receive pay increases

Study showed staff salaries had been 16% below median

BY CLARA VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

Over 150 Accomack employees will get raises next year in the wake of a study that compared wages outside the county.

The Accomack Board of Supervisors voted Wednesday, Nov. 15, to dedicate \$1.3 million toward salary increases after the county commissioned a study on how its employees' wages compare to salaries at similar organizations.

The county had already set aside the funds in its budget this year.

"I think we have good employees here," said Supervisor Reneta Major. "We fuss about people not staying here ... but you need to pay people," she said.

The Classification and Compensation Study found Accomack staff salaries

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The application is open to all organizations serving the Eastern Shore of Virginia that meet the eligibility requirements. Agencies must be incorporated as a non-profit organization serving a client pop-

ulation on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

Agencies must be classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The United Way of Virginia's Eastern Shore supports services that impact areas of arts, education, financial stability, and health. These services must be clearly defined and with documentation of the problems and resulting needs of the proposed client population.

For additional information and eligibility requirements or to make a donation, visit www.esunitedway.org

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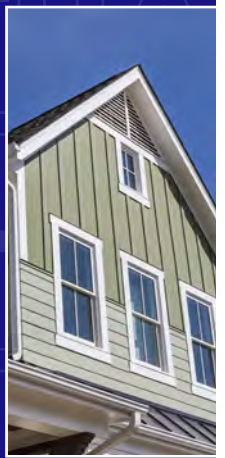
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Jury convicts man in Onley Royal Farms murder

BY NANCY DRURY DUNCAN
Eastern Shore Post

A Painter man was found guilty of first-degree murder by an Accomack County jury in the death of a man sitting in a vehicle at the Onley Royal Farms convenience store.

Xzaviyor Snead, 21, also was found guilty of a firearms charge in the June 2021 murder, which was captured on the store's security cameras.

The jury of eight women and four men deliberated for only two hours in Accomack County Circuit Court before finding Snead guilty of first-degree murder and use of a firearm in the commission of that murder.

No date for sentencing has been set.

Snead was in the rear seat of a red Jeep Cherokee when he and two friends drove to the Onley Royal Farms.

When they arrived, driver Kaitlyn Pippin pulled up to the store entrance and parked beside a black Chevrolet Malibu.

She and Javonte Harris got out of the car and went into the store, testimony showed.

After they went inside, Snead got out of the Jeep and fired two shots into the black car.

One went into the head and another into the neck of David Anthony McCain, 30, of Onancock.

Either gunshot would have been fatal, a medical examiner testified.

Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan said Snead ran away after firing the shots and then returned to the space between the two cars, picked something up, and ran away again running north out of the parking lot.

The entire incident was captured on the store's surveillance video, which Mor-

gan played for the jury several times.

He said a piece of wood and another object that appeared to be from a handgun grip were found by police in the space next to McCain's black Malibu.

Morgan surmised Snead dropped the gun and returned to get it, leaving behind pieces that broke off the grip of the revolver. The murder weapon was never recovered.

When Pippin and Harris came out of the store, Harris got into the driver's seat of the Jeep and he and Pippin sped away, almost hitting the black car holding McCain's body.

Dontrell Trader, a man who knew Snead, told police Snead was the assailant and told them he could be found at Pippin and Harris' house in Daugherty.

When police went to the home, they found Snead sweaty and breathing

heavily even though the air conditioning unit was turned all the way up.

Snead was wearing a red shirt as was the person said to be the shooter in the surveillance video. His hands tested positive for gunpowder residue.

Morgan presented rap songs, a letter, and a phone call to the jury. In them, Snead expressed disbelief that people he knew turned on him.

Defense attorney Carl Bundick said there was no positive DNA and no fingerprints linking Snead to the murder. He told the jury that relying on testimony from criminals was unreliable.

Bundick called Harris "a snake in the grass" and told the jury that Morgan had failed to present proof beyond a reasonable doubt. An uncertain conclusion could result in an unjust outcome, he said.



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We are pleased to announce Accomack County is working with O-I, a glass recycling and manufacturing company. Starting **December 4, 2023**, there will be a **BRIGHT PURPLE** glass recycling can placed at Fishers Corner Convenience Center (26213 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA 23421). Please see the sign below posted on the cans for acceptable and non-acceptable glass.

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St. Charles Church's Oktoberfest raises \$30,000 for renovations

BY JIM RITCH
Eastern Shore Post

An Oktoberfest fundraiser to benefit St. Charles Catholic Church in Cape Charles netted more than \$30,000 last month at its popular, family-friendly, fall festival.

The church has earmarked the funds for preservation of its 137-year-old building, especially for enhanced accessibility and to repair its slate roof, said Tara Ashworth, event coordinator.

Even before the well-attended event occurred, promotions were so successful that organizers sold out one raffle and then conducted two more.

For next year, organizers hope

to make children's admission all-inclusive, so that children can enjoy face painting and other fun services for free.

Part of the event's improvement was in scheduling, Ashworth said.

An approaching hurricane and planned wedding forced postponement of the event from a Saturday in September to the Sunday of Columbus Day weekend, when families didn't have to juggle sports games and other events, she said.

Other members of the planning committee were Lois Barrett, Jim and Patty Conely, Patsy and Rob Harris, Lori and Ian MacDonald, Marta Rose, Jackie Smith, and Bob Wells.



EASTERN SHORE POST/JIM RITCH
St. Charles Catholic Church Oktoberfest coordinators Tara Ashworth, center, and Patsy Harris, right, present a raffle prize to winner Shirley Karmilovich.



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An Eastern Shore thanks for Thanksgiving Day

The Eastern Shore Post is delivered before dawn each Friday except during Thanksgiving week, when the publication is delivered before dawn Thanksgiving Day. Readers get the paper a day early.

For those who see our newspaper on Thanksgiving Day, we offer these worthy suggestions for receiving your thanks and gratitude, listed in no particular order.

On the Eastern Shore, we give thanks:

■ For our volunteers. Our area would unravel without them. Volunteers of every stripe — those who help with everything from fire companies, to churches, to fundraisers — are the glue that holds the Eastern Shore together.

■ For our public employees. Our teachers, Social Services workers, first responders, municipal employees, and others toil largely behind the scenes to ensure we are safe, cared for, educated, and assisted. We appreciate them very much.

■ For our businesses, large and small. The Eastern Shore is fortunate to have a thriving business culture that serves our needs and donates to our causes. Supporting our local businesses is paramount.

■ For all of the agencies and nonprofits, like the Eastern Shore Community Services Board, the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and others that provide critically important services to Eastern Shore residents.

■ For our farmers and watermen, whose way of life defines our rural character, our seasons, and our landscapes. The Eastern Shore is a leader in our state and region when it comes to the harvests of our fields and waterways.

■ For our places of religious worship. The Eastern Shore is, at its core, a spiritual community and our churches provide us with deep, rich support systems.

■ For our families, whom we love and on whom we depend so much.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours.

GUEST COLUMN

Remembering an Eastern Shore hog killing

BY KIM MILES

Guest columnist

The father of my friend, Jack Phillips, raised hogs and would have a hog-killing night every year in the late 1950s that was absolutely mystical for a boy.

Jack and I looked forward to it with growing anticipation each fall.

Just think of it — a dark October or November night, sometimes a moon, sometimes not, always cold, it seemed.

Suddenly shots were fired over in the far field as darkness fell, and tractors would start dragging the hogs one by one from the field, around the corner into the barn area.

The whole place was lit by lanterns and huge fires. There would be large tubs of scalding water boiling over the fires, with smoke rising everywhere. The teams of skilled men and women were brought in from away, going from farm to farm to expertly do their thing.

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And they were ready to go to work, moving as a well-practiced team, cleaning, gutting, scraping, and carving up the hog into hams, bacon, pork loins, sausage, and just about everything else they could think of.

They used special knives and instruments to scrape the skin and carve the hog. It seemed nothing was wasted, not even the feet.

The fires were kept glowing all night. The smokehouse where the hams and various meats would be stored would be gradually filling, while more shots were fired from afar. Tractors dragging. It was almost surreal for two 12-year-olds, who could scamper around checking things out with no real responsibilities.

It doesn't get much more exciting than that for a young boy, free to roam around throughout the night watching the various operations of the team.

It would last all night and, in the morning, we would stuff ourselves with the best sausage ever made, before, exhausted, dropping into a blissful sleep.

These were totally magical nights which Jack and I will always remember.

■ *The writer lives in Accomack County. This is a submitted excerpt from his book, "Miles To Go...Episodes From A Life Half-Lived."*

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A license plate depicting retired educator Mary N. Smith could benefit the cultural center in Accomac that bears her name.



GRAPHIC BY JONI HAMILTON, SHORE MARKETING SERVICES

Eastern Shore Community College's very successful fundraising foundation might have a license plate that features the college's "YES" logo.

It's time for some new Eastern Shore license plates

I eventually took a liking to the Eastern Shore of Virginia-themed state license plate, which now has been around for several decades.

I like the outline of the Eastern Shore on the license plate. Our geographical shape is instantly recognizable and influences our unique way of life.



Ted Shockley

However, I was disappointed that the Eastern Shore is perfectly centered in the middle of the plate. Because of this, any writing on the plate also must be divided.

And the beach scene in the background is too perfect. The waterline is perfectly straight. The beachgrass is perfectly symmetrical. The horizon is perfectly clear.

The Eastern Shore is known for its natural beauty — but nature isn't perfectly straight, centered, and symmetrical, even if our license plate insists on it.

There should be a piece of driftwood, a crab pot float, or a channel marker somewhere in the scene.

The best thing about the Eastern Shore license plate is that proceeds go to a great cause.

After the first 1,000 plates, \$15 of the \$25 registration fee goes to the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce Foundation "to support education, charity, and scientific study for the Virginia's Eastern Shore business community," according to the state Department of Motor Vehicles website.



EASTERN SHORE POST/TED SHOCKLEY

The Eastern Shore of Virginia license plate.

We all have seen very popular specialized license plates locally — like the plates that feature Virginia Tech and the NASA Wallops Flight Facility.

Virginia has a very wide selection of choices. Danville Community College has its own specialty license plate. And the FFA, once known as the Future Farmers of America, which traces its roots to Virginia, has a distinctive blue-and-gold license plate.

A group called "Friends of Coal" even has its own specialty plate. Another advocates the adoption of greyhound dogs.

I think it is time for the Eastern Shore to have even more license plates. And our area has many other very worthy groups that could benefit from funding raised from their own specialty license plates.

In addition, the license plates raise a group's profile. It is built-in marketing on vehicles. These specialized plates raise awareness and community pride.

I came up with some rough ideas and the talented Joni Hamilton, of Shore Marketing Services, made them look authentic. Hamilton does a fantastic job designing advertisements for the Eastern Shore Post.

A Northampton County Public Schools Alumni license plate, for example, would help fund the Northampton County Education Foundation.

(I think members of the Accomack County School Board should also start an education foundation in Accomack that could receive the license plate funding.)

An Eastern Shore Community College license plate could provide funding for the college's very successful foundation, which helps many students.

Many people across the state would love to have a State Pony license plate, with proceeds benefiting the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co.

A Cape Charles license plate could help fund its summer concert series. An Onancock license plate could help fund the Historic Onancock School.

Proceeds from the Parksley specialty license plate potentially would go to help the Eastern Shore Railway Museum.

A Mary Nottingham Smith specialty plate — I think one bearing her image would be very neat — would honor the esteemed Eastern Shore educator and provide funding for the cultural center that bears her name.

What are your ideas about new Eastern Shore of Virginia-related specialty license plates? You only need some creativity and effort — and maybe some General Assembly lobbying. And 1,000 like-minded automobile registrants.



GRAPHIC BY JONI HAMILTON, SHORE MARKETING SERVICES

A Parksley license plate could provide proceeds for the Eastern Shore Railway Museum, one of the town's jewels.



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The Chincoteague Pony recently was named by the General Assembly and Gov. Glenn Youngkin as the State Pony. A license plate featuring it would be popular.



GRAPHIC BY JONI HAMILTON, SHORE MARKETING SERVICES

Cape Charles' famous gazebo and time-honored logo could adorn a Cape Charles license plate — along with its slogan, "Virginia's Cape."



GRAPHIC BY JONI HAMILTON, SHORE MARKETING SERVICES

The Historic Onancock School would be a perfect image to have on an Onancock specialty license plate, which could raise money for school upkeep.



GRAPHIC BY JONI HAMILTON, SHORE MARKETING SERVICES

A Northampton High School Alumni license plate could raise money for the Northampton County Education Foundation.



GRAPHIC BY JONI HAMILTON, SHORE MARKETING SERVICES

An Accomack County Public Schools Alumni license plate could raise money for a potential Accomack County Schools Foundation.

ENTERTAINMENT

Eastern Shore Post

Friday, November 24

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **HOLIDAY TOUR:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Artisans Guild of the Eastern Shore 21st annual Holiday Tour. There will be 18 stops at studios, historic locations, and a winery, featuring the work of 52 total local artisans and artists. Visit esvaartistsguild.org
- **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** 5 to 8 p.m., Festive Fridays Winter Wonderland in the Cape Charles shopping district. Enjoy Santa and Mrs. Claus, a petting zoo, horse-drawn carriage rides, and more. Shops and restaurants will be open late.
- **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., The Doorway Singers at the Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.
- **TREE LIGHTING:** 5:30 p.m. Snow Hill's mayor and town council will hold a Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Sturgis Park, 100 River St., Snow Hill. There will be a visit from Santa, a recital of "Twas The Night Before Christmas," and Christmas carols. Following the ceremony there will be a DJ, a Charlie Brown Christmas Tree contest, a hot chocolate bar, cupcake decorating, and other holiday crafts.

