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From Cape Charles to Maryland, independent schools provide unique opportunities for Eastern Shore children, pages 4 to 10



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Scott Wivell, left, and his father, Tim Wivell, right, carry a memorial wreath honoring former Cape Charles Mayor and Harbormaster William Smith "Smitty" Dize that was placed in Cape Charles Harbor and pulled into the Chesapeake Bay on Saturday, March 15. Dize, 55, died Dec. 27 of last year. See more photographs on page 27.

LIFE AROUND HERE

Grateful and home, Sexauer reflects on medical ordeal

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

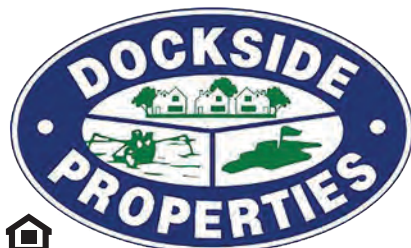
Robin Sexauer, the energetic Eastern Shore rehabilitation counselor who has helped untold numbers of people with disabilities find work and become independent, is finally back home after suffering a medical crisis on a trip to Europe.

"I can't thank everyone enough for their love, support, and kindness," said Sexauer, who lives in Nassawadox and has worked for the state for 47 years — including the last 33 as a certified vocational rehabilitation counselor.

"You don't think of how many lives you touch until it comes full circle," she said. "The Eastern Shore is special."

There have been fundraisers, prayers, cards, and well-wishes since Dec. 17 of last

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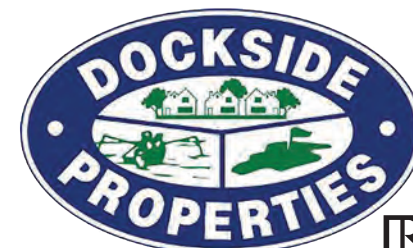
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Faith-based symposium planned

The Cape Charles Rosenwald School Restoration Initiative is hosting “State of the Shore Symposium: Reigniting the Faith-Based Community.”

The symposium will be held on March 29 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Cheriton Volunteer Fire Company, 21334 S. Bayside Road, Cheriton.

The aim is for faith leaders of all denominations to come together over breakfast to brainstorm how best to meet the needs of the community. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/3xd3vjnd>

The Cape Charles Rosenwald School Restoration Initiative is a 501c3 nonprofit organization com-

prised of alumni, civic and religious leaders, educators, business owners, and friends who recognize the importance of the Cape Charles Rosenwald School for its history and its potential.

The initiative prioritizes inclusivity, community engagement, social justice, and lifelong learning.

Its vision is to create a place where a vibrant Eastern Shore community gathers to learn, play, and prosper.

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vides a full athletic program for boys and girls, community living skills and leadership training, and a dedicated faculty advisor for all students.

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Nestled in the heart of Cape Charles, Cape Charles Christian School stands as a testament to the power of faith, community, and a passion for education.

Founded in 2009 by Berkley Rayfield and a dedicated group of parents, CCCS was born out of a shared vision to provide an enriching and personalized learning experience for children in a nurturing Christian environment.

The school first took root in the Sunday school rooms of Trinity United Methodist Church and Cape Charles Baptist Church, growing into a well-respected institution known for its commitment to the development of the whole child.

A unique educational approach

At CCCS, education extends beyond textbooks and standardized tests. With small class sizes and multi-age classrooms, the school fosters a family-like atmosphere where students receive individualized instruction tailored to their unique strengths and needs. This model encour-

ages collaboration, mentorship, and a deep sense of belonging among students of different ages and abilities.

Led by Head of School Holly Hubbard and Board Chairman John Burdiss, CCCS is committed to cultivating a love for learning that spans a lifetime.

The whole child mission

CCCS embraces a holistic approach to education, emphasizing the development of mind, body, spirit, and community:

■ **Mind:** Students engage in a robust curriculum that challenges them to think critically, solve problems, and express themselves effectively.

■ **Body:** Physical activity and wellness are key components of the CCCS experience.

■ **Spirit:** Rooted in Christian values, CCCS nurtures faith through Bible study, prayer, and service projects.

■ **Community:** At CCCS, education is a collaborative effort. Families, teachers, and students work

Cape Charles Christian School:
Nurturing mind, body,
spirit, and community

together to create a supportive and inclusive environment. Community involvement, service-learning projects, and partnerships with local organizations help students develop a strong sense of responsibility and compassion for others.

A joyful learning environment

One of the hallmarks of CCCS is its emphasis on experiencing the joy of learning. Whether through interactive lessons, project-based learning, or hands-on experiments, students are encouraged to explore their interests and develop a lifelong love for discovery.

As Cape Charles Christian School continues to grow, it remains dedicated to its founding principles of faith, community, and excellence in education. With its personalized approach and unwavering commitment to the whole child, CCCS is not just a school—it is a family where children thrive academically, spiritually, and personally.



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What sets Holly Grove apart is more than just academics — it is the family atmosphere that nurtures each student's

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Our dedicated faculty and staff are passionate about creating an environment where students feel supported and encouraged.

Small class sizes allow for personalized attention, ensuring that every child receives the tools needed to flourish. Beyond the classroom, students engage in a vibrant school life filled with athletics, fine arts, service opportunities, and spiritual growth.

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Montessori Children's House of Franktown

7543 Bayside Road, Franktown, Va.

'The only AMI accredited Montessori school on the Shore'

The Montessori Children's House of Franktown provides a warm, loving, Christian learning environment for children ages 16 months through 12 years old.

The school, based upon the educational and developmental principles of Maria Montessori, is dedicated to nurturing the whole child — socially, spiritually, intellectually, physically, and emotionally — in a stimulating, creative, and supportive Christian setting so they become confident, self-motivated individuals who have the proficiency to undertake that which inspires them in life.

Dr. Montessori pioneered most of what we take for granted today concerning early childhood: the crucial importance of the first six years of life, how a child learns by absorbing

knowledge through the senses, the young child's inner need for purposeful activity, the importance of movement and independence to learning, the joy of self-discovery, even child-size furniture and learning environments.

Its predecessor, Montessori Children's House of the Eastern Shore, served children for 18 years in Nassawadox. Some years after it closed, a group of interested parents decided to start another Montessori school on the Shore.

Montessori Children's House of Franktown began its first year in 2007 under the auspices of Franktown United Methodist Church. The Elementary Program was founded in 2010 and the Toddler Program in 2023.

The school is organized as a nonprofit corporation and is governed by a board of direc-

tors composed of Franktown church members and community members.

The school is under the guidance of the administrator, Gillian Willis, who carries out the decisions of the board in daily administration of the business aspects of the school.

Gillian and all teaching staff hold internationally recognized Montessori Diplomas from the Association Montessori Internationale, or AMI.

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"In Montessori, we don't see education as something 'done to the child.' Instead, the child is an active creator of who they will be when they grow up. Our role as educators is to give them every tool and opportunity to help them create the best version of themselves," said Emily Counts, founder and lead teacher.

Preparing for a Lifetime of Success

"Most of our children will be reading fluently and performing mathematical operations

well before their peers in conventional settings," said Counts.

"We have a mastery-based academic program so children only move forward when they've mastered the earlier skills, but what truly sets Montessori students apart is their love of learning and their character development. These children are forming the essential qualities that determine success and happiness throughout life."

Core Montessori outcomes

Beyond academic success, the core outcomes of a Montessori program are:

- Self-confidence
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Rhyme and Reason Academy is the Eastern Shore's newest Montessori school

- Concentration and focus
- Love of school and learning
- Grace and courtesy
- Independent thinking and problem-solving skills.

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Rhyme and Reason Academy is currently enrolling children ages 3 to 6 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Located in Oak Hall at T's Corner (at the turn off for Chincoteague Island and Wallops Island), it is a private, non-religious school. For more information about enrollment, upcoming parent education nights, and the Montessori Method, please visit our website: www.RhymeAndReasonAcademy.com



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36076 Lankford Highway, Belle Haven, Va.

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a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16

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Worcester Preparatory School

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Celebrating over 50 years of academic excellence, Worcester Preparatory School is a college prep day school for students in pre-kindergarten through grade 12. Located in Berlin, Md., Worcester Prep attracts students from Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia.

The school has earned a reputation as an academic leader but the value of a Worcester Prep education reaches beyond what is learned in the classroom.

Worcester Prep also instills social and emotional skills. Students learn that empathy, confidence, and perseverance in the face of challenges are as important to success as mastering mathematics, writing an essay, or learning to code.

Worcester Prep is warm and supportive, a close-knit community where teachers know every student on a personal level and parents know their children

will be nurtured as well as challenged.

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A smaller school benefits students in big ways. Worcester Prep is home to around 500 students — an enrollment that is modest by intention.

Classes are intimate and teachers truly know their students. Worcester Prep teachers are there to help when a student needs tutoring in a tough sub-

‘The value of a Worcester Prep education reaches beyond what is learned in the classroom.’

ject, is ready to advance to an accelerated program, or is simply struggling to find his or her niche.

Teachers aren’t “finished” with their students when the school year ends in June. They enjoy following each child’s progress to the next school year, to college, and into their careers.

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Andi Reyes Hernandez was born and raised on the Eastern Shore. From Onancock, he attended Accomack County Public Schools and graduated from Nandua High School in Onley in 2019. He notes that “I’ve always been driven by wanting to help others and can’t think of a greater goal than to be in the position to save lives.”

Upon graduation, Andi didn’t allow himself much down-time. “I was off to basic training in South Carolina after making the decision to join the Army.” His enthusiasm and pride in his 3 ½ years of active duty are hard to hide as he describes the journey so far.

His stops included Fort Gregg Adams and then Fort Carson in Colorado and a 9-month deployment in the Middle East. Andi’s role has been that of a Water Treatment Specialist, responsible for supervising and installing water purification equipment.

Now in the Virginia National Guard, Andi serves as Military Police based in Hanover, Va. These once per month duties have included educational opportunities with Virginia Extraction (Search and Rescue) and a basic military police course.

Andi credits a friend from Louisa County for planting the seed of interest in firefighting as a next step along with his Army and National Guard



Andi Hernandez in both of his current roles with ESCC mentor Robert McClagherty

experience. “This is when I sought out Eastern Shore Community College and began my efforts in General Studies and Health Sciences.” He is looking at this certificate serving him well on his way to becoming an Emergency Medical Technician.

Naturally, when it came to navigating serving the country and carving out a goal for his education, Andi relied on resources at ESCC including Assistant Coordinator of Student Services Jennifer Kidwell, and the ESCC Career Services Center. “Meeting students like Andi where they are, and understanding what they need to reach their goals is critical to what our mission is at ESCC.” said Kidwell.

There was a collective “way to go Andi!” when his accomplishment of earning his Firefighter 1 Certification came in this winter. “I’ve been a member of my hometown department in Onancock for over a year, so it meant a lot to achieve this particular goal with their support and also the enthusiasm and encouragement of everyone at ESCC.”

Robert McClagherty is Andi’s mentor through Career Services at ESCC. Being a Navy veteran, Robert has been able to connect with Andi and offer advice based on his military career. He commented that “guidance from mentors in associated fields is a wonderful resource to offer students at ESCC.”

“Get comfortable being uncomfortable and try to experience as much as you can!” This is Andi’s advice for those who are seeking out what their place in the world and in life will be. “Everything I’ve undertaken so far has required stepping out of the comfort zone, and I highly recommend it for discovering who you want to be.”

Andi loves being in the military and looks forward to serving 20 years in addition to his other goals that all involve being of service to others. “I love it. It’s my second home.”

Eastern Shore Community College is here to provide support to ALL students. No matter where you are in life or where you want to go. A support system to help you achieve your goals is right here in your backyard. Call today at 757-789-1720 or visit campus in Melfa and online at es.vccs.edu. We are here to help you find your “YES!”

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THE PAPER'S POSITION

Congrats to Delegate Bloxom for getting Hare Valley funds

Again this year, it looks like Delegate Robert Bloxom was successful in ensuring funding for important Eastern Shore projects during the General Assembly session.

His work in receiving money to refurbish the former Hare Valley School is of particular importance. We are especially glad to see this. The public should be, also.

The former Hare Valley School, which is between Exmore and Franktown, houses the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging/Community Action Agency, Head Start, and Meals on Wheels.

“These groups do a marvelous job and need a respectable building in which to work,” Bloxom wrote in his legislative column March 14. We agree wholeheartedly.

Hare Valley hasn't been used a school in 32 years — since Occohannock Elementary School opened in 1993 — but it has served an important community role ever since.

Bloxom said the state appropriations may not completely rebuild the facility, but it will receive a new roof, air conditioning and heating, and hopefully new windows.

ESAAA/CAA is a nonprofit agency providing quality, integrated human services to children, families, and seniors on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

We are glad to see its offices are slated for an upgrade.

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

The Eastern Shore Post strives for accuracy. Corrections and clarifications will be printed in this space. Email editor@easternshorepost.com.

Northampton County has extended the deadline to apply for real estate tax relief to Friday, May 30. An article in the March 14 edition of the Eastern Shore Post included incorrect information.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We're going to have to find a way to deal with the litter problem

To the editor:

Thank you, Heather Jorgensen, for your comments concerning the trash problem in the letter in last week's Eastern Shore Post entitled, “You'll love our nature' — but not our trash.”

There are few places where trash is not an eyesore on our Eastern Shore roads.

An area of concern for me is on the Metompinkin Road near Gargatha Landing Road, heading north through Modest Town (even Nelsonia Road has become an eyesore).

I travel these roads almost daily, and it's heartbreaking to see the amount of trash that is being thrown out.

Often, there are huge garbage bags that could easily have been carried to the nearby convenience center at Fisher's Corner on U.S. Route 13.

I sincerely believe that many of those large garbage bags are placed purposely on the side of the road because they often show up over and over again at the same locations.

I do what I can on a small section of the road, but I truly wish more people who hate trash would also take a small section to keep clean.

It doesn't have to be more than 100 yards; even that would be helpful.

Of course, it would be wonderful if the county would also have a plan to clean up the trash on a

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more regular basis.

I don't think this problem is going to stop anytime soon, unfortunately, so we're going to have to find a way to deal with it.

Anne Rolander
Modest Town

'March' is a command — especially in current climate

To the editor:

While March is our current month, it is also a verb and can be a command.

It is indeed a command in today's political climate

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Ensuring access to care throughout Virginia

BY DR. JOAN LINGEN
Guest columnist

Shortly after Doris Brown moved into her new home in Accomack County, she had to take her 4-year-old daughter for her wellness visit.

Brown went to the same health provider that she had visited since she was a teen: Eastern Shore Rural Health System Inc., the only federally qualified health center on Virginia's Eastern Shore.

At that time, Brown's daughter would at times appear lethargic and without an appetite, signs — since she wasn't ill — that Brown chalked up to her daughter being 4 and a picky eater.

Although it was a routine wellness visit, the doctor decided to further investigate why the little girl wasn't herself.

Tests revealed that she had alarmingly high levels of lead in her bloodstream, alerting Brown that her new home was overrun with lead-based surfaces.

Lead poisoning in children can have severe consequences, including developmental delays, brain damage, and even death.

"We immediately made renovations to our house to better control the lead levels," said Brown, a small business owner.

"My daughter is now 13 and her lead levels are closely monitored and we've been able to protect them from getting worse. She hasn't had those same symptoms in the past nine years

and I owe that to Eastern Shore Rural Health's excellent care. It was another reminder of why I've continued to go to Eastern Shore Rural Health for my family's care."

Brown said she would have to travel across state lines to find a new primary care practice if Eastern Shore Rural Health System, which was founded in 1976, didn't exist.

"I'd have to start from scratch to look for a doctor," Brown said. "I wouldn't know where to start."

It's a legitimate worry among many patients who access care at FQHCs right now — not just on the Eastern Shore but across the entire Commonwealth of Virginia.

As Virginia's delegation addresses federal funding for health programs and as Virginia's legislature looks for ways to save money, it's crucial to prioritize FQHCs and to avoid any cuts to their Medicaid funding. More than 400,000 Virginians rely on FQHCs for vital, cost-efficient, and life-saving care.

Cutting either FQHC or Medicaid funding would disproportionately impact the people who need health care most, further entrenching existing health disparities. If FQHCs are underfunded or closed, patients will lose primary care providers and rely on overcrowded emergency rooms or urgent care centers, which can't offer the same personalized, long-term care.

This would worsen the financial strain on the healthcare system — creating longer wait times at emer-

gency departments and increasing the number of people who need to be hospitalized — as untreated conditions often require more expensive care. Local and state governments will be forced to raise taxes as a result.

The importance of FQHCs

FQHCs are essential community-based healthcare providers serving over 30 million U.S. citizens, with services offered for free or on a sliding cost scale to those who qualify for discounts based on household size and income.

In Virginia, they are often the only healthcare option.

Virginia FQHCs are nonprofit, independent health centers that offer multiple services under one roof, from primary care to dentistry and behavioral health.

They are essential for underserved populations facing health disparities due to financial, transportation, and discrimination barriers.

These centers provide preventive care for various conditions, ensuring cost isn't a barrier, and offer a lifeline for individuals experiencing homelessness.

In addition, FQHCs are more than primary care providers — they also are vital sources of health education, community outreach, and health advocacy.

They bridge knowledge gaps and ensure patients have resources for effective health management. The benefits of maintaining FQHCs extend beyond individuals to entire communities,

creating healthier environments and reducing the burden on the healthcare system.

The path forward

Protecting FQHCs during reauthorization and shielding them from Medicaid cuts is about ensuring the well-being of Virginians.

Our Virginia lawmakers must recognize that FQHCs are pillars of community health, especially in areas with limited healthcare options.

If Congress passes Medicaid cuts to the states, approximately 600,000 Virginians could lose Medicaid coverage, according to a Virginia "trigger" law that automatically cuts Medicaid to hundreds of thousands if the federal government pushes more costs to state budgets and state taxpayers.

