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WHO WE ARE

‘I always wanted to be a designer’

BY TED SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

The mosaic tile patterns Jacquelyn Bizzotto created are inspired by the Eastern Shore nature and heritage she loves — warm earth tones, omnipresent plants, the flow of tidal waters, and the balance and simplicity of the squares and rectangles that define colonial architecture.

“I always wanted to be a designer when I was growing up,” said Bizzotto, who grew up near Eastville and lives in Onancock. She earned a degree in history from Virginia Commonwealth University and has worked at New Ravenna in Exmore since 2016.

Shore native creates mosaic tile line inspired by her home



Jacquelyn Bizzotto

“I’ve had a passion for art,” she said.

Today she is one of the lead designers at New Ravenna, which produces stone and glass luxury mosaics that are shipped and installed all over the world.

But she recently completed a special project as a New Ravenna guest designer for an entire line of mosaics called Old Castle, a name that harkens back to her

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NORTHAMPTON

County asks for 35 mph on highway near Cheriton

Development, congestion cited in VDOT request

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

The Northampton County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to ask the state to lower the speed limit on U.S. Route 13 to 35 mph on a 2.5-mile stretch from the intersection of Cherrystone Road to an area near the southern terminus of Fairview Road and Kiptopeke Elementary School.

“The speed limit in this area is advertised at 55 miles per hour, which we feel is extremely too high for this highly congested area,” Supervisor John Coker said during the Tuesday, Dec. 9, meeting of the Northampton County Board of Supervisors.

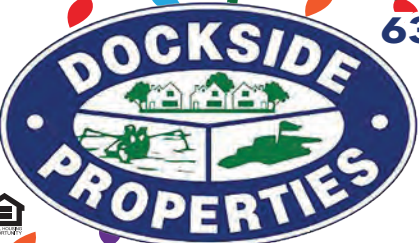
If approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation, it would be the lowest set speed on the Eastern Shore of Virginia for U.S. Route 13, the area’s main traffic artery.

Coker cited several reasons why this change should be made, including the increase of commercial development on the highway.

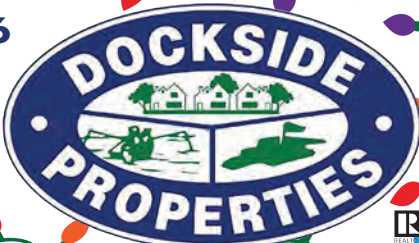
He said the highway also accommodates farm machinery and vehicles, provides access to businesses in the area, includes three stoplights, and will have direct access to the expanded Tower Hill development.

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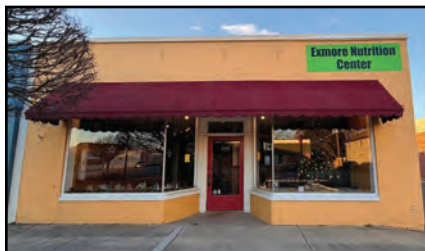


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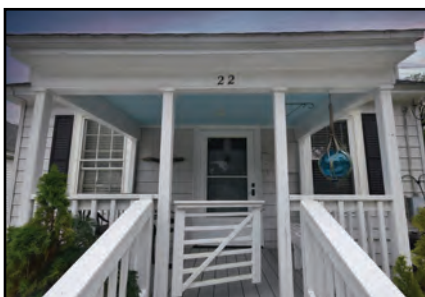


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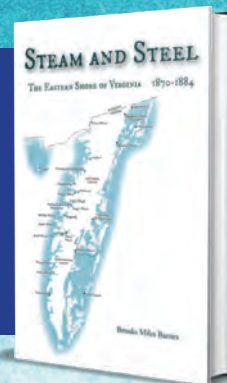
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Highway

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In addition, the pedestrian and bicycle lane crossing the highway is to be constructed in early 2026 for the Eastern Shore Rail Trail.

Coker also cited a recent study by VDOT that revealed average speeds of drivers of 57 mph in the northbound lane and 62 mph in the southbound lane.

Within the last decade the stretch of Route 13 has seen the addition of another stoplight and multiple businesses, with more additions slated for the future, adding to the congestion in the area, he said.

The growth of Cape Charles as a vacation destination also has increased traffic in the area. Cape Charles has multiple connections to Route 13, only one of which has a stoplight.

The speed limit change could also allow on the highway low-speed vehicles — which look like golf carts but must include a windshield and

speedometer, and meet other safety standards — that are permitted on 35 mph roads unless specifically prohibited.

A resolution to VDOT from the board of supervisors did not address the potential of low-speed vehicles on the highway.

Supervisors also voted to ask VDOT for a speed-limit decrease on a half-mile stretch of Bayside Road in Hare Valley.

This would be the length of road one-quarter mile north and south of the Eastern Shore Area Agency on Aging. Coker said, "This school should not be treated differently than other schools in Northampton County."

The agency has about 50 to 75 elderly citizens visit on a normal work day and 75 children for early education, meaning about 10 buses enter and exit the location routinely.

The board is proposing changing the limit to 25 mph for the road in front of the agency's facility, which is housed in the former Hare Valley school.

COMMUNITY

Beginning beekeeping class scheduled for January

The Beekeepers Guild of the Eastern Shore will be offering a Beginning Beekeeping class in January at the Eastern Shore Public Library in Parksley.

The class will run for three successive Saturdays on Jan. 17, 24, and 31, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Participants will learn about honey bee biology, bee social life, and everything needed to get started with beekeeping in 2026.

Class participants will be given a five-month membership in the guild, a handbook, mentorship, and hands-on help

with handling honey bees.

While this course is aimed at supporting new beekeepers, those who simply want to learn more about these fascinating insects who provide so much good to the world are also welcome.

The cost for the class is \$50 per person (no charge for additional household members who attend).

Questions can be emailed to beekeepersguildeasternshore@gmail.com or texted to 757-999-0602. For more information or to register for the class, visit www.bgesva.org

Clothing giveaway set for Cheriton Dec. 12, 13

There will be a clothing givaway on

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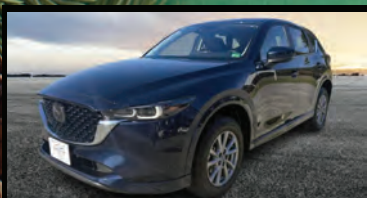
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Bizzotto

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childhood home off Old Castle Road in Eastville.

The 20-page catalog for Old Castle mosaics is a tip of the cap to Eastern Shore life.

A leather handbag made by her late father-in-law, Miguel Bizzotto, of Onancock, accessorizes a photo of Atlantic Grand tile.

A basket of clams harvested by her brother, Ryan Cashwell, of Eastville, is included in a photo showcasing a tile called Greenbrier.

Even the names of the mosaic patterns — Lankford, Bayside, and more — have an Eastern Shore familiarity.

The style of the tile came to her after “going around the Eastern Shore,” taking photos, said Bizzotto, 37, the daughter of Judy and Rudy Cashwell, of Eastville.

But transforming photographs into a mosaic theme involves time and work — nothing new to Bizzotto, who also accepts commission painting projects.

It took several more months to create the Old Castle design and prototype, which, as a guest designer, she completed in addition to the duties of her day job as a designer of New Ravenna’s other mosaic tile products.

“I did a lot of it at home,” she said.

Then there came photos in New Ravenna’s photography studio, the publication of the catalog, and more of the rollout. In all, the process took most of a year.

The result is a line of mosaic tile that will put the Eastern Shore’s heritage and influences in upscale residences and commercial spaces around the globe.

It has been a memorable experience for Bizzotto, who was hired by New Ravenna founder, Sara McCaleb Baldwin, and enjoyed working with a worldwide name in mosaic art.

“It was a fun experience,” she said. “I learned a lot.”

Of the Old Castle mosaic line, Bizzotto appreciates the chance to create something representative of the Eastern Shore.

“I’m grateful to have the opportunity,” she said.



COURTESY PHOTOS

The Old Castle mosaic tile line created by Jacquelyn Bizzotto for New Ravenna includes, from top, Cape Wisteria, Bayside, and Lankford. Old Castle combines warm earth tones, omnipresent plants, the flow of tidal waters, and the balance and simplicity of squares and rectangles.

EDUCATION

Holly Grove closes for day after student dies on family trip

Holly Grove Christian School, the Westover, Md., school attended by scores of Accomack County students, closed its lower school on Wednesday, Dec. 10, after one of its students died while on a family trip to New York City.

In a social media post, the school said it was closing for the day for students in pre-kindergarten through sixth grades “due to an extremely tragic event.”

Grades seven through 12 went to school as normal. The school provided no other information.

However, the 6-year-old male child’s sudden death was reported by the New York Post on Dec. 9.

The Post identified the child as a res-

ident of Maryland who was found “unconscious and unresponsive” at 9:40 a.m. in his room at a Times Square hotel. The child’s name was not reported.

The New York Post reported, “The boy’s parents told (police) their son was sick Monday night and had been vomiting during the trip in the thick of the holiday season, the sources said.”

It is unknown what caused the child’s sudden illness.

The child was pronounced dead after being transported to a nearby hospital, it reported.

Police reported that the child’s body showed no signs of trauma. A medical examiner will confirm the cause of death, the news outlet reported.

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THE PAPER'S POSITION

Chincoteague's admirable move to create a new park

The Eastern Shore of Virginia and its various governments in recent years — including the state and federal governments — are to be commended for their commitment to public open space and parks. The town of Chincoteague's anticipated purchase of waterfront land on South Main Street for a public park is the continuation of a very worthy and worthwhile trend.

Chincoteague is investing in the town, its people, and its visitors by spending \$2.25 million to purchase land that once was planned for a large waterfront restaurant and bar. Town leaders plan a public park on the property, which is known for its gorgeous sunsets.

Those against the purchase have legitimate concerns. That's a lot of money for a public park. Municipal ownership also takes this property off the tax rolls. There are other pressing needs on Chincoteague Island.

But ensuring public access to some of the Eastern Shore's scenic properties raises the quality of life for us all. The examples of this are numerous.

Consider Chincoteague's wonderful wealth of parks and public spaces. Federal land holdings at Assateague and the Eastern Shore's southern tip are local treasures. More than 30 years ago, the state purchased the land that became Kiptopeke State Park, which today is one of the Eastern Shore's crown jewels.

In Accomac, a former lumberyard is now a wonderful and well-equipped park complex. In Northampton, the former landfill property offers a great walking trail and awe-inspiring views of the Eastern Shore seaside. Cape Charles' beach and Central Park are impressive community amenities.

There are many other examples of our governments preserving properties for public access. Congratulations to Chincoteague for continuing this important tradition.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Woman who tried to recruit Clydesdales to parade gives account

To the editor,

I moved from Washington, D.C. and followed my passion for the seaside and for horses to Chincoteague Island.

As a child, I learned of the beautiful Budweiser Clydesdales. I decided to invite them to participate in the Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Pony Penning.

After all, the Clydesdales and Chincoteague Ponies are related through Breyer Animal Creations' 1958 Clydesdale and 2025 Riptide models.

I spoke with the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, the parade sponsor, and a representative there was hopeful.

I contacted Wendell Distributing Co., of Cape Charles, which markets Budweiser on the Eastern Shore, and asked if it would submit the request with

all the reasons that this would be a once-in-a-lifetime experience for all.

I said I would gladly do the legwork, with Wendell's only responsibility to provide an advertising vehicle.

We had responsibilities including stabling, security, transportation for the crew, and mobile truck washing.

Kendy Allen, of the Chincoteague Pony Drill Team, graciously offered 10 stalls for the

Clydesdales and another for their mascots, the Budweiser Dalmatians.

The cost of \$2,300 would be covered through businesses.

All excess funds would channel back to the community and provide Christmas for the elderly. We were all set and then we only had to wait.