Saturday, November 25

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, The Onancock Market, an open-air farmers and artisans market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Visit www.onancockmarket.com
- **HOLLY DAY MARKET,** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St. On Small Business Saturday, shop small and local for the perfect holiday gifts from more than 50 vendors featuring handmade holiday decor, art, crafts, jewelry, clothing, toys, candles, soaps and more. Plus there will be local seafood, produce, meats, and festive foods. There is free admission, parking, and live music. Visit www.chincoteagueca.org
- **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Farmers Market at the Oyster Farm, 500 Marina Village Circle, Cape Charles.
- **BOOK SALE:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Holiday Sale for Friends of the Eastern Shore Public Library will take place at the Friends

Best bets...

- **On Friday, Nov. 24, from 5 to 8 p.m.,** enjoy the first of five Festive Friday Winter Wonderland events in the Cape Charles shopping district. Enjoy Santa and Mrs. Claus, a petting zoo, horse-drawn carriage rides, and more. Shops and restaurants will be open late.
- **On Friday, Nov. 24, and Saturday, Nov. 25, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.,** the Artisans Guild of the Eastern Shore will have its 21st annual Holiday Tour. There will be 18 stops at studios, historic locations, and a winery, featuring the work of 52 total local artisans and artists. Visit esvaartistsguild.org

Book Shop, located in the Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library and Heritage Center, 24313 Bennett St., Parksley. There are books on all subjects for \$2. Christmas children's books will be \$1 and classic books are \$5. The group will be selling wonderful Friends of the ESPL canvas boat or book bags for \$20, ESPL Foundation caps for \$15, and Friends shopping totes for \$2.50 to carry everything home. Call 757-787-3400 for more information.

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **HOLIDAY TOUR:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Artisans Guild of the Eastern Shore 21st annual Holiday Tour. There will be 18 stops at studios, historic locations, and a winery, featuring the work of 52 total local artisans and artists. Visit esvaartistsguild.org
- **OYSTER ROAST:** 4 to 8 p.m., Cape Charles Historical Society & Museum's annual oyster roast fundraiser will be held on the museum grounds. It will include live music by Ghost Town Union from 4 to 8 p.m. Food will be served from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Live auction details to be announced. The menu includes roasted oysters, raw oysters, fried chicken, and clam chowder. Accompaniments include potato salad, bean salad, desserts, tea, and soda. Beer and wine will be available by purchasing a \$20 wristband.
- **TREE LIGHTING:** 5 p.m., Chincote-

ague's annual Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony will take place at the Robert Reed Downtown Park. There will be a special appearance by Santa and friends, holiday music, shopping, and a performance by the Chincoteague Pony Drill Team. Attendees also are invited to bring a toy for the Accomack County Sheriff's Office "Stuff The Car" toy drive. The event is sponsored by the Historic Main Street Merchants Association.

Sunday, November 26

- **LIVE MUSIC:** 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Free admission.

Monday, November 27

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **BINGO:** 1 p.m., Community bingo at the Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague.
- **GAME DAY:** 1 to 4 p.m., game day at the Island Theatre annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague, sponsored by the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization. Info: 757-702-2170, www.chincoteagueislandarts.com
- **BINGO:** Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454

Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.
■ **CHRISTMAS PARADE:** 7 to 9 p.m., 51st Pocomoke Christmas Parade, Pocomoke City. Parade will proceed north on Market Street and end at the Pocomoke River.

Tuesday, November 28

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **BINGO:** Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.
- **MOON WALK:** 5:30 p.m., Moon Walk at Brownsville Preserve in Nassawadox — a free moonlit stroll with The Nature Conservancy. Contact mvancielief@tnc.org or 414-9227 for more info or to register.

Wednesday, November 29

- **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.
- **OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS:** 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday. Problems with overeating, undereating, bulimia, or binge eating? Meets at Rock Church, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Get meeting info by calling 757-999-6771 or 302-362-5886.
- **ACTIVITY:** 1 to 3 p.m., Sit and Stitch program at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992, info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org
- **ACTIVITY:** 6 to 8 p.m., chess club at the Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Info: 757-336-1992,

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Be included

The Eastern Shore Post wants your listings for live music, fundraisers, theatrical performances, banquets, carnivals, special events, and anything else that is just plain fun. Send to editor@easternshorepost.com.

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info@islandcommunityhouse.org, www.islandcommunityhouse.org

■ BINGO: Doors open at 6 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Painter Volunteer Fire Co., 17116 Wayside Drive, Painter.

Thursday, November 30

■ CHILDREN'S EVENT: 10 a.m., "Tales 4 Tots" at the Chincoteague Island Library, 4077 Main St., Chincoteague. Stories, crafts, snacks, and stretching for children up to age 5. Free and open to all. Children must be accompanied by adult.

■ SENIOR EXERCISE: 10 a.m., Community senior exercise program, Powelton Presbyterian Church, Wachapreague.

■ FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ HEIRLOOM CLINIC: 5:30-7 pm., Eastern Shore Regional Library and Heritage Center archivist Christopher Pote will teach attendees how to preserve paper family heirlooms and documents. Held at the library, 24313 Bennett St., Parksley.

Friday, December 1

■ FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

EVENT: 4 p.m., Manifest your ideas by creating a vision board at Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library & Heritage Center. Held at the library, 24313 Bennett St., Parksley.

■ CHRISTMAS MARKET: 4 to 8 p.m. Snow Hill Rotary Club Christmas Market held at the old fire hall at 201 W. Green St. Vendors, gift items, and baked goods.

■ BENEFIT DINNER: 5 to 7 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fair, 2037 Broad St. Cheesesteak sub meal, \$10; chicken tender meal, \$8.

■ EVENT: 5 to 8 p.m., Christmas Tree Village at the Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. Enjoy a collection of Christmas trees decorated by area businesses and individuals in the legacy pavilion. The event is free to the public but visitors can purchase holiday tokens that can be used to vote for their favorite tree. At 6 p.m., enjoy a presentation and book reading for children with Philip Martin, author of "Tails from Tibet."

■ FESTIVE FRIDAYS: 5 to 8 p.m., Festive Fridays Winter Wonderland in the Cape Charles shopping district. Enjoy Santa and

Mrs. Claus, a petting zoo, horse-drawn carriage rides, and more. Shops and restaurants will be open late.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 5 to 8 p.m., The Shoal Shakers at the Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.

■ FIRST FRIDAY: 5 to 8 p.m., Snow Hill First Friday Arts on the River event. Galleries and shops open late, light refreshments, street vendors, music.

■ PIZZA FUNDRAISER: 5 to 8 p.m., New Church Volunteer Fire Co., 4264 Firehouse St., New Church, is selling cheese or pepperoni pizzas for \$15 and combos for \$16. Freshly made; pull around the fire hall to pick up.

■ BINGO: 6 p.m. doors open, 7 p.m. games begin, Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co. bingo, 5052 Deep Hole Road, Chincoteague Island. \$5 admission, 20 games with \$500 blackout at the end sponsored by Megan Oliver Clarkson, Long & Foster Realtor. Two bingo cards for \$1 with extra cards available for purchase. Food and soda will be for sale. Must be at least 16 years old to attend.

■ CHRISTMAS EVENT: 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Pocomoke City Mayor's Old-Fashioned Christmas Event, 101 Clarke Ave., Pocomoke City. Bonfire, holiday music, and refreshments. Children can decorate an ornament.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m., The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers, under the direction of Patricia Davis and accompanied by Michelle Marsh, will present "Christmas: On Stage Again!" at the North Street Playhouse in Onancock. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students 12 years of age and younger. Visit northstreetplayhouse.org/tickets, or call North Street Playhouse at 757-787-2050.

Saturday, December 2

■ EVENT: 10-12 p.m., Children can visit Santa and receive a free book at Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library & Heritage Center, 24313 Bennett St., Parksley.

■ FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ EVENT: 10 a.m to 4 p.m., Christmas Tree Village at the Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. Enjoy a collection of Christmas trees decorated by area businesses and individuals in the legacy pavilion. The event is free to the public but visitors can purchase holiday tokens that can be used to vote for their favorite tree.

■ TOUR: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Homes for

The Holidays Tour and Sale, Chincoteague Island. Tickets are \$20 per person and are available at Hollyhocks on Main, Sundial Books, or online at www.hollyhockson-main.com. All proceeds benefit Manna Cafe. Tour books will not be available until the day of the event at The Annex.

■ PERFORMANCE: 11:30 a.m., All ages performance of The Nutcracker by All About Dance at Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library & Heritage Center, 24313 Bennett St., Parksley.

■ GRAND ILLUMINATION: 5:30 p.m., the town of Cape Charles will hold its Grand Illumination as Central Park's lights come alive for the holiday season. Festivities also will include a lighted golf cart parade, music, cookies and cocoa, and kids' crafts.

■ PARADE: 6 to 8 p.m., 43rd annual Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade, Main Street, Chincoteague. This year's theme is "A Gingerbread Christmas." The Chincoteague Police Department will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for its annual Toy Run during the parade. Attendees are asked to consider making a donation of a toy. For more information, call 757-336-6161. The event is sponsored by the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 7 p.m., The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers, under the direction of Patricia Davis and accompanied by Michelle Marsh, will present "Christmas: On Stage Again!" at the North Street Playhouse in Onancock. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students 12 years of age and younger. Visit northstreetplayhouse.org/tickets, or call North Street Playhouse at 757-787-2050.

■ TOY SWAP: 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Boys & Girls Club along with the Center for Community Development will be hosting a Buy, Sell, or Swap fundraising event at the Boys & Girls Club housed at the Mary N. Smith Center in Accomac. Organizers are looking for families who would like to set up to sell their books, games, and toys during the event. The cost to be a vendor is \$15, which will include one or two tables and chair. To reserve a place or to receive more information, call Kathy Custis at 757-709-9665 or email easternshore@bgcseva.org, or call Brenda Holden at 757-710-8835 or email centercfd@gmail.com.

■ THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE: 3 p.m., "The Best Christmas Ever: A Musical," at Historic Palace Theatre, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. \$20 for adults; \$10 for students. Visit artsentercapecharles.org

Sunday, December 3

■ LIVE MUSIC: 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Free admission.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 2:30 p.m., The Eastern Shore Madrigal Singers, under the direction of Patricia Davis and accompanied by Michelle Marsh, will present "Christmas: On Stage Again!" at the North Street Playhouse in Onancock. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students 12 years of age and younger. Visit northstreetplayhouse.org/tickets, or call North Street Playhouse at 757-787-2050.

■ LIVE MUSIC: 4 p.m., Advent and Christmas concert at Hungars Church. 10107 Bayside Road, Bridgetown. The event features Eric and Mary Dolch (organists) on the church's 2013 Holtkamp pipe organ, the Rev. Janet Wheelock on recorder, and an assembled choir of members and friends of Hungars Cure Parish. There will be a reception to follow in the Parish House.

Monday, December 4

■ FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ GAME DAY: 1 to 4 p.m., game day at the Island Theatre annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague, sponsored by the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization. Info: 757-702-2170, www.chincoteagueislandarts.com

■ BINGO: Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.

■ PARADE: 7 to 9 p.m., Snow Hill Christmas Parade, sponsored by the Snow Hill Lions Club. The parade begins on South Church Street and turns onto West Market Street to the Worcester County Court House. There will be high school marching bands, floats, firetrucks, and a visit from Santa.

Tuesday, December 5

■ FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ BINGO: Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.

Wednesday, December 6

■ FARMERS MARKET: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

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■ **BENEFIT DINNER:** 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., the Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague will hold its annual pancake supper at Bill's Prime Restaurant on Chincoteague Island. The cost is a \$10 donation. Tickets are available from any Kiwanis member or at H&H Pharmacy.

Thursday, December 7

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ **EXMORE EVENT:** 5 to 8 p.m., "An Old-Fashioned Christmas in Exmore," hosted by the town of Exmore. Relaxed, after-hours holiday shopping and art stroll with festive illumination along Main Street and throughout the downtown area. There will be refreshments in shops and boutiques.

■ **CRAFT EVENT:** 5 to 7:30 p.m., New Ravenna's annual Holiday Craft Faire, 3268 Broad St., Exmore. Vendors will sell candles, art, embroidery, jewelry, treats, food, and more.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** Peter Mayer's Stars and Promises Christmas tour will be performing at the Exmore Moose Lodge, 15315 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven. Tickets are \$35 and are available at www.petermayer.com. Doors open at 4 p.m. From 4 to 6 p.m., the Moose Lodge's dining room and bar will be open for dinner and drinks. Call 757-919-0337 or 757-709-4333 for more information.

Friday, December 8

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ **EVENT:** 5 to 8 p.m., Christmas Tree Village at the Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. Enjoy a collection of Christmas trees decorated by area businesses and individuals in the legacy pavilion. The event is free to the public but visitors can purchase holiday tokens that can be used to vote for their favorite tree.