Preserving FQHCs is a matter of preserving access to care. Everyone, regardless of income, race, or geography, deserves access to quality care. Protecting these centers invests in our state's health and affirms our commitment to equality and fairness. Now is the time to act and ensure FQHCs' critical services remain available to all who need them.

■ *The writer serves as the chief medical officer for Eastern Shore Rural Health System Inc., a federally qualified health center located in the Eastern Shore, and a member of Virginia Community Healthcare Association, the primary care association representing Virginia's FQHCs.*

Letters

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— an absolute command with urgency: "March."

March, we must, as many of our elected officials, especially U.S. Rep. Jen Kiggans and many other Republicans, are avoiding and ignoring their

constituents.

In fact, many are purposely tuning out the concerns of the people they were elected to represent.

They are choosing instead to blindly support horrific decimations to our federal government to the detriment of the American people.

They know most Americans do not support the illegal firings of gov-

ernment employees and illegal cancellations of congressionally funded projects.

While Republicans have control of both the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives and could legally pass legislation to enact the changes, those elected Republicans are abdicating their responsibility, hiding behind an unelected outsider, and giving him

unfettered control. They know the majority of American people oppose these scorched-earth tactics.

So, we must march. We must march and protest and make phone calls and write letters. We must demand town halls. We must make protest signs to carry our messages to those hiding officials.

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Charmin Horton is dedicated to the Eastern Shore

BY CEEJAE PATRIQUIN
Guest columnist

When one is in need of help, the biggest challenge usually isn't that resources are not available.

It is more the case people don't know where to find the resources they need. That's what Charmin Horton, the Eastern Shore Community Services Board's prevention coalition coordinator wants the community to know.

Charmin has worked at the ESCSB since September 2021. Prior to that, she spent 18 years with the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore helping to provide food access to those with food insecurities.

In 2003, she joined the Eastern Shore's Homelessness Task Force to help develop housing and shelter options for those in need.

Charmin was the coalition chair of Community Partners of the Eastern Shore since 2010 before becoming the full-time coalition coordinator.

CPES is a community-based coalition of human service providers, community leaders, educators, health care workers, first responders, justice employees, faith-based

groups, and civil servants that meets regularly to identify service needs, service gaps, and access and capacity issues as well as to develop strategic plans to expand local resources to support citizens on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

CPES organizational members represent various nonprofit, public, and private entities on the Eastern Shore. Charmin has played a big part in helping our community development of CPES.

In February 2025, Charmin graduated from the Community Antidrug Coalitions of America's National Coalition Academy.

The ceremony was held during the coalitions's Mid-Year National Conference in Washington, D.C.

The academy provides training in leadership by teaching the core competencies of what the community coalition organizer needs to know about the essential processes to get their local coalition members to create and sustain a productive coalition.

It's a yearlong process that has five requirements to be completed by participants by the end of the training: development of a community assessment, a logic model, a strategic action plan, an evaluation plan, and a sustainability plan.

Charmin was the only representative for the state of Virginia in the 2024 graduating academy class.

"She (Charmin) worked hard and represented ESCSB, CPES, and the ESVA with excellence," said ESCSB Director of Program Development and Prevention Kelly Bulin.

The ESCSB Prevention Team has no doubt about that.

As the ESCSB's prevention coalition coordinator and only full-time dedicated staff person for CPES, Charmin is responsible for the coordination and implementation of CPES initiatives. This ensures that the efforts of the ESCSB and other community partners carry out into the community.

The vision of CPES is "to equip and empower individuals and families to achieve and maintain stability and self-sufficiency."

Charmin helps to merge these efforts and ensure that all partnerships provide purposeful engagement and opportunities to both Accomack and Northampton counties.

With over 40 service providers, CPES is made up of multiple committees including but not limited to: homeless management,

nurse-family partnership, public relations and resource assistance, youth coalition, veteran services, and an overdose fatality committee (the only one in the state).

These networks offer the support needed for the Eastern Shore's community residents and addresses the risks for homelessness, substance abuse, mental illness, unemployment, domestic violence, poverty, health care barriers, and more.

One of the committees, the Rapid Response Team, is dedicated to immediate response and provides immediate assistance during an emergency. Currently, CPES is developing specific strategies to provide more support to local veterans.

When asked what her favorite part about her role at the ESCSB and with CPES, Charmin replied, "Connecting individuals with the proper resources they need."

Charmin, along with all of the ESCSB and CPES members, wants to further educate the community about what is available to them and how to access those resources.

■ *The writer is a prevention specialist with the Eastern Shore Community Services Board.*

Letters

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Across our country, many have heeded the call to protest and march and are sending loud and clear messages that we are not happy with today's events.

We are not happy that elected officials are not doing their jobs.

Jen Kiggans, if you are out there, do

your job.

My fellow Americans, march.

Melody Copper
Machipongo

Is critical of U.S. Rep. Jen Kiggans

To the editor:
On March 5th, constituents of U.S.

Rep. Jen Kiggans' district from the Eastern Shore gathered on Chincoteague Island to demand that she do her job.

Over 100 constituents gathered on the island at the municipal building and Virginia Organizing was among those gathered.

The gathering demonstrated how many felt about their representative.

They felt they were not being represented by their elected official, and their voices were going unheard.

A few of the issues listed included her co-sponsoring of the S.A.V.E. act and the refusal to hold town halls.

Chants of "we didn't vote for Elon," "do your job," and "Where's Jen Kiggans?" echoed off the walls of the Chincoteague Municipal Building.

We demand Kiggans respond to our phone calls, hold a town hall at her Onley office, and do her job

Debra Olsen
Chincoteague



**County of Accomack, Virginia
Public Hearings Notice
Fiscal 2025-2026 Estimated Budget & Tax Rates
March 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. AND April 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.**

A brief synopsis of the Operating and Capital Budget for the County of Accomack for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year was ordered published by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on February 26, 2025. The Operating and Capital Budget is published for informational and fiscal planning purposes only. **The Board of Supervisors will hold two public hearings on the Accomack County budget and tax rates on March 24, 2025 AND April 7, 2025, at Metompkin Elementary School, 24501 Parksley Road, Virginia with the budget hearing beginning at 6:00 P.M.** Citizens have the right to submit oral or written statements on the estimated budget & tax rates. Any citizen having questions concerning the estimated budget or tax rates needing special assistance to attend the meeting may contact the County Administrator's Office by calling (757) 787-5700 or (757) 824-5444 or by email: administration@co.accomack.va.us. A summary of the budget is available for inspection in the County Administrator's Office during normal business hours and is listed on the Accomack County website on the Finance Department "Budget Development" page. This notice is published in accordance with Virginia Code Sections 15.2-2506 and 58.1-3007.

Consolidated General Government Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources			Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses		
General Property Taxes	\$	44,041,875	General Government Administration	\$	8,425,710
Other Local Taxes		12,843,426	Judicial		2,723,415
Permits, Fees, & Licenses		538,633	Public Safety (includes law enforcement and jail)		22,163,060
Fines & Forfeitures		150,000	Public Works		9,882,499
Use of Money & Property		2,597,966	Health & Welfare		7,696,335
Charges for Services		5,368,713	Education (local share of public school division budget)		23,323,601
Miscellaneous Revenue		307,449	Education (Community College supplement)		91,028
Recovered Costs		250,464	Recreation & Cultural		2,206,723
From the Commonwealth		11,705,341	Planning & Community Development		8,130,345
From the Federal Government		2,854,012	Contingency/Nondepartmental		990,544
Total Estimated Revenues		80,657,879	Debt Service		3,769,703
From Use of Fund Balance, General Fund		8,907,351	Total Estimated Expenditures		89,402,963
From Fund Balance, Other Funds.		1,196,094	"Rainy Day" Committed Fund Balance Addition		972,774
Total Estimated Revenues & Other Sources	\$	90,761,324	Landfill Assigned Fund Balance Addition		385,587
			Total Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses	\$	90,761,324

Accomack County School Board Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources			Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses		
Charges for Services	\$	280,000	Instruction	\$	53,354,059
From Other Sources		2,024,805	Administration, Attendance, & Health		4,084,004
From the County		23,323,601	Pupil Transportation		5,362,746
From the Commonwealth		49,542,103	Operations & Maintenance		7,682,554
From the Federal Government		3,852,960	Food Services		4,007,997
Total Estimated Revenues & Other Sources	\$	79,023,469	Technology		4,235,601
			Transfers		296,508
			Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	\$	79,023,469

Accomack County Economic Development Authority Estimated Budget

Estimated Revenues & Other Sources			Estimated Expenditures & Other Uses		
From the County	\$	60,000	Planning & Community Development	\$	60,000

Proposed Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation and Personal Property Tax Relief (PPTRA)

Type of Rate	2024 Adopted Rate ¹	2025 Proposed Rate ²	Type of Rate	2024 Adopted Rate ¹	2025 Proposed Rate ²
<i>Real Estate & Mobile Homes (base rate)</i>	\$0.383	\$0.383	<i>Automobiles & Trucks (base rate)</i>	\$3.630	\$3.630
Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ³	\$0.101	\$0.151	Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ³	\$0.090	\$0.090
Greenbackville & Captains Cove Area Mosquito Control District	\$0.015	\$0.015	<i>Maximum Automobiles & Trucks Tax Rate</i>	<i>\$3.720</i>	<i>\$3.720</i>
<i>Maximum Real Estate & Mobile Home Tax Rate</i>	<i>\$0.499</i>	<i>\$0.549</i>	<i>Other Taxable Personal Property (base rate)</i>	\$3.630	\$3.630
<i>Machinery & Tools (base rate)</i>	\$3.630	\$3.630	Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ³	\$0.090	\$0.090
Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ³	\$0.090	\$0.090	<i>Maximum Other Taxable Pers. Property Tax Rate</i>	<i>\$3.720</i>	<i>\$3.720</i>
<i>Maximum Machinery & Tools Tax Rate</i>	<i>\$3.720</i>	<i>\$3.720</i>	<i>Personal Property Tax Relief:</i>		
<i>Airplanes (base rate)</i>	\$0.730	\$0.730	Personal use vehicles valued at \$1,000 or less	100%	100%
Atlantic, Metompkin, Lee & Pungoteague EMS Tax Districts ³	\$0.020	\$0.020	All other personal use vehicles (Relief applies to first \$20,000 of value only)	31%	31%
<i>Maximum Airplanes Tax Rate</i>	<i>\$0.750</i>	<i>\$0.750</i>			

Proposed Fees

Fee Description	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Cigarette tax (per pack) (amending Section 82-412 of the Accomack County Code)	\$0.20	\$0.40

EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATES LISTED ABOVE

¹ The 2024 tax rate is the tax rate adopted by the Board of Supervisors last fiscal year.
² The 2025 "proposed" rate is the tax rate ordered advertised by the Board of Supervisors on February 26, 2025.
³ This special tax district imposes an "add-on" real estate and personal property tax rate that is used to fund emergency medical services (EMS). It does not apply to property located in the Town of Chincoteague.

ENTERTAINMENT

Eastern Shore Post

Friday, March 21

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts a weekly walking group.

■ **GUIDED WALK:** 10 a.m. to noon, Brownsville Preserve, 11332 Brownsville Road, Nassawadox. Welcome spring with a guided hike. There will also be kids' activities and a giveaway. To register visit: <https://tinyurl.com/yxb6bbdf>

■ **LECTURE:** 10:30 a.m., Eastern Shore Community College, Room 148, Academic Building, 29300 Lankford Highway, Melfa. Science and Philosophy Seminar of the Eastern Shore is hosting a lecture by Josh Hall titled "3D Printing: If you Want it Made Right do it Yourself." This is a free, 90-minute seminar.

■ **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Kerr Place, 69 Market St., Onancock. Local historian David Scott will discuss the homes and architecture of the Eastern Shore. This event is free and open to the public.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Vernon Holloman performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Shortcut Sunny performs live.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 7 p.m., Rock Church of the Eastern Shore, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Rock Church is celebrating its 49th anniversary. The guest minister will be Phil Cappuccio.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 11 p.m., Par 4 Bar and Grill, 9480 Lankford Highway, Temperanceville. The Focus Band performs live.

Saturday, March 22

Best bets

■ **Saturday, March 22, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College is hosting a chess tournament. It is a rated tournament that is open to ESCC students and the public. Email nuckols@hotmail.com to register.**

■ **Tuesday, March 25, at 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley will host a family movie night. There will be free popcorn and a screening of "Migration."**

■ **INDOOR YARD SALE:** 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., The Historic Onancock School, 6 College Ave., Onancock. An indoor yard sale is being hosted to benefit Pledge the Pink Foundation for breast cancer. For more information contact Kris Walker at kwalk969800@gmail.com

■ **BIRDING WALK:** 8:30 a.m., Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge Woodland Trail parking lot, Chincoteague. The Eastern Shore Master Naturalists are hosting a birding walk. See the spring activity of year-round birds and the migratory birds that are returning and beginning to nest.

■ **CHESS TOURNAMENT:** 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Development Center Great Hall, Melfa. This rated tournament is open to students and the community. ESCC students can participate for free, Eastern Shore residents can participate for \$5, and non-residents can participate for \$20. Email nuckols@hotmail.com to register.

■ **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** 9 a.m. to noon, New Roots Youth Garden, corner of Fig Street and Randolph Avenue,

Cape Charles. New Roots Youth Garden is hosting a Community Garden Work Day. Volunteers can help weed, cut back perennials, mulch and dress beds, and plant seeds or seedlings. There are also projects like putting together a greenhouse, rebuilding compost bins, and repairing raised beds. All materials will be provided.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Winter Market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Shop for local produce, baked goods, meat, and more.

■ **PLOW DAY:** 9 a.m., corner of Lankford Highway and Machipongo Drive, Machipongo. The Peninsula Tractor Organization is hosting an Antique Tractor Plow Day. The Eastville Volunteer Fire Department will be selling food and drinks and all proceeds will benefit the department.

■ **JOB FAIR:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Northampton County YMCA, 22257 Parsons Circle, Cape Charles. Cape Charles Main Street is hosting a job fair.

■ **STORYTIME:** 10:30 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids 5 and under can hear a story and en-

gage in play literacy.

■ **PUZZLE COMPETITION:** 11 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Teams of four compete to see who can put together a puzzle fastest. Call the library to register at 757-787-3400.

■ **CASH BASH:** Doors open 12:30 p.m., event 1 to 6 p.m., Pocomoke City Volunteer Fire Company, 1410 Market St., Pocomoke City. There will be a chance to win \$250 every 15 minutes during Cash Bash. At 3:30 p.m. \$500 will be given away and the grand prize of \$10,000 will be given away at 5:45 p.m. Tickets are \$40 or three for \$100. Tickets include all-you-can-eat food and all-you-can-drink beer and soda. There will also be a cash bar. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2vewf6k5>

■ **AUTHOR TALK:** 1 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Eric Cheezum will discuss Chessie, the Chesapeake Bay's own sea monster. Cheezum will have copies of his book "Chessie: A Cultural History of the Chesapeake Bay Sea Monster" for sale. The talk is included in the price of admission to the museum.

■ **BARBECUE:** 4 to 7 p.m., American Legion Post 19, 4023 Main St., Chincoteague. The American Legion is hosting a Butts and Breasts Barbecue. For \$15 get pulled pork, smoked turkey breast, macaroni and cheese, corn salad, and a roll.

■ **OYSTER ROAST:** 4 to 8 p.m., Exmore Town Park, Exmore. Shore Little League is hosting its 9th annual oyster roast. There will be live music, a silent auction, a raffle, a cash bar, roasted oysters, clams, chowder, and barbecue. Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door, and kids 12 and under are free. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/4wdsurfm> to purchase tickets.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney

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Be included

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

Important standing meetings and emergency numbers for the Eastern Shore

■ **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** For meetings in Accomack and Northampton, visit www.aaeasternshoreva.org or call 757-350-0466.

■ **AL-ANON:** For more on Al-Anon, a group of relatives and friends of alcoholics. visit www.vaalanon.org/districts/district-7-eastern-shore

■ **OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS:** Group meets every Wednesday at Rock Church, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Call 757-999-6771.

■ **COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** All-day, every-day hotline for those impacted by domestic violence or sexual assault: 757-787-1329.

■ **SUICIDE HOTLINE:** If you are having thoughts of suicide or know someone at risk, call 988. Call the local 24-hour hotline at at 757-442-7707 or 800-764-4460.

Calendar

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Stone Pub, Onancock. Josh Barrett performs live.

■ **PAINT NIGHT:** 6 to 8:30 p.m., Great Pocomoke Fair, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. This fundraiser for the Reese Horse Arena at the Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds will feature a paint night with four designs to choose from. The cost is \$40. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/523u7az4>

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 7 p.m., Rock Church of the Eastern Shore, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Rock Church is celebrating its 49th anniversary. The guest minister will be Phil Cappuccio.

Sunday, March 23

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 10:30 a.m., Rock Church of the Eastern Shore, 27112 Lankford Highway, Onley. Rock Church is celebrating its 49th anniversary. The guest minister will be Phil Cappuccio.

■ **ECSTATIC DANCE:** 3:30 to 5 p.m., 10237 Rogers Dive, Nassawadox. This weekly dance sanctuary is a donation-based community event that encourages free form/ecstatic dance. The music will be an eclectic mix designed to inspire movement. RSVP to 757-948-0388.

Monday, March 24

■ **BALLROOM DANCING:** 6 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock. Avid dancers and those with two left feet can join Ballroom and More on the Shore to learn how to dance. There is a \$5 cash-only fee to participate.

Tuesday, March 25

■ **TECH HELP:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Tech help is offered all day on demand.

■ **STEM STORYTIME:** 10:30 a.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. Kids 4 and under can enjoy STEM Storytime.