When a resident reported someone was asking for donations for the Clydesdales, the

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How, where to give your opinion in Onancock

BY KARYN BELKNAP
Guest columnist

In her recent paid advertisement, Rosemary Paparo invited Onancock town residents to mail their opinions about the Historic Onancock School directly to her for tallying and future publication and dissemination. Because this effort is being presented as a community-wide measure of public sentiment, it is important to clarify what it is and what it is not. In addition to personally stopping by the school for a one-on-one conversation, every resident already has (and has had) an established forum for offering their thoughts and ideas about the school’s present and future uses. For those who may not know, time is allotted during each Onancock Town Council meeting for public input. This is fully transparent because everyone may speak, every comment is recorded (along with the contributor’s name) for accuracy, and all present hear the full range of perspectives in real time. This is how community input is

meant to be gathered in a representative system and does not depend on an individual acting as an intermediary. A privately managed and unaudited survey, collected, interpreted, and published or reported on by a single resident cannot replace that process, nor can it be used to authoritatively speak on behalf of the town residents. Most organizations, businesses, and municipalities that rely on public surveys use professionally designed and independently administered tools, usually costing significant sums of money because of the rigorous requirements involved. These ensure neutral wording, broad outreach, statistical validity, and transparent reporting. These standards exist for a reason: Without them, the results cannot be relied upon or presented as representative. A privately designed and privately interpreted questionnaire does not meet the threshold of a legitimate public survey. In that same spirit, those who serve

in advisory or leadership roles for a town understand the importance of transparency and accuracy in public communication. When information is gathered or presented outside of established public channels, it risks undermining the trust these roles depend on. Maintaining clear boundaries between personal opinion and official community processes protects both the individual and the integrity of the town’s decision making. This is not a start-from-zero moment. Longer-term residents will remember the condition of the school a mere decade ago and the long road it has successfully traveled since then. The agreement between the school and town has preserved a historic building, maintained and improved public green space, created community programming, and provided amenities, from grounds care to recreational spaces that thousands of residents and visitors enjoy each year. These consistent contributions over the years through both volunteer

labor and financial giving efforts by the school are real, ongoing, and visible to anyone who spends time on the campus. Public discussion about shared civic assets should be grounded in facts, transparency, and established democratic processes, not in private polls or characterizations that potentially leave out key information. The residents of Onancock deserve clear and accurate context when evaluating the value of a public space and the organizations that steward it. As we always have been as a community, we are capable of respectful, constructive, and honest discourse. I would invite all residents of the town of Onancock to participate in town council meetings to allow your voices to be heard in the appropriate, transparent, designated forum, speaking publicly and directly to the town council members and your fellow residents. ■ *The writer is a resident artist at the Historic Onancock School.*

Letters

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Chincoteague Police Department put a public service announcement on its Facebook page. When I asked who made the post, the officer’s response was “me.” The officer should have done his research and discovered the police captain was aware of this and there was no fraudulent activity. Consequently, a spiral of tremendous distress occurred. The chamber of commerce posted that it had first-hand knowledge the Clydesdales were not coming and they had not endorsed anyone approaching businesses to ask for donations. The chamber officials were obviously angry that I told businesses the chamber would provide a letterhead and donations would be given to the chamber.

I can exercise my First Amendment rights and don’t need the chamber’s approval. I went to a restaurant and after refusing to serve me a representative of the restaurant asked me to leave. Another place banned me from their property. I believe that these are two violations of my civil rights. In addition, a person told me she had firsthand knowledge the Clydesdales weren’t coming, and this person had contacted Wendell and had been told the Clydesdales weren’t coming. Wendell then reached out to me and reiterated that the Clydesdales were not coming. Finally, a reporter for the Eastern Shore Post that I had communicated with asked about the validity of my assumption that the Clydesdales were coming because the reporter had been informed that they were not coming. Here’s what I know: My invitation

reached the desk of the chief executive officer of Anheuser-Busch, and his assistant reached out to me. The assistant was very positive. In the meantime, I remained hopeful to see three Budweiser tractor trailer trucks arrive and provide a magical experience to folks on the Eastern Shore and my beloved community of Chincoteague. The moral of the story is that if folks minded their own business, there would be no room for unnecessary feelings of hurt, betrayal, or attempts to undermine someone’s hope. Without hope, what is there?

Elizabeth Fenner
Chincoteague

■ *Editor’s note: The Budweiser Clydesdales did not appear in the parade.*

Calls on counties to come out against poultry litter plan

To the editor, There is no indication from anything I or others have seen or heard to guarantee pumping poultry litter in the ground underneath our sole-source aquifer would be safe. I call on the supervisors of our Eastern Shore counties to comment on and hopefully commit to prohibiting such a potentially disastrous move. Also, we know manure can become great fertilizer, but not, it seems, if it contains antibiotics. I think Tyson needs to try harder to be a good neighbor.

Ann Violi
Harborton

ENTERTAINMENT

Eastern Shore Post

Friday, December 12

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Walkers meet at Island Community House before taking a one-and-a-half mile walk around downtown Chincoteague.

■ **CRAFT:** Noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Learn how to make a glitter snowflake candle holder during the library's Adult Crafternoon.

■ **HOLIDAY EVENT:** 4 to 7 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. The museum's Christmas Tree Village will fill its Legacy Pavilion with decorated Christmas trees.

■ **ART STROLL:** From 4 to 8 p.m., downtown Onancock will host Second Friday. Shops will feature extended hours, restaurants will have specials, and there will be activities.

■ **OPEN HOUSE:** 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust, 6 Crockett Ave., Onancock. The land trust is hosting a Holiday Open House with refreshments.

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** Starting at 5 p.m. downtown Cape Charles will be filled with the holiday spirit for Festive Fridays. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for visits. There will be train rides, face painting, crafts, a petting zoo, live music, and a free screening of "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" at the Historic Palace Theatre. Shops and restaurants will have specials and extended hours.

■ **HOLIDAY PARTY:** 6 to 10 p.m., Cypress Roots Brewing Company, Pocomoke City. The brewery is hosting a Christmas party benefiting Della's Closet. Emily Gueple will provide live music. The community is asked to bring items to benefit Della's Closet including new or gently used winter clothing, diapers, baby wipes, and new toys, games, and stuffed animals.

Best bets

■ **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday ESO's School of Dance presents "The Nutcracker Swings" at Nandua High School. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/pe8ty9jb>**

■ **Saturday, Dec. 13, from 2 to 5 p.m. wander the Historic Cape Charles Cookie Trail visiting decorated homes and enjoying cookies. The trail begins at the Hotel Cape Charles.**

■ **CLOTHES CLOSET:** 6 to 8 p.m., Cheriton Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, Cheriton. The church is hosting a clothing giveaway. This event is open to everyone. Clothes of all sizes and genders will be available.

■ **HOLIDAY DINNER:** 6 to 9 p.m., Ker Place, Onancock. Shore History is hosting its annual Holiday Dinner. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2a6duazb>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., The Listening Room, 33 Market St., Onancock. Chris English performs live. To reserve a seat call 757-710-8718.

■ **BALLET:** 7 p.m., Nandua High School, 26350 Lankford Highway, Onley. The ESO School of Dance presents "The Nutcracker Swings." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/pe8ty9jb>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 10 p.m., Captain's Cove Marina Restaurant, Greenbackville. The Beach Bandits perform live.

■ **HOLIDAY PARTY:** 9 p.m. to midnight, SouthEast Expeditions, 7 Strawberry St., Cape Charles. SouthEast Expeditions is hosting a holiday party with refreshments and live music

Saturday, December 13

■ **THRIFT STORE:** 8 to 11 a.m., Smith Chapel Methodist Church, Quinby. The church will have its thrift store open. All Christmas items will be half off.

■ **HOLIDAY BREAKFAST:** Seatings at 9 or 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Get in the festive spirit with Pancakes with Santa. The cost is \$8 per person. To reserve a seat email info@islandcommunityhouse.org

■ **COOKIE SALE:** 9 a.m. to noon, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 18 Third St., Pocomoke City. The church will hold its 10th annual Cookies by the Pound Sale. There will be a large selection of cookies and candies.

■ **CLOTHES CLOSET:** 9 a.m. to noon, Cheriton Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, Cheriton. The church is hosting a clothing giveaway. This event is open to everyone. Clothes of all sizes and genders will be available.

■ **WHITE ELEPHANT:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Onancock. The church is hosting a white elephant and bake sale. Docents will also be on site to explain the historic significance of the church.

■ **HOLIDAY BREAKFAST:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., The North Street Playhouse, 34 Market St., Onancock. The playhouse is hosting Breakfast with the Elves. There will be games, face painting, and more.

■ **NATIVITY:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Ocean View United Methodist Church, Wachapreague. The church is hosting a nativity display with over two dozen scenes. This event is free, but monetary donations or food donations for the food bank will be accepted.

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Welcome Center, 32383 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles. Stop by to meet Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

■ **ARTISANS MARKET:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Historic Onancock School, 6 College Ave., Onancock. The school is hosting a Holiday Artisans Market.

■ **CHRISTMAS FAIR:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., The Great Pocomoke Fairgrounds, 2037 Broad St., Pocomoke City. The fairgrounds is hosting a Christmas Shoppers Fair. There will be craft vendors, door prizes, and more.

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

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 11 a.m., Onancock Wharf, Onancock. Santa will arrive by boat to greet children at the harbor. Santa will be escorted in by a group of reindeer in kayaks. Kayakers who would like to help escort Santa can email janddfreeman@aol.com

■ **COOKIE SALE:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. A variety of homemade cookies will be for sale to benefit the alliance's scholarship fund.

■ **HOLIDAY CRAFT:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

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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.

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Chincoteague Island Library, 4077 Main St., Chincoteague. Learn to make a seashell ornament at this all-ages craft workshop. Lou Bender will demonstrate how to create a painted shell Christmas ornament. This workshop is free.

■ **BASKETBALL GAME:** Clinic starts at noon, game begins 2 p.m., Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, 24577 Mary N. Smith Road, Accomac. The Boys and Girls Club is hosting the Eastern Shore Streetball Classic. There will be a clinic at noon. The basketball game will begin at 2 p.m. The entry fee is \$8 and two new, unwrapped toys.

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 1 to 3 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Santa will arrive by boat and then be available for visits.

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 1 to 3 p.m., Book Bin, Onley. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for pictures.

■ **HOME TOUR:** From 1 to 5 p.m., the Onancock Christmas Homes Tour will offer a glimpse inside seven beautifully decorated homes. To purchase tickets visit www.onancock.org/christmas

■ **MUSIC FESTIVAL:** 2 to 4 p.m., Cokesbury Cultural Center, Onancock. The center is hosting its Christmas Music Festival with performances by the Orchestra of the Eastern Shore, Marilyn Kellam and Circle of Friends, and Natasha Smoot.

■ **COOKIE TRAIL:** 2 to 5 p.m., Hotel Cape Charles, Cape Charles. Set out on the Historic Cape Charles Cookie Trail to see decorated homes, sample cookies, and enjoy special sips. This is a free event. The tour begins at the Hotel Cape Charles.

■ **TOOL MANIA:** 3 to 9 p.m., Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Company, 501 Mason Ave., Cape Charles. The fire company's Tool Mania offers a chance to win one of 27 different prizes, food, and non-alcoholic beverages with the purchase of a \$25 ticket. There will also be beer for sale, raffles, and a live and silent auction.

■ **HOLIDAY EVENT:** 4 to 7 p.m., Museum of Chincoteague Island, 7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague. The museum's Christmas Tree Village will fill its Legacy Pavilion with decorated Christmas trees.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 5 p.m., Cape Charles Brewing Company, Cape Charles. Paul Brien and the Raucous Brothers perform live.

■ **CHRISTMAS EVENT:** From 5 to 7 p.m.,

Parksley will host its annual Old Fashioned Christmas. There will be children's crafts, a white elephant table, cider, popcorn, cookies, and hot chocolate, and visits with Santa at the Eastern Shore Railway Museum.

■ **LIVE NATIVITY:** 5 to 7 p.m., Onley Baptist Church, Onley. The church is hosting a live nativity. Refreshments and an art show will be hosted in the fellowship hall.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Great Machipongo Clam Shack, 6468 Lankford Highway, Nassawadox. Clark Lovelady and Ed-dy Dixon perform live.

■ **CHRISTMAS PARADE:** From 6 to 9 p.m. Exmore will host its annual Christmas Parade on Main Street.

■ **BALLET:** 6 p.m., Pocomoke High School, Pocomoke City. All About Dance presents "The Nutcracker." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/5x3nh52z>

■ **BALLET:** 7 p.m., Nandua High School, 26350 Lankford Highway, Onley. The ESO School of Dance presents "The Nutcracker Swings." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/pe8ty9jb>

■ **CONCERT:** 7 p.m., Chincoteague Cultural Alliance, 6309 Church St., Chincoteague. The Chincoteague High School Band will perform. The suggested donation is \$10 and all proceeds benefit the band. There will be a cash bar.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. Chris Sacks and Chris Nacy perform live.