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** 5 to 8 p.m., Festive Fridays Winter Wonderland in the Cape Charles shopping district. Enjoy Santa and Mrs. Claus, a petting zoo, horse-drawn carriage rides, and more. Shops and restaurants will be open late.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., Tidewater Bluegrass Revival at the Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.

■ **DINNER AND SHOW:** 7 p.m., "Blue

Dog Christmas" at the Mar-Va Theater, Pocomoke City, Md. \$65 for dinner and the show; \$25 for the show. Purchase tickets at www.marvatheater.com

■ **THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE:** 7:30 p.m., "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Jr." at the North Street Playhouse, 34 Market St., Onancock. \$15 tickets are available at www.northstreetplayhouse.org

Saturday, December 9

■ **Belle Haven United Methodist Church,** 35446 Belle Haven Road, Belle Haven, will have a bake sale and photos with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 9, from 1 to 5 p.m.

■ **COOKIE TRAIL:** 2 to 5 p.m., The Historic Cape Charles Cookie Trail will have homes and participating bed-and-breakfast inns in the Cape Charles Historic District inviting visitors to tour their homes to enjoy the architecture and festive decorations and share a seasonal snack. Participants should register at the Almeta Café in the Hotel Cape Charles, 235 Mason Ave., pick up a map, and visit as many homes as they would like along the trail. The Northampton Hotel is a stop on the tour and will sell a specialty cocktail for the event. The entry fee for this event is the contribution of a non-perishable food item that will be donated to the Eastern Shore Food Pantry and Food Bank. Ornaments, produced by Sunday Table Company in Richmond, will be on sale with proceeds benefiting the Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Department. Cash donations are also welcome.

■ **THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE:** 2:30 p.m., "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Jr." at the North Street Playhouse, 34 Market St., Onancock. \$15 tickets are available at www.northstreetplayhouse.org

■ **TOOL MANIA:** The Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Co. will hold its 17th annual Tool Mania on Dec. 9 from 3 to 9 p.m. at the fire hall in Cape Charles. Tickets are \$25 each for adults, \$10 for children aged 4 to 12, and \$3 for children 3 and under. Children's tickets are not included in the raffle. Drawings will be held every 10 minutes. There will be additional raffles, silent auctions, and door prizes. Beer will be sold and there will be free refreshments and food. The grand prize package is a Stihl battery-operated push mower and a Stihl battery-operated string trimmer. Winners do not have to be present to win but the ticket stub will be needed to claim prizes.

■ **EVENT:** 5 to 8 p.m., Christmas Tree Village at the Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. Enjoy

a collection of Christmas trees decorated by area businesses and individuals in the legacy pavilion. The event is free to the public but visitors can purchase holiday tokens that can be used to vote for their favorite tree.

■ **PARADE:** 6 p.m., the annual Exmore Christmas Parade sponsored by the Community Volunteer Fire and Rescue Co., Exmore. Rain date is Saturday, Dec. 16, at 6 p.m.

■ **DINNER AND SHOW:** 7 p.m., "Blue Dog Christmas" at the Mar-Va Theater, Pocomoke City, Md. \$65 for dinner and the show; \$25 for the show. Purchase tickets at www.marvatheater.com

■ **THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE:** 7:30 p.m., "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Jr." at the North Street Playhouse, 34 Market St., Onancock. \$15 tickets are available at www.northstreetplayhouse.org

Sunday, December 10

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Free admission.

■ **HOLIDAY EVENT:** 1 to 4 p.m., American Legion Post 56 in Cheriton will hold its third annual Holiday Sip and Shop. There will be a variety of local artists and vendors. The event is open to the public. Food and beverages will be available for purchase and there will also be a raffle held during the event.

■ **PARADE:** 5 p.m., Onancock Christmas Parade, Market Street. Lineup is on College Avenue.

Monday, December 11

■ **GAME DAY:** 1 to 4 p.m., game day at the Island Theatre annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague, sponsored by the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization. Info: 757-702-2170.

■ **BINGO:** Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.

Tuesday, December 12

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ **BINGO:** Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.

Wednesday, December 13

■ **LUNCHEON:** Noon, Pocomoke Chamber of Commerce luncheon and Christmas

party at The Christmas Sweet, 129 Market St., Pocomoke City. Door prizes, business meeting, \$15 buffet lunch. RSVP at 410-957-1919 by Dec. 11.

Thursday, December 14

■ **OPEN HOUSE:** 3 to 7 p.m., The Nature Conservancy's Holiday Open House at Brownsville will be held at 11369 Brownsville Road, Nassawadox. Tour historic Brownsville House, visit with Nature Conservancy staff and volunteers, and warm up with apple cider and holiday treats. The event is free and open to the public. For questions, please call 442-3049 or email mvanclief@tnc.org.

■ **FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS:** 5:30 p.m., The Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital's 40th annual Festival of Lights will celebrate the holidays with a traditional in-person gathering under the canopy in front of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital. Names of loved ones being honored or memorialized by light purchasers will be presented digitally both in person and on Facebook on December 14th.

The recognition may be shared digitally with loved ones near and far and may be accessed for months to come. Lights can be purchased in any quantity for \$10 each, and there are opportunities to purchase larger ads as well. To participate, look for a post on Riverside Shore Memorial's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/riversideshorememorial, or call 757-302-2140. Credit card purchases are available for a light, ad, or ornament online at <https://donatenow.net/workfor-good.org/festivaloflights>

■ **INTERNATIONAL FILM:** 7 p.m., Onancock International Films presents "Roise and Frank," at the Roseland Theatre in Onancock. Sponsored by the Roseland Cinema and Entertainment Center.

Friday, December 15

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** 5 to 8 p.m., Festive Fridays Winter Wonderland in the Cape Charles shopping district. Enjoy Santa and Mrs. Claus, a petting zoo, horse-drawn carriage rides, and more. Shops and restaurants will be open late.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 to 8 p.m., Neil Young Tribute at the Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.

Saturday, December 16

■ **GREENS, GIFTS SALE:** 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Woman's Club of Accomack

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County will be holding its 20th Annual Greens, Gifts, and Goodies sale at 25405 Richmond Ave., Onley. Fresh holiday arrangements, wreaths, swags, fresh and frozen foods, cakes, cookies, candy, soups, jewelry, and raffles will be available. Additional local vendors will also be in attendance.

■ **TRAINS:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Santa's Train Wonderland, Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. Enjoy the train displays and a visit from Santa. Santa will arrive by boat on the dock of Cypress Park.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., Virginia Symphony presents Holiday Brass at Historic Palace Theatre, 305 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. \$30 for adults; \$15 for students. Visit artsentercapecharles.com

Sunday, December 17

■ **TRAINS:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Santa's Train Wonderland, Delmarva Discovery

Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. Enjoy the train displays and a visit from Santa. ■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 1 to 4 p.m., open mic and jam session open to local musicians each Sunday at Cape Charles Brewing Company, 2198 Stone Road, Cape Charles. Free admission.

Monday, December 18

■ **GAME DAY:** 1 to 4 p.m., game day at the Island Theatre annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague, sponsored by the Chincoteague Island Arts Organization. Info: 757-702-2170.

■ **BINGO:** Doors open at 5 p.m., first game at 7 p.m., Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac. Info: 757-787-7750.

Tuesday, December 19

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Parksley Farmers and Artisans Market, 18444 Dunne Ave., Parksley.

■ **BINGO:** Doors open 5:30 p.m., first game 7:30 p.m., Cheriton Volunteer Fire Co., 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.

REMINDER

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY TAX YEAR 2023
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Patricia Nock

Mrs. Patricia Davis Nock, 80, of Bloxom and originally of Fruitland, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023. Born April 10, 1943, in Salisbury, she was the daughter of the late Alfred and Leona Davis.

Pat worked for many years as a bookkeeper at Mountaire Poultry, was a cashier at the Junior Board Shop at PRMC, and more recently was a well-known Walmart greeter in Onley.

She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Salisbury who



Mrs. Nock

enjoyed singing, sewing, and fishing. She is survived by her three children, Christine Ross, Eric Nock and his partner, Renee Harding, and Shawna Kilmon and her husband, Donnie; three grandchildren, Justin Ross, Ashley Ross, and Samantha Porter; two great-grandchildren, Ian and Bentley Ross; a brother, Steve Davis and his wife, Gail; and two nieces, Angie Morse and Jessi Drew.

A funeral service was held at Bounds Funeral Home on East Main Street in Salisbury. Interment was held in Wango Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made in memory of Pat to the Eastern Shore SPCA, 26528 Lankford Hwy., Onley, VA 23418.

Visit www.boundsfuneralhome.com to share stories and memories with the family.

Jim LeCato

Mr. James “Jim” Ashby LeCato Jr., 61, passed away unexpectedly but peacefully at his home in Franktown on Friday afternoon, Nov. 17.

He was predeceased by his parents, Ashby LeCato and Nancy LeCato.

During his senior year in high

school, he met his future wife and started a part-time job at Stevenson



Mr. LeCato

Equipment’s John Deere Dealership, previously in Tasley. After high school graduation he worked there full time for 20 years, during most of

which he was the parts department manager.

He had a natural talent to understand mechanics. Self-taught and guided by some mechanic mentors, he became an accomplished mechanic with the skills to repair anything from a weed eater to a combine. That talent led Lipman Produce to hire him as their repair shop supervisor. He worked there for 23 years.

Although he was well-known to farmers as a mechanic, he was best known as chief of Station 16, Nassawadox Fire and Rescue, Inc. He joined the department as a junior member in 1976. He became fire chief at the age of 25.

Jim dedicated his life to learning and being certified in all he could regarding fire fighting and rescue and was committed to sharing that training with those he mentored. He was chief for 36 years. He was part of the Eastern Shore Fire Training Committee, an instructor at the fire training center, and part of the Northampton County Fire Commission.

He was a member of Franktown United Methodist Church, but the fire department was his ministry.

Survivors include his wife of 41 years, Rae; daughters, Jordan (Teddy) Ross, from Franktown, and Jessica LeCato (Masen Ingram), of Cheriton; granddaughter, Raelynn Ashby Ross, a sister, Ann (Tommy) Custis, of Franktown; a brother, Bill (Tina) LeCato, of Melfa; a brother-in-law, David Hargis, of Tasley, and numer-

ous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Nov. 24, at 1 p.m. at Franktown United Methodist Church with the Rev. Dick Daily officiating. A reception will follow. Interment at Franktown Cemetery will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Northampton Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 833, Nassawadox, VA 23413.

Family and friends may sign the guest book at www.hollandfuneralhome.net

Arrangements are by Holland Funeral Home in Nassawadox.

William Bott

Mr. William Briddell Bott, of Jamesville, died Sunday, Nov. 19 at Commonwealth Senior Living in Onancock. Born in Salisbury, Md., in January 1948, Bill grew up in Seaford and Wilmington, Del., but



Mr. Bott

always called the Eastern Shore his home. His parents were the late James Arthur and Margaret Gilliss Bott. Bill was a 1970 graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and 1972 graduate of the University of Virginia, earning both undergraduate and graduate degrees in civil engineering. During his VMI cadetship, Bill was a member of the wrestling team and played rugby. Upon graduation from VMI, he commissioned in the U.S. Army, served in the Army Corps of Engineers, and rose to the rank of captain.

Bill began his career as a professional engineer in Chase City, Va., before moving home to the Eastern Shore. There he worked first for Shore Engineering and then commenced his rewarding career at NASA. He was chosen as group lead for the environmental office. Bill always said the

highlight of his professional career was being given the opportunity to assemble a team of valued colleagues who thereafter became close friends. Bill retired from NASA in 2006, and in 2009 he was appointed by Governor Tim Kaine to serve on the State Water Control Board.

Anyone who ever had the opportunity to meet Bill knows he was an avid outdoorsman. In the early 1980s, Bill and the late Doug Bice designed and built a hunting cabin on Goose Island at the mouth of Pungoteague Creek, which continues to be a source of enjoyment for family and friends. From the waters and skies of the Chesapeake Bay to the Bahamas and Alaska, Bill loved cold mornings in the duck blind and deer stand and his hours spent fishing on Nassawadox Creek.

His love of these pastimes continues as he helped foster his children’s and grandchildren’s appreciation for what these pastimes have to offer and taught them the skills necessary to pursue them. A talented handyman, Bill thrived on designing, building, and repairing. He and Brigitte stayed busy at home, but they also enjoyed traveling, and people who knew him could count on a story about his most recent adventures. Above all, though, he loved his life on Nassawadox Creek amidst his family and friends.

Bill is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Brigitte. He leaves behind his sons, Charles (Caroline), of Jamesville, and Wescott (Anne Marie), of Anchorage, Alaska; and four cherished grandsons, Owen and Connor, of the Shore, and Reed and Carter, of Alaska. He is also survived by his brother, Jim Bott (Nancy), of Pennsylvania and Chincoteague; his sister-in-law, Claudette Hyman (Huddy), of Richmond; nephews, Chris Bott (Christie), Haywood Hyman (Janelle), and Thomas Hyman; as well as nieces, Kate Boardman (Jeff) and Virginia (Drew). His growing family

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Obituaries

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includes seven great-nephews, two great-nieces, and one more due in December. Bill was predeceased by his devoted yellow lab, Bonnie.