■ **TEEN GAME NIGHT:** 5 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids can play video games or board games or participate in the manga book club.

■ **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Enjoy free popcorn and a screening of "Migration."

Wednesday, March 26

■ **CONFERENCE:** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Shore Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 33446 Research Drive, Painter. The 2025 Eastern Shore Small Farm and Home-steader Workshop will offer sessions on cut flower farming, small fruit production, and poultry production. The cost is \$15. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/5c8uzca9> to register.

■ **KIDS PROGRAM:** 10 a.m. to noon, Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. During Toddlers with Dragons kids can learn about bearded dragons and enjoy a hands-on learning experience. The cost is \$10 for kids and \$5 for adults for non-museum members. Museum members are free.

■ **STEM CLUB:** 10:30 a.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. Kids from 5 to 12 can enjoy STEM play.

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** noon to 1 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

■ **CRAFT GROUP:** 1 to 3 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Every Wednesday, Island Community House hosts Sit n' Stitch, a time for crafters to bring handheld projects and work on them while enjoying community.

■ **COMMUNITY DINNER:** 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, 18484 Wilson Ave., Parksley. The church is hosting a community chili and baked potato dinner. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Dinners include a salad and drinks.

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** 6 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

Thursday, March 27

■ **COMMUNITY LUNCHEON:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Enjoy a meal with fellow community members. This is a donation-based event.

■ **BLOOD DRIVE:** 1 to 6 p.m., Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Boston Road, Painter. Sign up for appointments at www.redcrossblood.org

■ **BLOOD DRIVE:** 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. The Kiwanis Club of Chincoteague Island is hosting a blood drive. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/2sz3u9tz> to make an appointment.

■ **GAMES:** 2 to 4 p.m., Island Community

House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts afternoon games every Thursday.

■ **TEEN CREATIVE WRITING:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. The theme for this month's Teen Creative Writing program is terror of the fae.

■ **AUTHOR TALK:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Chris Chandler will discuss his book "Doc's Hound: A Saga of a B-17 Crew."

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Onancock Taphouse, Onancock. Vince Korney performs live.

Friday, March 28

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts a weekly walking group.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Tidewater Bluegrass performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Medium Wave Jay performs live.

Saturday, March 29

■ **YARD SALE:** 8 a.m. to noon, the Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Center is hosting an indoor yard sale. Vendors can get a 6-foot table for \$15 or three tables for \$35. Call 757-336-6519 extension 5 to reserve a space.

■ **COMMUNITY POLICING:** 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., The Book Bin, Onley. The Book Bin is hosting Coffee with a Cop. Chief Edwin Long of the Onley Police Department for conversation, coffee, and doughnuts.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Winter Market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Shop for local produce, baked goods, meat, and more.

■ **COMMUNITY CAR WASH:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Exmore Baptist Church, 11624 Occohannock Road, Exmore. The church is hosting Shine and Share, a community connection giveaway. Community members can get a car wash, grab a free hot dog, check out the giveaway table with kids items, clothing, and household goods, or see a clown.

■ **OPEN HOUSE:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Rhyme and Reason Academy, 6471 Lankford Highway, Oak Hall. Get an inside look at Rhyme and Reason Montessori School. Tours of the school will be offered and staff will be on hand to answer questions.

■ **FESTIVAL:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum and Pocomoke Elks

Lodge, Pocomoke City. The Delmarva Decoy and Heritage Festival is coming to Pocomoke. Carvers from across the region will be displaying their work at the museum and at the Elk's Lodge. The museum will have kids activities available. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/4pafwpd5>

■ **STORYTIME:** 10:30 a.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. Kids 5 and under can hear a story and engage in play literacy.

■ **INFORMATION SESSION:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Northampton County YMCA, Cape Charles. The Town of Cape Charles is hosting an information session for its Beachfront Master Plan. Citizens can visit several stations highlighting different parts of the plan, ask questions, and leave comments.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** 4 to 11 p.m., Central Accomack Little League, 10 Hartman Ave., Onancock. The 3rd annual Seafood and Music Jamboree features fresh seafood, live music, and activities. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/yzy7ya29>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Johnny Mo performs live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. Fil Rhythm performs live.

■ **PLAY:** 7 p.m., Island Theater Theater Annex, 4074 Main St., Chincoteague. Lower-shore Performing Arts Company presents "The Altos." Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for seniors, active military, or first responders. No one under 12 will be permitted. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/39t3drs3> for tickets.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles. The Tidewater Guitar Orchestra performs live. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/sbkvme7f>

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Sunday, March 30

■ **ECSTATIC DANCE:** 3:30 to 5 p.m., 10237 Rogers Dive, Nassawadox. This weekly dance sanctuary is a donation-based community event that encourages free form/ecstatic dance. The music will be an eclectic mix designed to inspire movement. RSVP to 757-948-0388.

Monday, March 31

■ **BINGO:** 1 to 3 p.m., the Chincoteague Center, 6155 Community Drive, Chincoteague. Island Community House is hosting bingo. Play 20 games for \$5 per card.

Tuesday, April 1

■ **BAKING CLASS:** 1 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Learn how to make a Chessmen banana pudding with Mz. Baker. Each participant will learn how to make the dessert and take home a portion. The cost is \$20. Visit island-community-house.square.site to sign up.

Wednesday, April 2

■ **SENIOR LUNCHEON:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department, 5052 Deep Hole Road, Chincoteague. The Chincoteague Police Department is hosting a luncheon for senior citizens. Don's Seafood will provide chicken and dumplings for the meal.

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** noon to 1 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

■ **CRAFT GROUP:** 1 to 3 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Every Wednesday, Island Community House hosts Sit n' Stitch, a time for crafters to bring handheld projects and work on them while enjoying community.

■ **INFORMATION SESSION:** 5 to 8 p.m., Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., Cape Charles. The Town of Cape Charles is hosting an information session for its Beachfront Master Plan. Citizens can visit several stations highlighting different parts of the plan, ask questions, and leave comments.

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** 6 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join

Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 8 p.m., Teaguer's Pub and Restaurant, 5030 Chicken City Road, Chincoteague. Paul Brion and the Raucous Brothers perform live.

Thursday, April 3

■ **TOWN HALL:** 8:30 a.m., Island House Restaurant, 15 Atlantic Ave., Wachapreague. Discuss state and local issues with elected official during the ESVA Chamber's Eggs and Issues. For tickets or more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/yfntr7mv>

■ **GAMES:** 2 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts afternoon games every Thursday.

■ **DISCUSSION:** 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, Onancock. Riverside is hosting a health equity panel called Heart Safe, Stroke Smart, which is aimed at preventing stroke and heart disease for all. Light fare will be served from 4:30 to 5 p.m., followed by a resource fair with prizes and giveaways, and finally a panel discussion from 6 to 7:30 p.m. discussing topics like health factors, signs of a stroke, and how genetics affect risk. There will also be a cooking demonstration.

■ **BOOK CLUB:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library in Parksley. This month the Romance Book Club will be discussing "Under Loch and Key," by Lana Ferguson.

■ **BALLROOM DANCING:** 6 p.m., The Oyster Farm, 500 Marina Village Circle, Cape Charles. Avid dancers and those with two left feet can join Ballroom and More on the Shore to learn how to dance. There is a \$5 cash-only fee to participate.

Friday, April 4

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts a weekly walking group.

■ **STREET FESTIVAL:** 5:30 to 8 p.m., Bank St., Exmore. Exmore's First Fridays Artisan Fair will bring artists, artisans, vendors, and musicians to downtown Exmore.

■ **PLAY:** 7:30 p.m., The Mar-Va Theatre, 103 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Theater Academy of Delmarva presents "The Little Mermaid." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/55mpbnj>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles.

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The Raucous Brothers perform live.

Saturday, April 5

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Winter Market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Shop for local produce, baked goods, meat, and more.

■ **YARD SALE:** From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Cape Charles is hosting a Town Wide Yard Sale.

■ **BOOK SIGNING:** 1 p.m., The Book Bin, 25304 Lankford Highway, Onley. Meet author Elle Cosimano.

■ **ART CLASS:** 1 to 4:30 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Learn how to dye a T-shirt using leaves, kitchen scraps, and powdered natural dyes. Participants will make their shirts on Saturday and return Sunday for pick-up and to reveal their artwork.

■ **PLAY:** 3 p.m., The Mar-Va Theatre, 103 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Theater Academy of Delmarva presents "The Little Mermaid." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/55mpbnyj>

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Sunday, April 6

■ **PURSE BINGO:** 12:30 p.m. doors open, 2 p.m. games start, Exmore Moose Lodge, 15215 Merry Cat Lane, Belle Haven. The Nandua High School After Prom committee is hosting a purse bingo fundraiser. This is an 18 and up event. The cost is \$30 per person, cash only, which includes one three-by-20 booklet. Additional booklets are \$15. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, silent auction, cake auction, and raffle items. To RSVP for a table or seat contact Bobbie Joe Wert at 757-710-4330.

■ **ART CLASS:** 1 to 2 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Learn how to dye a T-shirt using leaves, kitchen scraps, and powdered natural dyes. Participants will make their shirts on Saturday and return Sunday for pickup and to reveal their artwork.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, 14371 Metompin Road, Mappsville is hosting an Usher's Day with moderator Calvin Washington Sr. of Antioch Baptist Church.

■ **PLAY:** 3 p.m., The Mar-Va Theatre, 103 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Theater

Academy of Delmarva presents "The Little Mermaid." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/55mpbnyj>

■ **ECSTATIC DANCE:** 3:30 to 5 p.m., 10237 Rogers Dive, Nassawadox. This weekly dance sanctuary is a donation-based community event that encourages free form/ecstatic dance. The music will be an eclectic mix designed to inspire movement. RSVP to 757-948-0388.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** 4 p.m., Villa on the Bay, 3274 Butlers Bluff Drive, Cape Charles. This fundraiser for Arts Enter features an art sale, live music by The Blue Mile, complimentary champagne, and food. Tickets are \$60. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/myw7x3mc>

Monday, April 7

■ **BALLROOM DANCING:** 6 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 66 Market St., Onancock. Avid dancers and those with two left feet can join Ballroom and More on the Shore to learn how to dance. There is a \$5 cash-only fee to participate.

Tuesday, April 8

■ **BREAKFAST:** 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., American Legion Post 159, 4023 Main St.,

Chincoteague. All veterans and active military are invited for a free breakfast.

Wednesday, April 9

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** noon to 1 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

■ **CRAFT GROUP:** 1 to 3 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Every Wednesday Island Community House hosts Sit n' Stitch, a time for crafters to bring handheld projects and work on them while enjoying community.

■ **YOUTH GROUP:** 5:30 to 7 p.m., Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Boston Road, Painter. Kids club is open to all kids from pre-K to fifth grade. Dinner will be provided at 5:30 p.m.

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** 6 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

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Sunday, March 23rd

St. James' Church
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9:30 AM

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2:30 PM

A Concert of Traditional Spirituals
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*Please EVERYONE, join us, at either one or both of the events in Celebration of this Eastern Shore Legend and who by her actions has authored FREEDOM IN OUR COUNTRY!!! * Freewill Donations Appreciated! **

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Thursday, April 10

■ **BOOK CLUB:** 11 a.m., Chincoteague Island Library, 4077 N. Main St., Chincoteague. Nancy's Thursday Book Club meets on the second Thursday of each month.

This month the discussion will be on books about island life.

■ **GAMES:** 2 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts afternoon games every Thursday.

■ **PAINT NIGHT:** 6 to 8 p.m., Craddockville United Methodist Church, 33464 Boston Road, Painter. Paint a sunflower and enjoy a potluck dinner. Everyone is invited to bring a side to share. The fee ranges from \$35 to \$45 based on canvas size. The event is a fundraiser for the church.

■ **INTERNATIONAL MOVIE:** 7 p.m., Roseland Theatre, 48 Market St., Onancock. This month's international movie is "How to Make Millions Before Grandma Dies." Tickets are \$8.

Friday, April 11

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts a weekly walking group.

■ **FOOD DISTRIBUTION:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Franktown United Methodist Church, 7551 Bayside Road, Franktown. The foodbank will hold a food distribution at the church.

■ **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Kerr Place, 69 Market St., Onancock. Author C.L. Marshall is presenting a lecture titled "Chesapeake Bay Adventures: Stories from the Bay," in the backyard at Kerr Place. This event is free and open to the public. Beer and wine will be provided by donation.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, 301 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. The Stingrays perform live.

■ **CONCERT:** 7 p.m., Jerusalem Baptist Church, 10011 Jerusalem Road, Temperanceville. The church is hosting a Women's Community Choir Concert.

■ **PLAY:** 7:30 p.m., The Mar-Va Theatre, 103 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Theater Academy of Delmarva presents "The Little Mermaid." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/55mpbnvj>

Saturday, April 12

■ **RABIES CLINIC:** 9 to 11 a.m., Exmore Moose Lodge, Exmore. Eastern Shore Animal Hospital is hosting a free rabies clinic. Up to three pets per residence can be vaccinated. Dogs and cats must be older than 16 weeks. Dogs must be on leashes and cats must be in carriers. Bring proof of previous vaccines.

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Winter Market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Shop for local produce, baked goods, meat, and more.

■ **CONFERENCE:** 10 a.m., Jerusalem Baptist Church, 10011 Jerusalem Road, Temperanceville. The 2025 Women's Conference and Workshop is being hosted by the church's pastor, Rev. Richard Holland, and the women's ministry. This year's theme is "Anointed with a Purpose." There are workshops geared towards women and girls from age 11 to adulthood. The cost of the conference is \$20 for youth and \$25 for adults. Lunch is included.

■ **WORKSHOP:** 10 a.m. to noon, Delmarva Discovery Museum, 2 Market St., Pocomoke City. Kids can learn to paint a birdhouse during this workshop. The cost is \$15 for non-museum members and \$10 for museum members. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/49yyp6a8>

■ **DOG SHOW:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Acts Apostolic Church, 9431 Jerusalem Road, Temperanceville. The church is hosting its annual Acts Dog Show to support its kids missions. Admission is \$5. Prizes will be awarded for best trick, best personality, most adorable, best dressed, and crowd favorite. It is free to enter a pup in the contest. Dogs must be safe to socialize around children. There will also be homemade treats, prizes, games, and a raffle.

■ **EASTER BUNNY:** 1 to 3 p.m., Book Bin, Onley. Kids can meet the Easter Bunny and get a special egg. Parents can take photos of their kids with the Easter Bunny.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** From 1 to 4 p.m. the Onancock Elks Lodge, 22454 Front St., Accomac, will host Sweet Treats for Robin, a fundraiser for local woman Robin Sexauer. For \$20 at the door sample desserts from local businesses and neighbors. There will also be a silent auction.

■ **PLAY:** 3 p.m., The Mar-Va Theatre, 103 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Theater Academy of Delmarva presents "The Little Mermaid." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/55mpbnvj>

■ **FUNDRAISER:** 6 to 10:30 p.m., Cape

Charles Volunteer Fire Company, 501 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. Raise the Roof is a fundraiser for the fire company that will feature barbecue and live music by The DeLoreans. Beer and wine will be for sale.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Historic Cokesbury Cultural Center, 13 Market St., Onancock. The Botetourt Chamber Singers perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., ESO Arts Center, 15293 King St., Belle Haven. Corn Funk Review performs live as part of the ESO Live series. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/yc27asd2> for tickets.

■ **OYSTER ROAST:** 7:30 p.m., The Folly, 24489 Folly Farm Road, Accomac. The Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust is hosting its annual oyster roast. There will be clams, oysters, dinner, desserts, and a full bar. Enjoy an exclusive look at a conservation easement property. For tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/548cetw8>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 8 p.m., Teaguer's Pub and Restaurant, 5030 Chicken City Road, Chincoteague. Paul Brion and the Raucous Brothers perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 8 to 11 p.m., Off the Rails, 18497 Dunne Ave., Parksley. The Rhythm Section performs live.

Sunday, April 13

■ **PLAY:** 3 p.m., The Mar-Va Theatre, 103 Market St., Pocomoke City. The Theater Academy of Delmarva presents "The Little Mermaid." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/55mpbnvj>

■ **ECSTATIC DANCE:** 3:30 to 5 p.m., 10237 Rogers Dive, Nassawadox. This weekly dance sanctuary is a donation-based community event that encourages free form/ecstatic dance. The music will be an eclectic mix designed to inspire movement. RSVP to 757-948-0388.

Wednesday, April 16

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** noon to 1 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

■ **CRAFT GROUP:** 1 to 3 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Every Wednesday Island Community House hosts Sit n' Stitch, a time for crafters to bring handheld projects and work on them while enjoying community.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7:30 p.m., the Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, Pocomoke City. Josh Turner performs live. For tickets visit

<https://tinyurl.com/bdczyymz>

■ **BIBLE STUDY:** 6 p.m., El Sol Restaurant, 24254 Bennett St., Parksley. Join Grace United Methodist Church for "Burritos and Bibles," a Lenten Bible study.

■ **LECTURE:** 6:30 p.m. seating starts, 7 p.m. lecture begins, Morphosis, 33 Market St., Onancock. Dr. Arthur Fournier will discuss his books. Coffee and desserts will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$5. Call 757-710-8718 to reserve a seat.

Thursday, April 17

■ **DAY CAMP:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sawmill Park, 24387 Joynes Neck Road, Accomac. Camp Fragile Hearts is a one-day, free event for kids who have experienced a death or other significant loss. The program is designed for kids ages 7 to 17.

The camp is lead by qualified mental health professionals and is intended to allow kids to have fun while showing them they aren't alone in their grief. There will be bounce houses, slides, climbing walls, a petting zoo, a mobile video game trailer, and local first responder demonstrations.

To apply visit facebook.com/hpces or email cayce.beasley@rivhs.com

■ **GAMES:** 2 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts afternoon games every Thursday.