Sunday, December 14

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 1 to 3 p.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Santa will visit the museum.

■ **BALLET:** 2 p.m., Nandua High School, 26350 Lankford Highway, Onley. The ESO School of Dance presents "The Nutcracker Swings." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/pe8ty9jb>



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■ **MOVIE:** 2:30 p.m., Roseland Theatre, Onancock. There will be a free screening of "The Grinch."

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 3 p.m., Lemon Tree Gallery, Cape Charles. Mama's Black Sheep perform live. To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/9pk69t7d>

■ **BALLET:** 3 p.m., Pocomoke High School, Pocomoke City. All About Dance presents "The Nutcracker." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/5x3nh52z>

■ **CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** 3 to 4:30 p.m., Franktown United Methodist Church, 7551 Bayside Road, Franktown. The church is hosting "Rhapsody in Bluegrass: A Christmas Jubilee."

■ **HOLIDAY DANCE:** 3 to 5 p.m., Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave., Cape Charles. A 1940s-themed holiday dance is being held by Ballroom and More on the Shore. Period attire is encouraged. There will be 1940s holiday music and refreshments. The cost is \$10 per person. To RSVP call 540-461-0247.

■ **PARADE:** Starting at 5 p.m. the Onancock Christmas Parade will bring holiday cheer to downtown Onancock.

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 6 p.m., Atlantic Baptist Church, 10084 Atlantic Road, Atlantic.

The church's Community Christmas Celebration will include scripture readings, a nativity, special music, and hymns.

■ **LIVE NATIVITY:** Performances at 6 and 6:30 p.m., Capeville United Methodist Church, 4301 Capeville Drive, Cape Charles. The church is hosting a live nativity. Refreshments will be served after each performance.

Monday, December 15

■ **GAMES:** 1 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. The Island Community House hosts open board game play. Bring a friend or make some new ones. Snacks are welcome.

■ **HOLIDAY CRAFT:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., ESO Arts Center, Belle Haven. During Paint, Sip, and Stamp, Leigh Anne Chambers will demonstrate how to make holiday cards and bookmarks. The cost is \$40. All supplies are included, as well as a cocktail and snacks.

Tuesday, December 16

■ **COFFEE WITH A COP:** 8:30 to 10 a.m., Dunkin' Donuts, Pocomoke City. Enjoy a cup of coffee and informal discussion with members of the Pocomoke City Police.

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■ **COFFEE TALK:** 10 a.m. to noon, Village Neighbors, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Connect and share holiday memories during Coffee Talk with Village Neighbors. Beverages will be provided and visitors are encouraged to share memories, recipes, and traditions.

■ **STORYTIME:** 10:30 to 11 a.m., Cape Charles Memorial Library, Cape Charles. Children 4 years old and younger can enjoy stories and activities during Little Sprouts.

■ **HOLIDAY CRAFT:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 P.M., ESO Arts Center, Belle Haven. During Get Your Green On, Kris Jackson will lead mini wreath and pinecone ornament crafts. The cost is \$40. All supplies are included, as well as a cocktail and snacks.

■ **RECITAL:** 4:30 p.m., Mary N. Smith Cultural Enrichment Center, 24577 Mary N. Smith Road, Accomac. See adults and children alike show off their skills on the piano at the Fancy Fingers and More Fall Recital. This event is free and light refreshments will be served.

■ **TEEN GAME NIGHT:** 5 to 6:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Teens can play video or board games or put together a puzzle.

■ **YARN CLUB:** 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Crafters can bring their knitting or crochet projects and chat with other fiber artists while working.

■ **AUTHOR TALK:** 6 p.m., Chincoteague Island Library, 4077 Main St., Chincoteague. Local authors Nabil and Mary Khouri will discuss their books. There will be time for questions and refreshments will be served.

■ **LECTURE:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Ruth Grillo will deliver a lecture titled “Vive Les Santos,” a nativity history lecture.

■ **HYMN SING:** 7 p.m., St. George’s Church, Pungoteague. The church is hosting a Community Hymn Fest. All are invited to sing seasonal music. Refreshments will be served in the parish house afterwards.

Wednesday, December 17

■ **TECH HELP:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Get help with tech devices on-de-

mand all day.

■ **HOLIDAY CRAFT:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 P.M., ESO Arts Center, Belle Haven. Learn to make a shell ornament with Kris Jackson. The cost is \$40. All supplies are included, as well as a cocktail and snacks.

■ **SUPPORT GROUP:** Noon to 1 p.m., Eastern Shore Community College Workforce Development Center conference room, 29316 Lankford Highway, Melfa. Every Wednesday an All Recovery Meeting is being held. Meetings are anonymous and intended to provide a supportive environment for those seeking or maintaining recovery. All on campus and in the community are welcome.

■ **SIT AND STITCH:** 1 to 3 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Crafters can work on hand-held projects during an afternoon of casual crafting.

■ **MEMORY CAFE:** 1:30 to 3 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The Martha W. Goodson Center is hosting its monthly memory cafe, which is a social engagement for caretakers and those living with brain changes.

■ **TEA PARTY:** 4:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The library is hosting a Jane Austen Tea Party in honor of the author’s 250th birthday. Party-goers can make a bonnet, drink tea, play games, and enjoy refreshments. Costumes are encouraged.

■ **HOLIDAY MOVIE:** 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church, Onancock. The church is hosting a pot luck and screening of “It’s A Wonderful Life.” The potluck begins at 5:30 p.m. and the movie will start at 6 p.m.

■ **HOLIDAY LIGHT CONTEST:** From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., the Town of Keller will host a townwide holiday lighting contest. Town residents can compete for three prizes best all around, most creative, and old fashioned. Residents don’t need to register, just have their lights on when judging starts. Everyone is invited to drive through town to see the lights.

■ **FIREARMS CLASS:** 6 p.m., Hampton Inn and Suites, Exmore. The Armed Self Defense Institute is offering a concealed carry permit class. The cost is \$55. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/5crw3f2c>

Thursday, December 18

■ **CHILDRENS ACTIVITY:** Sessions at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., Delmarva Discovery Museum, Pocomoke City. Kids can learn about STEAM concepts while building a gingerbread house. Finished houses can be added to

the community gingerbread house display. The cost for non-museum members is \$10 for children and \$5 for adults. Members are free. To reserve a spot visit <https://tinyurl.com/2c7r4aaa>

■ **HOLIDAY CRAFT:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 P.M., ESO Arts Center, Belle Haven. During Fun with Bangles, learn how to measure, hammer, and solder a bracelet with a personalized charm with Nancy Kinzinger. The cost is \$40. All supplies are included, as well as a cocktail and snacks.

■ **GAMES:** 1 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. The Island Community House hosts open board game play. Bring a friend or make some new ones. Snacks are welcome.

■ **HOLIDAY STROLL:** From 5 to 8 p.m., Wachapreague is hosting a holiday stroll. Visitors can enjoy music, refreshments, decorations, and holiday activities at downtown shops.

■ **TEEN CREATIVE WRITING:** 5:30 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. Teens can learn real world writing skills during the Teen Writing Workshop. This month’s focus is character motivation and the third-act twist.

■ **MOVIE NIGHT:** 6 p.m., Eastern Shore of Virginia Regional Library, Parksley. The Library is screening “Rise of the Guardians” during Family Movie Night. There will be free popcorn.

■ **CHILDREN'S ART:** 6 p.m., Northampton Free Library, Nassawadox. Make and decorate paper clay ornaments using cookie cutters and stamps.

■ **DANCE LESSONS:** 6 to 7 p.m., The Oyster Farm, Cape Charles. Ballroom and More on the Shore is hosting its Christmas party. No experience or partner necessary. The cost is \$5 per person.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 8 p.m., Kuchisabishii Lounge, 145 Market St., Onancock. The Kuchisabishii Jazz Trio performs live.

Friday, December 19

■ **WALKING GROUP:** 9 to 10 a.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. Walkers meet at Island Community House before taking a one-and-half mile walk around downtown Chincoteague.

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Welcome Center, 32383 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles. Stop by to meet Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

■ **MEDITATION AND JOURNALING:** 11 a.m. to 12:30 P.M., ESO Arts Center, Belle Haven. Becky Lovelady will lead a class on

meditation and journaling to unlock creativity. The cost is \$40. All supplies are included, as well as a cocktail and snacks.

■ **FESTIVE FRIDAYS:** Starting at 5 p.m. downtown Cape Charles will be filled with the holiday spirit for Festive Fridays. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for visits, and there will be train rides, face painting, crafts, a petting zoo, live music, and a free screening of “National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation” at the Historic Palace Theatre. Shops and restaurants will have specials and extended hours.

■ **HOLIDAY MOVIE:** 5:30 to 8 p.m., Adams United Methodist Church Dining Hall, 23532 Lee Mont Road, Parksley. The church is screening “Home Alone.” Christmas pajamas and extra blankets are encouraged. There will be popcorn, hot chocolate, hot dogs, hamburgers, and more treats. The cost is \$3 for children and \$5 for adults.

■ **HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR:** At 6 p.m. the Museum of Chincoteague Island will host its Holiday Lights Trolley Tour. Trolleys will tour the island so riders can see festive lights. Treats will be provided. Tickets are \$25 each. For tickets or more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/42x6fswc>

■ **PLAY:** 7 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The playhouse presents “Elf the Musical Jr.” Tickets are \$15. To purchase tickets visit www.northstreetplayhouse.org

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., Chattie’s Lounge, Chincoteague. Chris Sacks and Chris Nacy perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 to 9 p.m., Captain’s Cove Marina Restaurant, Greenbackville. The Rhythm Section performs live.

Saturday, December 20

■ **SANTA BREAKFAST:** 8 to 11 a.m., Atlantic Volunteer Fire Company, 10071 Atlantic Road, Atlantic. The fire company is hosting a community breakfast with Santa.

■ **SANTA VISIT:** 10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Shore of Virginia Welcome Center, 32383 Lankford Highway, Cape Charles. Stop by to meet Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

■ **BAKE SALE:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tractor Supply, Onley. Friends of Animal Control Eastern Shore is hosting a bake sale.

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

■ **CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** 3 p.m.,

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Adams United Methodist Church, 23532 Lee Mont Road, Parksley. The church is hosting a Christmas Cantata. Dinner will be served afterwards.

■ **PLAY:** 2:30 and 7 p.m., North Street Playhouse, Onancock. The playhouse presents "Elf the Musical Jr." Tickets are \$15. To purchase tickets visit www.northstreetplayhouse.org

■ **HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR:** At 6 p.m. the Museum of Chincoteague Island will host its Holiday Lights Trolley Tour. Trolleys will tour the island so riders can see festive lights. Treats will be provided. Tickets are \$25 each. For tickets or more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/mpcsr5kt>

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 6 to 9 p.m., The Blarney Stone Pub, Onancock. Margot and Valerie perform live.

■ **LIVE MUSIC:** 7 p.m., The Listening Room, 33 Market St., Onancock. La Doo Vay performs live. To reserve a seat call 757-710-8718.

■ **UGLY SWEATER PARTY:** 7 p.m., Chattie's Lounge, Chincoteague. There will be a prize for the ugliest sweater at Chattie's Ugly Christmas Sweater Party. There will also be live music by Audio Tribe.

■ **HOLIDAY CONCERT:** 7:30 p.m., Historic Palace Theatre, Cape Charles. The Virginia Symphony Orchestra presents "Holiday Brass." To purchase tickets visit <https://tinyurl.com/2vs6r5ud>

Sunday, December 21

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 2 p.m., Unitarian Universalists of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, 36302 Lankford Highway, Belle Haven. The Unitarian Universalists are hosting a winter solstice celebration and open house.

■ **SIP AND SHOP:** 2 to 5 p.m., Hollyhocks on Main, Chincoteague. Hollyhocks is hosting a sip and shop event. Shoppers can browse the store while enjoying a craft beer tasting.

■ **HOLIDAY TRIVIA:** 5 to 7 p.m., Onancock Taphouse, Onancock. George C. Hall is hosting a Holiday Spectacu-

lar trivia benefiting the Eastern Shore Literacy Council. There will be raffles, prizes, and an ugly sweater contest. The cost is \$10 per person. Teams are limited to six members. To reserve a table call 757-302-0007.