Per his wishes, there will be no service. An avid supporter of VMI, the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Virginia Military Institute, <https://www.vmiumni.org/>; VMI Alumni Agencies, P.O. Box 932, Lexington, Virginia 24450.

The family extends their deep appreciation to everyone at Commonwealth Senior Living but most especially to all the staff in Sweet Memories for watching over and providing a home for Bill, for their patience, and for taking care of his every need during these last seven months.

Arrangements are by Holland Funeral Home in Nassawadox.

Jackie Robinson

Mr. Jackie (Jack) Lee Robinson, husband of Peggy Taylor Robinson, of Belle Haven, passed away at the age of 90. He was raised in Oyster, the son of the late John Henry Bailey and the late Reta Mae Bailey.

Jack served in the U.S. Air Force and served in the Korean War from 1952 to 1953. He retired in 1973 as a master sergeant after 21 years (1952 - 1973). He worked for 17 years as an electronic technician for the National Oceanic Atmosphere Administration (NOAA) at Wallops, retiring in 1989. He had a total of 38 years of government service. He was the owner of R&S Tower and Antenna Company from 1974-2012 in Belle Haven.

Jack was a Mason from 1965 to the day of his passing. He was a member of Broadwater Masonic Lodge #71, Nassawadox, serving as worshipful

master in 1978; and district deputy grand master for the 13th Masonic District, Northampton County in 1988.

He was also a member of the Valley of Portsmouth Scottish Rite, past president of the Eastern Shore Scottish Rite Association, member of Grand York Rite Bodies of Mississippi Chapter 116, Biloxi, Alexander Council Number 14 and Coast Commander Number 19. He was a member of Khedive Shrine Temple, and a member and past president of the Eastern Shore Shrine Club. He served as president of the Eastern Shore Masonic School at Wachapreague, and was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #2296, Tasley.

Jack was devoted to his family Peggy, Reta Mae, and Lee Ann for his life and they were devoted to him. He is survived by wife, Peggy

Taylor Robinson; two daughters, Reta Robinson Busher, of Richmond and Lee Ann Sugarman and her husband, Mark, of Baltimore; and grandsons, Andrew Lee and Eric Thomas Sugarman.

He was predeceased by two sisters-in-law, Lois Ann Landing and husband, Billy Landing, and Florence Kellam and husband, John Edward Kellam; and brother-in-law, John "Buddy" Boole.

Funeral services with Masonic Rites were conducted Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Doughty Funeral Home with Pastor Jonathan Carpenter officiating. Interment followed at Quinby Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

DAR OBSERVES VETERANS DAY



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Eastern Shore of the Virginia Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, was honored to participate in the Veterans Day observance sponsored by the Town of Onley. The event was held at the George N. McMath Park. The chapter laid a wreath at the base of the American flag in tribute to the veterans, passed out American flags, and gave "thank you" notes to all the veterans in attendance. To learn more about the work of today's DAR, or if you are interested in becoming a member, visit www.dar.org Pictured from left are Sarah Bingman, Chapter Regent; Nancy Bisker, Chapter Secretary; Lynn Schreiber, Chapter Historian; and Mindy Nickel, Chapter Co-Chaplain.

40TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Riverside hospital to hold annual Festival of Lights

The Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital's 40th annual Festival of Lights will celebrate the holidays with a traditional in-person gathering under the canopy in front of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Names of loved ones being honored or memorialized by light purchasers will be presented digitally both in person and on Facebook on Dec. 14.

The recognition may be shared digitally with loved ones near and far and may be accessed for months to come.

Lights can be purchased in any quantity for \$10 each, and there are opportunities to purchase larger ads as well. In addition, there will be an opportunity to purchase an individually engraved ornament that will be mailed to the purchaser in time to be hung on the Christmas tree and to become a part of future holiday celebrations.

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Proceeds from the Auxiliary's annual events and from its Carousel Gift Shop support technology advances, patient care, and team member continuing education at Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

SPORTS

Eastern Shore Post

ARCADIA BASEBALL PLAYERS SIGN LETTERS OF INTENT



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Arcadia High School baseball standouts Nathan Barnes (top photo) and Carson Lucy (bottom) signed letters of intent with Virginia colleges on Tuesday, Nov. 14. Barnes, a pitcher, first baseman, and Arcadia's top hitter with a .489 batting average, signed with Longwood University. Barnes, second from right at the table, is pictured with his brother Dalton (left), his parents Angela and Rob Barnes, and coaches David Harkins (left rear) and Mike Hatcher (right rear). Lucy, a catcher with a .400 batting average, signed with Paul D. Camp Community College. Lucy (blue shirt) is pictured at the table with his parents, Tasha and Kevin Lucy, and coaches Alan Hall (left rear) and Hatcher (right rear). Last spring as juniors, Barnes and Lucy led the Firebirds to an 11-5-1 record and the third round of the state playoffs. Barnes chose Longwood "because it's located in a rural area and has that same small-town feel that I love about the Eastern Shore." Barnes also thanked his parents "for their endless support" and coaches Hatcher, Harkins, and Dave Whigham. Lucy said he "couldn't have asked for a better team" than his teammates at Arcadia, and gave a shoutout to his "parents, friends, teammates, and Coach Hatcher."



Broadwater's Smith named to VISAA All-State team

BY KINSEY RAYFIELD

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

Broadwater Academy junior Leah Smith was named First Team All-State for the 2023 season.

Nine athletes are selected to be on the First Team All-State along with a player of the year. In addition, six athletes are named to the Second Team All-State. Broadwater Academy is a member of the VISAA Division IV for volleyball.

Smith was also named First Team All-Metro Conference following the regular season. She was one of two athletes named to the First Team All-State for the Metro Conference in Division IV.

Smith led the Lady Vikings on the



PHOTO COURTESY CHRISTY KELLAM

Broadwater Academy's Leah Smith was named First Team All-Metro Conference and First Team All-State for the 2023 season.

season with 158 kills, 47 aces, 40 blocks, 215 receptions, and 163 digs.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Loyal Grimes, fourth from right, was among the team members of the 1998-1999 Hampden-Sydney College basketball team to be inducted into the school's Athletic Hall of Fame recently. A graduate of Nandua High School, Grimes was named a First-Team Division III All-American on a squad that went 29-3, won the ODAC regular season championship and the tournament championship, and finished second in the national championship game, losing in double overtime to Wisconsin-Platteville, 76-75. Grimes was First Team All-ODAC three times in his career and is currently the program's seventh-leading scorer with 1,740 points, eighth in assists with 335, and still holds the record for 3-pointers made in a career with 262. Since graduation, Grimes has worked in finance and business intelligence and coached at Hampden-Sydney, Glen Allen High School, and AAU.

Northampton Reliability Project Open House

Old Dominion Electric Cooperative (ODEC) is planning for new transmission infrastructure between Exmore and Cheriton to provide increased electric reliability and system resiliency to the community. You're invited to an Open House to learn about the project, ask questions, and provide community feedback.

Open House #1

Thursday, November 30
1 - 3 p.m.

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Open House #2

Thursday, November 30
5 - 7 p.m.

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501 Mason Avenue
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For more information, visit odec.com/esva.



REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REMINDER

The Accomack County Treasurer's Office is taking this opportunity to remind taxpayers that the due date for the 2023 real estate and personal property taxes are **due December 5, 2023**. Payments should be postmarked **December 5** or before or can be placed in the drop box outside of the County Administration Building in Accomac. Payments can be made in person and we kindly request that you would bring your bills to speed up the process. In addition, payments can be made via the County's tax payment website at www.accomacktax.com. An electronic check or E-check payment option is available as a more economical payment option at a flat fee of \$2.00. We are also happy to announce the addition of a Pay By Phone option where payments can be accepted by dialing 757-891-6768. Your account number will be needed.

James A. Lilliston, Treasurer
Accomack County, Virginia

Maryland man boats massive flounder off Chincoteague

The attention-grabbing catch of the last week has to be the giant 12-pound, 6-ounce flounder caught by John Russell, of Severna Park, Md.



Bill Hall

Russell boated the large doormat while fishing over submerged structure in the ocean out of Chincoteague. Once the paperwork for the fish has been submitted to the Virginia Saltwater Fishing Tournament, Russell's fish should easily overtake the current state

leader, a 10-pound, 7-ounce fish caught by Danny Taylor at the third island of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. The huge fish was weighed in at Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle.

Upper Shore

Captain Matt Abell, of the Sea Hawk Sports Center, reported that rockfish are garnering all of the angling attention in the central Chesapeake Bay, as the fish have slowly begun to shift their orientation to structure in slightly deeper water depths.

The best action has been occurring in early morning and late evenings, during low light conditions, especially combined with periods of stronger tidal movement. Casting Rapala Rap-10's around some of the deeper rocks and stump fields has been particularly effective.

Catches of a little larger class of rockfish measuring from 21 to 28-plus inches are starting to be made by anglers jigging bucktails and metal spoons such as Crippled Herring over deeper structure and around channel markers inside Tangier and Pocomoke sounds.



PHOTO COURTESY CAPTAIN STEVE'S BAIT AND TACKLE

John Russell landed one of the largest recreationally-caught flounder in recent memory, with this giant 12-pound, 6-ounce doormat, caught over a wreck in the waters off Chincoteague.

Chincoteague

Jimmy Vasiliou, of Captain Steve's Bait and Tackle, reported that catches made during last weekend's annual surf fishing tournament included three striped bass that fitted in the legal slot limit and a 4-pound black drum.

Noah Printzenhoff's 10-pound, 15-ounce striper was heavy enough to secure the tournament's striped bass division, while Frank Hornig took second place in the striped bass division with a fish weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces. The black drum was landed by Matt

Mills.

Catches of schoolie-sized striped bass, a few flounder, and even some legal-sized tautog have been made inside of Chincoteague Bay. In addition to the giant flounder catch, large black sea bass, tautog, and bluefish catches have come from over the oceanic wrecks.

Wachapreague

Captain Lindsay Paul, aboard the charter vessel *Almost Persuaded*, told me that anglers are still finding a few flounder on the flats, with

the action occurring on the ebb tide.

Berkley Gulp and silversides seem to be the bait combination of choice for the late-season flounder.

Captain Paul added that anglers targeting speckled trout and puppy drum were not having any luck, as it seems the best of that fishery is over for the season.

The offshore wrecks out of Wachapreague Inlet are still producing "nice-sized" black sea bass and a few flounder. Paul had no reports of offshore blue water action.

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Fishing

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Lower Shore

Dan Bell, at Oceans East — Eastern Shore, said that schoolie-sized rockfish are being caught in Cherrystone Creek as well as in King's Creek under the lights.

The shallow water puppy drum bite around Fisherman Island remains good for anglers casting soft plastic baits.

The tautog bite in the lower bay is improving as the water temperatures continue to fall. Tog catches are being made at the Cell, along the Fisherman Island bridge, and at the third island of the bridge-tunnel.

Bell has not yet received any reports signaling the arrival of large striped bass in the lower bay but is hopeful that will change in December.

Jeb Brady, at Bailey's Bait & Tackle, described the fishing action over the last week as "slow" with a lot of wind in the forecast. Despite the weather, he is still receiving reports of puppy drum and schoolie-sized striped bass catches being made on artificial baits inside

the creeks of the lower Chesapeake Bay.

A few flounder are still being reported along the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel by anglers using cut bait with Berkley Gulp.

Black sea bass and a smaller class of sheepshead are being caught over the inshore wrecks. Jeb said that everyone is expecting the appearance of big stripers with the arrival of colder weather.

The week of Thanksgiving traditionally marks the end of our little weekly fishing report, but by no means does that mean that it is the end of local fishing activity.

As you can see, flounder and puppy drum continue to linger in some of our local waters and the striped bass action has not even come close to peaking, as the trophy-size fishery should extend well into the month of January.

Please be aware of the danger of hypothermia as the air and water temperatures continue to fall, and prepare and dress accordingly. Have a blessed Thanksgiving and a wonderful holiday season and we hope to see you again in 2024.

The writer 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. He has won numerous Virginia Press Association awards for his columns.

Virginia Spaceport Industry Day set for Tuesday, Jan. 23

The Virginia Spaceport Authority is planning an Industry Day on Tuesday, Jan. 23, at the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co., 5052 Deep Hole Road, Chincoteague.

It will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event is for industries that would like to learn more about doing business with the Virginia Spaceport Authority.

The meeting will be an opportunity to exchange vendor capabilities and discuss the Spaceport's forecast of opportunities.

The authority owns and operates the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at Wallops.

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SCAN ME

More high school students in college courses

BY JIM RITCH
Eastern Shore Post

The number of Northampton High School students simultaneously enrolled in college courses has risen 58% since last year, Superintendent Lisa Martin told attendees at a recent “State of the Schools” presentation.

Martin, who is starting her second school year leading the district, said the increase resulted in part from restructuring of fees that reduced the cost to students by 85%.

The measures contribute to reaching two overarching goals.

Martin wants every graduate ready to be “employed, enrolled, or enlisted,” she said on Nov. 9 to more than

100 participants in the high school gym.

Martin also wants to “light literacy fires at home,” she said.

Among other changes, parents whose children misbehave in class will see more of teachers and administrators this year.