■ **BALLROOM DANCING:** 6 p.m., The Oyster Farm, 500 Marina Village Circle, Cape Charles. Avid dancers and those with two left feet can join Ballroom and More on the Shore to learn how to dance. There is a \$5 cash only fee to participate.

Friday, April 18

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Island Community House hosts a weekly walking group.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** at 6:30 p.m. Ebenezer Baptist Church in Wardtown is hosting a Good Friday service.

■ **DECOY FESTIVAL:** noon to 5 p.m., Chincoteague High School, 4550 N. Main St., Chincoteague. The 44th annual Easter Decoy and Art Festival is set to return with local and national carvers and artists displaying their work. Admission is \$5, children under 12 are free.

Saturday, April 19

■ **FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to noon, Onancock Winter Market, 22 Market St., Onancock. Shop for local produce, baked goods, meat, and more.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY A & N ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE FOR APPROVAL OF A GENERAL INCREASE IN ELECTRIC RATES

CASE NO. PUR-2025-00003

On January 17, 2025, A & N Electric Cooperative ("ANEC" or "Cooperative") filed an application ("Application") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for approval of a general increase in electric rates. ANEC filed this Application pursuant to §§ 56-231.33, 56-231.34, 56-236, 56-238, and 56-585.3 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") and 5 VAC 5-20-80 A of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-10 *et seq.* ("Rules of Practice").

In support of its Application, ANEC states that a rate increase is needed because the Cooperative's capital and operating costs have continued to increase over the past several years while load growth is lacking. Specifically, ANEC is requesting that the Commission approve revisions to its current rates that will increase jurisdictional sales revenue by approximately \$6.9 million, an overall increase of 8.84%. The Cooperative states that the proposed revisions would produce total jurisdictional margins for calendar year 2025 ("Rate Year") of \$6.2 million and a jurisdictional Times Interest Earned Ratio ("TIER") of 2.83, while the modified margins (total margins, less accrued capital credits, plus capital credits received) would be \$4.1 million for the Rate Year, and the modified TIER would be 2.20.

Included in its Application is ANEC's proposal to introduce a demand charge to the distribution service portion of proposed Schedules A-1, A-1-P, A-2, A-2-P, B-1, TOU-B-1, and TOU-A-EVS. The Cooperative states that the cost of delivering electricity to the ANEC membership includes incurring infrastructure costs to deliver electricity at a member's peak demand, and that by separating these costs, members will be able to better control both consumption and demand, where before they could only control consumption. The Cooperative states that any future adjustments to this demand charge will be gradual, with minimal customer impact, and will allow the Cooperative to recover its demand-related costs more effectively.

The Cooperative requests that the Commission authorize its proposed rates to be put into effect for bills rendered on and after April 1, 2025, as interim rates subject to refund, if necessary, as provided in Code § 56-238. Under the Cooperative's proposed increase, a residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours a month with demand of 4.0 kilowatts ("kW") would experience a monthly bill increase of \$18.48 (13.23%), from \$139.67 to \$158.15 during summer months, and of \$8.81 (6.81%), from \$129.34 to \$138.15 during non-summer months.

ANEC also proposes modifications to its existing rate schedules, and the creation of new rate classifications, which the Cooperative states is to align rates more accurately with customer usage patterns, demand levels, and regulatory requirements. The proposed changes include: (i) renaming Schedules B, TOU-B, LP-A, and LP-B to Schedules B-1, TOU-B-1, LP-1, and LP-2, respectively; (ii) a new Schedule A-1C for church sanctuary services; (iii) a new Schedule B-2 applicable to customers with more than 50 kW and less than 300 kW of billing demand; (iv) withdrawing Schedule I and moving all customers served thereunder to either Schedule B-1 or the new Schedule B-2, as applicable; (v) modifying Schedule LP-1 and Schedule LP-2 to now apply to customers with demand between 300 kW and 3,000 kW and customers with demand in excess of 3,000 kW, respectively; and (vi) a new voluntary Rider for primary voltage service for larger customers receiving power at primary voltage levels.

ANEC also proposes to revise its Terms and Conditions for Providing Electric Service to reflect, *inter alia*, changes to (a) update the interconnection of small generation systems to comply with current regulations; (b) revise ANEC's line extension policy; and (c) modernize metering and billing to align with the advanced capabilities of the Cooperative's advanced metering infrastructure (AMI).

The foregoing is not an exhaustive list of all the proposals contained in the Cooperative's Application. Interested persons are encouraged to review ANEC's Application and supporting documents in full for details about these and other proposals.

TAKE NOTICE that the Commission may apportion revenues among customer classes and/or design rates in a manner differing from that shown in the Application and supporting documents and thus may adopt rates that differ from those appearing in the Cooperative's Application and supporting documents.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing that, among other things, permits ANEC to place its proposed rates, charges, and terms and conditions of service into effect, on an interim basis and subject to refund with interest, for bills rendered on and after April 1, 2025.

By Hearing Examiner Ruling dated March 12, 2025 a public hearing on ANEC's Application was scheduled. On September 8, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., the Hearing Examiner

assigned to this matter will hold the telephonic portion of the hearing for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses. On or before September 2, 2025, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission: (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in two ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at scc.virginia.gov/case-information/webcasting; or (ii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at scc.virginia.gov/case-information/webcasting.

Beginning at 10 a.m. on September 8, 2025, the Hearing Examiner will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify as provided above.

On September 8, 2025, at 10 a.m., or at the conclusion of the public witness portion of the hearing, whichever is later, in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, the Hearing Examiner will convene the evidentiary portion of the hearing to receive testimony and evidence related to the Application from the Cooperative, any respondents, and the Commission's Staff ("Staff").

To promote administrative efficiency and timely service of filings upon participants, the Commission has directed the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings unless they contain confidential information and will require electronic service on parties to this proceeding.

An electronic copy of ANEC's Application may be obtained from ANEC by submitting a written request to counsel for the Cooperative: Cody T. Murphey, Esquire, Williams Mullen, 200 South 10th Street, Suite 1600, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or cmurphey@williamsmullen.com. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/case-information.

On or before September 2, 2025, any interested person may submit comments on the Application by following the instructions on the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/case-information/submit-public-comments. Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2025-00003.

On or before May 6, 2025, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling. Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel. The respondent shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Cooperative, any other respondents, and Staff electronically as described above. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2025-00003.

On or before July 1, 2025, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. All testimony and exhibits shall be served electronically on Staff, the Cooperative, and all other respondents, as described above. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2025-00003.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Rules of Practice.

The Cooperative's Application, the Commission's Rules of Practice, the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, and other documents filed in the case may be viewed on the Commission's website at: scc.virginia.gov/case-information.

A & N ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

OBITUARIES

Eastern Shore Post

Rhonda Hernandez-Sanchez

Mrs. Rhonda Denise Hernandez-Sanchez, 64, of Parksley, passed away Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in Onancock.

Born on July 17, 1960, in Anna, Ill., Rhonda was the daughter of Teddy Earl and Wilma Holderfield. Rhonda and her family lived in Cobden, Ill.,



Mrs. Hernandez-Sanchez

for most of their lives. She found her true calling when she started her family. She had five girls and loved them with every ounce of her heart. And once her grandbabies were born, her life was complete. Rhonda hosted most holidays and loved to bake and cook for her family. Her brownies and macaroni salad tasted like a little piece of heaven to her daughters and grandchildren.

She moved to the Eastern Shore of Virginia in 2005 to help take care of her grandchildren. Not soon afterwards, the rest of the family followed suit. Always a lover of horses, Rhonda was in her element when the family would take short trips up to Chincoteague Island. With Garth Brooks blasting on the radio and laughter in the car, they made memories that will last a lifetime.

Rhonda was creative and enjoyed cross-stitch and creating paint-by-number horse paintings. With "The Ranch" or "Little House on the Prairie" on the television, Rhonda sat in the living room and patiently made every grandchild his or her own blanket until the numbers of grandchildren far exceeded two dozen — and then she would make the trip to Walmart and buy the blanket.

Rhonda was the rock of the family. Always sweet and attentive, her daughters knew they could rely on her to

make a bad situation better or just lend a hand. She was the best mom, wife, sister, and grandmother that anyone could ever ask for.

Rhonda is survived by her husband of almost 18 years, Jose Hernandez-Sanchez; her daughters, Amanda Garcia, Jennifer Borjas, Ashley Hernandez, Kimberly Aguilar, and Natalia Cruz; her sister, Lisa Holderfield-Hubbs; her brother, Vincent Roberts; many, many sweet grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; nieces, Misty and Brandi Holderfield; and many extended family members and friends.

She was predeceased by her parents, Teddy Earl and Wilma Holderfield.

A service is being planned in Illinois. Rhonda will be interred with her family at Cobden Cemetery in Cobden.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Nancy Larsen

Mrs. Nancy Jean Larsen, born Oct. 10, 1956, passed away on March 3, 2025.

A devoted Catholic, she found strength in her faith and was an active member of her church community. She had a deep love for nature, history, and travel, spending her retirement on Chincoteague Island, where she enjoyed hiking, walking, and watching the sunsets with her beloved husband, Wayne.

Nancy dedicated years of service to TSA at Bradley International Airport before retiring. She had a passion for horses and a deep appreciation for the beauty of the world around her. But above all, she was a loving mother and an adoring grandmother to her grandson, Stephen King, whom she helped raise and cherished deeply.

She was predeceased by her husband, Wayne Larsen; her son, Victor



Mrs. Larsen

Larsen; her sister, Deborah; and her parents, Gloria and Victor Lasnier.

She is survived by her daughter, Erika K. Larsen and her partner, Edward B. Prince; her grandson, Stephen R. King; her niece, Deidre M. Carroll; and her siblings, Victoria Lasnier and Vivian Bates.

Nancy will be remembered for her kind spirit, love of adventure, and devotion to her family. She will be privately laid to rest in Connecticut.

Condolences may be made online at www.salyerfh.com

Services were entrusted to Salyer Funeral Home on Chincoteague Island.

Alula 'Lou' Marshall

Mrs. Alula (Lou) Taylor White Marshall, 93, died peacefully on Saturday, March 8, 2025, in Houston.

Lou was born in Edenton, N.C., on May 26, 1931, to Margaret Rose Speight White and



Mrs. Marshall

Herman Franklin White, in the home built by her grandfather, Will Oscar Speight. She spent her early life in the Speight House, cared for by her maternal aunt, Alula Speight Taylor (later Colvin), and her grandmother, Minnie Perry Speight. In her early teens she moved to the Eastern Shore, where she graduated from Pocomoke High School and later attended both the Eastern Shore Branch of the University of Virginia and Salisbury State College (now Salisbury University).

After her marriage to Norman James (Jimmy) Marshall in 1950, she worked for the U.S. Navy at Wallops Island and later played an essential role in the transition of the NS Marshall and Son barrel making business into a successful farming operation and later into Marshall Manufacturing Company. After the first few years of their marriage at Wishart's Point, Lou and Jimmy moved to Temperanceville, where she lived until moving to Houston in 2019 to be closer to her daughter.

She and Jimmy enjoyed many boating adventures, initially on motorboats, the Me Too and the Blackhawk, and later on their sailing sloop, the Nautilus. They made friends up and down the waterways as they went, from Ocean City, Md., to Atlantic Beach, N.C. The two also enjoyed skiing and snorkeling, and eventually they took Lou's dream trip — an Alaskan cruise.

Lou loved collecting shells at Assateague, riding her horse, Dawn, and spending time with her grandchildren. She was an active member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church at Jenkins Bridge for many decades. She taught vacation Bible school, served on the vestry and altar guild, and participated yearly in the pancake supper.

Lou was preceded in death by Jimmy in 2006. She is survived by her children, Richard James (Dick) Marshall and his wife, Kim, and Nancy Marshall Tarrant and her husband, Jeff, as well as her grandchildren, Andrew James Marshall, Ryan Lee Marshall, Jessica Lynn Tarrant, Christopher Matthew Tarrant, and Ariel Elizabeth Tarrant.

Services and interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 186, Oak Hall, VA 23416.

Irene Kleckner

Mrs. Irene Kleckner, 89, of Chincoteague Island, wife of the late Lee Kleckner, passed away on March 13, 2025, in Parksley.

Born on Aug. 29, 1935, on Chincoteague, she was the daughter of the late Lynwood Watson and Ruby Snead Watson.

Irene was a homemaker who was known for her sharp wit and telling you like it was. She had zero filter and would often preface with, "I'm gonna tell you somethin' buddy..." She loved watching soap operas with her coffee and cigarettes



Mrs. Kleckner

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and crocheting, but she couldn't cook a thing except fudge, which she was known for. A tried and true Chincoteague, Irene lived for the yearly Pony Penning week. She even made her kids hop on a bus from Florida to the Eastern Shore one year so she wouldn't miss it.

Irene is survived by her children, Paul Kleckner, of Chincoteague, Monnie Terry, of Chincoteague, and Chris Kleckner, of Atlantic; her grandchildren, Ryan Terry, Irene Terry, Lee Kleckner, and Megan Crain; and her great-grandchildren, Roy Crain, Watson Crain, and Ava Kleckner.

She was preceded in death by four siblings.

Arrangements are by the Thornton Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Parksley.

Visit www.thorntonfuneralhome.net to sign the online guestbook.

Andre Marshall

Ms. Andre Marshall suddenly and peacefully passed away on March 13, 2025, in New Braunfels, Texas, surrounded by family. Andre was born on



Ms. Marshall

Jan. 30, 1957, in Nassawadox, to parents Owen and Lousie Marshall, of Saxis.

Andre spent most of her life growing up on the eastern shores of Saxis. It was where she learned to shuck oysters that came straight from the bay. Andre also worked for Holly Farms Chicken in Virginia, and lastly, before retiring, she worked at DuPont Children's Hospital in Wilmington, Del.

Andre loved spending time with family and traveling. She loved going to Ocean City, Md., and Chincoteague, where she watched and enjoyed the annual Pony Swim and Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company Carnival. She also loved music and attending concerts. Some of her favorite artists included Wynonna Judd, George Strait, and Elvis Presley.

In her later years, she loved watching

crime shows and rooting for her Dallas Cowboys. Despite being born and raised in Washington Redskins and Philadelphia Eagles territory, Andre was a die-hard Dallas Cowboys fan and proudly displayed and stated her love for the team. Lastly, Andre had a love for playing bingo, and she would often play with her sister, mother, and friends. In her final years, she obtained a collection of stuffed animals that proudly displayed her bingo accomplishments.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Owen and Louise Marshall; her sister, Marcella Toto; her brother-in-law, Richard Toto; and her niece, Theresa Toto.

She is survived by her brother, JC Marshall (Kristy); her sister-in-law, PEGGIE Schrader (Jim); her nieces, Laura Semlinger (Todd), Racheal Quinn (Edward), and Rebecca Avello (Enrico H.); her nephews, John Marshall Jr. (Kathy) and James Marshall (Linda); her great-nephews, Ashton Beers, JJ Marshall, JR Marshall, and Chris Aldridge; her great-nieces, Shannon Beers, Casey Avello, Gabriella Loughery, Gillianna Loughery, Gocelyn Quinn, Nicole Aldridge, and Skylar Plumley; her great-great-nephews, Christian Aldridge and Grayson Meyer; and her great-great-niece, Addison Tarver.

A memorial service is being held at Legend Oaks New Braunfels Nursing and Rehabilitation Center on Saturday, March 29. Her final resting place will be in Parksley at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to American Heart Association (AHA), National Kidney Foundation, Canyon Lake Fire and EMS, or New Braunfels Fire Department.

Jerol Fox

Mr. Jerol Gordon Fox, 79, a resident of Newark, Del., and formerly of Oak Hall, passed away on Sunday, March 16, 2025. Born in Nassawadox, he was the son of the late John Thomas Fox and Phyllis Farmer Fox.

Jerol grew up on the Eastern Shore of Virginia and graduated from Atlantic High School and later from Old Dominion University with a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering. He was a member of Temperanceville Masonic Lodge No. 121 AF & AM. He worked for Delmarva Power & Light as a civil engineer.

He transferred from Virginia to

Newark with Delmarva Power & Light, where he retired. He also worked for Bloomfield Trucking. After he retired from driving trucks, he became a paralegal later in his life.

He enjoyed working with horses, woodworking, blacksmithing, art, books, and motorcycles.

He spent his last days living in Brookdale Senior Facility in Dover, Del., where he passed onward to heaven.

He is loved and will be missed.

He is survived by his son, James W. Fox; his grandchildren, Staceylynn Tupper, Radonna Mister, James C. Fox, Cameron E. Fox, and Daniel W. Fox; nine great-grandchildren, several cousins, two nephews, and two nieces.

He was predeceased by his parents, John T. and Phyllis Farmer Fox; a sister, Sallyanne Taylor; and a granddaughter, Mikayla Fox.

Friends may join the family at Doughty Funeral Home on Saturday, March 22, from 6 to 8 p.m.

A funeral service will be held on Sunday, March 23, at 1:30 p.m. from the graveside at Downings Cemetery in Oak Hall.

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

Arrangements are by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Berry Collins

Mr. Berry Creed Collins, born July 17, 1932, on a mountain top in Wise County, was called to serve in heaven on March 16, 2025.

Berry was a retired United States Air Force disabled veteran who served in Vietnam.

A jack of all trades, it was seldom he wasn't outside fixing something, hunting, fishing, gardening, or cooking. He loved his gospel music and playing guitar.

Berry is survived by his wife of 71 years, Annie Bell Collins; his son, Bruce Collins, of Cape Charles; his daughters, Annette Campbell, of Cheriton, Donna Wood, of Richmond, and Sharon Lloyd, of Machipongo; seven grandchildren;

17 great-grandchildren; two great-



Mr. Collins

great-grandchildren, his sister, Margaret Nanny, of Big Stone Gap; and his brother, JR Collins, of Haines City, Fla.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, March 22, at Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore. Greeting will be at 1 p.m. The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Interment will be at Johnsontown Methodist Church Cemetery with military honors.