■ **HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR:** At 6 p.m. the Museum of Chincoteague Island will host its Holiday Lights Trolley Tour. Trolleys will tour the island so riders can see festive lights. Treats will be provided. Tickets are \$25 each. For tickets or more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/y26fnxzd>

■ **SPECIAL SERVICE:** 6 p.m., Hallwood

Methodist Church, Hallwood. The church is hosting a candlelight service and children's Christmas program. Refreshments will be served after the service.

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■ **GAMES:** 1 to 4 p.m., Island Community House, 6246 Mumford St., Chincoteague. The Island Community House hosts open board game play. Bring a friend or make some new ones. Snacks are welcome.

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OBITUARIES

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Dawn Kellam

Mrs. Dawn Helsel Kellam, age 82, wife of the late Donald Page Kellam Sr., passed away Friday, Dec. 5, 2025, with her family by her side.



Mrs. Kellam

Born Aug. 9, 1943, in Hampton, she was the daughter of the late Gordon C. Helsel Sr. and Erdine Hall Helsel.

She was a member of Epworth United Methodist Church in Exmore.

Dawn is survived by her three children, Page Kellam and his wife, Donna, Lisa Kellam Arnold and her husband, Todd, and Chad Kellam and his wife, Annette; six grandchildren, Kaitlin Kellam Shreckhise and her husband, Jake, Tyson Arnold and his wife, Morgan, Ashlyn Arnold Pruitt and her husband, Jacob, Stephanie Kellam Miffleton and her husband, Chase, Olivia Kellam Webb and her husband, Gabe, and Emily Kellam; her great-grandchildren, Dawsyn and Spence Arnold, Lochland and Camille Shreckhise, Charlie Miffleton, and Fisher Pruitt.

She is also survived by her brother, Gordon C. Helsel and his wife, Joy; her sister, Bonnie Jones; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by two sisters.

Funeral services were conducted at Epworth United Methodist Church, Thursday, Dec. 11, at 11 a.m., with the Revs. Randy Timmerman and Mikang Kim officiating.

Flowers are accepted or memorial contributions can be made to Epworth United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 488, Exmore, VA 23350 or to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 163, Salisbury, MD 21803.

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

Arrangements were made by Doughty Funeral Home in Exmore.

Georgie Brown

Mrs. Georgie Anna Daisey Brown, 74, passed away peacefully at her home in Parksley on Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025, surrounded by loved ones.



Mrs. Brown

Born Aug. 1, 1951, on Chincoteague Island, she was the daughter of the late Arthur Daisey and Agnes Lenora Pearl Allen.

At 18, Georgie ventured from Chincoteague to Ohio to live with her sister, Julie.

It was a move that would beautifully shape the rest of her life. Not long after arriving, she met the love of her life, Wayne. Just three months later, they were married, beginning a 54-year love story grounded in devotion, laughter, and partnership.

Georgie's gift for baking blossomed early and grew into a lifelong passion and career. Through her beloved business, Sweet Georgie Brown Sweets, she poured love into every dessert, blessing countless people with her talent. She never met a stranger, embraced life with curiosity, and delighted in trying new things. Together, she and Wayne enjoyed countless adventures — ballroom dancing, bowling, motorcycle rides, and travels that created memories they treasured.

After many years in Ohio, Georgie and Wayne returned to her roots on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, where they found joy in family and in the quiet pleasures of home. Georgie continued baking — becoming especially known for her Smith Island cakes — and spent recent years working alongside her dear friend, Debbie Russell, at Russell's Formal and Bridal.

Family was the heart of Georgie's world. She loved openly and abundantly, sharing an unbreakable bond with her husband, siblings, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Though she adored them all, her

greatest joy was hearing her beloved great-granddaughter call her "Gigi." Georgie's smile — her true superpower — was a source of comfort and warmth, and it remained as bright as ever through her final days. It is that smile, full of love and kindness, that she would want all to remember.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Wayne E. Brown Jr.; her children, Wayne Christopher Brown, of Pennsylvania, and Amie Melissa Brown (Lance), of Parksley; her sisters, Julie Rae Coulier and Lenora Nekunas, both of Parksley; her brother, Jack Bonniwell and his wife, Bonnie, of Florida; her grandchildren, Chandler Brown and Morgan Daisey Brown (Andrew); her great-grandchildren, Blair and Ashton; her sisters-in-law, Martha Meese and Judy Mellot (Larry); as well as several nieces, nephews, and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Stella Smack; her baby sister, Mary Anne Daisey; her brothers-in-law, Nick Nekunas and Alex Caulier; and her sisters-in-law, Nancy Parks, Anna Treece, and Shirley Dunn.

Georgie's family gathered privately to honor her life and the love she so freely gave. Should friends desire, contributions in her memory may be made to Riverside Shore Cancer Center, P.O. Box 430, Onancock, VA 23417.

Memory tributes may be shared with the family at

www.williamsfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were by the Williams-Parksley Funeral Home.

Richard Daily

The Rev. Dr. Richard "Dick" Allen Daily (known to many on the Shore as Brother Dick or BroD) passed away on Nov. 23, 2025, from brain cancer.



Rev. Daily

Dick was a dutiful Methodist minister who shared his faith with countless congregations, a U.S. Navy veteran, a world-class athlete, a lifelong track coach and mentor, a devoted missionary who

worked tirelessly to help Haitians, and a Mr. Fix-It who always came up with a solution. He loved children and animals, especially his Welsh corgi, Duke, and the many ponies bred by his family. More than anything, he adored Indigo, his only grandchild.

He was the warmest, kindest person who greeted everyone with a smile and a silly joke, and he always remembered every detail about anyone he ever met. He was incredibly generous, extremely bright, and just an absolute gem of a human who made friends wherever he landed.

Dick was all about family and made the effort to visit his siblings and other relatives regularly, all of whom are grateful for his conviction and efforts. His loved ones will all miss his warmth, kindness, and sense of humor. Sarcasm was his pet peeve, and he believed in building each other up because one will never know where his lifetime of influence stops.

He is survived by his wife, Alicia Daily; his daughters, Emily Daily Walker (Josh) and Allison Daily; his siblings, Patricia Duboise (Danny), Peggy Toussant (Jeff), John Daily (Angela), Steve Daily (Susan), and Pamela Hoepner (Jim); and his granddaughter, Indigo Walker.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Haiti Mission Foundation,

Newspaper obituaries

The Eastern Shore Post accepts obituaries from all funeral homes. Costs of obituaries are determined by length. There is a \$25 additional charge for each head-and-shoulders photograph included. Ask your funeral home to send obituaries to the Post by emailing ryan@easternshorepost.com. Price quotes are available. Call 757-789-7678 with questions.

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the Middlesex County Animal Shelter in Saluda, or Lower United Methodist Church in Hartfield.

A memorial service will be held on Dec. 19 at noon at Lower United Methodist Church in Hartfield.

His full obituary can be read at <https://shorturl.at/F8jYJ>

Anne Godwin

Mrs. Anne Byrd Godwin, age 89, widow of David King Godwin, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family, on Friday, Dec. 5, 2025, at her home in Onancock.

Born on June 26, 1936, in Mears, she was the daughter of the late Evelyn Chesser Byrd and Thomas Milton Byrd.

In addition to being a homemaker, Anne enjoyed working as a lower school aide at Broadwater Academy, in retail at Glick's of Four Corners, and at the Virginia Welcome Center in New Church.

She was an active member of Grace United Methodist Church in Parksley for many years.

She is survived by her daughter Anne (Anny) Godwin Kellam and son-in-law, John Harris Kellam, of Onancock; three granddaughters, Elizabeth Grimminger (Greg), Anne Parker Kellam Murphy (Troy), and Meridith Clarke Kellam; and two great-grandchildren, Amelia and Hunter Grimminger.

In addition to her husband and parents, Anne was predeceased by her son, Milton "Byrd" Godwin, and her grandson, David Reynolds Godwin.

A graveside service was conducted on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 11 a.m. from the Parksley Cemetery, with Pastor George Fulk officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Onley Recreation Association Swim Team, P.O. Box 736, Onley, VA 23418.

Arrangements were by the Thornton Funeral Home in Parksley.



Mrs. Godwin

REGIONAL

Calls for gambling help trend younger

BY TYLER BLAKE
VCU Capital News Service

Sports betting has become a cultural phenomenon ever since a U.S. Supreme Court decision in 2018. Mobile sportsbooks have become the preferred medium for sports bettors.

According to the Pew Research Center, 1 in 10 adults say they have placed an online sports bet within the last year. And 22% say they placed bets on sports this year, including online, with friends in something like a fantasy league or pool, or at a casino-type location.

Bettors wagered over \$510 million in Virginia on sporting events in the month of August, according to the Virginia Lottery. Of the total bets placed, over \$506 million was wagered through mobile sportsbooks.

Virginia allowed its first legalized sports bets in January 2021. That year, the Virginia Council on Problem Gambling saw a 114% increase in calls from state residents seeking help with problem gambling.

Gambling itself is addictive in a similar manner as alcohol and drugs, according to Carolyn Hawley, president of the Virginia Council on Problem Gambling.

"What we've found is that [the correlation] between gambling and substances are so similar that gambling itself is considered the first behavioral addiction," Hawley said.

Because gambling is so accessible through mobile devices, young people are at a much higher risk for developing gambling addictions than before, Hawley said. It can be done anytime, from anywhere.

"Gambling is a part of life that it wasn't, perhaps, for most individuals in previous generations," Hawley said.

Celebrities and social media influencers have jumped on the

bandwagon, taking sponsorships from gambling sites and promoting gambling to their fans.

Some youth surveyed in an Australian study reported that celebrities and influencers who promote gambling make it seem "okay" and "acceptable" to gamble.

Hawley has a young child of her own and has seen firsthand the impact of the marketing strategies.

"I mean, my 6-year-old son just came home from school this week talking about gambling, and I know it wasn't because of the work that I'm doing," Hawley said.

The Virginia Council on Problem Gambling has seen a dramatic increase in the number of calls received in the past six years, Hawley said.

"Since 2019 to 2024, we've had about a 1,500% increase in total calls," Hawley said. "We've [also] had an over 200% increase in people specifically asking for treatment support for a gambling problem."

There has also been a significant demographic shift in callers since sports betting became legal in Virginia.

"It's very heavily male and young callers," Hawley said. "That 18 to 24 age group and that 25 to 34 age group."

The problem extends beyond just sportsbooks.

"What we're seeing a lot is youth being initiated into gambling, you know, that this is a fun social activity with dad," Hawley said.

'Normalized' activity

Matthew Britt, a certified peer recovery specialist for the Virginia Partnership for Gaming and Health, said he was addicted to gambling. He recalled some of his earliest memories of gambling with relatives that led up to him developing an addiction.

"I can see as far back as playing

spades or crazy eights, games like that with my grandfather for pennies," Britt said.

Gambling is already so accessible that it does not matter whether someone has an addictive personality draw, Britt said.

"I have an uncle that would give out and still does give out lottery tickets for Christmas," Britt said. "The men's poker night was around me growing up as well."

It becomes hard for many people to place a negative tag on gambling because it is so normalized, Britt said.

Britt also said his attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, or ADHD, is another contributing factor to his addiction. The prevalence of "at-risk" and problem gamblers was higher in individuals with ADHD symptoms than in those without symptoms, according to a study published by the National Library of Medicine.

When Britt began his recovery five years ago, he realized a lot of his leisure activities were connected to gambling.

"The hardest part for me was getting used to watching sports without thinking, just being able to watch the game, enjoy the game rather than thinking about what I could have won," Britt said. "I still catch myself, [but] I'm much better at dealing with those urges as they come up."

As Britt continues his own recovery journey and helps others do the same, he emphasizes one key part of recovery: hope.

"There's likely not going to be a point that you've been to that myself or folks in this line of work have not been," Britt said. "People aren't as alone as the disease of addiction wants them to feel."

If you or someone you know is struggling with a gambling problem, you can call the National Council on Problem Gambling hotline at 1-800-522-4700.

SPORTS

Eastern Shore Post

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Arcadia remains unbeaten

On Saturday, Dec. 6, Megan “Boo” Montross had 14 points and four steals to lead Arcadia to a 48-35 win over visiting Indian River.