Speaking in a breakout session at the meeting, Martin said that more parent-teacher conferences lie ahead as means of improving classroom discipline.

Administrators also plan to transfer misbehaving students between classes more frequently, hoping to move children to more stimulating or challenging subjects.

Ill-behaved children will also be assigned mentors to help them with their studies and other issues.

Extended periods of home studies during COVID slowed socialization, reduced attendance, and made classroom discipline more difficult to maintain.

District schools have also created six new courses, opened a new middle school STEM lab, and begun recruiting teachers from among the district’s own graduates.

A “Teachers for Tomorrow” program will offer high school juniors and seniors educational experiences and invite them to return to teach after college-level training.

“You will have a prize spot” upon returning, Martin said.

This fall, five Northampton High School graduates began as teachers, part of a cadre of 28 new teachers.

Of these, nine just started their first year in the classroom.

Because many Northampton teachers commute from Virginia Beach, the school district has collaborated with the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Authority to provide a shuttle van parked on the Virginia Beach end of the bridge.

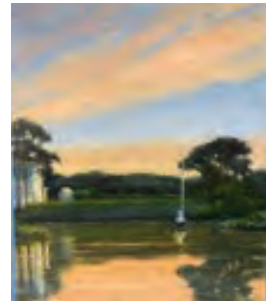
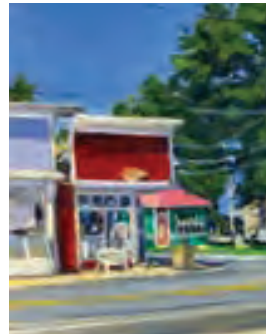
Teachers who park and ride can avoid the expense of the bridge toll, Martin said.

Among the efforts to better prepare graduates to work locally, the district has improved equipment and increased enrollment in a class to train emergency medical technicians.

Enrollment rose from 5 to 12 students in the class, which also received a new, \$57,000 manikin on which to practice protocols.

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Chamber earns tourism grant

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce received a \$5,000 grant from the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program for its "Explore the Shore" marketing.

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce partnered with other local businesses to supply matching funds for the project "Explore the Shore" marketing campaign encouraging travel to the Eastern Shore of Virginia during the shoulder season.

The VTC Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program is designed to increase visitor spending in the off-season by leveraging limited marketing dollars, stimulating new tourism marketing through partnerships, and extending the "Virginia is for Lovers" brand.

REGIONAL

ESCC eyes creation of soccer team

College leader: "This is about keeping our people on the Shore"

BY CLARA VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

Eastern Shore Community College is eyeing a school soccer team.

College President Jim Shaeffer presented the benefits of a home team to the Accomack County Board of Supervisors during its meeting Wednesday, Nov. 15.

Those include attracting high school graduates to stay on the Eastern Shore and preparing them to join the local workforce, he said.

"This is about keeping our people on the Shore. This is about putting them into good jobs," said Shaeffer.

The initiative would launch men's and women's teams and have

accompanying tournaments that "will bring people to the Shore," he said.

The Accomack County supervisors overwhelmingly supported the idea.

"Many times it's what happens on the field that keeps students in the classroom," said Supervisor Ron Wolff.

"I think it's an excellent idea — anything we can do for our kids, for our students, to keep them here," said Board of Supervisors Chair Robert Crockett.

Schaeffer plans to speak at the board of supervisors again and to request funding from Accomack and Northampton counties to help establish the team.

He is also seeking funds from the ESCC Foundation.

He is working with Alleghany County's Mountain Gateway Community College, which launched its own athletics program, on the effort.

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Northampton indictments

■ Persell LaFreddie Beckett III, 22, homeless, of Exmore, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of motor vehicle grand larceny on Sept. 23.

Beckett also faces three misdemeanor charges of climbing into a vehicle to commit a crime. He was arrested Sept. 27 and held without bail.

■ Melvin Benton, 62, of Woodcock Circle, Cape Charles, was indicted Sept. 11 on four felony charges: possession of cocaine, a Schedule I or II drug; possession of a firearm by a convicted felon; possession of a Schedule I or II drug while in possession of a firearm; and possession of a stolen firearm, all on Dec. 9, 2022.

He was indicted Nov. 13 on an additional felony charge of possession of a stolen firearm.

Benton was arrested Dec. 9, 2022, and held without bail. He was released Dec. 15, 2022, on \$2,500 secured bond.

■ Matthew Lawrence Biondo, 49, of Lankford Highway, Machipongo, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of possession of a firearm by a convicted violent felon on July 28. Biondo was arrested the same day and held without bail.

An order was issued Nov. 2 for a \$2,500 secured bond and for Biondo's release to a rehab treatment center.

■ Jaya Ariel Devine, 21, of Atlantic Avenue, Camden, N.J., was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of being an accessory to motor vehicle grand larceny on Aug. 30. He was arrested and held without bail Sept. 18.

Devine was released Sept. 20 on \$5,500 secured bond.

■ Ethan Patrick Fox, 19, of New Danville Pike, Lancaster, Pa., was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of eluding police and endangerment on Aug. 7. He also received a summons for reckless driving by speeds of 86 mph in a 55-mph zone. Fox was arrested and held without bail on Aug. 7. He was released Aug. 10 on \$2,000 secured bond.

■ Joel Guerra, 39, of Hungars Road, Cape Charles, was indicted Nov. 13 on four felony charges: attempted first-degree murder, abduction, use

of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and malicious shooting at an occupied building, all on Aug. 30.

He also faces misdemeanor charges of assault of a family member, pointing or brandishing a firearm, reckless handling of a firearm, and damage of property, a cell phone, worth \$1,000 or less. Guerra was arrested Aug. 30 and held without bail.

■ Antonio Rayshawn Hines, 38, of Seaside Road, Belle Haven, was indicted Nov. 13 on three felony charges: robbery by means of violence or presenting a firearm, possession of a firearm by a violent felon, and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, his second offense, all on Aug. 29. He also faces misdemeanor charges of pointing or brandishing a firearm and assault and battery. Hines was arrested Aug. 31 and held without bail.

■ Stuart Clarke Karageorge, 60, of Seaside Road, Eastville, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of eluding police and endangerment on June 2.

He also faces a misdemeanor charge of reckless driving by speeds of more than 85 mph.

Karageorge was arrested and held without bail on June 2. He was released June 8 on \$5,000 secured bond.

■ Tricia Janelle Lee, 41, of Hampton Court, Birdsnest, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of hit-and-run property damage of \$1,000 or more on Sept. 25.

She also faces misdemeanor charges of driving while intoxicated, her first offense; reckless driving by speeds of 20 mph or more over the limit; displaying altered or forged license plates; and displaying a fictitious inspection sticker, all on Sept. 25.

Lee was arrested and held without bail on Sept. 25. She was released Sept. 29 on \$7,500 secured bond.

■ Carla Celeste Lewis, 38, of Seaside Road, Cape Charles, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of possession of cocaine, a Schedule I or II drug, on Aug. 9. She was arrested and held without bail on Aug. 9.

■ Tyrell Lemar Matthews, 32, of Cooper Lane, Parksley, was indicted Nov. 13 on three felony charges: credit card larceny, credit card fraud, and conspiracy to commit credit card fraud, all between April 29 and June

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Indictments

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14. He was arrested June 27 and released on \$4,000 unsecured bail.

■ Hunter O'Connor, 22, of Ship Shoal Way, Virginia Beach, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle worth \$1,000 or more on Sept. 11.

He was arrested the same day and released on \$2,500 unsecured bail.

■ Jason Spencer Smith, 43, of Ramshorn Road, Cape Charles, was indicted Nov. 13 on two felony charges: driving under the influence, his fourth offense or more in 10 years; and driving after having his license revoked for DUI, both on Sept. 13. Smith was arrested Sept. 13 and held without bail.

■ Keith Hamilton Underhill, 65, of Marina Road, Cape Charles, was indicted Nov. 13 on a felony charge of embezzling property worth \$1,000 or more on July 13. He was arrested Oct. 2 and released on \$2,000 secured bail.

■ James Waylon Widgeon, 32, of

Willis Wharf, was indicted Nov. 13 on seven felony charges: check forgery and uttering on June 12; breaking and entering during the day with the intent to commit a felony and stealing property worth \$1,000 or more on July 3; stealing personal property worth \$1,000 or more; and two counts of receiving stolen property on July 5.

He also faces eight misdemeanor charges: entering a vehicle, aircraft, or boat with the intent to cause injury or destroy it; three counts of petit larceny; three counts of entering a vehicle, aircraft, or boat with the intent to commit a crime; and identity theft with the intent to defraud for \$1,000 or more.

Widgeon was arrested July 5 and released on \$2,000 unsecured bail.

■ Daniel Shane Wood, 33, of Ann Avenue, Exmore, was indicted Nov. 13 on two felony charges: tampering with or disabling fire suppression equipment while a prisoner and destroying property worth \$1,000 or more, both on Sept. 19.

He was arrested and held without bail Sept. 21.



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Volunteer Judy Watkins, left, of Cape Charles, and Rotarian Ken Butta, right, of Cape Charles, measure and mold crab cakes Friday, Nov. 17, in preparation for Thanksgiving. More than 1,800 crab cakes were produced and delivered in time for the holiday by members of the Rotary Club of Cape Charles. The semi-annual fundraiser helps the club donate about \$18,000 to local schools and nonprofits each year.

Accomack

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were almost 16% below the median salaries in similar positions and organizations.

After a 7% pay raise for all county employees this summer — which took place after the study began — salaries are now less than 9% below market.

“The results of the county’s classification and compensation study confirmed what I already knew based on our employee exit interviews,” said Accomack County Administrator Mike Mason.

“Staff compensation was not keeping up with the external market.”

“As an organization focused on providing services to the public, it is vital that we recruit and retain a qualified workforce,” he said, adding Accomack will “concentrate on lifting compensation levels across all county departments in a responsible manner that is both fair to our team members and to county taxpayers.”

The \$1.3 million for staff salaries will significantly narrow the wage gap and achieve almost three-quarters of

pay raises the study recommends.

The raises will go to 166 of Accomack’s employees who have the widest wage gap compared to similar positions in other organizations, according to the study.

Accomack has around 250 full-time employees, and about 50 part-time staff, Mason said.

After the raises go into effect Jan. 1, the average salary for county employees will increase by almost \$5,000, from \$52,967 to \$57,786, Mason said.

The median salary for Accomack County employees will rise from \$49,916 to \$53,121, he said.

“The board set aside over \$1 million in this budget to implement these results,” Mason said of the study.

“You’re to be commended for that,” he told supervisors.

He plans to work to find funds for the remaining 27% in raises the study recommends for the budget next fiscal year, which starts July 1, 2024.

It was the first time in over 20 years the county conducted a classification and compensation study, Mason said.

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/d4brbm-wd> to read the Accomack County Classification and Compensation Study.



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Jo Bawiec, left, places a ring on the finger of her partner, Lori Smith, during a private wedding on the front porch of their Cape Charles home Nov. 11. Celebrant Hope Wolff-Wilson, center, presides while Barney, best pup, and Henry, pup of honor, watch below. The couple had been issued a marriage license in Eastville but were initially denied a civil ceremony, leading to the resignation of one of the county's celebrants.

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Chicken house court case could be dismissed

BY CLARA VAUGHN
Eastern Shore Post

A court case deciding the fate of a Savageville poultry farm could be dismissed on a technical error after a petitioning group failed to notify the Accomack Board of Supervisors of their appeal within 30 days of a board of zoning appeals decision.

Attorney Joe Sherman asked the Accomack County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, Nov. 15, to waive the procedural error and allow a circuit judge to decide the case based on its merits.

“It’s going to make all the difference in the people’s lives when they drive by that poultry house (operation) whether or not it was resolved on the merits or whether or not it was a procedural default,” Sherman said.

“When they look at it, there’s an emotional outcome,” said the attorney representing a group of over 30 neighbors who filed a petition challenging the Accomack County Board of Zoning Appeals’ decision to grant exceptions to county rules to allow the poultry farm to reopen.

The supervisors took no action on his request as of Nov. 17, said County Administrator Mike Mason.

The circuit court case follows a Sept. 6 decision by the board of zoning appeals that granted farm owner Le Ung exceptions to Accomack County’s poultry ordinance.

They include a variance of 190 feet from the county’s 200-foot setback requirement from property lines — meaning a manure shed is 10 feet from a neighbor’s property.

The board of zoning appeals also granted a variance of 41 feet from Accomack’s setback requirement from roads, which is 125 feet from the center of state- or county-maintained roads.

The poultry houses had been closed for over two years, meaning the operation could not be grandfathered.

When Ung’s farm manager requested the variances to reopen the Gaskins Road operation, more than a dozen neighbors spoke out against the request.

“I felt like a prisoner in my own home because of the stench, and it’s a quality-of-life issue,” said Alvin Bailey, who lives nearby on Gaskins Road, during the board of zoning appeal’s Sept. 6 meeting.

“It is a detriment to our homes and we adamantly oppose it,” said Janet Conquest Powell.

Residents cited concerns from the environmental impacts of runoff from the chicken houses to the odor, noise, and airborne particles they generated when the six chicken houses were in operation. Each house holds around 23,000 birds, farm manager Mark McCready said.