Friends and family will gather at the family home at 11368 Sparrow Point Road, Machipongo, VA 23405 after the graveside services.

The family requests that instead of flowers, please make a donation to the Community Church of God, 9079 Birds-nest Road, Birdsnest, VA 23307.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Thalia Bundick

Ms. Thalia Mae Bundick, 60, a native and resident of Painter, passed away on Monday, March 17, 2025. She was the daughter of the late Herman Lee Bundick and Emily Mae Saunders Bundick.

She was employed by Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Onley, and she was a member of Painter Garrison Methodist Church.

She is survived by her children, Morgan Dollar (Brandon) and Caleb Shrieves;

her brother, Carl Bundick; her grandchild, Harper Dollar; and her loving companion, Jerry Fisher.

Thalia was predeceased by her brother, Len Bundick.

Memorial services will be conducted Saturday, March 22, at 11 a.m. at Painter Garrison Methodist Church with the Rev. Zack Lewis officiating. Family will join friends at Painter Garrison Methodist Church one hour prior to service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Painter Garrison Methodist Church, P.O. Box 502, Painter, VA 23420.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.



Ms. Bundick

SPORTS

Eastern Shore Post

GIRLS BASKETBALL

BA's Smith, Ford All-State



Leah Smith

Broadwater Academy's Leah Smith and Kacey Ford were named to the first team in Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association (VISAA) Division IV. Previously, both were named first team All-Metro Conference.

Smith, who scored her 1,000th career point recently, averaged 11.2 points, 6.4 rebounds, 3.0

steals, 2.1 assists, and 2.3 blocks for the Vikings (12-8). Ford averaged 11.7 points.



Kacey Ford

Public review sought for wild turkey plan

The Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) is seeking public review of the draft 2025-2034 Virginia Wild Turkey Management Plan through April 4, 2025.

This is the second revision of the Wild Turkey Management Plan, with the first being completed in 2014. The revised plan was completed through the involvement of public stakeholders and managers of turkeys in Virginia.

Because DWR's mission includes managing "wildlife populations and habitat for the benefit of present

GIRLS SOCCER

Firebirds split two

On Monday, March 17, Arcadia opened its season with a 1-0 victory at Hampton, and then on Tuesday, March 18, the Firebirds dropped a 4-0 decision to visiting Kecoughtan. No individual stats were reported.

SOFTBALL

Vikings improve to 2-0

On Wednesday, March 12, Broadwater improved to 2-0 with a 3-2 extra-inning victory at Isle of Wight.

The Vikings trailed 1-0 heading into the 7th inning but scored a run in both the 7th and the 8th for the win.

Adrianna Holloway went 2-for-3 with a double and scored a run, while Tatum Watson had a triple and Miranda Smith had a double.

Ramsey Revelle got the win in the circle.

Arcadia drops opener

On Wednesday, March 12, Arcadia dropped its season opener with an 8-1 loss at Decatur in Berlin, Md.

Brinlee Kauthen went 3-for-3 at the plate, including a double and driving

and future generations," it is important that the process used to develop and revise the plan incorporate both sociological and cultural values and biological considerations.

The revised plan will guide turkey management across the Commonwealth through 2034. It describes the history of wild turkey management, current status, and the future of turkey management in Virginia. It also provides a framework of what needs to be done and how it should be done.

Guided by the DWR mission, the Wild Turkey Management Plan includes a mission statement and four goals that address the areas of pop-

ulations, habitat, recreation, and conflicts. Specific objectives help guide the attainment of each goal.

Potential strategies then clarify how each objective could be achieved but without delving into the operational details.

BASEBALL

Vikings fall to 1-2

On Thursday, March 13, Broadwater Academy lost a tough one at Isle of Wight Academy, 6-5.

The Vikings led 5-2 going into the bottom of the seventh, but the host Chargers scored four times to win the game. Broadwater (1-2) had seven hits spread among its lineup, led by Danny Gallivan's two RBI.

Three Vikings pitchers combined on a four-hitter, but the team was hurt by five errors.

On Wednesday, March 12, the Vikings lost 11-1 to visiting Norfolk Christian, which limited the Vikes to just three hits.

On Tuesday, March 11, Broadwater opened the season with a 16-0 win over visiting Tidewater Academy, thanks to a combined one-hitter from pitchers Olsen Pruitt and Teddy Seybolt.

Aidan Fuller went 2-for-4 with a home run and drove in five runs, while Cohen Kellam and Eli Destro each had three hits and two RBI.

This plan will provide clarity and direction on the goals of turkey management in Virginia for the next decade to the DWR Board of Directors, DWR administrators and staff, agency partners, and the public.

The draft plan is available for public review and comments on the DWR webpage at <https://vawildlife.org/>

For more information, call 757-880-2362 or email hunts@vawildlife.org.

Turkey hunt and youth essay contest slated

Residents of the Commonwealth who would like to participate in a one-of-a-kind outdoors experience are encouraged to take part in the 9th Annual Old Dominion One Shot Turkey Hunt scheduled for April 18 and 19.

The Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) and the Wildlife Foundation of Virginia (WV) are coordinating this annual event, which provides the opportunity to hunt some of the most exclusive properties with experienced guides.

"The Old Dominion One Shot Turkey Hunt is a wonderful event providing a first-class experience for hunters, guides, and landowners, while benefiting wildlife and outdoor recreational opportunities across the Commonwealth," said Ryan Brown, executive director of DWR.

Young outdoor enthusiasts (aged 7 to 17) who are interested in participating are encouraged to enter an essay contest to be considered to hunt with an experienced mentor. There are five slots for those scholarships.

The theme for this year's contest is "What does hunting mean to you?" Essay submission is open through March 28 with the awards being announced April 8. Information on how to submit an essay can be found on the site <https://vawildlife.org/one-shot/>

The event will kick off Friday, April 18 at Bass Pro Shops in Ashland, with hunters and guides pairing up and planning their hunting strategy. Hunters and guides will hunt until noon on Saturday in spectacular locations throughout Virginia donated for the day by generous landowners, hoping to walk away with an award-winning gobbler. Festivities will conclude Saturday night with a celebration at Bass Pro Shops. The deadline for hunters to register is April 9.

For more information, event details, sponsorships, or how to attend the evening celebration at Bass Pro Shops, visit <https://vawildlife.org/one-shot/>



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GIS Technician /Mapper

This position is responsible for updates and corrections to the County's tax maps. This position researches and interprets deeds, surveys, and other relevant data sources; performs GIS data changes with the mapping vendor; and assists in the administration of the Land Use tax relief program.



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Lead Data Technician

The position performs lead technical data maintenance and supports the Assessors department by ensuring the integrity of the data and systems utilized for the appraisal and assessment of real property valuation. Performs upper level technical support for the CAMA system and its interfaces, runs and modifies SQL queries, writes reports, and when applicable supervises office staff.



Minimum Qualifications: Degree in Computer Science, Information Technology, Business Administration, MIS (Management Information Systems) or closely related field; supplemented by three (3) to five (5) years previous experience and/or training that includes relational databases, software configuration, data analysis and design, project management; proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite; prior supervisory experience; or any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience.

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Sexauer

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year, when Sexauer, while in Germany during a family vacation, suddenly fell ill.

She ended up with pneumonia, respiratory syncytial virus, sepsis, kidney failure, and more. Physicians put her in a medically induced coma and her family was told she might not survive.

Fundraiser

■ There will be a fundraiser called "Sweet Treats for Robin" on Sunday, April 13, at 1 p.m., at the Elks Lodge in Accomac. Enjoy different desserts made by businesses and residents. The cost is a \$20 donation at the door.

"They told her pretty much every day that I was not going to make it," she said of her sister, Deborah Cooley, with whom she was traveling.

"All of that was just causing my body to shut down."

Sexauer and the Cooleys — Deborah, her husband, Wallace, and their son, Robert Charles — made the trip. Sexauer said her sister and brother-in-law stayed with her for five weeks at the German hospital.

Sexauer's health improved and her life was no longer threatened but the high cost of a medical trans-



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured from left are Robert Charles Cooley, Robin Sexauer, Deborah Cooley, and Wallace Cooley while in Europe before Sexauer fell ill and was hospitalized.

port flight home — estimated to be \$125,000 — was a startling setback.

In the meantime, support from the Eastern Shore kept her spirits up.

"One day I got a box of 75 cards," she said — from well-wishers.

"I've been very humbled by the outpouring of love

and generosity from everyone," she said, including "from people I don't even know."

She recovered enough that she didn't need the medical transport flight but she did need to be accompanied by a nurse and receive approval to carry medical equipment on board the aircraft.

She arrived back in the United States on Feb. 28 and was back at home March 4 after a short hospital stay.

Sexauer said her lungs are still healing and she is still weak after being hospitalized for more than two and a half months.

Even without the medical flight, the fundraising has been critical to purchasing medical supplies and equipment, she said.

Warm, outgoing, and gently persistent, Sexauer, 65, is originally from Long Island but moved to the Eastern Shore with her family after she graduated from high school.

Her longtime work with the state Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services has made her a household name on the Eastern Shore.

She was especially touched by the concern from the legions she has aided through her work as a counselor.

"You never know how many people you helped," she said.

She also thanked those who organized and donated to fundraisers and her family.

"Thank God for my family," she said. "They stood by my side."

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At left, Tim Wivell (left) and his son, Scott Wivell, drop into Cape Charles Harbor a memorial wreath honoring former Cape Charles Mayor and Harbormaster William Smith “Smitty” Dize, who died at the age of 55 on Dec. 27 of last year. Dize’s friends and family celebrated his life and many contributions to the town Saturday, March 15, with a memorial service at the harbor. Fellow watermen carried a wreath in his honor from a small park alongside the harbor to a waiting Coast Guard boat, which solemnly pulled the wreath out to the Chesapeake Bay.

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Four charged with murder of Onancock man

According to Sheriff W. Todd Wessells, on Feb. 28, indictments were issued charging four males with a homicide that occurred in Accomack County.

On Feb. 13, at 8:32 p.m., the Accomack County Sheriff's Office received a report of shots fired in the area of the 26000 block of Stumpy Lane in Onancock.

Upon deputies' arrival, they discovered an unresponsive male suffering from apparent gunshot wounds.

Rashaun Anthony Brown, 26, of Onancock, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The Norfolk Medical Examiner ruled the manner of death a homicide, Wessells said in a prepared release.

On March 18, the following individuals were arrested:

■ Tyvon Lyncurtis Smith, 32, of Virginia Beach, was charged with first-degree murder, conspiracy to

commit first-degree murder, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Smith is incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with bail denied.

■ Christopher Clovis-Weathers Monfiston, 32, of Chesapeake, was charged with first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit first-degree murder, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Monfiston is currently incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with bail denied.

■ Kriq Nygee Weathers, 27, of Parkley, was charged with first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit first-degree murder, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Weathers is incarcerated in the Virginia Beach City Jail with bail denied.

■ Taquan Lee Bell, 26, of Accomac, was charged with first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit first-degree murder, accessory after the fact, and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Bell is currently incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with bail denied.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Virginia Beach Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations (Norfolk), the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

Investigation into this incident is continuing.

Anyone with information on this or any other crime is asked to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666 or tips may be submitted through the website accomackcountysheriffsoffice.org

Borgess publishes new book

Local author and former passenger jet pilot Steve Borgess, of Wachapreague, has published a new book, "Flying Crooked."

When not writing, Borgess volunteers with Riverside Shore Hospice, assisting patients and providing respite care for families from Chincoteague to Cape Charles. He started serving seven years ago.

His self-published novel traces the experience of Jack Dolan, a young commercial pilot who is down on his luck and up against the clock.

Through richly developed characters and plot twists, "Flying Crooked" offers a riveting drama and a pilot's-eye view of aviation's seamy side.

Borgess and his wife, Jeanne, bought their home in Wachapreague in 2002, fell in love with the Eastern Shore, and moved in full time in 2004.

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Two locals test skills in national dart throwdown in Va. Beach



BY BILL STERLING
Special to the Eastern Shore Post

A dart throwing duo from the Eastern Shore will be among the competitors at the Virginia Beach Dart Classic this weekend at the Wyndham Hotel on the beachfront.

Robie Mears and Jess Newton will match their skills with some of the best dart throwers in the country and beyond, having honed their skills in weekly league competitions held regularly at the Off the Rails restaurant in Parksley and the Onancock Taphouse.

Mears, 42, is the more experienced of the two and introduced Newton to the game. While an estimated 17 million Americans currently play the sport, darts has yet to break through the crowded U.S. sports market, with

many people seeing it as a simple bar game.

But Mears sees a change on the horizon.

"I've seen a tremendous growth in darts since I first started throwing about 10 years ago," said Mears, who lives in Pungoteague and is the general manager of Buchanan Subaru in Pocomoke City.

"We now have two leagues competing on Monday and Wednesday nights at Off the Rails, and the number of competitors is increasing at Onancock Taphouse."

Mears said he wrestled in high school and for about 10 years after before looking for something else that fulfilled his competitive desires.

"Throwing a dart was one of the few things I was pretty good at when I first tried it. I found I enjoyed it right away and bought a dart board and placed it in my

living room," said Mears, who estimates he has won some 400 tournaments in the decade he has been throwing darts and has almost never missed the dart board in his living room.

"Like everything, there are all kinds of levels in dart throwing. There will be pros competing in Virginia Beach and some of the best amateurs you will find at any competition," said Mears, who has competed in the Virginia Beach Classic previously. "I could go over there and not win a match. It's that tough."

It will be the first time at the Virginia Beach Dart Classic for Newton, 39. An Onancock resident and the sports center manager at the Eastern Shore Yacht and Country Club, Newton has been throwing darts, both soft and steel tips, for about four years now.

Newton enjoys friendly competition and is the club's trivia master, who emcees trivia night at the club. He also works on his golf game after his duties are done at the club, but has found lately he is gravitating more and more to darts, to the point he is undefeated in competition at the Onancock Taphouse.

"I would love to have dart competition at the club if there was some interest among the members," said Newton, who added that in Virginia Beach there will be women competing with men and then separate women's and men's competitions.

Newton and Mears will also compete as team members and then enter individual competitions as well.

"It will be a big challenge for me because I've never faced competition as good as what I will see in Virginia Beach," said Newton.

Robie Mears



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One dead, one injured, one charged in Accomac shooting

According to Sheriff W. Todd Wesells, on Thursday, March 20, at 5:31 a.m., the Eastern Shore Emergency Operations Center advised the Accomack County Sheriff's Office of a male suffering from an apparent gunshot wound at 23135 Lankford Highway, Accomac.

Upon deputies' arrival at the convenience store near the highway's intersection with Courthouse Road, they discovered an unresponsive male suffering from apparent gunshot wounds.

A search of the building led to the discovery of a female victim suffering from apparent gunshot wounds as well.

Pradipkumar Ratilal Patel, 56, of Accomac, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The decedent was transported to the Norfolk Medical Examiner's Office to determine the cause of death.

Police did not release the name of the 24-year-old Accomac woman who was transported by Maryland State Police Trooper 7 to Sentara Norfolk General

Hospital. She is currently in critical condition.

An investigation into this incident has led to warrants being obtained for George Frazier Devon Wharton, 44, of Onancock.

Wharton is currently incarcerated in the Accomack County Jail with bond denied. Wharton was charged with first-degree murder, two counts of the use of a firearm in commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a felon.

The Accomack County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Virginia State Police, Parksley Volunteer Fire Department, and the Accomack County Department of Public Safety.

An investigation into this incident is continuing. Anyone with information on this or any other crime is asked to contact the Accomack County Sheriff's Office at 757-787-1131 or 757-824-5666 or tips may be submitted through our website at [acomackcountysheriff-soffice.org](https://www.accomackcountysheriff-soffice.org)



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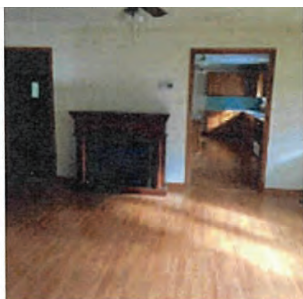
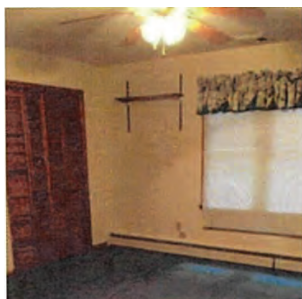
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Proposed real-estate tax increase debated

BY JANET BERNOSKY

Eastern Shore Post

Accomack County property owners are facing a real-estate tax increase with the fiscal year 2026 budget to offset an anticipated deficit situation in the county’s emergency medical services fund.

County Administrator Mike Mason has recommended to the Board of Supervisors a five-cent increase (from approximately 48 to 53 cents) per \$100 of the tax-assessed value of a property.

It is part of the \$77 million fiscal year 2026 operating budget proposal and would offset deficit that could reach just over \$2 million without intervention.

Property owners would face an increase of \$50 for each \$100,000 of a property’s tax-assessed value.

Mason said that each one-cent in-

Public hearing

There will be a public hearing on Accomack County’s proposed \$77 million budget proposal for fiscal year 2025 on Monday, March 24, at 6 p.m., at Metompkin Elementary School in Parksley. There is a five-cent increase in real estate taxes proposed. Speakers are reminded to sign up to speak at the beginning of the meeting.

crease would generate \$417,000 in revenue dedicated exclusively to this deficit.

Approximately 92% of the EMS fund is used now to pay the compensa-

tion for the 65 career staff positions within the county’s Department of Public Safety, two administrative positions, all personal protection equipment, and any overtime pay.

However, adjustments might be needed over time as the county’s commitment to services shifts in the future.