The unbeaten Firebirds (3-0), who only led 18-16 at the half before pulling away, also had strong games from Amani Hope (13 points, four steals), Payton Taylor (nine points, 10 assists, three steals), Ashaureya Tankard (eight points, eight rebounds), and Ryann Giddins (eight rebounds). Coach Casey Cordrey said it was “a hard-fought game,” as Arcadia avenged a 20-point loss to the Indians last year.

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, Hope’s 21 points led Arcadia to a 50-28 win over Seaside Christian Academy in Frankford, Del.

Others excelling for Arcadia included Taylor (nine assists, four rebounds, three steals), Giddins (eight points, six rebounds), and Tankard (six points, eight rebounds).

HGCS tops Seaside

On Tuesday, Dec. 9, Holly Grove Christian School downed visiting Seaside Christian Academy 30-18. No individual stats were reported for the Eagles (2-1).

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, Kamryn Salvas had 16 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Eagles to a 35-34 win at The Salisbury School.

Other top performers for HGCS included Abigail Pruitt (13 rebounds, three steals), Catherine Sterling (seven points, three rebounds), and Bethanie Parks (four rebounds, three assists, three steals).

BOYS BASKETBALL

Arcadia falls to 1-2

On Tuesday, Dec. 9, Arcadia fell 91-72 at Deep Creek. Jordan Cropper led the Firebirds (1-2) with 25 points.

On Saturday, Dec. 6, Jordan Cropper’s 22 points and six rebounds led the Firebirds to a 68-53 triumph over visiting Indian River.

Other top players for the Firebirds included Kamren Harmon (15 points, four assists, five steals), Shane Tull (12 points), and Ry’Shon Pettit (seven rebounds, three steals).

On Thursday, Dec. 4, Arcadia lost to Salem 65-57 in a game played in Virginia Beach.

Tops for the Firebirds were Jordan Cropper (20 points, 13 rebounds, three assists), Tull (15 points, six rebounds, three assists), Harmon (eight points), and Travar Cropper (seven points, three assists, four steals).

Jackets drop two in tourney

On Saturday, Dec. 6, Northampton lost, 62-56, to Lightridge in the Gainesville Tip-Off Tournament.

Malique Collins and TraQuan Coston led the Yellow Jackets (1-2) with 11 points each, while Jaquon Doughty added 10 points, five steals, and three assists, and Antoine Horsley had nine points, seven rebounds, and four blocks.

On Friday, Dec. 5, in the same tournament, Northampton suffered an 84-60 loss to Gainesville. The Jackets were led by Collins (16 points, seven steals, three assists), Horsley (14 points, 14 rebounds), Nikholaus Chandler (10 points, six rebounds), and Travon Hill (six points, five assists, five steals).

Eagles lose third straight

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, Holly Grove Christian fell 58-41 at Salisbury Christian.

Tops for the Eagles (1-3) were Oliver Mester-Teth (13 points, eight rebounds), Balazs Kiss (13 points), and Drew Linton (eight points, six rebounds).

SWIMMING & DIVING

Warriors open season

On Tuesday, Dec. 9, Sarah Bentley started her senior season with four gold medals as Nandua’s girls team went 1-1 in a tri-meet against Stephen Decatur and Sussex Central at the Pocomoke YMCA.

Bentley won the 100 Free and the 100 Breast and swam on two winning relay teams. The Warriors topped Sussex Central 93-27 but lost to Stephen Decatur 159-106.

The Warrior boys, meanwhile, fell 81-75 to Sussex and 144-75 to Decatur.

Orion Loreda picked up three golds for Nandua, winning the 50 and 100 Free, and swimming a leg on the winning 200 Free Relay.

Nandua’s first place finishes for the girls team included 200 Medley Relay (Maddy Askew, Chloe Bacchi, Sadie Reiter, Bentley), 200 Individual Medley (Bacchi), 100 Freestyle (Bentley), 500 Freestyle (Ashlyn Ebenezer), 200 Freestyle Relay (Bacchi, Emmalee Blake, Kelly Brockmeier, Bentley), 100 Backstroke (Askew), 100 Breaststroke (Bentley), 400 Freestyle Relay (Ebenezer, Askew, Campbell Bays, Sadie Reiter).

First-place finishers for the Warrior boys included 50 Freestyle (Loreda), 100 Freestyle (Loreda), and 200 Freestyle Relay (Hayden Williams, Lucas Elliott, Lucas Stodghill, Loreda).

Nandua girls coach KJ Bentley noted that with more than half of her roster belonging to the freshman class, “This is a building year for both teams. I’m looking forward to seeing how they improve this season.”

BOYS WRESTLING

Warriors win opener

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, Nandua opened its season with a convincing 63-12 victory at Arcadia.

Warrior winners were Destiny Fitchett (106 pounds), Bruce Ineus (113), Chris Lopez-Perez (120), Kevin Gutierrez-Hernandez (126), Amio Destine (138), Arnold Destine (144), Marquise Galica (150), Armando Meneses-Vazquez (157), Roque Vicente-Gomez (175), Roldan Roblero-Romero (190), and Mario Castillo-Garcia (215).

Winning for Arcadia were Ethan Sacks (132) and Cole Chapin (165). Nandua coach Nathan Metzger said it was “a great start to the season. The score doesn’t reflect how tough of a match it was. Arcadia made us battle each match and earn every point and victory.”

GIRLS WRESTLING

Nandua bests Arcadia

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, Nandua rolled to a 48-12 victory at Arcadia in its season opener.

Winning for the Warriors were Vanessa Lopez-Morales (107 pounds), Mariana Morales-Chan (120), Stephanie Cruz-Vargas (126), Estreita Vicente-Gomez (132), Sarah Diem (138), Madison Annis (145), Keley Velasquez-Bravo (165), and Ja’Brea Evans (235).

Arcadia’s winners were Evelyn Morales (100) and Sherlin Soto-Perez (152).

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
FROM THE
EASTERN SHORE POST



44 square off in scholastic chess tourney

BY THOMAS MOSKIOS

Special to the Eastern Shore Post

On Wednesday, Dec. 3, 44 students met at the Eastern Shore Regional Library, in Parksley, for a scholastic chess tournament, a collaboration between Accomack County educators and Eastern Shore Scholastic Chess (ESSC). Four schools participated in the event — Nandua High School (NHS), Nandua Middle School (NMS), Arcadia High School (AHS), and Arcadia Middle School (AMS).

The Accomack County educators contributing were Christine Bisson, English learner teacher at NMS; Nicolas Diaz, mathematics teacher and Scholastic Bowl coach at NHS; Nick Walker, English teacher at AMS; Christopher Matthews, computer systems technology and robotics teacher at AHS; and Roliet Mendoza, mathematics teacher at AHS.

Mark Nuckols, Ralph Lopez, and Thomas Moskios were there on behalf of ESSC.

The event consisted of a series of Swiss-system tournaments called “tiers.” Swiss-system is a type of non-elimination tournament, whereby winners are paired against winners and losers are paired with losers until an ultimate winner is determined. Three rounds are sufficient to establish a final winner with eight or fewer players within a tier. This tournament consisted of six tiers, with players grouped according to their chess ratings (from

online games).

The strongest players were grouped in Tier 1. The top results for Tier 1 were: 1st place, Ayden Flynn (NHS), dominating with a score of 3.0 (three wins and no losses); and shared 2nd place at 2.0 (two wins and one loss) was Robert Patriquin (NMS), Eric Baumgardner (AHS), and Ephram Holl (NHS).

In round two, after a long, grueling struggle, Isaac Ward (AHS) earned a round of applause when he successfully demonstrated a king and queen versus a lone king checkmate. Holl won his round two game with an impressive mate, using his rook on his opponent’s back rank and his two knights to block all paths of escape for Black’s king.

Ethan McCleish (AMS) finished quickly in round three by performing a Scholar’s Mate (checkmate in four moves) against his opponent.

The final results for Tier 2 were: 1st place, Robert Vance (NHS) at 3.0; and shared 2nd place at 2.0 was Tony Mason (AHS), Gage Ross (AHS), and Liam Matthews (AMS).

The winners in Tier 3 were: 1st place, Jeremy Alvarez (NMS), who patiently and attentively won with a score of 2.5 (2 wins and 1 draw); and 2nd place was James Sporny (NHS) at 2.0.

The finalists in Tier 4 were: shared 1st place at 2.5, Gavin Coll (AMS) and Marquie Christian (NMS); and 2nd place was Rilynn Chambers (AHS). In round two, Gavin Coll was stubbornly able to hold a draw with a lone king



COURTESY PHOTO

In the Tier 1, round two, game between Isaac Ward (AHS) as White and Gaius Buck (NMS) as Black, Ward was able to promote a pawn to a queen and then checkmate Buck. The game was a long struggle lasting almost an hour.

against a king and a rook.

The winners of Tier 5 were: 1st place, Cassidy Smith (AHS) with a score of 3.0; and 2nd place was Carter Patriquin (NMS) at 2.0.

There were a significant number of players with unknown strength (unrated), so they were placed in a separate tier. The top finishers of the unrated tier were: 1st place,

Damien Foxworthy (NHS) at 3.0; and shared 2nd place at 2.0 was Wyatt Chesser (NHS) and Hector Foxworthy (NMS).

The organizers of this tournament hope to hold these events twice per school year. It is envisioned that future events will have even more participants, along with additional schools.

Registration now open for youth basketball league

Registration for the Chincoteague Athletic Boosters’ youth basketball league has begun.

Registration forms can be picked up at the Hampton Inn on Chincoteague, Chincoteague Combined School, and Chincoteague Elementary School for

kids ages 5 to 15.

The fee is \$30 per child. Families registering multiple children pay \$30 for the first child and only \$10 for each additional child.

Tryouts will be Saturday, Jan. 3, at 9 a.m. for 13- to 15-year-olds and at 11 a.m. for 9- to 12-year olds.

Registration will end Dec. 31.

For more information, visit the Chincoteague Athletic Boosters Club

page on Facebook.

Winter solstice celebration, open house set for Dec. 21

The Unitarian Universalists of the Eastern Shore of Virginia are excited to host a special Winter Solstice Celebration, also an open house, at 36302 Lankford Highway, Belle Haven, VA 23306

(next to Moran Hearing Aid Center).

The celebration starts at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 21. There will be refreshments available.

The event is open to all who want to learn more about the Unitarian Universalist faith and this newly-forming fellowship in particular.

For more information, send an email to esvauu@gmail.com or call 609-847-9066.

ChamberFest announces 2026 lineup

Country music legends Sammy Kershaw and Aaron Tippin will come to the Cape Charles waterfront in May as the headlining entertainment for ChamberFest.



Sammy Kershaw

“ChamberFest is one of the Eastern Shore’s premier events — where great music, big-name artists, and our amazing local talent all share one stage,” said Beth Sharpley, ChamberFest committee member. “It truly captures the heart and energy of the Shore.”

The “Roots & Boots” headlining duo of Kershaw and Tippin will each perform some of their well-known hits and will

share the stage for some collaborations, too.

“ChamberFest has become such a great event on the Eastern Shore and truly brings together our businesses and the community,” said Robert Sabbatini, executive director of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce. “We are thrilled to continue this festival in Cape Charles and look forward to a weekend to remember.”



Aaron Tippin

Kershaw has amassed three platinum and six gold albums with hits such as “She Don’t Know She’s Beautiful,” “Queen of

My Doublewide Trailer,” and “Don’t Go Near The Water,” among others.

In addition to performing to sold-out audiences, Sammy Kershaw continues to record and release new music, with three albums currently in the works.

Over the years, Tippin has built a reputation as an artist who sings what he believes. He sings songs that celebrate the life of the common, hard-working man.

Along the way, he’s earned six gold albums and one platinum.

He’s released more than 30 singles, including such hits as “You’ve Got to Stand for Something,” “My Blue Angel,” “Kiss This,” “Workin’ Man’s Ph.D.,” “There Ain’t Nothing Wrong with the Radio,” and “Where the Stars and Stripes and the Eagle Fly,” which was not only a country hit, but top 20 on Billboard’s all genre Hot 100 chart.

The “Roots & Boots” show will close out the ChamberFest lineup.

The Shore’s high-energy reggae rock band Irie Tree returns to kick off ChamberFest on Friday night.

On Saturday, Fil Rhythm will take the stage first, followed by Alabama tribute group The Boys in the Band.