Over 30 neighbors signed a petition asking the Accomack Circuit Court to enforce the county’s poultry regulations on the Gaskins Road operation. It was filed Oct. 6.

However, Virginia law requires petitioners give notice within 30 days to the governing body, Accomack’s board of supervisors, meaning the case could be dismissed on a procedural error.

Sherman argued speakers at the supervisors’ Sept. 20 meeting and press coverage of the Savageville poultry operation could serve as that

notice.

“It’s a little counterintuitive, but what appears to be the easy way — taking the legal forfeit — is actually the hard way in the long run,” he said, adding, “There’s other collateral litigation that could come out of this.”

“Indecision is a decision,” he said of the request to the Accomack Board of Supervisors to waive the procedural error.

After hearing citizens’ concerns about the board of zoning appeals decision, the supervisors directed Accomack County staff to reach a compromise with the poultry farm’s owner.

They brokered a deal requiring Ung to move the manure shed to a new location on her property — but the agreement does not take effect unless the court case is dismissed.

“I know none of us would want a manure house 10 feet from our property line,” Supervisor Donald Hart said during an Oct. 17 meeting.

“In the southern end of the county, the majority — 90% — of the chicken houses ... are always in minority communities,” he said, “and it has always bothered me.”

The Gaskins Road farm is in a historically Black neighborhood.

The case will continue at 9:30 a.m. on Dec. 20 in Accomack County Circuit Court.

■ Visit <https://tinyurl.com/mrxu2rpb> to read the appeal Geraldine Ficklin and Concerned Citizens of Savageville filed in Accomack Circuit Court.

■ Visit <https://tinyurl.com/43sbefcd> to read Accomack County’s poultry ordinance.

■ See the pending agreement between Ung and Accomack County at <https://tinyurl.com/yu4hxaa9>

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Gonzalez

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retirement and Gonzalez decided to run for her boss's position.

Gonzalez was born in Nassawadox, and her parents, who were from Mexico, raised her in Locustville, near Melfa.

When she was 8 years old, Gonzalez' father died, leaving her and her brother in the care of their mother.

Life was challenging for her widowed mother, who also was an English learner, Gonzalez said.

She remembers many trips as a young girl to the bank and the post office, where she did her best to translate words that she had never heard before.

Both of Gonzalez's parents had been farm workers, and her mother later worked for Tyson Foods and New Ravenna mosaics to keep the family afloat.

Gonzalez fondly remembers accompanying her mother to the fields and taking along toys to play with while her mother worked.

"I wouldn't change a thing," Gonzalez said of her childhood.

She graduated from Nandua High School and decided to work her way through college, aided by grants. To ask her mother for financial help "would have broken my heart," Gonzalez said.

She entered Christopher Newport University, in Newport News, with an undeclared major.

Gonzalez' college advisor suggested she try different courses, and when she took Government 101, she "loved it" and became fascinated with how government works, she said.

"You are there to serve for a better good. ... You do make a difference," Gonzalez said of the various government positions she has held.

Her first professional experience was handling personal property taxes for Northampton County from 2015 to 2018.

Gonzalez also spent a year as the business manager for the St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, in Onley.

While there, she began pursuing a master's degree online through Re-

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gent University in Virginia Beach.

Gonzalez moved to the campus and started working at the Norfolk real estate assessor's office in 2019.

She decided to return to the Eastern Shore in 2020, after she heard Northampton County's real estate technician was retiring.

Gray hired Gonzalez for that position. In or around 2021, Gray confided that she would not pursue another term as commissioner of the revenue.

Gonzalez announced her campaign for the position in February. Even though she ran unopposed, she had to work hard to campaign.

To get on the ballot, Gonzalez had to collect at least 125 signatures on a petition and file the required paperwork.

She also attended events such as the Cape Charles July 4 parade and visited the polls to get to know Northampton residents and "feel connected to them," Gonzalez said.

Gray, who was a "great teacher," always emphasized customer service as the top priority in the commissioner of the revenue's office. "They are big shoes to fill," Gonzalez said.

She has no plans to seek higher office in the future. Gonzalez is "present in the moment" and focused on adapting to her new role. "It's never boring," she said of her job.

Her goals in her new position, in which she will oversee five employees, are "to serve everyone," help taxpayers understand the 2024 real estate assessments, hear their concerns, and provide remedies, Gonzalez said.

She thanked Gray, her coworkers, and the voters for their support and "believing in me."

Gonzalez said, "I will certainly do my best and have strong judgment and integrity in what they have confided in me."

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Brinkley Nature Preserve gets hundreds of native plants

BY STEFANIE JACKSON

Eastern Shore Post

Eastern Shore Virginia Master Gardeners recently upgraded Northampton County's Edward S. Brinkley Nature Preserve, near Oyster, with hundreds of native plants that will provide habitats for wildlife.

The wildflower habitat project is "an experiment to see how it will go without a whole lot of maintenance," Martina Coker said of planting an educational area for visitors of the preserve.

The project was designed by master gardener Jane McKinley, who is also a master naturalist. She and master gardener Phil Goetkin worked together to select the native plants for the project.

A team of volunteers set out to introduce 900 plants to the nature preserve on Wednesday, Nov. 15.

The master gardeners planted three types of grasses: little bluestem, big bluestem, and Indiangrass. They also planted around a dozen types of wildflowers, such as goldenrod, black-eyed Susan, sunflower, milkweed, coneflower, and New England aster.

The plants were bought from two nurseries that specialize in native plants — North Creek Nurseries, in Pennsylvania, and New Moon Nurseries, in New Jersey, Goetkin said.

The wildflower habitat is expected to attract pollinators, like monarch butterflies, which prefer milkweed. Mountain mint also is "amazing for butterflies," Coker said.

In addition to providing shelter for small animals, the habitat will provide food for birds like sparrows and finches, which can eat seeds that the plants produce, Coker said.

The project began with a visit to the preserve in January. Before the project was designed, Virginia Tech completed soil testing at the site.

Due to drought, the master gardeners have been "babying" the



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Martina Coker oversees volunteers planting a wildflower habitat at the Edward S. Brinkley Nature Preserve in Northampton County on Wednesday, Nov. 15.

plants by using compost and adding lime to the soil to provide extra nutrients, Coker said.

The master gardeners hope that once the plants are established, the wildflower habitat will be a low-maintenance feature of the preserve.

The Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission and Northampton County contributed funding to the project, which also includes educational signs throughout the preserve.

Ann Quigley, a master naturalist, said there are more than 6,000 master gardeners who volunteer across Virginia and the Eastern Shore.

The Eastern Shore Virginia Master Gardeners offer "something for everyone," she said.

For information about upcoming trainings and how to join the Eastern Shore Virginia Master Gardeners, visit www.esvmg.com



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Eastern Shore Virginia Master Gardeners and other volunteers dig holes and plant native species at the Edward S. Brinkley Nature Preserve in Northampton County. Clockwise from top are Jim McDaniel, Terri Birtles, Phil Goetkin, and Cara Burton.

Chincoteague, Onancock, Cape Charles to get EV chargers

BY CLARA VAUGHN

Eastern Shore Post

Drivers in Chincoteague, Onancock, and Cape Charles will soon be able to charge electric vehicles downtown.

The three new Level 2 charging stations are part of a pilot program by A&N Innovation Solutions, a subsidiary of A&N Electric Cooperative.

The project aims to carry out recommendations from a feasibility study of electric vehicle charging on the Eastern Shore, and to collect data on demand for charging stations, their impact to the electrical grid, operations and maintenance costs, and other factors.

“We’re excited to get them all up, and get them operational, and collect data that will benefit the whole Eastern Shore,” said ANEC Financial Analyst Robie Marsh.

“The purpose of the feasibility study is trying to get ahead of the curve and know the demand for EV charging,” he said.

ANEC began looking at electric vehicle charging stations in 2022 as a way to address what Marsh called the “EV desert” on the Shore.

The cooperative hired a contractor to conduct a feasibility study, which found charging stations in Accomack and Northampton counties, but mostly at hotels or bed-and-breakfasts for guests, he said.

There are Tesla chargers in Exmore and Onancock, Marsh said.

“Short of that, the closest DC fast charger ... was up at the welcome center in Maryland,” he said. “The next one was across the bay off of Military Highway.”

The study recommended putting the first charging stations in downtown areas where drivers

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Robie Marsh,
Financial Analyst
A&N Electric Cooperative

can walk to restaurants, shops, and other businesses while their cars charge, he said.

“This was very much tourism focused,” said ANEC Communications Specialist Jay Diem.

“The three biggest tourism hubs on the Eastern Shore right now are probably Cape Charles, Chincoteague, and Onancock,” he said.

There will be two chargers at each station in public parking lots in those towns. The Level 2 chargers should recharge vehicles at a rate of around 18 to 24 miles of range per hour, Diem said.

Old Dominion Electric Cooperative, owned by 12 electric cooperatives including ANEC, supplied the chargers “so that they can also get the data from the charging,” such as when people use them and how much electricity they use, Diem said.

The group plans to collect at least one year of data from the new stations and could install more chargers in the future, said Diem.

A&N Innovation Solutions and the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission applied for a federal Charging and Fueling Infrastructure grant that could fund fast-charging Level 3 stations on U.S. Route 13, plus more Level 2 chargers in other towns.

Locations of those chargers would be determined in the future, pending a grant award, Marsh said.

The new charging stations should go live in Chincoteague and Onancock this week, Diem said.

Chincoteague’s chargers are in the downtown municipal parking lot. Onancock’s are in the Queen Street parking lot, behind the town’s movie theater, bakery, and new welcome center.

He expects the Cape Charles station to be operating by the end of 2023. That station will be in the gravel lot south of Mason Avenue, between Peach and Strawberry streets.


Charging will cost 45 cents per kilowatt hour, with an additional \$1.50 per hour for parking, Diem said, which “covers the electricity used to charge the electric vehicle in addition to any fixed costs such as ongoing operations and maintenance for the EV charger units.”

“It’s certainly the wave of the future,” said Cape Charles Town Manager John Hozey of the initiative.

“We’re happy to be part of the pilot program and, if successful, the next step,” he said.

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This Holiday Open Studio Tour has been held for almost 20 years and is the flagship event for the guild.

The tour takes participants off the beaten path via scenic routes to the home studios.

■ STUDIO NO. 1 — Carole Peirson Fine Art Studio, 3214 Jacobia Lane, Cape Charles

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■ STUDIO NO. 3 — Noisy Crow



Carole Peirson, left, speaks to a guest during the annual Artisans Guild of the Eastern Shore Open Studio Tour.

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Artists there:

8. Nancy A. Kinzinger, Noisy Crow Studio; Copper, brass, and sterling silver jewelry constructed from recycled metal. 757-641-8069 noisycrow-studio.com

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12. Carrie Jacobson Studio

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13. Bay Leigh Studio

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14. Morphosis Gallery

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15. Marsh Ryon Studio

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16. Vesna Zidovec Studio

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Studio tour

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17. David Crane, Handmade stoneware art tile, and functional clay work. 757-665-4021 seafireceramics.com

18. Guy Shover, carver

19. Brenda Sturgis, fresh innovative acrylics. 757-672-6433

■ STUDIO NO. 9 — Ocean Skye Gallery, 15355 Pungoteague Road, Pungoteague

Artists there:

20. Anne Winston, working light, color, and life in mixed media. 757-710-3408 annewinstongallery.com

21. Jeff Foxworthy, Working in wood (with occasional forays into bamboo and other materials) to create bowls, spoons, caricature carvings, relief carvings, and other small treen items; large structures such as archways, benches and tables from hand hewn beams and bamboo. 571-274-3079

■ STUDIO NO. 10 — Lynne Rogers Studio 4 Center St. Wachapreague

Artists there:

22. Lynne Rogers, Oil paintings, sculptural details, mixed media. 757-710-5335 lynnerogers5.wixsite.com/lynne-rogers-art

■ STUDIO NO. 11 — Ann Crain Studio, 3 Center St., Wachapreague

Artists there:

23. Ann Crain, Mixed media with abstract thoughts, acrylics, oils, found objects, and more. 410-610-2007

■ STUDIO NO. 12 — Carrie Jacobson Studio, 18 Bayview Ave., Wachapreague

Artists there:

24. Carrie Jacobson, Bright, bold oil paintings made with palette knife. Birds, florals, landscapes, animals, and more. 860-442-0246, jacobson-arts.com

■ STUDIO NO. 13 — Bay Leigh Studio, 23895 Bailey Neck Dr., Onancock



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Marty Burgess stands beside some of his oil paintings at the Eastern Shore Artists Guild Open Studio Tour.