For instance, the county will likely spend \$300,000 to purchase Wachapreague’s two ambulances after its fire company announced it will discontinue these services in October 2025.

It then anticipates entering into a \$4,000-per-month month rental agreement with the Painter Volunteer Fire Company to house the ambulances in its facility to continue to provide EMS services to the county’s southern end.

In addition to money from real estate taxes, the EMS fund also depends on a

portion of the county’s personal property taxes, plus any previous fund balance.

Ten cents of a 20-cents-per-pack increase in cigarette taxes for FY 2026 will go toward the deficit.

The proposed real estate tax increase will not affect Chincoteague property owners because the town provides its own EMS services and is not dependent on the county’s EMS fund.

EMS background

Mason offered an explanation of the history behind the deficit.

He said the fund has been structurally imbalanced since 2023, but has survived on COVID-19 pandemic-related aid that has now concluded.

In FY22, the board of supervisors added 12 new EMS-related positions

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using existing fund balances without raising the EMS tax rate.

The following fiscal year, the board approved targeted pay raises to recruit new and retain existing first responders, again using the fund's balance without a tax hike.

The current FY25 EMS fund balance is \$794,335, but with 2026 expenditures close to \$3 million, the anticipated deficit is estimated at \$2,106,697.

This deficit comes as no surprise, as the supervisors have anticipated the need to address this.

Weighing options

Supervisor Jeff Parks has been vocal about finding ways to address this shortfall by means other than a tax hike.

Concerned for his constituents, Parks asked Mason at the Feb. 26 meeting "are we not precluded from

funding that shortfall from other lines of the budget?"

He said that the recent property re-assessments in the county have essentially been viewed as tax increases.

Parks has suggested using funds for future waste water projects in the northern end of the county, part of capital funds, to defer the cost for now.

Mason said theoretically, this could be an option, but just for one year.

Vice Chair Reneta Major agreed with Parks that while economically, it might not be the best time for an increase, the situation could be worse next year with an even higher tax hike if not addressed now.

Supervisor Robert Crockett reminded his counterparts that this increase funds the paid EMS staff "when someone calls for help at 1 a.m."

Wanting to assure county residents this wasn't a move "just to raise taxes," Crockett continued that without this move, it might need to cut EMS staff – something he didn't to want to occur.

"These are the people who come to your door when you need an ambulance," he said.



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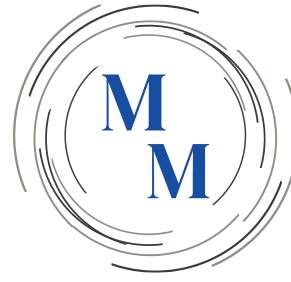
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Capt. Alan Oshirak was the speaker at a recent Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association meeting.

Oshirak speaks to Christian businessmen

Capt. Alan Oshirak was the guest speaker at a recent Eastern Shore Christian Businessmen's Association meeting at the Island House in Wachapreague. Oshirak is founder and chairman of a group of companies that provides sea, air, land, and cyber security, offering support in 128 countries.

Oshirak retired from a 30-year U.S. Navy career in 2012, serving his entire career as an active duty Navy SEAL. Oshirak gave members a timeline of world leaders and the influence of various countries from World War II to the

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NORTHAMPTON

Real Estate tax relief deadline May 30

Northampton County has extended the deadline to apply for real estate tax relief until Friday, May 30.

The Northampton County Tax Relief Program provides assistance in the payment of real estate tax for the elderly and/or handicapped.

Applicants must be 65 years of age or older, or permanently and totally disabled as of Dec. 31 of the year immediately preceding the taxable year.

Disabled applicants under the age of 65 must attach certification from the Social Security Administration, or if not eligible for Social Security, a sworn affidavit by two medical doctors licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth.

The dwelling must be the sole residence of the applicant.

The combined (if married) income of the applicant from all sources can't exceed \$57,500.

The combined (if married) net worth can't exceed \$115,000.

Applications are available after Jan. 1 of the tax year and must be filed with the Commissioner's office by April 15 of most years.

For tax year 2025, due to an ordinance change by the Board of Supervisors to increase the household income and net worth limit, the Northampton County Commissioner of Revenue's office will accept applications until Friday, May 30.

For more information call the Northampton County Commissioner of Revenue's office at 757-678-0446.



COURTESY PHOTO

Three Arcadia students recently attended a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program in Wakefield. The program is designed to help young people develop leadership skills, citizenship, and personal growth. Its focus is on leadership of youth by youth, service to the community, and project planning. Pictured from left are Yaritza Lopez-Mendez, Jonathan Tebo, and Alisha Possien-Rodriguez. Lopez-Mendez and Tebo were selected as delegates for 2025 and Possien-Rodriguez returned as a team leader after attending as a delegate in 2024.



COURTESY PHOTO

Kaitlyn Ebenezer won the annual Eastern Shore DAR American History Essay Contest. Pictured are Sandy Rogers, Accawmacke Elementary talented and gifted teacher; Joseph Ebenezer, Jane Amelon, Virginia DAR district one director, Kaitlyn Ebenezer, essay winner, and Pauline Ebenezer.

Road to be named for Chew, fallen firefighter

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

The Accomack County Board of Supervisors voted Wednesday, March 19, to ask the state to rename a section of road from Parksley to Bloxom after David R. Chew Jr., a volunteer firefighter who died in the line of duty more than a dozen years ago.

Chew was 30 years old when a fire engine carrying him to an emergency call was involved in a crash on July 16, 2012.

He was fatally injured in the crash. Chew began his career in March 2001 with the Bloxom Volunteer Fire Company, reaching the rank of lieutenant.

The board voted to rename a portion of Route 316 from the southern end of Parksley to the Nelsonia Road inter-

section in Bloxom after Chew.

Opioid prevention program

Supervisors received a status update on a school-based opioid prevention program.

Karrie Phillips, a social worker with the Eastern Shore Community Services Board, discussed the positive results of Operation Prevention, a six-week program that taught 10th graders in Accomack County Public Schools about the effects of opioid abuse.

Based on pre- and post-test results, students showed a 97% increase in their knowledge of this crisis.

While prevention is the focus, Phillips wants students to know that while “not every choice as a teen is best ... a mistake does not have to ruin your life.”

Also speaking before the supervisors about the program were Bekki Haynie, a school social worker employed by ACPS, and MiMi Sedjat, executive director of the ESCSB.

Phillips, who is the program’s main facilitator, also wrote a guest column in the Eastern Shore Post’s March 14 issue.

The middle-school version of this program has also been implemented with 8th graders in Northampton County.

In response to a question posed by Supervisor Robert Crockett, Phillips indicated they are exploring a future program for students on Tangier Island.

The program is the result of an agreement between Northampton and Accomack counties and the ESCSB funded by opioid settlement proceeds and a grant from the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority.

Later in the meeting, County Administrator Mike Mason sought board approval to apply for another round of grant funding through VOAA.

The FY2025 grant award was \$127,217, Mason said.

Other news

■ As part of the consent agenda, the board voted to accept a \$350,000 VA250 grant for repairs to the Debtor’s Prison. The grant has a \$116,806 local match.

■ A \$150,000 grant was awarded to the Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission through the county’s recently created Community Revitalization Fund. The funds will be used to continue to demolish derelict properties in Horntown, along with related expenses.



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Ocean Pines-based book club Books by the Bay held its March meeting on Thursday, March 13, at the home of member Jackie Choate. The book selection for March was “What We Talk About When We’re Over 60,” by Sherri Daley and Linda Hughes.

EVENT

Virginia Birding Classic begins April 15

The second annual Virginia Birding Classic will be held from April 15 to May 15.

The Virginia Birding Classic is a statewide birding competition in which teams of birders search the public lands of Virginia every spring for as many species as they can find in 24 hours.

Birders can participate in either the Cardinal Cup — in which teams of two to six scour the Commonwealth’s many public lands to

find as many species as possible in 24 consecutive hours, or the Big Sit — a tailgate party for birders in which teams of any size choose a circle 30 feet in diameter within the boundaries of one of Virginia’s many public lands and record how many bird species can be identified in 24 consecutive hours from within the circle.

For additional information visit <https://tinyurl.com/mpnt25u9>

COMMUNITY

Photo contest accepting submissions

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation is seeking local photographers of all skill levels for its annual Save the Bay Photo Contest.

Photo submissions should illustrate the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, as well as the plants, animals, and people that rely on it.

Images depicting water, wildlife, recreation, farms, and flora from across the bay region — including in Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. — will be considered.

All skill levels are encouraged to participate.

“It doesn’t take a professional eye to recognize the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay,” said Jennifer Wallace, Chesapeake Bay Foundation’s senior creative project manager and contest organizer. “Each year I am amazed by the spectacular submissions we receive from all different states, viewpoints, ages, and backgrounds. These images move people and play a critical role in our mission to save the bay.”

Edgewater, Md., resident Diane Leasure took home the 2024 prize with a stunning photo of pelicans

on Smith Island.

“Memorializing the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay and its wildlife in their natural settings is a joy for any photographer, and it is a pleasure sharing the moment of time captured in each image with others,” Leasure said.

For this year’s contest, photo entries can be submitted from March 3 through March 29.

Photos will be narrowed down by a Chesapeake Bay Foundation panel based on subject matter, composition, focus, lighting, uniqueness, and impact.

The public will then vote for their favorite image in the Viewer’s Choice Gallery from April 7 to April 25.

Winners will receive a one-year Chesapeake Bay Foundation membership and cash prizes ranging from \$100 to \$500.

Winning photographs will also be featured on the Chesapeake Bay Foundation’s website, social media, 2026 calendar, and in Save the Bay magazine.

More information and submission instructions can be found at cbf.org/photocontest

EVENT

North Street Playhouse plans gala

The North Street Playhouse is hosting its annual La Vie Boheme Gala on April 12 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the playhouse.

The event will feature hors d’oeuvres, a silent auction, specialty cocktails, and special performances.

The gala is a fundraiser for the playhouse’s summer musical, “Long Beach Blanket Bingo” by James Berg and Stan Zimmerman.

Long Beach Blanket Bingo tells the story of the interracial rela-

tionship between two high school seniors, a beautiful Black surfer and a white middle-class movie nerd.

Their innocent romance sets off controversy amongst their family, friends, and the community of Long Beach, Calif., circa 1965.

Tickets to the La Vie Boheme Gala are now on sale. The cost is \$50 per person.

For tickets, visit <https://tinyurl.com/3s8xj73k>

Jury deadlocks in Greenbush robbery case

Man, tied with cable straps to steering wheel, said he feared for his life

BY NANCY DRURY DUNCAN
Eastern Shore Post

An Accomack County jury could not reach a unanimous verdict in the trial of a Norfolk man who police say robbed a Greenbush resident while claiming to be interested in buying property.

Bennie Jerrod Foust, 44, pleaded not guilty to charges of robbery, abduction, theft, and related gun charges.

The jury deliberated for several hours over the course of two days before declaring they could not reach unanimous agreement on a verdict.

Commonwealth's Attorney Spencer Morgan said he plans to retry the case at a later time.

Foust was identified by a tattoo on his neck by victim Marshall Poulson in a police lineup.

Poulson testified that in January 2024, a man came to his Greenbush home in a silver-colored Mercedes Benz vehicle asking about property he had for sale.

Poulson described the man as being well-dressed. He invited him into his house to discuss a possible sale.

Two masked men rushed into the house and the man already inside drew a firearm, Poulson testified.

Poulson said they demanded money. He first denied having any but then gave them a bag containing rent money he had collected from a nearby trailer park he owns.

The man told Poulson to lie down on the floor and was prepared to tie him with plastic cable ties.

Fearing for his life and hoping to be able to escape, he told the men he had more money outside in his truck.

Poulson grabbed his keys and they went outside.

Poulson said he gave them the money there. He attempted to start his truck and get away, but they grabbed his keys and threw them on the floor.

They then used the plastic cable straps to tie him to the steering wheel.

Poulson said he was able to free himself with pruning clippers he had in his truck and drove to the Accomack County Sheriff's Office to report the crime.

Foust was identified as a suspect by his vehicle and by various surveillance

cameras on the Eastern Shore.

Foust was seen driving to and from the Eastern Shore on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel and was seen at a Shore Stop convenience store.

Footage from a camera at Poulson's neighbor's house showed Foust's car entering Poulson's driveway at the time of the robbery.

Poulson testified that he was in fear for his life. From his testimony, it was clear he was still suffering from the trauma of the incident.

Defense attorney Eric Korslund said there was no evidence from DNA or fingerprints linking Foust to the robbery. A Hampton Roads police officer and Foust both testified that Foust is a criminal informant for law enforcement and was on the Eastern Shore on the day of the robbery for a drug purchase.

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EASTERN SHORE POST/TED SHOCKLEY

Elroy Allen, of Exmore, recently received his bishop certification from the United Brethren Churches of Our Lord Jesus Christ Inc. Allen displays his framed certificate of consecration to the office of bishop.

Randall qualifies for Edward Jones ‘Momentum’ conference

Edward Jones Financial Advisor Willie Randall, who has an office in Exmore, recently qualified for the Edward Jones recognition conference, Momentum, which celebrates the contributions and achievements of 459 of the most successful financial advisors from the firm’s more than 20,000.

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Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, in Onley, has been recognized in the 2025 top 100 rural and community hospitals in the nation by The Chartis Center for Rural Health.

RSMH has consistently garnered national recognition, achieving a place on the prestigious Top 100 list by the Chartis Center in both 2017 and 2020. Additionally, from 2021 to 2024, RSMH consistently ranked within the top 20 for its exceptional care delivery tailored to rural communities.

The NRHA names the Top 100 Rural and Community Hospitals annually based on an evaluation conducted by The Chartis Center for Rural Health. The selected hospitals are identified through the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX™. It is the most comprehensive and objective assessment of approximately 800 U.S. rural Prospective Payment System hospital performance based upon market, value-based, and financial measures.

“We are incredibly honored to be named one of the Top 100 Rural and Community Hospitals for the fifth year in a row. This achievement underscores our ongoing commitment to providing high-quality care close to home, ensuring that our neighbors, friends, and families have access to the best health care possible,” said Nick Chuquín, president of Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital.

“We are deeply grateful for the trust and support of those we serve, and this is a shared success with everyone who makes our hospital a vital part of this community.”

Finalists are named for ESCC presidency

The State Board for Community Colleges has certified three finalists for the position of president at Eastern Shore Community College to succeed Jim Shaeffer, who is retiring at the end of June after six years leading the college.

The finalists, in alphabetical order, are Rushton Johnson Jr., of Knoxville, Tenn.; Daryl Minus, of South Hill, Va., and Ashli Hamilton Wilkins, of Enterprise, Ala.

They were among 59 applicants from across the nation who were considered for the ESCC post.

The finalists seek to become the sixth permanent president at Eastern Shore Community College.

Arrangements are being made for each of the finalists to visit the college April 8, 9, and 10, to meet with faculty, staff, students, and community members. Times and details will be announced soon.

Johnson currently serves as vice president of student affairs at Pellissippi State Community College, Knoxville, Tenn., a post he has held since June 2018.

Prior to that, Johnson served as vice president of student affairs at Atlanta Technical College.

He gained faculty teaching experience at Pellissippi State, The University of Georgia College of Education, Stillman College, and Nicolls State University College of Education.

Johnson also served as executive director of student life at Southern Oregon University, dean of students at Nicolls State University, assistant dean of students at Millsaps College, director of residence life at Southern College, and director of student activities at Stillman College.

Johnson earned a bachelor's degree at Birmingham-Southern College, master's degrees from Harvard University and Jacksonville State, and a doctor of education degree at the University of Alabama.

Minus currently serves as vice president of enrollment management and student success at Southside Virginia Community College, a post he has held since August 2020.

Prior to that, he was Education



**Rushton
Johnson Jr.**



**Daryl
Minus**



**Ashli H.
Wilkins**

Assistance branch manager, education services officer (ESO), U.S. Marine Corps Community Services in Jacksonville, N.C., vice president, student services and enrollment management, Cape Fear Community College, vice president and executive vice president for learning and student success, Craven Community College, dean of student services, Tidewater Community College, dean of counseling, Chabot College, and dean, learning support services, Bakersfield College.

Minus also was an adjunct faculty member at Craven Community College and University of Maryland.

Minus earned a bachelor's degree at Hampton University, a master's degree at New York University, and a doctor of education degree at University of Phoenix.

Wilkins currently serves as vice president and dean, institutional services and community development, at Wallace Community College, Dothan, Ala., a post she has held since July 2018.

Wilkins has been affiliated with Wallace Community College for almost 25 years, serving as dean of institutional services and community development, director of institutional advancement, director of grants and external funding, and instructor of English.

Wilkins also served as adjunct instructor of English at Troy University and Chipola College.

Wilkins earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree at Troy University, and a Ph.D. from Auburn University.

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Crisis team members earn state awards

Taylor-Johnson, Miles, Hall, Hallett, Killmon, Campbell honored locally



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Northampton County Sheriff's Office Lt. Michelle Hallett, second from left, recently won a Virginia CIT state award for her work. With her is Sheriff David Doughty, left; Sheriff's Office Lt. A.J. Ferebee, second from right; and Sheriff's Office Maj. Chad Kellam, right.



COURTESY PHOTO

Leah Hall, center, a 911 Communications Officer, won a Virginia CIT state award. Pictured with her are Jeff Flournoy, Eastern Shore 911 director, and Krista Kilmon, Eastern Shore 911 deputy director.