“Our ChamberFest committee did an incredible job selecting musical acts that complement the 250-year anniversary of the country,” said Sabbatini. “We hope that everyone can attend what’s become the Eastern Shore’s premier tailgating and networking event.”

ChamberFest tickets are available for advance purchase through the chamber website www.esvachamber.org

Tickets for Saturday, May 16, will be \$45 during pre-sale. A two-day ticket will also be offered at \$60 for a limited time.

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From the bottom left clockwise are Tempie Stamer, Brycen Joseph, Reid Travis, NaRiah Benoit, Co-Captain Grayson Brown, Thomas Lynch, and Captain Abby Zodun with their robot “Kriller.”

Shorebots rated first class

Northampton High School’s robotics team, the Shorebots, has received the rating of first class from the Virginia High School League. To determine this rating the league evaluates portfolios submitted by each robotics program based on applications and exploration in the areas of STEM. Robotics is a VHSL-recognized academic activity. The Shorebots submitted their portfolio in May, which was evaluated by a select committee appointed by the league director for knowledge of robotics and industry experience. There are no divisions related to school size. During the school year, the Shorebots compete in FIRST Robotics Competition, a global youth-serving program advancing STEM education by combining the rigor of STEM learning with the fun and excitement of traditional sports.

Under strict rules, with limited time and resources, teams of students in 8th through 12th grades use sophisticated technology to build and program industrial-size robots for a challenging field game. FIRST Robotics Competition is about more than robots. Students promote STEM in their community, learn real-world engineering and design concepts, build workforce skills, connect with professional team mentors and sponsors who help them succeed, and can earn scholarships for college. In addition to robots, the program builds well-rounded students. The Shorebots program began in 2006. In 2025, there were seven students on the team. The 2026 Robotics Season kicks off Jan. 10.



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Chincoteague Christmas Parade winners announced

Winners have been announced for the Chincoteague Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade, which was sponsored by the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce and held Saturday, Dec. 6.

- 1st Place Commercial Entry: Derrickson Construction
- 2nd Place Commercial Entry: Lowes of Pocomoke City
- 1st Place Non-Commercial Entry: Union Baptist Church
- 2nd Place Non-Commercial Entry: American Legion Riders Post 159
- 1st Place Marching Unit: All About Dance Academy
- 2nd Place Marching Unit: Chincoteague Island Boy Scout Troop 323
- 1st Place Decorated Boat: U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Chincoteague detachment

- 2nd Place Decorated Boat: Salt-water Pony Tours
- 1st Place Equestrian Entry: Beach Bay Realty
- 2nd Place Equestrian Entry: Chincoteague Pony Drill Team
- 1st Place Miscellaneous Entry: Natalie and James Blizzard's Model A
- 2nd Place Miscellaneous Entry: Garlitz Family's 1942 Willys MB Jeep
- 1st Place Marching Band: Northampton High School Marching Band
- 2nd Place Marching Band: Crisfield High School Marching Band.
- Judges' Award for Best in Show: Chincoteague Pony Drill Team
- 1st Place, Most Firefighters in Line, Ocean City, Md., Volunteer Fire Company
- 2nd Place, Most Firefighters in Line, Atlantic Volunteer Fire Company
- Most Equipment: Atlantic Volunteer Fire Company
- Oldest Motorized Equipment: Greenwood, Del., Fire Company
- Oldest Non-Motorized Equipment: Atlantic Volunteer Fire Company
- Longest Distance Traveled: Greenwood, Del., Fire Company
- Best Company Overall: Allen, Md., Volunteer Fire Company

Upcoming parades

There are two more Eastern Shore Christmas parades upcoming.

On Saturday, Dec. 13, beginning at 6 p.m., the Exmore Christmas Parade will step off. The parade route is on Main Street. The lineup begins at 5 p.m.

The parade is sponsored by the Community Volunteer Fire Company of Exmore.

On Sunday, Dec. 14, beginning at 5 p.m., the Onancock Christmas Parade will be held on Market Street.

The parade is sponsored by the Onancock Business and Civic Association.

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KIPTOPEKE STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT FLAG



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Nancy Wilderson, commander of American Legion Post 56 in Cheriton, and Bill Stramm, adjutant, presented Flags for First Graders at Kiptopeke Elementary School on Dec. 4. The children were shown an animated video, “George Learns the Pledge,” followed by flag etiquette. The children were provided a small American flag and an American Legion comic book about the flag. The two first grade class teachers were Irene Evans and Shana Richardson.

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DMV launches mobile identification app

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles launched an app that allows Virginians to carry a valid state driver's license or identification card on their phone.

The Virginia Mobile ID app, available on both the App Store and Google Play, can be used at Transportation Security Administration checkpoints, DMV customer service centers, and select Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority stores, according to a press release.

It is also accepted by law enforcement.

The six Virginia airports that accept the Mobile ID are Reagan Washington National, Washington-Dulles, Richmond, Norfolk, Newport

News/Williamsburg, and Roanoke.

The app is meant to be convenient for state residents but also secure, according to the press release.

"Most of us rely heavily on our phones, which is why Virginians should have access to a safe, secure form of mobile identification on the devices they use all the time," said Secretary of Transportation W. Sheppard Miller III in a press release.

The app functions similarly to Apple Pay, according to Gerald F. Lackey, DMV commissioner.

A person can either tap their phone or pull up a scannable QR code that will connect them to another device.

"If they're scanning it, all that scanner is doing is creating a unique

connection between your phone and the device just like tap to pay works," Lackey said.

Businesses can download the VA Mobile ID Verifier app to scan the Mobile ID on a customer's phone to verify their age and identity, according to Lackey.

Mobile ID users have the ability to choose what information to share, allowing users to feel safe while showing ID, according to the press release.

They have the option to leave out certain information, such as their address and name, while verifying their age.

Lackey expects the app to gain traction across the nation.

"There's a lot of interest in this across the country right now," Lackey said. "There are 20 different states that have this and we expect there to be about 175 million Americans, out of roughly 350 million, so about half of us by 2030, to have a mobile ID."

Companies are furthering the concept of a mobile ID, according to Lackey.

They are working on a way for a card and ID to be run at the same time. One tap allows customers to pay and have their age verified.

"So, you can imagine if you're at a baseball game and you're buying a beer, you just tap, you pay for the beer and you get your ID verified at the same time," Lackey said.

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Barbershop Swag and Beauty Salon LLC, Beta Alpha Pi Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., Wild Roots Salon, and Accomack Lodge #62 Prince Hall Masons, partnered to sponsor a Community Sock Drive during the months of October and November. More than 1,000 pairs of socks were distributed to youth, adults, and seniors. Pictured from left are Nathaniel Nock, Subrina Owens-Parker, Katie Williams, Kim Johnson, and George Brown.

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NORTHAMPTON

Retiring Coker, Kolakowski lauded during last county meeting

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Northampton Supervisor John Coker and County Administrator Charles Kolakowski, two constants of Northampton County government for most of the past decade, attended their final county meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 9.

“I’d like to thank all the citizens of District 1,” Coker said before thanking fellow board members and Northampton County employees.

“There are a lot of fine people working for this county — and they work hard.”

Coker, first elected in 2017, did not run for another term.

Kolakowski, hired by the board of supervisors in 2017, said he has been working in local government for 38 years, eight of which have been as the Northampton County administrator.

“I thank the residents of Northampton County,” he said. “You’ve been welcoming and supportive for my nine years here, and I have come to call this very special place my home.”



**John
Coker**



**Charles
Kolakowski**

Coker defeated Jacqueline Chatmon in the November 2017 election with almost 63% of the vote.

He won re-election in 2021, earning more than 55% of the vote against challenger Robert Stubbs.

Coker replaced Granville Hogg, who did not run for re-election to the District 1 seat in 2017.

Cape Charles restaurateur Jon Dempster ran unopposed for the District 1 seat and will replace Coker on the five-member board of supervisors.

“I want to especially thank everyone in Northampton County for supporting this board of supervisors and being the finest people and the finest place I

have ever lived,” Coker said.

Coker’s tenure included funding the construction and renovation of Northampton’s high- and middle-school complex.

He also was known for advocating on behalf of businesses and preserving the environment. As a supervisor, Coker also had a knack for explaining complicated issues in an understandable way.

Coker is a retired financial services executive who worked for companies including Fidelity Investments and Mellon Bank.

He has more than 30 years of experience in operations, technology, and financial management.

Coker holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees in mathematics from Emory University and previously taught college math and computer science.

A resolution presented to Coker recognized his “enormous contributions, dedicated service, and devotion to duty.”

It also cited Coker’s “outstanding abilities, leadership, love, and devotion he gave to his family, citizens, and the county he has so proudly served.”

Kolakowski was hired as county administrator effective May 22, 2017.

He replaced John Andrzejewski, then the county’s finance director, who had served as the interim county administrator since the August 2016 resignation of Katie Nunez after an 11-year tenure.

Kolakowski, born and raised in New Jersey, graduated from the College of William and Mary with a degree in government.

Before coming to Northampton, he had spent 11 years as the town manager of Bedford.

Northampton County has hired Matt Spuck, formerly the town manager of Onancock, as its next county administrator.

A resolution presented to Kolakowski cited his “unselfish contributions to the health, safety, and professional demeanor of Northampton County” and expressed its “admiration for his selfless service and devotion to the citizens and taxpayers of the county.”

Kolakowski told the gathering, “My wife, Mary, and I wish to thank everyone for making us feel like we belong.”



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

The Eastern Shore received snowfall on Friday, Dec. 5, and Monday, Dec. 8, and area children enjoyed the winter weather. At left, Cody English stands behind his snowman in a photograph submitted by his mother, Brenna English. At right, Jake Parker, Lily Parker, and Layla Parker create snowmen.

POCOMOKE CITY

Frustrated councilman looking for answers on finances

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

Pocomoke City Councilman Scott Holland during a Dec. 2 meeting repeatedly voiced concerns and frustration over an ongoing lack of replies to emails from the mayor and city officials.

“My hands are being tied ... there’s answers I can’t get,” Holland said. “I am not able to do the job I’ve been elected to do as good as I can do it.”

Holland also raised concerns about vacancies for several key positions, notably the downtown events manager, the human resources manager, and the finance director, a position made vacant when Brandy Matthews became city manager.

He said it was “a major conflict of

interest” that Matthews was somewhat filling in with all duties until the positions were staffed.

“It must be hard for employees when one person has so much authority over positions,” Holland said, while adding this was not a slight toward Matthews.

He specified that employees aren’t getting answers because there aren’t people in place to answer them.

Also at issue for Holland were travel expenses incurred by council and staff members for the 2024 National League of Cities City Summit conference held in Florida.

Last month Mayor Todd Nock attended the three-day City Summit conference in Salt Lake City, Utah.

As president of the Maryland Municipal League, his expenses were paid for by that organization.

The Maryland Municipal League is an affiliate of the National League of Cities.

However, Matthews also attended the conference, along with council members Sharnell Tull and Brooke Cottman.

Their costs were paid for by the city. Tull commented that she was excited to implement some of what she learned while there.

The mayor also said he would soon share takeaways from the conference online.

Holland felt there are ways to gain knowledge online without traveling that far.

He also questioned an almost \$400 monthly increase in council pay earmarked for travel that he said wasn’t discussed or approved by council.

Nock instructed Matthews to pre-

pare answers to Holland’s requests and present them at the next meeting.

During the audience comments portion of the meeting, former District 5 Councilmember Esther Troast said she recalled passage of city legislation that would have prohibited conference travel outside the state Maryland.

Saying that she saved everything from her tenure, she promised to delve into specifics and report back.

When reached later, Nock said it is “crucial” for officials to expand their knowledge and learn what other cities are doing.

“If nothing else, these conferences renew your passion,” said Nock, “especially when you directly relate to a presenter and know you can bring an idea or a program home and make a difference.”

Auditors compliment county

BY JIMMY SHOCKLEY
Eastern Shore Post

Northampton’s auditor gave the county high financial marks during a presentation at the Dec. 9 meeting.

Jay Sanudo, of Robinson, Farmer, and Cox Associates, said Northampton County’s audit for fiscal year 2025 showed no problems.

The audit states the largest revenue source for Northampton County in FY25 was general property taxes, which totaled \$27.6 million, an increase of \$3.7 million over FY24.