Artists there:

25. Janis King, Bay Leigh Studios; Figurative sculptures and paintings, plus multi-medium Santos. Demonstrations with clay. 484-999-4897 janiskingart.com

■ STUDIO NO. 14 — Morphosis Gallery, 33 Market St., Onancock

Artists there:

26. Kynne Kretzer, Morphosis Creative; Sea glass mosaics and décor made with natural and recycled materials. 757-710-8718 morphosiscreative.com

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■ STUDIO NO. 15 — Marsh Ryon Studio 18092 Leatherbury Drive Onancock

Artists there:

29. Marsh Ryon, Nature inspired artwork in a variety of mediums. 757-710-4659 www.marshrulon.com

■ STUDIO NO. 16 — Vesna Zidovec Studio 30 Kerr St. Onancock

Artists there:

30. Vesna Zidovec, Handmade functional and decorative pottery. 757-678-3712 vesnazidovec.com

■ STUDIO NO. 17 — Ker Place 69 Market St. Onancock

Artists there:

31. Diana M. Davis Award winning watercolors depicting the Eastern Shore. 757-442-5359 dianamdaviswatercolor.blogspot.com

32. David Farlow, Seaside Decoys; Fourth generation decoy carver in Eastern Shore tradition. 757-442-9097

33. Douglas Greer, Greer Studio, 757-710-1847

34. William Murphy, Impressionistic oils of the truth and beauty of the Shore life at this moment, 757-710-3609

35. Alicia Daily, Functional stoneware pottery with artwork of animals.

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■ STUDIO NO. 18 — Historic Onancock School, 6 College Ave., Onancock

Artists there:

36. Karyn Belknap, Ten Good Sheep Yarns and Natural Fibers, in studio 116. Perfect gifts and stocking stuffers and hand dyed yarn 757-243-1400 TenGoodSheep.com

37. Mark Belknap, Bayside Blacksmith and Decoys; in studio 115. Hand forged gifts and traditional decoys/shorebirds. 757-710-0496 ForestryandWildlife.com

38. Billy Crockett, In studio 117. Master carver. 757-710-6669

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40. Gertraud Fendler, Wearable Art made with Authentic Sea Glass and Rocket Debris, 757-442-4430

41. and 42. Donna Stufft, Sarah Jillard, Painted Stitches. Art quilts: Painted fabric embellished with thread sketching. 443-616-6708 paintedstitches.com

43. Joel Simpson, Hand-carved utensils and turned bowls — functional art in wood 757-710-1822

44. Dawn Simpson, Optic Fibers Crochet Charming stuffed creatures, wearables, accessories. 757-710-5917

45. Laura McGowan, In studio 114. Original oil paintings inspired by the Eastern Shore. 757-710-7600 lauramcgowanfineart.com

46. and 47. John Labodie and Margie Labodie, in studio 105. A carefully rendered fantastic universe of colorful objects and spaces.

48. Fred Leutner, award-winning oil paintings. 757-442-7671

49. Michele Molina, Acrylic paintings, stained glass, wood burnings, mixed media. 626-213-4303 MichMoArt.com

50. Stevon Sample, Dominion Multimedia LLC Pen and ink, portraits, graphics dominiongraphicart@gmail.com 757-709-2569

51. Ginny Rutherford, handbuilt functional and decorative pottery inspired by nature. 609-385-3766.

52. Brenda Llewellyn, porcelain and stoneware functional pottery of organic design. 240-478-7647

Lights for Cape Charles trail may be too bright

BY JIM RITCH
Eastern Shore Post

Lighting of a new section of the Cape Charles' Community Trail may compromise the town's star-filled skies, but perhaps not for long.

The town council approved on Thursday, Nov. 16, the purchase of 10 lights for the stretch of the bike and walking trail between Randolph Avenue and Peach Street.

The \$30,555 bid for the lights was a bargain compared to the original bid of over \$80,000.

But the bid included more lights than may have been promised at a summertime public hearing.

"We walked away telling people that we would be able to control it," said Councilwoman Tammy Holloway, who compared the proposal to "bait and switch."

Town Manager John Hozey defended the bid, saying that the number of the lights had previously been reduced from 14 lights to 10.

Also, the Virginia Department of Transportation requires at least 10 lights in such a situation, and this number roughly equates to the lighting on other stretches of the trail.

With a deadline looming, the council unanimously passed the proposal.

Construction on the now-closed street is already underway and expected to end around February.

In other items, the council:

■ Heard from Hozey that the developer who may purchase the town's library building for \$600,000 will not also purchase two grassy parcels behind the library. The parcels, valued at \$325,000 each, will be sold separately. As part of the library sale, the town plans to purchase the existing library space as a \$450,000 condo within the building.

■ Approved a \$15,000 grant and almost \$28,000 loan to purchase and outfit a new police car. The funds will be provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Agency.

■ Honored retiring town employee

Cathy Crouse for 10 years of service and Ralph Bowen, public works manager, for "exemplary leadership" in the words of Councilwoman Holloway.

■ Approved moving the council's future meeting time from 6:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. The council meets on the third Thursday of each month.

Testy exchange

A procedural detail and testy presentation led to the rejection of a minor Cape Charles zoning amendment.

Eyre Baldwin, partner in Cherrystone Investments LLC, asked the town council to "clean up" the zoning on a small parcel sandwiched between conservation lands and adjoining wooded lots that are zoned for future industrial use. The parcel currently holds part of a golf cart path connecting the Bay Creek Resort with the Mason Avenue business district.

Although long and narrow, the parcel is split by two zoning areas: Mostly by mixed-use "Harbor" designation

and partially by "Harbor industrial." Mr. Baldwin asked that the entire lot be zoned as Harbor.

The change had previously been approved in principle by the town council, and in detail by the Planning Commission, and was supported by Town Manager John Hozey.

However, Councilman Andy Buchholz objected to isolating the parcel, which doesn't connect to any nearby Harbor-zoned lots, and he voted against the request.

One vote on the town's seven-member council would not normally have been sufficient to block the request, but only a bare quorum of four voting members was present: Steven Bennett, vice mayor; Tammy Holloway; Ken Butta; and Buchholz.

Mayor Adam Charney presided over the meeting but votes only to break ties.

Seemingly, a majority favored the change, 3-to-1. But in Cape Charles, motions must pass by a majority of the seven-member council, which would be four votes in favor. So the motion failed.

"That's a first for me," said a surprised Charney.



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Interested individuals are requested to submit a cover letter and resume with salary expectations and professional references to the Director of the 9-1-1 Center by email at jflournoy@co.northampton.va.us or by mail to P.O. Box 337, Accomack, VA 23301, or at the 9-1-1 Center, 23201 Front Street, Accomack, VA 23301.

The position description and position recruitment profile (with additional details on the hiring process and anticipated hiring range) can be found at the 9-1-1 Commission's website at www.esva911.org. Any inquiries about this position should be directed to: Jeffrey Flournoy, 9-1-1 Director, at jflournoy@co.northampton.va.us or at 757-787-0909. The ESVA 9-1-1 Commission is an equal opportunity employer.



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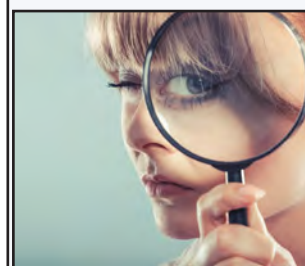
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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 151 –
WETLANDS OF THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
CODE OF ORDINANCES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 152 –
COASTAL PRIMARY SAND DUNES

The purpose of these amendments is to bring the County's Ordinances into compliance with the Code of Virginia.

These proposed ordinances are 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.

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Notice of Public Hearing

The Eastern Shore of Virginia 9-1-1 Commission (ESVA 9-1-1) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, November 30th, 2023, 5:30PM, at the Accomack County Emergency Operations Center at 28598 Beacon Road, Melfa, VA 23410. In addition to regular business of the ESVA 9-1-1 Commission, public comment will be received on action for one-time additional personnel compensation to ESVA 9-1-1 staff resulting from a Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) FY24 Staffing Recognition Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Grant.

While the meeting will provide interested parties the opportunity to be heard or present written comments, individuals also have the opportunity to submit oral or written statements on the proposed action to the ESVA 9-1-1 Center's Director's Office, P.O. Box 337, Accomack, VA 23301 or at jflournoy@co.northampton.va.us no later than 1PM on November 30th, 2023.

Any individual having questions or needing special assistance may contact 9-1-1 Director (Jeffrey Flournoy) at 757-787-0909 or at the above e-mail address.

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Tax Map No. 005A40100219700
Assessed Value: \$5,000

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Tax Map No. 005A40100220900
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- PARCEL 1: ALLEN S. BAKER (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 0077B-02-BLK-00 000002
ON NU LANE
- PARCEL 2: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs BAY CREEK, L.L.C.
MAP NO. 00090-09-BLK-00 000025
LOT 25, PLANTATION POINTE; TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES
WATERFRONT LOT
- PARCEL 3: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs BAY CREEK, L.L.C.
MAP NO. 083A1-16-BLK-00 000025
LOT 25, PHASE III, MARINA VILLAGE EAST;
TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES
WATERFRONT LOT
- PARCEL 4: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs BAY CREEK, L.L.C.
MAP NO. 083A1-16-BLK-00 000028
LOT 28, PHASE III, MARINA VILLAGE EAST;
TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES
WATERFRONT LOT
- PARCEL 5: MARTHA OLITHA SMITH BROOKS (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 0112D-01-BLK-00 000002D
ON GEORGES LANE
- PARCEL 6: HATTIE BYRD (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 00077-0A-BLK-00 0000104
ON PAT TOWN ROAD
- PARCEL 7: NEVISIONS COLLINS (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 00029-0A-BLK-00 0000046
OFF CHURCH NECK ROAD
- PARCEL 8: MYRTLE CHANDLER (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 00010-0A-BLK-00 000116B
OFF COUNTY LINE ROAD
- PARCEL 9: LOU CLIFFORD (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 00009-0A-BLK-00 000092A
ON TB ROAD
- PARCEL 10: SYLVESTER COLES (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 0040B-09-BLK-00 000046A
ON PARALLEL ROAD

- PARCEL 11: SERENA S. HARMON (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NOS. 00059-0A-BLK-00 000007A
00059-0A-BLK-00 000007B
ON SEASIDE ROAD
- PARCEL 12: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs NICHOLAS A. HORAK
MAP NO. 038A1-01-BLK-00 0000160
ON HERON DRIVE AND CHURCH NECK ROAD
- PARCEL 13: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs NICHOLAS A. HORAK
MAP NO. 038A1-01-BLK-00 0000161
ON CHURCH NECK ROAD
- PARCEL 14: ROGER MAPP (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 00030-0A-BLK-00 0000046
ON JOHNSONTOWN ROAD
- PARCEL 15: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs WILLIAM JAMES PARKS
MAP NO. 010A3-04-BLK-0B 0000006
3516 MAIN STREET; TOWN OF EXMORE
- PARCEL 16: KATE T. SMAW (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 0091B-0A-BLK-00 0000055
23102 MILDREDS LANE
- PARCEL 17: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs CLEMENT A. SMITH
MAP NO. 0040B-0A-BLK-00 0000023
ON TREHERNEVILLE DRIVE
- PARCEL 18: MAGGIE C. SPADY (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 00085-0A-BLK-00 0000041
ON RAYMOND LANE
- PARCEL 19: NORTHAMPTON COUNTY vs JOSEPHINE MARIE STOUT
MAP NO. 00013-0A-BLK-00 0000031
5203 SALT WORKS ROAD
- PARCEL 20: ROBERT BURKE WILLIAMS (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
MAP NO. 010A2-0A-BLK-00 0000040
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- Mark Charles Colson, 62, of Eastville, and Kristin Turner Barrall, 48, of Seaford, Del.

Northampton property transfers

- From Carol Sabo and Charles Groves To Mari Monserrate, trustee Lot 10B, The Dunes at Bayridge, Capeville For \$610,000
- From C&A Building & Remodeling LLC To Rhona Botha Lot 38, Nottingham Estates, near Cheapside For \$399,000
- From Brent and Kim Geissinger To Tracy and Michelee Scott Lot 29, Plantation Pointe, Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$450,000
- From Patricia and Howard Scott Jr. To Charles Atkinson and Aline Saunders Lot 6, Brighton Landing, near Townsend For \$30,000
- From Derek Snyder and Carey Spady To Mendoza de Garcia and Gabino Vazquez Vazquez Lot 1, near Townsend For \$275,000
- From William and Sandra Baines, trustees To HNM Holdings LLC Lot 10, near Cheapside For \$8,000
- From Henry Jones Jr. To NKM Properties LLC 2 tracts east of Cape Charles For \$302,500
- From Adroit Property Management LLC To Virginia Builders LLC Lot 8, Tower Hill, Phase 1, Section 3, Capeville district For \$65,000
- From Parr Realty Inc. To JSMJ Properties LLC Unit Retail Fin 30 Mason Avenue condominium, Cape Charles For \$415,000
- From Bay Creek Development LLC To Beacon Custom Homes LLC Lot L-18, Village L, Phase 1C, Bay Creek, Cape Charles For \$269,700

- From Evan and Vanessa Cox To Carey and Gregory Miller Lot 59, Bay Creek, Phase K, Cape Charles For \$100,000
- From Carol Revello To John Bernart Lot 3, 6.04 acres, Rolling Meadows, near Jamesville For \$49,900
- From T.H.S. Family Limited Partnership To Star Cay LLC, Eddy Harmon, and Stephen and Vaness Sigmon Lot, Savages Neck, Smiths Beach For \$300,000