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Eastern Shore CIT Awards recipients, pictured from left, are: CIT Peer of the Year, Denni Taylor-Johnson, of the Eastern Shore Community Services Board; CIT Behavioral Health Provider of the Year, Ellen Miles, LPC, of the Eastern Shore CSB; CIT Communications Officer of the Year, 911 Communications Officer Leah Hall; CIT Trainer of the Year, Lt. Michelle Hallett, of the Northampton County Sheriff's Office; CIT Charles L. Baines III Corrections Officer of the Year, Cpl. Kim Killmon, of the Northampton County Sheriff's Office; and CIT Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, Cpl. Jason Campbell, of the Accomack County Sheriff's Office.

One of the programs Lisa "MiMi" Sedjat initiated after joining the Eastern Shore of Virginia Community Services Board as executive director was a crisis intervention team, or CIT.

Sedjat sent John Konkel to a CIT training in Richmond in January 2015, and in March 2015, he began working officially as the Eastern Shore CIT coordinator.

Konkel gives special thanks to the Henrico CIT team in the early years for its efforts and support.

Due to the dedication of its stakeholders and the commitment of the local CIT team of instructors and leaders on the Eastern Shore, there are now more than 300 CIT-trained officers and first responders on the Eastern Shore today.

"Teamwork has been the key to the success for our Eastern Shore CIT program, with many local agencies involved in this journey," said Konkel.

"Local agencies have supported our CIT program by allowing their staff to have the time to be CIT instructors at our classes and by sending their staff as students to our local classes. Our program sincerely appreciates this support and commitment from so many."

Konkel said partnerships with Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital, the Accomack County Sheriff's Office, the Northampton County Sheriff's Office, the Virginia State Police, town police departments, fire and emergency medical services, and many others have "been vital to the progress of the program."

10TH ANNUAL O'NANCOCK ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



Jean and Dick Freeman, grand marshals of the Onancock St. Patrick's Day Parade, wave from the back seat of a convertible as they are driven down the parade route on Saturday, March 15, in Onancock. The parade was sponsored by the Onancock Business & Civic Association. St. Patrick, his color guard, Pipe and Drum Corps, floats, and more were part of the parade.

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Theresa "Mama Goose" Fahy, Leeann Hancock, Cheyenne Fitchett, Will Morgan, and Dawn McElwain smile from behind the bar at the Onancock Taphouse on Saturday, March 15, after the Onancock St. Patrick's Day Parade.



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From left, Ashley Charnock, Evie Stevens, Amelia Pruitt, and Sierra Bell are decked out in green for the Onancock St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 15.

Water, sewer leaks ‘a bit heavy’ of late

Town manager says repairs won't impact water bills of residents

BY SARAH BARBAN
Eastern Shore Post

Over the past several months a series of breakages and failures have occurred in Onancock's water and sewer systems.

Perhaps most significantly, on Sunday, Jan. 26, residents woke to discover there was no water service in town. An old cast-iron pipe under the Ames Street Bridge that wasn't supposed to have water in it burst and was draining the water tower faster than water could be pumped to replace it.

The leak was repaired the same day, but Onancock was under a boil water advisory until Thursday, Jan. 30, due to water lines losing pressure, which could allow bacteria to thrive.

In mid-January, a snow plow hit a valve cover on King Street, shifting the joint where it connected to an eight-inch water line under the road.

"I don't know if you've ever seen an eight-inch water line really go, but it is powerful," Town Manager Matt Spuck said in the Monday, Jan. 27, town council meeting.

The line had to be dug out and two pumps were run to keep up with the amount of water flowing out of the pipe.

On Hartman Avenue, the saddle that connects the water line from a home to the water main under the street broke during cold weather.

The leak was first reported by Spuck at the Monday, Jan. 27, town council meeting.

The owner was not present at the time of the leak but had been notified, according to Spuck. The repairs were completed on March 13.

On Friday, Feb. 7, a section of sewer line collapsed on Market Street in front of the newly restored Lilliston Building. An old terra cotta sewer line that



ONANCOCK FACEBOOK PHOTO

Onancock workers fix an eight-inch water main break in January. "I don't know if you've ever seen an eight-inch water line really go, but it is powerful," Town Manager Matt Spuck said in a Monday, Jan. 27, town council meeting.

came from the building cracked and collapsed, leaving a hole on Market Street and a salon without sewer service.

Town staff dug up the road and a new section of pipe was connected to each end of the old terra cotta pipe.

Old terra cotta and iron pipes are to be expected in a town like Onancock, Spuck said.

"We're an old town and we have an aging system," he said. "Back in the 1990s, we replaced two thirds of the water distribution system so that we're all PVC, but the sewer system got put in place as houses and buildings were developed.

"If they've never had a catastrophic failure ... then they wouldn't be replaced because they're just fine."

'An aging system'

When there is a leak or a crack, the town replaces that section of pipe, as it did when a valve being turned in the Lilliston Building caused part of King Street to erupt.

When the PVC water pipe replace-

ment happened, the old water distribution system was left in place.

A valve in the Lilliston Building was connected to a line on King Street that had been abandoned.

That pipe rusted or cracked at some point and when the town was trying to determine how to turn off the water for the fire suppression system at the Lilliston Building during renovations on the ground floor, the valve was turned and the broken pipe made itself known by erupting in the road.

With an aging water system, it is likely that issues such as breakages or leaks will continue to crop up, Spuck said.

"There's nothing we can really do about an aging system other than patch it together as we can," he said.

It is unlikely that the town would go back and remove the old water system and it is unclear when the remaining one-third of the water distribution system that wasn't updated in the '90s will be upgraded, Spuck said.

The upgrades in the 1990s were paid for using bonds that have since been paid off.

The town is currently paying down the bonds that were issued for the upgrades to the water treatment plant. Spuck said he didn't anticipate taking on any new bonds until the current debt is paid off.

"I can't commit to what town council is going to do," Spuck said. "Maybe they'll decide to go in advance of that if there are continued problems or maybe they'll wait until the bonds are paid because there aren't any problems."

There is \$2.4 million of debt remaining on three 40-year bonds. One will be paid off in 2038 and two will be paid off in 2047.

Growing despite challenges

Even with all the challenges over winter, Onancock's water system is growing and serving new customers.

A project was completed on Friday, Feb. 28, to connect three newly built houses near the corner of Hill Street and Liberty Street to the water system.

The water system also has capacity for expansion, including for a new housing development that has been proposed near Fairgrounds Road, according to Spuck.

"We've had engineering studies, not only for the new development that may come in, but also the infrastructure that we have to support the increased volume," Spuck said.

"We've gotten clear approval for all of those things. We had DEQ do an analysis for us and give us a permit that would allow for the increased volume."

The repairs that were required over the winter also won't impact residents' water bills, Spuck said.

"We've got staff that can make these repairs, unless they're catastrophic repairs, which we would outsource, and they're on payroll so it doesn't increase the cost of anything. We budget for water system repairs every year.

"We're just nibbling away at the ones that are there. This year just seems to be a bit heavy."

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Help Wanted

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY PARKS AND REC KICKBALL UMPIRE

We're currently seeking enthusiastic and reliable individuals to join us as kickball umpires for our leagues and tournaments. As a kickball umpire, you'll play a pivotal role in ensuring fair play, sportsmanship, and a fun atmosphere for our players.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Officiate kickball games, enforcing league rules and regulations to maintain a level playing field.

Manage game flow and maintain control of the field, ensuring a safe and respectful environment for all participants.

Make accurate and timely calls on plays, fouls, and other game-related incidents, using sound judgment and discretion.

Communicate effectively with players, coaches, and league officials, addressing any questions or concerns with professionalism and clarity.

Provide guidance and instruction to players as needed, promoting sportsmanship and fair play.

Collaborate with fellow umpires and league staff to ensure smooth operations and successful game days.

REQUIREMENTS:

Strong understanding of kickball rules and gameplay.

Prior experience as a sports official or umpire preferred.

Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to remain calm and composed in high-pressure situations.

Availability to work evenings and weekends during the kickball season.

Passion for sports and a commitment to upholding the values of fair play and sportsmanship.

TO APPLY:

Please refer to Northampton County's website for a complete job description, requirements, and application form at <https://tinyurl.com/yezesa6ra> or an application can be obtained through the Human Resources office.

Please submit completed county application form to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, Eastville, VA 23347 or in person to 16404 Courthouse Road. Position is open until filled. Northampton County is an EOE.

Acommack County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the following positions: **Full-Time Certified Law Enforcement Officer and Full-Time Correctional Officer and Full-Time Dispatcher.** Applications may be obtained from the Acommack County Sheriff's Office or online at www.acomackcountysheriffsoffice.org Open until filled. Acommack County Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Help Wanted

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS ACCEPTING EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS FOR: LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

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

Qualifications: Over the age of 21 and have obtained a high school diploma or GED.

Applications may be obtained from the Northampton County Sheriff's Office located at 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347 or the County's website.

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FULL-TIME & PART-TIME COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

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

Qualifications: Over the age of 18 and have obtained a high school diploma or GED. This full-time position is open to both certified and non-certified applicants; however, all part-time applicants are required to be certified prior to applying.

Applications may be obtained from Northampton County Sheriff's Office, 5211 The Hornes, Eastville, VA 23347 or County's website.

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Northampton County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for:

Jail Deputy at the Eastern Shore Regional Jail

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

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

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Applications may be obtained from the Eastern Shore Regional Jail, 5245 The Hornes, Eastville, Va. 23347 or online at <https://tinyurl.com/5n6epay>

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- Building Inspector

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By

Lucie Winborne

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NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of 15545 Smith Beach Road, Cape Charles, Virginia.

Description of watercraft: 1975 Robalo #VA7814HH

Application for Watercraft Registration/Title will be made in accordance with Section 29.1-733.25 of the Code of Virginia if this watercraft is not claimed and removed within 30 days of first publication of this notice. Please contact the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources with questions.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF MUNICIPAL SPECIAL ELECTION POCOMOKE CITY, MARYLAND

The Special Municipal Election that was to be held in the "Maryland Room" at the Pocomoke Community Center, Pocomoke City, MD 21851 on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, has been canceled.

One candidate, Sharnell M. Tull, has filed a Certificate of Nomination. This candidate is unopposed. In accordance with Section C-36 of the Charter, the Board of Elections has canceled the Special Election.

Board of Elections Supervisors
 Pocomoke City

FIRST PUBLISHED IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: ADOPTION OF: B.B.O
 DOCKET NO. CC-54-2025-A-11

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

THE OBJECT OF THIS PROCEEDING IS TO OBTAIN AN ORDER OF ADOPTION OF THE ABOVE NAMED CHILD

TO: MARIO ARMANDO ORDUNA ROCHA

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to the provisions of W.Va. Code §48-22-206 et seq., that a petition for adoption of the child, B.B.O., has been filed in the Circuit Court of Wood County, West Virginia.

NOTICE: You are hereby notified that your parental rights, if any, may be terminated in the proceeding and that you may appear and defend any such rights within the required time after such service. If you are hereby properly served and fail to respond within the required time after its service, you may not appear in or receive further notice of the adoption proceedings.

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by MARIO ARMANDO ORDUNA ROCHA from the Circuit Clerk at the office, located at the Wood County Judicial Building 2 Government Square, Room 131, Parkersburg, West Virginia, 26101.

Notice and a copy of the Petition shall also be served accordingly under W.V. Code §48-22-206. You are further notified that a final adoption hearing shall be held on April 7, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter, including at a such later date and/or time not further requiring publication as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge John D. Beane, Wood County Judicial Building, at 2 Government Square, Room 421 Parkersburg, West Virginia, 26101.

Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-150

vs.

The heirs and devisees of NIVLYS A. RAYNOR, deceased
JENNIFER LANGLEY

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, designated as tax map number 03900A000001100

standing in the name of Nivlys A. Raynor, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et. Seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Nivlys A. Raynor; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Nivlys A. Raynor.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 4, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 4th day of March, 2025.

Talia Taylor, Clerk

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
757-898-7000

SUN TRS SUNSET BEACH LLC
trading as

Cape Charles Chesapeake Bay KOA Resort
32246 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles
Northampton County, Virginia 23310

The above establishment is applying to the
VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY
for a Retail Specialty Establishment — Convenience
Grocery Store, Wine, Beer, Consumed Off Premises
license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Bruce Thelen/Manager

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

WANDERLUST HOSPITALITY GROUP LLC
trading as
Channel Bass Inn
6228 Church St., Chincoteague Island
Accomack County, Virginia 23336-2440

The above establishment is applying to the
VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY
for a Retail Restaurant or Caterer — Restaurant, Wine,
Beer, Consumed On and Off Premises license to sell or
manufacture alcoholic beverages.

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

THE ACCOMACK COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025 AT 10 A.M. IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ROOM 104, 23296 COURTHOUSE AVENUE, ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA TO AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR TO PRESENT WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

VAR-000022-2025 — Mark A. Ward — 31031 Mappsville Road, Mappsville, Virginia

The applicant requests a variance of 4 feet 6 inches from the 12-foot height restriction for structures that are within 10 feet of the side property line pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-59. The applicant wishes to construct a 36-foot by 40-foot accessory building, which is 16 feet 6 inches in height, 6 feet from the side property line. The 3-acre site is located at 31031 Mappsville Road, approximately 2500 feet southeast of its intersection with Metompkin Road and is on Tax Map #56-8-14. The parcel is zoned Agricultural.

SUSE-000021-2025 — Eric G. Olson — 27698 Bobtown Road, Melfa, Virginia

The applicant requests a special use permit for tourist homes for four structures pursuant to Accomack County Code section 106-53(20). The 372 acre site is located on Bobtown Road, adjacent to the south side of Red Bank Lane and is on Tax Map # 101-A-3. The parcel is zoned Agricultural.

SUSE-000028-2025 — Jeff Matthews — 25496 Parksley Road, Parksley, Virginia

The applicant requests a special use permit for a retail store pursuant to Accomack County Code Section 106-53(9). The applicant wishes to convert an existing agricultural sales store to a beauty salon. The 1.50 acre site is located at 25496 Parksley Road, at the intersection with Fisher Road and is on Tax Map #78-A-112. The parcel is zoned Agricultural.

Public hearing related materials are available for review at the Office of the County Zoning Administrator at 23296 Courthouse Avenue – Room 105 – Accomack, Virginia or <http://www.boarddocs.com/va/coa/Board.nsf/Public> on the Friday prior to each meeting date.

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

TOWN OF EXMORE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Council of Exmore will hold a public hearing at 7 p.m. on April 7, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 3305 Main Street in Exmore, VA. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the passing of Building Department Fee Schedule.

Questions should be directed to Taylor Dukes @ (757) 607-7188.

Town of Exmore Building Permit Fee Schedule

Permit	Fee
Residential Building	
New Construction	
Per sq. ft.	\$.32
Minimum fee	\$100
Remodel/Addition	
Per sq. ft.	\$.25
Minimum fee	\$75
Accessory Structure > 250 sq. ft.	\$50
Decks	\$50
Demolition	\$50
Swimming Pool	\$50
Residential Plumbing	
New Construction	\$75
Remodel/Addition	\$50
Gas/Fuel	\$50
Commercial Building	
New Construction	
Per sq. ft.	\$.38
Minimum fee	\$100
Remodel/Addition	
Per sq. ft.	\$.30
Minimum fee	\$125
Demolition	\$75
Swimming Pool	\$75
Commercial Plumbing	
New Construction	\$100
Remodel/Addition	\$75
Gas/Fuel	\$75

The Town of Exmore is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Legal Ads

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Accomack, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at the Accomack County Circuit Courthouse, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301 at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

- PARCEL 1: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. SADRACK ANTENOR
MAP NO. 075A0A000007500
ON DEEP CREEK ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 1.899 ACRES, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 2: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. NELLIE BULL
MAP NO. 109A00400001100
14194 LINHAVEN CIRCLE
APPROXIMATELY 15,126 SQ. FT., MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 3: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. DOROTHEA E. CLARK/THE COVE LLC
MAP NO. 005A60200014800
LOT 148, SECTION 10, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 4: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. BRENDA L. DANIELS
MAP NO. 005A50200000600
LOT 6, SECTION 6, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 5: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. BRENDA L. DANIELS/LESLIE B. EVANS
MAP NO. 005A40100192900
LOT 1929, SECTION 4, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 6: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. BRENDA L. DANIELS/
SHANNON C. JOHNSON
MAP NO. 005A40100226200
LOT 2262, SECTION 4, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 7: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. GEORGE T. DAVIS
MAP NO. 11200A000004600
21397 TROWER ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 17.50 ACRES, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 8: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. EQUITY TRUST CO.
MAP NO. 005A20100024200
LOT 242, SECTION 2, CAPTAIN'S COVE
- PARCEL 9: TOWN OF KELLER vs. REUBEN GARRISON
MAP NO. 11B00100002100 AND 111B00100002200
ON CENTER AVENUE
- PARCEL 10: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. KRISTY LEE GODWIN
MAP NO. 03900A000004200
ON MARSH MARKET ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 1.125 ACRES, MORE OR LESS

- PARCEL 11: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. EDNA M. HALL
MAP NO. 077B0A000000900
22653 LEE MONT ROAD
APPROXIMATELY 1.00 ACRE, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 12: TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE vs. SUSAN CAROL KERR
MAP NO. 031A002000016E0
5410 OAK DRIVE
APPROXIMATELY 0.34 ACRE, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 13: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. MAGGY'S EASTERN SHORE PROPERTIES, LLC
MAP NO. 062A1A000023800
16597 WEST RIDGE ROAD; TOWN OF TANGIER
MOBILE HOME DOES NOT CONVEY
- PARCEL 14: REMOVED
- PARCEL 15: REMOVED
- PARCEL 16: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. SOTOS MODULAR HOMES LLC
MAP NOS. 109B00400000100, 109B00400000200, 109B00400000300,
109B00400000400, 109B00400000500, 109B00400000700,
109B00400000800, 109B00400000900, 109B00400001000,
109B00400001100, 109B00400001200, 109B00400001300,
109B00400001400, 109B00400001500, 109B00400001600,
109B00400001700, 109B00400001800, 109B00400A00000,
and 109B00400RD0000
ON BOSTON ROAD; BOSTON KNOLL SUBDIVISION
APPROXIMATELY 15.56 ACRES, MORE OR LESS
- PARCEL 17: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. SOTOS MODULAR HOMES LLC
MAP NO. 109C00400002600
ON MARILYN DRIVE; LOT 26, SECTION II, BOSTON PARK
- PARCEL 18: ACCOMACK COUNTY vs. ROBERT PAUL WILLIAMS
MAP NO. 055A0A000003100
14332 LANKFORD HIGHWAY
APPROXIMATELY 0.689 ACRE, MORE OR LESS

The terms of sale shall be cash or a deposit of 25% of the bid price with the balance due in ten days.
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JAMES W. ELLIOTT
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AB CHINCOTEAGUE BAY LLC trading as

Chincoteague Bay RV Resort
2272 Main St., Chincoteague
Accomack County, Virginia 23336-1241

The above establishment is applying to the
VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY
for a Convenience Grocery Store, Wine, Beer, Consumed Off
Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Todd Burbage/President

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be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the
publishing date of the first of two required newspaper
legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Brian Terry (2024053) has applied for approximately
24.96 acres of oyster planting ground in Occohannock
Creek situated in Accomack County.