Sales, consumer utilities, occupancy, recordation, food and beverage taxes, and motor vehicle licenses, decreased from FY24 by \$158,497.

Money invested in education has increased from about \$13 million to \$31 million with the construction of the Northampton Middle and High School complex.

Sanudo concluded by saying, “I’m very impressed with the county’s finance department,” while adding that Northampton County has one of the best relationships between the board of supervisors and the school board that he has seen.

Supervisor John Coker said, “It doesn’t make any sense (to work against schools). We’re all on the same team.”

Sodium, coliform in water

Hélène Doughty, an agriculture and natural resources extension agent for the Virginia Cooperative Extension, gave a presentation at the Northampton County Board of Supervisors meeting Tuesday about Northampton County’s 2025 in agriculture and aquaculture.

She said the extension performed a household water quality testing program that revealed too high of a sodium content in nearly 50% of the Northampton County homes tested and too high of a coliform content in 25% of the homes tested.

To help fix these issues, Doughty said the Virginia Cooperative Extension offers advice and guidance.

Doughty said Northampton County leads the state in aquaculture sales and vegetable and potato production in terms of market value sold, is third in nursery, greenhouse, and floriculture in market value, fourth in crops overall, and eighth in soybean acreage.

An agriculture census from 2022 revealed an increase in farms in Northampton County in recent years, most notably an increase in small farms, she said.

Updated food truck laws

The board of supervisors voted to add more regulations surrounding food trucks and canteen trucks, including differentiating between the two.

Food trucks sell to the public, while canteen trucks sell to people at sites to give them the option of not leaving to get food, like on a construction site, for example.

The new laws prohibit overnight parking on properties of food or canteen trucks without permission from the owner of the property, while also requiring food trucks to have a permit issued by the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

New laws also restrict LP gas cylinders, meaning 200 gallon cylinders are the maximum allowable and that 100 pounds is the maximum weight when filled.

Stay safe with wintertime traveling

Deck the halls, plan the gift list, and pack the car. With holiday shopping, errands, and family travel in full swing, safety experts are urging caution when venturing out this winter.

“As winter weather sets in, every decision behind the wheel matters,” said Kristin Pettway, executive director of the nonprofit Drive Smart Virginia. “Slow down, stay focused, drive sober, and buckle up so every family, including yours, can celebrate the holidays together.”

To stay safe on the roads this holiday season, Drive Smart Virginia encourages drivers to plan ahead. If imbibing at celebrations, use a ride-sharing app or a designated driver to get home safely. And when running errands and shopping for presents, stay observant and aware of your surroundings. Stores will be busy, and nearly 20% of crashes happen in parking lots and garages. So always watch for pedestrians.

Roadways during winter can be treacherous, making it critical to practice safe driving habits.

Longtime police captain honored for service

BY JANET BERNOSKY
Eastern Shore Post

Recently retired Pocomoke City Police Capt. Brian Scott Craven was honored with a proclamation and well wishes celebrating his 30 years of service to the community during the City Council meeting Dec. 2.

In other Pocomoke City news:

■ Plans to proceed with a proposed Family Life Center are tabled until at least March, at the suggestion of Mayor Todd J. Nock, until a final site is determined.

Originally proposed for the downtown, Nock has begun discussions to explore a potential move to land near Pocomoke Middle School with Worcester County Schools Superintendent Annette Wallace.

A positive outcome for this move would be walkability to the center after school dismissal.

Concerns include the need for parking separate from the school and if grant funding for the downtown location can be used for another location.

■ By a vote of 3 to 2, council denied a request by Worcester County Commissioner Caryn Abbott for the minutes of a closed session held on Sept. 15.

Councilmembers Scott Holland and C.L. Marshall voted to approve.

■ A first reading was held for the creation of a general installment bond, not to exceed \$463,000, to replace two water tank mixers on city wells.

■ Police Chief Arthur Hancock, Nock, and several councilmembers expressed concerns regarding Maryland Senate Bill 422, which would automatically try youths aged 14 to 18 as juveniles and not adults, regardless of the crime, including murder.

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Please refer to Northampton county's website for further position description, requirements, and County's application form. Please submit completed County application form to Human Resources, P.O. Box 66, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, VA 23347 by **Monday, December 15, 2025**, at 5:00 p.m. **Northampton County is an EOE.**

PART-TIME COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

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

Qualifications: Over the age of 18 and have obtained high school diploma or GED. 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 from the County's website https://www.co.northampton.va.us/government/jobs_opportunities/job_openings

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Help Wanted

OPEN POSITIONS

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Requires high school diploma or GED, and one (1) year of related experience. Experience as a building inspector is desired. Provides customer service to the public pertaining to building permits. The position is responsible for performing building inspections and reviewing construction plans.

Requires valid Virginia Driver's License. Excellent communication skills are essential. This salary ranges from \$48,261 to \$73,644.

CODE COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR

Northampton County is accepting applications for a full-time Code Compliance Inspector. The essential function of this position is to provide customer service to the public pertaining to code inspections and enforcement of county codes. The position is responsible for inspections and enforces violations of Chapter 92: Abandoned, Inoperable and Unattended Vehicles; Chapter 94: Nuisances; and Chapter 154: Zoning Code.

Requires high school diploma or GED, and one (1) year of related experience. Excellent communication skills are essential. This salary ranges from \$42,665 to \$65,073.

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Requires Bachelor's degree in planning or closely related field of study or at least three (3) years of related experience and demonstrated ability to handle multiple projects, public speaking, and maintain good public relations. Excellent communication skills are essential. This salary ranges from \$62,877 to \$96,192.

Please refer to Northampton county's website at <https://tinyurl.com/yezesa6ra> for further position descriptions. Please submit a completed County application with cover letter to Human Resources. Positions open until filled.

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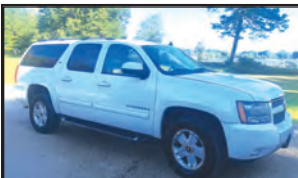


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Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-882
vs.

The heirs and devisees of DANIEL HAYES, et als., etc.
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 tax map number 111A30100000100.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Gilbert Pitts and the heirs of Daniel Hayes appear on or before January 16, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 18th day of November, 2025.
Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:
James W. Elliott
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1410
Yorktown, VA 23692
757-898-7000

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-883
vs.

The heirs and devisees of THOMAS C. JOYNES, et als., etc.
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 tax map number 085F0A000001900.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the heirs of Thomas C. Joynes and Peggy Harris appear on or before January 16, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 18th day of November, 2025.
Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-885
vs.

The heirs and devisees of MARCENA L. MAPP, et als., etc.
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 tax map number 10000A000002600.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that the heirs of Marcena L. Mapp (also known as Marcena Lennie Johnson Mapp), the heirs of Emma Cordelia Mapp, and the heirs of Lee Roy Mapp appear on or before January 16, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 18th day of November, 2025.
Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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TRUSTEE'S SALE 30362 BOBTOWN ROAD, PUNGOTEAGUE, VA 23422

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated December 22, 2009, in the original principal amount of \$228,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Accomack County, Virginia as Instrument No. 200905555, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Accomack County, 23316 Courthouse Ave., Accomac, VA, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on January 9, 2026, at 3:15 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE SITUATE IN THE VILLAGE OF PUNGOTEAGUE, PUNGOTEAGUE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A CERTAIN POINT AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERN EDGE OF STATE ROUTE 178, THE REMAINING LAND OF JAMES R. LOUKX FROM WHICH THIS PARCEL IS TAKEN, AND THE LAND HEREIN, THENCE RUNNING NORTH 32 DEGREES 25' 00" WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX AND EIGHTY-EIGHT HUNDREDTHS FEET (256.88); THENCE TURNING AND RUNNING NORTH 59 DEGREES 44' 41" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX AND SEVENTY-ONE HUNDREDTHS FEET (146.71 FT.); THENCE TURNING AND RUNNING SOUTH 52 DEGREES 41' 41" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF THIRTY-THREE AND TWELVE HUNDREDTHS FEET (33.12 FT.); THENCE TURNING AND RUNNING SOUTH 25 DEGREES 55' 00" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT AND THIRTEEN HUNDREDTHS FEET (228.13 FT.); THENCE TURNING AND RUNNING SOUTH 64 DEGREES 05' 00" WEST ALONG THE NORTHERN EDGE OF STATE ROUTE 178 FOR A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX AND FORTY-EIGHT HUNDREDTHS FEET (136.48 FT.) TO

THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS "39,204 S.F. (0.900 AC.)" CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY ENTITLED "PART OF PROPERTY OF JAMES R. LOUKX, PUNGOTEAGUE, PUNGOTEAGUE DISTRICT, ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA" DATED NOVEMBER 8, 1989, MADE BY BRUCE B. GALLUP, C.L.S., A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED TO A DEED RECORDED 12/7/1989 IN DEED BOOK 574 AT PAGE 262 FOR A MORE ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND HEREIN.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation.

Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA
Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-884
vs.

The heirs and devisees of CARRIE MATTHEWS, et als., etc.
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 tax map number 027A0A000000400.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that William S. Davison, Amerigo Buonnanno, Thomas A. Johnsen, the heirs of Carrie Matthews, and the heirs of Joseph James Matthews appear on or before January 16, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 18th day of November, 2025.
Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-309
vs.

JOHN THOMAS BARTEE, if living, et als.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent real estate taxes on tax map number 084C2-0A-00-0000147.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Thomas Bishop and John Thomas Bartee, if living, or the heirs of John Thomas Bartee, appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before January 9th, 2026.

Enter this 14th day of November, 2025.

Lauren Brown, Deputy Clerk

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VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-881
vs.

ANNIE AYRES, et als., etc.

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 tax map number 111A3A000001100.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Annie Ayres (also known as Annie Ayers), Isabelle Little, if living, or the heirs of Isabelle Little, Mary Blackshear, Hattie Alexander, if living, or the heirs of Hattie Alexander, and James D. Ayres (also known as James D. Ayers), if living, or the heirs of James D. Ayres, appear on or before January 16, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the above-named Court and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Enter this 18th day of November, 2025.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

I ask for this:

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NOTICE OF OYSTER PLANTING GROUND APPLICATION

Zachary Thornton (2025044) has applied for approximately 15.6 acres of oyster planting ground in Wachapreague Channel situated in Accomack County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-36.3774 / W75-38.5974

To view a map of the application, or to provide public comments, use this web link to search the application by number (2025044): 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

Zachary Thornton (2025043) has applied for approximately 16.9 acres of oyster planting ground in Revel Island Bay situated in Accomack County. The application is located at Lat/Long: N37-29.7822 / W75-41.2836

To view a map of the application, or to provide public comments, use this web link to search the application by number (2025043): 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.

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-198
vs.

JAMES E. TOWNSEND, et als.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent real estate taxes on tax parcel 027A00100001100.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Toi D. Beckett, Dermetric Douglas, Darren Douglas, Patricia Cropper, Bonnie Cropper, and the heirs of Ellen M. Townsend appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before February 5, 2026.

Enter this 5th day of December, 2025.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Accomack County Wetlands Zoning Ordinance, a public hearing will be held in the Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, 23296 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, Virginia, at 10:00 A.M., Thursday, December 18, 2025, for the following applications to be heard:

Scott Banning for Salty Spit, LLC: VMRC 2025-2321

This is a proposed replacement bulkhead two feet channelward of the existing bulkhead with 36 feet of frontage and a 14 foot return wall, and the portion of the project within the board's jurisdiction is the project between mean low water and mean high water. This project is located on Atlantic Avenue, Wachapreague, tax parcel 113A-6-B1.

Brent Bundick and Stephanie Bundick: VMRC 2025-1791

This is a proposed revetment and sill approximately 450 feet along the marsh edge, and the portion of the project within the board's jurisdiction is the project between mean low water and 1.5 times mean high water. This project is located at 5155 Winder Lane, Chincoteague, tax parcels 31B1-11-1A and 31B1-11-4.

Island Motor Inn, Inc.: VMRC 2020-0635

This is a proposed 631 foot bulkhead replacement two feet channelward of the current bulkhead and a 63 foot bulkhead closing off a boat basin with the boat basin being filled, and the portion of the project within the board's jurisdiction is the project between mean low water and mean high water. This project is located at 4355 and 4391 Main Street, Chincoteague, tax parcels 30A5-A-15A, 30A5-A-16, 30A5-A-18, 30A5-A-19, 30A5-A-23, 30A5-A-24, 30A5-A-25 and 30A5-A-26A.