Accomack property transfers

- From Eastern Shore Property Management LLC To Maoin LLC 8 North St., Onancock For \$550,000
- From Julia F. and Eugene Domico To Teresa and Stephen Hockensmith 8265 Sea Breeze Drive, Chincoteague For \$55,000
- From Neita L. Cibella To Vonzell Winstead 30332 Seaside Road, Melfa For \$132,000
- From Kimberly A. Moore and Kelly L. Warshel To Elizabeth H. Fenner 6349 Circle Drive, Chincoteague For \$315,000
- From Lea Anna Fitchett To Cher-Marie Tourigny and Robert Bennett 2322 Rudder Court, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$280,000
- From Shannon Chapman and Neil Adams To Harold W. Cherrix 30246 Downing Road, Oak Hall For \$45,000
- From Dorothy Baldauf To Lana and Michael Pavlick Sr. 28167 Harbor Road, Melfa For \$275,000
- From Mary Jane Lurasik To Cindy Snyder-Floyd and H. Allen Floyd III 35570 Belle Haven Road, Belle Haven For \$15,000

- From Dolly T. Williams To Irma and Marcelo Perez 16449 Coal Kiln Road, Painter For \$50,000
- From Channing and G. Christian Governor IV To Blair B. and Martha K. Smith 16488 Preston Lane, Onancock For \$1,050,000
- From Zineddine Salem and Brahim Bouzaout To Spears Development Group LLC Lot 106, Coventon Lane, Horntown For \$40,000
- From Sonya L. Lewis To Shannon T. Argo and Brian P. Anderson 20486 Baldpate Lane, Onancock For \$380,000
- From Karen R. and Joseph G. Cofer To James M. Gross Parcel on Deep Creek Road, Deep Creek, Onancock For \$72,000
- From Greg S. Butler To Trever Lee Belcher 8046 Lankford Highway, Oak Hall For \$209,900
- From Richard W. Snyder To Karen L. and Paul Joseph Budzynski Lot 28 B, Gargatha Landing, Section II, Parksley For \$60,000
- From Captains Cove Golf & Yacht Club Inc. To Eric Rainey and DH 500 Legacy Group LLC Lot 1725, Section 3, Captains Cove, Greenbackville For \$5,000
- From Melissa P. Murphy, trustee To Austin C. Murphy 26426 Moore Farm Lane, Onancock For \$175,000
- From Sandra M. and Norman S. Kellam To Leslie Escalante and Jose del Carmen Perez Cordova Parcel on Ok Farms Lane, Pungoteague For \$5,500
- From Dorothy N. and Joseph V. Orтели Sr. To Kay T. and James B. Laird 1.5 acres on Fleming Road, Painter For \$15,000
- From Arthur Peterson Jr. To Robert Vandornick 35023 Robin Lane, Trails End, Horntown For \$8,000
- From Jennifer and Gregory Riegel To Frances Evonne Butler 20188 Allen Lane, Onancock For \$225,000
- From Deborah A. and James E. Behrmann To Janna Joo Yung Kinney and Eric A. Lanciaux 76 acres on Saxis Road, Sanford For \$30,000
- From Eileen K. Hayden To Sharon L. and Howard F. Carter Lot 608, Unit 1, Trails End, Horntown For \$17,000
- From Andrea M. and James F. Bowen To Edward Martin Kris Lot 142, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown For \$110,000
- From Anne Byrd Donaldson To Andrew Vojcik 3122 Ridge Road, Chincoteague For \$370,000
- From Elizabeth S. and Paul Berdann To Amy C. and Rickie L. Abbott 27104 Underhill Point Road, Onancock For \$370,000
- From Linda G. Arvidson To Margaret Louise and John Dennis Diamond 18361 N. R. North St., Keller For \$120,000
- From Thomas J. Delisle To Melvina and Richard Prior 28375 Yeo Neck Run, Melfa For \$369,000
- From Alice L. Epstein and Gary H. Harding To Joy and Chad A. Saunders 5 Meadville Drive, Onancock For \$280,000
- From Richard M. Reinsel To Kathy and Eugene Patrick Lot 224, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown For \$29,000
- From Chincoteague Bay Trails End Association, Inc. and Pender & Coward PC, trustee To Salvador Diaz Lot 192, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown For \$14,500
- From Glenna H. and Dennis K. Crockett To Margaret and Douglas Hornberger 16243 Main Ridge Road, Tangier For \$100,000

- From Chincoteague Bay Trails End Association, Inc. and Pender & Coward PC, trustee To Barbara J. and Edward M. Stankiewicz Jr. Lot 187, Unit 1, Trails End, Horntown For \$39,000
- From Chincoteague Bay Trails End Association, Inc. and Pender & Coward PC, trustee To Mary Louise A. and Paul Kurchock Lot 172, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown For \$9,000
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- From Linda S. and Joseph M. Misyak To Lois A. and Richard K. Haverstrom 4484 Main St., Chincoteague For \$550,000
- From Dorothy Turner To Katrina Davis and Steven Mills Jr. 25453 Saxis Road, Temperanceville For \$45,000
- From Valerie J. and Ray N. Lockett To Carey and Tye Rabuck Lot 47, Unit 2, Tails End, Horntown For \$15,000
- From David H. Mitchell To Peter Messick 28404 Woodland Ave., Melfa For \$155,000
- From Patrick Michael Lopez To Matthew Judson Taylor Lot 4, Redwood Road, Melfa For \$126,000
- From Kimberly Hope and John Daniel Siebert To Amanda and Patrick Cook Jr. 17108 Hopeton Road, Parksley For \$313,100
- From Phyllis M. Marden To Maureen and Parker C. Dooley 2 Hill St., Onancock For \$226,000
- From Kalyn Blaire Bloxom and Kalyn Bloxom Turner To Ashley Stancil 17325 Main St., Painter For \$169,500

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Property Transfers

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from page 48)

■ From William W. Fox
To Premier Shed Manufacturing LLC
3553 Main St., Chincoteague
For \$608,000

■ From Maureen C. and Parker C.
Dooley
To Shannon and Vincent Gregory
Scarborough
28337 Locustville Road, Onley
For \$125,000

■ From Regina and Jonathan Hall
To Wang Enterprises LLC
4288 Main St., Chincoteague
For \$542,500

■ From Crystal R. Harris
To Peggy Sue and Donnell Dickerson
27023 Savageville Road, Onancock
For \$250,000

■ From Daniel E. Whealton
To CMH Homes Inc.
Lot 14, Seaside Landing, New Church
For \$45,000

■ From Karl E. Hanson
To Sainte Rose Pierre and Jean Jacques
Sudne
15226 Himan St., Bloxom
For \$157,000

■ From Carroll Reece Bishop
To Patriot House 1776 LLC
29120 Turkey Run Road, Mappsville
For \$50,000

■ From Joanne M. Coniglio
To Heather L. Coniglio
23247 Lilliston Ave., Accomac
For \$169,000

■ From Laura P. and James R. Tayman Sr.
To Shannon L. and Thomas F. Thompson
Lot 6, Nandua Bay, Painter
For \$112,000

■ From Nancy G. Lewis
To Jennifer and Gregory John Reigel
4 lots in Parksley
For \$290,000

■ From Jennilee Carlson
To Joseph E. Walter
12 Justis St., Onancock
For \$320,000

■ From Connie S. Larson and Douglas
W. Redburn
To Sharon W. and Robert Montanye
4364 Chicken City Road, Chincoteague
For \$131,800

■ From Chincoteague Bay Trails End
Association Inc. and Pender & Coward PC,
trustee
To Lori E. and Jerome W. Janda
Lot 108, Unit 3, Trails End, Horntown
For \$10,000

■ From Herbert Lawrence West
To Phyllis M. Marden
31 Hill St., Onancock
For \$250,000

■ From Krista N. and James H. Ross III
To Brandy and Matthew Pearce
31558 Nocks Landing Road, Atlantic
For \$415,000

■ From Michelle Evans Marshall and Lee
Paul Kleckner
To Jeannine E. and Joseph S. Bacsa
Lot 19, Nocks Landing, Sandpiper Lane,
Atlantic
For \$55,000

■ From Anthony W. and William F. Nock
To Surf Quest LLC
25 acres on Upshurs Neck Road, Quinby
For \$1,600,000

■ From April D. and Russell L. Robertson III
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17416 Plantation Road, Onancock
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■ From Mary Briggs Bradshaw
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28099 Harborton Road, Harborton
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■ From Eric D. Armstrong and Stephanie
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5067 Sea Bass Drive, Trails End,
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28227 Harbor Road, Melfa
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■ From Virginia D. and Robert N. Peterson Jr.
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Lot 98, Section 11, Captains Cove,
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Friends of the Eastern Shore Public Library are excited to announce that Santa will visit the Children's Room in the Regional Library in Parksley on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 10 a.m. to noon. Santa will have an age-appropriate book for each child from newborn to age 12. There will be candy canes for all. Attendees are invited to bring their own cameras to take pictures with Santa.

Nutrient Management Program to offer training in January

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation's Nutrient Management Program will offer a two-part agriculture nutrient management training school in January. The school is for anyone interested in learning about the development of agricultural nutrient management plans or how to become a certified plan writer.

The first session, Jan. 4 and 5, is a lecture series by Virginia Tech professors on soil science, soil fertility, and crop production. The

two-day soils and crop lecture series will be hosted online.

The second session, Jan. 9 to 11, will cover nutrient management plan writing using a case-study farm. The three-day plan writing training will be in-person at Brightpoint Community College in Midlothian, Va.

Each day will run from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Registration is \$150 for each session with a deadline of Dec. 29. Registration is available online at dcr.virginia.gov/soil-and-water/nmtrain

Contact Stephanie Dawley at 804-382-3911 or stephanie.dawley@dcr.virginia.gov for additional details.

TIDE TABLE

Seaside

Bayside

		Friday Nov. 24	Saturday Nov. 25	Sunday Nov. 26	Monday Nov. 27	Tuesday Nov. 28	Wednesday Nov. 29	Thursday Nov. 30						
Assateague Beach	H L	5:28 p.m. 11:46 a.m.	H L	6:17 p.m. 12:42 p.m.	H L	6:47 a.m. 1:33 p.m.	H L	7:33 a.m. 2:20 p.m.	H L	8:19 a.m. 3:06 p.m.	H L	9:05 a.m. 3:51 p.m.	H L	9:50 a.m. 4:37 p.m.
Chinco. Channel	H L	5:31 p.m. 11:39 a.m.	H L	6:21 p.m. 12:32 p.m.	H L	6:48 a.m. 1:21 p.m.	H L	7:35 a.m. 2:08 p.m.	H L	8:21 a.m. 2:54 p.m.	H L	9:06 a.m. 3:39 p.m.	H L	9:51 a.m. 4:25 p.m.
Gargatha Neck	H L	6:24 p.m. 12:25p.m.	H L	6:56 a.m. 1:21 p.m.	H L	7:43 a.m. 2:12 p.m.	H L	8:29 a.m. 2:59 p.m.	H L	9:15 a.m. 3:45 p.m.	H L	10:01 a.m. 4:30 p.m.	H L	10:46 a.m. 5:16 p.m.
Folly Creek	H L	6:17 p.m. 12:10p.m.	H L	6:49 a.m. 1:06 p.m.	H L	7:36 a.m. 1:57 p.m.	H L	8:22 a.m. 2:44 p.m.	H L	9:08 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	H L	9:54 a.m. 4:15 p.m.	H L	10:39 a.m. 5:01 p.m.
Wachapreague	H L	5:53 p.m. 11:45 a.m.	H L	6:40 p.m. 12:40 p.m.	H L	7:13 a.m. 1:31 p.m.	H L	8:02 a.m. 2:20 p.m.	H L	8:50 a.m. 3:05 p.m.	H L	9:35 a.m. 3:49 p.m.	H L	10:18 a.m. 4:32 p.m.
Quinby Inlet	H L	5:28 p.m. 11:25 a.m.	H L	6:17 p.m. 12:21 p.m.	H L	6:47 a.m. 1:12 p.m.	H L	7:33 a.m. 1:59 p.m.	H L	8:19 a.m. 2:45 p.m.	H L	9:05 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	H L	9:50 a.m. 4:16 p.m.
Machipongo	H L	5:58 p.m. 11:54 a.m.	H L	6:47 p.m. 12:50 p.m.	H L	7:17 a.m. 1:41 p.m.	H L	8:03 a.m. 2:28 p.m.	H L	8:49 a.m. 3:14 p.m.	H L	9:35 a.m. 3:59 p.m.	H L	10:20 a.m. 4:45 p.m.
Tangier Sound Light	H L	9:20 a.m. 3:49 p.m.	H L	10:11 a.m. 4:42 p.m.	H L	10:58 a.m. 5:31 p.m.	H L	11:43 a.m. 6:18 p.m.	H L	12:25 p.m. 7:04 p.m.	H L	1:07 p.m. 6:45 a.m.	H L	1:48 p.m. 7:29 a.m.
Muddy Creek	H L	9:45 a.m. 4:37 p.m.	H L	10:35 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	H L	11:21 a.m. 6:20 p.m.	H L	12:06 p.m. 7:07 p.m.	H L	12:49 p.m. 6:52 a.m.	H L	1:31 p.m. 7:36 a.m.	H L	2:14 p.m. 8:20 a.m.
Guard Shore	H L	9:37 a.m. 4:33 p.m.	H L	10:27 a.m. 5:26 p.m.	H L	11:13 a.m. 6:16 p.m.	H L	11:58 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	H L	12:41 p.m. 6:48 a.m.	H L	1:23 p.m. 7:32 a.m.	H L	2:06 p.m. 8:16 a.m.
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