The application is located at Lat/Long:
N37-33.3156 / W75-52.302

To view a map of the application, or to provide public
comments, use this web link to search the application
by number (2024053): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or
contact the VMRC Shellfish Management Division at
757-247-2262.

Send written comments or concerns to: Marine Resources
Commission, Shellfish Management Division, 380 Fenwick
Road, Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1064

NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Robert S. Bloxom Jr. (2024063) has applied for ap-
proximately 13.89 acres of oyster planting ground in
Gargathy Bay situated in Accomack County.

The application is located at Lat/Long:
N37-46.1424 / W75-33.9642

To view a map of the application, or to provide public
comments, use this web link to search the application
by number (2024063): https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/oystergrounds/search_applications.php or
contact the VMRC Shellfish Management Division at
757-247-2262.

Send written comments or concerns to: Marine Resources
Commission, Shellfish Management Division, 380 Fenwick
Road, Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1064

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 25CL210

vs.

The heirs and devisees of
THELMA WISE BROADWATER
The heirs and devisees of
JEAN MARIE BROADWATER BROWNELL
The heirs and devisees of
WALTER JACKSON BROADWATER III
JEFFREY BROWNELL
PHILLIP BROWNELL
CAROL SHIMELMAN

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being 19.00 acres, more or less, and designated as tax map number 06700A000014800.

standing in the name of Thelma Wise Broadwater, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Thelma Wise Broadwater, Jean Marie Broadwater Brownell, and Walter Jackson Broadwater III; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Thelma Wise Broadwater, Jean Marie Broadwater Brownell, and Walter Jackson Broadwater III; that Jeffrey Brownell is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 43 Cambridge Circle, Smithfield, RI 02917; that Phillip Brownell is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 5540 Malt Drive #4, Fort Myers, FL 33907; and that Carol Shimelman is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 39 Wickhams Fancy #39, Collinsville, CT 06019.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 7, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 7th day of March, 2025.

Talia Taylor, Clerk

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
757-898-7000

PUBLIC NOTICE

On Tuesday, March 25, 2025, the Accomack County School Board will hold a Public Hearing to receive comments on the FY26 Budget Amendment during their Regular Work Session meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Metompkin Elementary School, 24501 Parksley Road, Parksley, VA.

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 25CL211

vs.

The heirs and devisees of ADORSEY COULBOURN
JERRY A. BOGGS

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, fronting 200 ft. on Savageville Road, and designated as tax map number 09200A000008400.

standing in the name of Adorsey Coulbourne, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Adorsey Coulbourn, also known as Adorsey Coulbourne; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Adorsey Coulbourn; and that Jerry A. Boggs is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 810 Brian Hill Place, Apartment E, Essex, MD 21221.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 7, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 7th day of March, 2025.

Talia Taylor, Clerk

I ask for this:

James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
757-898-7000

TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES PLANNING COMMISSION – PUBLIC HEARING

The Cape Charles Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 6 p.m., in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., to receive comment on the following request:

A. Zoning Map Amendment (ZMA) 2025-01: Application from Seabreeze Associates LP, to Conditionally Rezone with Proffers 201-209 Washington Avenue (Tax Map #83A1-3-B2 and 83A1-3-3) from Residential-1 (R-1) to Residential-3 (R-3) pursuant to CCZO Section 2.7.2. and Section 3.3.

The application is available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org under *Agendas and Minutes/Planning Commission*. Please contact the Town Planner and Zoning Administrator, Katie Nunez, at (757)-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information.

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff

CIVIL CASE NO. 25CL212

vs.

The heirs and devisees of LOIS SEYMOUR

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, being Lot 8, Block 6, Town of Melfa, and designated as tax map number 102B00506000800.

standing in the name of Lois Seymour, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Lois Seymour, also known as Lois Floyd Seymour; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Lois Seymour.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 7, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 7th day of March, 2025.

Talia Taylor, Clerk

I ask for this:

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757-898-7000

CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE AND TUNNEL DISTRICT RMF NO. 2071.2025, BID NO. M-25-003 PAVEMENT MARKING, RESTRIPIING TRESTLES

The Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District is accepting bids for pavement marking and restriping trestles.

This project generally consists of furnishing and applying Type B, Class 1 thermoplastic paint on asphalt areas of Trestles A, B, C, D, E, F, North Channel Bridge, North & South Approach Roads, and Fisherman's Inlet Bridge as directed by the District.

Plans and Specifications for this project are available on the District's website at <https://www.cbbt.com/requests-for-proposals/>

Sealed bids for this project will be received until 2 p.m. on May 13, 2025, in the office of the Director of Maintenance, Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District, 32386 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles, VA 23310, Attention: Mr. Timothy R. Holloway, at which time the bids will be publicly opened.

Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK

RE: ESTATE OF JOHN E. SHIRE, deceased
COURT FILE NO. 202400178

SHOW CAUSE AGAINST DISTRIBUTION

It is ORDERED that the creditors of, and all other persons interested in, the above estate show cause, if any they can, on the 3rd day of April, 2025, at 9:30 AM, before this Court, at its Courthouse, Accomack County Circuit Court Building, 23312 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia 23301, against the payment and delivery of the estate to the distributees without requiring refunding bonds.

It appearing to the Court that reports of the accounts of Donald W. Shire, Executor of the above estate and of the debts and demands against the estate have been filed in the Clerk's Office and that six months have elapsed since qualification, and upon motion of the Executor, it is further ORDERED that the caption, style and first paragraph of the Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post, a newspaper of general circulation in Accomack County, Virginia.

Entered this 17th day of March, 2025
Lynwood W. Lewis,
Circuit Court for Accomack County, VA

I ask for this:
Robert G. Turner
Virginia State Bar #30736
23328 Wise Court
P.O. Box 536
Accomack, VA 23301
Ph. 757-787-1560
Fax 757-787-7035

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, you are hereby notified of a Public Hearing that will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia at 10:00 A.M., Thursday, March 27, 2025. The following applications will be heard:

Carole Savage – VMRC #2024-2631

This is a continued hearing from January 23, 2025. The portion of the project in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction is proposed fill material with wetland vegetation and a portion of a sill. This project is located at 23444 Holly Cove Road, Onancock, VA 23417, Tax Map# 83D-1-14.

Virgil Stambaugh – VMRC #2024-2934

The portion of the project in the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction is a portion of a 60' revetment with two 20' return walls. This project is located at 3398 Main Street, Chincoteague, tax map # 30A3-A-77.

All interested parties will be afforded the opportunity to be heard or to present written statements. Applications may be examined in the Office of the Environmental Programs, 23282 Courthouse Road, Accomack, Virginia 23301. Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5728.

**TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
APPEAL OF ZONING ADMINISTRATOR DECISION**

The Cape Charles Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 10 a.m., in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., to receive public comment on the following:

A. Application from Greg and Emily Gentry appealing a decision from the Zoning Administrator dated February 4th, 2025, which provided a Zoning Determination concerning 542 Jefferson Avenue that stated:

i) The Accessory Building is a legal, non-conforming use as an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) and Short – Term Rentals are not permissible in the ADU and; ii) This lot does not have two principal houses but a main house and an accessory dwelling unit.

The applicant is seeking to have two primary residences on this property.

Said appeal application is authorized pursuant to Cape Charles Zoning Ordinance Section 2.6.2 (C) and 2.6.4. This property is located in the Residential – 1 (R-1) Zoning District.

B. Application from Bay Creek Resort, LLC., for a variance from the Accomack Plantation Planned Unit Development (PUD) Section 9.9 for a fence over the allowable 6' height requirement at 111 Palmer Way.

C. Application(s) from Chris Larmore, Developer of Dreams, by the Water Subdivision on Washington Avenue for a variance from the Cape Charles Zoning Ordinance (CCZO) Section 3.1 (E) for a 10' reduction in the front and rear setbacks, for the following lots:

a) Lot 1 (TM #83A1-21-1) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

b) Lot 2 (TM #83A1-21-2) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

c) Lot 3 (TM #83A1-21-3) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

d) Lot 4 (TM #83A1-21-4) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

e) Lot 5 (TM #83A1-21-5) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

f) Lot 6 (TM #83A1-21-6) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

g) Lot 7 (TM #83A1-21-7) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

h) Lot 8 (TM #83A1-21-8) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

i) Lot 9 (TM #83A1-21-9) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

j) Lot 10 (TM #83A1-21-10) – Variance of 10 ft. to front setback and 10 ft. to rear setback.

Said variance applications are authorized pursuant to Cape Charles Zoning Ordinance Section 2.6.3 and 2.6.4.

The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a meeting immediately following the public hearing to consider the applications. The applicants and supporting documentation are available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org/calendar.aspx

Please contact the Town Planner and Zoning Administrator Katie Nunez at (757)-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information. Anyone interested in attending the meeting and needing special assistance please contact the Town at least 48 hours before the hearing.

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
VARIOUS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

The Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority is seeking letters of interest in the following property management service provision.

Interested individuals or companies can provide information for any or all of the following services of interest.

Services of interest include:

1. On-call maintenance and repair, and preventive maintenance
2. On-call property management including collecting of rents, security deposits, inspection of units and common areas, utility service and purchases
3. Reporting, eligibility of residents, compliance of residents
4. Units turns, including painting and cleaning

All provision of services require compliance with federal, state and local laws prohibiting discrimination in housing.

A letter of interest addressing the Request for Information Components, **as itemized in the full packet Request for Information located at www.esvaplan.org/rfi/**, will be received until 12:00 PM, Friday, April 25, 2025, local prevailing time at the offices of the:

Accomack-Northampton Regional Housing Authority
The Enterprise Building
23372 Front Street
P.O. Box 387
Accomack, VA 23301

To be considered, mailed RFIs must be post-marked in adequate time to reach the address named above by the above deadline. Unless canceled or rejected, the RFI will be evaluated and interviews held with prospective service providers. Negotiation for service contracts may follow.

Please call (757) 787-2936, ext: 118, Eric Luchansky, Director of Housing Development, with any questions.

**TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES
PLANNING COMMISSION – PUBLIC HEARING**

The Cape Charles Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 6 p.m., in the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., to receive comment on the following request:

A. Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) 2025-01: Application from the Town of Cape Charles to amend Article III, Section 3.3 (E) of the Cape Charles Zoning Ordinance by deleting the provision requiring a 3-acre lot minimum for a Multi-Family Project Development.

This application is available for public review on our website at www.capecharles.org under *Agendas & Minutes / Planning Commission*. Please contact the Planning Department at 1-757-331-2036, or by email at planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions or require additional information.

Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC

Plaintiff
CASE NO. CL24-595

v.

ESTATE OF LEE A. HALA, *et. al.*

Defendant

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THIS MATTER, having come before this court upon the Motion of Petitioner, by and through Counsel, Andrew Higgins, Thomas Hodge, Sara Tussey, and the law firm of Rosenberg & Associates, LLC, for entry of an order of publication, and upon Plaintiff's Affidavit of Order of Publication, and the Court having reviewed the Motion and Affidavit; and

IT APPEARING that the object of the instant Complaint is to quiet title and for a declaratory judgment as to real property known as 29074 Nelsonia Road, Bloxom, VA 23308 (herein the "Subject Property"); and

IT APPEARING that Lee A. Hala, the record owner of the Property, is deceased and no estate has been opened or List of Heirs or Real Estate Affidavit filed in the land records of this Court; and

IT APPEARING that service of process has not been affected personally upon Defendants, the Estate of Lee A. Hala or the Unknown heirs of Lee A. Hala, ("Hala Parties Unknown"); and

IT APPEARING that due diligence has been used to locate the Hala Parties Unknown and that Petitioner has NOT been able to locate any evidence that an estate has been established or a List of Heirs filed for Lee A. Hala; and

IT APPEARING that the last known address for Lee A. Hala is 29074 Nelsonia Road, Bloxom, VA 23308; and

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

ADJUDGED, ORDERED, AND DECREED that an ORDER

OF PUBLICATION be and hereby is to be published in the Eastern Shore Post once a week for four successive weeks in order to perfect service upon Defendants the Estate of Lee A. Hala and the Hala Parties Unknown, and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED, AND DECREED that all Respondents be placed on notice that a Complaint is pending in the Circuit Court of Accomack County, Virginia, namely Nationstar Mortgage LLC v. The Estate of Lee A. Hala, *et. al.*, Case No: CL24-595, to quiet title and for a declaratory judgment as to real property known as 29074 Nelsonia Road, Bloxom, VA 23308; and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED, AND DECREED that the Estate of Lee A. Hala and the Hala Parties Unknown must appear on or before the 23rd day of April, 2025, before this Court and make known to this Court any objection they may have to the Complaint and to state their interests in and to the Subject Property; to claim any defenses to the pending action otherwise an order will be entered in favor of the Petitioner; and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED, AND DECREED that the Clerk of this Court send notice of this service to all Defendants at the last known address of 29074 Nelsonia Road, Bloxom, VA 23308, and

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

Dated this 26th day of February, 2025.

Caretta S. Harris
Deputy Clerk, Accomack County Circuit Court

WE ASK FOR THIS:

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-51

vs.

WILLIE LEE DOWNING, if living
BETHEREENCE S. DOWNING, if living
NATALIE DOWNING

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Northampton County, Virginia, known as 5280 Bayside Road and designated as tax map number 0015E-02-BLK-00 000002

standing in the names of Willie Lee Downing and Betherence C. Downing, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 *et. Seq.* of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to determine whether Willie Lee Downing and Betherence C. Downing are living, or if deceased, to ascertain the names and location of all of their heirs, devisees, and successors in title; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Willie Lee Downing and Betherence C. Downing; and that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Natalie Downing, whose last known post office address is 5280 Bayside Road, Exmore, VA 23350.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 21, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Northampton, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 18th day of March, 2025.

Traci Johnson, Clerk

I ask for this:

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The Accomack County School Board will be having a second round of Superintendent Interviews on March 26, 2025, at 2 Market St., Onancock, VA 23417 and on March 27 and March 28 at 6576 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague, VA 23336, all starting at 6 p.m.

Gretta L. Smith
School Board Clerk

Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25CL217
vs.
The heirs and devisees of ABBIE REECE FLAKE, deceased
WILLA FLAKE
CAROL ROGERS
JAUQUAN ROGERS
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that certain tract of land, situate in Prospect Neck, County of Accomack, Virginia, containing 40 Acres, more or less, and designated as Tax Map Number 09100A00000550

standing in the name of Abbie Reece Flake, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Abbie Reece Flake; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Abbie Reece Flake; that Willa Flake is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 255 West 127th Street, Apt. 3C, New York, NY 10027; that Carol Rogers is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 2829 Sedgwick Avenue, Apt. 6K, Bronx, NY 10468; that Jaquan Rogers is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 2829 Sedgwick Avenue, Apt. 6K, Bronx, NY 10468.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 10, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 10th day of March, 2025.

Talia Taylor, Clerk

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE TOWN OF HALLWOOD, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25CL214
vs.
The heirs and devisees of VESTA S. WESSELLS
The heirs and devisees of JAMES ANGELO WESSELLS
The heirs and devisees of BROADUS DEAN WESSELLS
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in the Town of Hallwood, Accomack County, Virginia, known as 27239 Main Street, and designated as tax map number 040A1A000000800

standing in the name of Vesta S. Wessells, pursuant to Section 58.1-3967 of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Vesta S. Wessells, also known as Vesta Susan Matthews Wessells, James Angelo Wessells, and Broadus Dean Wessells; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Vesta S. Wessells, James Angelo Wessells, and Broadus Dean Wessells.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 7, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 7th day of March, 2025.

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 24-606
vs.
ROBERT C. MARSHALL
TRACY NICOLE HICKMAN MARSHALL
LAURA KATHRYN HARDING
JOSHUA SCOTT YUNKER
EASTERN SHORE RURAL HEALTH
ROBERT M. TYTUS
CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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

All that parcel of land in Accomack County, Virginia, and designated as tax map number 06800A000016700

standing in the name of Robert C. Marshall, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Robert C. Marshall, whose last known post office address is 14534 Winterville Road, Bloxom, VA 23308; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Laura Kathryn Harding, whose last known post office address is 23142 Town Road, Onancock, VA 23417; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the location of Joshua Scott Yunker, whose last known post office address is 26343 Shoremain Drive, Bloxom, VA 23308; that Tracy Nicole Hickman Marshall is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 142 Ocean Aisle Circle #101, Salisbury, MD 21804; that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Robert M. Tytus; and that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees, and successors in title of Robert M. Tytus.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the parties named herein appear on or before April 14, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Accomack, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 14th day of March, 2025.

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