All interested parties will be afforded the opportunity to be heard or to present written statements. Applications may be examined in the Office of Environmental Programs, 23282 Courthouse Road, Accomack, Virginia 23301. Handicapped assistance is available. Please call (757) 787-5723.

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY

THE COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

Plaintiff
CIVIL CASE NO. 25-762
vs.

RONDA S. BENNETT, et als.

Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Plaintiff for delinquent real estate taxes on tax parcel 075A0A000006200.

It is ORDERED that this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post and that Ronda S. Bennett and the heirs of Peggy A. Lewis appear at the above-named Court and protect their interests on or before February 9, 2026.

Enter this 9th day of December, 2025.

Brandy Childress, Deputy Clerk

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Legal Ads

VIRGINIA:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ACCOMACK COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
DAVID WHITFIELD ROWAN
VSB Docket No. 23-022-129140

CASE NO. 23CL587

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

ONE OBJECT OF THIS CASE is to identify all client claims existing against the law practice of David Whitfield Rowan ("Respondent") and to identify clients or creditors having an interest in and to funds held in the trust accounts of Respondent's law practice, now in the Receivership account. There may be clients or creditors who have such claims and interest whose identities are unknown; and

UPON MOTION of the Receivers, appointed in this cause pursuant to Va. Code § 54.1-3900.01, for this Order of Publication and the Court having deemed the same appropriate, it is

ADJUDGED, ORDERED, and DECREED that any and all persons and entities who have a claim against Respondent's law practice and/or interest in the funds held within the trust accounts of David Whitfield Rowan, deliver written notice of the same to Thomas G. Shaia and Andrea S. Bade, Receivers, Shaia's Law, PLLC, P.O. Box 2738, Mechanicsville, VA 23116, by 5 p.m. on February 9, 2026, and complete under oath the Proof of Claim Affidavit obtainable from the Receivers, whose telephone number is (804) 477-4972, and return said completed Proof of Claim Affidavit to the Receivers no later than February 9, 2026, at 5 p.m., and

The claims hearing for all contested claims shall be held before the Accomack County Circuit Court, 23316 Courthouse Avenue, Accomack, VA 23301. Only those who have timely filed a claim will receive any further notice of these proceedings. **Any claim not proven by a preponderance of the evidence at the time shall be forever barred from recovery against the funds in the possession and control of the Receivers.**

This Order shall be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Eastern Shore Post, a newspaper of general circulation.

ENTERED THIS 2 DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025
Honorable Lynwood Lewis, Presiding Judge

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 7257 SPUR LN, A/R/T/A 7263 SPUR LN, MACHIPONGO, VA 23405

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated April 30, 2007, in the original principal amount of \$98,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Northampton County, Virginia as Instrument No. 070001059, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Northampton County, 5229 The Hornes, Eastville, Virginia, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on January 9, 2026, at 2:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: **ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE ABOUT ONE-HALF (1/2) MILE SOUTHWEST OF SHADYSIDE, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA, TOGETHER WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, WHICH LOT IS FORTY-FIVE YARDS (45 YDS.) LONG AND FORTY-FIVE YARDS (45 YDS.) WIDE, AND IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF LIZZIE STEVENS; ON THE EAST BY THE LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF ARTHUR MORRIS; ON THE SOUTH BY THE LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF SMITH BELL; AND ON THE WEST BY THE LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF JOHN LANE'S HEIRS. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE EXPRESSLY SUBJECT TO THE EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS AND RESERVATIONS CONTAINED IN DULY RECORDED DEEDS, PLATS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS CONSTITUTING CONSTRUCTIVE NOTICE IN THE CHAIN OF TITLE TO THE PROPERTY HEREBY CONVEYED, WHICH HAVE NOT EXPIRED BY LIMITATION OF TIME OR OTHERWISE BECOME INEFFECTUAL.**

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation.

Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 33.2-908 of the Code of Virginia, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors, upon its own motion, hereby gives notice of its intent to abandon the following described portion of State Route 692 (Happy Union Drive):

That portion of State Route 692 which is to be abandoned in its entirety is approximately 3,500 feet beginning at the property line (marked with flags) and running to Happy Union private driveway.

NOTICE: ABANDONED WATERCRAFT

Notice is hereby given that the following watercraft has been abandoned for more than **60 DAYS** on the property of Cape Charles Yacht Center, Cape Charles Marina LLC, 1011 Bayshore Road, Cape Charles VA 23310. 757-250-2913.

Description of watercraft — Build: Herd & MacKenzie North Sea Trawler; Length: 63 feet; Year: 1962; Color: Brown wood; Hull ID: Not available; Build #196

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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VMRC #2025-1925) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to maintenance dredge approximately 800 cubic yards of material to restore maximum depths of minus five (-5) feet below mean low water within an existing boat basin and a 30-foot width access channel along Wachapreague Channel in Accomack County. Dredged material will be pumped to an upland disposal site.

You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2025-1925) at <https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/>

We will accept comments by the USPS provided they are received within 15 days of this notice to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Hampton, VA 23651.

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Description of watercraft — Build: Hunter; Length: 26 feet; Year: Unknown; Color: White; Hull ID: HUN50323M766-2

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By Ryan Berenz

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2. What three events make up horse racing's Canadian Triple Crown?
3. At the 2000 Sydney Paralympic Games, what country's basketball team forfeited their gold medals after it was revealed that most of their players had no mental or physical handicap?
4. What Major League Baseball team owner claimed to have engaged in a fistfight with two fans in a hotel elevator during the 1981 World Series?
5. According to NBA rules, what is the maximum pressure (in pounds per square inch) of an official basketball?
6. What starting pitcher for the Kansas City Royals won two AL Cy Young Awards (1985, 1989) and was named MVP of the 1985 World Series?

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Answers
1. Danny Abramowicz
2. The King's Plate, Prince of Wales Stakes, and Breeders' Stakes
3. Spain
4. George Steinbrenner
5. 8.5 PSI
6. Bret Saberhagen

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Description of watercraft — Build: Betrem; Length: 30 feet; Year: 1979; Color: White; Hull ID: BERH1067M79K-33479.

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Description of watercraft — Build: Novi; Length: 40 feet; Year: Unknown; Color: White; Hull ID: Unknown

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Description of watercraft — Build: Tanzer; Length: 22 feet; Year: 1990; Color: White; Hull ID: IDTNE21715M80B

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Sand Hills Irrevocable Trust (VMRC #2025-2005) is requesting a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to install two (2) 60-foot stone sills with sand nourishment adjacent to property serving 1488 Ellen's Lane situated along the Chesapeake Bay in Northampton County.

You may provide comments on this application (VMRC #2025-2005) at <https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/habitat/comments/>

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Chinco. Channel	H L	2:04 p.m. 8:06 a.m.	H L	2:59 p.m. 9:05 a.m.	H L	3:51 p.m. 10:02 a.m.	H L	4:42 p.m. 10:56 a.m.	H L	5:29 p.m. 11:45 a.m.	H L	6:14 p.m. 12:31 p.m.	H L	6:56 p.m. 1:15 p.m.
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Folly Creek	H L	2:56 p.m. 8:37 a.m.	H L	3:52 p.m. 9:40 a.m.	H L	4:45 p.m. 10:42 a.m.	H L	5:33 p.m. 11:39 a.m.	H L	6:17 p.m. 12:28 p.m.	H L	6:59 p.m. 1:11 p.m.	H L	7:29 a.m. 1:50 p.m.
Wachapreague	H L	2:21 p.m. 8:13 a.m.	H L	3:12 p.m. 9:09 a.m.	H L	4:06 p.m. 10:05 a.m.	H L	4:56 p.m. 10:58 a.m.	H L	5:42 p.m. 11:47 a.m.	H L	6:26 p.m. 12:34 p.m.	H L	7:02 a.m. 1:19 p.m.
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Onancock Creek	H L	6:09 p.m. 12:39 p.m.	H L	7:03 a.m. 1:44 p.m.	H L	8:02 a.m. 2:42 p.m.	H L	8:50 a.m. 3:34 p.m.	H L	9:33 a.m. 4:22 p.m.	H L	10:14 a.m. 5:06 p.m.	H L	10:53 a.m. 5:45 p.m.
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Weekly SUDOKU

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

MECHANICS OF SOLVING

ACROSS

- 1 Has a snooze
5 Workout unit
8 Anti-DUI ad, maybe
11 "The Maltese Falcon" hero
19 Conical-bore woodwind
20 Log chopper
21 Possess
22 Former airline to Rome
23 Composer of the 1938 ballet "The Incredible Flutist"
26 Squirrel-sized monkeys
27 Super-cold
28 Poddled plant
29 What a dieter may reduce
31 Pressure-reducing elastic stockings
34 Mork's home planet
35 German city
36 Ordinal suffix
37 Yvette's "yes"
38 "Gremlins" actress Cates
44 Folk great Bob
47 Edison's phonograph medium
49 Writer Rand
52 Prefix with treat or trust
- 53 Bird bill
55 Booting out
56 Horn honk
58 Cleans up, as code
60 Hit PC game of the 1990s
62 Director Preminger
63 Heater along the bottom of a wall
67 Houston ballplayer
68 Ending for Gator
69 CIO partner
70 Greek vowels
75 Bracing wear for a body-builder
81 Dog in "The Thin Man"
85 "Little" actress Rae
86 Mrs. with a famous cow
87 "500" auto race
88 Hone
90 William of "Hopalong Cassidy"
91 Its cap. is Buenos Aires
93 Levy
94 Video surveillance device, briefly
97 Of — (somewhat)
99 Bit of skin art
100 Timid
- 101 Cable TV channel for buying goods
103 Flee to wed
107 "I solved it!"
108 Type of needle-free syringe
111 ThinkPad power source, e.g.
118 Cl- or Na+
119 Gold, to Luisa
120 Zesty potato chip go-with
121 Where nine key words in this puzzle can be found
124 Word after poet or Nobel
125 LA-to-MI dir.
126 Tea vessel
127 Swing about
128 Evaluated
129 Lobed thing
130 Turndowns
131 Actress Harper
- 9 Very muscular, in modern lingo
10 Year, to Nero
11 Like "Weekend Update" reports
12 "Alas and —"
13 "Bosch" actress Rogers
14 Lee of Marvel
15 Component
16 Et — (plus others)
17 Rinky- —
18 Relieve
24 Person for whom a thing is named
25 Kilt wearer
30 Butter-and-flour mixture
32 Crosswalk user, for short
33 Coop female
37 Tree of Illinois
38 Largest dwarf planet
39 — and hers
40 Aware of
41 Revise text
42 Crooked
43 Therefore
45 Venice beach resort
46 Totally lost
47 "That — close call!"
- 48 Former Royals manager Ned
49 "Mamma Mia" group
50 In-favor votes
51 Chick's home
53 Indian religion founder
54 White heron
57 For each
59 Talks big
60 Ticked off
61 Crimean resort port
64 Curtsy, e.g.
65 How often the sun rises
66 Fix, as a fight
71 Osaka sash
72 Festival shelter
73 Actor Alan
74 River of myth
76 "Old Mac-Donald" letters
77 Lacks entity
78 Impend, as a deadline
79 Investments for later yrs.
80 Songwriter Laura
81 Helper: Abbr.
82 Old New York ballpark
83 Diplomacy
84 In — (mired)
- 89 Expert
90 Large inlet
92 Actor Lorne
95 Like a slingshot or a wishbone
96 Schmooze
97 Singer DiFranco
98 Pampering, for short
101 Cowboy doing a roundup, say
102 Eye affliction
104 Peter of "Becket"
105 Spongelike
106 Wears away
107 Grab — (eat fast)
108 Actress Elfman
109 Hot rod fuel
110 Long — (winter undies)
111 Singer Falana
112 Santa — (hot winds)
113 Name of 12 popes
114 Ripped
115 Small bills
116 Sidewalk smooches, e.g., for short
117 Melody
122 Leg it
123 Prez after FDR

DOWN

- 1 Not at all, quaintly
2 Ancient calculator
3 Corals, e.g.
4 Workout unit
5 Less ordinary
6 Brit living in America, e.g.
7 Architect I.M.
8 Soil-enriching compound

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